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Orr: PISD off to 'very good start'

School is off to a "very good start," said Dr. Dawson Orr, superintendent of Pampa schools. Orr reported the 2002-2003 school year began on a positive note with 3,319 students attending the first day of classes at PISD. He said he believes the student enrollment will rise by Labor Day. "Traditionally, the student enrollment levels out by the second Friday of classes," he said. "Last year on the second Friday we had 3,449 students in class."

LOTTERY

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night: Winning numbers drawn: 9-10-28-32-36-43. Estimated jackpot: \$9 million. Number matching six of six: 0. Matching five of six: 40. Prize: \$2,954. Matching four of six: 2,724. Prize: \$107. Matching three of six: 57,714. Prize: \$5. Next Lotto Texas game: Saturday night. Estimated jackpot: \$12 million.

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West Nile spreads thru area

By KATE B. DICKSON
ASSOCIATE PUBLISHER

More updated area reports are expected late today in the wake of the West Nile Virus deaths of six horses - five in the Texas Panhandle and one in Lubbock County - out of 24 confirmed cases, said Suzan Norwood of the Texas Department of Health zoonosis division in Canyon.

One of the infection cases is in Gray County about eight miles south of Pampa where a 5-year-old gelding is

recovering after treatment, it was reported yesterday.

"It got here so fast and is so widespread," said Norwood of the mosquito-borne disease that is making its way from the east coast toward the west coast. "We had hoped it wouldn't get here until next year."

Health officials report the disease, that mosquitoes pick up from biting infected birds, first showed up in 1999 in New York.

Norwood urges horse owners to talk with their veterinarians and to get their

animals vaccinated.

According to Dr. M.W. Horne at Gray County Veterinary Clinic, it takes two vaccinations about three-to-six weeks apart to inoculate a horse. After the second shot, the vaccine is effective about five-to-seven days later. In subsequent years a booster shot is required.

Norwood also says everyone should keep weeds and grasses low and make sure all containers - from junk and old tires to flower pots - are free of any standing water.

She said mosquitoes are fast breeders and can hatch out in three to five days after the larvae mature in stagnant water.

About 60 percent of the horses that become infected and are treated with steroids and antibiotics recover, Dr. Horne said previously.

Symptoms include wobbly back legs, dragging one or both back legs or feet, going off their feed and getting down much as a horse does with colic.

The disease, Dr. Horne said, (See VIRUS, Page 3)



(Courtesy photo)

AFS foreign exchange students attending Pampa, Groom and Panhandle high schools this year pinpoint their home cities in Europe. They are, left to right, Claudio Benassi, Italy; Manuela Bogge, Italy; Simon Loele, Germany; and Linda Aas, Norway. Benassi and Aas attend Pampa High School. Pampa High student, Mike Eskridge, standing, visited his former host brother Francesco Tronci in Italy this summer.

New kids in town

By DARLENE BIRKES
SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

Italy, Germany, Norway will be in the focal point in the Pampa area with the American Field Service (AFS) students for this coming school year.

Attending Pampa High School are Claudio Benassi of Italy and Linda Aas of Norway. Manuela Bogge, also from Italy, will attend Groom High School and Simon Loele, Germany, will go to Panhandle High School.

The students are fluent in English, each having taken six years of English in school, but they go abroad to perfect their English skills.

"In Germany it is cool to use as many English words as possible with the computer," said Loele.

They noted that the computer was opening the door for more and more English, but English is restricted in France where it is not to be shown in ads on television, which would result in fines.

Benassi comes from north central Italy, Reggio Emilia, the same home city of Andrea Branchetti, who attended Pampa High School in 2000-2001. He knew the area would be flat, have cowboys and horses, some desert and nature. All of the students expected to see cactus, but haven't yet.

The most noticeable difference to them are (See KIDS, Page 3)

Pickup goes back to PEDC

By NANCY YOUNG
MANAGING EDITOR

Minus a bumper and with several holes in the fiberglass body, a recently discovered 1995 Dodge diesel pickup paid for by the Pampa Economic Development Corporation in 1996 was returned to Pampa over the weekend.

Board members of the dissolving organization were startled recently to learn that the PEDC still holds the title on the pickup with an unpaid balance of \$11,100.

Bill Allison, a PEDC board member, agreed at the Aug. 12 board meeting to receive the pickup at his auto business until the board determined what action to take.

After several board members said Allison was the most qualified to check out

the condition of the vehicle, he reluctantly agreed to receive it at his local car lot and have a mechanic look over it if the board felt it would be okay.

"I don't want any appearance of impropriety on my part," said Allison.

He said Monday morning the clutch is also out on the vehicle, and he would have the vehicle checked out further.

Fork Stork Manufacturing was a business the PEDC funded in the amount of \$264,747.21 in 1995, according to a project information sheet prepared and distributed by PEDC at a meeting in October 2001.

According to information provided on the sheet, the type of incentive provided by PEDC was improvements to (See PICKUP, Page 3)



(Pampa News photo by Nancy Young)

A 1995 Dodge pickup owned by the Pampa Economic Development Corporation was hauled to Pampa a few days ago by trailer. The vehicle was part of the incentive furnished to Fork Stork Manufacturing in 1995 by the PEDC. A balance of \$11,100 remains on the pickup.

Two held in ammonia theft

Two men accused in connection with the theft of anhydrous ammonia, an ingredient used in methamphetamine, are behind bars today after sheriff's deputies say the two were caught with a plastic jug of the substance.

Both are charged with transporting anhydrous ammonia in an unapproved container, said Chief Deputy Kelly Rushing.

At press time today, both remained in the county jail in lieu of \$20,000 bond each.

The are Sean Lewis Moree, 24, 429 Doyle, and Delton Eugene McCormick, 46, Lefors. Rushing said McCormick has a previous arrest history including one in connection with an illegal methamphetamine lab.

The two were caught Wednesday evening after a Roberts County deputy, headed back to Miami, spotted what appeared to him to be a "suspicious vehicle," Rushing said. "He knew (See THEFT, Page 3)

Grand jury hands up indictments

A wide range of charges - from manslaughter to aggravated assault on a public servant - were among the indictments returned this week by the Gray County Grand Jury against 10 people.

Bonds were set by 223rd District Court Judge Lee Waters.

Cecelio Vargas Sosa, 35, 405 Hughes, was indicted on the second degree felony manslaughter in connection with the traffic death of Pampan Bob Douthit. His

bond is \$250,000.

Charles Emil Robinson, 35, 441 Pitts, was indicted on the first degree felony of aggravated assault on a public servant. He is accused of exhibiting a firearm during the assault on Pampa Officer Keith Morris. His bond is \$50,000.

Jeffrey Shay Fortner, 23, 825 Kingsmill, was indicted on the second degree felony of burglary of a habitation in connection with an incident in which he's accused of break-

ing into a home and attempting to assault an occupant. His bond is \$5,000.

Sarah Elizabeth Durrett, 18, 1042 N. Dwight, was indicted on the third degree felony of injury to an elderly individual. She is accused of pushing an individual, 65 years of age or older, into a bed. Her bond is \$3,000.

Sedrel Allen McGuffin, 44, 626 Davis, was indicted on the state jail felony failure to register as a sex offender. His (See JURY, Page 3)

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ON RECORD

FIRE

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

Wednesday, Aug. 21

7:27 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a motor vehicle collision in the 500 block of South Price Road.

10 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a small gasoline spill at Allsups in the 100 block of South Starkweather.

Thursday, Aug. 22

5:38 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 600 block of North Roberta.

6 a.m. — One unit and four firefighters responded to a hazardous material spill at Dwight and Wilkes streets. A hose used by the city to spray weed killer had broken.

AMBULANCE

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

Wednesday, August 21

7:19 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 500 block of South Price Road. No transport.

10:21 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of West 25th and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC).

12:18 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC for a transport to Baptist-St. Anthony West (BSAW).

4:13 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 300 block of South Miami and transported one to PRMC.

4:57 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 300 block of South Miami and transported one to PRMC.

9:33 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to BSAW.

Thursday, August 22

5:31 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of North Roberta; no transport.

POLICE

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

Sunday, August 11

Albertsons, 1233 N. Hobart, reported a forgery.

Tuesday, August 13

A family ring, valued at \$60, was reported stolen in the 700 block of North Russell. No forced entry.

Wednesday, August 14

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

Saturday, August 17

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported at Ray's Automotive, 225 S. Starkweather, where a stereo was taken from an unlocked

vehicle and decals were taken from the outside of the auto.

Wednesday, August 21

An aggravated domestic assault was reported in the 300 block of Miami where two women were treated for injuries at the hospital and released and one man did not require treatment. An arrest was made.

Edwin Thornton, 41, 433 N. Hazel, aggravated assault with a weapon.

A domestic assault was reported in the 300 block of Anne where a woman suffered minor injuries.

A domestic simple assault was reported in the 1000 block of Huff Road. No injuries.

Taylor Mart, 2101 N. Hobart, reported a \$14.50 gas drive off.

STOCKS

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

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		McDonalds	24.46	+0.06
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		Pioneer Nat	25.75	+0.30
		Penney's	17.15	NC
		Phillips	52.13	+0.26
		Schlumberger	41.88	+0.76
		Tenneco	6.87	+0.06
		CXV	77.97	+1.12
		Wal-Mart	53.92	+0.17
		OKE	20.89	+0.13
		NS Group	7.65	NC

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

Occidental	28.99	+0.20
Fidelity Mageln	NA	
Puritan	NA	

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

BP	48.95	+0.29
Celanese	20.00	+0.01
Cabot Corp	25.67	+0.06
Cabot Oil Gas	22.60	+0.11
Coca Cola	52.80	+0.06
New York Gold	308.05	
Silver	4.42	
West Texas Crude	30.39	

OBITUARIES

SERVICES TOMORROW

KENNEY, Robert Birl, Jr. — 1 p.m., The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Pampa.

RENO, Edith O. — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa.

WEATHER FOCUS

PAMPA

Today's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies, highs in the upper 90s, and southwest winds 10 to 15 mph. Tonight should be partly cloudy with lows in the upper 60s, and south winds 10 to 15 mph. Friday should be partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s. South winds 5 to 15 mph. Friday night, partly cloudy. Slight chance of thunderstorms. Lows around 70. Southeast winds 15 to 20 mph. Chance of precipitation 20 percent. Saturday, partly cloudy. Slight chance of thunderstorms. Highs in the middle 90s. South winds 15 to 20 mph. Chance of precipitation 20 percent. Saturday night, partly cloudy. Slight chance of thunder-

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STATEWIDE

Hot, mostly dry conditions across the state were expected to give way to a chance of showers and thunderstorms by the weekend.

A high-pressure system that has been keeping skies clear and rainfall away from much of Texas should weaken slightly.

Early-morning temperatures Thursday ranged from the mid-60s in far West Texas to mid-80s along the gulf coast, with mostly 70s elsewhere.

Extremes ranged from 64 degrees at Marfa to 78 degrees at San Angelo and Wink.

Southerly and southwesterly winds prevailed over the western half of the state at 10 to 15 mph with southeast to south winds elsewhere at 5 to 15 mph.

Thunderstorms that formed over portions of West Texas on Wednesday evening had dissipated. But some high clouds lingered from

the northeast Panhandle southward to the Big Bend.

Low clouds were also slowly forming over parts of South Texas and the Hill Country. Partly cloudy skies prevailed over West Texas.

The National Weather Service forecast called for isolated showers and thunderstorms through Friday from the Texas Panhandle south through the South Plains and Permian Basin into the Davis Mountains and Big Bend.

Daytime highs through Saturday should range from the 90s except for the 70s in the Guadalupe Mountains, with 100 to 104 in the Trans Pecos and near 107 along the Big Bend of the Rio Grande.

Lows overnight were expected from the mid-60s to mid-70s, except for mid-50s in the Guadalupe Mountains to the upper 70s along the Rio Grande.

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KIDS

the "big" cars. "They are like tanks," said Benassi who explained the large size would be difficult in the old cities in Italy with streets that were designed for horses, not large cars. "We preserve our old buildings and can't destroy them to widen streets," he explained. Benassi attends a scientific school in Italy. He is a champion target shooter of his home town and swims but does not play soccer. While Loele likes sports, also, he played in two bands

in Germany and managed to bring his saxophone in his suitcase. However he will be playing on a new saxophone in the Panhandle High School band this fall. Loele comes from a small suburb of Stuttgart, a town with Porschland Mercedes factories. "Donald Trump is building a Trump tower on the highest peak in Stuttgart, and plans are for him to sell it to the Mercedes company," said Loele. "Stuttgart will soon have the largest and most modern airport in the world," he said.

Bogge lives in the northwestern part of Italy in Rivoli, near Ton'na. She and Benassi concurred that there was considerable difference between northern and southern Italy. "I could not understand some of the dialect in the south. The south is more closed and has more tradition, is more conservative," Benassi said. "Many of the girls don't work, and the small city is very different." Boys serve either in the military or do social work after completing their schooling in some European countries.

"We have had a choice since 1985," said Benassi. In Germany the social work is full time for eight months, and girls can also do social service, added Loele. Aas lives in the southern most part of Norway, so she enjoys a warmer climate, but the water is very cold. Although she eats fish, she does not like many varieties. She plans to take art. Bogge hopes to play basketball and tennis at Groom High School. Bogge enjoys cooking and has already prepared an Italian meal for her host family, the Tony Brittons

of Groom. They all said they frequently see tourists, but most are Japanese. "If you visit Heidelberg (Germany), you would think you were in Tokyo," said Loele. Europe didn't lack for Texas tourists from the Pampa area this summer. Michael Eskridge just returned from a month visiting in Italy with his host brother Francesco Tronci, PHS 1997-1998. One of many highlights was attending mass at St. Peter's Cathedral. He learned a few Italian words and hopes to return as soon as he can earn enough money. "I had pasta every meal every day, but the Italian food is a lot better than Italian food in America," he said. Eskridge said he walked and swam a lot more, enjoyed not having sales tax tacked onto his bill and liked the easier conversion of U.S. dollars into Eurodollars. He got to attend a church youth retreat that had dramatic and music workshops, and that was a "blast." Young people get together

in groups to play soccer or go somewhere, and it doesn't have to be pre-planned, noted Eskridge. Karri and Lorri Britten visited their host sister Kristen Johansen of Norway who attended Groom High in 2000-2001. They toured Norway in all types of transportation and ate many different foods, but did miss the sunshine. "We had a cold summer," agreed Aas. "We had a lot of rain in Belgium, but that is why it is so green," said Evan Crowell of Groom who returned to Belgium where he was an exchange student during the 2000-2001 school year. Crowell is a sophomore at Amarillo College and will be assisting in the AFS orientation in Amarillo this weekend for the AFS students attending school in the Panhandle. Benassi is hosted by the Dean Henthron family and Aas by the Craig Shaffer family in Pampa. Loele is hosted by the William Hoffman family in Panhandle. Eskridge is the son of Robert and Colleen Eskridge.

Audit finds problems in criminal justice grants

AUSTIN (AP) — Up to \$15.6 million in grants may have been misspent by the governor's Criminal Justice Division, according to a state audit that found the division failed to maintain adequate oversight of its grants. The State Auditor's Office, in a report issued Wednesday, also said some grant recipients were reimbursed for unallowable expenditures and that the division has no way to ensure the "security, accuracy or integrity" of the systems used to track grants. "The division cannot rely on its current monitoring process to provide assurance

that grantees are spending funds as intended," the report said. Kathy Walt, spokeswoman for Gov. Rick Perry, said the governor's office disagreed with the negative findings. "We disagree that there was a significant problem with it, but we will continue to work with them, and if there are other systems that they think would help improve the tracking we would be glad to take a look at them," Walt told the Austin American-Statesman. She also said there were instances in which the auditors were unable to read items in files that were legible to offi-

cials in the Criminal Justice Division. She also said the state auditor has not conducted an audit of this scope of the Criminal Justice Division in more than eight years. The audit report offered only nonspecific examples of improper expenditures. It noted one grant recipient was paid for supplies even though its grant was intended to cover only salary and that another recipient improperly got money for membership dues. The amounts were not listed. In other cases, grant recipients were reimbursed despite failing to submit invoices for services or equipment they

purchased. One grant recipient got \$18,841 for "contractual services" even though the Criminal Justice Division had no documentation that the required invoices had been submitted. The Criminal Justice Division of the Office of the Governor distributes grants to local, regional and statewide law enforcement projects, including Texas CrimeStoppers and boot camps for juvenile offenders. The audit covered fiscal year 2001, which began Sept. 1, 2000, when George W. Bush was governor.

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PICKUP

the building as well as equipment. Also stated on the project information sheet was "\$188,153.44 was transferred as real or personal property to U.S. Bus project. A pickup was set up as a receivable from the owner and a computer was donated to PISD." Director of the PEDC at that time was Jack Ippel. A check drawn Feb. 24, 1995, on the National Bank of Commerce was made paid to the order of Frontier Dodge Jeep Eagle Subaru Suzuki in the amount of \$27,816.42. According to a copy of the title, the business was located in Lubbock.

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JURY

bond is \$4,000. Haitham Qumbargi, 21, Hazelwood, Mo., indicted for the third degree felony money laundering. He's accused of having funds over \$3,000 and

under \$20,000 believed to be drug sale proceeds. His bond is \$10,000. Shawn Lee Weatherford, 31, 916 E. Murphy, indicted on the state jail felony of possession of a controlled substance. He's accused of pos-

sessing less than one gram of cocaine. His bond is \$5,000. Timothy Dewayne Fields, 24, 1108 Varnon, indicted on two counts for the second degree felony burglary of a habitation. His bond is \$5,000 on each count. Misty Michelle Minyard, 29, 305 Roberta, indicted for the state jail felony of forgery by passing. Her bond is \$4,000.

Dionicio Cervantez Hipolito, 21, Myrtle, Mo., indicted for the second degree felony of attempted aggravated robbery. He's accused of knowingly threatening or placing Sidney Keese in fear of imminent bodily injury or theft by displaying a handgun during an attempt to commit theft. All address used are those listed in the court records.

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VIRUS

appears only in birds, horses and humans. Household pets aren't affected and the disease is transmitted only by mosquitos. According to Norwood, the counties where dead horses were reported and their number each are: Deaf Smith, one; Floyd, three; Lubbock, one; and

Sherman, one. According to the latest numbers, the counties and number of infected, including dead animals, are: Armstrong, two; Briscoe, three; Carson, one; Castro, two; Childress, one; Deaf Smith, three; Floyd, four; Gray, one; Lubbock, two; Potter, one; Roberts, one; Sherman, one; and Swisher, two.

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there were anhydrous ammonia tanks in the area." The deputy notified Gray County authorities and Deputy Morse Burroughs, who was in the Laketon area at the time, began to look for the vehicle and found it, Rushing said. When the occupants of the vehicle spied Morris, a container was tossed out the window and it was then run over by the auto, Rushing said.

The "strong odor" of the substance was apparent to the deputy as he pulled the vehicle over and arrested the pair, Rushing said.



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Monolingual in a multilingual world

My grandchildren's visits have been infrequent lately because they have been spending a lot of time this summer with their other grandparents and relatives on that side of the family.

Also, the "sewage back-up" into my home in May caused the world to be topsyturvy in our family with the disorganization in my home.

It looks like with school beginning I'm going to be seeing the three grandchildren who live in Borger more often.

This past weekend I picked them up to spend the night. As we were driving from Borger to Stinnett on Saturday, Peyton, 8, and Paige, 4, were talking away about the important happenings in their life.

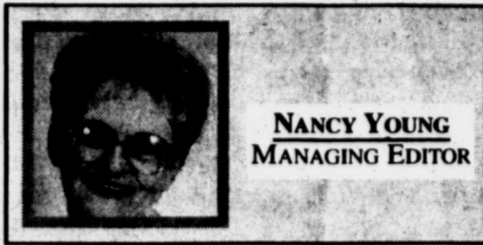
Christian, 5, was basically (and probably smartly so) deferring to his sisters. He probably has already learned it's better to let the girls go ahead because he can't get a word in edgewise.

As Peyton was talking about all the fun times she had been having, Paige was making sounds in the backseat. I quickly glanced at her in the rearview mirror to be sure she was okay because I couldn't understand a word she said.

Asking her to repeat herself, I still couldn't understand. So, I asked Peyton to translate what Paige had said. Peyton looked at me with the eight-year-old look reserved for "dumb grandmothers" and said, "She's speaking Spanish- telling you what she's been doing."

It was one of those rare, rare times when I was without words for a few minutes.

"Well, what has she been doing?" I



NANCY YOUNG
MANAGING EDITOR

slowly asked. Peyton began telling me about Paige's new friends they met while visiting relatives in Dallas.

"Uhhmm," I said, as I mulled this over in my limited mind about them speaking another language and I couldn't understand them.

I began thinking about how necessary it is to be bilingual in today's world in this area, and am glad my grandchildren are learning Spanish. However, it kind of frightens me because I can't understand what they are saying!

Their mother, M.E., is wanting to be able to teach bilingually in Special Education when she obtains her degree. She's off to a good start with her own children. Now, she needs to teach her mother. Or I'm going to have to learn somewhere. I'm quickly being excluded from the loop.

Peyton and Christian excitedly began school in Borger Tuesday. Paige doesn't begin until Monday as the demand for pre-K apparently was more than anticipated so additional staffing had to be obtained. She was not pleased she didn't get to go Tuesday, and I avoided her. I knew she would not be happy.

My grandson Cade, 4, began school Wednesday in Stinnett. Talking to his dad

Bob last night I asked how it went. "Well, they didn't tell him he couldn't come back, so I guess it went okay," said Bob. "He didn't want to take his backpack off in class though." With Cade's mom being an outstanding teacher, I know he will do great.

The bright world of children eager to learn is fantastic.

M.E. begins her college classes for the fall semester on Monday, so things are getting back to normal. She's been working many split shifts waiting tables to get everybody ready for school. "Thank heavens, tips have been good," she said.

The children will be spending much more time with me and enlightening my life.

This past weekend the children spent much of their time playing with the three eight-week-old kittens at my house. Each of them had previously adopted a kitten and named it. I explained to them I was giving the kittens away to a family who lives on a farm when they returned home in about 10 days, and thought they understood.

When they left my home Sunday, Paige and Christian asked me not to "throw away" the kittens before they came back. I quickly explained, "Oh, I'm not throwing them away. I'm giving them away." Paige just stood there — a tear in her eye and her bottom lip stuck out — looking at me with those wide innocent blue eyes. Talk about putting me on a guilt trip.

Things are getting back to normal.
(Nancy Young may be reached at nanceyoung@hotmail.com)

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Just a few observations ...

I would like to say a few things that some probably won't like, such as the \$10 fee the county is going to charge everyone who drives a car. I have talked to people in other parts of the state and they have never heard of such a thing.

Another thing; the city moans and groans that there is no money to pay the police or the fire department, yet they turn around and hire a research firm to find a city manager.

The PEDC made a holy mess of everything and Pampa is no better off than it was before there ever was a PEDC.

There are two malls and very few occupants. I wonder why? You can drive around over town and most every time you see a moving van or U-Haul truck and "For Sale" signs on practically every street.

The best thing that could have happened to this town was for the police and sheriff's department to merge.

M.G. Robertson
Pampa

March of Dimes supports passage of 2002 CARE Act

Like most Americans, America's charities are experiencing financial pressures due to the economic impact of the terrorist attacks and a volatile stock market. In September, Congress has an opportunity to help charitable organizations through the Charity Aid, Recovery, and Empowerment Act of 2002 (CARE Act). This bipartisan legislation provides tax incentives to encourage charitable giving and recognizes donations made by the 86 million Americans who file the short tax form.

The March of Dimes champions issues that impact the health of children and families. The CARE Act will allow the March of Dimes to expand its investment in research, public education and community-based services designed to prevent birth defects and infant death.

The CARE Act is awaiting consideration by the U.S. Senate. Both President Bush and Majority Leader Daschle support the Act. The March of Dimes calls on Senators Hutchison and Gramm to make CARE a priority.

Megan Walsh, M.D.
Chair, State Public Affairs Committee
March of Dimes Texas Chapter

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What I do is no one's business, but mine

My health and other aspects of my well-being are the business of whom?

You say, "What's it now, Williams?"

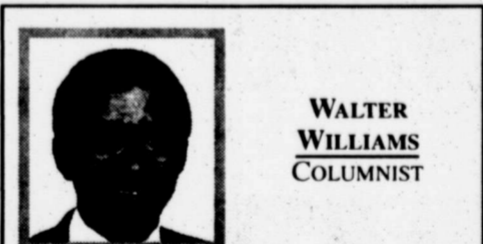
I'm simply asking whose business is it if I don't adequately plan for retirement or save money for my child's education? If I don't wear a seatbelt while driving or a helmet while biking, whose business is it? What if I don't get enough sleep or don't exercise enough for good health — should government force me to, under the pain of punishment? In other words, should Congress have the power to force people to do what's in their own health, safety and welfare interests?

I'm afraid that most Americans believe that government should be able to force people to do what's in their health, safety and welfare interests.

Their reasoning might be that if I don't wear a helmet while biking or a seatbelt while driving, I might have an accident, become a vegetable and become a burden on other Americans as taxpayers.

That reasoning fueled much of the anti-tobacco zealotry, confiscatory cigarette taxes, and federal, state and local government lawsuits against tobacco companies in the name of recouping tobacco-related healthcare costs.

Emboldened by their dramatic success in their war against smokers, America's neo-Nazis have now turned their attention to the food industry, with lawsuits against the McDonald's, Burger King,



WALTER WILLIAMS
COLUMNIST

Wendy's and KFC, alleging that they have created an addiction to fatty foods.

Fast-food chains are alleged to have contributed to obesity-related health problems and increased healthcare costs. Like the tobacco Nazis, the food Nazis are calling for government regulation and taxes on foods they deem non-nutritious. Already timid CEOs of fast-food chains, like their tobacco-industry counterparts, are beginning to cave to legal hustlers. Caving is easy for these cowardly executives because they simply raise prices and pass the costs on to their buying public.

Should the fact that if I become injured by not wearing a seatbelt or sick from eating and smoking too much, and become a burden on taxpayers, determine whether I'm free to not wear a seatbelt or puff cigarettes and gorge myself? Is there a problem with freedom?

I say no, it's a problem of socialism. There is absolutely no moral case for government's taking another American's earnings, through taxes, to care for me for any reason whatsoever. Doing so is sim-

ply a slightly less offensive form of slavery. Keep in mind that the essence of slavery is the forceful use of one person to serve the purposes or benefit of another.

Allowing government to be in the business of caring for people for any reason moves us farther down the road to serfdom. After all, if government is going to take care of us, it will assume it has a right to dictate how we live.

Right now, the government has successfully attacked cigarette smokers. They are well on their way, with the help of crooked lawyers and judges, to do the same thing to fast-food companies, soda manufacturers, candy-makers and other producers of foods deemed fattening or non-nutritious.

When these people finish with food producers, what might be next on their agenda?

Numerous health studies have shown that sedentary lifestyles and lack of exercise also contribute to healthcare costs. I wouldn't be surprised at all if America's neo-Nazis call for government mandates requiring morning exercises, biking, jogging and fitness facility memberships.

You say, "Williams, that's stretching it!" That's exactly what an American who might have died in 1950 would have said about the attack on smokers and fast-food restaurants.

TODAY IN HISTORY

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Thursday, Aug. 22, the 234th day of 2002. There are 131 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

One hundred years ago, on Aug. 22, 1902, President Theodore Roosevelt became the first U.S. chief executive to ride in an automobile, in Hartford, Conn.

On this date:
In 1485, England's King

Richard III was killed in the Battle of Bosworth Field, ending the War of the Roses.

In 1775, England's King George III proclaimed the American colonies in a state of open rebellion.

In 1787, inventor John Fitch demonstrated his steamboat on the Delaware River to delegates of the Continental Congress.

In 1846, the United States annexed New Mexico.

In 1851, the schooner America outraced the Aurora

off the English coast to win a trophy that became known as the America's Cup.

In 1911, it was announced in Paris that Leonardo da Vinci's "Mona Lisa" had been stolen from the Louvre Museum the night before. The painting turned up two years later in Italy.

In 1950, Althea Gibson became the first black tennis player to be accepted in competition for the national championship.

In 1956, President

Eisenhower and Vice President Nixon were nominated for second terms by the Republican national convention in San Francisco.

In 1968, Pope Paul VI arrived in Bogota, Colombia, for the start of the first papal visit to Latin America.

In 1989, Black Panther co-founder Huey P. Newton was shot to death in Oakland, Calif. Gunman Tyrone Robinson was later sentenced to 32 years to life in prison.

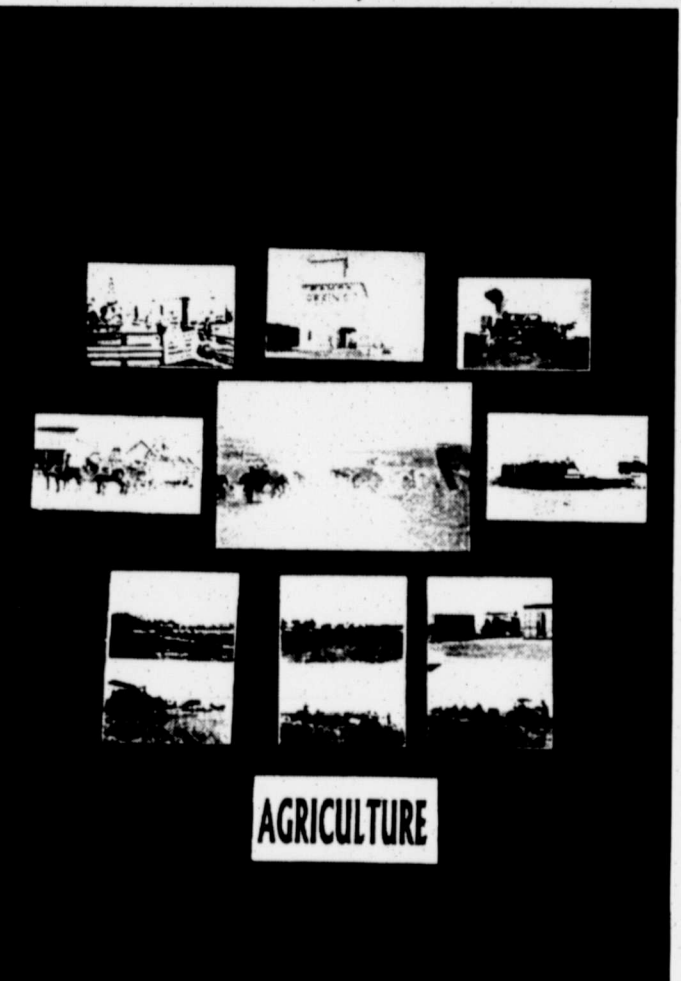
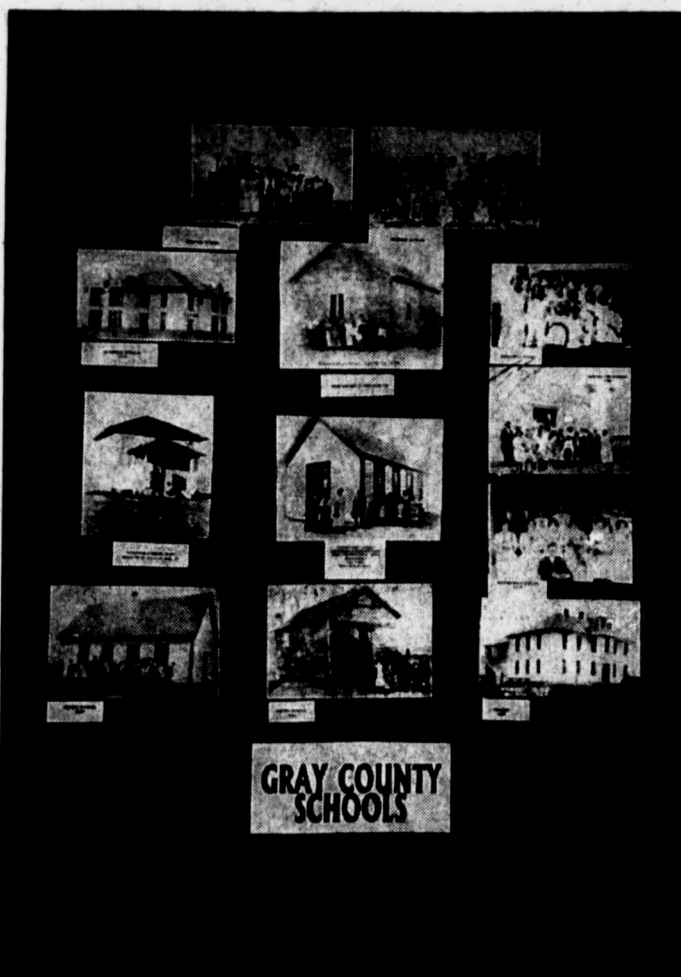
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Centennial exhibit



(Courtesy photos)

A Centennial display commemorating Gray County's 100th birthday is currently on view at White Deer Land Museum in Pampa. The arrangement of photos at the top is entitled "Gray County Schools." Shown in the display is a photo taken in 1896 of a school in Lefors as well as photos of early-day schools in Alanreed, Laketon, Farrington, Kingsmill, Hopkins, and McLean. At bottom is a display entitled "Agriculture." Shown in the display is a photo of loading pens circa 1906 and other pictures taken in the county including one of Pampa Grain Co.

Seven injured in Amtrak accident

HAYWARD, Calif. (AP) — An Amtrak train bound for Seattle derailed after hitting an unknown object, slightly injuring seven people, a company spokeswoman said Thursday.

There were 287 passengers and 23 crew members aboard the Coast Starlight, which runs daily from Los Angeles to Seattle, when the accident occurred about 10:10 p.m. Wednesday, said Amtrak spokeswoman Veerane Graham.

The locomotive hit an

unidentified object on the tracks, which are owned by Union Pacific and leased by Amtrak. Six cars went off the tracks, but all of them were standing upright, Graham said.

Four passengers were treated for minor injuries at the scene and released. Three others were taken to area hospitals for minor injuries, Graham said.

The train was traveling about 60 mph at a junction that allows for speeds up to 70 mph, Graham said.

Parents protesting school district's policy

MARIANNA, Ark. (AP) — Schools were open in this impoverished Mississippi Delta school district and teachers held classes. Most kids, though, didn't attend.

Their parents wouldn't let them.

For a third day, most parents in the Lee County School District kept their children at home as part of a boycott to protest what they see as a school board election system that's unfair.

"This is a painful situation," said Carolyn Elliott, a spokeswoman for the organizers, who have sued the district to put all the board's seven seats —

instead of just two — up for a vote at next month's elections.

Only 342 of the district's 1,750 students attended classes on Wednesday, up from 278 who went on Tuesday and 181 on Monday, the first day of school.

Marianna, population 5,181, is one of the poorest communities in the state. Census figures last year showed per-capita income at \$10,253 — ranking the town 108th out of Arkansas' 110 communities with 1,000 or more households.

Organizers of the boycott argue that state law requires all school districts with a 10 percent or greater population of

minorities to redraw their school boards and hold elections for all board seats after every census.

Board members redrew the districts according to the 2000 census as required by law, but said only two seats that were already up for election on Sept. 17 should be contested — not all seven.

Opponents allege school officials violated federal law regarding zoning for school board positions and violated the civil rights of those who filed to run for the five other board positions.

There also have been accusations of racial bias. Although 90 percent of the school district's students are black, five of the seven board members are white.

Board member Phylista Stanley, who is black, said the race of board members is not the root of the community discord, though boycott organizers complain of race-based preferential treatment.

A circuit judge delayed a hearing on the lawsuit Wednesday after a temporary order declaring all seven seats open was issued a day before. Community members said the boycott would likely continue

until the election issue is resolved.

Late Wednesday, Gov. Mike Huckabee urged parents in this community about 100 miles east of Little Rock not to put their children in the middle of a matter that's best left to the courts.

"Holding children out of school is not helpful to the children," Huckabee said. "We are urging parents to get their children back in school and let the process of the courts determine the direction of the school board."

The controversy comes even as Marianna tries to heal from a previous crippling boycott.

Some black parents who helped organize the protest were students themselves 30 years ago when they staged a sit-in in the hallways and principal's office of Lee County High School to protest what they saw as unfair conditions.

About 250 students were part of that protest in 1972 — 22 of them arrested after authorities used fire hoses to disperse the crowd. About 3,000 black students boycotted the district for four months.

Blazes near Steamboat Springs trying to merge, slowed by rain

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) — Crews were battling five lightning-sparked wildfires around the resort town of Steamboat Springs, including two that had consumed more than 36,500 acres and threatened to merge.

Officials managing the two wildfires in the Mount Zirkel Wilderness were considering setting backfires between the two fires. The fire was 5 percent contained Wednesday.

On Tuesday, rain temporarily forced many firefighters off the lines because managers feared slippery mud could cause injuries. But the heavier-than-expected rain also kept wildfires from spreading.

The Big Fish fire was estimated at 14,500 acres Wednesday, 1,000 acres larger than the day before. But fire information officer Roger Miller said the change was mostly due to better mapping.

The fire in the remote Flattops Wilderness 35 miles southwest of Steamboat Springs was being allowed to burn. Crews would begin to fight the fire if it spread toward private land, he said.

Another 4,400-acre fire northwest of Steamboat Springs was 58 percent contained

Wednesday night after firefighters used a bulldozer to build a line on its southeast flank.

In Oregon, backcountry settlements remained on notice to be ready to evacuate ahead of the biggest fire in the state in more than a century, but the threat continued to diminish as firefighters mopped up the fire.

The Biscuit fire remained 50 percent contained on nearly a half-million acres of the Siskiyou National Forest and adjacent lands in southwestern Oregon and northern California. The fire was started by lightning July 13.

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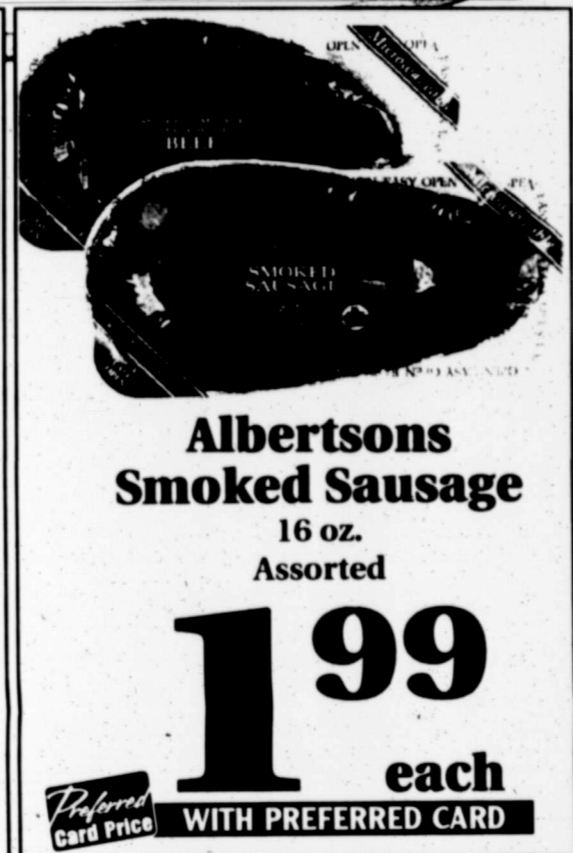
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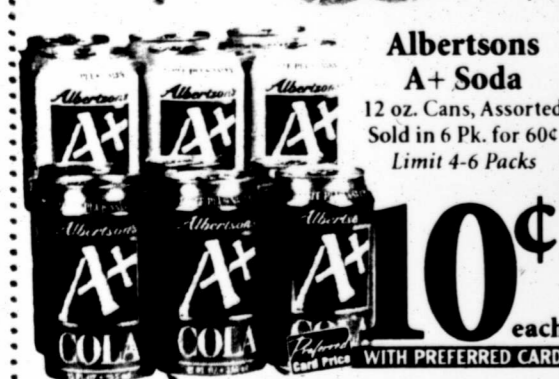
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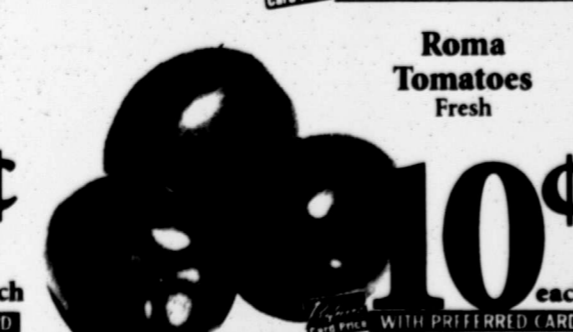
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Local college acquires new staff member; open house in offing

Jennifer Harmon, new counselor at Clarendon College-Pampa Center, is currently assisting students enrolling at CCPC for the fall semester, scheduled to get under way Aug. 28.

Harmon plans to visit communities in the area to get the word out about what is available at CCPC. She will stop at high schools to inform students about the dual credit program and will talk to local businesses about continuing education and core academic courses.

"We have certification programs in machining tech, networking tech and office procedures that the public should know about," Harmon said. "We have a new computer tech instructor, Dwayne Stephens, and the computer tech area will be expanding."

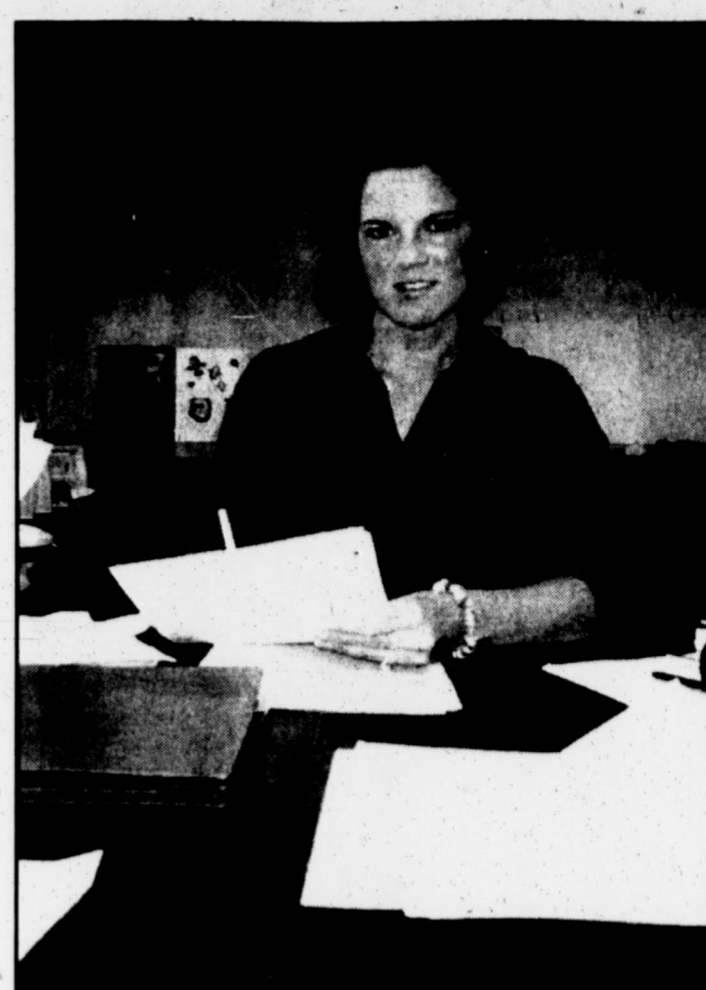
Open houses are also in the offing at the college. Interactive television video (ITV) demos will be presented from 2-4 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 6 during the Centennial celebration in the community.

ITV comes through telephone lines like the Internet system. This enables colleges to offer classes for which they have no local qualified instructor. With ITV, students see the professor on a large screen, and the professor sees the students in like manner. Speakers and microphones connect the teacher and class acoustically.

The ITV courses currently offered at CCPC include college algebra, chemistry, organic chemistry, and world literature, all in cooperation with Clarendon College in Clarendon.

CCPC will also sponsor a blood drive Oct. 23. Organizations can plan tours of the 26,000-square foot building, which includes 10 classrooms, two laboratories, study areas, and offices.

Scholarship applications



(Courtesy photo)

Jennifer Harmon, new counselor at CCPC, is busy enrolling students for the fall semester. Scholarship applications are still available for the Pampa Center Foundation scholarship. The deadline has been extended through Aug. 26. For more information, contact Harmon at 665-8801.

for the \$500 Pampa Center Foundation scholarship are another resource currently available to students who attend CCPC.

To be eligible for the scholarship, awarded by Amarillo Area Foundation through PCF, students must be enrolled in a minimum of 12 hours and must have a 2.5 grade average from their previous high school or college semester. The deadline has been extended through Aug. 26. To obtain an application or for more information, contact Harmon at 665-8801.

A graduate of Texas Tech University in business administration, Harmon received her teacher certification at West Texas A&M University and is working on her master's in interdisciplinary education and math to complete certification as a math teacher and counselor. For the past four years, she has taught at high schools in Lefors and White Deer.

Jennifer and her husband, Monte, live in Pampa and also have a ranch near Lake Fryer, located south of Perryton.

Mother of sunburned children appears on TV

STEUBENVILLE, Ohio (AP) — A day after being abruptly released from jail, a woman who allegedly allowed her children to become severely sunburned said Thursday she didn't do anything wrong.

Eve Hibbits, who had been jailed eight days, appeared on NBC's "Today" show one day after prosecutors dropped three felony counts, replacing them with a misdemeanor charge of child endangerment. Authorities said her three children were not as severely injured as officials had believed.

Hibbits was arrested Aug. 14, the day after a sheriff's deputy noticed her 2-year-old daughter, Rose, and 10-month-old twin boys, Thomas and Timmy, had sunburned faces at the Jefferson County Fair. Temperatures were in the 90s at the time.

Sheriff Fred Abdalla said the children did not have any sunscreen or shirts on when a deputy spotted them and took them to a first aid station. They were later treated at a hospital and released. He said their faces looked

like they had been "dipped in red paint."

Hibbits, 31, told NBC she didn't think she had committed any crime, and being behind bars was awful.

"It felt like the walls of the jail were falling in on me. I ain't never been in jail," she said.

Her attorney, Shawn Blake, said the deputy had overreacted. "The paramedics said it wasn't necessary, the kids were fine but they could take them to the hospital anyway," he told NBC.

Hibbits was released on her own recognition and pleaded innocent to the misdemeanor. She had been held on \$15,000 bond.

Hospital officials initially said the children suffered from second-degree burns but later reduced that to first-degree burns, Jefferson County Prosecutor Brian Felmet said.

"I don't feel they (the charges) were too severe based on that information," he said. "With the benefit of hindsight with the information we have now, we feel they weren't warranted."

CASA: A powerful voice for at-risk children

CASA of the High Plains will conduct an informational meeting at 6 p.m., Monday, Aug. 26, in fellowship hall of Highland Baptist Church, 1301 N. Banks, for

individuals interested in becoming a CASA volunteer.

CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) serves abused and neglected chil-

dren by training and supporting thousands of volunteers who work with at-risk children and the court system to provide these children with safe, permanent homes.

Each year, the State of Texas removes thousands of children from their homes because of abuse or neglect. These victimized children are drawn into an overburdened child welfare system that is hard-pressed to address their individual concerns.

Eventually, they end up in court. CASA volunteers are frequently the most consistent people in these children's lives during the volunteers' involvement with the court.

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Two captive Jehovah's Witnesses beheaded in Philippines

By ZENY MASONG
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

JOLO, Philippines (AP) — The heads of two Jehovah's Witnesses kidnapped in a Muslim extremist group's stronghold were found dumped in a public market Thursday in the southern Philippines. Four other members of the Christian sect remained captives.

The military and local police had blamed the al-Qaida-linked Abu Sayyaf group for the Tuesday abductions, saying the nephew of a local Abu Sayyaf leader was among the armed kidnapers. But they backtracked Thursday, blaming a group of bandits headed by the nephew.

The incident, which bore all the hallmarks of an Abu Sayyaf attack, has been a huge embarrassment for the military and the government of President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo, who said just weeks ago that the Abu Sayyaf had been decimated and virtually defeated with the help of a six-month U.S. counterterrorism training exercise.

"Just when you thought it

was safe to go back into the water, the sharks called Abu Sayyaf rear their ugly heads again," said the Manila Standard newspaper.

Brig. Gen. Romeo Tolentino, army commander on the southern island of Jolo in Sulu province, said the heads of the two male hostages were found in bags with notes denouncing them as "infidels."

The bags were left at food stands about 100 yards apart at the main market in the town of Jolo. The attached notes called for "jihad" or Islamic holy war, included a passage from the Quran and were written in Arabic and the local Tausug dialect, Tolentino said.

"They did this because they want to punish the non-believers of Allah," he said.

The two men, along with four women, were abducted Tuesday a few miles outside of the town of Jolo in Patikul

district, an Abu Sayyaf stronghold.

The hostages had been selling Avon cosmetics, herbal teas and medical supplies on the predominantly Muslim island, police said.

Some Philippine newspapers described them as also being "preachers" who had been spreading their religion in Patikul, considered extremely dangerous for Christians. Authorities on Jolo island, about 600 miles south of Manila, could not confirm this.

For the second consecutive night, the army on Wednesday shelled suspected Jolo island hide-outs of the Abu Sayyaf, known for mass kidnappings of Filipinos and others, including Americans and Europeans. Some have been beheaded.

Early Thursday, the military issued a statement saying the Abu Sayyaf was responsi-

ble for the abductions and beheadings. But military Southern Commander Lt. Gen. Ernesto Carolina backtracked after a meeting of the local crisis management committee, saying two hitchhikers were responsible.

"This kidnapping ... was a chance incident, it was not planned," Carolina told DZBB radio. "We want to correct the impression that there is trouble again in Sulu and that the Abu Sayyaf were responsible."

On Thursday, hundreds of army reinforcements, including elite fighters who received counterterrorism training from U.S. troops this year, arrived in the town of Patikul from other villages on the island.

The Abu Sayyaf, notorious for kidnappings, has not staged any since the United States began supporting a Philippine military campaign

to eradicate the group in February. The U.S. program ended officially three weeks ago, although a few Americans remain on Basilan island near Jolo.

Officials said the two dead were Lemuel Montulo, 21, and Leonel Mantic, whose age was not known.

Mantic's 23-year-old widow, Emily, was feared to be one of the surviving captives along with Cleofe Montulo, 46, Flora Montulo, 40, and Nori Bendijo, 41. One of the Montulo women was Lemuel Montulo's sister; the other was a sister-in-law.

Two local Muslims serving as their guides, including the driver, were left behind during the abduction, along with the vehicle and the Avon products and herbal teas that they had been selling.

The Abu Sayyaf has often kidnapped for ransom, but more frequently has abducted

poor Filipinos, mostly Christians, to serve for weeks or months as slave labor. Kidnapped women are sometimes forced to marry guerrillas.

For six months beginning in February, about 1,200 U.S. troops trained and gave supplies and intelligence to Philippine troops hunting the Abu Sayyaf.

On May 27, 2001, Abu Sayyaf rebels raided a tourist resort and abducted three Americans and 17 Filipinos.

Days later, the gang beheaded American Guillermo Sobero from Corona, Calif. They also beheaded several Filipino hostages.

That kidnapping saga ended on June 7 when U.S.-trained and backed Philippine soldiers tracked down the rebels.

They rescued American missionary Gracia Burnham.

Researchers clone pigs lacking genes that make humans reject swine organs

LONDON (AP) — Scientists have cloned piglets lacking both copies of the gene that prompts the human immune system to reject pig tissue — an advance toward

producing herds that could sup-

ply lifesaving replacement organs for humans, a Scottish company said Thursday.

PPL Therapeutics plc., the company that in 1997 helped make Dolly the sheep the first mammal cloned from adult

cells, said four healthy piglets with both copies of the gene "knocked out" were born July 25 at the company's U.S. subsidiary in Blacksburg, Va.

"The advance brings us closer to the promise of a potential solution to the worldwide shortage of organs and cells for transplantation," said David Ayares, vice president of research at PPL Therapeutics Inc., the U.S. subsidiary.

A fifth piglet died of unknown causes shortly after birth, the company said.

In January, PPL Therapeutics and competitor Immerge BioTherapeutics both said they created pigs lacking one of the two copies of the critical gene, known as GGT1. That step proved the science was possible.

The GGT1 gene makes a sugar called alpha-1-galactose that lines pig blood vessels. Because it is nearly identical to a bacterial sugar, the human

immune system attacks it. As a result, pig organs transplanted into people are destroyed almost instantly.

Scientists have predicted that transplanting genetically modified hearts and other organs from pigs to people — a practice called xenotransplantation — could be possible in five to seven years but many scientific and ethical questions remain.

No one knows for sure whether pigs can survive without alpha-1-galactose. But if they can, the animals could be raised to supply hearts and kidneys for human transplants.

Dr. Jeffrey Platt, head of transplantation biology at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn., said the "knockout" piglets were an important advance and will help scientists determine what is necessary to make pig transplants work in humans.

Scientists will have to test

the process first by transplanting the pig organs into other animals, such as baboons.

Another worry is whether the organs will carry pig viruses that could be harmful to people, especially if they spread from the organ recipient to others.

Centennial exhibit



(Courtesy photo)

A Centennial display commemorating Gray County's 100th birthday is currently on view at White Deer Land Museum in Pampa. Above is a display entitled "Hospitals." Featured in the display is a photo of the Pampa-Jarret Hospital (east of Lovett Library) and another of the old Worley Hospital plus several more.

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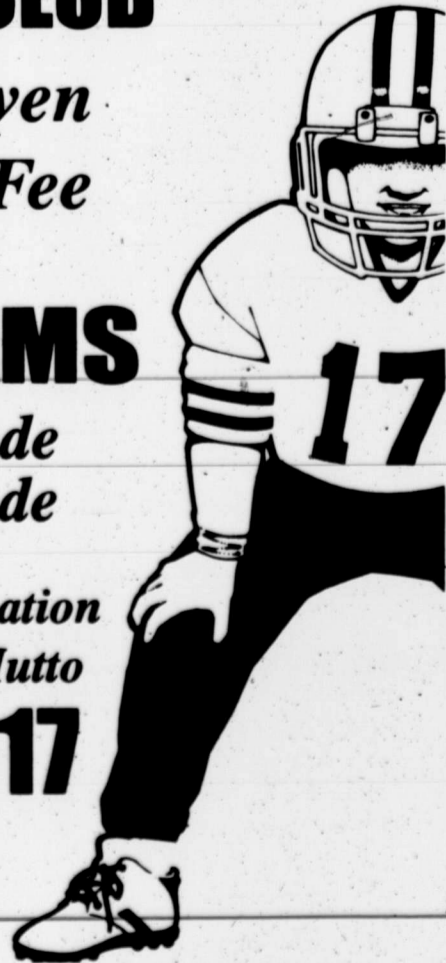
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Thursday, August 22

DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanna Phillips

Ex-Wife's Steady Hand Guides Widow Through Man's Funeral

DEAR ABBY: I am writing in response to "Still Upset in Florida," who shared how painful it was when her husband's ex-wife (of 13 years) took over and dominated his funeral.

My parents had been married 20 years, then divorced for 17 when my father died suddenly in an accident. My stepmother (of 10 years) had an extremely hard time coping emotionally and was unable to plan Dad's funeral. My six siblings and I are all adults, so together we planned the funeral, and my mother (Dad's first wife) arranged for the flowers.

At the viewing, my stepmother entered and was noticeably upset as she approached the coffin. My mother went to her, put her arm around her, walked her to Dad's coffin and held her long enough for her to get her bearings. Mom then backed off to give my stepmother her time alone with Dad.

When it was time to close the casket, the eight beautiful roses Mom had arranged to be placed on top were given to my six siblings and me. The eighth rose went not to my Mom, but to my stepmother — just as Mom had planned.

I realized my mother was able to be there for her children and Dad's current wife. Ex-wives aren't always the monsters they're portrayed to be. Sometimes they can be a blessing.

PROUD SON IN BURBANK, CALIF.

DEAR PROUD SON: I agree. However, much depends upon the circumstances of the divorce

and the level of maturity of the individuals involved. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: My 8-year-old son's father, "Hal," passed away last summer due to complications of surgery. Hal and I were never married and had not lived together for seven years. My son and Hal had a close and loving relationship.

Hal's family did not consult me or my son as to whether or not he wanted to participate in his father's funeral. We attended, keeping a low

profile and my mouth shut. After the services, I asked for a private viewing so my son could have closure. Hal's mother refused and became belligerent.

I realize some adults react poorly to death, especially sudden deaths, but when there are young children involved, someone has to remember what's best for them and let go of personal grievances.

MARY IN CATSKILL, N.Y.

DEAR MARY: It's regrettable, but funerals sometimes bring out the worst in people. When people are in pain they are not at their best.

DEAR ABBY: My husband was unfaithful to me for 15 years. When he died, his girlfriend and her family came to the mortuary with a huge basket of flowers and sat by the casket.

My daughter instructed the funeral director to remove the flowers, the girlfriend and her family from the funeral home.

NOT-SO-GRIEVING WIDOW

DEAR WIDOW: For your husband's mistress and her family to have made such a public show of what had been a private affair (literally) was in the worst possible taste. She should have paid her respects privately at the grave after you and your child — or children — had left.

DEAR ABBY: is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeane 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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For Better or For Worse

GRAMPA, DID I HEAR YOU SAY YOU'RE GETTING MARRIED? — WHEN?

I'M NOT SURE... QUITE SOON, I SHOULD THINK.

BUT I'M GOING BACK TO SCHOOL THIS WEEK! I'LL MISS EVERYTHING!

DON'T WORRY, ELIZABETH.

WE HAVE TO SEND OUT INVITATIONS. PEOPLE WILL BE COMING FROM OUT OF TOWN, SO WE'LL BE ARRANGING ACCOMMODATIONS, RENTING A HALL — WE'LL HAVE TO DECORATE FOR THE CEREMONY, PLAN A RECEPTION... A LOT WILL HAPPEN BEFORE THE WEDDING!

...I COULD DIE FIRST!!!

7th

ARE YOU READY FOR THIS DAD?

ARE YOU?

I GUESS I'M KIND OF LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING EVERYBODY AND STUFF.

MEAH...

...IT'D BE MORE OKAY WITH SCHOOL IF IT HADN'T SO MUCH ABOUT EDUCATION.

Garfield

YES, I SENSE A PRESENCE...

I HEAR MOURNFUL CRIES

YES, IT'S THE RESTLESS SOULS OF A THOUSAND DONUTS

GO AWAY!

Beetle Bailey

COOKIE? WHAT'S UP?

THERE'S A STEAK LEFT OVER FROM THE GENERAL'S LUNCHEON, AND I WONDERED...

...IF YOU MIGHT WANT IT

WHAM!

Marvin

IF YOU'RE SO SCARED OF HEIGHTS, HOW COME YOU DON'T PANIC WHEN YOUR PARENTS CARRY YOU?

BECAUSE THEY'RE TOO WORRIED ABOUT DROPPING ME TO EVER LET IT HAPPEN

Crossword Puzzle

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
- Actor
 - Bound
 - Falco of "The Sopranos"
 - Rustically whole-some
 - Veiled one
 - Bus patron
 - Annex
 - East of Eden's brother
 - Needle
 - nole
 - Like tempura
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 - Idaho's — Perce
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 - Fond of
 - Sycophant
 - Not now
 - 2001 biopic
 - Asian temple
 - Genuine
 - Place to take a walk on, in song
 - Bogart's "Key Largo" co-star
 - Swear
 - Cherishes
 - Strong wind
 - Man of synonyms
 - Small bills
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- Singer Guthrie
 - Bound
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- Yesterday's answer**
- Rough guess
 - Equine game
 - April forecast
 - "Shane" star
 - Way back when
 - Tablets
 - Pound of poems
 - oblivious
 - Steak-house choice
 - Notorious czar
 - Portion out
 - Sheep
 - Saloon
 - Commo-tion
 - Gear part

Marmaduke

"Where did he go?"

The Family Circus

"Old King Cole was a very old soul..."

B.C.

KICK

CRACK

CAUTION AVALANCHE ZONE

Haggar The Horrible

I'M HOME FROM MY POKER GAME, HELGA

DID YOU WIN OR LOSE?

I'M GLAD YOU ASKED THAT QUESTION, SWEETHEART...

WOULD IT BOTHER YOU IF WE HAD TO MOVE OUT OF THIS HOUSE BY TOMORROW?

Peanuts

Dear Peggy Jean, Have you missed me as much as I've missed you?

ASK HER HOW MUCH SHE'S MISSED YOU ON A SCALE OF "ONE TO 6"

"ONE TO TEN"

WHATEVER

Blondie

YOW!! THIS CHILI IS WAY TOO SPICY! MY TASTE BUDS ARE RUINED!!

YOU'LL BE HEARING FROM MY ATTORNEY!!

IS IT REALLY THAT GOOD?

YEP

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SPORTS

Baseball owners present new plan

By RONALD BLUM
AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Trying to spark talks, baseball owners presented a new revenue-sharing deal to the union, calling the offer a significant step toward what players want.

The proposal, made Tuesday night and disclosed Wednesday, was much better received than management's luxury-tax plan last week, which was so far from what players would accept that they set an Aug. 30 strike date.

Revenue sharing among teams and a luxury tax on high payrolls to slow salary increases are the chief issues that could lead to baseball's ninth work stoppage since 1972.

Rob Manfred, management's top labor lawyer, said the revenue-sharing plan was a "substantial move toward the union both in structure and in transfer amount."

He wouldn't disclose details of the proposal, but another person familiar with the plan, speaking on the condition of anonymity, said it would transfer about \$270 million, \$12 million less than

management's previous offer. Manfred said the next move is up to the players.

"I am frustrated a little bit," he said. "I'd like to get a more active dialogue going on the tax and the revenue sharing, but it takes two parties to have a dialogue."

Union lawyers said the proposal was a move in the right direction, but they wouldn't agree the shift was "substantial."

"We will respond to their proposal on revenue sharing in the very near future, more likely than not tomorrow," Gene Orza, the union's No. 2 official, said after Wednesday's second bargaining session.

In memos to players and agents last weekend, union head Donald Fehr said players already agreed to raise the amount of money to be transferred from high-revenue teams to low-revenue teams from \$169 million to \$235 million annually, using 2001 figures. Before their latest offer Tuesday, owners had proposed \$282 million be transferred.

Meanwhile, a management lawyer sent a nine-page memo to team executives to prepare them for a strike. The memo to chief financial officers, general

managers and assistant general managers urged them to make plans to cut expenses.

"All operations should be carefully reviewed with an eye toward reducing overhead costs during the strike," said the memo, written by Frank Coonelly, a lawyer in the labor relations department of the commissioner's office.

Coonelly's Aug. 19 memo, read to The Associated Press on Wednesday by a team official, details how teams should look to cut costs.

Each team, he wrote, should "examine all of its contractual obligations, including agreements with other unions, employment contracts, leases, etc., to determine what cost-saving measures may be taken during the strike."

Since the 1994-95 strike, which lasted 232 days and wiped out the World Series for the first time in 90 years, the commissioner's office instituted standard employee contracts for non-players such as managers, GMs, scouts and trainers.

"The commissioner has the authority to suspend uniform employee contracts when there is a player strike," Coonelly wrote in his memo. "No decision has been made regarding the exercise of this

authority in the event of a strike."

Some employees may have had special provisions inserted into their contracts guaranteeing their pay during a strike.

Negotiators are working to prevent another walkout, but it appears that the talks, like always in baseball, will go right up to the deadline. With the sides stuck on the luxury tax, management turned to revenue sharing in an effort to build momentum toward a deal.

"We thought it was a productive step to try to move the other related piece in the hope the whole negotiation would move forward," Manfred said.

Players fear that a large increase in revenue sharing, when combined with a luxury tax, would take away too much money from baseball's high-payroll teams, who would otherwise spend it on salaries.

Manfred said owners had more room to compromise on revenue sharing and a luxury tax.

"We have the flexibility I believe is necessary to get to a negotiated agreement, assuming all parties are willing to enter into meaningful compromises," he said.

It's soccer "futball" time in Pampa

PAMPA — It's soccer (futbol) time again.

Registration in the Pampa Soccer Association is being held at T-Shirts & More, located at 111 W. Kingsmill from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

Players who received their registration form in the mail can bring it to T-Shirts & More along with the \$40 registration fee. The fee includes two seasons (both fall and spring), insurance, and a complete uniform consisting of socks, shorts and a soccer jersey.

Coaches Commissioner Roy Anderson said the PSA (Pampa Soccer Association) is constantly looking for coaches and assistant coaches. A Coaches Clinic will be held Saturday, Aug. 31, at the Pampa Soccer Association Complex. Pampa High head boys' coach John True will be giving the clinic, which is for all age groups.

Coaches and persons interested in being a coach are urged to attend.

The clinic is free and will be from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call Anderson at 665-3144. Limited scholarships are available if needed.

Miles Cook, who is serving as Referee Commissioner this fall has five new certified referees.

The new referees — Brenda Hightower, Kenny Hightower, Billy Hightower, Dusty Neef and Mitch Kelley — completed the Recreational Referee Course offered this past Saturday.

"We are also going to try and schedule our games this year later in the morning and into early afternoon to avoid the cold early mornings, and if the heat persists, avoid the heat late in the afternoon," Cook said.

The newest addition to the association is the Pampa Futbol Club (Pampa FC Team).

There are three new club teams, consisting of the Under 19, 16, and under 14 age groups. The association also has a Select Under 19 boys' team, Under 14 girls' team, and mixed Under



The Pampa Ladybugs (above) are one of the many teams which has competed in the Pampa Soccer Association. Members of the Ladybugs, an Under 6 Girls Outdoor Team, are (front, from left) Bethany Strange, Kristen White and Jaci Bynum; (back, from left) Shelby Walker, head coach Zan Walker and Brittany Walker. Players can register for the 2003 season at T-Shirts and More between the hours of 10 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. today through Saturday. A one-time fee of \$40 includes two sessions of games, both fall and spring leagues, and a soccer uniform consisting of a numbered jersey, shorts, socks and player insurance. For additional information, call (806) 665-3036.

15-16 boys team. Tryouts were held a few weeks ago and teams were formed. The teams will be playing in Lubbock, Midland and Amarillo during the fall and traveling to various tournaments throughout the year.

There are still a few spots available on the team. If interested in playing call Anderson, the Pampa F.C. Coordinator, at 665-3144.

Field Supervisor Mike Sells said the association's Under 14-12 field was completely renovated and new grass planted, while new dirt was brought in to level the fields.

"We had a big problem last year with our grass and ruts in the field, and we have attempted to eliminate this problem," Sells said. "Safety and quality playing conditions is my main concern. We look forward to the season and hope to see a lot of kids playing soccer this fall."

Texans' fans will have more space

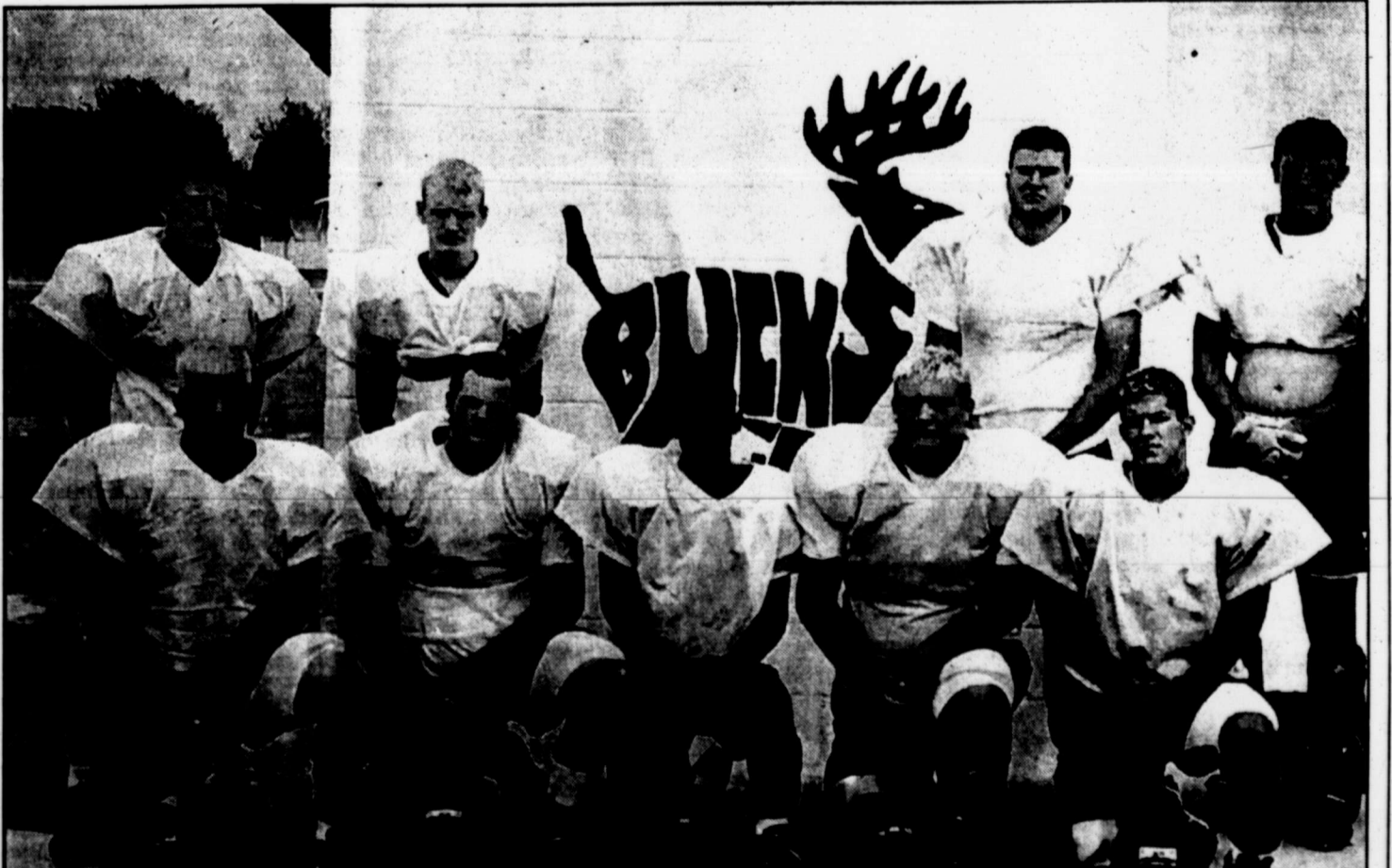
HOUSTON (AP) — For those more interested in riding the Mayan Mindbender than watching a Texans end-around, the parking at Six Flags AstroWorld is going to change on NFL game days.

Because Houston Texans football parking will take over the regular AstroWorld lot at the corner of Kirby Drive and the South Loop, AstroWorld guest parking will move on the four dates where the two conflict.

AstroWorld visitors can park on the other side of the Astrodome, off of Fannin, when the Texans play a preseason game Saturday and regular-season games Sept. 8, Sept. 22 and Oct. 13.

The AstroWorld parking entrance will remain on the South Loop feeder road, but it will move east to underneath the footbridge that crosses over the freeway.

Bucks starters



The White Deer Bucks return nine starters for the 2003 season. They include (front, l-r) Malcom Maxey, William Zumstein, Rufus Estrada, Cody Owens and Robert Germany; (back, l-r) Byron Norton, Garrett Travis, Kirk Kelp and Brian Knocke. The Bucks open against Spearman on Sept. 6. at Spearman.

NOTEBOOK

FOOTBALL

PAMPA — The public is invited to "Meet the Harvesters" at 6:30 p.m. Friday night in Harvester Stadium.

This will be an opportunity for the community to meet all the 2002 Harvester football players.

Pampa has a scrimmage against Frénship at 11 a.m. Saturday in Tulia. The Harvesters open the season Aug. 30 at Perryton.

PAMPA — Optimist football league signups will be Thursday through Friday at the Optimist Club, located at 601 E. Craven.

Signup times are 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday; 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday.

Player fee is \$55.

The league is for youngsters in the third-fourth grades, and fifth-sixth grades.

For more information, call David Hutto at 665-3017.

VOLLEYBALL

PAMPA — The Pampa Classic 2002 Volleyball Tournament will be held today and Saturday in McNeely Fieldhouse and the M-Pae-Building.

Pampa is in Pool A with Andrews, Borger, Randall and Lubbock Estacado. Pool B includes Canyon, Hereford, River Road and Dumas.

The championship will be played at 2 p.m. Saturday in McNeely Fieldhouse.

SOCCER

PAMPA — There will be a Harvester Soccer Booster Club meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Ready Room in the PHS athletic building.

Persons interested in the high school soccer program are urged to attend.

GOLF

PAMPA — Hidden Hills Seniors Association held a scramble on Wednesday.

Results are as follows:

1. Whitey White, Glen Downs, Bob Henderson and Marvin Allison, 61.

2. Ralph Baker, Nathan Lancaster, Richard Abbott and Gene Winegeart, 62.

3. Earl Tarbet, Howard Musgrave, Doug Dubose and Bill Abernathy, 65.

4. Oscar Sargent, Carl Johnson, O.K. Lee and Lucio Moreno, 65.

Closest to the hole: Buddy Briley, No. 16.

OLYMPICS

NEW YORK (AP) — A reputed Russian mobster was indicted on charges that he plotted to fix the ice dancing and pairs figure skating competition at the Salt Lake City Olympics.

Alimzhan Tokhtakhounov was arrested July 31 in Venice, Italy, to face conspiracy charges contained in a criminal complaint filed in U.S. District Court in Manhattan after an investigation of one of the largest judging scandals in Olympics history.

It charges Tokhtakhounov with conspiracy to commit wire fraud, conspiracy to commit bribery related to sporting contests, wire fraud, sports bribery and violating the Travel Act, which outlaws using interstate or foreign commerce communication to commit bribery.

AUGUST 22 2002

Red Sox comeback nails Rangers

BOSTON (AP) — The effect Nomar Garciaparra had on his teammates was evident in the sounds coming from the Boston Red Sox's side of the field.

"There was a little bit more noise in the dugout all around," Boston Red Sox manager Grady Little said. "People were just trying to get everyone going."

Garciaparra rallied his teammates in the dugout when the team fell behind early, then got four hits — including a tiebreaking two-run single in the eighth inning — as the Red Sox beat the Texas Rangers 5-3 on Wednesday night.

"I credit that to Nomar," Cliff Floyd said. "He pumped people up. He's a leader. Then he went out there with his 'A' game."

Boston trailed 3-0 after four innings and was well on its way to dropping another game back in the wild-card standings.

Boston started the comeback in the fifth on Lou Merloni's RBI double and tied it on RBI singles by Manny Ramirez and Shea Hillenbrand in the sixth.

That's where they stalled, leaving the bases loaded in the sixth and seventh.

Brian Daubach singled with two outs off reliever Danny Kolb (3-2) to start the game-winning rally. Rich Rodriguez entered and walked pinch-hitter Trot Nixon and Johnny Damon. Garciaparra followed with his go-ahead single against reliever Jay Powell that deflected off the glove of diving third baseman Herbert Perry.

The Red Sox, who have won only twice in their last six games, remained 3 1/2 games back in the AL wild-card chase. They moved seven back of the AL East-leading New York Yankees.

"I think it's a good comeback with a win like that, especially the way things have been going for us lately," said Garciaparra, who went 4-for-5. "A home run off the bat and then we were dropping the ball all over the place."

Kevin Mench opened the game with a homer for Texas, which had won five straight games.

"Well, they had a lot of chances," Texas manager Jerry Naron said. "The two base on balls

hurt us. I thought we're out of that inning with the ball Garciaparra hit. He hit it hard, but I thought Herb had it."

Bob Howry (3-3) pitched two hitless innings of relief for his first win in a Red Sox uniform. Ugueth Urbina pitched a perfect ninth for his 29th save after blowing a one-run lead Tuesday night.

Mench homered on the fifth pitch of the game, a drive over the screen above the left-field wall. Ruben Rivera's sacrifice fly made it 2-0 in the second.

Ivan Rodriguez singled and scored on Bill Haselman's single when left fielder Rickey Henderson bobbled the ball for an error, giving Texas a 3-0 edge in the fourth.

Notes: It was Garciaparra's third four-hit game of the season. ... Tony Clark, mired in a terrible slump for most of the season, was booed after dropping a pickoff throw in the first for an error and grounding out in the fifth. ... Carl Everett was booed before each at-bat and when the lineup was announced. ... Alex Rodriguez struck out his first two times up before singling. He went 0-for-4 Tuesday.

Mariners 8, Tigers 2

DETROIT (AP) — Ismael Valdes was impressive in his Seattle debut, and the Mariners broke open a close game with five runs in the ninth inning to beat the Detroit Tigers 8-2 Wednesday night.

Valdes allowed two runs and five hits in 6-2-3 innings. He struck out three and walked one.

Leading by one run in the ninth, Seattle got a bases-loaded triple by Carlos Guillen and a two-run homer from Ben Davis to make it 8-2.

Mike Cameron homered off knuckleballer Steve Sparks (8-12) for the Mariners.

Valdes (7-9) allowed only a walk to Carlos Pena in the first three innings. Damion Easley led off the fourth with Detroit's first hit, a single to center, but he was quickly erased when Bobby Higginson hit into a double play

MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

National League					American League				
At A Glance					At A Glance				
By The Associated Press					By The Associated Press				
All Times EDT					All Times EDT				
East Division					East Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	W	L	Pct	GB		
Atlanta	81	44	.648	—	New York	78	46	.629	
Montreal	63	63	.500	18 1/2	Boston	71	53	.573	
Florida	61	65	.484	20 1/2	Toronto	53	72	.424	
Philadelphia	60	65	.480	21	Baltimore	61	63	.492	
New York	58	67	.464	23	Tampa Bay	42	84	.333	
Central Division					Central Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	W	L	Pct	GB		
St. Louis	70	54	.565	—	Minnesota	75	53	.586	
Houston	66	60	.524	5	Chicago	59	68	.465	
Cincinnati	63	62	.504	7 1/2	Cleveland	54	71	.432	
Pittsburgh	55	72	.433	16 1/2	Kansas City	52	75	.409	
Chicago	53	71	.427	17	Detroit	49	77	.389	
Milwaukee	44	81	.352	26 1/2	West Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	W	L	Pct	GB		
Arizona	80	46	.635	—	Anaheim	75	50	.600	
Los Angeles	72	54	.571	8	Oakland	76	51	.598	
San Francisco	69	56	.552	10 1/2	Seattle	76	51	.598	
Colorado	59	67	.468	21	Texas	55	69	.444	
San Diego	53	73	.421	27					

Tuesday's Games		Tuesday's Games	
Chicago Cubs 14, Houston 12	Texas 3, Boston 2, 10 innings	Detroit 6, Seattle 3	N.Y. Yankees 7, Anaheim 5
Milwaukee 2, Philadelphia 1	Detroit 6, Seattle 3	Kansas City 6, Toronto 5, 12 innings	Oakland 6, Cleveland 3
Pittsburgh 8, St. Louis 0	N.Y. Yankees 7, Anaheim 5	Baltimore 7, Tampa Bay 4	Minnesota 5, Chicago White Sox 0
Colorado 8, Montreal 6	N.Y. Yankees 7, Anaheim 5	Minnesota 5, Chicago White Sox 0	
Arizona 5, Cincinnati 3			
San Diego 6, Atlanta 2			
Florida 6, Los Angeles 3			
San Francisco 1, N.Y. Mets 0			
Wednesday's Games		Wednesday's Games	
Houston 4, Chicago Cubs 0	Kansas City 7, Toronto 4	Anaheim 5, N.Y. Yankees 1, 11 innings	Boston 5, Texas 3
Philadelphia 13, Milwaukee 3	Anaheim 5, N.Y. Yankees 1, 11 innings	Boston 5, Texas 3	Seattle 8, Detroit 2
St. Louis 4, Pittsburgh 1	Boston 5, Texas 3	Seattle 8, Detroit 2	Oakland 6, Cleveland 0
Montreal 13, Colorado 5	Seattle 8, Detroit 2	Oakland 6, Cleveland 0	Baltimore 2, Tampa Bay 1
Arizona 11, Cincinnati 3	Oakland 6, Cleveland 0	Baltimore 2, Tampa Bay 1	Chicago White Sox 10, Minnesota 1
Atlanta 6, San Diego 3	Baltimore 2, Tampa Bay 1	Chicago White Sox 10, Minnesota 1	
Los Angeles 4, Florida 3, 10 innings	Chicago White Sox 10, Minnesota 1		
San Francisco 3, N.Y. Mets 1			
Thursday's Games		Thursday's Games	
Philadelphia (Wolf 8-7) at Milwaukee (Osting 0-0), 2:05 p.m.	Texas (Reyes 1-0) at Boston (P.Martinez 16-3), 7:05 p.m.	Seattle (Franklin 4-3) at Detroit (Redman 7-11), 7:05 p.m.	Anaheim (Lackey 5-2) at N.Y. Yankees (D.Wells 13-6), 7:05 p.m.
Montreal (Armas Jr. 8-10) at Colorado (Stark 8-3), 3:05 p.m.	Oakland (Mulder 14-7) at Cleveland (Phillips 1-1), 7:05 p.m.	Tampa Bay (Sosa 1-6) at Baltimore (Stephens 1-2), 7:05 p.m.	Minnesota (Santana 6-5) at Kansas City (Ru.Hernandez 3-1), 8:05 p.m.
Florida (Beckett 5-6) at Los Angeles (Nomo 11-6), 3:10 p.m.	N.Y. Mets (Bacik 2-0) at San Francisco (Jensen 10-8), 3:35 p.m.	Atlanta (Marquis 8-7) at San Diego (Bynum 0-0), 5:05 p.m.	Chicago Cubs (Smyth 1-1) at Houston (Oswalt 15-6), 8:05 p.m.
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Atlanta (Marquis 8-7) at San Diego (Bynum 0-0), 5:05 p.m.	Chicago Cubs (Smyth 1-1) at Houston (Oswalt 15-6), 8:05 p.m.	Pittsburgh (Meadows 1-3) at St. Louis (Simontacchi 9-4), 8:10 p.m.	Cincinnati (Reitsma 4-8) at Arizona (Batista 6-7), 9:35 p.m.
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Friday's Games		Friday's Games	
Cincinnati (Estes 4-9) at Houston (Munro 3-2), 8:05 p.m.	Pittsburgh (Arroyo 1-1) at Milwaukee (Stark 8-3), 8:05 p.m.	Philadelphia (Duckworth 5-8) at St. Louis (Morris 15-7), 8:10 p.m.	N.Y. Mets (Astacio 11-6) at Colorado (Jennings 14-5), 9:05 p.m.
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Vizcaino, Hernandez spark Houston to 4-0 victory over Chicago

HOUSTON (AP) — While Jose Vizcaino might not like leading off, his current play could keep him in that spot.

Vizcaino went 2-for-5 — including a home run on Mark Prior's third pitch — as the Houston Astros beat the Chicago Cubs 4-0 on Wednesday night.

It was the 27th time Vizcaino has led off for the Astros this season, including nine times in the last 12 games. He has 11 hits in his last 20 at bats, but he still would rather hit

lower in the lineup.

"I don't like it," Vizcaino said of leading off. "I'm not a guy who walks a lot. A leadoff hitter needs to walk more than I do. I'm not patient. I'm aggressive. I don't take a lot of pitches."

"I'm hitting the ball good and making good contact. That's (2-for-5) what happens when you do. I'm happy I'm doing a good job."

Vizcaino's first inning shot marked the second time in four days he-led off a game with a homer.

Carlos Hernandez scattered four hits over six innings in his second start since returning from the disabled list on Sunday.

"We really didn't know how he would pitch. Even though he told us he felt good, you never really know," Houston manager Jimy Williams said. "I was glad he was able to go so deep in the game."

Hernandez (6-4) tied a career high with eight strikeouts and walked three. It was his first win since beating the Cubs on May 31. He had been

on the disabled list because of a sore left shoulder.

After struggling though two innings in his last start, Hernandez' confidence was low.

"I had my head down a little. This will give me part of my confidence back," Hernandez said.

Hernandez beat Chicago's Prior in a matchup of rookie starters.

Prior (6-4) pitched 4 2-3 innings, giving up four runs on 12 hits. He struck out three and walked two.

Octavio Dotel pitched the final 2

1-3 innings for his fifth save.

It was Houston's seventh shutout. Six have been combined shutouts.

Houston took a 3-0 lead in the first inning. After Vizcaino's home run, Lance Berkman singled and moved to third on a double by Jeff Bagwell. Daryle Ward drove in Berkman with a single and Bagwell scored on a single by Richard Hidalgo.

The Astros increased their lead to 4-0 in the fourth when Craig Biggio singled and scored on a double by Ward.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Aug. 23, 2002.
Others play a significant role in your decisions this year. You often feel as if you juggle way too many concerns. Decide what you want to handle, and establish boundaries accordingly. Reject a tendency to give too much and then feel resentful as a result. You will want to spend a lot of time alone centering, but your popularity will tug on you. If you are single, carefully check out someone you want to be involved with. This person could be unavailable. If you are attached, schedule special time away together. Start creating more romantic interludes. PISCES 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)
*** Dig into work. The less you integrate with associates and network, the more you accomplish. Right now you need the sense of being able to plow through your work. You're getting into work mode, even if it isn't fall yet. List your priorities. Tonight: Relax at home.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
***** Your efforts make a difference, especially during meetings. Though you might have work as a priority, your mind drifts to the weekend. A child or a relationship will start taking greater priority. Know what you want here. Tonight: Romp into the weekend!

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
**** Take charge at work, if you have any thought of clearing out the day. Your sense of humor marks your interactions. If you can, delegate as much as possible or bring work home. In the next

few weeks, you might be more comfortable working from your pad. Tonight: A must show.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
***** If you can take today off, do so. You need some time to let your mind drift. Creativity surges when you establish this type of special time for yourself. Communication in the next month could get rather intense. Kick back and relax. Tonight: Out and about.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
***** Others seek you out. Deal with each person individually. Groups don't work as well right now. Use your enormous resourcefulness in the next few weeks to enhance your position both financially and emotionally. Tonight: Let another lure you!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
***** Others might not mean to challenge you. They are only doing their thing! Your personality might awe someone close to you. Know when to lay back and when to take action. Use your birthday month to aim for greater success. Tonight: Where the action is.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
***** Review a personal matter that might be close to your heart. Still, focus on your work, and you'll accomplish a lot. Right now, you are your own best friend. Take plenty of private time to think through decisions. Close your door to get your work done. Tonight: Work as late as need be.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
***** Spice up your life. Consider what you would like to change. Add more imagination and forge a new path. Your fun ways delight others. Spread some of this magic in the workplace. Others love the lightening up. Tonight: No one can romp like you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
*** Stay close to home, if possible. You might be able to work from home, extending your downtime. In the next few weeks, work becomes unusually demanding. Take a break while you can, before the pace overwhelms you. Tonight: Make it easy.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
***** You might need to clear your head more often. Learn new ways to distance yourself from the immediate. Clear your desk. Return calls. Start thinking weekend. Schedule a minivacation or perhaps a workshop. Expand your options. Tonight: You don't have to go far!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
***** Deal with others individually. You find that a financial matter could be resolved quite easily if you just start talking. Sometimes you underestimate yourself. An associate will do everything possible to help in the next few weeks. Tonight: Go out and indulge.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
***** Others quickly seek you out. You'll see that you have very little to be concerned about. Relax more, using your skills to clear out work or to create more of what you desire. The next few weeks favor networking. Go to it! Tonight: Ask.

BORN TODAY
Dancer Gene Kelly (1912), King of France Louis XVI (1754), historian Arnold Toynbee (1852)

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Report: Many classes taught by teachers untrained in subject

WASHINGTON (AP) — An estimated one in four public middle- and high-school classes is taught by a teacher not trained in the subject — and the problem is much worse in schools that serve poor and minority students.

The issue will receive broad attention this fall as the federal government, for the first time, requires schools to tell parents when their children are being taught by these teachers.

"It's clear that administrators have yet to get the message that they have to stop assigning teachers out of field," said Craig Jerald of the

Education Trust, the Washington group that released the report Wednesday. "Sure, shortages make it more difficult to tackle this problem, but there's good evidence that a lot of this is under our control."

The Education Trust, a nonprofit organization that advocates for urban and minority students, said statistics on teacher qualifications had not changed since 1993.

Part of an education plan signed in January by President Bush requires that if an instructor is assigned to a subject he is not qualified to teach, the principal must send home a note letting parents

know within a month.

Jerald said the requirement "will create a hunger for the data reports that come out, and the data reports will embarrass state and local officials to do something on a systemwide basis."

Paul Houston, executive director of the American Association of School Administrators, said the issue is not that simple.

"It's not like people are sitting around saying, 'Let's fill these classrooms with people who are not qualified,'" he said. "If the people aren't there and aren't willing to work for these (school) systems,

you're going to have a problem."

The report was based on a random survey by the Education Department completed periodically by about 55,000 teachers. The Education Trust examined responses from 16,000 secondary school teachers in the most recent survey, from the 1999-2000 school year.

The group looked at whether classes in four core subjects — English, math, science and social studies — were assigned to a teacher who lacked a college major or minor in that field or a related field.

Nationally, 24.2 percent of class-

es were taught by such teachers, but 12 states had more than 30 percent of classes fitting that category. Five states — Arizona, Delaware, Louisiana, New Mexico and Tennessee — averaged more than one-third.

In schools that serve mostly poor students, nearly twice as many courses are taught by out-of-field teachers as in schools with few poor students, the analysis found. The problem also is worse in schools that mostly serve minority students: 29 percent compared with 21 percent for schools that have low minority enrollments.

Unemployment claims dips, labor market up

WASHINGTON (AP) — The number of newly laid-off workers filing claims for unemployment benefits dipped slightly last week, indicating a modest improvement in the labor market.

The Labor Department reported Thursday that new applications for jobless benefits totaled 389,000 last week, down 2,000 from the previous week when benefits had posted a gain of 9,000.

The four-week moving average for claims, designed to smooth out weekly fluctuations, rose by 5,750 to 388,250. However, the figure remained below the 400,000 mark for the 10th week, the longest such stretch since the recession began in March of last year.

Economists are closely watching the weekly and monthly jobless reports to try to detect the future course of the current recovery, which most believe began at the beginning of this year but so far has generated little job growth.

The unemployment rate for July remained stuck at 5.9 percent with just 6,000 new jobs created last month as businesses, buffeted by corporate accounting scandals and a plunging stock market, were reluctant to hire back new workers.

Many economists believe the jobless rate will top 6 percent in coming months as the weak recovery continues to have a depressing effect on job growth. While most analysts believe that the feared double-dip recession remains a remote

possibility, they warn that the odds would increase if the recent accounting scandals and bankruptcies trigger another big wave of job layoffs.

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan and his colleagues, at their regular meeting last week, left interest rates unchanged but shifted the wording of their announcement to show new concern about economic weakness going forward.

Analysts took that change as a strong signal the Fed will cut interest rates, already at a 40-year low, again if the recovery shows more signs of faltering.

The economy, which had begun the year growing at a brisk annual rate of 5 percent, hit a speed bump in the spring with growth slowing to a rate of just 1.1 percent.

Many analysts have moved to cut their growth forecasts for the second half of this year based on the big drop in the stock market that has occurred this summer. But most economists are still predicting the gross domestic product, the economy's total output of goods and services, will increase at an annual rate of 2.5 percent in the last six months of this year with even stronger growth rates in 2003.

In an indication of a slowly improving labor market, the number of unemployed workers continuing to draw jobless benefits totaled 3.52 million for the week ending Aug. 10, down slightly from the previous week. This figure had hit a high of 3.83 million in May.

Investor suing Martha Stewart

NEW YORK (AP) — An investor in Martha Stewart's company has filed a lawsuit alleging she dumped shares of her own stock because she knew she would be investigated on suspicion of insider trading in the ImClone case.

The suit against Stewart was filed in U.S. District Court in Manhattan on behalf of Howard Rosen, a shareholder in Martha Stewart Living Omnimedia Inc.

It alleges that Stewart and other company executives sold about 5.3 million shares in the company worth more than \$79 million — avoiding losses they would have suffered after the ImClone scandal surfaced in June.

The domestic design tycoon is currently being investigated to determine whether she sold shares of ImClone stock because




she had insider information that the Food and Drug Administration was going to reject the company's application for its new colon cancer drug. She has maintained she did not know about the FDA's decision.

"Being a former stockbroker, Stewart knew that the suspicious timing of her ImClone stock sales would bring public, if not legal, scrutiny," the lawsuit said.

The insider-trading suit, which names Stewart and nine other defendants, seeks class-action status for investors who bought shares of Martha Stewart Omnimedia from Jan. 8 to July 24.

Steven Lipin, a spokesman for Martha Stewart Omnimedia, said the company "believes the lawsuit is without foundation, and we intend to defend it aggressively."

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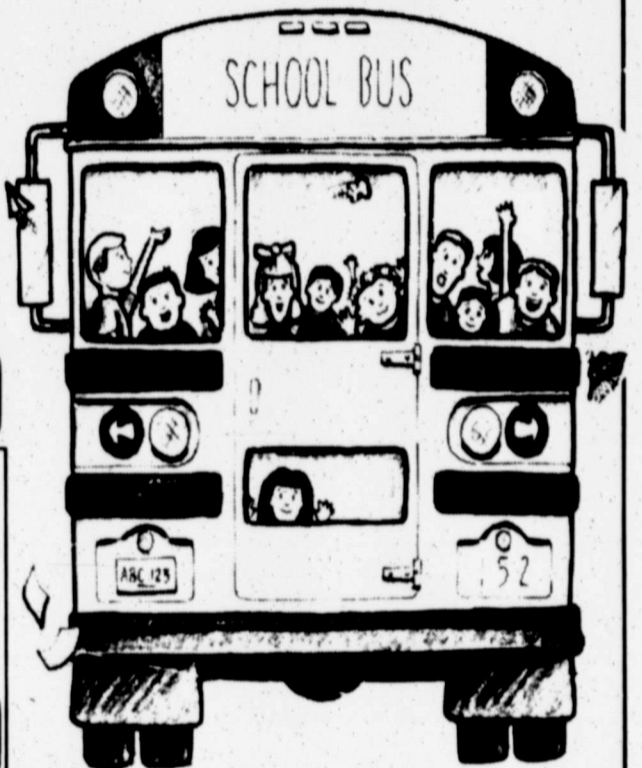
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