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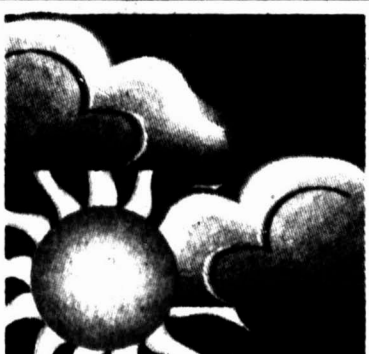
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PAMPA — Top O' Texas Livestock Show Calf Fry is slated at 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22 at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Adults eat for \$10 per person and children for \$6. All proceeds will benefit the Gray County Livestock Show Jan. 29.

PAMPA — Gray County voters who would like to request an application by mail for the March 14 election may do so through March 7. Anyone desiring to obtain a ballot by mail or who has inquiries regarding balloting by mail may contact the county clerk's office, 669-8004.

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas police are searching for a suspect in the area's fourth armored truck robbery this month.

The latest one was Wednesday, when police said a man with a gun and pepper spray overpowered a truck guard at a Greyhound bus station and took two duffel bags containing \$28,000 in cash.

The Armored Transport guards were making their daily pickup at the downtown bus station when the robbery occurred, police said.

The FBI is assisting Dallas police in the investigation. Authorities said it was the fourth armored truck robbery this year in the Dallas/Fort Worth area.

- Tula B. Giles, 79, homemaker.
- Ray Kinard, 85, owner Kinard Exxon.
- Brenda Jo Jennings McKeen, 47, homemaker, nurse.
- Sheila Mary Sumner Patches, 65, former White Deer resident.

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"It's no accident State Farm insures more cars than anyone else."

Sheila Webb
State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company
Home Office Bloomington, Illinois

Shamrock pupils charged in bomb threat

By KEITH ANDERSON
Staff Writer

A chilling note taped to a rear door brought school to a halt in Shamrock Wednesday morning.

A Shamrock ISD employee discovered the bomb threat note taped to a rear door of one of the school buildings early Wednesday morning.

The note, consisting of cut-out letters from a newspaper pasted to a piece of paper, read as follows: Fulce [Shamrock High School principal] Bombs in building RCHS [Remember Columbine High School]. The note was taken to Shamrock Junior High Principal Tommy Waldrop,

who relayed it to Shamrock Chief of Police Joe Daniels.

The FBI, Amarillo Special Crimes Unit, Interquest Canine Services, and Wheeler County law enforcement are involved in the investigation.

Two 17-year-old male Shamrock High School students — Shane Marshall and John Garza — have been arrested and charged with making a false alarm report at a public school, said Shamrock Police Chief Joe Daniels. The charges are state jail felonies.

The two were arraigned Wednesday and transferred to the Wheeler County Jail.

Their bonds were set at \$25,000 each.

The two were not stand-out students at Shamrock HS, according to officials.

"Those kids were not involved in a whole lot," Shamrock ISD Superintendent Ray Cogburn said.

"In this day and age threats against students and school employees have to be treated very seriously," Cogburn said.

Cogburn said school was dismissed for the day at 9:15 a.m. so that bomb-sniffing dogs and investigators could search the buildings.

Cogburn said this was the first bomb threat Shamrock ISD has received.

"It's unfortunate that it happens in any community, especially a small community," Cogburn said.

Two 17-year-old male Shamrock High School students — Shane Marshall and John Garza — have been arrested and charged with making a false alarm report.

"You sure don't want to have anyone's life threatened, but in this case our people rallied, and I was real proud," he said.

"We're very glad that there were no explosives found in the school — no explosives, no guns, no drugs, no alcohol. We're very happy about that," Daniels.

School was back in session today.

'99 traffic statistics released

There were no fatal traffic accidents for 1999, according to a Pampa Police Department annual traffic report but there were 74 accidents involving injuries for 1999.

The report said the most likely time for injury accidents is between 4 p.m. and 8 p.m., with 24 accidents during that time span. The most likely place is the northern district of Pampa, which reported 29 accidents. The most likely injury code is "possible injury." The most likely day to have been in an accident involving injuries was Tuesday: 14 injury accidents occurred on Tuesdays.

The accident report also said that there were 184 accidents which didn't result in injuries in Pampa in 1999.

The southern district witnessed the most non-injury accidents in 1999. The most likely time of day to be involved in a non-injury accident was 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.; 50 non-injury accidents occurred during the 12-4 p.m. time span. Tuesday saw the most non-injury accidents: 33 non-injury accidents in 1999 occurred on Tuesdays.

Pampa police report that the safest time to drive in 1999 was 12 a.m. to 4 a.m. Saturday mornings, in Pampa's middle district.

Adams reelection candidate

Jimmy Wales Adams, Wheeler County Sheriff, has announced his candidacy for reelection.

Adams has served as Wheeler County Sheriff for eleven years. He is seeking a fourth term.

Adams began his law-enforcement career as a dog handler at NORAD missile sites in 1966. In 1970, he became a police officer with the Amarillo Police Department. From 1979-1982 Adams worked as Security Manager for Sear's Oklahoma City Penn Square store.

In 1983, Adams was asked to serve as city judge of Wheeler, and he served until he was elected sheriff of Wheeler County. He took office as sheriff Sept. 1988.

"In the last eleven years the sheriff's department has modernized its communication systems of telephone and radio. Internally I have reduced turn over from over 300 percent to a minimal and manageable amount ... Wheeler County Jail has received 13 consecutive successful jail standards inspections from the state of Texas," according to a press release from Adams.

"My continued goals are to fight drug and alcohol abuse in the communities we live in and to cooperate with other law enforcement professionals who

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Break time ...



Hands from Texas Cattle Company rustle up some Cokes at the Taylor Mart in Lefors Wednesday.

Campaign report rules cleared up

By NANCY YOUNG
Managing Editor

Incorrect information furnished to The Pampa News by the Texas Ethics Commission resulted in errors in a story regarding election campaign reports on Wednesday.

Tommy Jackson, analyst for the Texas Ethics Commission in Austin, told a Pampa News reporter Wednesday no campaign reports had been received in the Austin office from candidates in the 31st District Attorney's race. While the deadline for filing these contribution reports was Jan. 15, the TEC representative failed to tell the reporter that candidates who filed for office after Jan. 1 are not required to file a financial campaign report until 30 days prior to the March 14 election.

All three challengers, Richard Roach, Phil Pendleton and Charles Kessie, in the district attorney's race did not file a campaign treasurer designation until Jan. 3 and, therefore, are not required to make the Jan. 15 filing deadline of the financial reports. Roach and

Pendleton are seeking the position in the Republican primary while Kessie is seeking the Democrat nomination.

Incumbent John Mann filed his campaign treasurer designation in December and is required to file the report. He was not in his office this morning and was not available for comment on whether he has mailed his report. Mann told a Pampa News reporter Wednesday his reports are handled by his office staff and he did not know whether the report had been sent to Austin. All reports regarding district attorney candidates must be sent to Austin.

Karen Lundquist, attorney for the Texas Ethics Commission, told The Pampa News today the election laws also provide that the postmark date on the report be the 15th or, in the case this year, as the 15th was on Saturday, to be filed the next business day following. The date was extended to Jan. 18 as Monday was a national holiday due to Martin Luther King Day.

She also said the candidates who are unopposed are not subject to the filing reporting requirements.

The Wednesday story also reported Gene Gee, who is seeking Precinct 1 County Commissioner, and Gerald Wright, incumbent County Commissioner in Precinct 3, had not filed the reports.

Gee was not required to meet the Jan. 18 deadline as he filed his treasurer designation on Jan. 3. Wright, who filed in December, was not required to complete the financial report as he is unopposed. Wright filed a campaign financial report this morning in the Gray County Clerk's Office this morning, according to County Clerk Susan Winborne.

Frank W. Sparling, who is running for Constable Precinct 4 and filed in December, filed his campaign finance report at 11:06 a.m. Wednesday in the county clerk's office which was after the reporter contacted the county clerk's office.

Curtis Dalton, who is running for Constable Precinct 4, had not filed his campaign finance report in the county clerk's office as of 11:30 a.m. Thursday. He filed campaign treasurer designation in December, according to Winborne.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

DEDRICK, Steven Lynn — Graveside services, Syvian Cemetery, Sacramento, Calif.
GILES, Tula B. — 11 a.m., Central Church of Christ Chapel, Amarillo.
KINARD, Ray — Graveside services, 11 a.m., Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Cisco.
McKEEN, Brenda Jo Jennings — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

Obituaries

TULA B. GILES
 AMARILLO — Tula B. Giles, 79, sister of a White Deer resident, died Wednesday, Jan. 19, 2000. Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday in Central Church of Christ Chapel with Dick Marcear officiating. Burial will be in Llano Cemetery under the direction of Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors Martin Road Chapel.

Mrs. Giles was born at Texline and had been an Amarillo resident for the past 73 years. She married Marion Giles in 1941. She was a homemaker and belonged to UTU Auxiliary and Central Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband, Marion; two sons, Bobby Dale Giles of Austin and Dan Marion Giles of Kansas City, Mo.; and a brother, Billy Joe Brown of White Deer.

The family will be at 6236 Belpree Road and requests memorials be to High Plains Children's Home, P.O. Box 7448, Amarillo, TX, 79114-9990.

RAY KINARD
 AMARILLO — Ray Kinard, 85, a former Pampa resident, died Tuesday, Jan. 18, 2000. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Friday in Pleasant Hill Cemetery at Cisco with the Rev. Joe Philpott, pastor of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of N.S. Griggs and Sons Funeral Directors of Amarillo.

Mr. Kinard was born at Cisco. He married Dorothy Jane Jones in 1941; she died in 1995. He had been an Amarillo resident since 1963, moving from Pampa, and owned Kinard Exxon in Amarillo. He belonged to First Baptist Church and volunteered with Meals on Wheels and Crown of Texas Hospice.

He was a veteran of the Coast Guard, serving during World War II.

He was preceded in death by a son, Gary Kinard, in 1948.

Survivors include three daughters, Anna Dunn and Rita Cantwell, both of Amarillo, and Jeana Hutton of Canyon; six grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

The family will be at 3900 Paramount and requests memorials be to Crown of Texas Hospice.

BRENDA JO JENNINGS McKEEN
 Brenda Jo Jennings McKeen, 47, died Tuesday, Jan. 18, 2000, at Crosbyton. Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel in Pampa with the Rev. Fines Marchman, pastor of First Baptist Church of Skellytown, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery in Pampa under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. McKeen was born Feb. 5, 1952, at Oklahoma City, Okla., and had been a Pampa resident most of her life, graduating from Pampa High School. She married Emmitt McKeen in 1973 at Pampa; he died in 1989. She was a homemaker and a licensed vocational nurse, working for both Coronado Health Care Center and Pampa Nursing Center for several years.

She belonged to First Baptist Church of Roaring Springs and had been a resident of Roaring Springs since 1996.

Survivors include her husband, Clarence Allen of Roaring Springs; a daughter, Patsy Ledford of Pampa; a son, Michael McKeen of Pampa; her mother, Betty Atchley of Coleman; a sister, Bonnie Magina of Atlanta, Ga.; two brothers, Mike Jennings of Amarillo and Mark Jennings of Claremore, Okla.; and two grandchildren.

The family will receive visitors from 6-8 p.m. today at the funeral home and requests memorials be to American Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 50433, Amarillo, TX 79159.

SHEILA MARY SUMNER PUNCHES

DENTON — Sheila Mary Sumner Punches, 65, a former White Deer resident, died Jan. 15, 2000, at Mobile, Ala. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday at First Baptist Church in White Deer.

Mrs. Punches was born at Minehead, England, to the late William and Phyllis Sumner. She moved to Dallas in 1963. She married Gerry Punches of White Deer in 1970. She was a White Deer resident from 1970 until moving to Denton in 1985.

Survivors include her husband, Gerry; two sons, Ian Punches of Cleburne and Jeremy Punches of Denton; a sister, Jean Bates of Auckland, New Zealand; a brother, Peter Headicar of London, England; and four grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to First Baptist Church of White Deer.

Police report

The Pampa Police Department released the following offense reports Thursday, Jan. 20.

Monday, Jan. 17
 Two pairs of pants and three shirts valued at \$250 were reported stolen from Bealls at the 1200 block of North Hobart.

Tuesday, Jan. 18
 A domestic disturbance was reported at the 400 block of Rose.

A suicide attempt was reported at the 600 block of North Wells.

Wednesday, Jan. 19
 A woman reported that someone threw a rock through her window as she was standing in front of it. The rock shattered the window. The woman sustained injuries to her right shoulder. She refused medical treatment. The incident occurred at the 1000 block of East Francis.

A burglary was reported at the 200 block of North Hamilton. Six pair of leggings pants, six shirts, two pairs of pajamas, three bottles of fingernail polish, and 72 slices of cheese were reported stolen.

Criminal mischief was reported at Pampa High School. A \$50 back window was shattered.

Thursday, Jan. 20
 A \$10 wallet and \$20 cash were reported stolen from a motor vehicle on the 200 block of North Hamilton.

Ambulance

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

Wednesday, Jan. 19
 5:08 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing facility and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

6:12 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to a local nursing facility.

8:57 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 700 block of North Russell and transported one to PRMC.

10:16 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of East Francis on a welfare check; no one transported.

Thursday, Jan. 20
 5:41 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to East Highway 60 and transported one to PRMC.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Wednesday, Jan. 19
 4:10 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to a vehicle accident at Price Road and Highway 60.

10:03 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to a call for Lifestar standby at Pampa Regional Medical Center.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Department reported the following arrests for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Wednesday, Jan. 19
 Teresa Dinsmore, 45, 1722 Duncan, was arrested on a Gray County sentence of 150 days stemming from a charge of theft of over \$50 and under \$500.

Johnnie Max Spotts, 34, 716 North West, was arrested on a bond surrender stemming from a charge of possession of marijuana.

Stocks

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

Wheat	2.22	Coca-Cola	69 9/16	up 5/16
Milo	2.96	Columbia/HCA	31 5/8	dn 5/16
Corn	3.41	Enron	55 1/2	up 2
Soybeans	4.16	Halliburton	41 7/16	dn 3/4
		IBM	4 5/16	dn 3/16
		KMI	25	up 1/2
		Kerr-McGee	65 3/4	dn 7/8
		Limited	33 3/8	dn 5/8
		McDonald's	42 1/8	dn 1/4
		Exxon Mobil	84 3/4	dn 13/16
		New Atmos	18 5/8	NC
		NCE	29 9/16	NC
		Pennco	21 1/8	dn 3/8
		Phillips	43 1/4	dn 13/16
		Pioneer Nat.	9	dn 1/8
		SLB	63 5/8	dn 2 1/4
		Tenneco	10 1/4	up 1/16
		Ultramar	21 11/16	dn 5/16
		Wal-Mart	63 3/4	up 1/16
		Williams	35 7/8	up 1/16
		New York Gold	289.68	
		Silver	5.12	
		West Texas Crude	29.04	

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

Occidental	22 3/16	dn 1/8
Fidelity Magellin	135.29	
Puritan	18.85	

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

Amoco	54 3/4	dn 1/4
Arco	75 13/16	up 3/4
Cabot	24 1/4	dn 3/16
Cabot O&G	15 1/16	dn 1/8
Chevron	87 13/16	dn 1/8

Emergency numbers

Ambulance	911
Crime Stoppers	669-2222
Energas	665-5777
Fire	911
Police (emergency)	911
Police (non-emergency)	669-5700
SPS	1-800-750-2520
Water	669-5830

Latin Grammys to be in Los Angeles

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — The first Latin Grammys will be awarded in Los Angeles because the first choice, Miami, refused to permit Cuban performers, officials said.

Gloria Estefan and other stars attended Wednesday's announcement at the headquarters of the Latin Academy of Recording Arts & Sciences.

"I think we are still on the ground floor of the emergence of Latin music in America, and I look forward to our contribution to the popularity of this wonderful music," said Michael Greene, president of the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences, which helped organize the Latin recording academy.

NARAS awards the traditional Grammys, which includes seven in Latin music categories. Those Grammys, led by Carlos Santana's 10 nominations, will be handed out next month.

The Latin Grammys will have 40 categories covering Spanish and Portuguese music — "everything from salsa to merengue" — and will be open to musicians anywhere on the planet, Greene said.

The Sept. 15 awards ceremony will air on CBS. No site was announced.

Miami was dumped because an ordinance prohibits the surrounding county from doing business with any entity doing business with Cuba, Greene said. That would have prevented use of a needed arena and barred Cuban musicians from performing.

"Dade County continues to be held hostage by the Cuban expatriates down there," Greene said. "It's regrettable, because Miami is such an international Latino city."

Officials in South Florida lamented the loss of the awards show.

Groom native files objection to EPA pollution proposal

Groom native Ben Weinheimer can take a deep breath and relax for a few minutes today after shipping his comments off to Washington concerning the Environmental Protection Agency's latest proposal.

Claiming they want to make every waterway safe for fishing, drinking and swimming, the Environmental Protection Agency has proposed ambitious rules that could cost landowners and taxpayers tens of millions of dollars.

Today is the deadline for comments on proposed rules that even the EPA acknowledges is far reaching.

Landowners, congressional Republicans and even a top U.S. Agriculture Department official said the EPA's rules may be too broad and expensive.

"The broad category of concern is non-point source pollution," said Weinheimer, manager of regulatory affairs for the Texas Cattle Feeders Association.

The EPA is proposing changes to the Total Maximum Daily Loads, or allowable pollution levels from indirect sources of pollution such as farms or parking lots or even naturally occurring pollution such as the salt that is carried in the Canadian River into Lake Meredith.

"It's intended to be a calculation of various potential contaminants or contaminants in a watershed that's been designated as impaired," Weinheimer said. "Once a stream segment or a water body has been designated as impaired, then they evaluate the pollutant of concern, whether it's a nutrient like nitrogen or phosphorus or if it's a certain pesticide. They then determine the maximum allowable level that should be coming out at the end of that stream."

Under the Clean Water Act, the EPA can deal only point-source pollution, that is, identifiable sources of pollution that come from specific points such as out of a sewage pipe at a factory. Nonpoint source pollution, such as rainwater that washes across broad general areas such as parking lots or roads or runoff from a field are not, according to the Clean Water Act, under the control of the EPA. The new rules proposed by the federal agency would change that.

Under the proposed rules, once the EPA has set TMDLs, they can go back up to the watershed to evaluate all the potential discharges.

"They intend to evaluate all the non-point source discharges, such as farms, fields, parking lots and roads," Weinheimer said. "They will take the output and try to equate all the inputs."

Within a watershed, the EPA could determine that individual farmers, merchants and other landowners were responsible for polluting a stream or lake. A farmer or municipality or any other landowner within a given watershed would be liable for a percentage of that runoff.

The proposed rules will effect some 20,000 bodies of water, about 40 percent of all lakes, rivers and streams in the nation. Opponents to the rules claim it could cost tens of millions of dollars to determine and lower such non-point source pollution.

Farm organizations said the rules are a greater threat to farms than drought or disease. Landowners, whether in town or in the country,

may be required to get pollution discharge permits. J. Charles Fox, assistant EPA administrator for water, said the proposal is far-reaching, but he thinks the impact around the country will be minor.

Agriculture Department Undersecretary Jim Lyons complained in a letter to EPA Administrator Carol Browner that the proposed rules will unnecessarily divert scarce resources to a top-down, process-oriented approach that may not work.

Rep. Bob Goodlatte, R-Va., who is on the House Agriculture Committee, said it is scientifically impossible to assign responsibility for runoff to specific landowners.

There are several issues, Weinheimer said, that need to be addressed.

"Probably our number one issue is there lack of authority to regulate non-point sources," Weinheimer said.

The second issue is the cost associated with implementing such a program.

"EPA has in our opinion drastically under estimated the costs that this is going to have on some smaller businesses, small farms, even feedyards," Weinheimer said.

He says they've also underestimated the costs that is will have on states to implement the program.

EPA is proposing to develop these Total Maximum Daily Loads for threatened waters as well as impaired waters. Weinheimer says that is not in keeping with the wording of the Clean Water Act.

"The Clean Water Act says they have the authority to develop these strictly for those watersheds that have already been determined as impaired by a given contaminant," he said. "It should not apply to threatened waters."

The EPA is also proposing to take into account air deposition which, Weinheimer said is not a Clean Water Act issue.

"Air deposition could be addressed by other means," he said. "It is not an issue to address with the Clean Water Act, and therefore, not an issue that should be addressed as part of a TMDL."

Such a step could, in effect, put the government in charge of West Texas dust storms.

"Nutrients will attach themselves to soil particles," Weinheimer said. "In this area, we have significant dust and sand storms. To take those into account in a watershed 50 miles away is unreal and virtually impossible."

The EPA also intends to include what they consider unknown causes.

"They want the authority to list water bodies as impaired or threatened, even if they can't identify the cause of such an impairment," Weinheimer said.

The EPA is proposing to revise the regulations to grant themselves the authority to designate non-point sources as point sources.

"In 43 states now, that is the sole responsibility of a state agency," Weinheimer said. "EPA wants to come back and take back some of their authority and be able to designate a farm field or a small feedyard as a point source just for the purpose of being able to include it in the ratcheting down of discharges."

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ADAMS

assist us in these challenges. We will be ever more attentive to domestic violence issues and help those victims of domestic violence who feel oppressed by a dominant spouse who is neglectful or abusive ... and [we will be] pro-active in the enforcement of all crimes," according to the press release.

Adams holds a Master Peace Officer's license, a Forensic Hypnosis license, a jailer's license, and an Instructor's license. Adams has a bachelors degree

in social science from West Texas A&M University, and expects to receive a masters degree in interdisciplinary studies from WTAMU in May.

Adams is a member of several law enforcement organizations including the Texas Sheriff's Association, Panhandle Peace Officers, United Peace Officers, and the Panhandle Regional Narcotics Task Force. He is Chairman of the 911 advisory board, and on the board of directors of the Sheriffs of Texas Agreed Response.

"I am an involved Sheriff, in not only Wheeler County but also the Texas Panhandle and the State of Texas," according to the press release.

Aquifer permits given boost

AUSTIN (AP) — The Edwards Aquifer Authority's plan to issue pumping permits cleared a major hurdle with an appeals court overturning a lower court's decision that said the authority had overstepped its bounds.

The San Antonio-based 4th Court of Appeals on Wednesday ruled that District Judge Mickey Pennington of Hondo erred in deciding in 1998 that the authority's rules were invalid because they violated a 1995 property rights law.

According to Pennington, the authority failed to assess the hardship the proposed rules might cause aquifer users before it passed them. The authority's permit rules, adopted in January 1998, establish which pumps get water and how much.

The authority still has to readopt its rules because of a second judge's ruling, but it won't have to conduct lengthy and costly assessments related to the impact to private property, said Greg Ellis, general manager of the aquifer.

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City Briefs

ALL BASEBALL and Softball bats on the wall, 50% off regular price. Holmes Sports Center, 304 S. Cuyler.

BALDWIN FUN Machine Organ, \$300 or best offer. 665-2431.

"CHANGE YOUR eye color, even if your vision is perfect." Drs. Simmons & Simmons 665-0771.

CLEARANCE SALE 1/2 Price on sweaters, coats, jackets-good selection. Tralee Re-Sale Shop, 308 S. Cuyler.

EXP. SITTER will sit with your love ones day or night. References available 665-3318.

HOBBY SHOP 20% off Custom Frame Sale (limited materials in stock) Many Clearance items throughout the store, 217 N. Cuyler, 669-6161.

LOST 8 week old Female Chihuahua, white w/ a little tan color on back, Central Park area, Please call 669-3430.

PHS BAND Spaghetti Supper, Fri., Jan. 21st. All You Can Eat. PHS Cafeteria, 5-8 p.m. Contact any band member for tickets or call 665-2631 or 665-6475.

INTERNET BASIC Training Class, Jan. 25 & 27th, 4 p.m.-7 p.m., Pampa Middle School Room 38. Lee Carter instructor. \$25. 669-4707 to register.

Weather focus

PAMPA — Partly sunny today with a high of 45. Tonight, partly cloudy with a low of 29 and Friday, partly cloudy and warmer with a high of 55.

STATEWIDE — Chilly winter weather finally made its way to Texas today, as cold fronts moved in a line from near Beaumont to San Antonio then over to Del Rio.

More cold weather also appeared in an east to west pat-

tern along a line from Texarkana to near Wichita Falls and Childress.

Thursday morning skies in North Texas were clear to partly cloudy, with winds varied from northwest to northeast at 10 to 20 mph and gusty.

Morning temperatures in the region ranged from 36 at Wichita Falls to 55 at Lufkin.

Elsewhere across the state, it was clear to partly cloudy over the Panhandle, the South Plains and Far West Texas.

Gusty winds of 40 and 50 mph were reported in the Guadalupe Pass area.

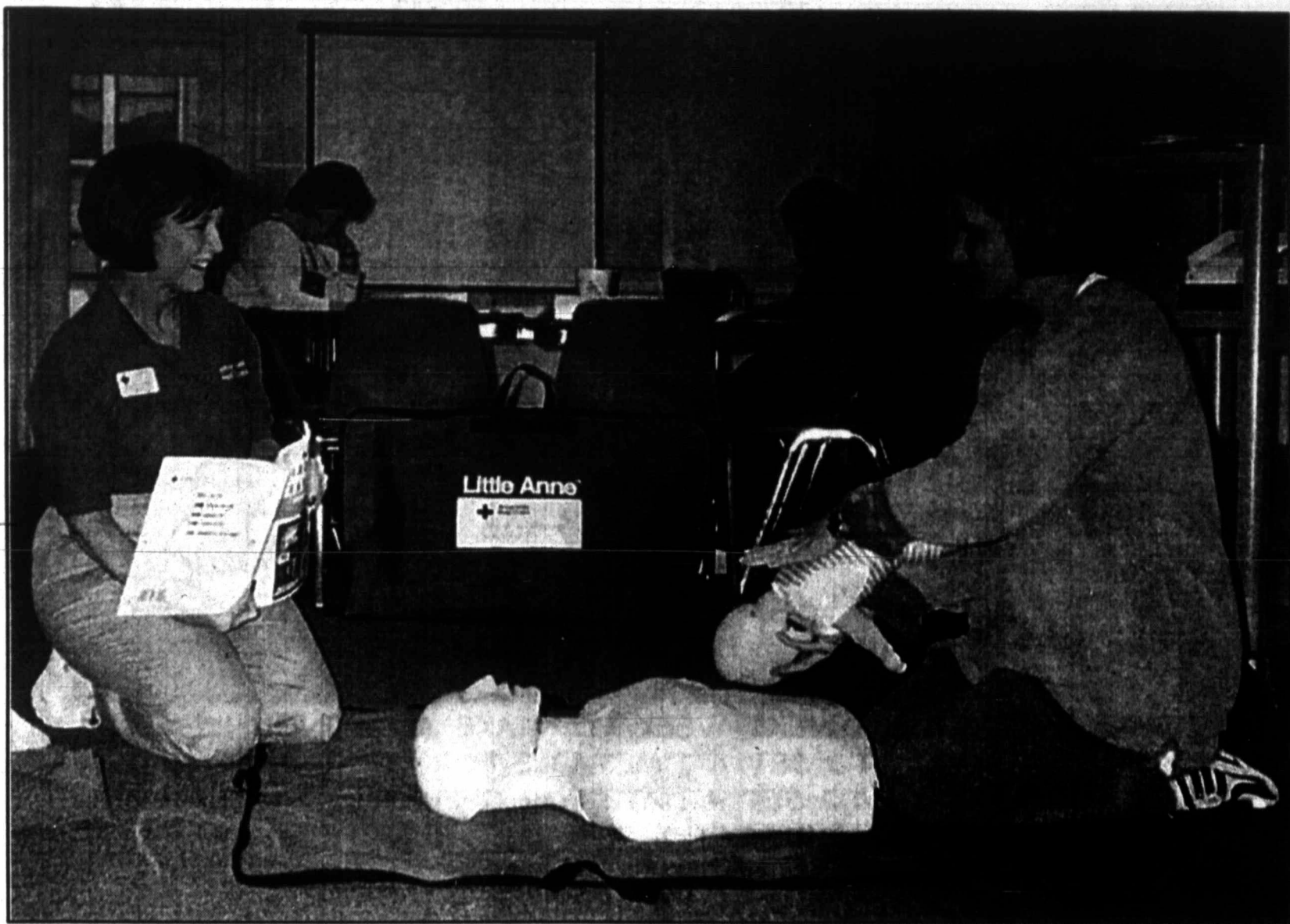
Morning temperatures in the west ranged from a chilly 23 at Dalhart to 54 at Wink.

South Texas skies were mostly clear, with sunny conditions expected for much of the day.

High temperatures in the south will be in the mid 60s to mid 70s.

Areas of fog were again developing along the Coastal Bend and in other regions.

Red Cross CPR classes



Gray County American Red Cross is currently conducting CPR and first aid instructor classes. Above: (front, left-right) Penny Clark and Wendy Cavalier and (back, l-r) Deanna Chamberlin and Bonnie Holeyton. Clark is testing Cavalier's CPR skills while Chamberlin and Holeyton take a written exam. Pampa United Way recently donated four adult manikins and four baby manikins to the local Red Cross. Some upcoming classes to be offered by the chapter include an adult, infant and child CPR/FA class Jan. 24-25; a babysitting class Feb. 16-17; and a lifeguard class in late February. For more information call or come by the Red Cross office, 108 N. Russell, 669-7121.

Calendar of events

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

THEE PLACE
Thee Place for Singles is open 7-10:30 p.m. Saturdays at 520 W. Kingsmill.

ADHD/ADD SUPPORT GROUP
If interested in the ADHD/ADD Sport Group call Connie at 669-9364.

EMMAUS REUNION
Emmaus Reunion Group meets the second Thursday of each month. For more information, call 669-3426 or 669-9226.

OPEN DOOR ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Open Door Alcoholics Anonymous at 910 Kentucky (across from Albertson's) meeting schedule — seven days a week — two meetings a day — noon till 1 p.m. and 8-9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday noon meetings are non-smoking. For more information, call 665-9702.

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER
Womens Support Group for Child Management offers parenting skills to assist parents and children in dealing with anger and behavioral issues resulting from peer pressure, sibling rivalry, family violence and/or sexual abuse from 7-8 p.m. Thursdays. For more information, call Tralee Crisis Center, 669-1131.

PAMPA SHRINE CLUB
Pampa Shrine Club will meet at 6 p.m. Friday, Jan. 21. Participants should bring a covered dish. Entertainment will be provided.

HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and BSA Health System will conduct a breast cancer screening clinic Feb. 7 at Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, Inc., 916 N. Crest, in Pampa. Participants will receive a low-cost self-exam mammogram and a breast health appraisal along with individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are by appointment only. For more information, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY

First Baptist Church Women's Fellowship Ministry will present a candle-light concert and dinner at 6:30 p.m. Jan. 27 in the Fellowship Hall of the church, 203 N. West. The cost of the meal is \$4. Entertainment will be provided by Pampa musicians Beverly Moss and Wendy Eggert. For reservations or for more information, call the

church office, 669-1155. The deadline to RSVP is Jan. 25.

MARDI GRAS

DANCE AND CASINO
Beta Sigma Phi of Pampa will present its annual Valentine Dance and Mardi Gras Casino from 8-12 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 12 at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Set-ups and snacks will be furnished and music will be provided by Fence Walker. Tickets may be purchased in advance for \$25 per couple or at the door for \$30 per couple. Proceeds will benefit BSP scholarship fund. For more information or to purchase advance tickets, call 665-6037 and leave a message.

MISS TOP OF TEXAS AREA

The second Annual "Miss Top of Texas Area" scholarship pageant will be held at 7 p.m. Jan. 29 in Borger. The executive directors are Carolyn Scott, Johnny Scott and Karmin Pool. To enter, the female participants must be at least 17 and a senior in high school. A Junior Miss Top of Texas Area pageant for ages 2-17 will also be conducted. Titles are: Tiny Miss, Petite Miss, Little Miss, Junior Miss and Teen Miss. To enter or for more information, call (806) 273-7168 or (806) 857-3804. Scholarships will be awarded only in the Miss Top of Texas pageant.

AVON WOMEN

OF ENTERPRISE AWARDS

Avon is seeking applications for its Women of Enterprise Awards in honor of top women entrepreneurs. Honorees are entrepreneurs of diverse fields and backgrounds exhibiting steadfast determination and exceptional drive to become successful business owners. The winners will receive a paid trip to New York City for a gala awards luncheon on June 15 at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel. In addition, each recipient and her nominating organization will receive a \$1,000 cash award to promote entrepreneurial success. Local community organizations and private individuals may nominate a candidate as well as the entrepreneurs themselves. Application deadline is Friday, Jan. 14. For an application or for more information, call (212) 282-7110 or visit www.avon.com on the World Wide Web.

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

The Texas Department of Health will be conducting immunizations clinics throughout the month of January that give protection against polio, diphtheria, tetanus (lock jaw), pertussis (whooping cough), measles, rubella, Hib (Haemophilus Influenzae Type B), and mumps. Influenza and pneumococcal vaccines are also available. The fee is based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The clinics will be offered at the following locations and times: 11 a.m.-12 noon, 1-4 p.m., Jan. 24, City Hall, Canadian.

National Flu Surveillance Network place Texas on 'Influenza Warning' as physicians report more and more cases of flu

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. — The National Flu Surveillance Network has noted a marked increase of influenza in Texas, prompting NFSN to raise the influenza status of Texas to "Influenza Warning" stage. Physician sites report a sharp increase of influenza in Dallas, prompting NFSN to change the flu status in that city to "Influenza Warning" stage.

NFSN has 65 surveillance sites in Texas with 276 physicians reporting. Sixty-one NFSN surveillance sites reported a 64 percent increase in influenza with San Antonio, Austin, El Paso and Corpus Christi upgraded to Alert Status. Cities reporting positive cases include Carrollton, Crandall, Dallas, Fort Worth, Garland, Haskell, Houston, Lakewood, Lewisville, Lubbock, McAllen, Mesquite, Mount Pleasant, Naples, New

Braunfels, North Dallas, North Richardson, Dallas, Odessa, Plano, Richardson, Rockwall, Rowlett and Texas City.

Influenza is a potentially fatal illness, especially among individuals most at-risk for complications such as the elderly, children, people with chronic illnesses and compromised immune systems and pregnant women. It is estimated more than 20,000 influenza-associated deaths occur on average each year in the U.S. In 1994, an estimated 30 million people contracted influenza nationwide and cost nearly 70 million lost work days.

In the U.S., influenza season typically runs from November to April. It is spread by simple casual contact and is most contagious in its early stages before infected individuals are even aware they are carrying the virus. The incubation period is a short 1 to 4 days. Symptoms include fever, cough, headache, muscle aches and weakness.

NFSN categorizes the spread of influenza into three outbreak classifications: "Influenza Watch" indicates the first two confirmed cases of flu detected in a region; "Influenza Alert" is issued when cases of influenza occur at a site every other day; and "Influenza Warning" is posted when daily positive flu tests occur at a surveillance site.

Anyone who thinks they are coming down with influenza symptoms should immediately contact their personal physician for evaluation. This will ensure they get the best influenza treatment which may be anti-viral medications. Antibiotic medication is ineffective in the treatment of influenza unless the patient's physician suspects complications.

NFSN is a network of more than 3,650 physicians in all 50 states.

TDI: Storage of fuels for Y2K unwise, potential fire hazard

AUSTIN — Texans who stocked up on emergency fuels because of Y2K fears could be courting disaster in the new millennium, according to the Texas Department of Insurance. The State Fire Marshal's Office has received at least one call from a fire chief who was concerned about a resident who had stored a large quantity of gasoline in his garage.

"I know of at least one man who filled two 55-gallon drums with gasoline and stored the containers in his garage," said Claude Fire Chief Jim Hubbard. "If we had to fight a fire at this man's house, that 110 gallons of gasoline would certainly catch our firefighters off guard, and there's no way to protect yourself against that."

Hubbard said he knew of several people who had filled jerry

cans full of gasoline and stored them for a Y2K emergency. "If we've got three or four people in Claude doing this, you can bet more than a hundred fold have done this in Amarillo."

State Fire Marshal G. Mike Davis said residents should be careful where fuels are kept and in what containers they are stored.

"A barrel of gasoline can be equivalent to 25 sticks of dynamite," Davis cautioned. "All flammable liquids should be used as soon as possible and stored well away from any source of fire ignition."

Many Texans purchased cooking and heating fuels, stockpiling the containers in their garages and other areas. Davis said limited quantities of these fuels, while still in their originally purchased containers, can be safely stored for home use.

Davis said all Texans who purchased fuel for possible emergencies are better off using the products as quickly as possible or disposing of them. Davis said residents who have questions about the proper disposal of these fuels should contact their local fire department.

Girl Scout cookie sale currently underway

Texas Plains Girl Scout Council Girl Scouts are busy with their annual Girl Scout Cookie Sale. The girls will take orders through February, with delivery in February and March.

This year's theme is "Step Forward." The Girl Scout Cookie Sale embodies the resourcefulness and creativity Girl Scouting encourages in girls. Girls build self-confidence through the cookie sale as they develop skills in setting goals, meeting the public, handling money and following through on commitment.

For \$2.50 a box, the following cookies may be purchased: Thin Mints, Carmel Delites, Peanut Butter Patties, Peanut Butter Sandwich, Shortbread, Upside

Down Oatmeal and the newest cookie, Animal Treasures. A reduced fat variety, Lemon Pastry Cremes, is also available.

Once the bakery is paid, all proceeds from the cookie sale stay in the panhandle and are used to help fund troop activities, council programs, camps, volunteer training and materials. Individual girls also earn "cookie currency," which they may spend on troop activities, council programs, camp fees, uniforms, national registration fee, handbooks and other items from the council shop.

For more information, contact the Girl Scout Pampa Field Office, 669-6862 or 1-800-439-4475; or Martha Hadley, 665-2751.

Drilling Intentions

Intentions to Drill
ROBERTS (WILDCAT above 9100') Alpar Resources, Inc., #1 Courson-Lips 'OTB' (630 ac) 3520' from North & 321' from West line, Sec. —, O.T. Brown, 18 mi north from Miami, PD 9100' (Box 1046, Perryton, TX 79070, sgd, Debbie Miller 806 435-6566)

ROBERTS (WILDCAT & N.W. MENDOTA Granite Wash) Amoco Production Co., #3063 Campbell Ranch (640 ac) 826' from North & 467' from East line, Sec. 63, B-1, H&GN, 10 mi NE from Miami, PD 10050' (Box 400, Amarillo, TX 79188, sgd, Patti Jones 806 371-4473)

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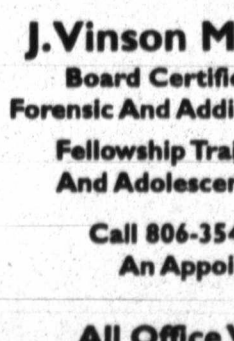
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"I'D LIKE TO CONFIRM THAT NEXT WEEK I'LL MAKE AN ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING MY INTENTION TO SET A TIMETABLE FOR COORDINATING OUR SCHEDULES NEXT MONTH TO SET A DATE FOR OFFICIALLY PROCLAIMING MY POSSIBLE CANDIDACY FOR THE U.S. SENATE."

Texas Editorials

By The Associated Press

A sampling of editorial opinion from around Texas:

The Houston Chronicle on TAAS:

Judges are supposed to interpret the law fairly, intelligently and without regard to an ideology or agenda. But plaintiffs who sought a federal judge's ruling that Texas' high school graduation test discriminates against black and Hispanic students seemed to be asking the judge to forgo those standards, as well as the use of sound judgment, also a key element of a jurist's duty.

U.S. District Judge Ed Prado rejected the claim by lawyers for the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund that the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills should be banned as a requirement for graduation because black and Hispanic students disproportionately fail the test. Prado did agree that a substantial number of minority students are not granted diplomas because of the TAAS. But he did not agree that that undesirable outcome outweighed the positive effect of the test as an objective standard for graduation.

MALDEF attorneys alleged the TAAS is discriminatory in its construction. Surely these lawyers do not mean to assert that a flaw in the brains of black and Hispanic students hinders their ability to satisfactorily complete a test that many white students pass. The fact that plenty of minority students do pass the test points out the defect in that argument. The plaintiffs' own numbers point out that 80 percent of black and Hispanic students ultimately pass the exit test.

The lawyers' second argument, that schools attended mostly by minorities tend to be low-performing and do not offer an equal opportunity to learn, is stronger. But here, too, the TAAS, which is administered as a graduation requirement and at various points in a student's academic career, provides more help than hurt to black and Hispanic students.

The TAAS is the cornerstone of Texas' education accountability system. Without it, it would be harder for teachers, parents and the public to know how well schools are passing on basic skills and knowledge to students. The fact that the gap in TAAS achievement between minority and white students steadily is narrowing indicates that the test is prompting districts to devote more attention to under-performing schools and is requiring teachers to expect more from minority students.

Two Harvard University studies of Texas education raise some troubling warnings, however. That research showed that teachers are spending an inordinate amount of classroom time drilling students on test-taking skills instead of teaching academic subject matter. Also, schools are encouraging teachers to eliminate lessons on that teach skills not specifically tested by TAAS.

Another just-released study, by the Thomas B. Fordham Foundation, shows Texas is one of only five states that combine high standards with robust accountability. Texas would be moving in reverse, and doing a disservice to its minority students, if it backed away from that potent combination on the false presumption that minority students cannot meet high measures for success.

And it is clear that much more emphasis needs to be placed on helping minority students from the outset so that when the testing and accountability systems do begin to measure their progress, they are better equipped to measure up. It is not the standards that should be lowered, but the effort to better educate all students in Texas that should be stepped up.

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You don't have to suffer junk calls

A relaxing, quiet Sunday evening meal. Our family was enjoying one of those rare occasions a few weeks ago when the phone rang.

The Caller ID screen said "unavailable". I thought it was probably one of my children on a cellular phone. Expecting a pleasant conversation, I answered the phone to hear a woman telling me how much the organization she was representing had appreciated my contributions in the past and knew they could look forward for my continued support.

Immediately my antennae went up. Telemarketer. I had never given to this organization before. As I politely told her I was not interested in donating, she became quite rude. She ended the conversation by calling me a five-letter word and hung up!

I was speechless for a few seconds, and that is definitely a rarity. Not being able to believe what this woman had said, I just stood and stared at the phone.

After recovering from the shock of her words, not to mention calling on Sunday, I was determined to keep unwanted callers from bothering me on MY phone, especially on Sunday.

Now my belief is simple: I pay for the phone service and I don't have to talk to people I don't want to talk to on the phone.



Nancy Young

Managing editor

A year or two ago while at another newspaper, I did a story on a woman who had experienced the catastrophe of having her identity stolen. During the interview she told me of an address to notify to stop not only junk mail, but also junk phone calls.

Naturally, I couldn't find the information when I needed it, but a call the next day to the Better Business Bureau in Amarillo yielded that information.

If people notify the telephone and mail preference services that they don't want to be bothered by those calls, these people cannot intrude upon your privacy.

When people intrude upon my privacy by telemarketing, I don't wish to talk with them. I try not to be rude because I know most of them are just doing their jobs, and sometimes it's

hard to find jobs. Many of these jobs are filled by college students and others who probably don't know whether the firms are legitimate or not.

Scams of all kinds have been around for many, many years, and they're not likely to go away. As long as there are people trying to get something for nothing, there will be scams.

That is not to say all telemarketing is undesirable. I just choose not to get involved in any of it. I feel safer that way, and I don't like the intrusion into my privacy. With unwanted mail, you can just throw it in the trash. It is not the personal contact like the phone calls.

The two addresses furnished by the BBB to stop the unwanted mail and phone calls are below. Anyone wanting their addresses and phone numbers out of these people's hands, must write and state this if they do not want to receive unsolicited mail and/or calls. It is supposed to stop the aggravation.

Addresses are Mail Preference Service, Direct Marketing Association, P.O. Box 9008, Farmingdale, New York 11735-9005 and Telephone Preference Service, Direct Marketing Association, P.O. Box 9014, Farmingdale, New York 11735-9014. It is your right to have the choice.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Jan. 20, the 20th day of 2000. There are 346 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 20, 1981, minutes after the presidency had passed from Jimmy Carter to Ronald Reagan, Iran released 52 Americans it had held hostage for 444 days.

On this date:

In 1801, John Marshall was appointed chief justice of the United States.

In 1841, the island of Hong Kong was ceded to Great Britain. It returned to Chinese control in July 1997.

In 1887, the U.S. Senate approved an agreement to lease Pearl Harbor as a naval base.

In 1896, comedian George Burns was born Nathan

Birnbaum in New York City.

In 1920, movie director Federico Fellini was born in Rimini, Italy.

In 1936, Britain's King George V died; he was succeeded by Edward VIII.

In 1942, Nazi officials held the notorious Wannsee, conference, during which they arrived at their "final solution" that called for exterminating Jews.

In 1986, the United States observed the first federal holiday in honor of slain civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr.

In 1986, Britain and France announced plans to build the Channel Tunnel.

In 1994, Shannon Faulkner became the first woman to attend classes at The Citadel in South Carolina. Faulkner joined the cadet corps in August 1995 under court

order but soon dropped out.

Ten years ago: Soviet troops stormed the capital of the republic of Azerbaijan, the scene of ethnic unrest, leaving dozens dead and wounded. The space shuttle Columbia returned from an 11-day mission. Actress Barbara Stanwyck died in Santa Monica, Calif., at age 82.

Five years ago: The Japanese government, criticized for being slow to respond to Kobe's devastating earthquake, admitted its initial reaction might have been "confused." The U.S. State Department announced a partial lifting of economic sanctions against North Korea.

One year ago: For a second day, President Clinton's legal team argued its case before the Senate, saying that House-passed articles

of impeachment were "flawed and unfair."

Today's Birthdays: Actor Lawrence Dobkin is 81. Country singer Slim Whitman is 76. Actress Patricia Neal is 74. Former astronaut Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin is 70. Pop singer Ron Townson (The Fifth Dimension) is 67. Comedian Arte Johnson is 66. Actress Dorothy Provine is 63. Sen. Paul Coverdell, R-Ga., is 61. Singer Eric Stewart is 55. Movie director David Lynch is 54. Rock musician Paul Stanley (KISS) is 50. Rock musician Ian Hill (Judas Priest) is 48. Comedian Bill Maher is 44. Actor Lorenzo Lamas is 42. Country singer John Michael Montgomery is 35. Actress Stacey Dash is 33. TV personality Melissa Rivers is 32. Singer Xavier is 32. Actor Skeet Ulrich is 31.

Castro is lionized by American leftists

It is a disgrace, but no surprise, that the Clinton administration decided to force a 6-year-old boy to return to a grim life under a criminal dictator. Never mind that the mother and stepfather of Elian Gonzalez sacrificed their lives so the boy could grow up in a free society.

Lest you be swayed by the legal jargon, know that every year thousands of spurious refugees are granted political asylum in this country when the only thing they are fleeing is the poverty in their own country. By ruling that only the boy's father, who apparently did not even have custody of him in Cuba, can speak for him, the boy was denied legal counsel.

Of course, we all know that the Clinton administration is the most kiss-Marxist-but administration in American history, edging out the previous holder of the title, the Jimmy Carter administration. There are other things sensible Americans know.

Nobody who lives under a Stalinist like Fidel Castro is free to speak the truth in Cuba. Therefore, no American knows whether the boy's father does in fact want him returned or whether he's saying what he's been told to say by Castro's goon squads. For two days after the child was rescued from the sea, the father said nothing. Furthermore, relatives in Cuba had called relatives in Miami to alert them that the boy and his mother were coming. I suspect



Charley Reese

Syndicated columnist

the boy's father knew of his departure and intended to keep silent until Castro's goons advised him that he had better protest.

No American news organization will be allowed to operate in Cuba without an understanding that it will kiss Castro's backside. Therefore, American news organizations operating in Cuba are worthless. Not only do they not serve their readers by reporting the truth, they deserve them by becoming an outlet for Cuban propaganda.

Don't let anybody tell you that the Cuban exile community in Miami consists of a bunch of rich guys who want to go back and set up a dictatorship. Cuban exiles come from all walks of life, and even virtually all of those who are well-off today came penniless. They are, on the whole, as fine, as patriotic, as liberty-loving, as hard-working a group of people as you will find in these United States. They are not trying to exploit the boy. They are try-

ing to save him from slavery. They know Fidel Castro for the brutal, lying killer that he is.

What is surprising about the Cuban exile community is how much the people love this country and how loyal they are to it despite having been betrayed by American politicians on more than one occasion.

Clinton has made a complete botch of American policy toward Cuba. He and Hillary both would be in Havana embracing Castro if they thought they could get away with it.

Their policy — that Cubans who brave the cruel waters of the Florida Strait must be sent back if caught at sea — is barbaric. An administration that refuses to restrict immigration and that turns a blind eye to massive illegal immigration from Mexico shows itself to be a hypocrite by turning back virtually the only would-be immigrants who are actually motivated by a desire for freedom.

Castro, however, has always been lionized by American Marxists and other leftists. How this bombastic megalomaniac, with his repressive policies and murderous disposition, became a hero of the American left tells you the true nature of evil people who live amongst us.

Yes, I'm saying those Americans who support foreign murderers and totalitarians are evil. They are accessories. It's time for all of us to accept responsibility for what we do, what we say and what we allow our government to do in our name.

Clinton touts \$110 billion health plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton on Wednesday unveiled a whopping \$110 billion package of health insurance initiatives for his final year in office, asking the Republican-dominated Congress to approve the largest investment in health care since Medicare was created in 1965.

Less expensive versions of the programs died last year, in part because of the president's own veto of the Republicans' \$792 billion tax-cutting plan.

"These proposals are a significant investment in the health of Americans, another step toward giving every American access to quality health care," the president said. About 44 million Americans lack health insurance, and the president's proposal would cover about 5 million of them.

The largest ingredients of Clinton's plan are a \$3,000 long-term care tax credit, costing \$28 billion over 10 years, and a \$76 billion proposal to insure 4 million parents of children who receive health coverage under Medicaid and the state Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP).

Sensitive to the politics of a presidential campaign year, the president credited Vice President Al Gore with helping shape the administration's plan. He said Gore and his Democratic rival, former Sen. Bill Bradley, both have proposed health programs more extensive than his own.

"If you just look at what's going on in the election season this year, the public cares a lot about health care and they're talking a lot about it," Clinton said in an Oval Office ceremony. "I am elated that health care is an issue in the campaign."

The president would pay for his program from the nation's huge budget surplus.

Universal health insurance was Clinton's signature issue in winning the White House in 1992. The program died in a Democratic-ruled Congress, prompting Clinton to adopt an incremental approach of expanding health insurance. The president eventually signed initiatives to allow workers to carry insurance from job to job despite health problems, and to provide insurance for millions of children under Medicaid and CHIP.

With the election year, health care is a hot topic again. Republicans and Democrats alike are drawing up bills dealing with long-term care, drugs bought via the Internet, prescription drugs and other initiatives. House and Senate negotiators already are trying to reconcile compromises on a patients' bill of rights and expansion of coverage for the uninsured.

"I'm pleased to see the president joining the debate as we try to find solutions to long-term care needs," said Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, chairman of the Senate's special committee on aging. Grassley has proposed several measures, including tax deductions to encourage people to buy long-term care insurance.

To help low-income parents, Clinton's program would create a new "family care" portion of Medicaid and CHIP programs that insure needy children.

"It's hard to have healthy children without healthy parents," the president said. "We know parents who have access to health care themselves are more likely to get care for their children."

Further, he said the administration would intensify efforts to enroll more eligible children, adding 400,000 children at a cost of \$5.5 billion over 10 years. More than 2 million children are covered now.

Another proposal would resurrect Clinton's plan to allow workers as young as 55 buy into the Medicare program. Congress ignored the proposal last year. This time, Clinton would make the proposal even more attractive for workers — and more costly for the government — by offering a 25 percent tax credit for participants in the Medicare buy-in.

The cost of the buy-in and credit over 10 years would be about \$5.4 billion.

The president also proposed aid for workers to buy COBRA health insurance when they leave a job. The COBRA program allows workers to buy into their employer's health plan for up to 18 to 36 months, provided they pay the premium. However, fewer than 25 percent of eligible people buy the coverage, in part because of the cost, the White House said.

Clinton's initiative would offer a 25 percent tax credit for COBRA premiums to make the cost more affordable.

Other provisions of Clinton's initiative would:

- Give a 20 percent tax credit to small businesses to buy health insurance through purchasing coalitions. The initiative would be limited to companies that have not previously offered health insurance to employees.

- Expand state options to insure children through age 20.
- Extend Medicaid coverage for people who leave welfare rolls to take a job.

- Expand state options to provide insurance for legal immigrants.
- Allocate at least \$1 billion over 10 years to help public hospitals, clinics and thousands of health care providers give health care to the uninsured.

Club finds way to skirt law

FORT VALLEY, Ga. (AP) — A nude dancing club has found a clever way to skirt a Peach County ordinance banning the sale of alcohol at such establishments.

Customers pay a \$7 cover charge at the Neon Cowboy, which offers patrons an eyeful of nude dancers, but no alcohol. If a patron wants a beer, he simply tells security.

Then he is whisked in a golf cart the 1,000-plus-feet east to Boss Hawgs II Bikini Co., where waitresses are clad in bikinis but the beer flows freely.

The golf cart ride is free and there's no cover charge at Boss Hawgs.

"We have a nice arrangement worked out here, and everybody's benefiting from it," Boss Hawgs' owner Romany Lawson said Tuesday.

Neon Cowboy opened in 1994 featuring nude dancers, beer and wine. Peach County soon enacted an ordinance making that illegal. The county and the club have been in court battles ever since.

Heads or tails? One way to solve problem

NORTH PLATTE, Neb. (AP) — Two youth basketball leagues that went to court over the use of a gymnasium ultimately settled the matter in a much simpler way: heads or tails?

The Coca-Cola Powerade League won Tuesday's coin toss and will play its games at Mid-Plains Community College's gym.

It signed a contract to do just that last fall before organizers of the Community Youth Sports basketball league claimed they had a verbal agreement of more than 20 years with Mid-Plains to use the gym.

Community Youth Sports sought a restraining order in district court to block the Powerade league from playing at the gym. Judge John Murphy denied that request and urged organizers of both leagues to come up with a private agreement to settle the issue.

Both sides agreed to the coin toss. The loser, Community Youth Sports, will play its games at Adams Middle School.

Another way to celebrate Groundhog Day

PUNXSUTAWNEY, Pa. (AP) — With Groundhog Day fast approaching, people celebrating the famous furry forecaster can toast him with his own brand of beer.

The first 256 cases of Groundhog Brew arrived Tuesday at Mahoning Beer distributor in Punxsutawney, Punxsutawney Phil's western Pennsylvania hometown.

Officials of the Groundhog Club — which hold Phil's renowned forecasting ceremony each year — say they'll have nearly 4,000 cases of the custom-made beer in time for Groundhog Day, Feb. 2.

The beer is made by Straub Brewery Inc., of St. Marys, with a portion of the proceeds going to the club. The Groundhog Brew is the first of a five-year agreement with the brewery.

Snow socks areas from Minn. to N. Carolina

Areas of the country from Minnesota to North Carolina were shoveling driveways and salting sidewalks after a winter storm blew through the nation's midsection, dumping as much as 9 inches of snow in some spots.

The storm was moving east today with accumulations expected in parts of the Great Lakes, New England and mid-Atlantic regions.

High winds added to the wintry mix in some areas, blowing snow and making driving treacherous. Blizzard conditions that snarled traffic in Iowa were blamed for three deaths there Wednesday.

In Minnesota, Northwest Airlines on Wednesday canceled close to 200 flights that were scheduled to leave Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport, forcing many travelers to kill a few hours waiting for later flights. Just over 8 inches of snow was recorded at the airport.

Byron, Minn., received 9 inches of snow, while lesser amounts stretched over Iowa,

Wisconsin and Illinois, east into Indiana, Michigan and Ohio and as far south as Maryland and North Carolina.

"This is probably really more typical of what a winter should be in North Carolina

than what we've had in the last three years," said Ron Humble, a National Weather Service meteorologist in Raleigh. The storm had dropped an average of 1 to 2 inches of snow over much of the state, the weather service said.

Fuel surcharge of \$20 a roundtrip spreads to nation's top two airlines

HOUSTON (AP) — The nation's two largest airlines are adding a \$20 surcharge to round-trip tickets, matching a move by No. 5 Continental Airlines.

Continental on Tuesday announced it is imposing the fuel fee on travel beginning Feb. 1. On Wednesday, United Airlines, the country's biggest carrier, and No. 2 American Airlines added similar surcharges.

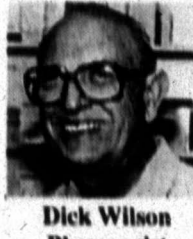
The surcharge of \$10 one-way and \$20 roundtrip applies to all domestic flights. It doesn't apply to international flights.

The charge appears on tickets and will be

included in advertised fares, said Karla Villalon, a spokeswoman for Houston-based Continental.

"They're doing it without announcing it," said Terry Trippler of 1travel.com, an online seller of discount travel tickets. "The only way to know for sure is to book a trip. Is this the new wave of price increases? I hope not."

Airline officials and Wall Street analysts said the surcharge was warranted. Continental said its jet fuel costs in the fourth quarter reached \$259 million, 50 percent higher than in the same period a year before.

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Widower's Loss Compounded By Friends Who Turn Away

DEAR ABBY: My late wife and I were married for more than 60 years. My reason for writing is to express how shocking it is to find many friends and relatives have given me the cold shoulder since my wife's funeral. I cannot understand why.

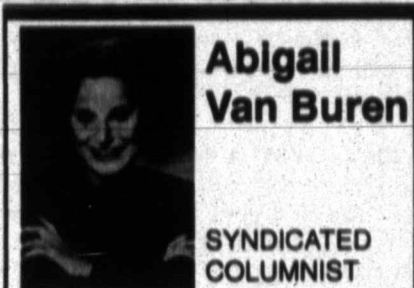
The isolation and sense of loss at a time of life when one needs support and encouragement have been hard to cope with. The funeral expenses and the need to curb my activities because of the decrease in income are heavy enough changes to absorb, but the rejection by people I thought were friends hits even harder.

Is there a specific reason for these cold shoulders and lack of phone calls — just when the opposite is needed? Several of these previous "friends" are strong church attendees.

I served my country in World War II and was wounded twice. During my years of service, I never met any servicemen who turned their backs on me.

HURTING
IN LAKE FOREST, CALIF.

DEAR HURTING: Please accept my sympathy for the loss of your beloved wife. I'm sure the loss is compounded by the isolation you are now feeling. However, since I do not know the friends and relatives you mention, I cannot guess at the reason they have dropped away just when you need them most.



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

In the same batch of letters as yours, I received another that touches on the same subject. I think you'll find it informative. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I recently lost my dear husband, who died very suddenly. The grief following such a tragedy is indescribable. My salvation has been to keep busy and to join a grief support group.

The reason I am writing to you is to urge anyone who has suffered a devastating loss to find a grief support group and join. The first meeting or two is very hard, but stick with it and you will find solace in the friendships and the sharing of your feelings. It was stated at one of our meetings that "We are a group of people who belong to a very exclusive club that no one wanted to join, but each of us paid the dearest price on Earth to join." All of us in this group agree that the best medicine for our grief is our weekly meetings.

I encourage all people who are grieving to find a grief support

group. Ours was formed by a coalition of churches. Following the death of my husband, the mortuary, the hospital and my church all told me of grief groups. They are out there, and you don't have to look too far to find them.

GRIEVING BUT SURVIVING
IN EDINA, MINN.
DEAR GRIEVING BUT SURVIVING: Thank you for a timely letter filled with excellent advice for anyone who has suffered the loss of a loved one. You may never know how many people you have helped today by providing such a detailed road map for where to go for help in coping with the loss of a loved one. Often just being in the company of those who are coping with the same experience can be a lifesaver.

WORTH PONDERING: "It's not enough to have lived. We should be determined to live for something. May I suggest that it be creating joy for others, sharing what we have for the betterment of personkind, bringing hope to the lost and love to the lonely."
Leo F. Buscaglia (1924-1998)

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Horoscope

FRIDAY, JAN. 21, 2000

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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)

*** Your imagination takes you in many directions. You could be confused by what a friend offers. Verify plans. Make sure everyone is on the same page. Make long-distance calls; another is clearly delighted to hear from you. Tonight: Kick up your heels!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

*** Take care of basics. There is much confusion and a lot of misunderstandings. You feel trapped in a pressure cooker. Ask a partner for help and feedback. Together you break patterns. Trust your instincts. Tonight: The party is close to home.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

*** Confirm plans. Reiterate what you expect from another. You might not be speaking the same language. A friend or associate chips in and helps you clear out problems. Good news happens naturally. Just go for what you want. Tonight: Let your hair down and enjoy.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

*** Deal with financial matters head-on if you don't want chaos hitting your wallet. Be more direct in chasing your desires. Put in 100 percent at work. Bosses appreciate your enthusiasm and

ideas. Learn new techniques, but don't be rebellious. Tonight: Your treat.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

*** Your personality sparkles, even when pressure from others builds. You have expectations, as do others. Somehow, one of you are clear about what the others want. A relationship heats up. Your flirtatious ways can get you in trouble! Tonight: Your high magnetism speaks.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

*** Know when to take a back seat. Another means well but causes you trouble by not listening completely. Be understanding, yet verify that your words have been received. Family might need to be put on the back burner until you finish work. Tonight: Let a loved one coax you out the door.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*** Invite friends over. Make and return calls. You have many choices, but you need to be clear with a loved one. A close tie is simply confused, not trying to create uproar. Communication opens a door. Popularity grows. Tonight: Reach out for another.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

*** Listen carefully to those in charge about a get-together or work-related matter. Your ability to concentrate and get to the essence of a problem separates you from others. Let the good times happen — don't hold back. Tonight: First join co-workers, then go with the flow.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

*** You are on communication overload. You might not be able to put a halt on the present chaos. Verify news. Another could confuse you. Plunge into living, not thinking. A child or loved one

lets you know how important you are to him. Tonight: Play out your perfect Friday night.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

*** Build on your relationships with others. Work as a team. You might question another about a money matter. If you receive an odd reaction, don't be surprised. You certainly head in a new direction. Your optimism helps everyone come to an agreement. Tonight: Togetherness counts.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

*** You clearly think differently than most. Don't minimize what is going on. Allow others to give you feedback. Be willing to work with others. Give up eccentricity for the moment. Friends help you turn a dream into reality. Tonight: Hook up with the gang.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

*** You might need to verify plans concerning work. Another simply doesn't think like you do. Spending needs to be tamed, even though you want to add to the quality of your life. Design a strong budget, and vow to keep it. Accept another's help. Tonight: Squeeze in some exercise.

BORN TODAY

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Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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"Marmaduke, I'm the one who appointed you to guard the door."

The Family Circus



"Mommy, is this the same doctor that Grandma always goes to?"

For Better or For Worse



Zits



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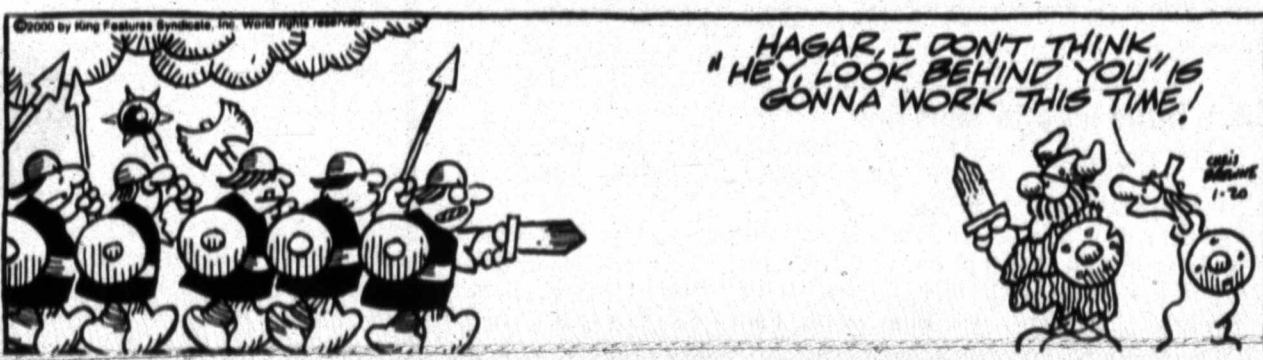
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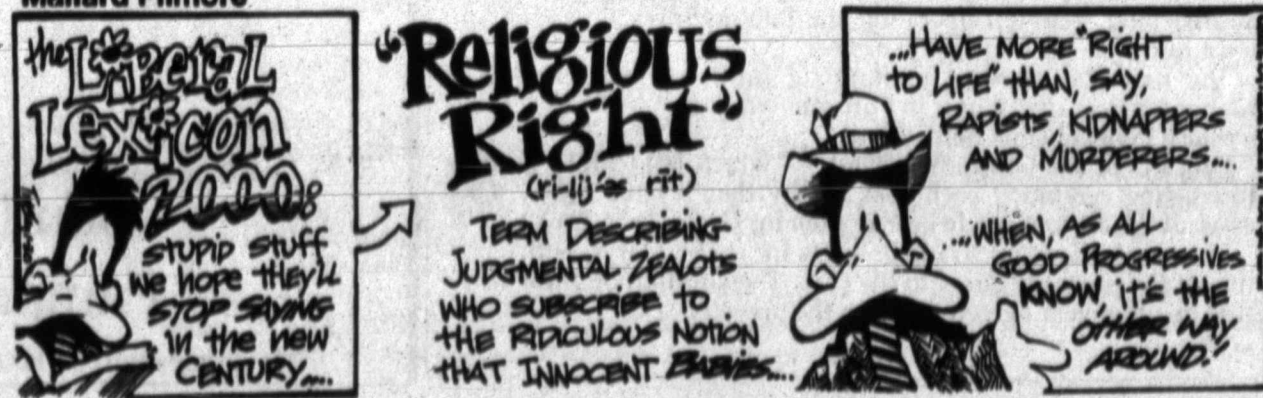
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SPORTS

Notebook
BASKETBALL

PAMPA — The Pampa 7th grade boys' basketball squad has run its unbeaten streak to seven games.

Pampa recently beat Borger 45-24 to make their record 7-0 for the season.

Janssen Eilenberger, Adam Brown and Ricky Gattis all had 8 points apiece to lead Pampa scorers. Jared Winegeart added 5 points.

Borger defeated Pampa 50-45 in the 8th grade game.

Leading scorer for Pampa was Jake Hopkins with 13 points. Zach Hucks followed with 11 and Britton White had 6.

Pampa 8th graders have a 3-4 record.

Their next games are with Hereford tonight at the Pampa Middle School gym. Games begin at 5:30.

CANYON — Pampa lost to Canyon 36-32 in a freshman boys' basketball game earlier this week.

Max Simon and Jordan Klaus were Pampa's leading scorers.

Pampa hosts Borger at 10 a.m. Saturday.

BOWLING

PAMPA — Harvester Lanes will have a benefit bowling tournament Saturday, Jan. 29 from 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Tournament proceeds will go to aid longtime bowling alley employee Sue Henderson, who is unable to work because of heart problems.

The tournament will have a mixed-up trio team format, which will consist of regular, 9-pin, Crazy 8 and 3-6-9 games.

Entry fee is \$30 dollars per team. There will also be strike pots and brackets.

For more information, call 665-3422.

HOCKEY

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Paul Kariya was enjoying Anaheim's victory over Dallas too much to discuss the Mighty Ducks' struggling power play.

"I don't want to talk about it anymore," Kariya said after scoring two goals as Anaheim beat the defending Stanley Cup champions 3-1 Wednesday night, despite going 0-for-6 against the league's top penalty-killing unit.

"We got the win, that's all. This is a big confidence booster — especially against a team like Dallas."

The Ducks have converted only two of 54 power plays in the last 12 games. They were no match for the NHL's best penalty-killing unit. The Stars have survived their last 29 short-handed situations.

In Anaheim's previous game, a 5-0 loss to the Buffalo Sabres, Kariya was held without a shot for the first time in 195 games dating back to Dec. 28, 1996, at New Jersey. This time, he had eight to increase his season total to 192 — second in the NHL behind Pittsburgh's Jaromir Jagr.

With the game tied at 1 in the third period, Kariya used defenseman Darryl Sydor as a screen to beat goalie Manny Fernandez with 13:19 remaining. It was Kariya's second game-winning score of the season, with both coming in the Ducks' last two victories.

Kariya added his 22nd goal into an empty net in the final second to secure Anaheim's second victory in 11 games. It was the first win by the Ducks in 16 games this season when trailing after two periods. Dallas has five losses when leading at that point.

"It was nice when we got the lead because we haven't had one in a while. So we wanted to preserve it," said Ducks goalie Guy Hebert, who made 21 saves after sitting out a game with the flu.

Pampa welcomes Borger for District 3-4A doubleheader

PAMPA — No matter what their records are, it's always hard to predict a winner when Pampa and Borger clash on the basketball floor.

The two teams meet at 7:30 Friday night in McNeely Fieldhouse and the victor would be anybody's guess once again. Pampa is 0-2 in district and 7-14 for the season. Borger is 1-1 and 10-13 overall.

Both teams are looking for more offensive punch. Pampa fell to Palo Duro 53-30 and Borger was beaten by Hereford 82-48 on Tuesday night.

Jesse Francis (5-10 senior) was Pampa's only double-figure scorer with 10 points in the loss to PD. Gary Alexander (5-9 junior) is Pampa's leading scorer at 13 points a game, but he was held scoreless by the Dons.

No Bulldog hit double figures in the setback to Hereford.

Kedrick Dickson (6-0 sophomore) has been one of Borger's top scorers at 12 ppg, but he was held to 8 by the Whitefaces.

It will be the second meeting between the Pampa and Borger girls, who tip off at 6 tomorrow night.

The Lady Harvesters turned back Borger 48-44 enroute to winning the Lake Meredith Classic last month.

Pampa is 1-3 in district play and Borger is 2-2. For the season, Pampa is 11-8 and Borger is 16-7.

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Carrie Davis had 12 points and Candace Bohr 11 for Groom.

Groom girls are 2-1 in district and 8-8 for the season.

Hedley won the boys' game 61-55.

Hedley's high scorer was Dustin Monroe with 17 points. Roger Wade followed with 14.

Dewayne Gray paced the Tigers with 15 points. Teammate Clay Ritter had 12.

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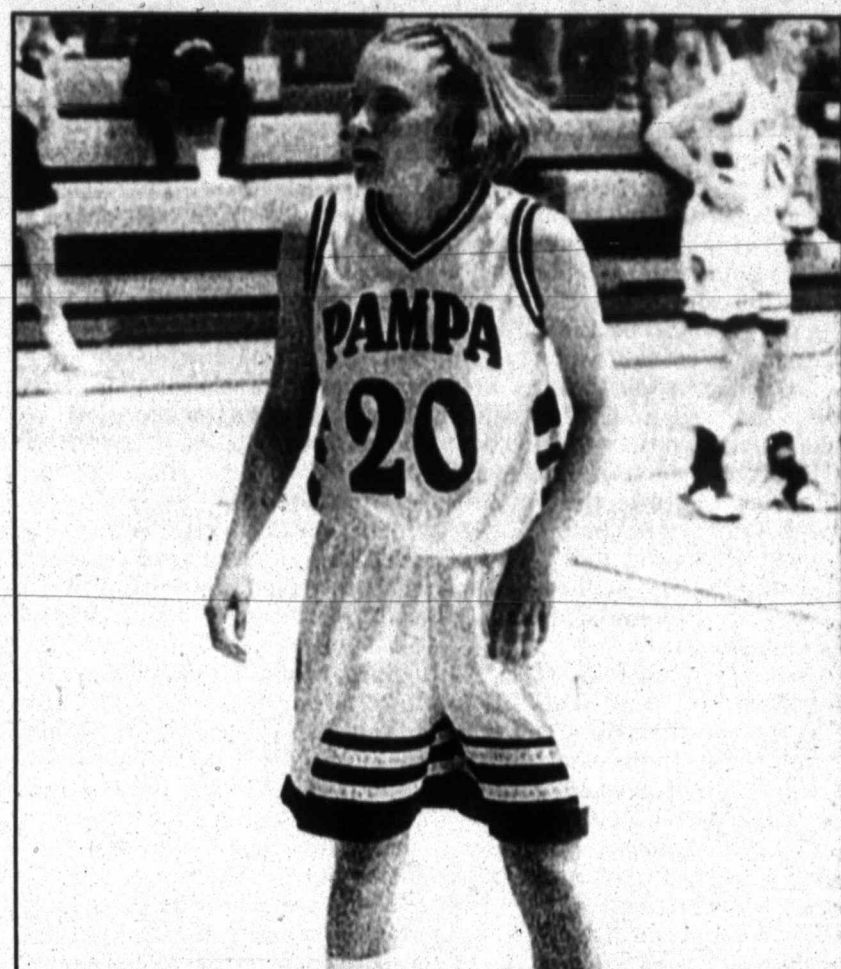
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Junior Charity Nachtigall led the Pampa Lady Harvesters in scoring with 14 points against Palo Duro Tuesday night.

Nebraska beats Texas Tech for first Big 12 victory

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Nebraska coach Danny Nee was n't about to get carried away after the Cornhuskers got their first Big 12 win.

"I think it's a step forward for one reason and that's we won," Nee said after Nebraska's 70-67 victory over Texas Tech Wednesday. The win lifted the Huskers (8-9, 1-3) from the bottom of the Big 12 standings.

Reserve forward Louis Truscott scored a career high 18 points and had 11 rebounds. Steffon Bradford scored 15 and had 16 boards, and Kimani Ffriend finished with 13 points and 12 rebounds for the Cornhuskers, who outrebounded Tech 56-32.

Truscott is a sophomore and both Bradford and Ffriend are junior college transfers who weren't even in Lincoln a year ago.

It's the first time in eight years that three Cornhuskers finished in double figures in two categories. Derrick Chandler, Carl Hays and Dapreis Owens were the last to do it in a 1992 loss to Oklahoma.

Nebraska avoided its first 0-4 start in conference play since the 1989-90 season, when the Huskers opened Big Eight play 0-5. And the Huskers are actually thinking winning streak with Baylor (9-6, 0-4) coming to Lincoln on Saturday.

Tech (9-5, 0-3), on the other hand, is still in the Big 12 basement, and the Red Raiders' chances of getting out soon don't look good. Next up for Tech is No. 14 Texas on Saturday in Lubbock, Tex.

The loss is especially disappointing considering Tech's 88-86 loss Saturday to Texas A&M, which ended on a basket that was ruled no good, but A&M already had already left the arena and the points ended up counting.

"We thought we had one against A&M and that this would put us up 2-1," said Tech guard Rayford Young.

Young took a jump shot with

about 20 seconds to play that would have brought Tech to within a point, but Truscott swatted it away, saving the game and maybe a little more for Truscott.

Truscott didn't step around a screen to contest Young's shot, but he was able to get up high enough for the block.

"I knew if I didn't do my job I would have heard it," he said.

Bradford gave the Cornhuskers a 68-65 lead with a pair of free throws with 32.5 seconds left, then Danny Walker added one from the line after Truscott's third block of the game and the Huskers held on for the win.

Young missed a 3-pointer at

the buzzer that would have tied it for Tech. Young, who averages more than 17 points a game, finished with 10 after being double-teamed all night.

"I never really got going until the second half," said Young, who scored 25 in a Tech win over Nebraska last season. "I think Coach Nee had a good game plan for me."

Nebraska also held 6-foot-11 Tech center Andy Ellis to 10 points, seven below his average, before Ellis left the game with about six minutes to play with a dislocated left shoulder.

Mario Layne led Tech with 18 points and James Ware added 10 points for the Red Raiders

Cheerleaders win computer



The Pampa High School cheerleading squad recently participated in a competition held at West Texas State University. The PHS squad was awarded first place and won a computer for their high school. Squad members are (front row, from left) Chelsea McCullough, Cali Covalt, Emily Curtis, Collin Lewis, Sara McCall, Cassi Scott and Kelleen Ebel; (second row, from left) Ashleigh Patton, Celeste Stowers, Vaughn Evans, Lindsay Tidwell and Tandi Morton; (back row, from left) Courtney Lang and Ashley Derington. The competition was sponsored by Texas Healthy Kids.

PHS swimmers compete in Lubbock Invitational

LUBBOCK — Seven Pampa boys and four girls qualified for the Lubbock Invitational this past weekend at the Pete Ragus Aquatic Center. Preliminaries were held on Friday and the finals were Saturday afternoon. El Paso Eastwood and San Angelo Central were the big winners in the meet. The Pampa boys were 18th out of 37 teams and the girls were 17th.

To advance into Saturday's competition, swimmers had to have one of the fastest 16 times on Friday. The top eight were in the finals and the next fastest eight were in the consolation finals. The girls' team of Desiree Vigil, Tamra Henthorn, Lindsey Mitchell and Misty Moman, sent their 200 free and 400 free relays to the consolation finals and placed fifth in the 200 and second in the 400.

Also in the consolation finals, Misty Moman placed fourth in the 100 backstroke, Lindsey Mitchell was sixth in the 100 breaststroke and

Tamra Henthorn was first in the 500 free. Moman was the only Pampa girl to swim in the finals where she placed sixth in the 100 butterfly.

For the boys' team, the 200 free relay team of Clay David, Ryan Milligan, Matt Withers and Willie Griffin swam their fastest time of the year and placed second in the consolation finals. David finished fourth in the 200 IM and Griffin was the only boy to make it to the finals where he finished eighth in the 500 freestyle. The boys' 200 medley relay team of Doug Warren, Clay David, Willie Griffin and Matt Withers just missed the consolation finals and were the first alternate as was Clay David in the 100 freestyle.

The Pampa teams will compete in their first district swim meet on Saturday, Jan. 29 as part of the newly-reconfigured UIL plan. The 4-4A meet will be in the morning and the 4-5A meet will be on Saturday afternoon in Lubbock.

Houston NFL franchise picks Casserly as general manager

HOUSTON (AP) — Bob McNair got his man. Now, it's Charley Casserly's turn.

McNair, owner of the Houston expansion franchise, picked the former Washington Redskins general manager Wednesday as executive vice president-general manager of the league's 32nd team. Then McNair charged him with putting together a staff that includes a top scouting system.

Casserly won three Super Bowl rings during 22 years with the Redskins, and McNair wants the rest of the football staff to have top credentials.

"This is not an on-the-job training program. We want people with a track record and success at this level," franchise owner Bob McNair said. "We did not interview a lot of people, but we looked a lot

"The overwhelming response was that Charley demands respect in the NFL, and that is what we were seeking."

Casserly also was a top candidate with the New York Jets and New Orleans Saints, but liked the challenge of starting from scratch with Houston.

"We as a family came to the conclusion that Houston was the best fit for us," he said. "The toughest calls I had to make were to those other teams to tell them I was not interested."

McNair talked to several colleagues of Casserly, including former Redskins coach Joe Gibbs.

"They all said the same thing: That he is competent, that he knows the business and has been successful at every level and his ego is not out of pro-

portion," McNair said. "Some of these oversized egos are hard to deal with."

Casserly plans to start setting up an office and hiring staff immediately.

"I've charged Charley with putting together a top scouting staff," McNair said. "If I owned a baseball team I'd put more money in the farm system. In the long run, it's cheaper if you develop your own talent. We want to be able to pick good talent."

Houston's NFL team is scheduled to begin playing in 2002. Groundbreaking for the team's retractable-roof stadium near the Astrodome is scheduled for March 8, and a team nickname should be announced around that time.

McNair declined to give terms of Casserly's contract,

other than to say it was a multi-year deal.

"We are long-term thinkers and we know it is going to take some time for this organization to be successful," McNair said. "Charley will have ample time to put this organization together."

Casserly, whom Redskins owner Daniel M. Snyder forced out before this season began, started with the team as an unpaid intern in 1977 and had been general manager in Washington since 1989.

Snyder said he decided to restructure the team's front office after becoming convinced that Casserly and coach Norv Turner could not work together. Casserly received blame for a series of disappointing first-round draft choices, including Bobby

Wilson, Tom Carter, Heath Shuler and Andre Johnson.

"I knew every day I went to work, I was fired," Casserly said Wednesday. "When Dan Snyder officially took over the team, it was a matter of if I left then or in six months."

"I wanted to go then so I could look for another job. I was prepared to do that," he said, adding he has no hard feelings for Snyder. "Now, this is the best thing that has happened to me because now I am here."

The Redskins made the playoffs this season, led by other players Casserly acquired, including quarterback Brad Johnson, running back Stephen Davis and receiver Michael Westbrook. The Redskins lost 14-13 to Tampa Bay in the NFC playoffs last Saturday.

OU trims Longhorns

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — More late-game defense like Oklahoma played against Texas and the No. 25 Sooners are likely to enjoy the Top 25 a little longer.

Playing its first game in four years as a ranked team, the Sooners used a tight perimeter defense to hold Texas scoreless over the final three minutes of a 76-73 victory Wednesday night.

Oklahoma (14-3, 4-0 Big 12) got 20 points from Caton Hill, including the go-ahead basket with 1:26 remaining, in the victory. Hill scored nine of Oklahoma's final 18 points and grabbed a game-high 13 rebounds.

But it was the tough defensive effort late that won the game for the Sooners, who had to withstand a second-half 3-point shooting barrage by Texas freshman Alisha Sare and 22 points by Edwina Brown.

Sare had given Texas (11-6, 3-2 Big 12) a 73-72 lead with 3:11 to play on her fourth straight 3-point shot but then went to the bench in a defensive substitution by Texas coach Jody Conradt.

The disrupted Longhorns offense never scored again, even when Sare returned.

"Sare has crazy range, she was really heating up. We were lucky she came out of the game. It helped us out a lot," said Phylesha Whaley, who scored 15 for the Sooners.

It also helped that Oklahoma, who had its own struggles offensively with 26 turnovers, stretched the defense to cut off Texas' outside shooters.

Given a 74-73 lead on Hill's layup, Oklahoma then forced a shot clock violation when Sare and Brown couldn't get open. When Brown finally did get the ball, the 30-second clock had run out.

Brown and Sare weren't likely

to get much help either. Their teammates were a combined 11-of-32 shooting from the floor for the game.

That kind of performance has created a dependency on those two players, Conradt said.

"Every key basket, Alisha or Edwina has taken those shots," Conradt said. "Our team expects the ball to be in the hands of those two players."

Oklahoma's Stacey Dales missed two foul shots with 13 seconds left, but made up for it by drawing a charging foul on Brown. Brown, who tried to shake three Sooners defenders in the lane, was whistled as she spun into Dales.

"Stacey did a great job taking the charge, but it was our defense that funneled Brown right to her," Oklahoma coach Sherri Coale said.

Sare fouled the Sooners' LaNeisha Caufield on the inbound pass and Caufield made two free throws with six seconds remaining. Brown then lobbed a crosscourt pass on Texas' last possession that was intercepted by Dales.

Neither team led by more than six points and there were seven lead changes in the last six minutes.

Texas took a 61-56 lead on Asha Hill's 3-pointer to start a flurry of baskets. Sare, 0-for-5 on 3-pointers until then, hit four straight only to be countered by Hill's late scoring burst.

"This was the most intense game I've ever played," said Sare, who finished with 20 points. "We just didn't get it done down the stretch."

Jadrea Seeley added 15 points for Oklahoma, which outshot Texas 49 percent to 41 percent and out-rebounded the Longhorns 44-30.

Rams are clearly alive, but are they kicking?

ST. LOUIS (AP) — The NFL's No. 1 offense is wearing out its kicker.

About the only St. Louis Rams player who wasn't overjoyed by the 49-point playoff game against the Minnesota Vikings was Jeff Wilkins. The tendinitis in his left knee has never been worse, so each of the seven extra-point kicks was agony.

"I feel myself favoring it, even though I try not to and line up thinking I'm not going to," Wilkins said. "But I do."

At least he didn't miss an extra-point try, but Wilkins' 42-yard field goal attempt in the third quarter was a wobbly effort that sailed wide.

"It was ridiculous," Wilkins said. "I slapped at it."

Heading into the NFC championship game Sunday against the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, he's perhaps the team's biggest question mark. The test of whether he can play was to come today when Wilkins, who was 20-for-28 in the regular season with only one miss inside the 40, kicks for the first time all week.

Wilkins plans on undergoing surgery for a degenerative condition as soon as possible after the Rams' season ends. For now, he hopes gritting his teeth is enough.

The left leg is his plant leg for field goals. Wilkins said there's usually a sharp pain that doesn't subside for five or six minutes, but on Sunday the pain never let up.

"I know it's going to hurt," Wilkins said. "It's a matter of keeping my form knowing it's going to hurt. I want to feel some of the

pain and just try to kick my normal kick."

Wilkins is enough of a question mark that coach Dick Vermeil has Nick Lowery, 43, ready just in case. Lowery, who hasn't played since 1996 but is the NFL's fifth-leading career scorer, won a tryout with two other kickers. He got the nod over Scott Bentley and Marshall Young because of his 18 seasons and 1,711 points.

"He's done it for so many years, even though he hasn't done it for a while," Vermeil said. "The other two young kids kicked the ball well and impressively, but they have never done it."

Like Wilkins, Vermeil is hoping that a combination of rest and 2-3 hours of daily rehabilitation will be enough to keep him kicking for two more games. Vermeil said he'll make a decision by Friday at the latest.

Wilkins can't help but wonder why it's flaring up now.

"This is what you grow up dreaming about," he said. "We're trying everything we can to get it ready."

The treatment includes ice, electrical stimulation, ultrasound and acupuncture, plus "special stuff we've been putting on it. I don't even know what it is."

One option the Rams won't try is the punter. When Wilkins injured his right knee against Tennessee in Game 7, Rick Tuten tried kicking in practice, and it led to a season-ending thigh injury in that game.

Tuten's replacement as the punter, Mike Horan, hasn't kicked since 1986.

Hale has Weatherford in TABC top 20

Former Pampa basketball Robert Hale has his Weatherford team ranked No. 17 in Class 4A in the latest Texas Association of Basketball Coaches poll.

Weatherford had a 15-4 record as of Jan. 7.

Hale's son, Colby, a junior this season, is one of the team captains. No District 3-4A team is ranked in the top 20. Randall in District 4-4A, is at No. 4.

In the girls' division, Palo Duro is listed at No. 5 and Hereford No. 16 out of District 3-4A.

District 4-4A is still the toughest girls' district in the state. Canyon is No. 1, Plainview No. 3, and Randall No. 8.

These three teams combined have only seven losses.

Among the area's smaller schools, only Fort Elliott is ranked among the top 20 in the Class A boys' poll.

The Cougars have lost only one outing and are currently ranked No. 19.

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Congratulations to Pampa soccer player Kyle McCullough.

McCullough, a senior, was named to the Ector County Tournament's all-tournament team as an honorable mention selection.



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He plays at a defensive position. The Harvesters were 0-3 in the tournament, but McCullough turned in some outstanding play in all three outings.

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America's National Pastime has caught on at another area college.

Clarendon College is starting a baseball program from the ground up next fall.

Trent Petrie has been named the head coach.

Petrie has been an assistant coach at Hill College and Wayland Baptist.

"I am very excited about starting the program," Petrie said. "And having the opportunity to bring the college and the city of Clarendon a quality baseball team from the beginning."

It was just a few years ago when

Wayland Baptist started a baseball program, which is still going strong.

Curtis Montgomery was a Pampa News columnist in the 1960s.

He called his column "Montgomery Word."

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A telephone survey Monday by Rasmussen Research, a public opinion company out of North Carolina, indicates that only 43 percent of 432 fans polled think the St. Louis Rams will win the Super Bowl.

After the Rams' offensive show against the Vikings, I'm surprised the percentage wasn't well over half.

The survey found that 23 percent expect Jacksonville to win, 15 percent favor Tennessee and 10 percent think Tampa Bay will emerge as champions.

In the conference championships, 63 percent are looking for the Rams to top the Bucs.

Only 27 percent think Tampa Bay can pull off an upset.

Fans expect a little closer match on the AFC side of things.

There are 49 percent who think the Jags will finally find a way to stop Tennessee while 40 percent look for a Titans' victory.

Jordan will have management's best jump shot

WASHINGTON (AP) — The struggling Washington Wizards aren't just getting a part-owner in Michael Jordan. He'll slip on a practice jersey and show them the moves that helped him win six NBA championships.

Jordan, who became part-owner and president of basketball operations of the Wizards on Wednesday, won't be able to play for Washington.

NBA rules prohibit owners from playing and players from becoming owners, but that won't stop him from embarrassing a slouching rookie with management's best jump shot.

"The best way to evaluate a player is to look in his eyes and see how scared he is, and I've seen that," Jordan said.

He'll have a lot of work to do. After leaving his packed news conference, matched in size and scale only by his own retirement announcements in 1993 and last year, Jordan went to the owner's box at the two-thirds empty MCI Center — and he promptly was joined by President Clinton.

Jordan heard fans boo his new investment as the Wizards fell behind early and lost 104-86 to the Dallas Mavericks. The loudest cheer came with 2:06 to go and the Wizards trailing by 23 when Jordan, Clinton and majority owner Abe Pollin were shown together on the scoreboard's video screen.

But he is determined to turned things around, using the same audacious confidence that led the Chicago Bulls to glory.

"I have an attitude about the way I play," Jordan said. "I have an attitude about the way I win. ... It's going to take some time for me to come in and evaluate what's here, what's going to stay here and what's going to leave."

Jordan becomes only the third minority black owner in the NBA, with Magic Johnson of the Los

Angeles Lakers and Edward and Bettina Gardner of the Bulls.

"It's going to show our children what it means to be an executive, a role model," Mayor Anthony Williams said. "It really is simply going to electrify our city."

Jordan tried to become the league's first black majority owner last year when he negotiated with the Charlotte Hornets, but the deal fell through. Jordan spoke to other teams, but he never head from the obvious one — the Bulls.

"They're going in a different direction," Jordan said.

Jordan said the Wizards deal

Unsel and coach Gar Heard, but he gave no guarantees.

"Until we get everyone on track, everybody's disposable to some degree," Jordan said.

That same competitiveness was evident to Leonsis, who initiated the negotiations to bring Jordan to the nation's capital.

"I'd like to see a player disregard Michael Jordan," Leonsis said. "Every part of your DNA, when you're with this man, says this guy knows what it takes to win."

Wizards players immediately welcomed Jordan's arrival. Point guard Rod Strickland, who earlier

Wizards have not sold out a game this year at the 2-year-old MCI Center. Wizards President Susan O'Malley did not miss the opportunity to peddle tickets and shouted out the toll-free ticket number during the televised news conference.

Several complex issues in three-way negotiations had to be resolved before Jordan could join the Wizards. Leonsis, who started the ball rolling, and his partners bought the Capitals from Pollin last year and own 44 percent of the Wizards and the MCI Center. Leonsis' group also has right of first refusal to buy them both when Pollin retires.

After Leonsis and Jordan clicked, Pollin had to be convinced. Pollin and Jordan had a shouting match during last year's owners lockout of NBA players, for whom Jordan was a key negotiator. Both, however, said that confrontation is behind them.

"He is one of the greatest athletes that ever put on a suit," Pollin said. "He is a straight, honest, decent, wonderful human being."

Another potentially difficult issue involves Jordan's agent, David Falk. Pollin and Falk have feuded in recent years over contract negotiations involving Howard, Strickland and Rex Chapman, so Pollin and Falk weren't brought together when it came time for the Jordan negotiations.

Falk will not be allowed to represent Jordan the owner because of the potential for conflict of interest, but Falk can still handle Jordan's endorsements.

"He certainly can be a pain, the good thing about it is he's a great pain to have on your side," Jordan said. "I look forward to utilizing his advice. ... I will confer with the league, with the union, see what's allowed, what's not allowed."

"I don't get to play. I don't get to wear a Wizards' uniform. But I will have influence with the players who wear the uniform."

— Michael Jordan

requires an out-of-pocket investment, but would not elaborate what percentage he will own. One of his new partners, Wizards minority owner Ted Leonsis said: "It's obviously sizable enough that he's here."

Jordan also will have an ownership stake in the NHL's Washington Capitals, which are owned by Leonsis' Lincoln Holdings group.

Jordan was wearing a black suit, but he was feted as if he were wearing a cape and had an "S" on his chest. The Wizards, a moribund franchise suffering on the court and at the gate, are in desperate need of a Superman.

"I don't get to play. I don't get to wear a Wizards' uniform," Jordan said. "But I will have influence with the players who wear the uniform. ... I'm going to try to have my imprint and footprints all over this place."

For now, Jordan said he will retain general manager Wes

this season said he wanted out of Washington, said he now wants to stay.

"That's very, very fair to say," Strickland said. "This changes everything."

Jordan said he will continue to live in Chicago, where he won 10 scoring titles and five MVP awards during his 13-year career. His family lives there, and he said he will commute to Washington.

"I will be here for as much time as it takes to turn this team around," Jordan said.

Entering Wednesday night's game with Dallas, the Wizards were 12-27, with the second-worst record in the Eastern Conference. The franchise hasn't won a playoff game in 12 years and has several high-priced, underachieving players — Strickland, Mitch Richmond and Juwan Howard — who would be difficult to unload because of the league's salary cap rules.

One area where Jordan could help right away is attendance. The

Permian High School offers Mills football coaching job

ODESSA, Texas (AP) — Sealy High School football coach T.J. Mills has been offered the job as head coach and athletic coordinator at juggernaut Permian High School.

The Mills family and several Sealy assistant coaches plan to visit Odessa this weekend before making a decision, Mills' wife, Becky Mills, told the Odessa American.

Mills was in Las Vegas

Wednesday and was unavailable for comment.

"He's really excited about it and he feels that it's a great opportunity for him," Mrs. Mills said. "It's THE job in Texas; that's how we look at it."

"But we'll come down there and look around this weekend," she said.

If he accepts the job, Mills would earn \$78,000 a year, an increase of

nearly \$7,000 from what former Permian coach Randy Mayes earned last season.

Mills was one of two finalists to coach one of Texas' most storied programs. He landed the job when Grand Prairie coach Jerry Bomar withdrew his name from the list Wednesday morning. Three members of a six-person search committee were set to visit Grand Prairie as part of a background check before

Bomar dropped out of the running.

Mills won four consecutive Class 3A state titles from 1994-97, an unprecedented feat in Texas high school football history, and led the Tigers to the state championship game five of the last six seasons. Sealy lost to Commerce, 17-10, in the 1999 title game.

Mills was 148-27 in 15 seasons at Sealy. He is 169-59 overall in 20 seasons as a head coach.

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Wild Card Games

Saturday, Jan. 8

Tennessee 22, Buffalo 16

Washington 27, Detroit 13

Sunday, Jan. 9

Minnesota 27, Dallas 10

Miami 20, Seattle 17

Divisional Games

Saturday, Jan. 15

Jacksonville 62, Miami 7

Tampa Bay 14, Washington 13

Sunday, Jan. 16

St. Louis 49, Minnesota 37

Tennessee 19, Indianapolis 16

Conference Championships

Sunday, Jan. 23

Tennessee at Jacksonville, 12:35 p.m. (CBS)

Tampa Bay at St. Louis, 4:15 p.m. (FOX)

Super Bowl

Sunday, Jan. 30

at Atlanta, 6:25 p.m. (ABC)

Pro Bowl

Sunday, Feb. 6

at Honolulu, 5:30 p.m. (ABC)

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Basketball Scores

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Bucknell 52, Army 46

Colgate 77, Lehigh 61

Lafayette 77, Holy Cross 70

Monmouth, N.J. 52, Fairleigh Dickinson 49

Mount St. Mary's, Md. 77, UMBC 73

Penn St. 76, Wisconsin 61

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Alabama 73, Arkansas 64

Appalachian St. 72, Clemson 60

Auburn 65, South Carolina 61

Cent. Florida 79, Jacksonville 70

Col. of Charleston 69, Coastal Carolina 55

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Iona 77, Morgan St. 67

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N. Carolina A&T 80, UNC-Greensboro 71

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Old Dominion 82, American U. 57

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UAB 73, Southern Miss. 67

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New York 24 14 .632 1/2

Philadelphia 23 16 .590 2

Boston 18 20 .474 6 1/2

Orlando 16 23 .410 9

New Jersey 15 23 .395 9 1/2

Washington 12 28 .301 13 1/2

Central Division

Indiana 26 12 .684 —

Akron 89, E. Michigan 81, OT

Bowling Green 68, Miami, Ohio 63

Bradley 77, Wichita St. 64

Amarillo Little Theatre Touring Project to visit Canadian

CANADIAN — Amarillo Little Theatre will present its 11th annual Touring Project production "Greater Tuna" at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 5 in Canadian Middle School Auditorium.

Originally published in the early 1980s, this homage to the fictitious town of Tuna, Texas, enjoyed a Tony-winning off-Broadway run and has become a regional classic, spawning two sequels — "A Tuna Christmas" and "Red, White and Tuna."

The play is a hilarious send-up of small town mores as two actors in a tour de force of quick-change artistry (both in costuming and characterization) create the entire population of the tiny Texas town.

The heart of Tuna is local radio station OKKK and the many personalities who grace its airwaves including anchors Thurston Wheels and Arles Struve who keep Tuna abreast of local and national news with their own brand of humor.

Another central focus is the

Coweta Baptist Church, spearheaded by the Rev. Spikes. An auxiliary committee of Coweta Baptist is the Tuna Smut Snatchers who closely patrol the local libraries, removing books from shelves and words from the dictionary that are found to be offensive to the genteel sensibilities of the pious bunch. However, the heart of Tuna is its residents. There are over 20 denizens of Tuna in all, each with his or her own values and lovable eccentricities.

To bring this slate of wacky personalities to life, ALT selected two larger-than-life personalities of its own — Raymond Girard and Pampa native David D. McKnight, Jr. Both actors are well-known to ALT patrons for their costume, technical production, set design, scenic art and acting abilities.

General admission tickets are \$10 per person with no reserved seating. For tickets, call the museum at (806) 323-6548. Proceeds will benefit Canadian Arts Alliance and River Valley Pioneer Museum.

West Texas A&M music faculty to hold Faculty Grand Recital

CANYON — West Texas A&M University music faculty members will take center stage Friday, Jan. 28 for the Faculty Grand Recital. The annual event, a thank-you recital for WTAMU patrons and supporters, will begin at 8 p.m. in Mary Moody Northern Recital Hall.

Program selections range from instrumental to voice, classical to jazz and serious to humorous.

"Most of the faculty members are principle players in the Amarillo Symphony and a major part of the Amarillo arts community," according to Dr. Joseph Cox, professor of music and recital chairman. "This is an ideal opportunity for community members to hear the caliber of players that are in the symphony as soloists rather than in a large symphony group."

Cox, trombone, and Mila Abbasova, piano, will perform "Allegro giusto" by Nino Rota.

Dr. Robert Hansen, tenor, professor of

music, and Denise Parr-Scanlin, piano, instructor of music, will perform "Music of the Night" by Andrew Lloyd Weber. Sally Turk, flute, associate professor of music, and Parr-Scanlin will perform "Scherzo" by Boshulav Martinu.

Dr. Robert Krause, oboe, professor of music; Doug Storey, clarinet, associate professor of music; Dr. Tina Carpenter, bassoon, associate professor of music; Ron Lemon, horn, associate professor of music; and Parr-Scanlin will perform the third movement from "Quintet in E flat Major, Op. 16" by Ludwig van Beethoven.

Dr. Joe Ella Cansler, soprano, assistant professor of music; James Gardner, baritone; and Parr-Scanlin will perform "Bess You Is My Woman," a duet from Porgy and Bess by George Gershwin.

Dr. Cloyce Beard-Stradley, mezzo soprano, assistant professor of music; and Rolando Salazar, piano; will perform "Cant's Help Lovin' Dat Man O' Mine" from Showboat by Jerome.

The Harrington String Quartet and Dr. Robert Zimmerman, double bass, instructor of music, will perform "String Quartet No. 8" by Dimitri Schostakovich.

Don Lefevre, alto saxophone, associate professor of music, will perform Caprice, Op. 1, No. 24 by Niccolò Paganini and arranged by Jamal Rossi.

The Faculty Jazz Quintet will perform "Gingerbread Boy" by Jimmy Heath. Group members are Storey; Dr. Susan Martin Tariq, percussion, associate professor of music; David Ritter, trumpet, associate professor of music; David Rodriguez, bass; and Gary Mingus, piano.

Faculty Grand Recital is the concluding event of Music Career Day, an annual day of recruiting potential students on campus by the Department of Music and Dance.

A reception will follow the recital in the Northern Hall Atrium. The public is invited and admission is free.

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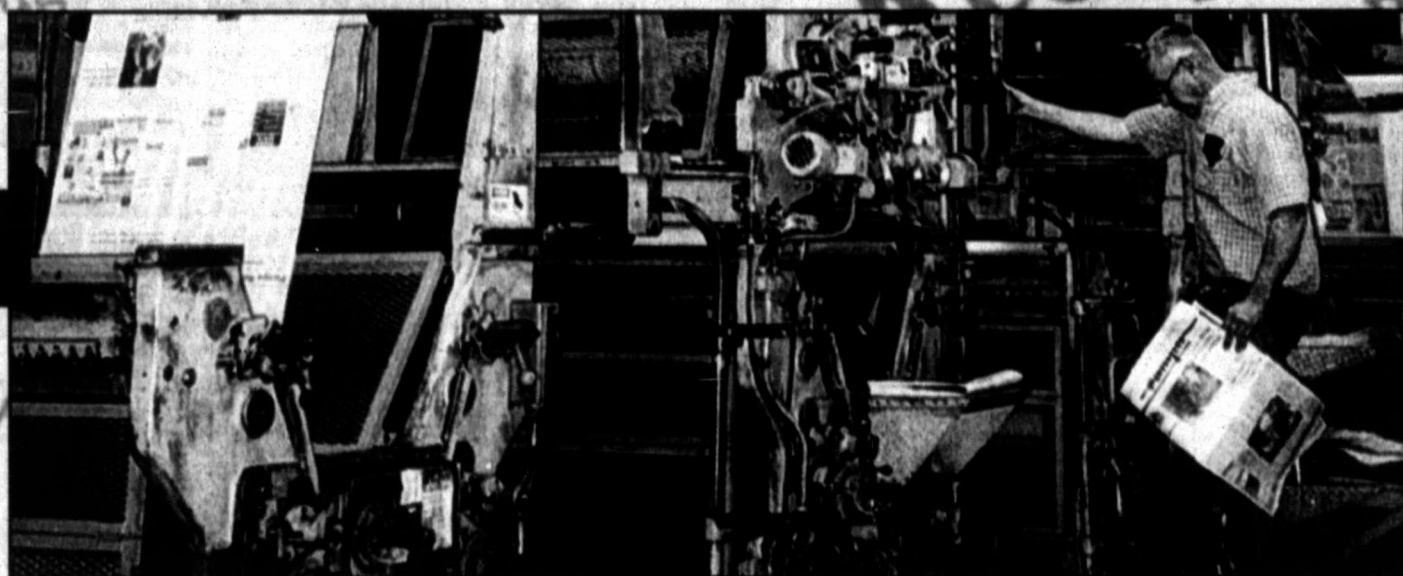


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