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LOCAL

Miami ISD to gather at 7 p.m. Monday

MIAMI — Partial departmentalization of third through fifth grades, sale of buses, a new course, legislative update, Val-Sal calculation and Texas Association of School Board Update 69 will be considered by the Miami Independent School District Board of Trustees at 7 p.m. Monday, in school administration office.

Several students will be recognized at the meeting. Included are Raven Sappenfield all-state choir and first in UIL competition; Kendra Sappenfield, first in UIL competition; Jennifer Hutchison, Marium Hannon and Jeffery Browning, all district basketball; and FCCLA parliamentary team junior division members Alyne Grantham, Kiersten Taylor, Nakita Derr, Delia Grantham, Cody Hutchison, Nathan James and Natasha Schmidt.

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Courthouse project under budget

Building dedication planned April 12

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
EDITOR

As workers place the finishing touches on the structure itself, officials also are finalizing Phase 1 and 2 of Gray County Courthouse's $5. 8 million renovation.

Project Manager John Kiehl, regional services director for the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission, and Larry Irsik, of ArchiTexas architectural firm, presented several last options for Gray County Commissioners to consider at their meeting Friday.

Not only has Phase I and II come in more than $218,000 under the baseline contract of $4.6 million, Kiehl reported, but $1.15 million of the work planned for Phase III has also been completed. As a result, Gray County will only have to pay about $500,000 to $600,000 to finish Phase III, he said, adding that the county has seven years to finish the work.

Of the money expended so far, 80 cents on the dollar has been paid through a grant from the Texas Historical Commission, Kiehl said.

Changes to the original plans have only accounted for a quarter of one percent, "which is remarkable, especially for a project of this size," according to the project manager.

After paying $1,000 for a dedication plaque, Kiehl said, the county will have $46,871 left for the project.

"It is to your advantage to spend down to the last dime of that grant money," Kiehl said.

Commissioners agreed to pay ArchiTexas a $43,661.62 incentive supplement in accordance with the architectural firm's contract. In it, the firm agreed to be rewarded with additional funds when costs were cut from the project, rather than paying additional funds when costs went up.

With the money left plus about $5,000 more, commissioners decided to reconnect water hose bibs on the north end of the courthouse ($1,527), install a 20-amp dedicated outlet for a copier for the 31st District Judge's office ($427.86), replace two cracked sewer lines discovered during the restoration ($2,000), and strip and seal the marble flooring stairs ($5,891).

County Auditor Elaine Morris said funds from the Tobacco Fund would cover the additional funds without jeapordizing any other budget.

A final walk-through is scheduled the week of April 7. Irsik said he would be present for the walk-through "taking it inch by inch." He said a representative of the Texas Historical Commission will likely be present for at least part of the walk-through also.

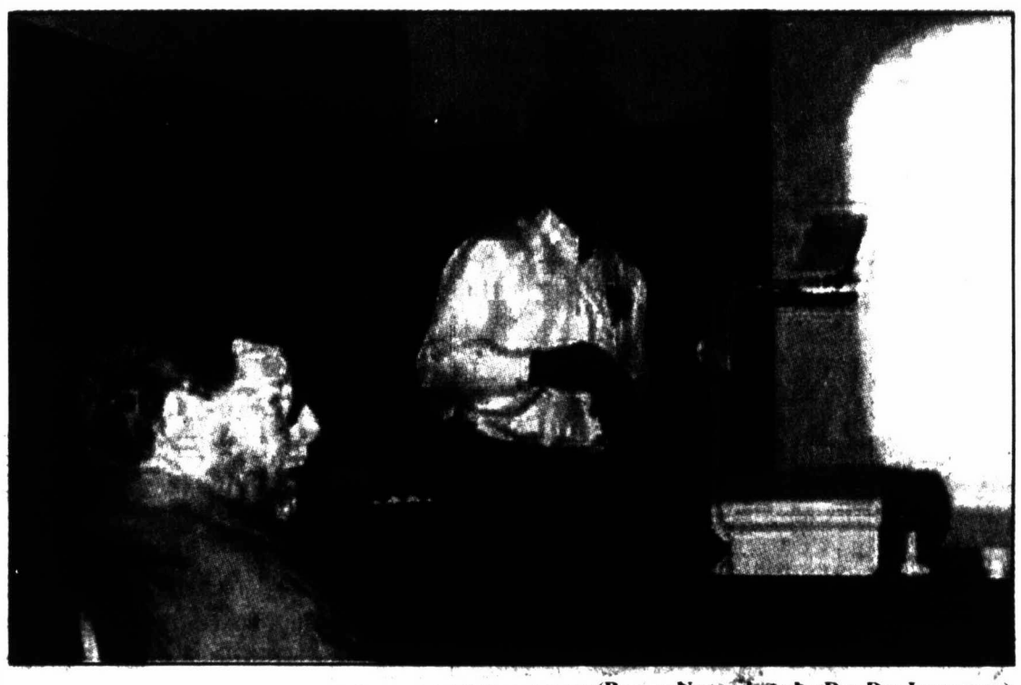
A rededication of the courthouse is set for Saturday, April 12. Training for mechanical representatives is tentatively set for April 14 and 15.

Gray County Judge Richard Peet said Gov. Rick Perry will not be attending the rededication. He said President George W. Bush has not yet replied to his invitation to attend.

In other action Friday, the Commissioners Court agreed to a lease option with GE Capital for a digital Canon 1330 copier for the Tax Assessor/Collector's office. The lease is for $75 per month for three years, with a maintenance contract for $39 a month which includes "everything but paper," according to Sammie Morris, tax assessor.

Commissioners agreed to set a 35 mile per hour speed limit on Gray County Roads E and 10, but took no action on a measure adding Treasurer Lee Cornelison's signature for Release of Securities.

The December 2002, January and February 2003 treasurer's reports were unanimously approved, as were bills and salaries as presented by the county auditor.



(Pampa News photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

John Kiehl, project manager for the Gray County Courthouse renovation, uses an overhead screen while discussing final steps in Phase I and II with Gray County Commissioners Friday. Kiehl serves as regional services director for the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission.

Budget ax may cut billions in education

By CONNIE MABIN
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

AUSTIN (AP) — Reading and math programs lauded by President Bush and Gov. Rick Perry would be eliminated under more than $2 billion in proposed education cuts adopted Friday by House budget writers.

"It makes me sick that we're having to try to develop a budget under these constraints," said Rep. Jose Menendez, D-San Antonio, a member of the House Appropriations Committee.

Perry and other Republicans leaders proclaim education their top priority. The leaders also have vowed not to raise taxes despite a $9.9 billion shortfall and have insisted the 2004-05 budget be written without new money.

The proposal that must be approved by the full House drew a steady stream of criticism at a hearing that went into the night. Despite the cuts, the committee managed to save some programs such as Head Start, lunch programs for low-income children and services for disabled youngsters.

The $20 billion Foundation School Program, the state's main source of money for basic education, also was spared. An earlier budget proposal would have chopped the program that sends money directly to schools by about $635 million.

If approved, the $28 billion proposal presented to the House Appropriations Committee also would:

—Ax programs aimed at helping ninth-graders stay in school;

—Cut funding to counseling programs for high-risk students;

—Put off a $318 million purchase of social studies and other textbooks that don't effect subjects included on state tests;

—Slash administrative costs at the Texas Education Agency by $30 million, including laying off 123 employees;

—Eliminate funding for 20 regional service centers that help schools with technology, training and other items. Small schools would get $20 million to help plug this hole.

"We did cut some programs that we hated to do," said Rep. Jim Pitts, the Waxahachie Republican who led the panel's education subcommittee. "Our priorities are, anything that we thought would touch a child, we wanted to fund."

Del Valle counselor Karen Greenwade pleaded with lawmakers to avoid a $15 million cut to programs that help her help 1,000 children deal with grief, anger management and stress from state tests she said "would touch a child."

The proposal recommends delaying $1.2 billion in state payments to school districts until fiscal year 2006, a move TEA has warned could cause cash flow problems and that critics call an accounting trick that would dig a deep hole for the state.

The proposal gets rid of $64 million for training programs that establish master math and reading teachers who instruct students in low-income schools. It also axes state money for other math and reading programs, exempting those that serve students through third grade.

The master teachers get $5,000-a-year bonuses for the extra training.

Bush lauded the reading initiatives on the presidential campaign trail and based some of the federal No Child Left Behind Act on the Texas programs.

Some of the funding would be replaced with federal money, Education Commissioner Felipe Alanis said.

Still, Pitts said, they're cuts "we're not comfortable with."

Perry's spokeswoman Kathy Walt said it's too early to get disappointed.

Some superintendents said it's not too early for stress in their communities, particularly because the proposal comes as schools are expected to meet higher state and federal standards.

Many of the cuts would be passed along to already cash-strapped schools, said Leonard Merrell, superintendent of Katy Independent School District.

The fast-growing district near Houston would lose at least $38 million over the next two years if the cuts are approved, and "we simply just don't have any place to find dollars," Merrell said.

"Something's got to give."

Alanis said the proposal "is not the ideal, but I will tell you that school districts are resourceful." He predicted the state's education gains would continue.

Lynn Moak, a consultant who represents urban schools, disagreed.

"You cannot take that kind of money from public education without having an impact," he said.

House Appropriations Chairman Talmadge Heflin, R-Houston, said the recommendations are one step in long budget process. He told witnesses he hopes more money will be found so lawmakers can write "a product that you feel like serves your needs better."

Bush, British and Spanish PMs to consider war today

By LUKAS I. ALPERT
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

Having failed to convince enough members of the U.N. Security Council to support their troubled war resolution, President Bush, British Prime Minister Tony Blair and Spanish Prime Minister Jose Maria Aznar planned to meet this weekend to make a last-ditch effort to win international support.

National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice said the leaders will explore "all of the possibilities," indicating that Sunday's summit in the Azores Islands will include talk about waging war without U.N. approval.

"It is time to come to a conclusion that says to Saddam Hussein, it is time for you to disarm or be disarmed," she said.

Anti-war protesters demonstrated in cities around the world Saturday, and thousands planned a march around the White House in Washington. Hundreds of thousands of Baghdad residents poured into the streets of the Iraqi capital Saturday to protest U.S. war plans.

At the United Nations on Friday, officials said privately that diplomatic efforts were dead and the only question left was whether the three leaders would decide to abandon their resolution giving Saddam a Monday deadline to prove Iraq is disarming or face war — or put it to a vote and face certain defeat.

Although council diplomats met one-on-one and in small groups, no meeting of the 15 members was scheduled, a sign there was nothing left to discuss.

Still, diplomats did not give up hope.

"It's not over until it is over," said U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan.

"As long as there's 1 percent possibility for peace we'll continue with our efforts," China's U.N. Ambassador Wang Yingfan said after meeting France's deputy ambassador.

But when asked if there was still 1 percent, he replied: "Everybody knows what's happening in that part of the world, such a big mass of the troops."

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OBITUARIES

JOYCE J. PRICE
1930-2003

STINNETT — Joyce J. Price, 72, died Friday, March 14, 2003, at Baptist-St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo. Services will be at 11 a.m., Monday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Orville Rogers, pastor, officiating and the Rev. Frank Cordoa assisting. Burial will be in Stinnett Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Brown Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Price was born Aug. 11, 1930, at Archer City, Texas, and had been a lifelong Stinnett area resident. She married E.C. Price on June 4, 1948, at Stinnett.

She was a member of First Baptist Church of Stinnett and Order of the Eastern Star.

She was preceded in death by a son, Johnny Price on Aug. 4, 1973, and his wife, Christine Ellen on Aug. 24, 1973; a grandson, Brian Lee Price on Aug. 28, 2001; and a great-grandson, Rhema Gorda.

Survivors include her husband, E.C. Price; two sons, Ronnie Dean Price of Denver, Colo., and C.H. Price of Stinnett; six grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

The body will lie-in-state at Brown's Memorial Chapel in Stinnett until service time.

The family requests memorials be to Stinnett Cemetery, P.O. Box 727, Stinnett, TX 79083.

TRUMAN ROWELL
1924-2003

Truman Rowell, 78, of Pampa, died Saturday, March 15, 2003. Graveside services will be at 10:30 a.m., Monday at Memory Gardens Mausoleum with the Rev. Rick Parnell, associate pastor of Central Baptist Church, officiating. Entombment will be in Memory Gardens Mausoleum under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Rowell was born July 2, 1924, at Commerce, Texas, and had been a Pampa resident since 1963. He married Pat Jackson on April 10, 1964, at Pampa.

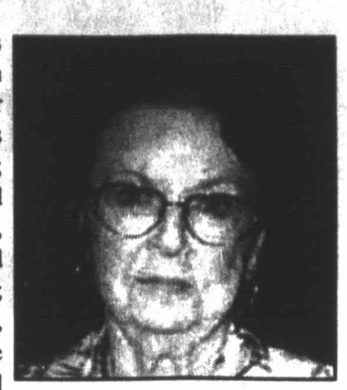
He was golf course superintendent at Celanese for 36 years and was a U.S. Navy veteran, serving during World War II.

He was preceded in death by a son, Randall Rowell.

Survivors include his wife, Pat, of the home; three daughters, Kathy West of Buckeye, Ariz., Pat Hibler of Wheeler and Teresa Knott of Odessa; three sons, Perry Rowell of Borger and Jason Rowell and Don Rowell, both of Pampa; three sisters, Opal Davidson of Sweetwater, Grace Banner of Brownsville, Tenn., and Naomi Gardner of Anaheim, Calif.; 11 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

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

ELIZABETH WHITE CARR
1918-2003



Elizabeth White Carr, 84, of Pampa, Texas, died Thursday, March 13, 2003, at Pampa. Memorial services will be at 2:30 p.m., today, Sunday, March 16, 2003, at the First United Methodist Church in Miami with the Rev. Jerry Moore, pastor of the United Methodist Church of Gruver, officiating. Burial will be in Miami Cemetery in Miami under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Carr was born April 5, 1918, in Gray County. She graduated from Spearman High School and Amarillo Beauty College. She married W.H. (Cy) Carr on Oct. 6, 1940, in Spearman. He preceded her in death on Jan. 23, 1984.

She later married Ray Caraway in May of 1999 in Gruver. He preceded her in death in 2002.

She had been a longtime resident of Miami before moving to Pampa in 2001. She was a beautician and a homemaker.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Miami.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Iris Morse White; her father and stepmother, Kiff and Ailene White; two brothers, John Morse White and James White; and three sisters, Cathryn Hall, Virginia Head and Joyce Tremble.

Survivors include a son, Gary Carr of Pampa; a sister, Frankie Sloan of Breckenridge, Texas; two brothers, Kiffie White of Borger and Tommie White of Dallas; and several nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be to Pampa Sheltered Workshop, 1301 W. Somerville, Pampa, TX 79065.

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

SERVICES TOMORROW

Services today

CARR, Elizabeth White — Memorial services, 2:30 p.m., First United Methodist Church, Miami.

Services tomorrow

PRICE, Joyce J. — 11 a.m., First Baptist Church, Stinnett.

ROWELL, Truman — Graveside services, 10:30 a.m., Memory Gardens Mausoleum, Pampa.

City Briefs

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ALTRUSA STYLE Show, MK Brown Heritage Room, Mar. 29th, 10:30 a.m.

CHANEY'S, SUN. 11-2 p.m. Brisket, chicken pot pie, salmon patties. All You Can Eat $7 (incl. salad bar, tea, dessert).

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Audit: USDA allowed unapproved imports

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Agriculture Department has been lax in guarding the food supply from potentially unsafe imported meat, an internal audit says.

From 1999 to 2001, the agency allowed in 823,632 pounds of meat from foreign plants that might have been prohibited from trading, said the report by USDA's inspector general released this week.

Of that, 66,299 pounds were from processors unapproved for shipping products to the United States, the report said.

Auditors said they were uncertain if the remaining meat was safe and came from approved exporters because the department failed to turn in enough records.

Overseas processors can be barred from shipping meat to the United States if they fail to comply with U.S. food safety laws or an animal disease outbreak is under way in the country of origin.

Some of the questionable meat was from plants "located in Argentina, Uruguay, the United Kingdom and Italy, four countries that had outbreaks of foot-and-mouth disease in 2001," the audit said.

Although foot-and-mouth disease cannot infect humans, it can easily spread among farm animals, such as cattle, pigs and sheep. An outbreak can cost a country billions of dollars in losses, including lost food sales.

ON RECORD

POLICE

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

Friday, March 14

Joe Scott Grubita, Jr., 27, 420 Wynn, was arrested for possession of marijuana under two ounces. He was also arrested on municipal warrants for no seat belt, failure to appear and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Michael Shea Box, 21, 2404 Comanche, was arrested on a warrant for theft over $500 and under $1,500.

FIRE

Pampa Fire Department responded to one call during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m., Saturday.

Friday, March 14

3:06 p.m. – Two units and four firefighters responded to a hazardous material clean-up due to a tanker rollover at Gray 6 and 1/2 and H, south of Pampa. No injuries were reported.

WEATHER FOCUS

PAMPA

Today's forecast is calling for partly cloudy skies, breezy conditions, chance of thunderstorms, highs in the lower 80s, south winds 20 to 25 mph, and a 30 percent chance of precipitation. Tonight should be partly cloudy, breezy with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, lows in the mid 40s, southwest winds 20 to 25 mph and a 20 percent chance of rain. Monday should be partly cloudy. Windy. Slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 70s. Southwest winds 25 to 30 mph. Chance of rain 20 percent. Monday night, mostly cloudy. Slight chance of showers. Lows in the upper 30s. Chance of rain 20 percent. Tuesday, mostly cloudy. Breezy. Chance of showers. Highs in the mid 50s. Chance of rain 30 percent. Tuesday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 30s. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 50s. Wednesday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 30s. Thursday, mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 60s. Thursday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 30s. Friday, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 60s.

Dixie Chicks lead singer voices opinion, angers Texas listeners

DALLAS (AP) — When it comes to President Bush, the Dixie Chicks are singing a different tune. But not every country radio station is playing it.

Natalie Maines, the Grammy Award-winning group's lead singer, apologized Friday for her criticism of President Bush and possible war against Iraq. That didn't stop some stations in Texas and other parts of the country from pulling Dixie Chicks songs off their programs.

Radio stations started getting angry calls from listeners after Maines told a London audience Monday, "Just so you know, we're ashamed the president of the United States is from Texas."

The Dixie Chicks are touring Europe, supporting their recent release "Home," where Maines said Friday they are "witnessing a huge anti-American sentiment as a result of the perceived rush to war." Maines said she is a mother and wants to see "every possible alternative exhausted" before lives are lost.

In her apology, Maines said, "As a concerned American citizen, I apologize to President Bush because my remark was disrespectful. I feel that whoever holds that office should be treated with the utmost respect."

Bush was born in Connecticut but grew up in West Texas. He has a ranch near Crawford, Texas and served as governor for six years. Maines is a native of Lubbock.

"We've had a huge listener reaction and movement against the statements," said Paul Williams, program director for KPLX-FM in Dallas-Fort Worth, the nation's fifth largest radio market.

On the Web site for KSCS-FM, also in Dallas-Fort Worth, was a photo of the three-member group, with black tape over Maines' mouth. The headline at www.kscs.com read: "Have The Dixie Chicks Gone Too Far?"

Ted Stecker, KSCS program director, said he had never had this kind of response from an audience during his 30 years in the music business.

"A lot could depend on how the Dixie Chicks respond and face their fans," he said.

In Kansas City, WDAF set trash cans outside the radio station for people to throw their Dixie Chicks CDs away. The station has boycotted the group's music on air, and its Web site displayed more than 800 e-mails from listeners. Most people voiced outrage about Maines' comment and praised the station for its boycott.

A few voiced support for the group and for their right to freely speak their opinions about the country and the president.

But Tom Fontaine, an on-air personality at KILT-FM in Houston, said, "We stand behind our president and we are proud he is from Texas."

The station has suspended playing the Dixie Chicks.

"We have run polls and the overwhelming majority of the calls have been for us not to play the Dixie Chicks," said Fontaine.



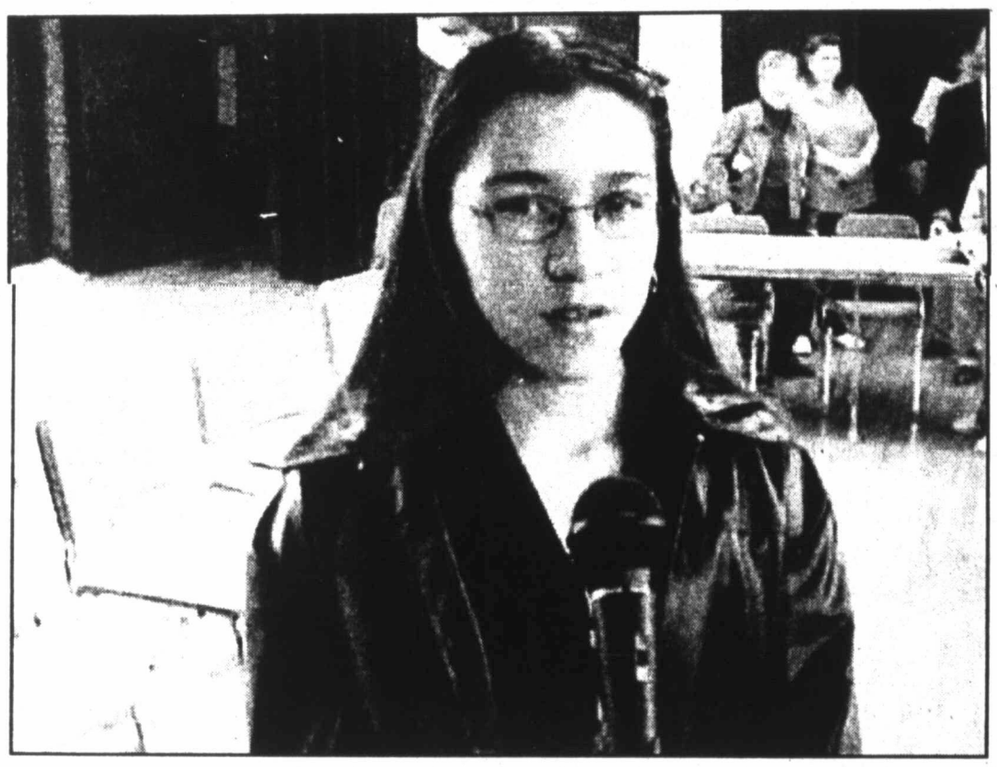


County spelling bee



(Courtesy photo)

Jenae McNeely, fifth grade Travis Elementary student, won the countywide spelling bee held recently at Pampa Middle School. Jenae is the daughter of Lane and Janet McNeely. She will represent Gray County in the 55th Regional Spelling Bee April 5 at West Texas A&M University in Canyon.



(Courtesy photo)

Fifth-grader Jessica Ramirez, of Lamar Elementary School, placed as an alternate in the Gray County Spelling Bee. Jessica is the daughter of Nancy and Enrique Villanueva. She will be the Gray County alternate for the Regional Spelling Bee April 5 in Canyon.



(Courtesy photo)

The countywide Spelling Bee was conducted recently at Pampa Middle School. Youth who won at their respective schools and advanced to the county bee included (front row, left-right) Ramon Jimenez, Paige Holt, Brennan Dickenson, Courtney Linn, Ashley Facio; (middle row, l-r) Joseph Johnson, Adam Gonzales, Britney Poulin, Alex Collins; and (back row, l-r) Gregiorio Cabrales, Jenae McNeely, Jessica Ramirez, Leah Wilson. Jenae McNeely of Travis Elementary was the winner; Jessica Ramirez of Lamar Elementary, the alternate; Brennan Dickenson, the fourth grade champion; and Joseph Johnson, the senior champion.

State to celebrate Ag Week

AUSTIN — Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs has announced March 16 to 22 is National Agriculture Week in Texas.

"Agriculture starts with the growing and harvesting of food and fiber and ends with almost everything we eat, wear and use," Combs said. "This week we honor the hard work and dedication of Texas farmers, ranchers and many other agriculture professionals in our state's food and fiber industry. These are the people who ensure that we have an abundant, reliable and affordable supply of food, natural fiber, horticultural, forestry and other agricultural products."

Combs kicked off National Agriculture Week in Texas by signing a proclamation and presenting a display at the state capitol that recognizes more than two centuries of Texas agriculture and the families that are part of that history. The display is a tribute to Texas' farm and ranch families who for generations have helped to cultivate the state's rich agricultural heritage. On Friday, March 21, she will wrap up National Agriculture Week by honoring more than 130 of those families during the 28th Annual Family Land Heritage Ceremony.

"It is easy for us to take for granted our agricultural abundance, which is why it is important that we recognize the rich legacy that makes this all possible," Combs said. "These are the people who have worked hard to build Texas agriculture into the second-largest industry in Texas. It is important that everyone is aware of their reliance upon farmers and ranchers whose stewardship ensures a substantial resource base for future generations."

From the Gulf Coast to the Panhandle, Texas is the most agriculturally diverse state. Agriculture generates $73 billion annually throughout the state's economy, with one out of every five Texans working in an agriculture-related industry.

"Texas agriculture plays a major role in health and nutrition as well as in water conservation, rural economic development, global trade and the preservation of the environment," Combs said. "National Agriculture Week gives us a chance to recognize the people who consistently enrich our lives in so many ways.

"Whether you produce the food and fiber, prepare and deliver the finished products, or consume them," Combs said, "you are part of Texas' agriculture heritage and should take pride in that legacy."

AGRIPARTNER REPORT

Texas Cooperative Extension's weekly AgriPartner Report for Gray, Roberts, Carson and Wheeler counties is as follows:

Lack of significant moisture in many weeks has the 2002-03 dryland wheat crop in a very stressed condition. Some producers are irrigating wheat while others are waiting because of the high energy costs.

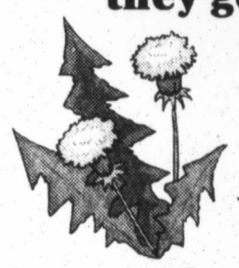
Some development in greenbugs has been reported with the most significant infestations in the southwest Texas Panhandle. The economic threshold for greenbugs infesting 3- to 6-inch wheat is 100 to 300 per foot of row. As plant height increases, higher infestation levels can be tolerated.

Pea aphids are being reported infesting the new growth alfalfa. An economic threshold for pea aphids this early in the season is not known. If it appears that the aphids are slowing plant growth, an insecticide application is likely justified.

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TODAY IN HISTORY

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Sunday, March 16, the 75th day of 2003. There are 290 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 16, 1802, Congress authorized the establishment of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y.

On this date:

In 1751, James Madison, fourth president of the United States, was born in Port Conway, Va.

In 1836, the Republic of Texas approved a constitution.

In 1850, Nathaniel Hawthorne's novel "The Scarlet Letter" was first published.

In 1915, the Federal Trade Commission was organized.

In 1935, Adolf Hitler scrapped the Treaty of Versailles.

In 1945, during World War II, Iwo Jima was declared secured by the Allies.

In 1968, during the Vietnam War, the My Lai Massacre was carried out by U.S. troops under the command of Lieutenant William L. Calley Jr.

In 1978, Italian politician Aldo Moro was kidnapped by left-wing urban guerrillas, who later murdered him.

In 1983, radio and television star Arthur Godfrey died in New York at age 79.

In 1985, Terry Anderson, chief Middle East correspondent for The Associated Press, was abducted in Beirut; he was released in December 1991.

Ten years ago: President Clinton met with ousted Haitian President Jean-Bertrand Aristide; afterward, Clinton announced he was sending a special envoy to Haiti to seek a return to democracy.

Five years ago: In a long-awaited document that Jewish leaders immediately criticized, the Vatican expressed remorse for the cowardice of some Christians during the Holocaust, but defended the actions of Pope Pius XII. Sgt. Maj. Gene McKinney, once the Army's top enlisted man, was reprimanded and demoted one rank by a jury that had convicted him of obstruction of justice in a sexual misconduct case.

One year ago: Gunmen killed Archbishop Isaias Duarte Cancino, a prominent critic of Colombia's leftist guerrillas, in Cali. Thirteen-year-old Brittanie Cecil was struck by a flying hockey puck during a game between the hometown Columbus Blue Jackets and the Calgary Flames; she died two days later.

Today's Birthdays: Comedian-director Jerry Lewis is 77. Former U.S. Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, D-N.Y., is 76. Movie director Bernardo Bertolucci is 62. Game show host Chuck Woolery is 62. Singer-songwriter Jerry Jeff Walker is 61. Country singer Robin Williams is 56. Actor Erik Estrada is 54. Actor Victor Garber is 54. Actress Kate Nelligan is 52. Country singer Ray Benson (Asleep at the Wheel) is 52. Rock singer-musician Nancy Wilson (Heart) is 49. Golfer Hollis Stacy is 49. Actress Isabelle Huppert is 48. Rapper Flavor Flav (Public Enemy) is 44. Folk singer Patty Griffin is 39. Actress Lauren Graham is 36.

Thought for Today: "The only joy in the world is to begin." — Cesare Pavese, Italian novelist (1908-1950).

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A national 'cry' for character



JIM DAVIDSON
COLUMNIST

The famous American lawyer and statesman Henry Clay once said, "Of all the properties which belong to honorable men, not one is so highly prized as that of character." Unless you have been under a rock for the past 30 to 40 years you know that as a nation, we have suffered greatly because of the lack of character on the part of far too many of our citizens. You can not think of any area in our society, including the economy, all levels of government, the church, the home and our most prized institutions of learning, and not find glaring examples of where more and more human beings are failing the character test. This has become so widespread and pervasive that it has almost become a national crisis.

As many of our leaders have recognized this need, the United States Department Of Education has provided over $25 million dollars in Federal Character Education grants to establish programs to provide Character Education programs for students in every state in the nation. I might add there is considerable debate as to whether this money is being spent in the right way. Many schools develop the programs at the elementary level when Dary Matera, a former reporter for the Miami News who has written ten books on this subject, says it should be focused at the high school level.

He points to Columbine and other high schools where tragedies have occurred as the basis for his thinking. Sometimes the need is seen by students themselves and they take matters into their own hands to do something about it. Such was the case at Mundelein High in Illinois. After a gross scene at an annual Homecoming football game and the crowning of the queen dissolved into a raucous cat fight, involving gallons of chocolate pudding, members of the junior class decided it was time to do something about the lack of character by other students in the school. And do something about it, they did!! They now have a far reaching story about a return to the concept of young people wanting to exhibit traits of dignity, class and personal character.

In my case, I don't have to look far to find a wonderful example of where a whole county of people are involved in developing character in the lives of their young people. One of the best places to live in our state is the progressive, fast growing, city of Monticello, Arkansas located in the Southeast part of the state. I went to college there a couple of years, back in the mid-fifties, so I will have to give you a disclaimer on the front end. But I can tell you this for sure, these people have it together.

Several years ago when the combined schools of Monticello and Drew Central decided to implement a character education program they decided to involve the whole community. It began with a first year kick-off at the town square with bands, students, parents, school officials, business people and a liaison from the governor's office in attendance. Later, every school campus did activities. For the first three years they instituted a "Word Of The Week" and the local newspaper provided space for people in the county to write an article about this word. The radio station taped spots, local businesses placed the word on their marquees and churches put it in their bulletins. Here are just a few of the words which will give you the idea, Responsibility, Cooperation, Politeness, Kindness, Generosity and Joy.

Two years ago they decided they wanted Character Education to become the culture of their schools and the community rather than just an event each week. Assistant Superintendent Barbara Brown spearheaded this effort and with the help of an advisory board they chose nine Character Education Guiding Principles that school personnel, parents, business people and community leaders agreed to live by. Character is caring.

Write to Jim Davidson at 2 Bentley Drive, Conway, AR 72034.



Deconstructing the United Nations



DICK MORRIS
COLUMNIST

If the long awaited second resolution authorizing the use of force in Iraq does not pass the United Nations Security Council, the Bush Administration should deconstruct the U.N. vote and pin the blame on specific countries.

It is one thing to ask Americans if they would support an invasion of Iraq if the United Nations approves, but quite another to ask if they would support it even if France or Russia or, should the US fail to get the required nine votes for passage, a country like Angola disapproves. By cracking open the process and identifying the nations that voted against us - or who vetoed the resolution - the Administration will salvage a public relations standoff from the jaws of defeat.

Indeed, Bush should go further and move to hang around the neck of the Security Council the same badge of irrelevance that now adorns the General Assembly. Would anyone think of asking the body that named Libya chairman of the disarmament committee and Iraq head of the panel on human rights what it thought of invading Baghdad? Ever since the General Assembly labeled Zionism a "form of racism" nobody has asked its opinion on anything. The same irrelevance must be pinned on the Security Council if it turns down the resolution.

If Bush and Powell get the nine votes needed to pass the resolution only to have the French, Russians and/or Chinese use their veto, the Administration line is obvious: We got the Council to agree but these permanent members vetoed the resolution and stood in the way of global opinion.

But if we fail to get the nine votes in the Security Council, we should identify the nations that voted "no" and, in effect, ask Americans if they want their foreign policy to be hostage to such nations. Except for Chile and Mexico, none of the swing votes in the Council are democracies and several have long records of human rights abuses. We should allude to their undemocratic conditions to dismiss their vote as irrelevant.

The United States should be willing to play hardball in pursuit of votes on the Council. If Chile opposes us, should we put plans for a free trade zone with them on hold? If Mexico votes no, should we not re-evaluate NAFTA?

In battling for the resolution, the Administration needs to point out that even the French concede that it is only because the US has 200,000 troops in Kuwait that Saddam is even pretending that he is disarming. We need to ask Paris how long they propose that we keep a goodly portion of our army there in order to give inspections a chance to work. Are the French prepared to pay for the cost of their maintenance? How about their combat readiness as we ask them to endure desert heat week after week, month after month, to give France and Russia time to go along? If the United Nations does not approve of the attack and the U.S. and Britain invade anyway, it will not hurt either of our two nations, but it will destroy the credibility of the United Nations. Countries like Angola, who have no power except their votes on the Security Council as elected members and nations like France whose sole claim to power is its veto, will suffer far more than we will. For us, going to the UN is the price we are paying for British support and for a measure of approval around the world. But for these nations, the UN is central to their world position. Anything which demeans it, strips them of their essential power in global affairs.

But, in a larger sense, we must realize that this is a war which will provide all the retroactive justification we will ever need. Any who doubt us now will become convinced by what we find when we occupy Iraq. The weapons, laboratories, and the testimony of Iraqi scientists will easily persuade any doubters that invasion was the only course.

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D.E.A.R Day



(Photo by Emily Elliott)

Students in Mrs. Debbie Lee's Pre-K class "swarm" Lamar Elementary School teacher Cheryl "Old Mother Hubbard" Lewis as she reads to their class during Lamar Elementary School's D.E.A.R. (Drop Everything And Read) Day recently. Teachers dressed up as characters from various children's books, and volunteers from throughout the community read some of their favorite books to students.

Austin Elementary Honor Roll

Austin Elementary School recently announced its honor roll for the fourth six-weeks grading period of the 2002-03 school year.

SECOND GRADE

A Honor Roll. Patterson Alvey, Rachel Andrews, Jocelyn Brady, Andrew Brown, Connor Brown, Bethany Casas, Jonathan Cox, Ryne Davis, Robin Doan, Caleb Dunham, Madison Fatheree, Makayla Hampton.

Sydney Hoelting, Libby Howard, Michael Landsverk, Cameron McDonald, Taylor Morgan, Nicholas Nelson, Caitlin Pruitt, Arin Rice, Elaine Selby, Ryan Smith, Austin Starbuck, Dakota Watson, Nathan White, Adam Williams.

AB Honor Roll. Aaron Allums, Kelsey Brookshire, Cole Buck, Taylor Dalton, Riddhi Jani, Tamra Klusmeyer, Jared Miner, Zachary Peters, Jacee Smith, Kassidy Winegeart.

THIRD GRADE

A Honor Roll. Libby Aler, Brendon Burrell, Ellen Cambern, Autumn Chidester, Heather Coffee, Latigo Collins, Cole Engle, Harley Jacobs, Aaron Jimenez, Taylor Kennedy, Kirsten Kuhn, Shannon Leigh, Kade Morse, Ryan Pearson, Landon Powell, Rance Schindler, Caitlyn Sieck, Elizabeth Terry, Nate Towry, Kailyn Troxell, Jessica Zellefrow.

AB Honor Roll. Talor Bowen, Jessica Butler, Samuel Cain, Treyci Carroll, Callie Coleman, Tara Garcia, Zac Hernandez, Austin Hinkle, K'Lyn King, Railey Reeves, Rhett Roden.

FOURTH GRADE

A Honor Roll. Payton Alvey, Olin Boyd, Katie Dunham, Garrett Ericson, Holly Gage, Lynsie Guyer, Dwight Hamlin, Ashlee Holland, Paige Holt, Jackie Karson, Evan McElwain, Trevor McVay, Tyler Rabel, Brenden Rice, Garrett Sewell, Hannah Smith, Colton Sweatt, Cameron Wall.

AB Honor Roll. Karina Cabrales, Trent Carter, Nicholas Collins, Haley Copeland, Lane Dyer, Pierce Holt, Dillon Kyle, Jonathan Polasek, Shanda Roberts, Danielle Zuniga.

FIFTH GRADE

A Honor Roll. Michael Adams, Erin Buck, Corbin Clifton, Cheyanne Collins, Ryan Conner, Kimberly Curtis, Megan Gragg, Alyssa Hoelting, Savannah Hoover, Mary McKay, Jon Murray, Gabby Powell, Rebecca Taylor, Emilie Troxell, Kelsey Watson, Shelbie Watson, Hannah White, Ellen Whiteley.

AB Honor Roll. Ethan Addy, Evan Aderholt, Craig Conner, Amanda Evans, Samantha Finney, Kately Jones, Zach Organ, Samantha Pearson, Savannah Smith, Carlyn Teichmann, Kayla Ware, Leah Wilson.

Eagle Scout



(Courtesy photo)

Jonathon Kilhoffer, 18-year-old son of Ginger Kilhoffer, earned the rank of Eagle Scout during a Boy Scout ceremony recently at First Christian Church with Scout Masters Bill Schroeder and Mike Donnelly presiding. Kilhoffer is a senior at Pampa High School.

Woodrow Wilson Elementary Honor Roll

Woodrow Wilson Elementary School recently announced its honor roll for the fourth six-weeks grading period of the 2002-03 school year.

Second Grade. Junior Davila, Rosa Hernandez, Reena Patel, Brenda Resendiz, Serena Reyes, Martecia Alexander, Renee Baggerman, Dakota Cochran, Baylin Lawson, Daniel Ortiz, Johnathen Rowell, Michael Steadman, Brittany Weatherford, Omar Carrasco, Tori Ford, Summer Seiber, Tyler Roberts.

Third Grade. Seth Almanza Yelitza Anguiano, Nicole Devers, Tammy Phillips, Mario Rivera, Dustin Whinery, Caylee Steward, Angela Carlton, Devin Asencio, Nicole Brashears, Brienne Moyer, Cody Parks, Joleen Pittman, Joseph Vizcaino, Ryan Damron, Marisol Dominguez, Kizer Williams, Meganne Longo, Samantha Powell, Dillon Estep, Courtney Ward, Junnis Garcia.

Fourth Grade. Mariah Anguiano, Crystal Garcia, Kaci Reyes, Tatiana Rios, Rudi Rivera, Bernardo Tinajero, Jessica Vargas, Tayleranne Callahan, Christina Rodriquez, Sarrah Ennis, Lauren Wilemon, James Scott, Patricia Mata, Dakota Turlington, Ryan Weeden, Jessica Gutierrez, Jose Recendiz, Cynthia Solis, Ben Hearron, Collin Dull, Leslie McDowell, Kira Soto, Mary Beth Cox, Brennan Dickinson, Michael Feagin, Andres Jimenez, Karen Jimenez, Lesleigh LaRue, Salvador Lopez, Eric Ortiz, Tyler Randle, Alex Recendiz.

Fifth Grade. Meghan Asencio, Brittany Bennett, Ryan Jimenez, Leonel Madrid, Aleah Noble, Miranda Waldrop, Amanda Castleman, Ricky Caballero, Kelsey Ford, Jordann Hughes, Phoenix Keeter, Lariat Lowery, Nathan Smith, Justin Carlton, Matricia Davis, Bethney Poulin, Delissa Salazar, Agapito Salazar, Shayla Keith.

West Texas A&M initiates brand new ticketing process

CANYON — West Texas A&M University graduation candidates will receive something extra for May commencement this year—10 guest passes each.

"Crowds at May graduation have become close to unmanageable in terms of numbers," Dr. Russell C. Long, University president, said. "Graduations are one of those lifetime moments. We want to do everything we can to make sure it's a special day."

Tickets, up to 10 per candidate during the initial offering with a valid Buffalo Gold Card, are free and will be available at the Jack B. Kelley Student Center Information Desk April 7-25. Off-campus students may send their requests to Academic Affairs, WTAMU Box 60727, Canyon, Texas 79016. The written request should include name, social security number, number of tickets requested (limit 10), mailing address and signature.

Leftover tickets will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis at the Event Center beginning May 1.

Seating will remain first-come, first-served.

"It's a general-admission ticket," Barbara Petty, assistant to the provost/vice president for academic affairs, said. "It'll get you in the door. The ticket won't reserve you the seat of your choice, but it will guarantee you a seat."

Officials are expecting 575-600 graduates in May, traditionally the largest of the three commencements hosted by the University each year.

The ceremony will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 10 at the WTAMU Event Center. Capacity, not including graduates and stage guests, is 4,706.

CORONADO INN MEMORABILIA AUCTION

Many memorabilia items from the Grand Coronado Inn will be offered at silent auction

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FLEEING AMERICANS ATTACKED

WAREHOUSE IS ROBBED FOR A THIRD TIME

American Gas Firm Loses Accessories And Tools

WINDOW WAS BROKEN OPEN

Big Casings Removed From Truck By Thieves

For the third time in the last few months, the American Gasoline warehouse was robbed last night.

The theft was made by scaling a board fence, breaking a window and opening a door to remove large tires and accessories. The loss was discovered this morning.

That the thieves took plenty of time about their work is shown by the fact that they removed five casings from a truck.

Officers who are working on the case believe the loot was removed in a large car or truck.

Sheriff's Force Gets Big Haul In Liquor Raid

The sheriff's department made a raid Monday night on the farm of W. M. Spangler, 2 miles from McLean and found about 200 bottles of hard cider and choc beer.

The bottles ranged from 3-ounce to pints. Spangler was arrested and charged with possessing intoxicating liquors for sale. Spangler claims the beverage was for home use.

Eight Men Are Believed Killed In Mine Explosion

HARRISBURGH, Ill., March 30.—Eight men entombed are believed to have been killed in a gas explosion today in the Saline County Coal corporation's mine No. 2 at Ledford, near here.

Three other miners were injured, but 300 other men in the mine have been accounted for.

LEGISLATOR DIES

WASHINGTON, March 30.—(AP)—Representative Lazaro of Louisana died here today from complications after an operation. He was 54 years old.

Three More Men Out For Aldermen In City Election

Filing of three additional names in the aldermanic election of April 5 assures Pampa of a short but active race this year.

The new names are Tom Rose and Baker Saulsbury to fill the two vacancies in the first ward, and J. E. Murfee for re-election as alderman from the second ward.

The candidates now are:

First ward, M. Heflin, Tom Ward, Baker Saulsbury.

Second ward, Alex Schneider and J. E. Murfee.

Third ward, F. T. Mason.

Voting will be by wards.

School Trustees Will Run Again

J. M. Dougherty and C. T. Hunkapillar have agreed to run for re-election as school trustees. The election to take place Saturday, April 2. Up to this tome no new names have been handed in, but it is expected there will be additional names received.

Ford In Hospital Suffering As Result Of Collison Sunday

(By The Associated Press.)

DETROIT, March 30.—It was reported today that Henry Ford is in the Henry Ford hospital suffering from injuries received when his car was struck by another automobile Sunday night and knocked over an embankment.

Ford was taken to the hospital Tuesday night, when it was believed his injuries were slight and he was merely examined.

It was learned late today Ford had undergone a minor operation. The manufacturer was able to walk unaided to his estate following the accident, it was stated.

Uncle Sam Moves To Release Citizen Kidnaped Sunday

(By The Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, March 30.—Ambassador Sheffield at Mexico City was directed today by the state department to make representations at the foreign office regarding the kidnapping at Guadaljara on Sunday of Edgar Wilkins, an American citizen.

Wilkins' 10-year-old son was captured at the same time, but was released and told to return with a ransom.

Blonde Sponsor-in-Chief



Emily Etheridge

(By The Associated Press)

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., March 30.—A blonde with brown eyes—Miss Emily Etheridge—will be sponsor-in-chief of the Sons of Confedefate Veterans when the annual reunion is held in Tampa, Fla., April 5.

Commander-in-Chief Lucius L. Moss, of Lake Charles, La., has just announced her appointment. She is the 17-year-old daughter of D. S. Etheridge, a past commander-in-chief, of Chattanooga.

I. C. C. REFUSES TO LOWER LIVESTOCK FREIGHT RATES IN WESTERN HALF OF COUNTRY

(By The Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, March 30.—Railroad rates on livestock throughout the western half of the United States were declared by the Interstate Commerce commission to be not unreasonably high, and a series of complaints by the American National Live Stock association and other organizations within the industry demanding reductions were dismissed.

Texas Not Affected

FORT WORTH, March 30.—Refusal of the Inter-State Commerce commission to grant a reduction in livestock rates as sought by the American National Livestock association and other organizations will have little effect on Texas industry, E. B. Spiller, secretary-general manager of the Texas Southwestern Cattle Raisers association said here today.

500 Men May Die In Mine— Explosion Great

(By The Associated Press.)

PITTSBURGH, March 30.—More than 500 men are entombed by an explosion in the Ireenfeld Mine of the Pennsylvania Coal and Coke corporation today, according to reports received here.

The mouth of the mine was wrecked, and it is said the force of the explosion was so great that it wrecked a two-story office building 200 feet from the entry.

Little hope is held for the men.

Temporary Officers Of Lions Club Are Named In Meeting

At a meeting to form a local Lions club last night, F. A. Peek was elected temporary president and William Fraser, temporary secretary. The officers elected are to arrange for a future meting to take the form of a luncheon. A list of eligibles was made out and those present are to meet soon with prospective members.

Marland Employe At Borger Nearly Killed At Plant

BORGER, March 30.—Physicians today are trying to save the life of Willard E. Stephens, 27 years old, who was seriously injured early this morning while working at the Marland gas lift station two miles north of Borger.

Stephens was hurt when he pulled a valve under high pressure. His injuries include a broken leg, crushed shoulder, gashed cheek, broken teeth, and countless bruises.

Miss Hazen Campbell was in Borger for the week-end.

Sinclair Seeks A New Trial

(By The Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, March 30.—Convicted of contempt of the Senate in refusing to answer questions in the Teapot Dome Investigation, Harry Sinclair, millionaire oil operator, sought a new trial today in the District of Columbia Supreme Court.

The principal grounds upon which his counsel argued was that the jury was not permitted to weigh all the evidence and was in effect an instructed return verdict against the lessee in th Wyoming Naval oil Reserve.

Names of Pupils Missed In Census Wished At Once

Anyone in this district knowing any boy or girl within the school age that has not been enumerated for the schqlastic census is asked to notify any trustee, the superintendent of the principal of the schools.

It is important that this be done and every student enrolled before April 1 means $15 to the school system.

Voting Is Rapid In Bond Election Today In County

To the accompaniment of music by the Chamber of Commerce orchestra, and favored by a pleasant though cloudy day, Pampa voters are going to the polls in rapidly increasing number to cast their ballots for or against the issuing of road bonds.

At 3:30 p. m. more than 350 ballots had been cast, and lines were waiting. The voting started briskly early this morning, but slowed down toward noon, when but 140 persons had voted.

Groups and individuals were out early today to encourage people to vote, and the orchestra drove over town playing.

Despite the extensive efforts to bring out a heavy vote, indications are that the total for the county will be light. While many believed this afternoon that Pampa would contribute her two-thirds majority, forecasts of the county result varied greatly.

At the Pampa polls in the Chamber of Commerce rooms J. T. Crawford is presiding as judge, and C. T. Nicholson, E. F. Young, and John Roby are acting as clerks.

Many Changes Are Made In Operating Officials of Road

AMARILLO, March 30.—Important changes in operating officials on the Eastern and the Western lines, grand operating divisions of the Santa Fe Railway, will take place on April 1st.

F. C. Fox, general manager of the Eastern lines with headquarters at Topeka since 1916, becomes assistant to the vice-president in charge of operations with headquarters at Topeka.

F. A. Lehman, general manager of the Western lines for six years, succeeds Mr. Fox as general manager of the Eastern lines, with headquarters at Topeka.

R. H. Allison, assistant general manager of the Eastern district of the Eastern lines, comes to Amarillo as general manager of the Western lines.

D. S. Farley, assistant general manager of the Western district of the Eastern lines, succeeds Mr. Allison.

A. Ewing, superintendent of the New Mexico division since 1920, with headquarters at Las Vegas, succeeds Mr. Farley as assistant general manager of the Western district of the Eastern lines with headquarters at Topeka.

J. F. Anton, superintendent of the Slaton division since 1920, succeeds Mr. Ewing as superintendent of the New Mexico division.

J. C. Barton, assistant superintendent of the Panhandle division, is promoted to superintendent of the Slaton division with headquarters at Slaton, Texas.

Mr. Allison, the new general manager of the Western Lines, entered railway service in 1887 and has been in continuous service for 40 years. He became dispatcher of the Santa Fe railway in 1902, advanced to chief dispatcher in 1903, to trainmaster in 1905, to spuerintendent in 1914, and to assistant general manager in 1920.

The Western lines, one of the four operating districts into which the Santa Fe railway is divided, include over four thousand miles of main line in Western Kansas, Colorado, New Mexico, northwest Texas and western Oklahoma.

Max Merry, an officer of the Morrow-Thomas Hardware company of Amarillo, is in Pampa today.

C. A. Love, owner of the Love Dry Goods company at Panhandle and Borger, is a business visitor in Pampa today.

U. S. CRUISER ANSWERS FIRE FROM CHINESE

Nationalist Troops Continue Demonstrations In Nanking

LOOT OF CATHOLIC MISSION REPORTED

Williams Is Doubtful That Many Killed In Shelling

(By The Associated Press.)

WASHINTON, March 30.—Removal of Americans from the long reaches of the Yangtse river valley in China continued today to the accompaniment of constant firing from shore at destroyers and other ships.

Meanwhile, there was apparent uneasiness over conditions at Wuhu, where anti-foreign outbreaks such as that which took place in Nanking the reported to be momentarily expected.

(By The Associated Press.)

SHANGHAI, March 30.—As the United States destroyer John D. Ford was on its way to Nanking yesterday, it was fired upon by Nationalist troops.

The cruiser replied with its 4-inch guns.

WASHINGTON, March 30.—Doubt that any large number of Chinese were killed when American and British ships opened fire to protect foreigners in Nanking was expressed in a report to the Navy department today from Admiral Williams.

The American Catholic mission at Fuchow was reported looted in a dispatch reaching Shanghai. The admiral also reported that the Catholic fathers had fled to Kowchow.

Three Men Rob Aged Toll-Keeper At Borger Bridge

(Special to The News.)

BORGER, March 30.—Three man about 11:30 p. m. last night held up the aged toll-keeper at the bridge over the Canadian river north of here.

At the point of a shot gun they forced the man to give them $37 in cash and $20 in chacks taken in as tolls.

The hi-jackers were traveling toward Borger in a light coupe, and after the robbery drove rapidly into Borger. Officers were notified and upon investigating traced the trio into a dance hall at Phillips, where the trail was lost.

Prison Reform Bill And 50 Others Are Signed By Governor

(By The Associated Press.)

AUSTIN, March 30.—Bills to reorganize the Texas prison system and revise the state textbook commission along lines of reform recommended by Governor Moody to the Fortieth Legislature were signed by him today, along with about 50 others.

Father of Rural Delivery System Is Dead After Illness

(By The Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, March 30.—Perry Heath, known as the father of the rural free delivery system, and for years prominent as a publisher, died at his home here today after an illness of more than six weeks.

Unknown To His Friends, Jack Kahn Was One of the Best Known Officers of Moslem Association

Living simply and taking a modest but generous interest in local affairs, one of the best known Mohammedan officials in America resided in Pampa for nearly a year.

Jack Kahn, who died here last week, was vice-president of the Moslem association of this country. As news of his death reached the Turkish people of America, telegrams began to pour in here and in Billings, Ariz., where a brother, F. Kahn was living. The messages offered sympathy and every kind of assistance.

Kahn's body now lies in Sacremento, Calif., where it was taken in an expensive casket purchased in Amarillo. His people will do him honor in rites to presede sending of the body to Turkey for burial at an expense of about $4,000.

In a telegram received here late yesterday, F. Kahn told of his arrival in Sacremento with the body. "I got here o. k., but I cannot hold the service today because the bulk of people coming from all parts of California," the message said. "I expect about 4,500 people are going to attend the funeral of Jack Wednesday at 10 o'clock."

Jack Kahn operated a small restaurant business known as "Jack's Lunch", and had an interest in a restaurant on the south side operated by John Kahn, a cousin. He came here from Electra without much capital, his friends say, but made good here. It is said that his waiters had orders never to turn away a hungry man. He was 38 years old and had been in this country 19 years.

Kahn was a member of the Chamber of Commerce and contributed without argument to its projects. His brother likely will move here from Billings within the next few weeks.

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UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR

CHRISTIAN COWBOYS

Fellowship of Christian Cowboys will not meet for the entire month of March.

CATTLEWOMEN

Top O' Texas CattleWomen Scholarship application forms have been distributed to area high schools. Three scholarships will be awarded altogether – one in the amount of $500 and two in the amount of $250. Students from Gray, Carson, Collingsworth, Hemphill, Hutchison, Lipscomb, Ochiltree, Roberts and Wheeler counties are eligible. The deadline for applications is April 25. Applications must be submitted to: Sandra Christner, P.O. Box 522, Wheeler, TX 79096. For more information, call (806) 826-3572.

TDHS VOLUNTEERS

Texas Department of Human Services is seeking volunteers for its Texas Works Services Program. Tasks are varied and placement is based upon the volunteer's interest, capability and availability of openings. Hours are flexible. For more information, contact Beth Miller at 665-1863.

CLEAN PAMPA

Clean Pampa Inc., will accept used telephone books for recycling March 1-24 at several locations including Pampa Chamber of Commerce and Pampa Post Office. For a complete list of recycling bins, call 665-2514.

PPHM SHOW AND SALE

Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum will stage its fourth annual Invitational Western Art Show and Sale March 1 through 31 at its location in Canyon. Proceeds from the fund-raiser will benefit the art department of the museum. The exhibit and sale will feature contemporary western artists. For more information, contact the museum at (806) 651-2244.

PRTA

Pampa Retired Teachers Association will meet at 2 p.m., Monday, March 17, at Pampa Senior Citizens Center.

MENDING MINDS LIBRARY

Texas Panhandle Mental Health Mental Retardation will host an open house for its Mending Minds Memorial Library from 5-7 p.m., March 18 at the agency's Polk Street facility in Amarillo. The library houses over 1,900 books, videos and tapes ranging in topic from abuse to physician's reference manuals. For more information about the library or the open house, call Carol Ann Vaughn at (806) 349-5663.

CPC LUNCHEON

The Contract Procurement Center in Amarillo will sponsor a business luncheon for small, minority and women entrepreneurs from 11:45-1 p.m. Tuesday, March 18 at Western Sizzlin Steakhouse in Amarillo. The guest speaker will be Lorenzo Sedeno, manager, HUB Operations, Texas Tech University. For reservations or for more information, contact Edmond Esparza, (806) 372-3381.

SAFETY SEAT CHECKUP

Gray County Extension Agency will sponsor a "Free Child Safety Seat Checkup" from 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Thursday, March 20, at Coronado Shopping Center in Pampa. For more information, contact Joan Gray at 669-8033. Co-sponsors include: Coronado Shopping Center, Rural Passenger Safety in cooperation with TxDOT, Gray County Area Partnership for Moms and Babies and City of Pampa.

PACSG

Pampa Area Cancer Support Group will meet from 7-8 p.m., March 20 in the cafeteria of Pampa Regional Medical Center. Gerry Kelly, M.Div., Harrington Cancer Center, will present the program "Healing Words: The Power of Prayer." For more information, call 1-800-274-4673, ext. 235.

LITERARY GUILD

Talent Literary Guild is sponsoring a free amateur poetry contest. To enter, send one poem 21 lines or less to: Free Poetry Contest, 1257 Siskiyou Blvd., PMB 4, Ashland, OR 97520; or enter on-line at www.freecontest.com. Deadline for entries is March 20.

GUN&KNIFE SHOW

Texas Gun and Knife Association will present its spring "Amarillo Texas Gun & Knife Show" March 22-23 at Amarillo Civic Center. Collectors and exhibitors from throughout the area will be on hand to buy, sell and trade a large variety of guns, knives and accessories. The event will include wildlife art, historical artifacts, Texana items, Native American and military memorabilia and jewelry. The show will open from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday and from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday. A two-for-the-price-of-one special will be observed during the first hour of the show both days. Children under 12 get in free.

LST ASSOCIATION REUNION

The U.S. Association will hold a reunion for all LSTers, from World War II to the present date, March 20-22, 2003, at the Holiday Inn South on I-35 West in Fort Worth. For more information, contact Bob Garner LST 461, HC 52 Box 362, Hemphill, TX 75948; 1-800-228-5870; USLST:@KMBS.Com (e-mail).

PAS DANCE

Pampa Area Singles Dance is scheduled from 8-11 p.m., March 22, at M.K. Brown Auditorium with Indian Summer. Admission is $6 per person. Snacks are welcome. For more information, call 665-7059.

TWO-CYLINDER CLUB

Texas Plains Two-Cylinder Club will host its 11th annual antique tractor show from 8 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday, March 22 and from 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday, March 23 at the Ollie Liner Center in Plainview. Admission is free. Donations will be accepted. For more information, call Paul Sarchet at (806) 744-4457.

HANDWEAVER'S GUILD

Palo Duro Handweaver's Guild will meet at 7:30 p.m., March 27 in Amarillo. The meeting is open to individuals interested in the fiber arts. For more information, call Becky Martin at (806) 358-2765.

ALTRUSA STYLE SHOW

Altrusa International Inc., of Pampa will stage its annual spring style show at 10:30 a.m., March 29 at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Tickets for the fashion show may be purchased in advance from any Altrusa member or will be available at the door on the day of the event. Tickets are $10 apiece.

RAGIN' CAJUN BENEFIT

The seventh annual Ragin' Cajun Special Olympics benefit for Area 16 will be staged from 12 noon to 10 p.m., March 29 in the Montgomery Ward's building, I-40 and Western, in Amarillo. The event will feature music from several local bands. Crawfish, crab legs, shrimp, sausage, new potatoes, onions and corn on the cob will be served Cajun style. Cost of the tickets is $30 each. For more information, call (806) 374-7171. Tickets are available for purchase at Randy's Music Mart in Amarillo.

P.E.O. FUND-RAISER

The local CS Chapter of P.E.O. Sisterhood will hold its annual book review fund-raiser with Carol Headrick at 2 p.m., Sunday, March 30, at Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard. Headrick will be reviewing "The Final Verdict," a biography of Earl Rogers by Adela Rogers St. Johns. Tickets are $10 per person ($5 per student) and may be purchased at the door on the day of the event or in advance by contacting Judy Sutton at 665-7064.

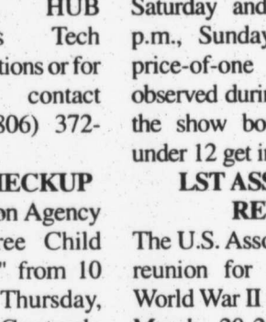
IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

The Texas Department of Health will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) and chickenpox (varicella). Flu vaccines may also be offered at designated clinics. The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The following clinics will be offered: 9:30 a.m.-12 noon and 1-4 p.m., March 5 and 19, TDH, 736 S. Cuyler, Pampa; 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., March 26, Miami School, Miami; and 11 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1-4 p.m., March 24, Canadian City Hall, Canadian.

ARBOR DAY FOUNDATION

Ten free white flowers trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation throughout this month. The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's Trees for America campaign. The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between Feb. 1 and May 31 with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge. Members also receive a subscription to the Foundation's colorful bimonthly publication, "Arbor Day" and "The Tree Book" with information about tree planting and care. To receive the free trees, send a $10 membership contribution to Ten Trees, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410, by March 31.

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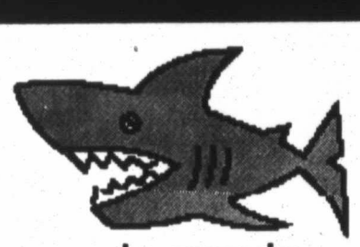


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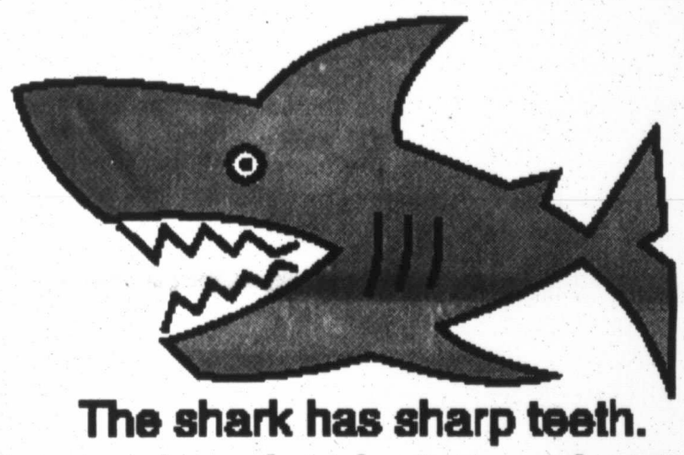


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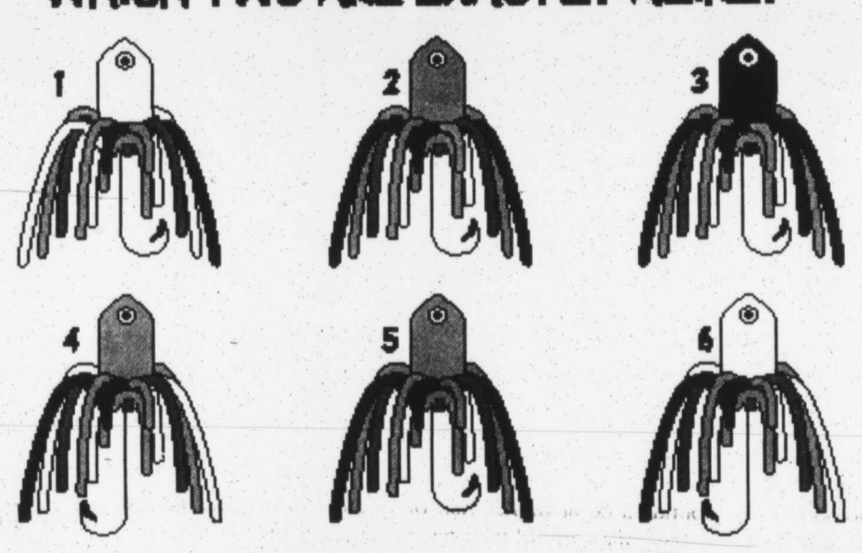
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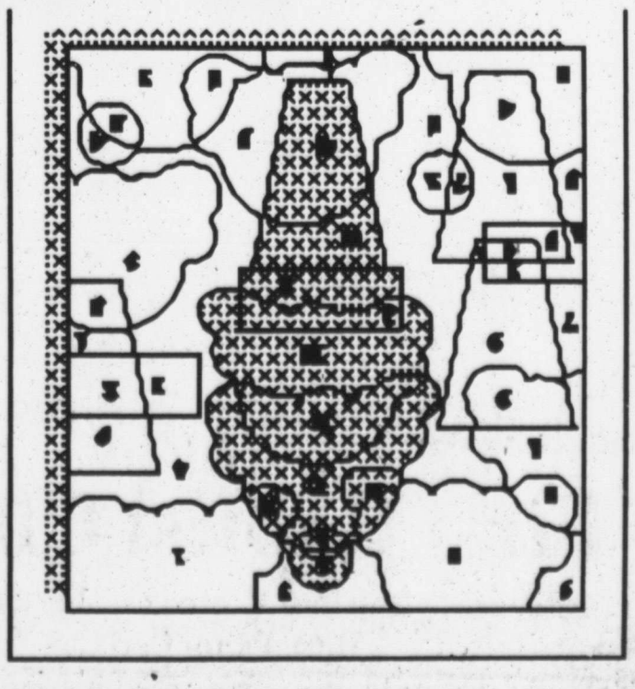
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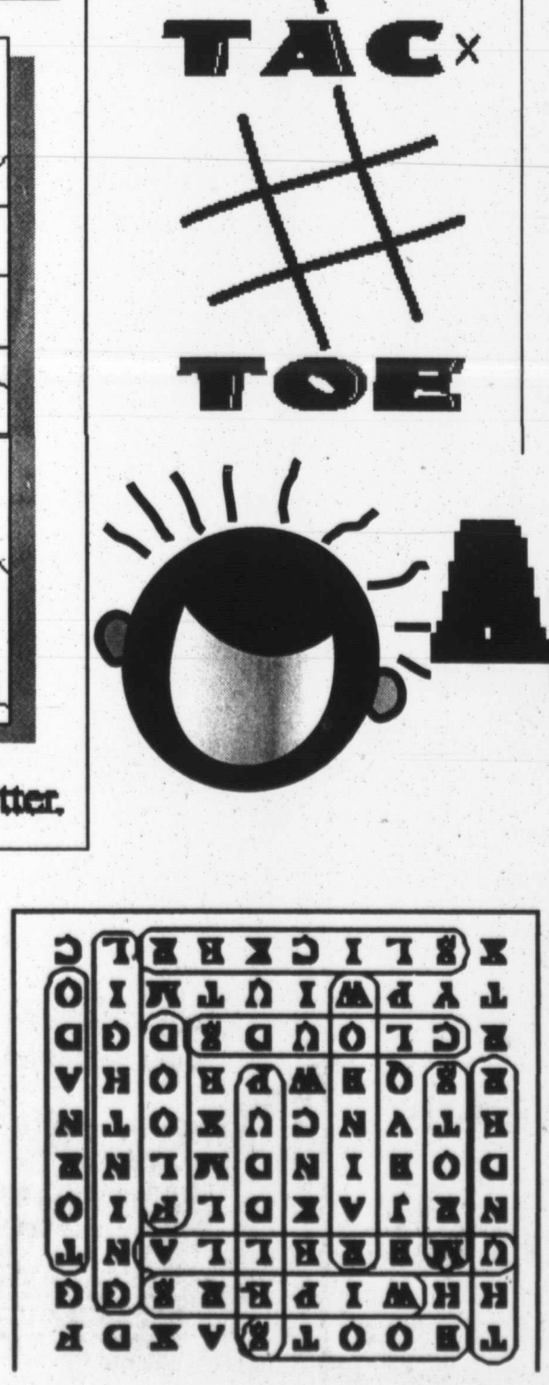
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FDA approves first of new class of AIDS drugs

WASHINGTON (AP) — Patients running out of medicines to fight the AIDS virus now have another option: a new class of drugs that has proved to work when others fail.

The Food and Drug Administration has approved the drug Fuzeon for adults and for children age 6 and older. As many as 100,000 U.S. patients could benefit, and experts predicted a flurry of new research could produce more drugs like it.

Manufacturers said the drug, which is expected to cost about $20,000 a year, should be available by month's end, although initially only to a limited number of people.

Fuzeon is the first in a new class of medications, called fusion inhibitors, that work by preventing the AIDS virus from invading the white blood cells that are the primary targets of HIV.

By contrast, today's AIDS drugs all work after the virus already has invaded those cells, by blocking either of two substances that the virus uses to reproduce and spread.

"This is a great day for people with HIV who are in trouble," said Dr. Jacob P. Lalezari, director of clinical research at Quest Clinical Research in San Francisco, who directed research showing the drug's effectiveness. "The approval of a drug with a new mechanism of action is terribly important for those patients who are failing current therapy."

Taking combinations of the older drugs has allowed large numbers of HIV patients to turn their infection from a rapid death sentence into a more manageable chronic disease. But because the virus mutates continually, patients with drug-resistant HIV increasingly are finding fewer options.

Fuzeon's is the first approval in seven years for a new type of AIDS drug. Experts predicted it would drive significant new research.

"It will not only help patients, but stimulate research in developing new classes of drugs," said Dr. Debra Birnkrant, director of the division of antiviral drug products at the FDA.

The lead researcher, Dr. Calvin Cohen of CRI New England, said there has already been "a flurry of interest" from other companies.

The approval led the New England Journal of Medicine to release a study early that supports the FDA's conclusion that Fuzeon can be effective for people who have become resistant to other AIDS drugs.

Scientists and patients have awaited Fuzeon's arrival eagerly, but with some anxiety, hoping for a new option, while fearful it would not be affordable.

The two manufacturers, Swiss pharmaceutical company Roche, and North Carolina's Trimeris Inc., would not say exactly how much they would charge in the United States. Roche spokeswoman Heather Van Ness said it would be close to the $20,400 a year the company is charging in Europe.

Today's typical HIV cocktails — combinations of three drugs — cost about $15,000 a year. To be most effective, patients should combine Fuzeon with whichever drugs they already are taking that are still working, the FDA said.

One reason for the high cost is that Fuzeon is hard to make. Also, it must be taken by injection twice a day, rotating among the abdomen, thigh and upper arm. Other anti-HIV drugs come in pill form.

Fuzeon, known chemically as enfuvirtide, helps block one of the three steps that HIV takes to slip inside immune cells.

In studies of 1,000 patients with drug-resistant HIV, people who added Fuzeon to their regular medicine were twice as likely to have the virus in their blood dip below detectable levels.

Fuzeon recipients also experienced a significantly greater boost in critical immune cells called CD4 cells, meaning their immune system improves and patients are sick less often.

Many patients eventually die after traditional AIDS drugs stop working, but it takes several years, and this study was not conducted over a long enough period to determine whether Fuzeon would save lives.

The FDA approved the drug on an accelerated basis, meaning it does not yet have long-term data on the drug's effectiveness.

The FDA warned doctors to look out for signs of pneumonia. In the clinical trials, pneumonia was not common, but it was more likely to occur in people taking the drug than in those who were not.

An estimated 850,000 to 950,000 people in the United States are infected with HIV, and there are about 40,000 new infections each year.

Van Ness said Roche estimates that it could be helpful for half the 365,000 patients who have developed resistance to another AIDS drug.

Officials at Roche said they expect 12,000 to 15,000 patients will have access to Fuzeon this year, including 8,000 to 10,000 in the United States. By 2004, they expect to have enough of the drug to supply about 32,000 patients, and by 2005, enough for 39,000.

On the Net:
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Scientists find marker that could ID future colon cancer victims

WASHINGTON (AP) — A blood test may one day be used to determine a person's risk for colon cancer and could replace some of the invasive techniques currently used to screen for the disease, researchers say.

In a study appearing recently in the journal Science, researchers at Johns Hopkins University Medical Center say that a molecular change that switches on a usually inactive gene signals a patient's increased risk of developing colon cancer and can be detected with a blood test.

"Up to now, there have been no tests for common cancer risks," said Dr. Andrew P. Feinberg, senior author of the study. "There are for other diseases, but not for cancer. Ultimately, that's what we hope this test will do."

Colon cancer is the third most deadly cancer in America. Each year about 148,000 new cases are diagnosed and about 56,000 people die from the disease. It is considered one of the most curable of the serious cancers because its early stages can be detected with a colonoscopy. But studies have shown that many patients dread and avoid the test, which involves drinking several quarts of a solution to clean the colon, followed by being deeply probed with a medical instrument.

A blood test that accurately defines a patient's colon cancer risk could reduce the need for such invasive procedures, experts say.

In the Hopkins study, Feinberg and his team analyzed blood samples from 172 patients who had had colonoscopies. The researchers were searching for chemical evidence of a process called "loss of imprinting," or LOI, in the insulin-like growth factor, or IGF2, gene from the patient's mother.

The Hopkins team found that those with a family history of colon cancer were five times more likely to have the LOI marker. Patients who had polyps, an early stage of cancer development, were three times more likely to have LOI, while patients with a personal history of colon cancer were 22 times more likely to have LOI. Among healthy patients with no family history of cancer, about one in 10 had the LOI marker.

Feinberg said that to prove LOI is a valid marker for colon cancer, the researchers will have to look at blood samples from many more randomly selected patients and follow them for several years. He said it may be five years before the test would be ready for general use.

"If the test proves out, then it could be used in the same way that lipid (cholesterol) testing is done now to evaluate heart disease risk," said Feinberg. He said people found to be at higher risk of colon cancer could then have further testing and close follow-up, while those with no indication of risk would need less monitoring.

Dr. Paul J. Limburg, director of the colorectal cancer center at the Mayo Clinic, said the Feinberg study "has the potential to be an important advance" in the detection of colon cancers.

"It would be very desirable to have a simple way to test patients through their blood to predict their risk of cancer in the colon and in organs as well," said Limburg. "Markers like this one may allow us to do that."

The study was funded by the National Cancer Institute, and the technology being developed is licensed by Hopkins to a firm called Epigenomics AG. Feinberg and some members of his team are entitled to a share of any royalties developed from the technology.

Blood thinner may cut risk of recurring clots

BOSTON (AP) — For the first time, doctors have proven that long-term treatment with low doses of a standard blood thinner can reduce the risk of dangerous recurring blood clots in the legs and lungs by two-thirds.

The treatment, using the drug warfarin, was so effective that doctors say it should immediately be offered to the hundreds of thousands of people who suffer these clots each year.

"This is a very safe method for the long-term prevention of potentially fatal recurrent blood clots," said Dr. Paul Ridker, who directed the study at Boston's Brigham and Women's Hospital.

The federally financed study was stopped early and released Monday. The results will be published in the April 10 issue of the New England Journal of Medicine and were posted on the journal's Web site.

The American Heart Association estimates that each year, about 2 million people suffer a deep vein thrombosis, a clot in a vein deep in the leg. The result is painful swelling that becomes life threatening if the clot floats to the lungs. This complication occurs in about 600,000 people annually, killing 60,000.

More than half of all cases result from surgery or trauma, such as broken bones, and are not likely to recur. However, Ridker estimates that 750,000 people each year have a deep vein thrombosis resulting from more obscure causes, often an inherited tendency to spontaneously form unwanted clots. Almost a third of these people get another clot within eight years.

His study compared low-dose warfarin and dummy pills in people at risk for these recurring clots. It began in 1998 and was scheduled to end in 2005. However, the early results were so dramatically positive that researchers decided it would be unethical to continue giving people placeboes, so the study was stopped in December.

"This disease generally affects younger people, most of whom are otherwise healthy. The issue of how to manage it is a very, very big problem. Anything that reduces the risk is a major advance, and this is one," said Dr. Andrew Schafer, head of medicine at the University of Pennsylvania.

Ridker said that treatment with the generic drug, introduced in 1954, costs pennies a day.

The study was initially intended to enroll 750 people with an average follow up of four years, but it was stopped after 508 patients. Repeat clots occurred in 14 people on low-dose warfarin and 37 getting dummy pills. Four people on warfarin died, as did eight in the comparison group.

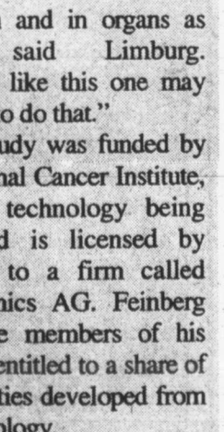
The major worry was uncontrolled bleeding, especially strokes. However, the only bleeding stroke occurred in someone in the comparison group. Five people taking warfarin and two on placeboes developed bleeding bad enough to require hospitalization, although all recovered.

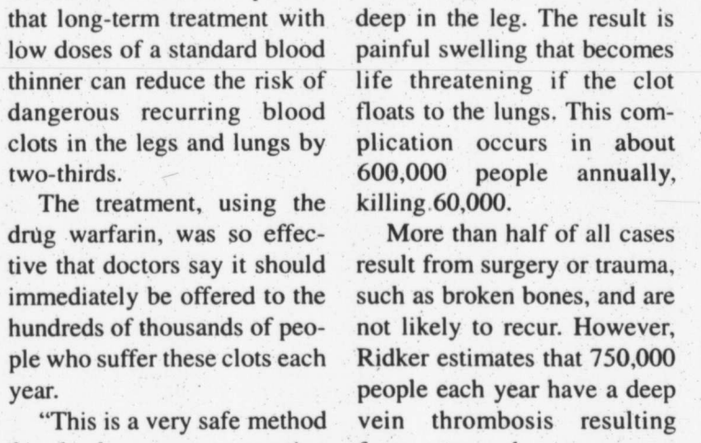
The biggest drawback of warfarin is the difficulty establishing the right dose. Two people the same size, sex and age may require vastly different amounts of the medicine to achieve the same result. Doctors set the dose by repeatedly testing the drug's effect on patients' blood clotting.

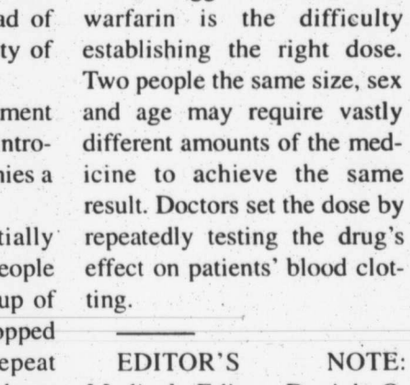
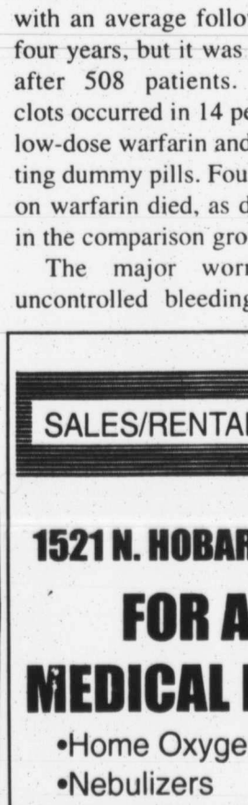
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SPORTS

NOTEBOOK

BASEBALL

PAMPA - There will be a Optimist baseball coaches meeting at 7:30 p.m. Monday, March 17, at the Optimist Club.

Baseball signups and tryouts are scheduled for: Tuesday (March 18), 5:30-7; Wednesday (March 19), 5:30-7; Thursday (March 20), 5:30-7 at Optimist Park.

During tryouts, persons needing information can call the club at 665-4361.

Fees are $35 for 5-6 year olds; $35 for 7-8 year olds; $45 for 9-10 year olds; $45 for 11-12 year olds; $60 for 13-15 year olds.

Practice starts on Monday, March 31.

GOLF

PAMPA — Hidden Hills hosted a senior scramble last week.

Results are as follows:

1. Eldon Maxwell, Larry Heard, Ed Langford and Lewis Haydon, 64.

2. Jim Batton, Bill Harwood, O.K. Lee and Richaard Abbott, 64.

3. Howard Wells, Jerry South, James Lee and Jim Osborne, 65.

4. Carl Johnson, Harley Knutson, Butch Shepard and Marvin Allison, 66.

5. Bill King, Nathan Lancaster, Travis Johnston and Bill Abernathy, no score available.

Closest to the hole: Jerry South, No. 15.

BASKETBALL

HOUSTON (AP) — Jalen Rose knew there might be a payback for Chicago's three straight victories over the Houston Rockets.

His worst fears were realized Friday night, when Houston handed Chicago its worst defeat of the season.

"We beat them the last few times and obviously they were seeking revenge," Rose said after a 121-91 setback.

Houston's leading scorer, James Posey, who finished with a season-high 26 points, didn't argue with that.

"On the defensive end we didn't let up," he said. "We tried to bury them."

It was Posey's early scoring that set the tone for the game. He had 12 points in Houston's 16-3 run to open the game.

The Rockets were never threatened again.

Knight's Red Raiders upset No. 3 Longhorns

Doudney helps Tech build 20-point lead in first half

By The Associated Press

Bob Knight might be the best bargain in college basketball.

Knight, who gave back his $250,000 base salary because he didn't like how Texas Tech played in the regular season, directed the Red Raiders to a 92-81 victory over No. 3 Texas in the Big 12 quarterfinals Friday night.

The former Indiana coach has told athletic director Gerald Myers he won't accept his salary no matter what the Red Raiders accomplish in March.

"Gerald has a hell of a deal," Knight said. "He has to take me out to eat tonight."

Tech (17-11) got rolling behind Nathan Doudney, who hit 5-of-6 3-pointers in the first half to help build a 20-point lead. Doudney had set his career high in points by halftime and finished with 25, including seven 3-pointers.

Andre Emmett had 30 points and 11 rebounds, and Kasib Powell had 12 points, 12 rebounds and 10 assists for the fourth triple-double in school history.

Tech, which came into the Big 12 tournament on a three-game losing streak, knocked off its highest-ranked foe since beating No. 2 SMU in January 1985. The Red Raiders also had lost 13 straight against the Longhorns (22-6), who hurt their chances of getting a No. 1 seed in the NCAA tournament.

"This was as good a game played against us in a long time," Texas coach Rick Barnes said. "They were crisp, they were terrific."

The Red Raiders will play No. 6 Oklahoma (22-6) in the semifinals. The Sooners opened their pursuit of a third straight Big 12 tournament title with a 74-59 victory over Colorado (20-11).

Hollis Price and Quannas White each had 19 points, four rebounds and three assists for the Sooners.

No. 4 Kansas (25-6) will face Missouri (20-9) in the other semifinal.

Sophomores Keith Langford and Aaron Miles combined for 35 points and Jeff Graves had a career-high 16 as the Jayhawks beat Iowa State 89-74.

Missouri's Travon Bryant scored just before time expired to give the Tigers a 60-58 win over No. 23 Oklahoma State (21-9).

Jimmy McKinney drove for the potential winning basket with about five seconds left. The ball was knocked away before he could shoot, bouncing off the shoulder of OSU's Tony Allen, past the arms of several other Cowboys and going right to Bryant. He hit a short jumper just before time expired.

Southeastern Conference

No. 2 Kentucky 81, Vanderbilt 69

At New Orleans, Kentucky rolled to its 21st straight victory, shrugging off an early nine-point deficit to advance to the semifinals. Keith Bogans had 16 points, leading four players in double figures for Kentucky (11-18), which will face Auburn.

Auburn 66, Tennessee 53

Marco Killingsworth led Auburn (20-10) with 17 points and 10 rebounds. Ron Slay scored 16 points for Tennessee (17-11).

LSU 65, No. 7 Florida 61

Jaime Lloreda scored 21 points and hit a key free throw with 15 seconds remaining to lead the Tigers.

Florida (24-7) has lost three in a row. LSU (21-9), which has beaten three top-10 teams this year, will face Mississippi State.

Mississippi State 73, Mississippi 64

Mario Austin, who announced earlier in the week he will return for his senior season, led State (20-8) with 19 points.

Big East

No. 5 Pitt 61, Boston College 48

At New York, Pitt (25-4) allowed just four field goals in the first half and held Boston College to its lowest point total of the season to advance to the title game for the third straight year.

Connecticut 80, Syracuse 67

UConn limited Syracuse to just 28.8 percent shooting from the field, its worst shooting percentage in tournament history.

Rashad Anderson led UConn, which will be going for its sixth tournament championship, with 21 points.

Atlantic Coast Conference

No. 9 Wake Forest 69, Florida State 61

At Greensboro, N.C., Josh Howard, expected to selected the ACC Player of the Year next week, struggled but still scored 17 points to lead the Demon Deacons (24-4) into the semifinals, where they will play North Carolina State.

North Carolina State 71, Georgia Tech 65

Josh Powell had 18 points, and Scooter Sherrill and Marcus Melvin added 15 each for the Wolfpack (17-11).

No. 12 Duke 83, Virginia 76

Daniel Ewing scored a career-high 32 points as Duke (22-6) extended its record ACC tournament winning streak to 13 straight. The Blue Devils will face North Carolina.

North Carolina 84, No. 14 Maryland 72

Jawad Williams scored a career-high 25 points, Raymond Felton had 20 points and 10 assists and Melvin Scott added a career-high 19 points as North Carolina (17-14) bounced the Terrapins (19-9).

Atlantic 10

Temple 63, No. 10 Xavier 57

At Dayton, Ohio, Brian Polk scored 22 points as Temple (15-14) advanced to the championship game. Xavier (25-5) had 20 turnovers and saw its school-record 16-game winning streak snapped.

No. 22 Dayton 76, No. 25 St. Joseph's 73

D.J. Stelly converted a three-point play with 48 seconds left, and Dayton (23-5) survived blowing a 19-point lead. Jameer Nelson scored a career-high 39 points for the Hawks (23-6).

Big Ten

Ohio State 58, No. 18 Wisconsin 50

At Chicago, Sean Connolly scored 21 points, and Brent Darby made four free throws in the last 39 seconds to seal Ohio State's upset in the quarterfinals.

The Buckeyes (16-13), last year's Big Ten tournament champions, will play Michigan State.

Michigan State 54, Purdue 42

Purdue (18-10) scored just 12 points in the first half and Michigan State (19-11) won its fifth straight.

No. 13 Illinois 94, Northwestern 65

Four players finished in double figures for Illinois (22-6), led by Brian Cook, who had his sixth double-double of the season with 20 points and 12 rebounds. The Illini will face Indiana.

Indiana 63, Michigan 56

A.J. Moye scored 16 of his season-high 18 points in the second half for the Hoosiers (20-11).

Conference USA

No. 20 Louisville 78, No. 16 Memphis 75

At Louisville, Ky., Freshman Taquan Dean rattled in a 3-pointer with 11.1 seconds left for his only basket of the game to send Louisville (23-6) to the championship game.

UAB 63, Saint Louis 62

Eric Bush scored on a driving layup with 11.9 seconds left to lift Alabama-Birmingham (19-11).

Pacific-10

USC 79, No. 24 California 62

At Los Angeles, Desmon Farmer scored 23 points and the seventh-seeded Trojans led all the way in advancing to the championship game for the second straight year.

Oregon 75, UCLA 74

Luke Jackson hit a 3-pointer with 17 seconds left to cap a 13-1 run in the final three minutes by the Ducks (22-9).

The loss by UCLA (10-19) was likely the last game with the Bruins for coach Steve Lavin. He has said he expects to be fired after the team's worst season in 55 years.

Slammers win another tournament

PAMPA — The Slammers won their second tournament in a row with four victories at the Wheeler Little Dribblers Tournament.

The Slammers' first win was a 24-23 victory over the Fort Elliott sixth graders. The second win was 28-12 over McLean fifth grade.

In the semi-finals, the Slammers met up with the McLean sixth graders, who had earlier defeated Pampa sixth grade in the tournament.

The Slammers pulled out a 14-10 win to put McLean in the loser's bracket. McLean sixth grade came back through the loser's bracket for a rematch Saturday night in the finals.

The Slammers played one of their better games of the year for a convincing 23-11 win for the championship.

The Slammers are a group of fifth grade girls who recently competed in the Pampa Optimist Club League. Their overall record is now 18-2. The Slammers are entered in the Bluebonnett Classic in Amarillo on March 28-30.

Individual statistics from the Wheeler Tournament are as follows:

Player	Points	Reb.
Emilie Troxell	6	5
Ashley Schroeder	14	5
Kara Stephens	2	2
Kelsey Watson	0	2
Brooklyn Barker		8
19		
Serina Wagner	0	4
Carlyn Teichmann	16	16
Shelbie Watson	8	1
Ashley Facio	35	12

Ex-OU star hits winning shot for Mavs

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Eduardo Najera made good on a rare chance to display the talent that made him a college star.

Najera hit a short jumper with 3 seconds remaining as the Dallas Mavericks beat Golden State 116-114 on Friday night.

"I used to take those shots in college, but this team doesn't need to make them," said Najera, who finished his career at Oklahoma as the school's eighth-leading scorer.

"That's a shot I normally made back in the days. I knew time was running down so I just took a chance."

The third-year pro started for just the sixth time as the Mavericks were playing their second of a back-to-back series. He finished with 13 points.

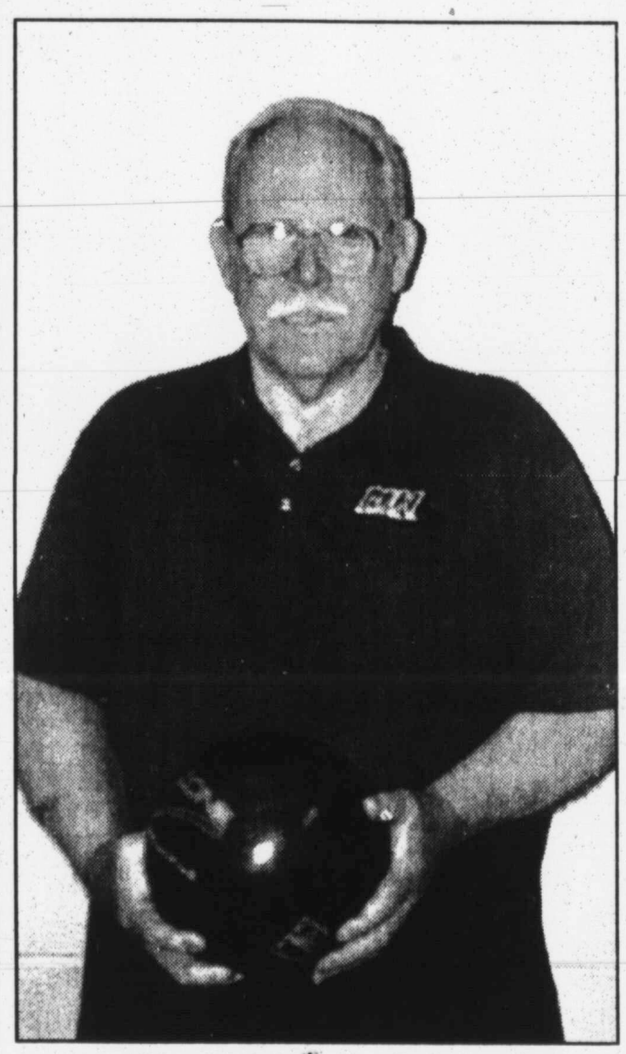
"I think he had muscle memory on that jump shot," coach Don Nelson said. "When he was in college that shot was golden for him."

The Mavericks had to play the second half without Dirk Nowitzki, who left the game with a sprained left ankle with less than a minute to play in the first half.

"We all knew we had to be more aggressive with Dirk not there," Najera said. "Finley made some tough shots and carried us in the fourth quarter. He really won the game for us."

Michael Finley scored 15 of his 21 points in the second half as the Mavericks snapped a two-game losing streak.

Senior striker



Jesse Cannon recently bowled a perfect game at Harvester Lanes. At 66, Cannon is believed to be the oldest person to ever bowl a 800 in Pampa. He had a 681 series. His games were 190, 300 and 191.

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Big Bass



(Courtesy photo)

The High Plains Bass Anglers held their first tournament of the year March 1-2 on Lake O.H. Ivie. There were 14 anglers competing under fair weather conditions, but the lake was extremely low. Robert Yearwood took first place with 12.35 lbs.; Matt Hinton placed second, 7.96 lbs.; Dicky McCarn was third with a total weight of 7.41. Hinton (above) had Big Bass of the tournament with a 5.99. High Plains Bass Anglers meet at 7:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month. Anyone interested in joining the club can call 665-3270.

Jr. VB League closes season

PAMPA — The Pampa Junior Volleyball League for fifth and sixth graders ended earlier this month with the Red Team taking first place in the 10-team tournament.

The Red Team was coached by Whitney Morton. Players were Lilly Price, Jessica Miner, Carley Richardson, Hannah Hopkins, Katelyn Hopkins, Emilie Troxell, Kara Stephens, Mikaela Flores and Matricia Davis.

"It was a successful season. The regular season ended with all the teams very close," said coach Kendra Reeves.

Second place went to the Kelly Green Team coached by Kelly Mullican and Kenzi Nickell. Players were Kenzie Carter, Stormy Lancaster, Sara Hathaway, Carlyn Teichmann, Brooklyn Barker, Laura McGrath, Ashley Facio, Kylee Wyatt and Holly Gage.

Third place went to the Turquoise Team coached by Heather Douglas. Players were Chelsie Douglas, Jennifer Haley, Whitney Brummett, Tristin Reeves, Ashley Hernandez, Sammie Pearson, Kristin Bivins, Taryn Eubanks and Kayla Hughes.

The Forest Green Team, coached by Laura Green and Donna Smith, won consolation. Players were Eden Green, Kamie Doughty, Kelby Doughty, Chandler Talley, Lauren Smith, Elizabeth DeLong, Brittany Cottrell, Ellen Whiteley, Kayla Ware and Savannah Smith.

Other teams which participated were:

Maroon Team: Coach - Velma Earl; Players - Kylee Wariner, Rachel Lee, Keziah Clendennen, Libby Dyson, Shelby Brudos, Holly Winegeart, Erin Buck, Bethney Mosteller, Shayla Keith and Aleah Noble.

Blue Team: Coach - John Crowell; Players - Keisha Crowell, Alex Hutto, Hilary Thomas, Diana Mechelay, Brenna Albracht, April Silva, Kamy Miller, Andi Hutto, Ashlyn McNeely and Lariat Lowrey.

Navy Team: Coach - Marvelle Collins; Players - Tabby Courter, Teddi Cowan, Angel Munoz, Callie Preston, Jessica Tabor, Mikah Howard, Kimberly Silva, Brittany Wheeler and Cheyanne Collins.

Orange Team: Coach - Cecelia Henley; Players - Calee Henley, Idali Solis, Rikki Beesley, Kara Carter, Dayla Newman, Shelbie Watson, Kelsie Watson, Amanda Evans and Savannah Hoover.

Purple Team: Coach - Susan Hoelting; Players - Kat Aler, Shelby Needham, Julie Schuneman, Paige Alvey, Lauren Couts, Kara Lane, Alyssa Hoelting, Whitney Wade, Mary McKay and Hannah White.

Yellow Team: Coach - Tammy Stevens; Players - Victoria Campbell, Sabrina Stone, Shelby Wisdom, Stephanie Jimenez, Kayla Jeter, Chelsea Wallin, Haylee Francis, Ashley Williams, Kimberly Curtis and Karlie Novian.

Coaches Reeves and Deanna Polasek thanked all the coaches for taking time from their busy schedules to help the girls learn volleyball. They also thanked the players and parents for their committment to the league. Both coaches say they are looking forward to a great season next year.

Former Dodgers player Gionfriddo dies

SOLVANG, Calif. (AP) — Al Gionfriddo, the former Brooklyn Dodgers outfielder who robbed Joe DiMaggio of a tying home run in the 1947 World Series, died Friday. He was 81.

Gionfriddo was playing golf at Solvang's Alisal course when he collapsed on the fifth green.

"He was an outstanding ballplayer and friend," former Dodgers manager Tommy Lasorda told the Santa Barbara News-Press. "He wore the Dodger uniform proudly and we're losing a great Dodger."

Gionfriddo caught DiMaggio's drive to left field in Game 6 of the 1947 World Series, saving an 8-6 win for the Dodgers at Yankee Stadium. The Yankees went on to win Game 7 in the second of many World Series they would take from the Dodgers.

Baylor beats Texas Tech in Big 12 opener

WACO, Texas (AP) — Steven White threw a career-high 12 strikeouts to help Baylor beat Texas Tech 3-1 in the Big 12 opener for both clubs on Friday.

Baylor (16-5, 1-0 Big 12) took a 1-0 lead in the bottom of the second when Ross Bennett got on base with a double and scored on a two-out double by Trey Webb.

Baylor took a 3-1 lead in the bottom of the seventh on two earned runs due to two Texas Tech fielding errors.

Madison Edwards drove in the lone run for the Red Raiders (16-7, 0-1).

WD's Smith wins two events at Canadian Invite

CANADIAN — White Deer junior Sara Smith won both the 200 and 400-runs at last weekend's Canadian Invitational. Smith also placed second in the 100-meter dash.

Canadian Invitational

Boys

Team totals: 1. Perryton 149; 2. Spearman 121; 3. Sunray 98; 4. Canadian 54; 5. Wheeler 48; 6. Stratford 38; 7. Wellington 35; 8. Gruver 19; 9. White Deer 18; 10. WT High 17; 11. Samnorwood 8.

Shot put: 1. Everett, Stratford, 47-1 1/2; 2. Salas, Wheeler, 44-6 1/2; 3. Alvarado, Perryton, 42-3 1/2.

Discus: 1. Salas, Wheeler, 141-0; 2. Everett, Stratford, 138-1; 3. Vanderburg, Spearman, 135-0.

High jump: 1. Warminski, White Deer, 6-2; 2. Broome, Perryton, 6-0; 3. Martin, Spearman, 6-0.

3200: 1. Cornejo, Perryton, 11:11.43; 2. Emilliano, Wheeler, 11:16.73; 3. Mendoza, Sunray, 11:20.34.

110 hurdles: 1. Ogden, Perryton, 15.78; 2. Livingston, Canadian, 15.82; 3. Roberts, Stratford, 16.92.

300 hurdles: 1. Livingston, Canadian, 42.44; 2. Habethur, Perryton, 43.10; 3. Ogden, Perryton, 43.71.

200: 1. Thomas, Wellington, 22.97; 2. Gallagher, Wheeler, 23.15; 3. Kern, Spearman, 23.69.

1600: 1. Cornejo, Perryton, 5:10.62; 2. Mendoza, Sunray, 5:12.47; 3. Emilliano, Wheeler, 5:14.98.

1600 relay: 1. Spearman 3:3950; 2. Canadian 3:39.78; 3. Perryton 3:42.00.

Girls

Team Totals: 1. Perryton 123; 2. Spearman 113.5; 3. Canadian 98; 4. Sunray 92; 5. White Deer 51; 6. Stratford 42; 7. WT High 40.5; 8. Wheeler 33; 9. Wellington 18; 10. Gruver 6; 11. Samnorwood 0.

Shot put: 1. Farrar, Canadian, 32-7 1/2; 2. Archie, Wellington, 29-101/2; 3. Gamblin, White Deer, 29-1.

Discus: 1. Robinson, Canadian, 91-0; 2. Griffith, White Deer, 90-7; 3. Bond, Wheeler, 90-0.

Long jump: 1. Appelhans, Perryton, 16-8; 2. Brown, Wheeler, 15-5 3/4; 3. Province, Canadian, 15-2 1/4.

High jump: 1. Hardin, Canadian, 5-1; 2. Smith, Spearman, 5-0; 3. Baskin, Stratford, 4-8.

400 relay: 1. Perryton, 52.13; 2. Canadian, 53.28; 3. Spearman, 54.29.

800: 1. Evenson, Sunray, 2:29.69; 2. Cartrite, Sunray, 2:29.81; 3. Brown, Wheeler, 2:40.37.

100 hurdles: 1. Anderson, Perryton, 16.59; 2. Smith, Canadian, 16.66; 3. Schafer, Canadian, 17.25.

100: 1. Appelhans, Perryton, 12.41; 2. Smith, White Deer, 13.12; Wilson, Canadian, 13.29.

800 relay: 1. Perryton, 1:49.72; 2. Canadian, 1:53.78; 3. Sunray, 1:55.44.

400: 1. Smith, White Deer, 2. Lesly, Spearman, 3. Reed, WT High, 65.40.

300 hurdles: 1. Anderson, Perryton, 16.59; 2. Evenson, Sunray, 51.19; 3. Brown, Wheeler, 51.78.

200: 1. Smith, White Deer, 27.13; 2. Gorman, Perryton, 27.34; 3. Witcher, Stratford, 27.78.

Rodriguez out few a few days with herniated disc

SURPRISE, Ariz. (AP) — Alex Rodriguez will miss at least a few days with a small herniated disc in his neck but the Texas Rangers are confident their $252 million shortstop will be healthy by opening day.

"From everything we've been told about the injury, we sit here today very confident that Alex will be back any day," general manager John Hart said Friday. "There's no reason to think he won't. We just want to hold Alex back, get him 100 percent over the next day or two and ease him back in. There's plenty of time.

Rodriguez complained of stiffness and fatigue in his left shoulder after playing Tuesday and Wednesday. He was scheduled for a day off Thursday and went back to Dallas for additional tests after an examination by team physician Dr. Drew Dossett.

A CT scan revealed a small herniated disc in one of the vertebrae in his neck and an irritated nerve.

Rodriguez received a cortisone injection Friday to relieve the swelling and is expected back in Rangers' camp Sunday or Monday.

"Knowing Alex, the whole idea is to keep him away from this environment," manager Buck Showalter said. "If Alex were here, he'd probably be back in the weight room."

The Rangers start the season March 30 at Anaheim, meaning Rodriguez has more than two weeks to recover before the opener.

"We never want Alex out of camp, but if it has to happen now is the time," Hart said. "The doctors assure us that this is minor, minor. From everything we've been told, playing on opening day is not a question."

The five-time All-Star led the majors last season with 57 home runs, 142 RBIs and 389 total bases.

He became the fifth player in major league history to have consecutive 50-homer seasons, hitting 52 in 2001.

He is the highest paid player in baseball, having signed a $252 million, 10-year contract in December 2000.

Hart has talked with owner Tom Hicks, who plans to visit Rodriguez in Texas this weekend.

"Tom realizes that there are things he can't control and things he can," Hart said. "We talked late last night and he felt good about it. He felt very encouraged."



SPORTS CALENDAR

TUESDAY, MARCH 18
SOFTBALL
Pampa vs Dumas • 4:30 Away
BASEBALL
Pampa vs Randall • 4:30 Away
FRIDAY, MARCH 21
GOLFS
Pampa Boys, Dumas Invitational
SUNDAY, MARCH 22
TRACK
Pampa at Pantex Relays
SOFTBALL
Pampa vs Borger • 1:00 Away
BASEBALL
Pampa vs Plainview • 1:00 Home
TENNIS
Pampa Quad, Vernon & Frenship
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CALENDAR ITEMS

COMMUNITY, CHURCHES

ACCORD. Gray County Chapter of Active Citizens Concerned Over Resource Development in Agriculture, Inc. (ACCORD INC.), meet the first and third Thursday of each month, 7 p.m., at the Lovett Memorial Library. For information, call 665-8516 or 665-7659.

Boy Scouts. Boy Scout leaders meet at 6:30 p.m. the first Thursday of each month at First Presbyterian Church of Pampa. The Golden Spread Council of Boy Scouts of America is open to boys between the ages of 6 and 18 and includes a 27-county area in the Texas Panhandle. The BSA program includes Club Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturing, a new program for 14- to 20-year-old boys and girls. For more information, call (806) 358-6500.

Celebration of Lights. The Celebration of Lights project will hold regular workshop meetings at 6:30 p.m. on Monday nights at 822 E. Foster. Anyone wishing to help with the project is invited to attend any work session.

Clean Pampa, Inc. Clean Pampa, Inc., holds its monthly membership meeting at 12 noon on the second Tuesday of each month at Clint and Sons, 1421 N. Hobart. The public is welcome. No fee to join. For more information, call 665-2514. Office hours are 11:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Eastern Star. Pampa Chapter No. 65, Order of the Eastern Star meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. Meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. at 420 West Kingsmill.

Fellowship of Christian Cowboys. The Fellowship of Christian Cowboys potluck will meet on the fourth Saturday of each month at 6 p.m. in the Clyde Carruth Pavilion. For more information, contact Jim Greene at 665-8067 and Bill Kidwell at 669-6347. For memorials or donations write Fellowship of Christian Cowboys, P.O. Box 91, Pampa, TX 79065.

Girl Scouts. Pampa Girl Scouts meets at 7 p.m. the first Thursday of each month at Pampa Girl Scout House on Kingsmill.

Gospel Singing. First Pentecostal Holiness Church, 1700 Alcock, hosts a Gospel Singing from 2-4 p.m. every second Sunday of the month. Pastor Albert Maggard and the congregation of First Pentecostal cordially invites the public to attend. Singers and musicians from area churches participate in this informal congregational singing and enjoy various special vocal and instrumental presentations.

Highland Baptist. Highland Baptist Church, 1301 N. Banks, will host prayer time from 11 am.-2 p.m., each Thursday with a special time of prayer from 12:15-12:30 p.m. For more information, contact the church office at 669-6509.

Macedonia Baptist Church. Macedonia Baptist Church, 441 Elm, will hold daily prayer services at 7:30 a.m., 12 noon and 6 p.m. for the citizens of Pampa — churches, schools, etc. The prayer services are open to everyone. For more information, call 665-4926.

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

Pampa Masonic Lodge #966. Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 meets Thursdays at 7 p.m. at 420 W. Kingsmill.

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

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

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

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

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

Story Hour. Lovett Memorial Library will offer a story hour at 10 a.m., every Tuesday. The free program is open to children 18 months to 6 years of age and will include stories, crafts and other activities. No registration is required. For more information, call the library at 669-5780.

Texas Department of Human Services. Texas Department of Human Services is seeking volunteers for its Texas Works Services Program. Tasks are varied and placement is based upon the volunteer's interest, capability and availability of openings. Hours are flexible. For more information, contact Beth Miller at 665-1863.

Veterans. To recognize the contributions Texas veterans have made to the liberty we enjoy, Memory Gardens Cemetery is assigning grave spaces to honorably discharged veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces. If you are a veteran, you may be qualified for free burial space. However, you must register to obtain the free plot and you must show proof of honorable discharge. A number of veterans' spaces are available. Certificates will be issued on a first come, first serve basis. For more information, call (806) 665-8921.

VFW Bingo. Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1657, 105 S. Cuyler, Charity Bingo every Wednesday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Doors open one hour early. No one under 18 allowed. Public is welcome. License No. 1-75-6037422-9. For more information contact Edgar D. Carson, 669-0853 or 669-1264.

CLUBS, ASSOCIATIONS, ETC.

American Legion. American Legion Post 334 meets at 7 p.m., the third Thursday of each month at Freedom Museum, 600 N. Hobart.

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

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

Gray Co. Ass'n for Retarded Citizens. Gray County Association for Retarded Citizens meets at 7 p.m. the first Monday of every month at Pampa Sheltered Workshop.

Gray Co. Extension Education. Gray County Extension Education meets at 1:30 p.m. the first Monday of each month at Gray County Courthouse Annex.

Gray Co. Genealogical Society. Gray County Genealogical Society meets at 7:30 p.m. the fourth Monday of each month in the Gray County Sheriff's Department classroom. (Enter through the north door of the jail building.) For membership inquiries, contact Harley Madison at 669-6294.

Las Pampas Water Garden and Koi Society. Las Pampas Water Garden and Koi Society meets at 7 p.m. the second Monday of each month at First Landmark Building in the Pampa Mall. For more information, contact Sharron Andrew at 665-6138 or Loyd Waters 665-6466.

Magic Plains ABWA. Magic Plains Chapter of the American Business Women's Association will meet at 7 p.m. the second Monday of each month at Clint and Sons Smokehouse, 1421 N. Hobart. Working business women are invited to attend. For more information, call Pat Winkleblack at 669-7828 or Estelle Malone at 669-9614.

Pampa Citizens on Patrol Ass'n. Pampa Citizens on Patrol Association meets at 8 p.m. the second Saturday of each month at 824 S. Cuyler.

Pampa Duplicate Bridge Club. The Pampa Duplicate Bridge Club plays Monday at 1 p.m. and Thursdays at 10 a.m. at The Senior Citizens. For a partner, or more information, please call Carol Carpenter at 669-7940.

Pampa Fine Arts Ass'n. Pampa Fine Arts Association Board of Directors will met at 7 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at Pampa Community Building (Chamber building).

Pampa Garden Club. Pampa Garden Club meets at 2 p.m. the second Monday of each month from September through May. Meeting location changes monthly.

Pampa Pilots Ass'n. Pampa Pilots Association meets at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the Airport Lounge.

Pampa Rotary Club. Pampa Rotary Club meets at 12 noon every Wednesday at Pampa Country Club.

Pampa Takedown Club. Pampa Takedown Club Wrestling for youth 5-15 years of age. Practice is at 900 N. Frost. Season starts Sept. 25 through February. For more information, call Rick Urguhart at 665-8321.

Pampa Woodcarving Club. Pampa Woodcarving Club meets at 7 p.m., the second and fourth Thursday of each month at First Christian Church, 1633 N. Nelson. Meetings are open to any individuals interested in woodcarving from beginners to all experience. Projects and instructors are available. For more information, call 669-3008.

Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild. Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild meets at 6:30 p.m. the fourth Thursday of each month at Pampa Senior Citizens Center.

Shrine Club. Pampa Shrine Club holds a covered dish meeting at 7 p.m. every third Friday of each month at the Sportsman's Club on South Barnes.

Top O' Texas Rodeo Ass'n. Top O' Texas Rodeo Association meets at 7:30 p.m. the first Monday of every month in the Nona S. Payne Room of Pampa Community Building.

MEDICAL, SUPPORT GROUPS, ETC.

T.O.P.S. #41. Take Off Pounds Sensibly (T.O.P.S.) #41 meets at noon Monday at 511 N. Hobart. For more information, call 665-3024.

T.O.P.S. #149. Take Off Pounds Sensibly (T.O.P.S.) #149 meets at 6 p.m. Monday at 513 E. Francis. Call 669-2389 for more information.

Tralee Crisis Center. Women's Support Group for victims of domestic violence offers peer counseling, group support and education on issues resulting from family violence and/or sexual assault from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Thursdays. For more information, call 669-1131.

YMCA Diabetes Class. Amarillo YMCA is offering new water exercise classes specially-designed for diabetics. Schedule of classes are as follows: 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Mondays; 6 p.m. Tuesdays; 2 p.m. and 6 p.m., Wednesdays; 6 p.m. Thursdays; and 9 a.m., 10 a.m., and 2 p.m. Fridays. Cost is $4 per class for non-members and $3 per class with a 10-class punch pass. Y members get in free. For more information, call Cindy Gibson, fitness director, or Junior Garcia, aquatics director, at (806) 374-4651.

EDUCATION, PSAs

ACT. ACT, Inc., education and career planning organization has announced the following do-it-yourself college planning resources on the Internet: www.act.org/fane, www.c3apply.org, www.collegenet.com. www.finaid.org, www.ed.gov/finaid.html and www.fafsa.ed.gov (financial aid sites), and www.bls.gov/ocohome.hum (career planning).

ANIMALPRINTS.COM. AnimalPrints.com has dedicated $1 from each sale of a newly released series of artist's prints to benefit animals in need. For more information or to view the prints, go to AnimalPrints.com on the Internet.

AIYSE. American International Youth Student Exchange Program is seeking American high school students, ages 15-19, to participate in its foreign exchange program. Students will spend a semester or year with an European family or participate in a 4- to 6-week family stay abroad in the summer. Students are screened by AIYSEP school counselors and educators in local schools. To qualify, students must have evidence of maturity, superior character and knowledge of English and a foreign language. For more information, call 1-800-347-7575 or visit www.aise.com on the World Wide Web.

Arbor Day Foundation. The National Arbor Day Foundation offers a "Tree Planting Resource Kit for Volunteers." The kit is available for $29.95 plus shipping and handling and includes a leadership guide, a Celebrate Arbor Day guidebook, and a video to help motivate volunteers. For more information, call (402) 474-5655, go on-line to www.arborday.org, or write: The National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410.

AYA. Academic Year in America program is seeking host families for international exchange students between the ages of 15-18 1/2. For more information, call Danielle Carpino at 1-800-322-4678 ext. 5146.

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COMMUNITY

NEWSMAKERS

SAN DIEGO, Calif. — Marine Corps Private **James R. Perez,** son of Jackie L. and Richard Perez of Shamrock, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego.

Perez successfully completed 12 weeks of training designed to challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally.

In addition to a physical conditioning program, Perez spent numerous hours in classroom instruction and field assignments which included learning first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanship, hand-to-hand combat, close order drill and assorted weapons training.

The training culminated in The Crucible, a 54-hour team effort, problem-solving evolution ending with recruits being presented the Marine Corps Emblem.

Perez is a 1996 graduate of Shamrock High School.

AUSTIN — Area educators **Janet Abbe, Kimberly Brown, Billie Sue Evans, Carrie Johnson, Jan Stroud** and **Marsha Richardson** were among nearly 600 teaching professionals from across the state who gathered for the Texas Classroom Teachers Association's 2003 Annual Convention held recently in Austin.

Many of the TCTA members attended a preliminary legislative briefing, where Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn was the guest speaker, afterward they traveled to the Capitol and visited with legislators.

Mini-conference sessions were held during the convention. Topics under discussion included new student assessment and social promotion rules, federal No Child Left Behind Act and new restraint/time-out rules for special education students.

Official convention meetings were conducted in the afternoon and local leaders, serving as voting delegates, discussed education policy issues and TCTA's stance on legislative initiatives.

The convention saw 2003-04 state officers and district directors elected, and the annual awards program was held as well.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Carol Headrick

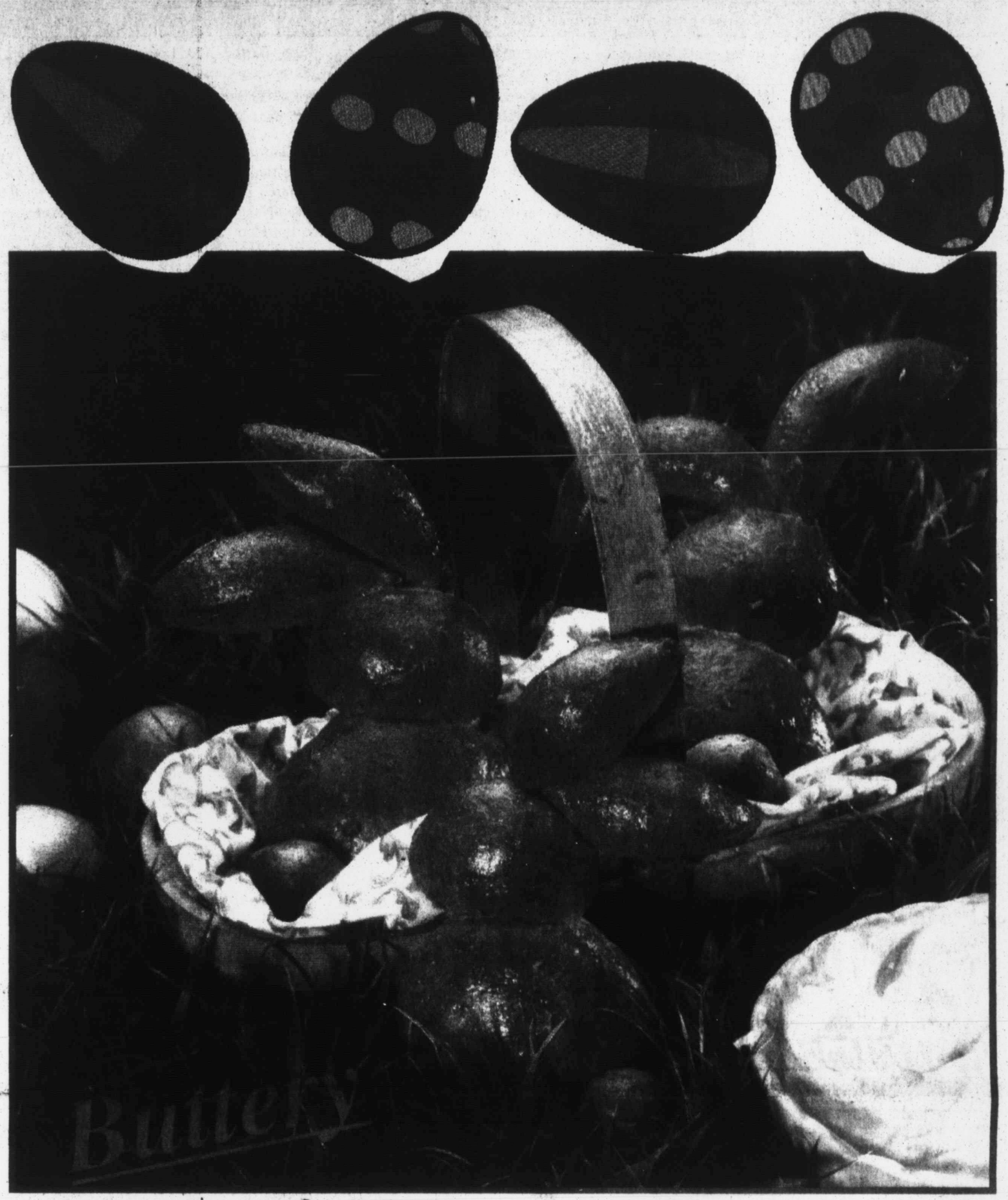
Chapter CS, the local chapter of P.E.O. Sisterhood, will again present Carol Headrick, guest reviewer, at its annual book review fund-raiser slated at 2 p.m., Sunday, March 30, at Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard.

Ms. Headrick will review "Final Verdict," a biography of famous early 20th century attorney Earl Rogers, written by Rogers' daughter Adela Rogers St. Johns who was raised by her father, a single parent. The book was published in the early 1960s and focuses on the father-daughter relationship.

Headrick is a Texas native and speech-language pathologist. She holds a bachelors of arts degree from Baylor University and a master's degree in communication disorders from the University of Oklahoma.

A professor emeritus from Oklahoma State University, she taught for 24 years. She reviews one book each spring and has been presenting book reviews to the public for 13 years. She memorizes her text and presents the review in first-person. She and husband Charles have three sons and three grandchildren.

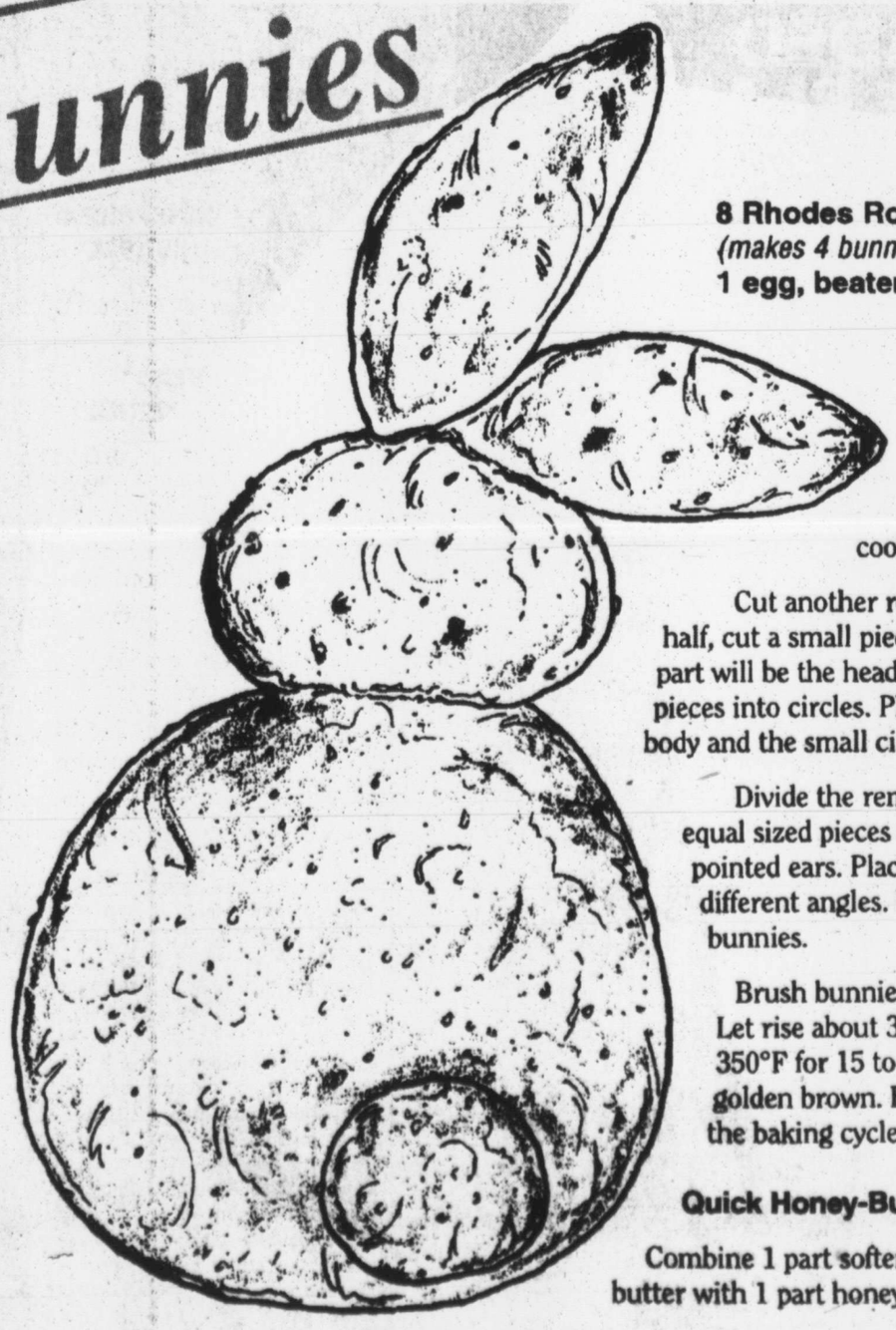
The fund-raiser is open to the public. Tickets – $10 for adults and $5 for students – will be available at the door or may be purchased in advance by calling Judy Sutton at 665-7064. Proceeds will benefit the organization's scholarship fund.



(Courtesy photo)

Buttery Honey Bunnies

Honey Bunnies



8 Rhodes Rolls, thawed but still cold
(makes 4 bunnies)
1 egg, beaten

Flatten 1 roll into a circle for the body. Place on a baking pan sprayed with non-stick cooking spray.

Cut another roll in half. From one half, cut a small piece for the tail. The larger part will be the head. Flatten each of these pieces into circles. Place the head above the body and the small circle in the tail position.

Divide the remaining half roll into 2 equal sized pieces and shape into long pointed ears. Place ears on top of head at different angles. Repeat to make 3 more bunnies.

Brush bunnies with beaten egg. Let rise about 30 minutes. Bake at 350°F for 15 to 20 minutes or until golden brown. Push tails in during the baking cycle.

Quick Honey-Butter

Combine 1 part softened butter with 1 part honey.



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LIFESTYLES

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.

Heritage Art Club

Heritage Art Club met March 3 at Lovett Memorial Library with Vice President Dianna Sanders presiding. Eleven members and three guests were present.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—A tour of artist Amy Winton's Canadian studio is in the works April 7.

—The club's art show is scheduled April 12 and 13.

—Mimi Gross delivered the program on how to make a clothespin cross.

Ruth Barrett and Louise Ward served as hostesses, and Jennie Barker won the door prize.

20th Century Club

Twentieth Century Club met March 11 at the home of hostess Nancy Coffee with Vice President Phyllis White presiding in the absence of President Louise Bailey who was ill. Ten members and one guest, Gail Cole of Conroe, formerly of Pampa, were present.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—Minutes were approved as read by Treasurer Billie Dixon.

—No correspondence or treasurer's report was presented while Vonna Wolf was out of town.

—Pat Terry presented the program on England.

White assisted the hostess.

The next meeting will be at 1:30 p.m., March 25 in the conference room at The Coffee Shop.

GCAP Moms & Babies

Gray County Area Partnership for Moms & Babies met Feb. 21 in the second floor conference room of the Medical Office Building in Pampa with Joan Gray presiding.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—Minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

—Sandra Curphey presented information on the Diabetes Education Awareness Program and the Two Care for Diabetics program.

—Members voted to name a new support group for moms "Mommy and Me." A mission statement will be developed for the group. A newly organized Mom Mania group all in Spanish was also mentioned at length.

—The April meeting is canceled as it falls on Good Friday.

The next meeting will be presented by Suzanne Pression from the Women's Health Clinic.

PPQG

Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild met Feb. 27 at Pampa Senior Citizens Center with President Susie Edwards presiding.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—Fabric was distributed to each member for a challenge quilt to be finished and returned at the June meeting.

—A Spring Seminar is scheduled April 11 and 12 with Terri Finnell.

—A workday was held in February. Participants worked on donation quilts. Attending the workday were Edwards, Kathy White, Susan Carter, Martha Hadley, Jane Jacobs and Darlene Vespestad.

—Members showing recently completed projects were Linda Frost, Thelma Matthews, Mindy Reeves, Karen Jameson and Edwards.

—Janie Van Zandt presented a program on fabric painting.

—The March program will be delivered by Edwards and White on "Preparing Your Quilt for Quilting."

The next meeting will be at 6:30 p.m., March 27 at Pampa Senior Citizens Center. Visitors are welcome.

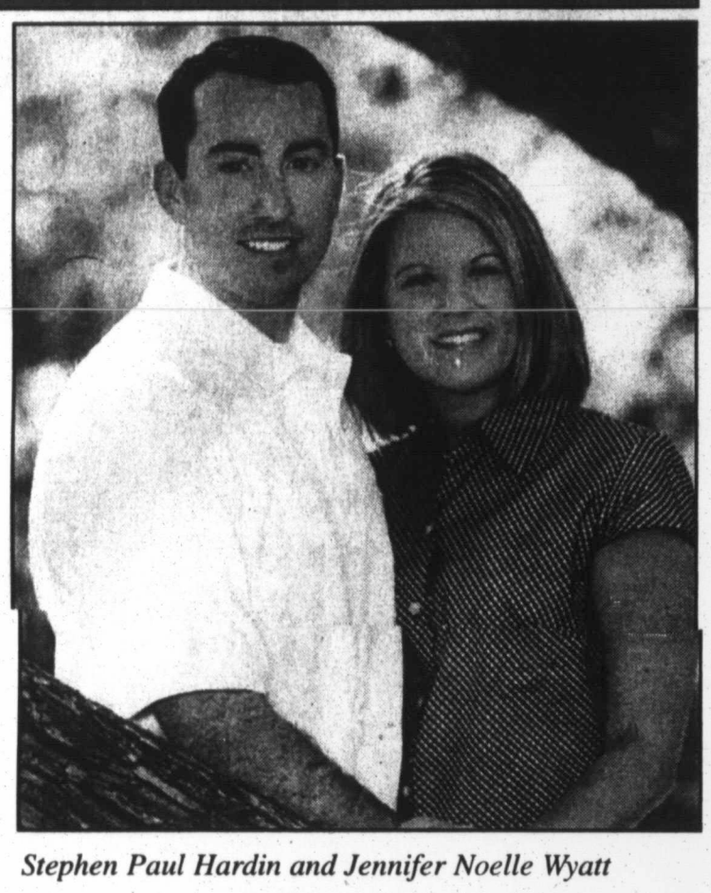
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ENGAGEMENTS

Wyatt-Hardin



Stephen Paul Hardin and Jennifer Noelle Wyatt

Jennifer Noelle Wyatt and Stephen Paul Hardin, both of Fort Worth, plan to wed June 21 at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Pampa.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Dennis and Andrea Wyatt of Pampa. She graduated from Pampa High School in 1995 and holds a bachelor's of science degree (1999) and a master's of science degree (2001), both in communication disorders, from Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center. She is currently employed as a speech-language pathologist by Eagle Mountain-Saginaw Independent School District and Sante Rehabilitation Center of Fort Worth.

The prospective groom is the son of Michael and Marsha Hardin of Azle. He graduated from Azle High School in 1994 and earned a master's of science degree in accounting from Texas Tech University School of Business in 1999. He is a licensed certified public accountant and is currently employed as a hedge fund accountant at Maverick Capital Ltd. in Dallas.

CRADLE CALL



Austin A. Allen

Austin Allen

Austin Alexander Allen was born at 8:21 p.m., Feb. 11, at Lakeside Woman's Hospital in Oklahoma City, Okla., to Aaron and Tiffany Allen of Del City, Okla.

Austin weighed 7-pounds, 1-ounce at birth.

He is the grandson of Deliese Olson of Del City, Paul and Nancy Olson of Bethany, Okla., and Guen and Jan Allen of Pampa and is the great-grandson of Elmer and Olga Allen of Tacoma, Wash.

LIFESTYLES POLICY

1. *The Pampa News* **will not be responsible** for photographs used in announcing births, weddings, engagements or anniversaries. We also reserve the right to refuse publication of photographs of poor quality. Photographs cannot be returned unless they are accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope. They may be picked up in the office after appearing in the paper.

2. All information must be submitted by 5 p.m. Wednesday (12 noon Tuesday before a holiday such as Thanksgiving or Christmas), prior to Sunday insertion.

3. Engagement, wedding and anniversary news only will be printed on Sunday.

4. Engagement announcements will be published if the announcement is submitted at least one month before the wedding, but not more than three months before the wedding.

5. Bridal photos and information will not be accepted in *The Pampa News* office later than one month past the date of the wedding.

6. Anniversary announcements will be published for celebrations only of 25 years or more and will not be published more than four weeks after the anniversary date.

7. Birth announcements will only be published for 0- to 3-month-olds. (See form for more details.)

8. Forms are available from the office 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday thru Friday, or by sending a SASE to *The Pampa News*, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, TX 79066-2198.

9. Two anniversary pictures may be placed for a $25 charge *or* four extra lines may be added to announcements for $25 ($50 for both).

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CHIROPRACTIC OUTLOOK
by
Dr. Mark W. Ford, Jr.

**HEAT OR ICE?
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Many patients ask their Doctors of Chiropractic when they should use ice or heat to treat a sprain or strain. One of the ways to determine the answer is by looking at the condition of the affected tissues and joints.

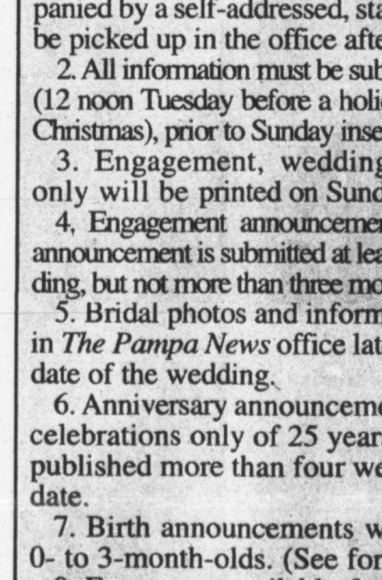
•Ice reduces pain by numbing the area and constricts blood vessels by limiting blood supply to the injured site. This decreases swelling from injuries and exercise and muscle spasms. Apply a pack of ice to the painful area for approximately ten minutes every hour following an injury. Put a towel over the ice pack if it is too cold on your skin.

•Heat is used more than a day or two after the injury to increase local blood supply, bring healthy cells to the area and relax tight muscles. Use moist, hot towels or microwavable heat packs for about ten to fifteen minutes several times a day. If the heat becomes too intense, put a cloth over the heat source.

Of course, the most important thing is to see your Doctor of Chiropractic when the injury occurs. He/She can check the injured area, make any necessary adjustments and recommend the best course of action.

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Child Safety Seat Checkup a must for parents with young children



By JOAN GRAY
EXTENSION AGENT

Keeping children safe on the road means putting them in the right restraint at the right age. As part of Rural Passenger Safety, Texas Cooperative Extension-Gray County will hold a "Free Child Safety Seat Checkup" from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Thursday, March 20 at Coronado Shopping Center in Pampa.

At the event, parents, grandparents and child care providers will have their car seat installations inspected by certified technicians. Representatives will be able to answer parents' questions about child safety seats and booster seats.

Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for children age four to 14.

While most infants and toddlers ride in the right child safety seat, less than 10 percent of the children who should be in booster seats use one. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration recommends that children who have outgrown child safety seats be properly restrained in booster seats in the back seat until they are at least 8-years-old, unless they are 4-feet, 9-inches tall.

A booster seat lifts a child up so a safety belt can fit correctly. Without a booster seat, in a crash a small child can be ejected from a vehicle.

"Securing your child in the right restraint at the right time is one of the most important things you can do to protect your child," said Dana Runyan, program coordinator

(See GRAY, Page 24)

MENUS

WEEK OF MARCH 17-21

Pampa Schools
MONDAY

Breakfast: French toast sticks.

Lunch: Popcorn shrimp or chicken nuggets, French fries, spinach, applesauce, rolls.

TUESDAY

Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, toast.

Lunch: Frito pie or macaroni/cheese, pinto beans, salad, pears.

WEDNESDAY

Breakfast: Pancake-and-sausage-on-a-stick.

Lunch: cheeseburger pocket or chef salad, green beans, corn, apricot blooming cake.

THURSDAY

Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy.

Lunch: Submarine sandwich or hamburgers, vegetarian beans, lettuce/tomato, chips, fresh fruit.

FRIDAY

Breakfast: Cereal, toast.

Lunch: Mini burritos or pizza, corn, salad, peaches.

Lefors Schools
MONDAY-FRIDAY

Not available at press time.

Senior Citizens
MONDAY

Chicken fried steak or chicken/dumplings, mashed potatoes, beets, spinach, beans, watergate cake or chocolate pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad applesauce cake or banana pudding, hot rolls or cornbread.

TUESDAY

Hamburger steak/onion gravy or salmon patties, Rosemary potatoes, chuckwagon corn, turnip greens, beans, tomato spice cake or lemon icebox pie slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

WEDNESDAY

Roast beef brisket/brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, California blend, fried okra, beans, black forest cake or banana pudding, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

THURSDAY

Chicken strips or liver and onions, cheese potatoes, succotash, blackeyed peas, French vanilla cake or peach/pineapple cobbler, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

FRIDAY

Catfish/hushpuppies or Frito pie, potato wedges, cheese grits, beans, brownies or tapioca cups, slaw, tossed or jello salad, garlic toast, hot rolls or cornbread.

Meals On Wheels
MONDAY

Corn beef, cabbage rolls, green beans, cookies.

TUESDAY

Chicken, dressing, gravy, English peas, cranberry sauce, apricots.

WEDNESDAY

Hamloaf, hominy casserole, mixed vegetables, applesauce.

THURSDAY

Sloppy Joes, potato salad, baked beans, pears.

FRIDAY

Chicken nuggets, baked potatoes, asparagus tips, peaches.

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CLUB

of Pampa met March 11 at Pampa Country Club with President Anne Stobbe presiding. Shelbie Carr and Lori Bell attended as guests. Ruby Royse and Glyndene Seitz served as greeters.

The Accent was presented by Dorla McAndrew on the Altrusa Sister Clubs of Christchurch and Wellington, New Zealand. McAndrew read excerpts from the newsletters and other correspondence received from the two clubs.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—New officers for 2003-04 were elected.

—Judy Warner was elected to serve as alternate delegate to District Nine Convention to replace Karen Bridges.

—District Conference will be April 4-6 in Dallas. Members are encouraged to attend.

—A new member initiation ceremony was conducted for Elia Smith.

—Members were asked to donate door prizes for the Style Show which will be held March 29 at M.K. Brown Heritage Room. Sign-up sheets were distributed for other duties at the Style Show.

—Lamar Elementary Book Fair has been set for March 31 to April 4. Members were asked to volunteer for this project.

—ASTRA members have designed T-shirts to wear during their community service projects. The teen club is currently planning a St. Patrick's Day party at Pampa Sheltered Workshop on March 17.

—Birthday greetings went to Sheila Neslage, Darlene Birkes and Mary Duvall.

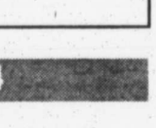
The next meeting will be at 7 p.m., March 25 at Pampa Country Club.

OB/GYN Update

by Otoniel Huertas, M.D.
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PREGNANCY TESTING

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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Boyfriend's Frequent Outbursts Make Woman Fear For Future

DEAR ABBY: Last Friday was my birthday. My co-workers threw me a surprise party, complete with cake, singing, a card signed by everyone in the office, and a beautiful bouquet of roses and orchids.

That night, when I told my boyfriend, "Rodney," about it, he blew up and talked nonstop about how no one ever does "nice stuff" for him. Then he said he had completely forgotten my birthday — and even worse, he tried to pick a fight.

When I shared this with my mother, she told me that Rod's behavior could be considered emotional and verbal abuse. He has always gotten angry over little things, and is quick to complain about what he "doesn't have and never will." I've heard all the stories about how rough he had it growing up. I, on the other hand, have pleasant childhood memories and a positive outlook on life.

The next day Rod apologized. He said his outburst was because he was mad at himself for forgetting my birthday and embarrassed that other people did things for me that he should have done. Should I accept his apology and move on — or am I seeing signs of a relationship doomed to fail? We've been together for three years, and I'm growing tired of his outbursts.

DISSATISFIED WITH MY GUY
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DEAR DISSATISFIED: If your birthday was yet another example of Rodney's volatility and negativity, it's time to accept the fact that he doesn't make you happy — and probably never will. Your signature says it all. Consider this: The best belated birthday present you can give yourself is your freedom and the chance to move on.

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DEAR ABBY: I have been married to "Ray" for nine years. We have three children under 7. For a couple of years, I have noticed money missing from our bank account. Each time I asked Ray about it, he'd always have an excuse, saying, "I bought tools," etc.

A week ago, I noticed an unusually large withdrawal. When I confronted my husband, he finally told me the truth. Ray confessed that he's been going to massage parlors and prostitutes for the last two years — and he is an admitted sex addict. Abby, I am devastated. His confession rocked my world.

I ordered Ray to get out. Now, one week later, I have been to counseling and he has agreed to go. What I am asking is this: Have you ever heard of "sex addiction," and can it be cured? I love my husband and want to give this marriage a chance, but I'm terrified he will stray again.

NO NAME, CITY OR STATE

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P.S.: If you haven't already done so, see your physician about being screened for sexually transmitted diseases (STDs).

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Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

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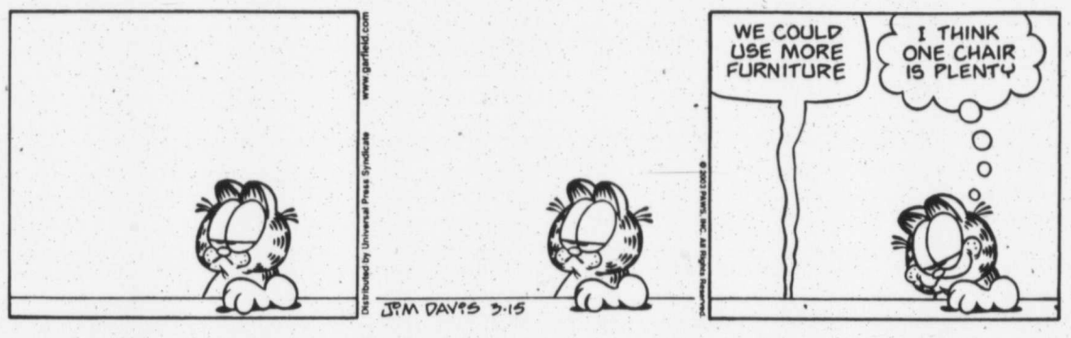
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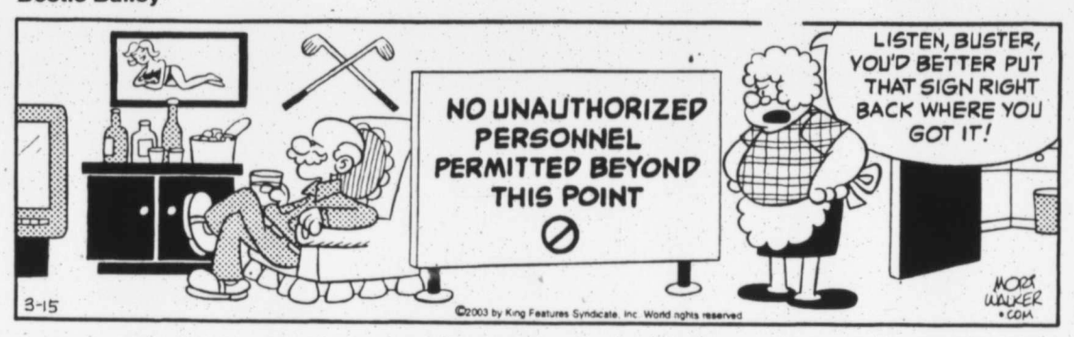
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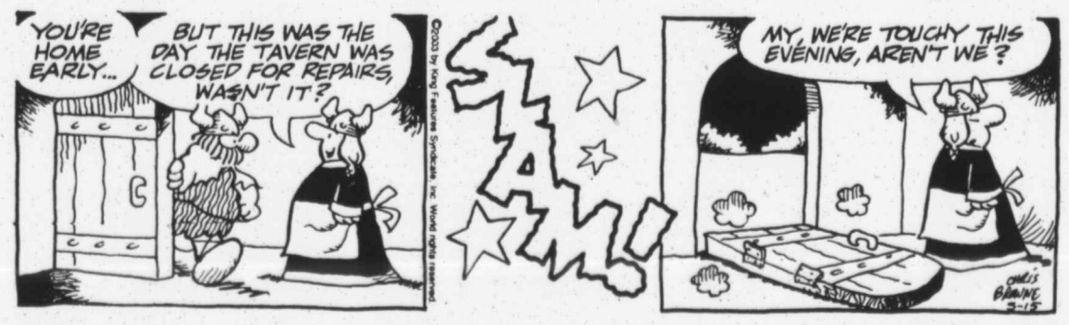
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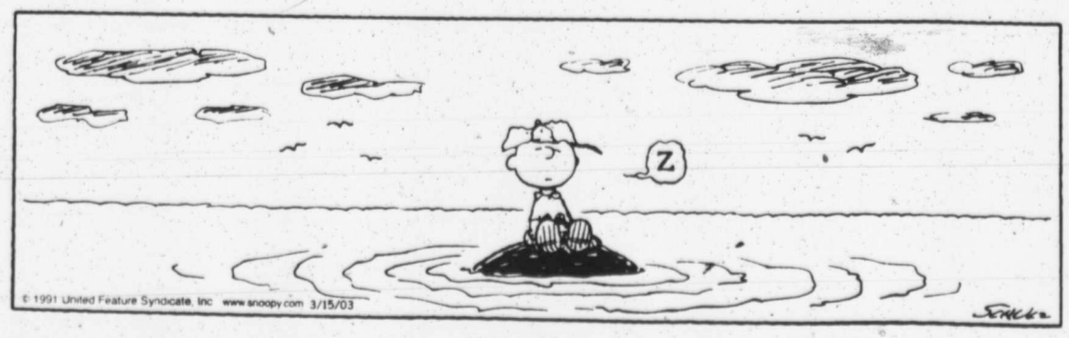
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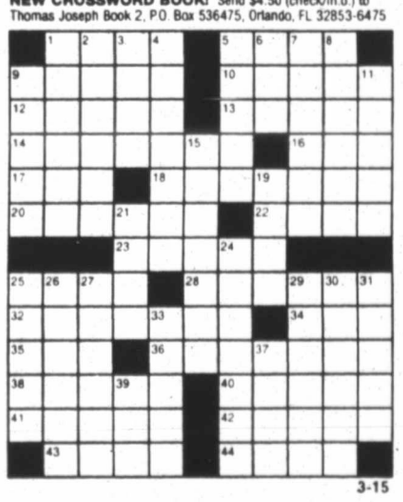
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Executive Board Members . . . planning the upcoming 2003 – 2004 Membership Campaign with an outstanding series of four concerts are, above, left, Ruth Riehart, president (665-3362) and, right, Evelyn Johnson, corresponding secretary on the left and Glennette Goode, serving as membership drive co-chairman with Mrs. Riehart.

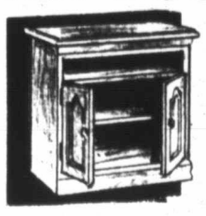
Additional officers and directors are Ronnie Holmes, presentation chairman; Nancy Hahn, treasurer; Lilith Brainard, Becky Holmes and Nancy Coffee, co-membership chairmen; and Bobbye Combs, publicity.

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Weekly charts for the nation's best-selling recorded music as they appear in next week's issue of Billboard magazine. Reprinted with permission. (Platinum signifies more than 1 million copies sold. Gold signifies more than 500,000 copies sold.):

BILLBOARD HOT 100: TOP 10

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan; radio playlists; and monitored radio by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "In da Club," 50 Cent. G-Unit.
2. "All I Have," Jennifer Lopez (feat. LL Cool J). Epic.
3. "Ignition," R. Kelly. Jive.
4. "Mesmerize," Ja Rule (feat. Ashanti). Murder Inc.
5. "Miss You," Aaliyah. Universal.
6. "Picture," Kid Rock (feat. Sheryl Crow). Lava.
7. "Landslide," Dixie Chicks. Monument.
8. "I'm With You," Avril Lavigne. Arista.
9. "Gossip Folks," Missy "Misdemeanor" Elliott (feat. Ludacris). The Gold Mind.
10. "Cry Me a River," Justin Timberlake. Jive.

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THE BILLBOARD 200 TOP ALBUMS: TOP 10

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1. "Get Rich or Die Tryin'," 50 Cent. Shady.
2. "Come Away With Me," Norah Jones. Blue Note. (Platinum — certified sales of 1 million units)
3. "Sweet Dreams," Fabolous. Desert Storm.
4. "Chocolate Factory," R. Kelly. Jive.
5. "La Bella Mafia," Lil' Kim. Queen Bee.
6. "Home," Dixie Chicks. Monument. (Platinum)
7. "Fallen," Evanescence. Wind-up.
8. "Cocky," Kid Rock. Lava. (Platinum)
9. Soundtrack: "Chicago." Epic. (Platinum)
10. Soundtrack: "Cradle 2 the Grave." Bloodline.

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HOT ADULT CONTEMPORARY

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1. "Landslide," Dixie Chicks. Monument.
2. "The Game of Love," Santana (feat. Michelle Branch). Arista.
3. "Can't Stop Loving You," Phil Collins. Atlantic.
4. "Cry," Faith Hill. Warner Bros.
5. "Beautiful," Christina Aguilera. RCA.
6. "A Thousand Miles," Vanessa Carlton. A&M.
7. "Forever for You," Daryl Hall and John Oates. U-Watch.
8. "Soak Up the Sun," Sheryl Crow. A&M.
9. "I Drove All Night," Celine Dion. Epic.
10. "Hero," Enrique Iglesias. Interscope.

TOP CONTEMPORARY CHRISTIAN ALBUMS

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)

1. "Fallen," Evanescence. Wind-up.
2. "Offerings II: All I Have to Give," Third Day. Essential.
3. "Donnie McClurkin... Again," Donnie McClurkin. Verity.
4. "Worship Together: I Could Sing of Your Love Forever," Various Artists. Time Life.
5. "Furthermore: From the Studio, From the Stage," Jars Of Clay. Essential.
6. "iWorship: A Total Worship Experience," Various Artists. Integrity. (Gold)
7. "All About Love," Steven Cutis Chapman. Sparrow. (Gold)
8. "Worship Again," Michael W. Smith. Reunion/Provident. (Gold)
9. "The Beautiful Letdown," Switchfoot. Sparrow/Chordant.
10. "Worldwide," Audio Adrenaline. Forefront/Chordant.

MAINSTREAM ROCK TRACKS

(Compiled from a national sample of airplay supplied by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "When I'm Gone," 3 Doors Down. Republic.
2. "Always," Saliva. Island.
3. "Straight Out of Line," Godsmack. Republic.
4. "Fine Again," Seether. Wind-up.
5. "Somewhere I Belong," Linkin Park. Warner Bros.
6. "Like a Stone," Audioslave. Interscope.
7. "Remember," Disturbed. Reprise.
8. "No One Knows," Queens of the Stone Age. Interscope.
9. "Headstrong," Trapt. Warner Bros.
10. "Times Like These," Foo Fighters. Roswell/RCA/RMG.

MODERN ROCK TRACKS

(Compiled from a national sample of airplay supplied by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "Can't Stop," Red Hot Chili Peppers. Warner Bros.
2. "Somewhere I Belong," Linkin Park. Warner Bros.
3. "Bring Me to Life," Evanescence. Wind-up.
4. "Like a Stone," Audioslave. Interscope.
5. "No One Knows," Queens of the Stone Age. Interscope.
6. "Times Like These," Foo Fighters. Roswell.
7. "When I'm Gone," 3 Doors Down. Republic.
8. "Swing, Swing," The All-American Rejects. Doghouse.
9. "Headstrong," Trapt. Warner Bros.
10. "Clocks," Coldplay. Capitol.

HOT COUNTRY SINGLES AND TRACKS

(Compiled from a national sample of monitored country radio by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "Travelin' Soldier," Dixie Chicks. Monument.
2. "Man to Man," Gary Allan. MCA Nashville.
3. "Brokenheartsville," Joe Nichols. Universal South.
4. "Big Star," Kenny Chesney. BNA.
5. "That'd Be Alright," Alan Jackson. Arista Nashville.
6. "The Baby," Blake Shelton. Warner Bros.
7. "19 Somethin'," Mark Wills. Mercury.
8. "She's My Kind of Rain," Tim McGraw. Curb.
9. "Have You Forgotten?" Darryl Worley. DreamWorks.
10. "I Just Wanna Be Mad," Terri Clark. Mercury.

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TOP COUNTRY ALBUMS

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1. "Home," Dixie Chicks. Monument. (Platinum)
2. "Up!," Shania Twain. Mercury (Nashville).
3. "For the Last Time: Live From the Astrodome," George Strait. MCA Nashville.
4. "American IV: the Man Comes Around," Johnny Cash. American.
5. "Tim McGraw and the Dancehall Doctors," Tim McGraw. Curb. (Platinum)
6. "Unleashed," Toby Keith. DreamWorks (Nashville). (Platinum)
7. "No Shoes, No Shirt, No Problems," Kenny Chesney. BNA. (Platinum)
8. "The Dreamer," Blake Shelton. Warner Bros.
9. "Cry," Faith Hill. Warner Bros. (Platinum)
10. "Greatest Hits," Martina McBride. RCA. (Platinum)

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HOT R&B/HIP-HOP SINGLES AND TRACKS

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1. "In da Club," 50 Cent. Shady.
2. "Ignition," R. Kelly. Jive.
3. "How You Gonna Act Like That," Tyrese. J/RMG.
4. "Excuse Me Miss," Jay-Z. Roc-A-Fella.
5. "Miss You," Aaliyah. Blackground.
6. "All I Have," Jennifer Lopez (feat. LL Cool J). Epic.
7. "Gossip Folks," Missy "Misdemeanor" Elliott (feat. Ludacris). The Gold Mind.
8. "Beautiful," Snoop Dogg (feat. Pharrell & Uncle Charlie Wilson. Doggystyle/Priority/Capitol.
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Animal cardiologists mending pets' broken hearts

By WILLIAM L. HOLMES
Associated Press Writer

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — Douglas Knowlton had a rare heart.

The retired Army colonel had survived three wars when, in 1990, doctors installed a pacemaker to help combat an unusual heart condition that caused him to faint. That device was replaced by a more sophisticated model in the mid-1990s that was still going strong when Knowlton died last March at age 81.

His wife, a dog lover, decided she didn't want the technology to go to waste. She donated the pacemaker to the North Carolina State University College of Veterinary Medicine.

Surgeons there installed it in a beagle named Cody.

Unusual as it sounds, the procedure is among the most common performed by a growing breed of veterinarians: animal cardiologists.

The American College of Internal Veterinary Medicine has just 117 registered cardiology diplomates, a status that requires successful completion of a certified residency program and a series of rigorous exams.

That is an increase of 75 percent since 1996, according to Ruth Green, a spokeswoman in the college's Lakewood, Colo., headquarters.

The growth has been pushed by pet owners' demands for better, more specialized care and their willingness to spend more for it, as well as the increasing use of ultrasound and other medical technology, said Clarke Atkins, the head of veterinary cardiology at N.C. State.

Three cardiologists at N.C. State perform about one surgery a week and also fill their busy days treating many other animals — primarily dogs and cats — with medicine and other means.

Cardiology residents dedicate three years after their four years of veterinary school to the specialty, and are often hired quickly at the end of that time, Atkins said.

William Rausch, the cardiology resident who installed Cody's pacemaker, is nearing the end of his stint and is looking forward to a career where he can help add a few years to the lives of treasured pets.

He also appreciates the challenges of the job.

"The heart speaks to me," Rausch said. "It's physiology. I've just always had a fascination and an appreciation for it."

Most animal cardiologists work at teaching hospitals or in private specialty practices. They receive most of their cases through referrals from general practice veterinarians who don't often run into heart problems.

"It brings you a load of challenging cases," Rausch said.

Animal cardiologists deal most often with degeneration of heart valves and myocardial disease, which affects the heart muscle. The most common surgeries are installations of pacemakers, opening of narrowed valves and shutting off abnormal connections to hearts.

The technology used is often adapted from that developed for humans. Animal cardiologists require much of the same dexterity and skill needed for cardiologists who work with people, Atkins said.

The cost of cardiac care for a pet can be prohibitive. Installing a pacemaker — even with the donation of a device that can cost as much as $15,000 — can cost $1,500 to $2,000.

"In my skewed world, everyone is willing to go that far," Rausch said.

Pet owners also have to be willing to adjust their lifestyles to assure their animals receive the medicine and other treatment required for heart patients. They often have to set their schedules around the pet's feeding or medication, and must make sure the animal gets proper follow-up care and treatment.

"It definitely takes a special owner," Rausch said. "That's who ends up at our doorstep."

Diette Curry of Norfolk, Va., brought her weimaraner to N.C. State to have a pacemaker installed. Though she's an experienced pet owner with five other dogs, she didn't realize until that point that some vets specialized in animal cardiology.

The augmented heart pumped for another 2 1/2 years until the dog died in January of cancer at the age of 15, on the high end of the breed's average life span.

"Over the course of time, I'm very thankful that veterinarians have branched out to learn more about these things because pets deserve the same kind of care that humans do," Curry said.

Curry turned her thankfulness into a campaign to collect pacemakers for the school, which now has 15 on hand, plenty to handle demand. The pacemakers come from the families of deceased people and from companies with pacemakers that have expired shelf lives and can't be used in humans.

Many of the animals who receive them have heart rates of 20 beats to 40 beats a minute, down from the typical 70 beats to 120 beats a minute.

The slowed heartbeat often causes the animals to faint, just as Douglas Knowlton did in his last years at his home in Rockingham.

Carolyn Knowlton said she learned of donating pacemakers for use in animals through a television show she saw a few years before her husband's death.

The notion that the device could extend another life appealed to her and she believes the donation also honors her husband. She has a framed picture of Cody and Rausch that she hung next to a picture of her husband, his war medals, an American flag and his prized Bible.

"All my friends thought it was the greatest thing they had ever known," she said. "I thought it was great because people are so dedicated to their animals."

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Proposals may be delivered to the City Secretary's Office, City Hall, Pampa, Texas or mailed to P.O. Box 2499, Pampa, Texas 79066-2499. Sealed envelope should be plainly marked "BANK DEPOSITORY PROPOSAL ENCLOSED, PROPOSAL NO. 03.03.F" and show date and time of proposal opening. Facsimile proposals will not be accepted.

The City of Pampa reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals submitted and to waive any formalities or technicalities.

The City Commission will consider proposals for ward at the April 8, 2003 Commission meeting.

Phyllis Jeffers
City Secretary
C-13 Mar. 9, 16, 2003

TEXAS Department of Transportation will host an Informational Meeting on March 25, 2003 concerning the planning of future projects.

This informational meeting is held to explain how the department plans transportation projects. We would like to receive the public's input regarding the current Transportation Improvement Plan for the district.

The meeting will be Tuesday, March 25, 2003 at 7:00 p.m. It will be located at the Borger Chamber of Commerce, 613 Main Street, Borger Texas.

The meeting will cover transportation plans for all areas of the Panhandle and the city of Amarillo. An overall view of the planning process will be presented, as well as their criteria used for selecting individual projects. Draft versions of current transportation plans will be presented at the meeting for public comment.

The public is invited to speak regarding projects currently planned or any additional projects that might be proposed. Speakers will be limited to five minutes. Verbal and written comments from the public regarding any project may be submitted at the meeting. Written statements and other exhibits may be submitted to the District Office at 5715 Canyon Drive (P.O. Box 7368) Amarillo, Texas 79114-7368. Comments must be received no later than April 7, 2003.

All interested citizens are invited to attend this public meeting. Persons interested in attending the meeting who have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact Cheryl Luther at 806.356.3249. Requests should be made no later than two days prior to the public meeting. TxDot will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs.

1 Public Notice

NOTICE TO PROPOSERS

The City of Pampa, Texas will receive sealed proposals for the following until 11:00 A.M., March 27, 2003 at which time they will be opened and read publicly in the City Conference Room, second floor, City Hall, Pampa, Texas:

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1 Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Amarillo District of the Texas Department of Transportation will be hosting a public meeting regarding the need to upgrade the intersection of U.S. 60 and F.M. 2373 (Pantex). This meeting is intended to seek the input of all interested parties who wish to comment about the project.

The meeting will be Tuesday, April 15, 2003 at 7:00 p.m. It will be located at the Highland Park School, U.S. 60 & F.M. 1912, in Amarillo, Texas. The meeting will be in the High School Auditorium.

HDR Engineering, Inc., in conjunction with the Pampa Area Office is working on the preliminary project plans. If anyone has a concern before the meeting in regard to the project, they may contact the Area Engineer, Jerry Raines, P.E. at 806-665-2374.

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You may submit verbal or written comments regarding this project at the meeting. Written statements and other exhibits may also be submitted to the District Office at 5715 Canyon Drive (P.O. Box 7368) Amarillo, Texas 79114-7368. Comments must be received no later than ten (10) days after the meeting.

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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)
★★★★ Stay nice and even in your dealings with others. When you might want a day off, a friend or loved one might be determined to create some uproar. You can handle the situation, and even more. Trust in your ability to say what you mean and have others respond. Tonight: You will want a good night's sleep.
This Week: Tuesday's Full Moon pushes you to get the job done. Network from Wednesday on.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Your delivery of what you say has much to do with others' responses. You might be overwhelmed by what is going on with a family member and/or work. Relax and express your more playful side. Share some of your wilder fantasies. Tonight: Let someone see your stuff.
This Week: Your love life could take precedence on Monday or Tuesday. Trust that you will make up the remainder of the week.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ Stay close to home. You might find out why, or you just might feel better not straying far from your own place. You'll discover your many options if you talk to a partner or key friend. Brainstorming together bonds you on a much deeper level. Tonight: Order in.
This Week: Stick with the basics, and you won't go wrong. Use your creativity on Wednesday to come up with solutions. You're an ace.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Someone could jolt you with his or her attitude and words. You wonder exactly what has happened here. Keep asking questions. You could find that a friend or loved one might have misinterpreted what he or she heard. Clear the air if possible. Tonight: A nice dinner for two.
This Week: Keep communication flowing, even if it means working yourself through a backlog of work and messages. You will clear it all out by Friday.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Indulge yourself with those around you. Someone could do something most unexpected. Is this new? You might need to compensate for what is happening. You could express your frustration by digging into a project or getting into a favorite sport. Tonight: Your treat.
This Week: Handle your finances head-on. You might not like what you hear, but you can handle the news. On Wednesday, networking and getting the job done take precedence.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★★ You're personality plus. Express your playfulness in ways that have meaning to others. Understand how unpredictable a loved one is. Your wild side comes out when dealing with a child or new friend. Kick up your heels. Tonight: Play as if there is no tomorrow.
This Week: Others come to you. Now, isn't that more like it? You get to pick and choose. Use your strong sense of finances from Wednesday on.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★ Take your time making decisions. Somehow, you can make a difference in how you handle a fiery family member. You might want to step back from what is going on as well. Take care of yourself first, then you can handle a personal situation more effectively. Tonight: Vanish, if you can.
This Week: The Full Moon might find you howling on Monday or Tuesday. Stop. Use your charm, and you'll accomplish much more.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ How you say what you need is reflected in the reaction you get. You might be slightly more aggressive than you realize. Explaining might take time, but it will prove unusually successful. Catch up on mail, news and phone calls. Veg as much as you can. Tonight: Where your friends are.
This Week: You hear what a friend wants. Will you comply? Ultimately, that is your call. Be more direct in how you handle loved ones.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Handle a parent or authority figure directly. You might need to go overboard with this person. Treat him or her to dinner and a movie. You might not realize just how alone this person feels. Reach out. Tonight: Take your bows.
This Week: You're in a pressure cooker with this week's Full Moon. The way out lies in taking off the lid, which you will do on Wednesday. Let others know where you're coming from.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★★ Your fiery behavior, which tolerates no playing around, could come out. Not everyone has the same amount of energy as you do. Walk in another's footsteps and lose your attitude. You might be surprised by what you find out. Tonight: Seek out adventure.
This Week: Deal with others directly. Gossip might infiltrate facts. You could spend the week sorting through what's what.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Work with others. You could be surprised by what occurs if you just let go and fly through a problem. Others might be surprised by your devil-may-care attitude. You, on the other hand, might not be bothered in the least. Speak about your feelings. Tonight: Work as a team.
This Week: What you believed was a given financially might not be. You get hard facts to the contrary. Realize what needs to happen to straighten out a mess. And do it!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Allow others to express their ideas. You might enjoy a hard game of racquetball or some other physical team sport. Carefully review what might be happening with a friend who is touchy or overly verbal. Tonight: Go along with plans.
This Week: You might be in a push-pull situation where you are not sure which way to go. Give yourself the week to figure out what's what

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Horoscope BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, March 17, 2003:
You find answers where you least expect them. Don't take what you hear as the final word or the ultimate statement. Listen to others more often. Read between the lines. You will discover a whole different point of view if you notice what's not said. You'll gain as a result, as will others. If you are single, you could have quite the selection of suitors. You will hook up with someone quite significant next year. If you're attached, confusion marks your communication. Learn new ways of confirming what you hear, as well as what you've said. Take a class together in communication. VIRGO challenges you.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ You might have plans to paint the town (or office) green, but work demands your best. Others simply express a franticness that is bewildering to you. Help clear the air. Realize that not everyone has the same skills as you. Indulge others, even if it means delaying your plans. Tonight: You're only too happy to head home.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ You might push way too hard. Others become reactive and difficult in the next few days. Pressure builds within a partnership that sometimes drains your energy. Be careful with finances, especially those involving this person. Think positively. Tonight: Flirt with a partner and ease some of the pressure.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ You might discover that someone is a bit overwhelmed by all that goes on. You laugh and enjoy yourself wherever you are. Are you pretending to be Irish? Review a personal matter that affects your home life. Deal with an immediate clash of wills by not forcing the issue. Tonight: Happy at home.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Keep communication flourishing. You might be holding back and not seeing what others see. Ask questions if you want to resolve an issue. You could be pushed to the end of your rope when dealing with others. Open up and have a discussion. Tonight: Speak your mind. It's better late than never.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Deal with expenses, as uncomfortable as it might be. Your way of handling others could change because of some unanticipated and startling responses. Be extremely careful handling a money matter. Mistakes can be made easily. Tonight: Pay bills.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★ You might want to think through a decision despite what is going on. Investigate options that involve work and a personal matter. Could you be looking at a long-term investment or change of field? Discussions will only confuse matters. Tonight: Do your thing.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★ Someone might be pushing much harder than you anticipated. How you deal with those in your immediate circle might be rather rough because you're pushed beyond your limits. Take your time, not feeling so obligated. You need time for yourself. Tonight: Vanish while you can.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Where your friends are could make a big difference in what happens when dealing with those in your immediate circle. Money proves to be a stress point that makes you very uncomfortable. Confusion marks relationships and interactions. Tonight: Be Irish.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★ You might be the source of your own problems without realizing it. Your options vary depending on how open you can be with those around you. Push comes to shove in your different dealings. No one seems easy. Tonight: Work as late as need be.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ You might not know how to deal with your stronger feelings, especially around a child or loved one. Be clear with your communication, especially as others often become confused despite themselves. Tonight: Head for an Irish restaurant (or pub).

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Others work with you, but know that every person has his or her own agenda or outcome he or she wishes for. Be sensitive to where others might be coming from. If you're unsure, wait. Tonight: Share with a loved one.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ You might be pulled in different directions. Could this be the result of mixed messages? You might not be able to clear out as much as you would like right now. Ride with the waves and deal with the moment. Bosses make demands. Tonight: Celebrate St. Patty's Day.

BORN TODAY
Dancer Rudolf Nureyev (1938), actor Kurt Russell (1951), singer Nat King Cole (1919)

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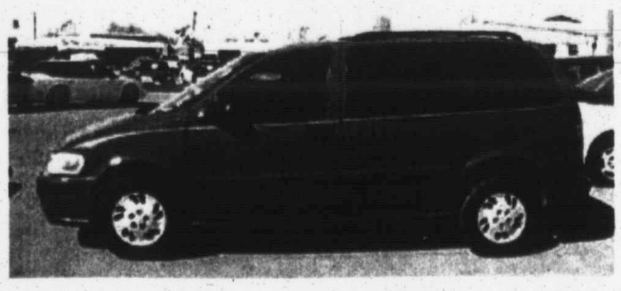
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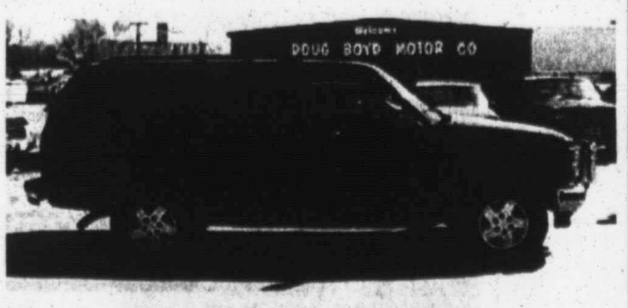
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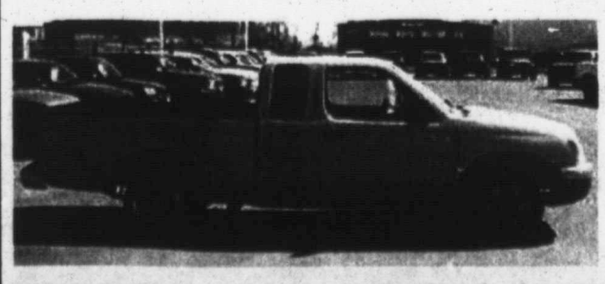
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'Dancing on Common Ground'



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Pampa Community Concert Association, in association with Borger concert association, will host "Dancing on Common Ground" at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 18, at M.K. Brown Auditorium in Pampa. The performance will feature an energetic troup of dancers in the style of "Tap Dogs" and "Stomp," For tickets or more information, contact Ruth Riehart, PCCA president, at 665-3362.

Rockwall teen-ager youngest Texas teacher

By JEFF MOSIER
THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS

ROCKWALL — At first glance, Brittney Danaher seems to be a typical teenager.

She listens to Incubus and Nelly. And she spends her school days at the Herman E. Utley Freshman Center in Rockwall. In her Spanish class, however, she commands respect like no other teen in the building.

"Subir. What does that mean?" she called from the front of the class, catching the attention of the slightly rambunctious students.

"Raise," she repeated when a couple of students called out the correct response.

Despite her youthful looks — and age — the 19-year-old is a teacher, not a student.

"My guess is that she would be the youngest teacher in Texas," said Ed Fuller, a spokesman for the State Board for Educator Certification, though he said data entry errors on state records make it impossible to say for sure.

Rockwall school officials can't recall having a teacher so young since World War II, when teenage teachers were common.

"I walk through the halls, and they (teachers) ask me for hall passes all the time," Danaher said. "They'll stop, wait, look at me, and then say, 'Oh, I'm sorry, Ms. Danaher.'"

Other than the occasional confusion about whether she's going to the teachers' lounge or her locker, Danaher said the transition from the student's seat to the chalkboard hasn't been too difficult. She said her age might even be an advantage because many students feel she understands them.

She's about four years older than the average freshman, and many of her students have siblings older than she is.

"I think it's cool because she can relate to us," said Kayse Katzmann. "Most of the teachers are old."

From a teen perspective, that's true. More than two-thirds of the teachers in the Rockwall district are older than 40, and few are in their 20s.

Jarrod Rhodes said it doesn't matter how old she is. He's just impressed that she can also help him with his math homework.

"She's pretty smart," he said.

It was Danaher's smarts that landed her in Rockwall at a time when many of her friends are still concerned about sorority parties or declaring a major.

She attended Poteet High School in Mesquite for two years and then transferred to the Texas Academy of Leadership in the Humanities at Lamar University in Beaumont. There, she was able to complete her high school requirements and take college courses at the same time.

Teaching, however, wasn't yet in her plans. She wanted to work for an international disaster relief agency or a charity.

Danaher told herself she wouldn't follow her parents' career choices. Her mother is a teacher, and her father is a former principal and current central office administrator.

Her attitude changed when she was looking for a temporary job during college and her mother suggested substitute teaching. Danaher decided to give it a shot, but the first class was a little awkward.

"The very first day of subbing, I had sex ed for sophomores," she said. "I'm three years older than they are. ... Then one of my sophomores hits on me."

With the exception of that experience, Danaher said, she decided education was something she wanted to try.

WT students elect president, raise fees

CANYON — West Texas A&M University students have elected a new student body president and also voted to pass a proposed Rec Sports Fee increase.

Ryan Franklin, a junior English education major from Donie, was named the new student body president for the 2003-2004 school year. Franklin has been involved in WTAMU student government since his freshman year and is currently serving as vice president.

Ashley Irwin, a junior history major from Canyon, ran unopposed for the office of student body vice president. Both Franklin and Irwin hope to see a more unified campus during their terms, with an increased number of representatives in student government and greater participation.

University students also voted to pass a proposed Rec Sports Fee that would be used to pay for construction, operation and equipment costs at the Virgil Henson Activities Center and other recreational facilities. The proposal will now be on the agenda at the March 27-28 meeting of The Texas A&M University System Board of Regents. If approved at the Board of Regents meeting, the current $35 fee will be bumped up to $50 per semester for 2003-2004, $60 per semester for 2004-2005 and $70 per semester for 2005-2006.

Voting began Tuesday, March 4 and continued through Wednesday, March 5 at kiosks located across the WTAMU campus. Students also voted on formal court candidates. Winners were announced at the All-University Formal on Saturday, March 8 at the Ambassador Hotel in Amarilo.

Gymnastic equipment to go on sale at Canyon university

CANYON — Pommel horses, balance beams and other types of miscellaneous gymnastic equipment will go to the highest bidders when West Texas A&M University conducts a one-day, sealed-bid surplus sale Friday, March 28 on campus.

The items, including a pair of mini trampolines and a few parallel bars, will be on display from 9-11 a.m. in the Virgil Henson Activities Center, All-Purpose Room. Sealed bids will be due no later than 11 a:m. at the WTAMU Purchasing Department in Old Main, Room 116, or they can be given to Central Supply personnel stationed in the All-Purpose Room.

The bids will be tabulated and the successful bidders will be notified at 1 p.m. in Old Main, Room 116. All items must be paid for at the WTAMU Business Office between 1-4 p.m., and all items must be removed from campus at the buyer's expense before 4:30 p.m. the day of the sale.

West Texas A&M University makes no guarantee on the condition of items in the surplus sale.

Bidder packets will be available during the viewing period at the Activities Center or in Old Main, Room 116.

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2. Forward-facing toddler seats in the back seat from age one to about age four and 20 to 40 pounds.

3. Booster seats in the back seat from about age four and 40 pounds to at least age eight unless child is 4-feet, 9-inches tall.

4. Safety belts at age eight or older or taller than 4-feet, 9-inches in height. All children 12 and under should ride in the back seat.

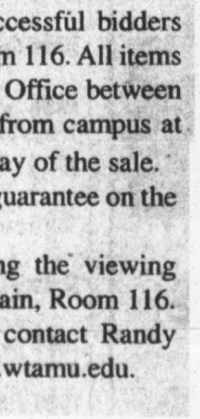
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