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**PAMPA** — Pampa Red Cross is holding "CPR for Professionals" on Tuesday, May 4. The cost of the course is \$35 and the course is designed for those who have had training, but never got their certificate or have had the certificate expire. Reservations should be made by calling the Red Cross at 669-7121 as soon as possible.

**PAMPA** — The Head Start/Pre-K application process will begin on Fri., May 7, at Lamar Elementary, 1234 S. Nelson from 8:30 to 11 a.m. and 12 to 3:30 p.m. The program is for children who will be 4-years-old on or before Sept. 1.

To qualify for Head Start, one of the following is also necessary:

- Family meets income guidelines
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  - Child has documented disability
  - Child is a foster child
  - Family receives CCMS.
- In addition, to qualify for Pre-Kindergarten, one of the following must be true:
- Child qualifies for free or reduced lunch
  - Child does not speak the English language
  - Family is homeless.

Applicants must bring the child's birth certificate, family income verification, (check stubs, income tax, etc.) child's social security card, proof of any or all public assistance the family receives, (Medicaid, WIC, food stamps, HUD, SSI, AFDC benefits) health insurance card, (if applicable) and CCMS documentation.

Nobody will be able to make an application without all of the above information. Applicants will be notified of their child's enrollment status prior to the first day of school. Children are placed in the program based on need, not first come first serve. For more information call 669-4885 and leave a message.

- **Joe Earlean Atchley Crook**, 71, mother of a White Deer resident.
- **Clauda Everly**, 96, former Pampa Latin teacher.
- **Morris Neil McQueen**, 65, Borger native.

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## Changing cocaine color new smuggling strategy

None of the tinted cocaine has shown up in Gray County, according to Pampa Police Chief Charlie Morris

By DAVID BOWSER  
For The News

The head of Pampa's law enforcement said none of the new generation of cocaine has turned up in any of their investigations yet. Christened black cocaine, the stealthy substance appears to be limited to the level of international trade.

Drug traffickers have discovered a new chemical process that will allow them to slip cocaine past drug-sniffing dogs and the eyes of casual observers, the White House's director of drug control policy says.

Adding charcoal and other chemicals to cocaine will transform it into a black substance that has no smell and does not react when subjected to the usual chemical tests for cocaine, retired Gen. Barry McCaffrey told a Senate subcommittee last week.

"They turn this stuff into black brick, but you can mold it into something that looks like metal moldings," McCaffrey said. "The dog won't smell it. ... It doesn't smell, it doesn't react to chemical tests the same way."

Pampa Police Chief Charlie Morris said recently that none of the tinted cocaine has shown up in Gray County.

"We haven't seen any of the materials show up here, cocaine mixed with charcoal and such," Morris said. "That doesn't mean they aren't here, but we haven't come across them yet."

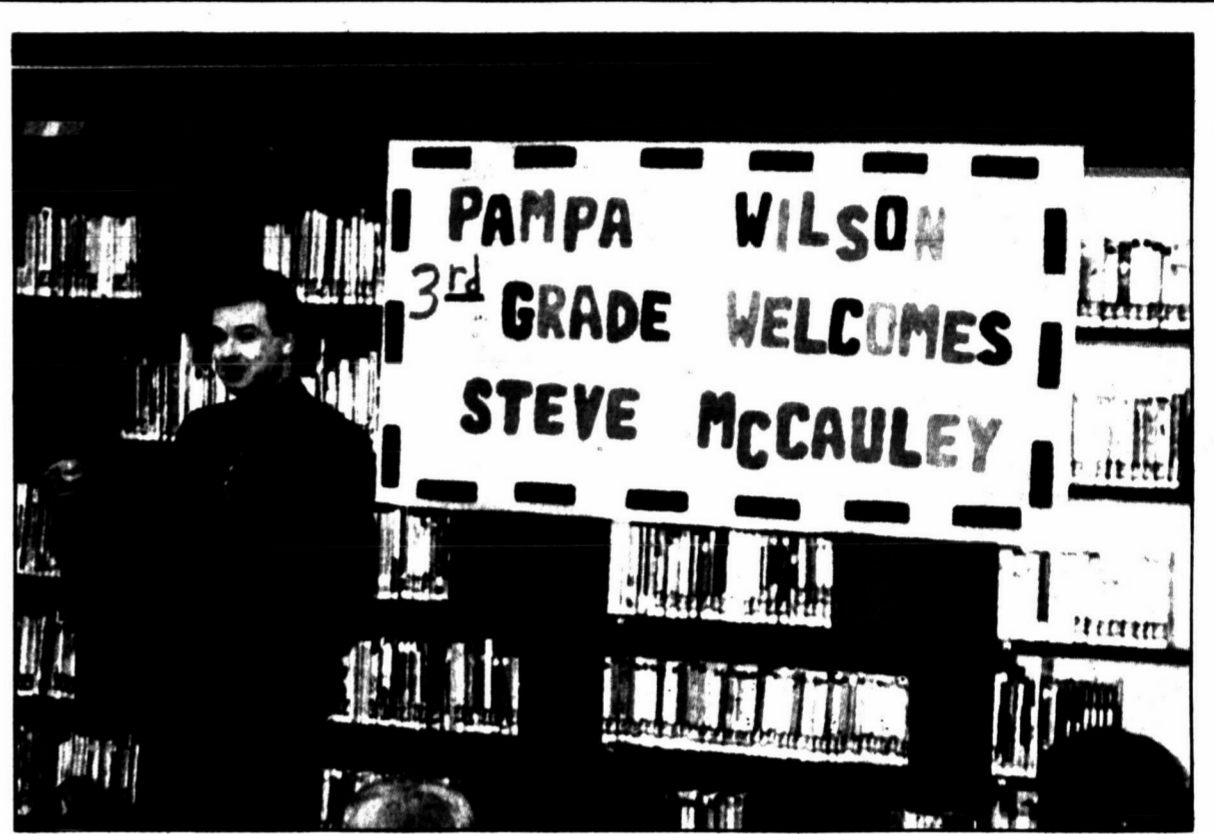
Nor have others at the local level of law enforcement yet encountered the chemically camouflaged cocaine.

Wheeler County Deputy Scott Morgan, who heads the area canine corps with his drug-sniffing dog Tanja, said none of the new cocaine appears to have surfaced in his investigations.

Leroy Azlin and Ricky Scroggins, instructors at a regional drug dog school in Amarillo this week, said they had not come across such chemically treated drugs either.

Azlin and Scroggins, who are with Shreveport, La. law enforcement agencies, travel the country, helping train dogs and handlers

See COCAINE, page 2



(Pampa News photo by Miranda Bailey)

Amarillo weatherman Steve McCauley visited with Wilson Elementary third graders recently. The students had just finished studying a "weather unit" in school.

## T.V. weatherman visits elementary school children

By MIRANDA G. BAILEY  
Managing Editor

"Ever try to make shapes out of clouds?" asked weatherman Steve McCauley. "Anybody know what clouds are made of?" he added, again quizzing young weather watchers.

"Water!" exclaimed one excited student from the crowd of third grade students in the Wilson Elementary School library.

"Very good," McCauley responded.

Amarillo's NBC 4 weatherman Steve McCauley recently accepted an invitation by Wilson Elementary student teacher Mandy Rose to speak to the school's third graders as part of a follow-up to the weather chapter stu-

dents have been studying. "This is one of the better parts of the job," McCauley told students while introducing himself.

A native of West Virginia, McCauley said he knew at a young age he wanted to study weather.

"If I wanted to see all kinds of weather I knew I needed to come to Texas or Oklahoma," he said.

A graduate of Texas Tech, McCauley came to Pampa prepared to share the weather.

Accompanying his enthusiasm for children, McCauley brought slides full of pictures of -

See WEATHERMAN, page 2

## Relay for Life organizers prepare for June event

Walkers and runners will go around the clock in the battle against cancer during the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, June 11-12 at Pampa Recreation Park.

Teams of walking and running enthusiasts from all walks of life will gather at Recreation Park to show their support in the fight against cancer.

Relay for Life is the American Cancer Society's community-oriented team event where participants walk or run around a track relay style for 16 hours. When they aren't taking their turn on the track, team members camp out around the track and take part in a variety of fun activities.

Teams from companies and organizations collect contributions and can win prizes for their efforts. Past games have included a dunking booth, basketball tournament, volleyball, Crazy Hair contest, etc.

Last year's Pampa Relay for Life raised over \$15,000 for cancer research, education and patient services.

This year, Hereford's Relay is challenging the Pampa community to see what relay has the most teams and

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raises the most money. Last year, Hereford had over 40 teams and raised more than \$25,000. (Hereford is having their event on June 4-5.)

## Sunday Snapshot



**Name:** Margaret Florence Seitz  
**Occupation/Activities:** Waitress at Dos Caballeros, collecting butterflies and camping with family.  
**Birth date and place:** 8-17-63 Edinberg, Texas  
**Family:** Husband Jeff, Sons-Daniel, Eugene, Daughter Alyssya.  
If I had a different job, I'd be a :

Manager at my restaurant.

**My personal hero:** God and my parents.

**The best advice I ever got was:** Keep your mouth shut and ears open - you will learn more.

**People who knew me in high school thought:** I was quiet ... can you believe that one?

**The best word or words to describe me:** Hardworking.

**People will remember me as being:** Honest, helpful and loving.

**The four guests at my fantasy dinner party would be:** Jeff, Daniel, Eugene, Alyssya.

**My hobbies are:** Cooking, making hot sauce, making people feel good and collecting butterflies.

**My favorite sports team is:** Dallas Cowboys.

**My favorite author is:** Danielle Steel.

**The last book I read was:** to My Daughter Alyssya.

**My favorite possession is:** My husband and children, I would be lost without them.

**The biggest honor I've ever received is:** Being a mother and a wife to a

great family.

**My favorite performer is:** Randy Travis.

**I wish I knew how to:** Drive our boat, that would make my husband very happy.

**My trademark cliché or expression is:** Ask me a dumb question and I'll give you a dumb answer.

**My worst habit is:** Staying up too late.

**I would never:** Hurt someone.

**The last good movie I saw was:** The Rugrats Movie.

**I stay home to watch:** Little House on the Prairie, my favorite.

**Nobody knows:** I want my own restaurant.

**I drive a:** Dodge Caravan.

**Someday I want to drive:** Anything that gets me where I need to go.

**My favorite junk food is:** Sunflower seeds.

**My favorite beverage:** Tea.

**My favorite restaurant is:** My moms kitchen/ Black Gold.

**My favorite pet:** Lady, our dog.

**For my last meal, I would choose:** Moms chicken noodle soup with homemade noodles, or my husbands rib eye

steak, shrimp salad, baked potato.

**I wish I could sing like:** I can't sing, lets leave it at that.

**I'm happiest when I'm:** With my family.

**I regret:** Not finishing school.

**I'm tired of:** People not respecting a good waitress and tipping when they should.

**I have a phobia about:** Snakes and high bridges.

**The electrical device I couldn't live without is:** My washing machine and dryer.

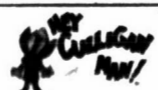
**The biggest waste of time is:** Dealing with people that think they are better than you.

**If I won the lottery, the most extravagant thing I would do is:** Go on a cruise, pay all of our bills, make our families very rich.

**If I had three wishes they would be:** Have my own restaurant, move by my mother.

**If I could change one thing about Pampa, it would be:** More things for our kids to do and to get the drugs and people that use them out of here.

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(Special photo)

Pampa Community Concert Association and Borger Concert Associations to sponsor The Nashville Bluegrass Band, above, in concert at 7:30 p.m. May 6 in Borger High School Auditorium in Borger.

## PCCA announces concert in Borger

Pampa Community Concert Association along with Borger Concert Associations will host The Nashville Bluegrass Band in the fourth concert of the PCCA season beginning at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 6, at Borger High School Auditorium.

The Nashville Bluegrass Band has appeared many times on the Grand Ole Opry as well as virtually every bluegrass and folk festival in the United States. Internationally recognized, this was the first bluegrass band to perform in the People's Republic of China. The group toured extensively in Europe as well as

in Iraq, Israel, Brazil and Japan. Members are Alan O'Bryant, banjo; Pat Enright, guitar; Roland White, mandolin; Stuart Duncan, fiddle; and Gene Libbea, base.

Attendance is by concert tickets or by membership in Pampa Community Concert Association and, by reciprocal agreement, membership in Borger, Hereford and Plainview associations, according to David Cory, president of PCCA. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for students.

For more information on becoming a member for next year's PCCA season, contact

Lilith Brainard at 665-0343. The concert association's membership drive is underway.

The four shows for the upcoming 1999-2000 season include Canadian tenor, Mark DuBois

with pianist Gloria Saarinen; folk singer Sally Rogers; The Galaxy Trio; and the Paragon Ragtime Orchestra which is being jointly sponsored by PCCA and the Borger association.

## PGWCD to sponsor meeting

Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District is sponsoring an informal meeting on the possible implementation of a Precipitation Enhancement program for this area. The meeting will be held in the Panhandle Ground Water office at 201 W. 3rd St., in White Deer, on Monday, May 10, at 7 p.m.

Three guest speakers, who are currently involved in programs of this type, will be present. George W. Bomar, senior meteorologist with the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission, A. Wayne Wyatt, general manager of the High

Plains Underground Water Conservation District, and Scott Holland, secretary of the West Texas Weather Modification Association have been invited to give an overview and general information on their individual programs. They will also be happy to answer questions from individuals.

Anyone interested in weather modification, whether in favor or opposed, are urged to attend this meeting and express their feelings. This will assist the board of with its decision on whether to proceed with a weather modification program for this area.

## PEDC coordinator attends institute

In trying to keep up with all the latest methods of competing for businesses to move into the area, constant training is crucial.

That is why PEDC Project Coordinator Susan Triplehorn recently spent a week at the University of Oklahoma completing session one of an Economic Development Institute course.

The course involved classes on marketing, land development, environmental issues and telecommunications, Triplehorn said.

Part of the course also involves writing a research project. The subject she chose was on housing problems in rural communities, a subject Triplehorn has become

(See, PEDC, Page 7)

## Erick Chamber announces city-wide garage sale

ERICK, Okla. — Erick Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual Spring City-Wide Garage Sale Saturday, May 8. Shoppers from across the panhandle are invited to attend the event. A list of garage sales may be obtained from C&K and Puckett's Grocery on Friday, May 7.

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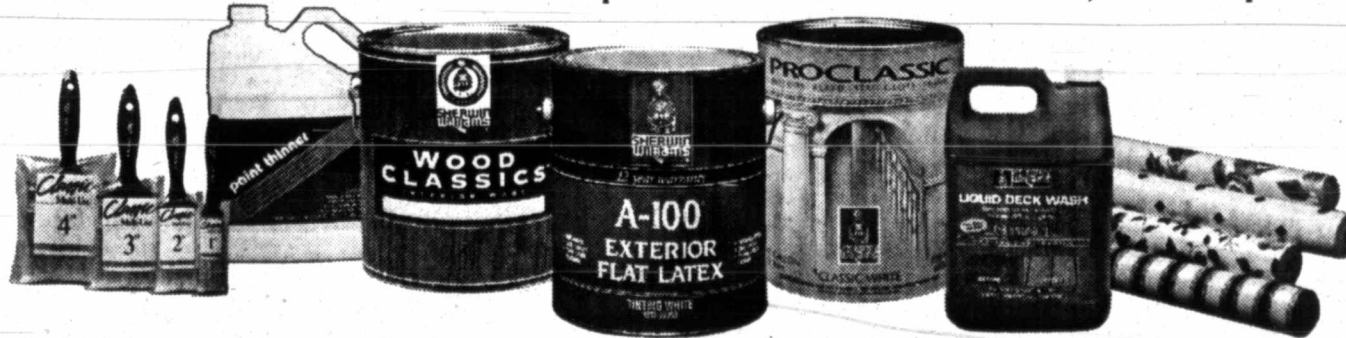
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# Letters to the editor

## T.D.C.J. does not set a good example for inmates

To the editor,  
I am writing in the hope you will use it in your editorial page for I believe if people would forget where I am and look with eyes open that they will discover that they are being manipulated by at least one segment of their government.

First let me say that I am a convict serving a 10-year sentence at the Rufe Jordan Unit in Pampa. I will be the first to admit that I put myself here. I committed a crime and was caught and punished to serve up to 10 years in prison. This I have no complaint against the justice system, it convicted me and sentenced me to the custody of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

What the justice system did not do was give the T.D.C.J. the right to act as judge, jury, and executioner toward myself because of the crime I committed. It is true that the people of this state are fed up with the crime rate, as they should be. Now, here is a question that the people of this state should be asking: Is the present system working? If investigated, I believe the statistics would show that crime is at an all time high. How can this be, if they lock up all the criminals?

The State of Texas has approximately 150 prison units housing over 150,000 inmates that they don't want to release. This is not the help the public but to show reasons for their inflated budgets.

On the Jordan Unit alone the Food Service was increased approximately \$350,000, that is from approximately \$950,000 to \$1,350,000 to feed 1,400 inmates as well as any officer or staff that wishes to eat something made for them from ice cream to cinnamon rolls, or anything else. This budget increase happened at the same time that they started serving less food for the inmates. If they are serving less food why did they need a 1.3 increase in their budget?

Another program initiated by the legislature and T.D.C.J. was that every inmate go through a substance abuse treatment plan whether they need it or not, and they go so far as to change records to show that an inmate needs these programs. Now the money for these programs must come from somewhere, either from the taxpayers or the federal government funded program. If this is not a necessary program needed for each inmate it would seem to be a form of defrauding the taxpayers out of money. If anyone has any questions, they can contact Mr. Gardner here at the Jordan Unit or you can contact his supervisor through the unit, their names are Mr. Jefferies or Mr. Hiland. They are directors of the Substance Abuse program for T.D.C.J.

On this unit the medical staff violates laws, regulations, and policies in their medical practices.

This unit also violates federal laws as well as postal regulation by illegally opening mail that is clearly marked "legal mail" while the inmate is not present.

These are just a few of the standard practices that T.D.C.J. uses against inmates in their system. Is it any wonder that inmates are angry with T.D.C.J.? They were arrested and sent to prison for violating rules, regulations, or laws, then while they were incarcerated the rules, regulations, and laws were violated just to punish them.

If the public looked at the situation as unbiased, they would see that T.D.C.J. scamming the public out of money and increasing the crime rate by their treatment of prisoners. They subject inmates to their form of punishment and held for their entire sentence knowing it will cause the inmate to likely commit more crimes upon their release. That way T.D.C.J. can ask for more money to build more prisons or to hold inmates beyond what the courts ruled as punishment. What will the inmates view be when his sentence is up and he still can not go home to family and friends? Is this going to help anyone but T.D.C.J.?

I will answer anyone's questions that care to write, but I challenge anyone to really investigate T.D.C.J., its policies, budgets, or the statistic of recidivism rate among released inmates and it will be shown that T.D.C.J. is causing an epidemic problem for taxpayers, just to justify their budgets.

Again I would like to stress that this is not the rantings of a confined inmate, because as I said before. I was convicted of a crime and expect to be punished, but do I learn anything watching the organization into whose custody I have been placed when they violated rules, regulations or laws? What can the taxpayers expect when they treat inmates as animals for years then release them back into society?

Bobby Burghart  
Jordan Unit

## Chivalry is alive and well throughout the city

To the editor,  
Chivalry is alive and well here. I attended the funeral of a dear, loving man, James "Mack" Donnell. Fresh tears formed as the drivers along the streets, even Hobart, stopped. On Randy Matson Avenue, an unknown man stood with his hat over his heart, thank you all! Especially the tired, hot athletes who stood in a straight line at the fence with heads bowed. We may have some problems in our city, yet our future leaders know where their hearts lie yet today.

Evarene Fritz

## Media should not have field day with school shootings

To the editor,  
It seems that school shootings have become the designer crime of the 90's. As horrendous, though, as the situations were in Pearl, West Paducah, Jonesboro, and now Littleton, Americans need to start being a little more pragmatic with regards to such incidents. A distressing conclusion needs to be reached in order to, if not stop the madness, at least put it into perspective. This conclusion is that these shootings, for the time being anyway, are a fact of life in this country.

Elected officials using such incidents to help advance some expensive political agenda should be viewed with contempt by their constituents. Calling for increased punishments for the perpetrators of such acts, while no doubt politically correct, would fall a little short of being a viable solution in incidents like the most recent one in which the perpetrators did not survive. And hopefully there are no longer any who are so naive as to believe that further controls on guns will put a stop to these shooting sprees.

Children in school are going to make fun of and ostracize those who they view as nerdy or different. Some of those on the receiving

end of this treatment will grow up to be lawyers, doctors or CPAs, thus exacting their revenge on society. Some, however, will not wait so long to seek retribution against their tormentors. Any attempt at trying to identify which ones will take the latter stance is simply an exercise in futility.

Perhaps, though, there is something that can be done that may help reduce the frequency of these painful examples of human aggression. Americans simply need to deal with them as news items and cease the practice of glorifying them with superlatives. For example, the man in Smalltown, U.S.A., who has stolen more hubcaps than anyone else in recorded history, is quite unlikely to have his story immortalized by the national news media. His exploits may be chronicled in some obscure section of the local newspaper, but that's about it. Maybe the same thing needs to happen when someone — who may simply be looking for national notoriety — decides to draw a gun and start firing in a school library.

The individual may not have accomplished anything significant in his life. Does it make sense, then, for the media to speak of his one claim to fame using adjectives like worst, deadliest or bloodiest? It may be that no one is chasing the hubcap-stealing record because it is never spoken of. Isn't it the better part of logic, therefore, that no one be given a standard to improve upon with regards to school violence?

William Chaplar  
Pampa

## Auditorium could become a multicounty facility

To the editor,  
As chair of the Advisory Board of the M.K. Brown Auditorium, which belongs to the City of Pampa, I want to thank you for your article in the Thursday, April 22, edition of The Pampa News, headlined "Plea to close auditorium has no city support."

The article covered the basic concerns that the advisory board has about the serviceability of this auditorium in its present condition. The article also quoted me as saying, "There will be (a) time when the lights and sound will conk out in the middle of a show." I said that at the City Commission Work Session on Tuesday, April 13, and I'm still

certain it could happen. The article, however, quoted me further — and I'm not sure I said this — "If we can't use it, mothball it." If I did say that, I did not mean that. To "mothball" something generally means to shut it down, walk off and forget it. What I did say and did mean was this: I recommended that the auditorium be closed until adequate sound and light systems be installed, and personnel be trained to use them correctly.

My presentation was not a voice crying in the wilderness. I had spoken with all the appointed advisory board members except one (a message was left on her voice mail, and we have since discussed this matter) before the meeting. One other board member attended the meeting, and contributed his own ideas.

The city commissioners, mayor and staff pointed out — quite rightly — that many improvements to the auditorium have been made recently. These include \$116,000 for a new roof, which was badly needed as there were numerous leaks, and \$50,000 for a new air conditioning unit, without which the building is truly unusable!

The plea of "no money" by the commissioners is well taken and understandable. But it is an excuse which will not wash in the long run.

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# AGRICULTURE

## The Market Forecaster

By George Kleinman

### WHEAT (BULL/BEAR)

**Outlook:** The best chance this market had for a bona fide weather rally has now come and gone. This was the potential for a hard freeze, predicted by some the weekend before last. The temperatures never got quite as low as predicted, and while there may have been some freeze damage in Oklahoma, it was certainly not widespread and will take time to show. While I have been bullish wheat due to low prices, the potential for a smaller crop this year, and the prospects for large donation to Russia, it is now time to face the market's reality. The current problem is the seasonality which generally favors lower wheat prices. The fact this market has been selling off most of April illustrates just how demoralized it is this year. Once the market gets past the late April/early May weather scare period, it has already peaked most years. This year, the last major rally took place in March and prices could not even exceed the January highs (which were lower than the October highs). So for now we have placed the bear back in the box. If the seasonal holds this year, odds say the market will bottom when the winter wheat harvest is about half done, around July 4. This is barring tough weather in the Northern Plains, which would of course be bullish for the spring wheat crop.

**Strategy:** Hedgers: We have recommended pre-selling 25 percent of anticipated new crop production from above \$3 basis the July Chicago futures. Those who have maintained ownership of previously sold cash should now be out of calls. Look to sell another 25 percent on rallies above 275. Traders: If you took our recommendation to go long July futures last week you are in from about 264 1/2. If still above entry as you read this, take profits at the market. Alternatively, risk a close under 259.

### CORN (BULL/BEAR)

**Outlook:** Wet Midwest weather rallied the corn market last week.

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George Kleinman is president of Commodity Resource Corporation (CRC), a licensed brokerage firm which specializes in marketing strategies using agricultural futures and options. CRC welcomes questions - they can be reached at 1-800-233-4445.

This mini-weather rally sparked some fund buying as well, since some of the computers triggered buy programs when prices tripped above moving averages. Since I have not in my experience ever seen wet weather early in the season prevent the crop from being planted, this rally should be viewed as a potential selling opportunity. With modern equipment the corn crop can be planted in a very short time period and there is still plenty of time. The other side of the argument is until the crop is in the ground and well on its way toward a successful conclusion, the market will be hard-pressed to go substantially lower. Farmer selling generally slows appreciably during the planting period (farmers have more pressing issues to contend with) and this also tends to exert a firming influence price-wise. Look for the market to chop around in a trading-range over the coming weeks.

**Strategy:** Hedgers: Look to sell 25 percent of new crop production using the December futures on rallies above 250.

Traders: Sell a weather rally above 250 basis the December futures. Risk eight cents for a profit objective below 238.

### SOYBEANS (BULL/BEAR)

**Outlook:** New crop soybean futures (first month November) continue to confound the bears (the bears are very bearish) as they climb a 'wall of worry'. I have been talking in this column about the fact that prices at their lows had no risk premium built in, and while there is now a modicum of this ingredient it is

still very early in the crop year. I've also previously discussed the "lost" 40 million bushels in the last USDA report, which the bears are discounting, but we should take seriously. The Brazilians have been selling their newly harvested beans into every rally, and this is one reason the futures have had trouble every time they pop above 500 in the July futures. Yet, another way to look at this is the market is absorbing this supply very well. Look for a trading range affair, but with a bullish bias, over the coming weeks.

**Strategy:** Hedgers: Selective hedgers remain long July futures at 492. Look for a 40 to 50 cent profit objective (if attained it will most likely be during the 'weather scare period' into the summer). Raise your risk point to an approximate break-even at this time. "True" hedgers are out.

Traders: Traders remain long November beans from under 495. Risk to 480 and leave the upside profit objective open at this time. This is anticipated to be a longer-term trade.

**CATTLE (BULL)**  
**Outlook:** Once again when the USDA Cattle on Feed Report was released the market was not paying attention. The April COF figures were considered very bearish by the trade when they were released a week ago Friday (after the market closed). The USDA reported the numbers of cattle on feed up three percent versus a year ago, which was well above most of the pre-report guesses. Even more bearish were the placement numbers (cattle mov-

ing into feedlots in March) which were up a shopping 18 percent. This is considered particularly bearish for the summer months. Yet, the Monday after the Report the market was hardly down at all, and by mid-week future prices were trading above the pre-report levels. When a market does not respond to bearish news in a bearish manner then the news is already discounted in price and this is bullish.

**Strategy:** Feeders: Feeders still own at the money put options from higher levels in the June through August time periods. Outs protect your downside but never limit your upside potential.

**Cow/calf operators:** Cattle feeders remain buy-hedged at an average price in the 68-69 range basis the May forward futures. Hold until you buy your replacement feeders.

Traders: If you took last week's recommendation you bought August futures on the break below 62 (let's call it 6195). Risk 150 points for an objective of 6450.

## Soybean fuel passes its first test

Soybean-derived biodiesel fuel, developed by soybean checkoff investments, received passing grades during the first phase of a winter usage test in Minnesota. The Hennepin County, Minn., transportation department used a 20 percent blend of the soybean-derived fuel known as B20 in snow plows this winter.

"We had a few days where temperatures reached 20 degrees below zero, and there were no problems at all," said Gene Hugoson, Commissioner of Agriculture in Minnesota. Hugoson joined county officials, soybean farmer-leaders and representatives of the biodiesel industry at a press conference held in suburban Minneapolis to reveal results of the soybean check-off funded study.

According to county officials, the snow plows operated on some days for 16 hours straight in sub-zero temperatures. The plows using the 20 percent blend of soybean oil-derived biodiesel performed as well as those using blends of straight diesel fuel.

"The biodiesel blend actually demonstrated better cold-flow properties than conventional blends of diesel fuel," said Greg Chock.

## Extension In Progress

### National Drinking Water Week

What about water? As our most precious resource, the significance of this precious commodity will be marked during National Drinking Water Week May 2-8. Ninety-seven percent of the earth's water supply is salt water in oceans. The remaining three percent is fresh water. However, all fresh water is not readily available for consumption. Of this fresh water, 82.1 percent is in the form of polar ice caps and glaciers, 14.3 percent is ground water, and 2.4 percent is surface water from lakes, streams and rivers. The remaining amount is in the air and soil. In our area, the drinking water is supplied by the Ogallala Aquifer or by surface water stored in Lake Meredith.

With the small amount of fresh water available and a small percentage of the fresh water readily available, it is easy to see why each of us must do our part to conserve. Even though the amount of water on earth does not change much over time, the rate the water becomes available for reuse through the water cycle does change. The water cycle renews the water resource through evaporation, transpiration and precipitation. Some of the precipitation runs off the soil surface and is collected in lakes, rivers and streams and some infiltrates or moves into the soil and is stored in aquifers. Aquifers, such as our Ogallala, are major reservoirs of underground water stored in formations or zones that supply water wells with fresh water. It's simply a case of supply and demand. If demand for fresh water exceeds the recharge level of the supply, then local water supplies become reduced.

The average Texan uses 50-75 gallons of water per day. This means Gray County residents use 1.15-1.725 million gallons of water per day. These are staggering statistics and some other interesting facts include:

—it takes 1,400 gallons of water to process a meal of a one-fourth pound hamburger, French fries and a soft drink;

—showering and bathing is one of the largest users of water (27 percent);

—one newspaper a day means the use of 66,000 gallons of water a year;

—you can save five gallons every day by turning off the faucet while brushing your teeth;

—a leaky faucet can waste 100 gallons of water per day;



**Danny Nusser**

Gray County Extension Agent-Agriculture

—it takes six gallons of water to produce one gallon of gasoline;

—about 75 percent of your brain is water.

Think about it and use it to help conserve this very important and vital natural resource.

Please give us a call if we can help provide you with information about ways you can conserve water in your home.

### Water Quality Testing — Water Program

We will be co-sponsoring a water well screening day for area residents on Thursday, May 6. The screening is designed to inform private water well owners on the conditions and quality of their water. The screening will concentrate on two contaminants: fecal coliform and nitrates.

The presence of fecal coliform in water indicates that bodily waste from humans or animals could be contaminating your well. Water contaminated in this manner can cause numerous health problems such as cholera, typhoid and dysentery.

Nitrates in ground water at levels of 10 milligrams per liter (parts per million) is considered unsafe. This can disrupt the body's ability to carry oxygen throughout the body. As a result, oxygen starvation occurs. If left untreated, death may occur. Infants less than six months of age or young livestock are most susceptible.

The screening is available free of charge; however, you need to contact the Gray or Roberts County Extension Office to receive the approved water sampling bag and instructions on how to collect your sample. The samples must be turned in to the appropriate Extension office by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, May 4. The samples will be analyzed and interpreted at the Water Program meeting at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, May 6. The meeting will be held in Roberts County Community Center at Miami. Call if you have any questions and remember that only water sampling bags that are available at our offices will be used in the screening.

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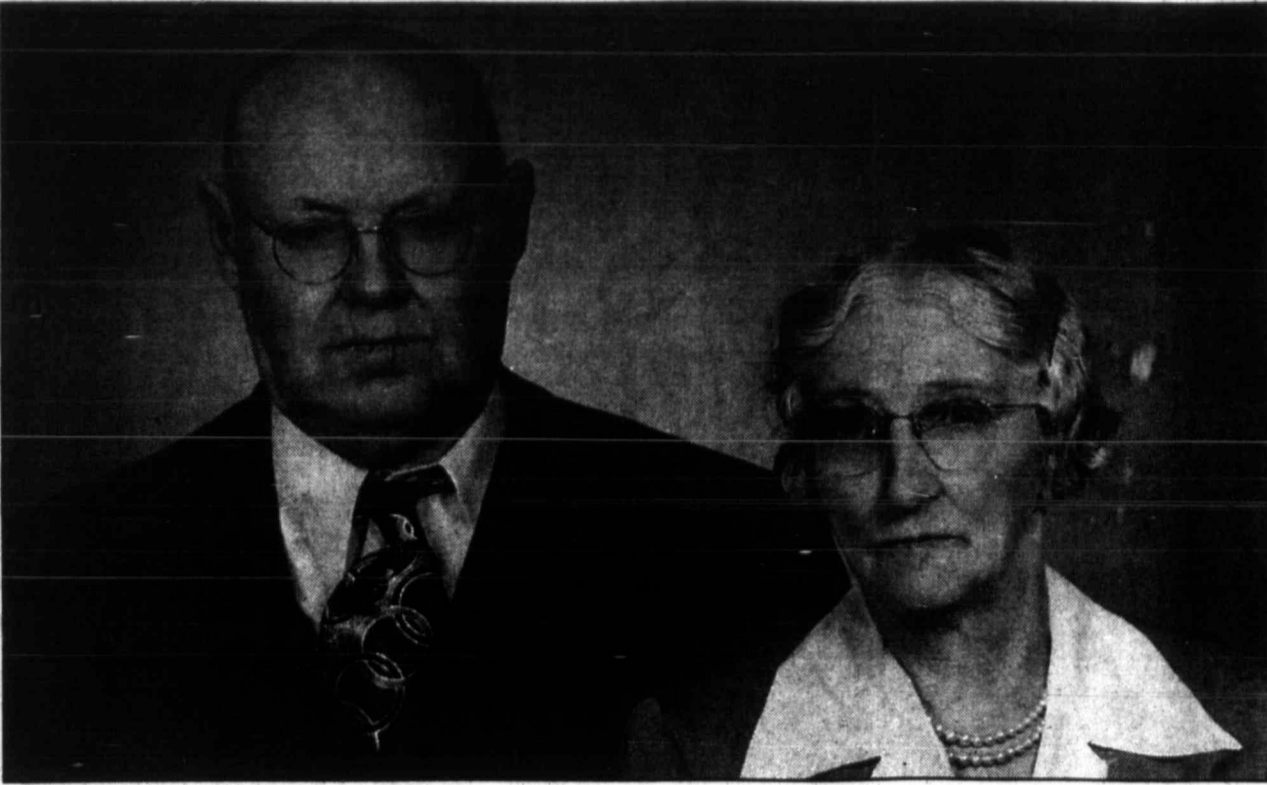
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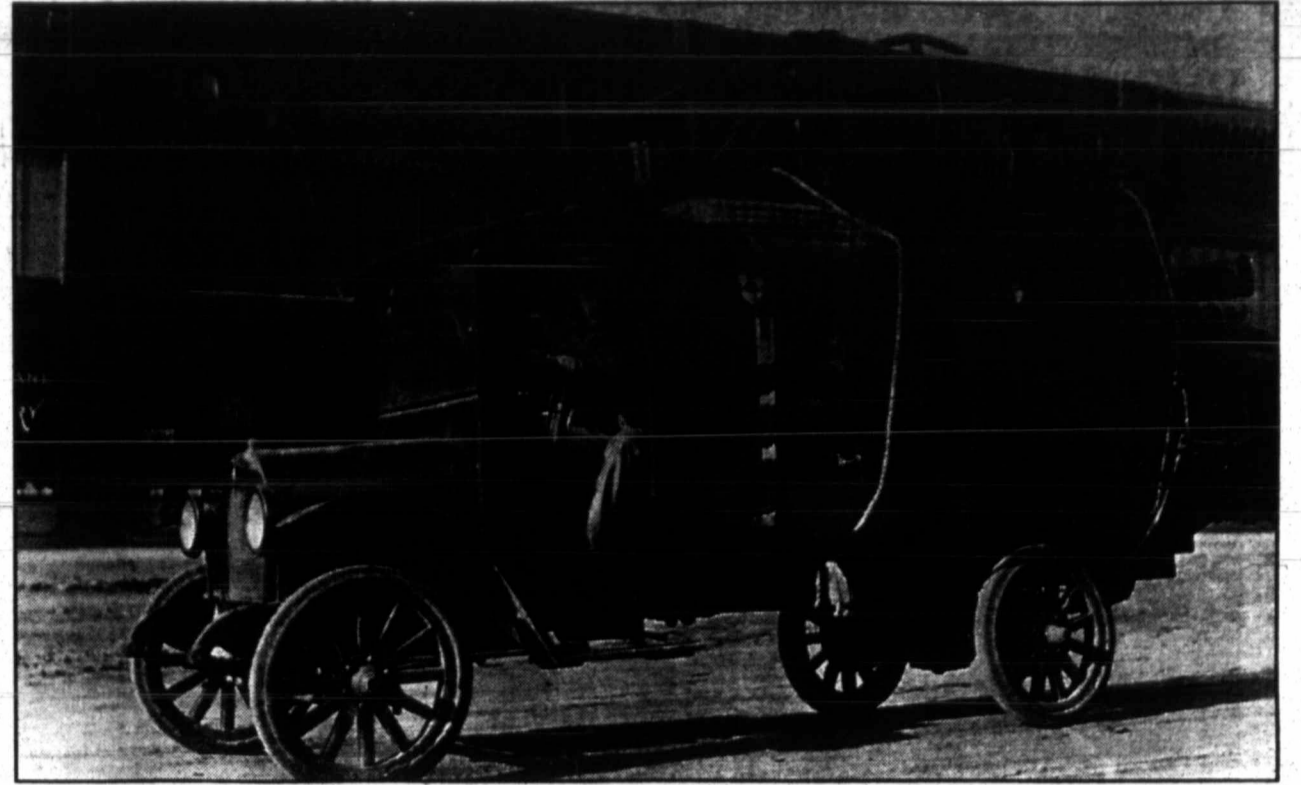
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This photo of John Mack and Virginia Cecil Patton, left, was taken in December 1951. The picture of the couple was provided courtesy of Virginia McDonald. The photo at right was



provided courtesy of White Deer Land Museum and shows John Mack Patton Dray Line on unpaved street in front of 111-113 N. Cuyler circa the early 1920s.

## John Mack Patton was active in affairs of early Pampa

### Museum Mementos

Eloise Lane  
White Deer Land Museum



John Mack Patton and Virginia Cecil Keith met at Texola, Okla., in the Methodist Church where he sang in the choir. They were married on Dec. 15, 1901, at Texola.

In 1910, John Mack and Virginia Cecil, with their children, Otto Drew, Zelda Mae and Mary Viola, moved to Pampa where Bonnie Clara and Virginia Babe were born. John Mack purchased a farm nine miles south of Pampa and farmed until 1916 when his family moved to town so that the children could attend school. All five children attended the Red Brick Schoolhouse (309 N. Cuyler) and graduated from Pampa High School (126 W. Francis).

John Mack bought out a transfer line and in the following years hauled and delivered building material for fast-growing Pampa. He also delivered feed for stock on area ranches and many times spent as long as three days going to the Ledrick ranch on Chicken Creek north of Pampa. Sometimes he would be gone for days when a rain or snow blew in and there would be no word of his welfare.

In 1915, Fred Johnson presented the name of John Mack Patton in the election for town marshal. He served two years as special officer, sometimes doing the duties of fire chief, mayor, and tax assessor and collector, all at the same time. At one time, he resigned the office to handle his private business, but a petition was signed for his reinstatement and he remained in office until 1922 when he resigned and Sheriff E.S. Graves was elected.

That year he was employed by the Santa Fe Railroad. In 1928, he worked as a special officer on the line built to Clinton, Okla. (Clinton and Oklahoma Western.) After his retirement, he spent some time in Hamp Brown's Barber Shop on North Cuyler and would cashier on Saturdays.

The first Patton home in Pampa was located on the corner of West Foster and North Somerville. The Olsen family lived across the street south — Olsen had a blacksmith shop. The W.P. Davis family lived close by — Davis was owner of the Davis Hardware. The L.H. Sullins family were neighbors also — Sullins, who founded Sullins Plumbing Co., sold the first wringer-type washing machine to Virginia Cecil.

The Pattons sold their first home in Pampa to a theater company in Oklahoma that built the Rex Theater (later La Vista — now vacant) at 318 W. Foster. The Pattons had a new stucco home built at 622 E. Foster. It was a long walk to town and the high school north of the courthouse.

John Mack and Virginia Cecil Patton were honored at a reception in their home on East Foster on Sunday, Dec. 16, 1951 (the day after their 50th wedding anniversary.) All five children were present for the golden anniversary of their parents.

Virginia Cecil died Sept. 5, 1953, and John Mack died Feb. 11, 1964. Both are buried in Fairview Cemetery.

Otto Patton, who married Mildred Fahy, died at the Wilcox Oil Co. Warehouse in 1959. Their youngest daughter, Ottolene (Mrs. Ray Jones), lives in Pampa.

Zelda Patton, now deceased, married Fuqua S. Stafford and lived in Baton Rouge, La. Mary Patton, now deceased, married George Brown at Clarendon and lived at Howardwick.

Bonnie Patton met Vernon Stuckey at the Schneider Hotel where he was working in the hotel barber shop and she was employed at the cigar stand and fountain. Bonnie and Vernon married in 1940. Their first child, Gary Vernon, died in infancy. Vernon served in the Army during World War II. After his return from service, Patricia and John Schuyler were born. Vernon worked again as a barber at the Combs-Worley Shop and

at the Hughes Building Shop. Bonnie is deceased, but Vernon still lives in Pampa.

Virginia B. Patton had her first job at the age of 14 when she worked at the cigar stand in the Schneider Hotel. She has worked for the Postal Telegraph, Girl Scouts (two years as head), Bentley's, Gilbert's, and for herself with Hilcoa Foods. She has held offices in the Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Pampa Credit Women's Club and Top O' Texas Republican Women's Club.

In 1939, Virginia married Harry F. McDonald, Jr. They are active members of the First Christian Church where Virginia has served in many capacities. Their daughters are Linda Joyce Borden of Dallas and Gayle Lynne Casey of Houston.

H.F. McDonald retired from Dorchester after working 31 years. He and Virginia continue to live in Pampa.

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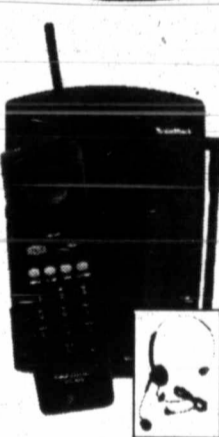
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### LETTERS

If we are going use the M.K. Brown Auditorium to present local musical productions such as last November's high school production of "Oklahoma!" and this month's elementary production of "Bye, Bye, Birdie," the Community Concert Series, the annual dance presentation of the "Nutcracker Ballet," religious crusades, and the like, then we must be able to see and to hear these programs.

It is sad for the performers that the audience cannot see or hear them; it is aggravating for the technical people who try to work with this worn-out equipment; it is frustrating to the audience who have to put up with the crackles and hums of the sound system and the dimness of the lighting — and still try to figure out what's happening on stage, and it is an embarrassment to the City of Pampa to say this facility is ours — in the shape that it's in.

Mayor Bob Neslage made a good point when he said — and was quoted in the article: "Part of the problem is the city's whole infrastructure was built on gearing toward a 30,000 population and that hasn't happened. ... We find ourselves trying to keep up these facilities on the tax base of a lower population (19,760)."

Question: If the auditorium,

therefore, is based on usage by a 30,000 population base, would it be worth considering how that could be done? If the support base were broadened to be larger than just the City of Pampa, that would also enlarge the population base. Could this facility become a multicounty-funded facility, perhaps administered by a cooperative of some sort, including not only Pampa, but also Lefors, McLean, and Gray County, as well as (maybe?) Miami and Roberts County and possibly even the eastern part of Carson County (at least Skellytown and White Deer)? Could these three counties work together to make this a regional facility, not just a "Pampa" facility? And if there's no precedent for such a multi-city/county venture, could we make one?

**Loralee Cooley, chair**  
**M.K. Brown Auditorium Advisory Board**  
Other advisory board members, appointed by the City Commission, are: Gene Barber, Sandy Crosswhite, Nancy Hahn, Amy Lakey, Floyd Sackett, Robert Smith

Ex officio member is the president of Pampa Fine Arts Association, Susie Wilkinson. (For the last three years, this "ex officio" was a moot point, since Loralee Cooley and Robert Smith, already appointed to the advisory board, were PFAA presidents)

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**PHS Choir**



(Community Camera photo)

Representatives of Pampa High School Concert Choirs are (front row from left) Andy Fernuik, vice president, Thann Scoggin, president; Randall Ellis; Kimberly Clark, historian; (back row from left) Holly Brooks, secretary; Maurey Ball, activ-

ities chairman. Awards were earned recently at UIL Concert and Sightreading Contest at Randall High School in Amarillo. The choirs are directed by Fred Mays.

**Travis Elementary School honor roll**

Travis Elementary recently announced its honor roll for the fifth six weeks grading period of the 1998-99 school year.

**FIRST GRADE**

**A Honor Roll**

Jacey Belveal, Kristin Bivins, Michael Dearman, Allison Bell, Kade Golleher, Tyler Hooper, Braden Hunt, Joey Finn, Kristin Roy, Dillon Slater, Kara Stephens, Travis Mask, Brooklyn Barker, Rebekah Bartel, Tanner Davis, Garrett Coutts.  
Robin Fernuik, Mikala Furgason, Treva Miller, Rachel Heuston, Landon Long, Kallie Marak, Vanessa Rogriquez,

Kayla Taylor, Drew Wilson, Kaytlyn Wright, Gabriel Rogriquez, Bryce Hendricks, Hannah Lane, Amanda Jewett, Mallory White.

**A-B Honor Roll**

Lacey Renner, Allison Ramey, Joseph Norris, Kim Silva, Dawn Harkins, Dakota Music, Shealeigh Jones, Anthony Allen, Calib Chandler, Audri Leal, Rocki Grajeda.  
Jaymison King, Kristen Diaz, Riley Woodruff, Shelbi Cross, Lauren Jacoby, Kelsey Scates, Craig Conner, Andrew Lloyd, Ashtyn Shipley.

**SECOND GRADE**

**A Honor Roll**

Shawna Salazar, Dustin Neef, Bree-Anna Brulloths, Carley Richardson, Brittney Cottrell, Ashley Hernandez, Jessica Miner, Michael Alexander, Lita Cadena, Gari Sue Haddock, Holly Winegeart.

Tori Srygley, Tyler Alexander, Jonathan Anguiano, Dustin Mathis, Kaci Hill, Tonya Kiper, Rachel Lee, Courtney Linn, Alla Miranda, Anthony Arreola, Ninki Cole, Devin Zipp, Kelby Imel, Dayla Newman, Alyson Orr.

**A-B Honor Roll**

Ryan Baggerman, Kameron Graves, Nathan Stillwagon, Tommy Castagnetta, Jonathan

Cook, Terri Frazier, Daniel Kirkland, Melissa Leal.

**THIRD GRADE**

**A Honor Roll**

Meagan Crawford, Ryne Malone, Valerie Rushing, Jace Villarreal, K'Lyn Holmes, Kristen Dunn, Michael Fernuik, Joshua Humphrey, Stephanie Jasso, Kayla Mendoza, Andrew Roy, Megan Pettit.

Ryan Carnagey, Jimmy Craig, Ashley Owen, Brody Russell, Conrad Mungia, Krishna Henderson, Joseph Johnson, Jad McGuire, Adam Anguiano, Jacob Davis, Morgan Reagan.

**A-B Honor Roll**

Tyler Dodson, Landon

Moreland, Ally Gerner, Dakota Gilleland, Lowry Baggett, Mistie Cano, Larri Golleher, Derek Wilson, Anthony Levario, Shealyn McGahen, Amily Woodruff, Brenden Carpenter, Rachel Nunn, Joshua Mulkey, Russell Carter, Meagan Barnett.

**FOURTH GRADE**

**A Honor Roll**

Andrew Van Houten, Meredith Coutts, Ben Gibson, Meagan Patterson, Wytnee Shattuck, Lauren Bowen, Ryan Olson, Jake Russel, Kristen Roye, Brittany Taylor, Alexandra Long, Whitney Morris, Alicia Kirkwood, Richard Leal, Bradley Johnson, Jacklyn Cargill.

**A-B Honor Roll**

Lisa Rodriguez, Erica Arreola, Levi Cane, Heather Sampson, Khris Graves, Alisha Jones, Gavin Eggleston, Brooke

McGraw, Christin Jones, Jovany Cobrales, Courtney Meyer.

**FIFTH GRADE**

**A Honor Roll**

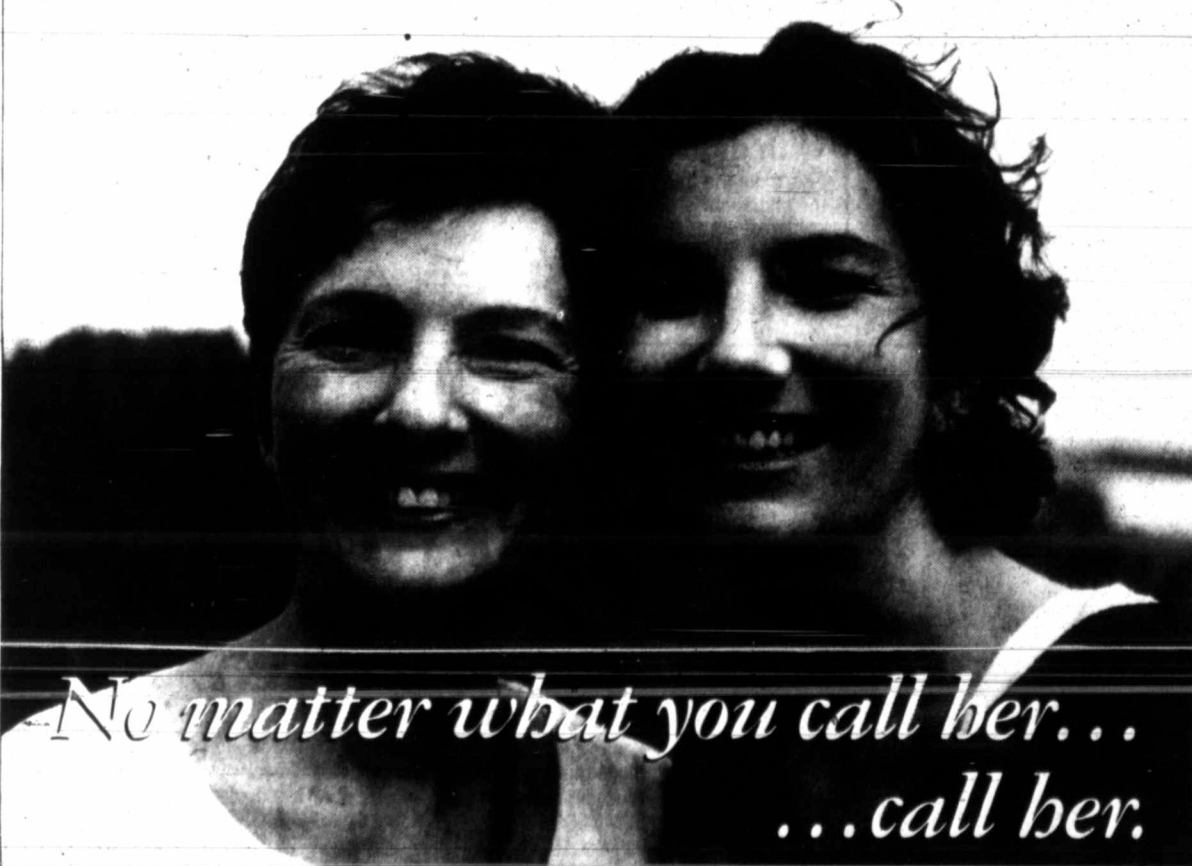
Braydon Barker, Brooke Colton, Amanda Hoke, Ashlee Lucas, Marissa Hudson, Alexa Silva, Amber Qualls, Zach Edens, Nichole Fernuik.

Miranda Woodruff, Aaron Anguiano, Wendy Clark, Felecia Urban, Sarah Langford, Lacie Long, Chadd Malone, Reid Schindler, Hannah Brooks, Cheryl Alexander, Taren Johnson, Dip Das.

**A-B Honor Roll**

David Watson, Cama Niccum, Sara Hoke, Destinee Manhart, Jake Craig, Ashley Orr, Keenan Davis, David Tatum, Kaysha Lee, Michael Grajeda, Jessica Palmateer, Laura Haley, Shannon Smith, Kaylee Hill, Halee Green, Cortnee White.

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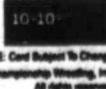
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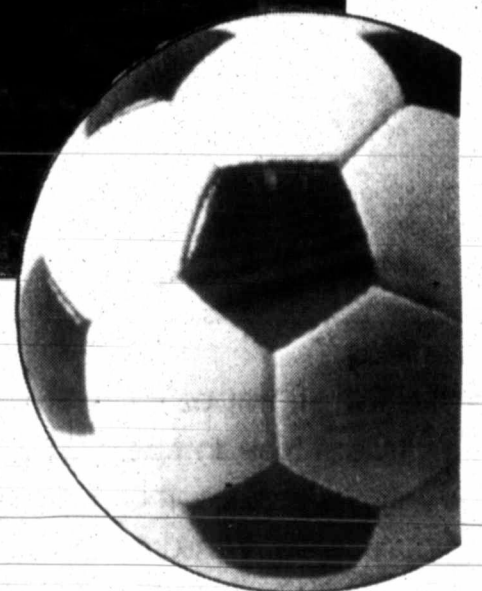
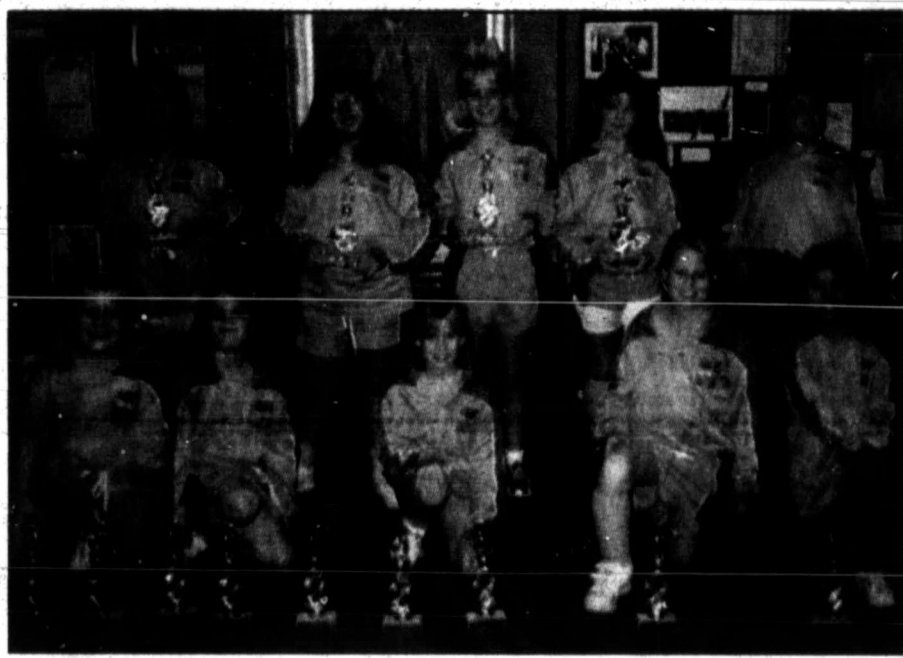
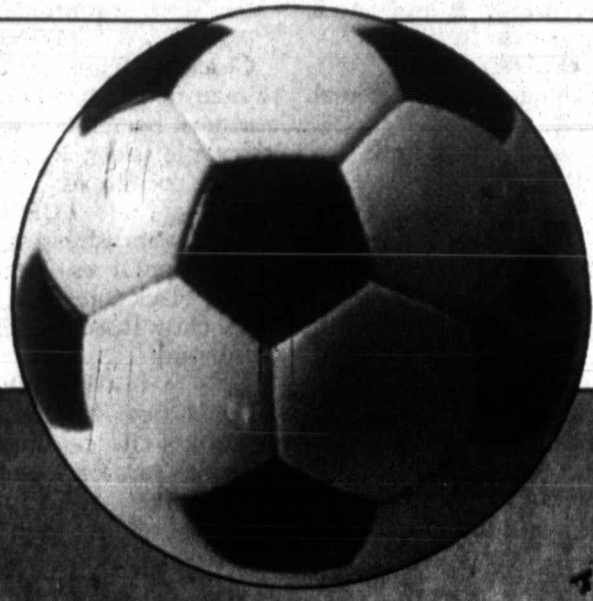


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# LIFESTYLE



# Havin' a Ball!



**BY ROY ANDERSON  
For The News**

Since the original Soccer Association was formed in 1981, approximately 500 players have registered to play each year. For a small registration fee of \$30, the player:

- Gets to play both fall and spring seasons
- Receives shirt, shorts and socks which each player keeps
- Is registered with the North Texas State Soccer Association and the United States Soccer Association
- Is insured while participating.

The Association strives to give the player the most potential development by:

- Guaranteeing each player the opportunity to play at least 1/2 of each game
- Limit the soccer team time to four hours per week, games and practices total
- Each team is formed by a blind draw. The coaches are to have their own children, but all others are put in a pool and drawn at random. This gives children the best opportunity to learn from a

different coach and teammates each year, thus eliminating school boundaries and allowing children to form friendships from all neighborhoods across the city.

• Each player is recognized with a trophy at the end of the fall season, not just first or second place winners. Each player is recognized with a medal at the end of the spring season.

Players are eligible to participate from the age of 4. For the first four years of play, no score is kept on the teams have as few as six players. This gives the players the opportunity to learn the game, get a lot of "ball time" and not feel pressured by coaches or parents to win. All players in this age group receive a participation award at awards ceremonies.

Currently, we offer league play through the eighth grade. We are a direct feeder program for the high school varsity boys and girls soccer teams. Pampa High has kids on the varsity level that have not stopped playing since they were four years old. Until the high

school varsity went UIL in 1992, the Pampa Soccer Association parents were volunteer coaches and staff for the teams.

To promote the game to a fullest and most fair level, the association tries to provide registered referees at each game. These parents and over-14 players have attended and passed an 18 hour course from a nationally certified instructor. In addition, they must pass a written test each year to maintain their registered status, pay registration fees annually and provide uniforms and equipment that meet the requirements of the United States Soccer Federation.

We also have a Junior Linesman where 10-year-old and up players may participate in officiating games. They must first take a linesman clinic and learn basic techniques. They are then placed on the sidelines with an official referee in the game. This is a nationally encouraged program that gives associations a good base to draw on for official referees when they are older.

Sponsorship for a team is \$150. For that price, sponsors receive their names on the uniform shirt and are mentioned in any publicity about the team.

Pampa Soccer Association takes pride in being one of the least expensive-to-join associations in the state. Other than the registration fee, the only mandatory expense to the player is the shin guards, which cost about \$5-\$10. We want every child to have an opportunity to play and do offer scholarships for those who are unable to pay the \$30.

Upcoming events include:

- May 2 — Awards presentation, Pampa Soccer Association Fields
- June — Signups for 4x4 summer soccer (T-Shirts & More)
- June 7-11 — Harvesters Soccer Camp (For more information call 665-4864)
- July 5- 9 — Harvesters Soccer Camp (For more information call 665-4864)
- July 26-30 — British Soccer Camp (For more information call 665-7643)
- August 14 — Signups for fall season.





Lisa Stockton and Dr. T. Bryan Smitherman

## Stockton-Smitherman

Lisa Stockton of Lubbock and Dr. T. Bryan Smitherman were wed May 1 at First United Methodist Church in Lubbock with the Rev. Cliff C. Wright, Jr., of the church, officiating.

The bridal attendants were Nancy Moore of College Station, Dena Houchin and Annette Patterson, both of Houston, all sisters of the bride, Vicki Dalrymple and Allison Haterius, both of Lubbock, and Liz Clark of Fort Worth.

The best man was Tony Smitherman, father of the groom of McLean. The groomsmen were Dr. Chad Norton, Dr. Barry Henry, Dr. Michael Manderson and Scott Segrist, all of Lubbock, and Dr. Thomas Skaggs of Puyallup, Wash.

The ushers were Ben Courville, Adam Wright and Lance Pfeiffer, all of Lubbock, Derek Moore of College Station, Darren Moore of Waco, Dr. George Hurst of Dallas, Stacey Evans of Denton and Dominic Catalano of Eustis, Fla.

Registering guests were Amy Wright and Meredith Wright. Music was provided by Dr. Gordon McMillan of Lubbock, Jeff and Rachel Howard of Cardiff, Wales, and Chancel Choir of the church.

A reception was held following the service at Lubbock Country Club. Serving the guests were Jean Ann Slaughter, Denise Thomas, Brenda Richardson and Stephie Henry, all of Lubbock, Joy Allen of San Angelo, Michelle Dunham of Amarillo and Tami Heese of Houston.

The bride holds a bachelor of business administration degree in finance from Texas Tech University and is currently vice president of Human Resources at United Supermarkets, Inc.

The groom is the son of Tony and Monta Jean Smitherman of McLean. He holds a bachelor of science degree from Texas Tech and a medical degree from the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston. He completed his orthopedic surgery residency at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center and is currently an orthopedic surgeon in private practice at The Center for Orthopedic Surgery in Lubbock.

The couple planned a honeymoon trip to Italy and intend to make their home in Lubbock.

## Menus

May 3-7

<p><b>Pampa Schools</b> <b>MONDAY</b> Breakfast: Pancake and sausage on a stick. Lunch: Cheese pizza, green beans, corn, pears.</p> <p><b>TUESDAY</b> Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, toast. Lunch: Fish strips, potato wedges, English peas, mixed fruit, hot rolls.</p> <p><b>WEDNESDAY</b> Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy. Lunch: Beef nachos, pinto beans, apple slices, cornbread.</p> <p><b>THURSDAY</b> Breakfast: Donut, sausage patty. Lunch: Corn dog, French fries, tossed salad, apricot cobbler.</p> <p><b>FRIDAY</b> Breakfast: Cereal, toast. Lunch: Bologna or peanut butter sandwiches, cheese portion, lettuce and tomatoes, chips, fresh fruit.</p> <p><b>Lefors Schools</b> <b>MONDAY</b> Breakfast: Muffins, cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Beef and cheese nachos, beans, salad, cornbread, fruit, milk.</p> <p><b>TUESDAY</b> Breakfast: Waffles, toast, cereal, juice, milk.</p>	<p>Lunch: Mini corn dogs, tator tots, coleslaw, peas, tator rounds, fruit, milk.</p> <p><b>WEDNESDAY</b> Breakfast: Biscuits, sausage, toast, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Pizza, corn, salad, fruit, milk.</p> <p><b>THURSDAY</b> Breakfast: Pancake on a stick, cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Rib or chicken patties, potatoes, green beans, fruit, milk.</p> <p><b>FRIDAY</b> Breakfast: Breakfast burrito, toast, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Hamburger and barbecue, cheese, crispy fries, salad, fruit, milk.</p> <p><b>Meals on Wheels</b> <b>MONDAY</b> Impossible pie, okra and tomatoes, corn, cookies.</p> <p><b>TUESDAY</b> Sausage spaghetti, green beans, cauliflower, plum cake.</p> <p><b>WEDNESDAY</b> Barbecue beef, baked beans, potato salad, apricots.</p> <p><b>THURSDAY</b> Chicken patties, macaroni and cheese, pickled beets, banana.</p> <p><b>FRIDAY</b> Baked ham, sweet potatoes, mixed greens, applesauce.</p>	<p><b>Senior Citizens</b> <b>MONDAY</b> Chicken fried steak or chicken/ham tetrazzini, mashed potatoes, spinach, beets, northern beans, butter pecan cake or blueberry pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p><b>TUESDAY</b> Turkey and dressing or smothered steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, yams pinto beans, black forest cake or vanilla pudding cups, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p><b>WEDNESDAY</b> Roast beef brisket with brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, baby carrots, cream peas, beans, lemon cheesecake or apple/raisin cobbler, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p><b>THURSDAY</b> Chicken strips or sausage and kraut, boiled potatoes, fried squash, winter blend, beans, coconut creme cake or chocolate pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p><b>FRIDAY</b> Fried cod fish or beef stew, potato wedges, macaroni and tomatoes, beans, angel food cake with strawberries or lemon pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, garlic toast, hot rolls or cornbread.</p>
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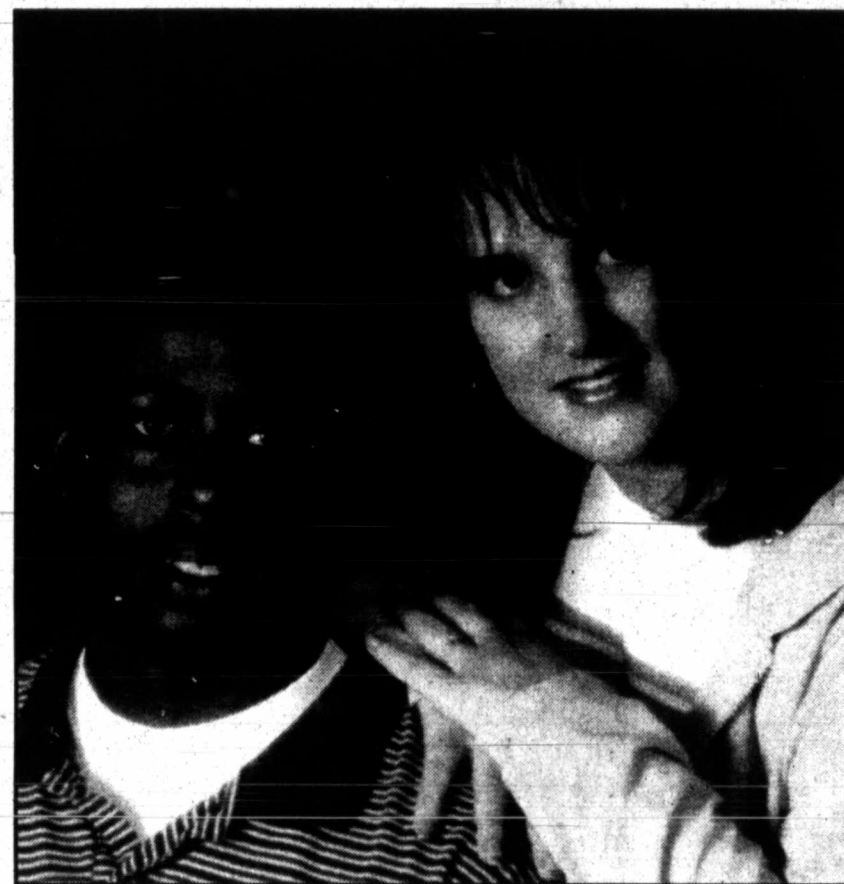
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Orth, Jr.

## Orth anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Orth, Jr., of Elk City, Okla., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary April 30, 1999. Children of the couple hosted the reception.

Arthur J. Orth, Jr., and Betty M. Crumley were married April 30, 1949, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church at Kingman, Kan. The couple lived at Pampa for 45 years.

Mr. Orth retired from Cities Service Oil Company after 42 years of service. Children of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. R.L. Orth of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Donald R. Orth of Elk City and Chris Orth. They have two grandchildren.



Sarah Jean Yowell and Quincy Marcelle Williams

## Yowell-Williams

Sarah Jean Yowell and Quincy Marcelle Williams, both of Pampa, plan to wed June 25 at the Wedding Chapel in Amarillo.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Paul and Joan Yowell of Pampa. She is currently a senior at West Texas A&M University.

The prospective groom is the son of Fay Jones of Pampa. He attended Seward County Community College at Liberal, Kan., for two years and Southern Oklahoma State University at Weatherford for one year.

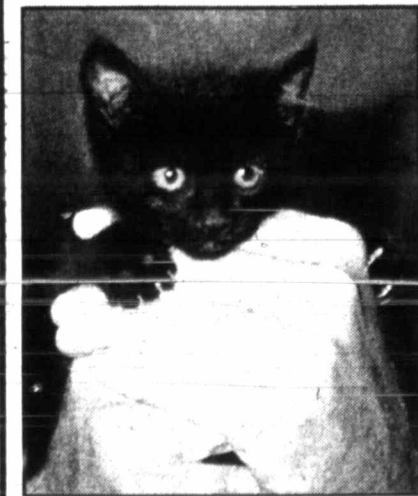
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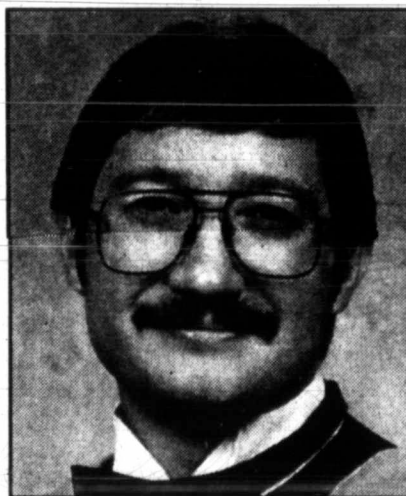
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## Newsmakers

**WEATHERFORD, Okla.** — Approximately 493 students at Southwestern Oklahoma State University will complete requirements for either bachelor's or master's degrees upon completion of the 1999 spring semester. Convocation will be held May 15 at Milam Stadium on the SWOSU campus. Speaker for the event will be Jerry Grizzle, CEO of CD Warehouse, Inc. Students to be awarded diplomas include: Aaron Witt, bachelor of science degree in special education, of Pampa; Tracy Lane, BS degree in nursing, of Allison; Jennifer Morgan, BS in elementary education, of Shamrock; and Stacey Miller-Horton, bachelor of business administration degree in accounting, of Wheeler.

**GREAT LAKES, Ill.** — Navy Seaman Apprentice **Robert**



Alan D. Kilgore

Underwood, 1998 Pampa High School graduate, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command at Great Lakes.



Kimberly Clark

During the eight-week program, Underwood completed a variety of training including classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs,

first aid, fire fighting, water safety and survival, and shipboard and aircraft safety. Emphasis was placed on physical fitness.

Underwood and other recruits also received instruction on the Navy's core values — honor, courage and commitment.

Underwood's wife, Trinidee, is the daughter of Donald and Gayla Summers of Pampa.

**TSOUYING, Taiwan** — Alan D. Kilgore, a 1974 Pampa High School graduate and son of Mr. and Mrs. George Kilgore of Ozark, Mo., was recently ordained as minister at Tsouying. Kilgore received a degree from NTSU in 1981 and earned a master's degree from Theological Seminary in Canada. He spent several years in Taiwan as an instructor at a Christian College and as a minister of the church.

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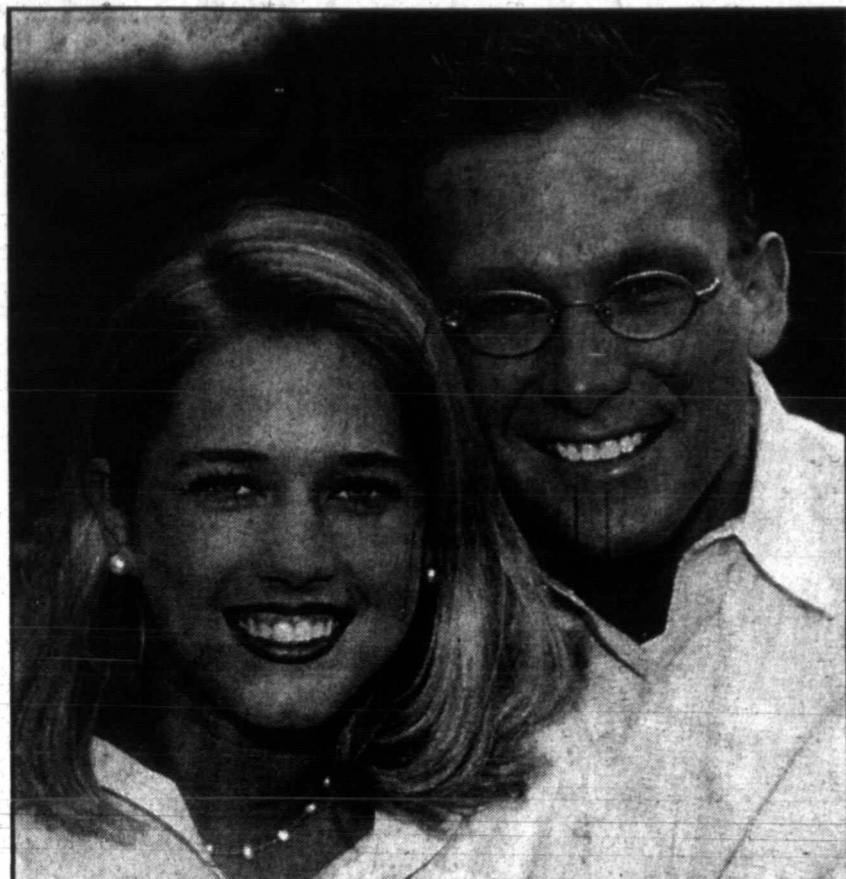
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**WEATHERFORD, Okla.** — Southwestern Oklahoma State University recently announced **Kimberly Clark** of Pampa High School has been awarded a Non-Resident Tuition Scholarship to SWOSU.

Only a select group of out-of-state freshmen receive this scholarship which allows full-time, out-of-state students to pay only the resident tuition and fees. The non-resident tuition waiver is the highest dollar value scholarship offered by Southwestern.

Clark plans to major in pharmacy and will be a freshman at SWOSU during the 1999-2000 academic year. She is the daughter of Jimmie and Carol Clark of Pampa.

**CANYON** — West Texas A&M University's Texas Zeta Chapter of Alpha Chi National Honor Society recently inducted 62 students. (See, NEWSMAKERS, Page 15)



Kendall Irene Smith and Dr. John Wayne East

### Smith-East

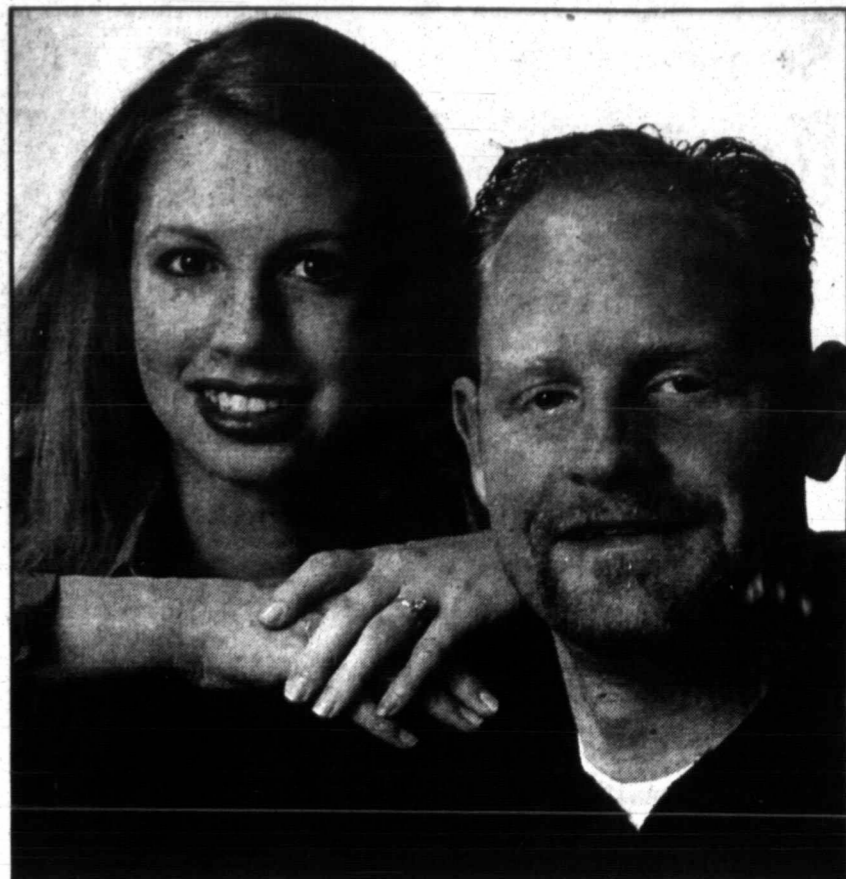
Kendall Irene Smith and Dr. John Wayne East, both of Fort Worth, plan to wed May 29 at First United Methodist Church in Fort Worth. The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Mixon Smith of Fort Worth. She attended Tarrant County Junior College and plans to attend SMU in the fall. She is currently employed at The Letter Co. Fort Worth, a gift and stationary store. The prospective groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Victor East Jr. of Pampa. He graduated magna cum laude from West Texas A&M University with a bachelor of science degree in biology and chemistry and earned his doctorate of osteopathic medicine from the University of North Texas Health Science school. He will complete his residency at Parkland Hospital in Dallas Southwestern School of Medicine.



Shanna Marie Stegall and Christopher Don Whitney

### Stegall-Whitney

Shanna Marie Stegall and Christopher Don Whitney of Lubbock wed April 10 in First Assembly of God Church at Levelland with the Rev. Otho Stegall, grandfather of the bride of Paris, Texas, officiating. The maid of honor was Kelli Colley of Lubbock. The bridesmaids were Sharee Howard, sister of the bride, and Holin Gummelt, both of Lubbock. The flower girl was Brittney Bednarz of Lubbock. The best man was Darin Wyatt of Houston. The groomsmen were Jay Pugh of Lubbock and Aaron Whitney, brother of the groom of Pampa. The ring bearer was Gregory Phelps of Lubbock. The ushers were Jack Howard, brother-in-law of the bride, and Rudy Renda, both of Lubbock, and Lyrn Scherler of Amarillo. The candlelighters were Paula Whitney, mother of the groom of Pampa, and Anita Stegall of Lubbock. Registering guests was Kristi Rike of Lubbock. Music was provided by Beth Gwinn, Carolyn Brown and saxophonist Jackie Howard, all of Lubbock, and Jim Snead of Levelland. A reception was held following the service in fellowship hall of the church with Jessica and Michelle Whitney, Davina Cowen of Kerrville, Lisa Holzwarth of Lewisville and Sue Hooper of Amarillo serving the guests. The bride is the daughter of David and Anita Stegall of Levelland. She holds a bachelor of arts degree in communication studies from Texas Tech University, graduating in the fall of 1998. She is currently employed as marketing director of Elmbrook Estates. The groom is the son of Don and Paula Whitney of Pampa. He holds a bachelor of science degree in general studies from Texas Tech, graduating in the spring of 1998. While at Tech, he was a four-year offensive lineman on the football team. He is currently an insurance agent employed with Texas Farm Bureau in Lubbock. The couple planned a honeymoon trip to Las Vegas, Nev., and intend to make their home in Lubbock.



Kathryn Elizabeth Green and Robert Joseph Brakemeier

### Green-Brakemeier

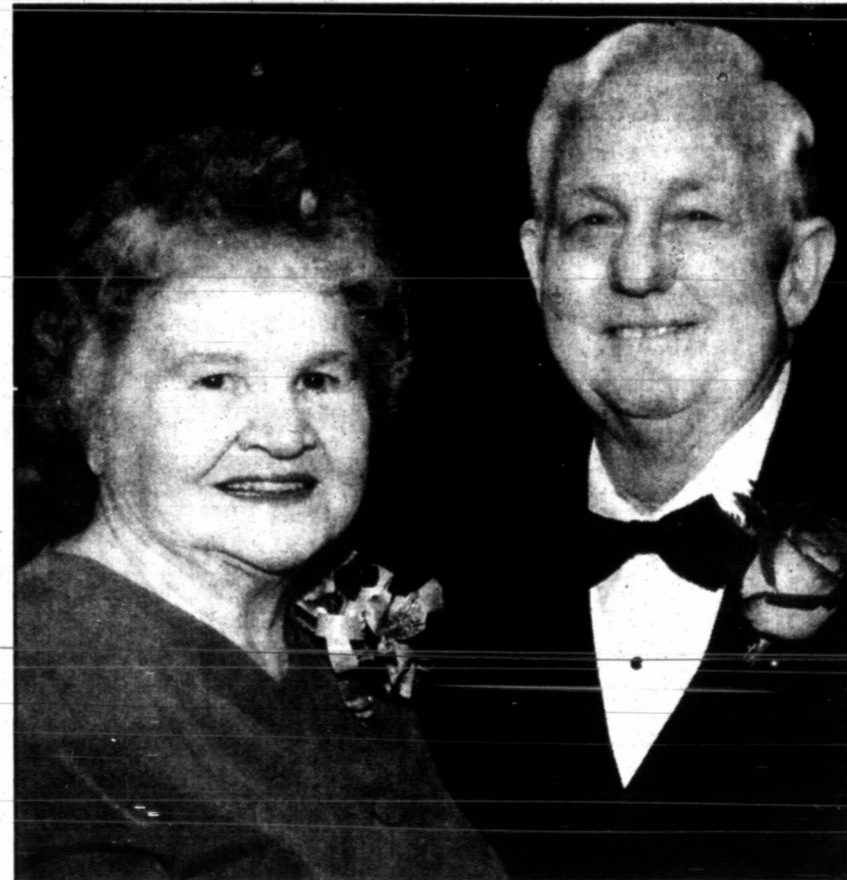
Kathryn Elizabeth Green of Lewisville and Robert Joseph Brakemeier of Fort Worth plan to wed Aug. 21 in Fellowship United Methodist Church at Trophy Club, Texas. The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kent C. Olson of Pampa and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Kent Green of Plainview. She graduated from the University of North Texas at Denton with a bachelor of arts degree in speech and language pathology. She is currently a graduate student at UNT and belongs to ASHA, TSHA and NSSHLA — national, state and local speech and language pathology organizations. The prospective groom is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Robert H. Brakemeier of Temple. He graduated from the University of North Texas with a degree in hotel and restaurant management and belongs to Kappa Sigma fraternity. He is currently manager at Salt Grass Steak House. The bride-elect's parents and family will host an engagement party in honor of the couple May 1 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kent Olson in Pampa.



Lawana Payne and Lynn Pulliam

### Payne-Pulliam

Lawana Payne and Lynn Pulliam plan to wed July 24 at the Wedding Chapel in Amarillo. The bride-elect is the daughter of Robert Payne of Amarillo and David and Wana Keahey of Pampa. She graduated from Miami High School and will complete her education at West Texas A&M University this spring. She is currently student teaching at Gene Howe Elementary School in Amarillo. She is also an aerobics instructor at WTAMU. The prospective groom is the son of Wayne and Glenda Pulliam of Vega. He graduated from Vega High School and from Texas Tech University. He is currently assistant principal at Highland Park Middle School and High School.



Mr. and Mrs. A.L. Roden, Jr.

### Roden anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. A.L. Roden, Jr., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary April 24, 1999, with a Mexican food dinner at The Plaza in Borger. Children of the couple hosted the reception. A.L. Roden, Jr., and Lucille Zelisko were married April 24, 1949, at the home of the bride's parents near Haskell, Texas. The couple have lived at Bay City, Perryton and other towns in Texas and Louisiana prior to settling in Pampa where they currently operate Roden's Fabric Shop. Mr. Roden is retired from Arco as a gas measurement specialist. Children of the couple are Stan and Rhonda Slovak of Duncanville, David and Jan Roden of Borger and Ron and Denise Rueckert of Houston. They have four grandchildren.



Berkley Sisemore and Brock Thompson

### Sisemore-Thompson

Berkley Sisemore of Amarillo and Brock Thompson of Gruver plan to wed June 12 in San Jacinto Baptist Church in Amarillo. The bride-elect is the daughter of LuLu Hall-Sisemore and Jack Sisemore, both of Amarillo, and is the granddaughter of Mary Sue Sisemore of Amarillo, the late Dr. Jack W. Sisemore, Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Holtzclaw of Dumas and the late Noble A. Hall. She graduated from West Texas A&M University where she was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha. She is currently a healthcare representative for Pfizer Pharmaceuticals and belongs to the Junior League of Amarillo. The prospective groom is the son of Butch and Kay Thompson of Miami and is the grandson of J.W. and Mary Thompson of Miami. He graduated from Texas A&M University at College Station and is currently a cattle manager for Texas Beef Group at Palo Duro Feeders.

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## NEWMAKERS

Membership to Alpha Chi is by invitation only and is limited to juniors and seniors with an overall grade point average of 3.5 or higher who rank in the top 10 percent of their class. The purpose of Alpha Chi is to recognize students who have maintained a high level of scholarship, according to Dr. Duane Rosa, Alpha Chi faculty sponsor and director of Planning and Analysis at WT. Among the inductees were Lynda J. Dyer, a senior elementary education major, and

Matthew J. Melao, a senior psychology/social work major, both of Pampa.

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### Science Fair



(Special photo)

Students from Community Christian School of Pampa recently competed in the Association of Christian Schools International Regional Science Fair at San Jacinto Christian Academy in Amarillo. Students are (back row, left-right) Heather Wiley, Andrew Fraser, Mark Murray, Krissa Galloway, Joel Shannon and Crissie Boring; (front row, l-r) Camber Biehler, Corbin Biehler, Russell Dougless, Nicholas Robbins, Nicole Sturgill and Myles Roberts.

### Calendar of events

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

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

**AL-ANON**  
Al-Anon will hold weekly meetings on Mondays and Wednesdays at 8 p.m. at 910 W. Kentucky.

**VFW CHARITY BINGO**  
The Pampa Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1657, 105 S. Cuyler, will be having Charity Bingo every Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Doors open at 12 noon. The public is welcome. License No. 1-75-6037422-9.

**CELEBRATION OF LIGHTS**  
The Celebration of Lights project will hold regular workshop meetings at 6:30 p.m. on Monday nights at Warren Chisum's Office, 100 N. Price Road. Anyone wishing to help with the

project is invited to attend any work session.

**PAMPA DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB**  
The Pampa Duplicate Bridge Club plays Monday at 1:30 p.m. and Thursdays at 10 a.m. at Clarendon College. For a partner, or more information, please call Marie Jamieson at 669-2945.

**PANHANDLE ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL**  
A support group for the mentally ill and family members meet

the second Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at 218 N. Russell. This week we are discussing the negative symptoms of paranoid schizophrenia. There is no charge. For more information or if you need a ride call Sharon King, 665-2818.

**SOUTHSIDE SENIOR CITIZENS**  
Cornbread casserole, spinach and carrots, dessert.

**USS SPERRY**  
The U.S. Navy Reunion for the

Tender, 1942-82, will be held Oct. 4-6 at San Antonio. For more information, call (218) 534-2459; write Arnold Ross, Vice President, USS Sperry (AS-12) Association, 2916 Colonial Drive, Dickinson, TX 77539; or e-mail sperrysec@juno.com

**USS LONG BEACH REUNION**  
USS Long Beach Reunion Association will hold its 1999 reunion Sept. 15-19 at Pensacola, Fla. Participants will be staying at the Holiday Inn Bay Beach, 51 Gulf Breeze Parkway, Gulf

Breeze, FL 32561-9990. For reservations, call (850) 932-2214. For more information, contact Don Shade at P.O. Box 69, Clymer, NY 14724-0069, (716) 569-2314, or e-mail LBCGN9@aol.com.



Crystal Hopper

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**PHS Choir**



(Community Camera photo)

(From left) Catherine Morse, Nicole Bruton, Angie Cloud are representatives of Pampa High School Womens Choir. They earned sweepstakes at UIL Concert and Sightreading Contest at Randall High School in Amarillo recently. The choir is directed by Jennifer Scoggin.

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MAITLAND, Fla. — This Mother's Day, add a manatee to your family. Show your mom how much you care by adopting a manatee in her name. You can't take the manatee home, but, for \$20, Save the Manatee Club (SMC) will send a photo and biography of the newest addition to the family. An adoption certificate, membership handbook and newsletter subscription are also included. Manatees are animals your mom won't have to feed, walk or clean up after — and they don't talk back. Your mom will have all the fun without the responsibility, and your contribution will go toward efforts to help protect endangered manatees and their habitat.

Manatees can be found in the waterways of southeastern United States — primarily in Florida. Today, there are only about 2,600 manatees left. They are an endangered species, and they need our help. Manatees have a low reproductive rate. In addition, many manatees are killed each year by watercraft collisions. They are crushed in floodgates and canal locks, and they become entangled in fishing gear. The greatest long-term threat to manatees, however, is loss of habitat.

Twenty manatees who regularly winter at Blue Spring State Park in Orange City, Fla., have been chosen for one of SMC's three Adopt-A-Manatee programs. Adoptees at Blue Spring State Park include manatee moms such as Phyllis, Success and Lucille. In the spring of 1991, Phyllis gave birth to twins, a rare occurrence for manatees. Success is another manatee in SMC's adoption program. She hasn't missed a winter visit to Blue Spring since her

birth in 1982, and she is the proud mother of four calves. Her most recent calf was born in 1996. Lily was first identified in 1974 and she also regularly winters at Blue Spring. Recently, Lily brought her eighth calf into Blue Spring.

SMC's other adoption program is at Homosassa Springs State Wildlife Park, Fla. The park is a rehabilitation facility for manatees who are recovering from injuries before being released back into the wild. Five female manatees who cannot be released into the wild for life threatening reasons currently call HSSWP their home. They include Amanda, who suffered injuries from a watercraft collision, and her daughters Ariel, Star and Betsy. Rosie is another park resident. She is a gentle manatee who likes to "babysit" the younger manatees in rehabilitation.

Save the Manatee Club is a national, nonprofit organization that was started in 1981 by U. S. Sen. Bob Graham and singer/songwriter Jimmy Buffett. The Club's mission is to protect manatees and their habitat. Contributions to the Adopt-A-Manatee program are tax deductible and help to support SMC's manatee education and public awareness projects. SMC also funds manatee rescue, rehabilitation and research efforts in the U.S. and the Wider Caribbean and helps to protect manatees and their habitat through advocacy and legal action.

For more information about manatees or the Adopt-A-Manatee program, contact: Save the Manatee Club, 500 N. Maitland Ave., Maitland, FL 32751, 1-800-432-JOIN. Visit the SMC web page on the Internet at: <http://www.savethemanatee.org>.

**Club news**

*Club news is published strictly on a first come first serve basis due to limited space. The deadline each week for Sunday's paper is Wednesday at 5 p.m. (Tuesday at 12 noon the week of Thanksgiving and Christmas) though this deadline does not guarantee publication. Thank you.*

**Pampa Garden Club**

Pampa Garden Club met recently at the home of Alice Gray for a field trip to Shamrock. The group toured "The Old Home Place," a bed and breakfast built in 1903 by O.P. Jones. Ten members were present.

The home was purchased in 1918 by W.S. Penalton and his daughter-in-law, Anaruth Penalton, is the present owner. Penalton provided members with a brief history of many of the original furnishings.

Thelma Bray conducted a

brief business meeting. Minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved and members voted on Gardner of the Year.

The next meeting will be May 5 at Pampa Country Club at which time the Gardner of the Year Award will be announced.

**Altrusa**

Altrusa International, Inc., of Pampa met April 27 at Pampa Country Club with President Mayda King presiding. Karen Bridges and Debi Waite served as greeters.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—A Program Planning Meeting will be May 4 at the Senior Citizens Center.

—Members were urged to volunteer for Lamar Accelerated Reader Store on May 13.

—Glyndene Shelton conducted a new member initiation ceremony for Joan Gray.

—Lifting a Spirit Awards were bestowed upon Dorla McAndrew, Mary McDaniel, Mattie Norton, Mary Wilson and Pat Johnson for outstanding service on various projects throughout the year.

—Judy Warner presented the accent on Altrusa's 82nd birthday, reviewing the club's history since its inception in 1917 in Nashville, Tenn.

—Christy Parker, manager of Dunlaps, presented a program on how to plan for trips including which clothing and accessories to take along.

—Pat Pierce, Terry Gamblin, Leona Willis and Parker were all recognized for having birthdays.

The next meeting will be May 11 at Pampa County Club.

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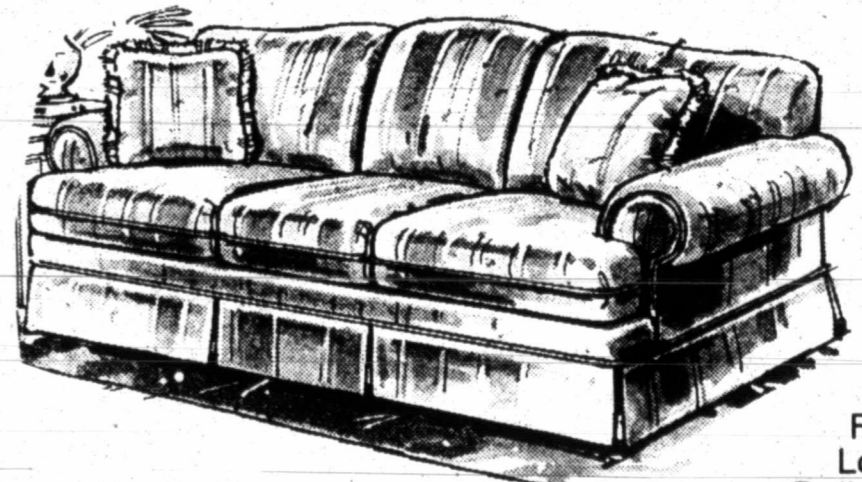
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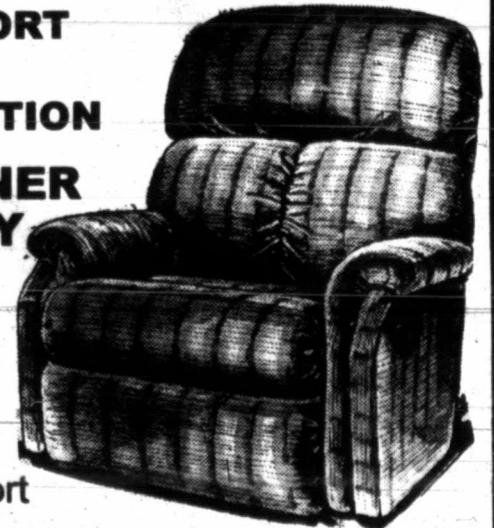
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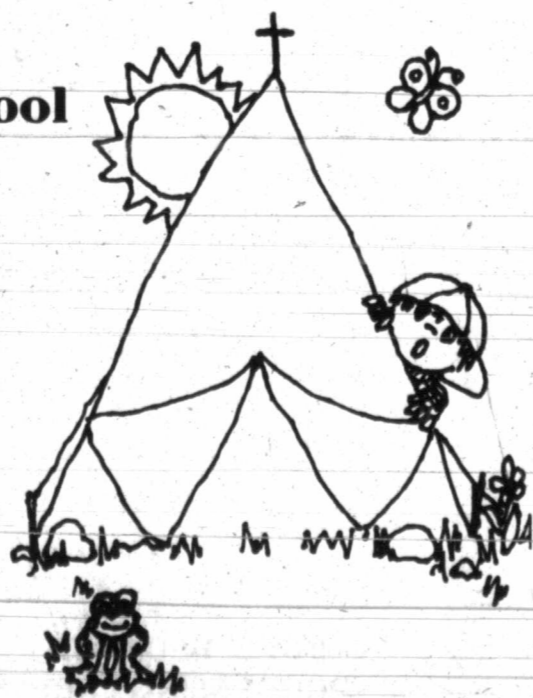
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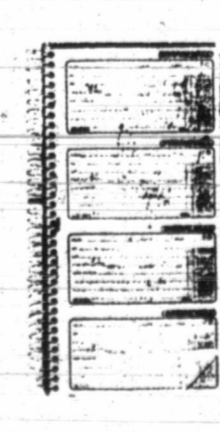
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# Lonely Widower's Friendship Is Threatened by His Daughter

DEAR ABBY: My husband passed away 11 months ago. A former co-worker advised me to take a trip to "get away from it all." I took her advice and went on the trip of a lifetime, to Greece, in September.

While I was on this trip, I met "Richard," a gentleman who had lost his wife. We hit it off and spent a lot of time getting acquainted. At one point, he bought me an expensive gift, which I tried to refuse, but he insisted I keep it. It was something I had admired but was too costly for my budget. I am not poor; I own my home, car, have some savings and own some stock. I live on a fairly small widow's pension, but if I budget and am careful I'll do fine.

After we returned to the states, Richard called me regularly, sent me flowers when I was hospitalized and has generally been a good friend. The problem is his daughter, "Liz." She dislikes me intensely.

Richard arranged to visit me for a week to meet my friends and family. They thought he was terrific and were happy for us. When I went to visit him, he had a welcome poster printed and hung in his living room. When Liz saw the poster, she tore it down and threw it in the garbage. She informed me that she did not welcome me and thought I was a "fortune hunter." She even threatened to hit me!

Liz tried to convince her father to give her power of attorney while he was out of town, as she has been handling his finances for him. His



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sister advised him not to let his daughter run his life, and that he should take Liz's name off his checking account and take care of his own bills. Liz thinks this was my idea. I tried to explain to her that I have no designs on her father's money, if he has any, and that we're just good friends who enjoy traveling together.

When we first got together, I told Richard I would not see him if his daughter objected. The problem is, he told me he would just "give up on life" if we couldn't see each other, and he'd rather be dead than lonely.

Abby, I am 56; Richard is 72. He lives in Michigan and I live in Montana, and neither of us wants to remarry, as it would complicate our lives.

Any advice you can give me will be greatly appreciated.

LONELY IN MONTANA

**DEAR LONELY: Do not for one moment think that this is about you. It's about money. Since Liz pays all of her father's bills, she is aware of the expen-**

sive gift he gave you, and obviously views you as a threat to her inheritance. Unless Richard wants his daughter running his life, he needs to take control of his financial affairs.

I see no reason for you and Richard to end your friendship or forgo traveling together because of his daughter's determination to control him. My advice to both of you: Listen to your hearts.

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could do the unexpected. Good news follows you. Go along with a demanding boss. Tonight: Could be a late one.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

\*\*\*\*\* Allow yourself to be more positive and optimistic. Be open to the creative process. Others pop up with good ideas and unusual suggestions. Look at the whole story, not just part of it. Charisma, fun and a sense of humor allow others to be open with you. Tonight: Spice up a flirtation.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

\*\*\*\*\* Build a strong foundation, rather than trying to fix a project midway. Recognize your limitations while opening up to career possibilities. Is there a more effective way of doing your work? Others offer suggestions. An associate is there for you. Accept a money offer. Tonight: Take work home.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

\*\*\*\*\* Communication is energized; it seems like your phone will short-circuit from so many calls. Don't cut a child or loved one off if you can avoid it; he might have important or unusual news. Others clearly want to share. Try to fit them in while you get work done. Tonight: The hectic pace continues.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

\*\*\*\*\* Be willing to shake up the status quo. Your sense of direction might be very important, financially. Regroup and build better work relationships. Teamwork counts while your plate is too full. Discuss different financial options over lunch. Tonight: Pay bills.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

\*\*\*\*\* You're in the limelight, even when you try to steer attention toward others. Creativity is high; you find answers. Be careful with flirtation. Don't

promise—another easily misreads it. Your inner vitality marks communication. Be unique and daring in what you say and do.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

\*\*\*\*\* Much you hear isn't confirmed. Think through financial decisions before you make a commitment. Be realistic about family and how much you can depend on them. Good intentions mark interactions on the homefront. Tonight: Take a needed time-out.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

\*\*\*\*\* Many find your unpredictability and fun-loving nature irresistible. Not everyone has to see eye-to-eye with you, which is as it should be. You sometimes shock people with your ideas and beliefs. Screen calls and cut out unnecessary errands. Tonight: Running around doing this and that.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

\*\*\*\*\* Eliminate the unnecessary. Stay focused on necessities, particularly work-related ones. You can make a financial coup; this could involve a lucky lottery ticket or even a pay raise. You certainly have been giving 100 percent of yourself. Tonight: Your mind is putting in overtime, even if you aren't!

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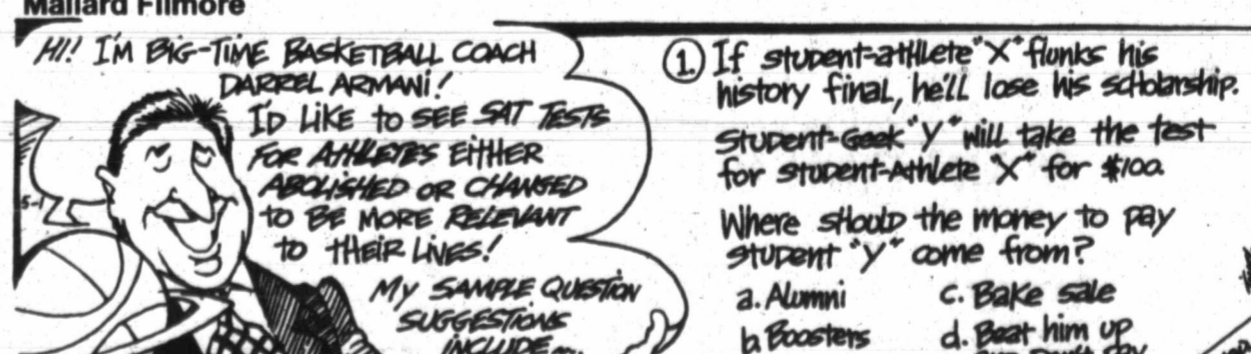
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## Horoscope

MONDAY, MAY 3, 1999

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)

\*\*\*\*\* Continue to work with the unexpected and to remain confident, and opportunities will land in your lap. Laughter and humor mark the day's end. Start confirming summer vacation plans. Take a risk; invite others for a meeting. The more feedback, the better. Tonight: Try a new route home.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

\*\*\*\*\* Close relating is important professionally. A boss appreciates your uniqueness, but do you appreciate his? Laugh, loosen up and enjoy the moment. Your perspective helps others; your intuition helps you. Don't be timid. No matter what, you will land on your feet. Tonight: Burning the midnight oil.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

\*\*\*\*\* Break patterns. Heed your intuition. Arrange meetings, brainstorm and be willing to work with another's advice. News could surprise you; however, it is a major first step. Follow a hunch; open that door. Others respond to your requests. Tonight: Out and about.

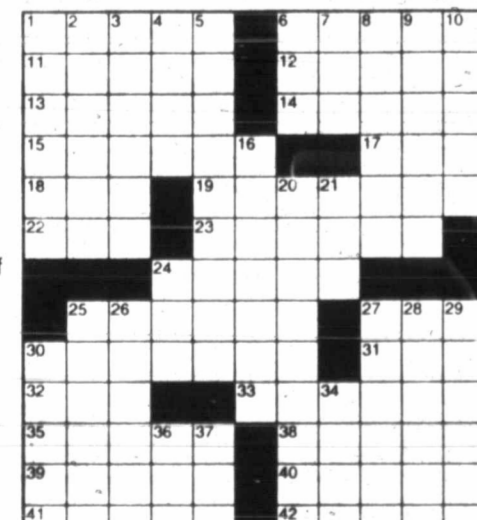
CANCER (June 21-July 22)

\*\*\*\*\* Work needs to remain your highest priority. You have a lot on your plate, and more is about to arrive. Partners who have supported you emotionally and financially

## Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS
- 1 Software buys
  - 6 Roof support
  - 11 Like some cable movies
  - 12 Like many mouth-washes
  - 13 Muffler
  - 14 Up to now
  - 15 Floor workers
  - 17 Swiss canton
  - 18 Patriotic monogram
  - 19 Pyrenees nation
  - 22 For each
  - 23 Almost
  - 24 Frighten
  - 25 Bowling feat
  - 27 "Night-line" network
  - 30 Dreamed up
  - 31 By way of
  - 32 Office-holders
  - 33 Go over again
  - 35 Prexies' underlings
  - 38 Poetry
  - 39 Mis-behave
  - 40 Mini-map
- DOWN
- 1 Dispute
  - 2 Cut
  - 3 Vector's counterpart
  - 4 Make sound
  - 5 Assisi name
  - 6 Logos, e.g.; Abbr.
  - 7 Carnival city
  - 8 Roll out
  - 9 Like Van Gogh's "Night"
  - 10 Mideast
  - 16 Soft shoe
  - 20 Reckless fellow
  - 21 Mine yield
  - 24 — Lanka
  - 25 New York tribe
  - 26 Appliance store
  - 27 Disinclined
  - 28 Not fair
  - 29 West Pointers
  - 30 Backless sofa
  - 34 Painter Magritte
  - 36 Place
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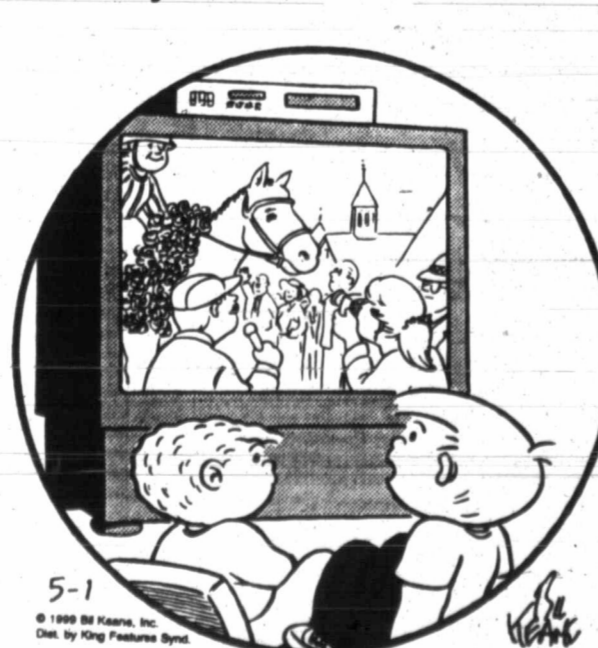
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# Briefly business ...

## Company bids for oil giant

NEW YORK (AP) — Spanish industrial company Repsol SA on Thursday offered up to \$13.4 billion in cash for the shares of Argentina oil giant YPF SA it doesn't already own.

The bid values the Buenos Aires-based YPF at \$44.78 a share and is roughly a 25 percent premium over what YPF closed at Thursday on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange, Repsol said in a statement.

The cash tender offer, if successful, would bring together two former state oil companies and create a Latin American rival to the state oil companies of Venezuela and Brazil.

## Honda puts brakes on electric cars

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Honda will stop building electric cars, writing them off in their infancy as expensive, inconvenient and unpopular flops.

While environmentalists criticized the move Thursday, it may be indicative of the auto industry's movement away from pure electric cars and toward hybrids that use other low-emission technology such as fuel cells.

"If we were making money on the cars it would be a different story, but these are not moneymakers," American Honda Motor Co. spokesman Art Garner said Thursday in Torrance, Calif. "Given the current technology, we have no plans to build them in the future."

Toyota, General Motors, Ford, DaimlerChrysler and Nissan all say they will continue to produce battery-powered cars, but will pursue the development of other technologies as a possible alternative.

## Economy rolls; home sales climbing

WASHINGTON (AP) — The amazing U.S. economy just keeps improving. New home sales climb higher, labor costs for American companies inch up at the slowest pace on record and workers enjoy a strong labor market.

That was the picture painted by a trio of new government reports Thursday that showed the U.S. economy is still thriving in spite of global economic weakness.

Investors, who pushed the Dow Jones industrial average to another record, were most cheered by a report that American companies are not being battered by rising wage pressures, a potential danger that would prompt the Federal Reserve to start boosting interest rates.

## Hedge funds could get new rules

WASHINGTON (AP) — In response to the near-demise of a big high-risk investment fund, a White House task force is urging Congress to impose new disclosure requirements on hedge funds and to expand regulators' authority.

While the panel wants more public disclosures, the Senate Banking Committee's chairman favors continuing the current system, in which banks supervise the hedge funds that do business with them.

Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, still believes "it's really up to the banks" that lend money to hedge funds to tighten their credit standards, spokeswoman Christi Harlan said Thursday.

## Electric device firm cuts 8,000 jobs

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP) — AMP Inc. is eliminating approximately 8,000 jobs, or 15 percent of its work force, as its new owners try to restore the \$5.5 billion company to leadership in the market for connectors for electric and electronic devices.

The cuts announced Thursday in a worldwide work force of 48,800 provide firm figures after more than a year of attempts to restructure

the company, which has been hit hard by the Asian economic crisis and a failed expansion. The business, bought earlier this month by Bermuda-based Tyco International Ltd., hopes to save \$1 billion over the next two years.

Last year, AMP shook up its top management and cut 4,800 jobs as part of a plan to save \$400 million. But that effort failed because all those jobs were replaced within a few months, AMP's president, Jurgen Gromer, said in a telephone interview Thursday.

## Anti-trust ruling could go against Coke

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexico's antitrust agency is expected to announce that it has ruled against Coca-Cola Co.'s plans to sell the soft drink brands of Cadbury Schweppes PLC in the country.

"We haven't received a formal notification, but we know that the agency has ruled against the purchase of the Cadbury Schweppes brands in Mexico," said Rodrigo Calderon, vice president of corporate relations at Coca-Cola Export Corp. in Mexico City, late Thursday.

Coca-Cola announced in December a \$1.85 billion deal that gives it rights in 120 countries outside the United States to sell Cadbury Schweppes soft-drink brands.

Mexico is one of Coca-Cola's largest markets and has been one of Coke's growth leaders, with sales up 13 percent in 1998.

## Court: Insurance should have paid for treatment

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (AP) — An employer violated federal disability laws and the Civil Rights Act when it denied insurance coverage for a woman's infertility treatments, the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission has ruled.

Advocates said the finding provides a clear warning to employers to provide insurance for the often expensive procedures that help couples have children. "Infertility is now finally out of the closet as a medical condition," said Daniel Berger, the plaintiff's lawyer.

Rochelle Saks, 37, of Mahopac, N.Y., who manages Franklin Covey Co.'s retail outlet in White Plains, sued the company last year when it refused to reimburse about \$20,000 she had paid for hormone treatment, artificial insemination and the care for her resulting miscarriage.

On Tuesday, EEOC District Director Spencer Lewis Jr. ruled the company's decision to exclude infertility coverage violated the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Civil Rights Act.

## Firms try for safer cigarette

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Tobacco companies have tried cabbage, cloves and all sorts of different things to make a safer cigarette that people might actually want to smoke. Now, two companies say they are working on a way to remove a potentially carcinogenic compound from tobacco and still leave the cigarette palatable.

Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp. is experimenting with a curing process developed by a small Richmond, Va., firm to remove some of the nitrosamines from tobacco. Nitrosamines, which are related to nicotine, cause cancer in laboratory animals.

On Thursday, a second cigarette manufacturer, R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., claimed it had also found a new way to cure tobacco that reduced nitrosamines, but said its findings were limited to laboratory studies. Both companies were careful not to make broad claims about finding a healthier tobacco for cigarettes. Even without nitrosamines, cigarettes contain multiple agents that have been found to cause cancer.

## More Images ...



The postal carrier doesn't make a move that Jade and Tofu don't catch as the dogs watch closely through the storm door glass. The photo was submitted in the Critters category in the Pride '99 contest. The photo was sent in by Ricky and Liesa Knight of Pampa.

## Dozens of students caught cheating in ethics course

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Twenty-five San Diego State University business students got an "F" for cheating. The class? Ethics.

About a third of those enrolled in a business ethics course were caught using answers to a quiz last month. All were given failing grades for the course and most were placed on probation.

The scandal was reported this week in the student newspaper, The Daily Aztec, and in today's San Diego Union-Tribune.

"What did I learn? Obviously not to cheat. It's not worth it," one student told the Union-Tribune.

Lecturer Brian D. Cornforth said he set a trap to catch cheaters after receiving a tip that students were using answers they culled from tests given to an earlier session of the class.

"A line must be drawn in the sand," he said. "This is just too egregious, it's too heinous a cheating scandal."

Julie Logan, the university's judicial procedures officer, said the case was unusual because of the number of students involved: "Most of my cheating cases are just one person making the decision to cheat on their own."

## EDS plans to slash 5,200 jobs

PLANO, Texas (AP) — Electronic Data Systems Corp. will cut 4 percent of its worldwide workforce as the company restructures.

EDS chairman and chief executive Richard H. "Dick" Brown said 5,200 jobs will be cut, the first time a figure has been set on a much-anticipated cost-reduction plan.

Brown promised analysts at a meeting in New York on Thursday that the cuts would be coupled with more rapid revenue growth.

"Our aim is to reclaim our leadership and put the luster back" on the company, Brown said in his first meeting with the financial community since taking charge of EDS in January.

EDS has fallen behind IBM and other more aggressive rivals in winning new services contracts as EDS has grown more bureaucratic and its sales force has become complacent, analysts say.

"Our first priority is to reignite our growth engines. EDS is in a growth industry. We have got a tremendous opportunity. We will not be satisfied until our growth is in excess of the market growth rate," Brown said.

The job losses, which will include more than 600 reductions previously announced at EDS' Plano headquarters, should be completed by June, company officials said. Many of the people will be able to apply for vacant positions at the company, officials said.

The company has made largely symbolic cuts already, Brown said, such as reducing its fleet of corporate aircraft and eliminating its executive car program.

James Daley, chief financial officer, said further job cuts may be needed to reach the \$1 billion

cost savings goal. Brown said EDS has set out to hire more top guns into its sales force while eliminating the positions of those who aren't performing.

"We're asking those who do not measure up to leave," he said. "In the last 60 days, we've removed the bottom 20 percent of our sales force."



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## National Angus Conference to focus on next millennium

AMARILLO — The 1999 National Angus Conference will be held Sept. 10-11 in Amarillo. The conference is sponsored by the American Angus Association, while the tour — slated Sept. 8-9 — is hosted by the Greater West Texas Angus Association and Texas Angus Association. "Angus In The New Millennium," will be the theme for the conference program, which bills some of the most

respected speakers in the beef industry. Dr. Tom Field, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, will deliver the keynote address to attendees. He serves as director of the Beef Industry Leadership Master of Agriculture Program at Colorado State and has presented speeches at more than 150 international, national, state and local beef cattle or teaching meetings. In addition to Field, other speakers will focus on the pure-

bred approach to quality beef, Angus performance programs, building value into the commercial industry, increasing profit in the feedlot and association programs for commercial producers. Topics will include the quest for quality beef, the packer perspective for quality beef, where beef numbers will take us in the new millennium, defining quality in a competitive beef market and the Angus

edge in consumer satisfaction. The two-day tour, which will depart from and return to Amarillo both days, will showcase the diversity of the Texas Panhandle's beef industry. Similar to the conference program, the tour will give participants a look at many segments of the beef industry, as well as the opportunity to learn about the ranching heritage of West Texas. The first day will begin with a visit to the historic JA Ranch at Claude and then on to Bradley 3 Ranch in Childress where the group will be hosted for lunch. That afternoon the tour will move to Abraham Ranch in Canadian on the scenic Red Deer Creek. This stop will feature a cutting horse demonstration, a western

style beef dinner and evening entertainment. Afterwards, the group will return to Amarillo for the night. The performance oriented herd at Hales Angus in Canyon will be the first stop on day two, followed by Lust-Dodd Angus at Lazbuddie which will host lunch while the group tours a purebred Angus herd and heifer development facility. From there, the tour will travel to a family operation at Olson Cattle Company in Hereford. Randall County Feeder, a large commercial feedyard near Canyon, will round out the afternoon schedule. To complete the two-day event, the tour will visit the Palo Duro Canyon, and dinner will be served at the Panhandle Plains

Historical Museum where the group will enjoy the state's largest historical museum before returning to Amarillo. Participants are responsible for making their own hotel reservations and can do so by calling the Radisson Inn Amarillo Airport at (806) 373-3303. Please mention you are with the National Angus Conference. A rate of \$62 plus tax has been secured, and reservation deadline is Aug. 26, 1999. Registration materials for both the National Angus Conference and Tour are available from the American Angus Association at 3201 Frederick Ave., St. Joseph, MO 64506. You can also request registration materials by calling (816) 383-5100, or via e-mail at lcampbell@angus.org.

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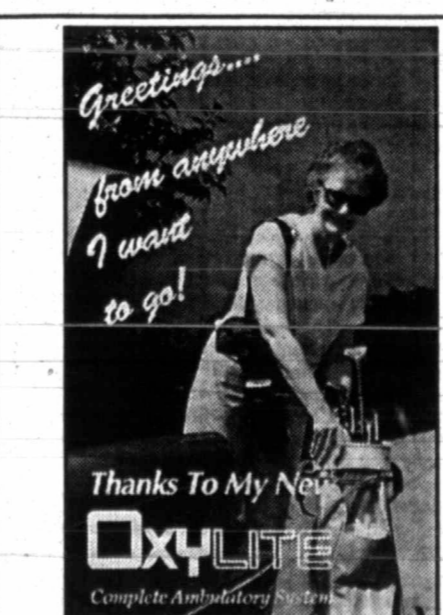


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### Amarillo shop receives March of Dimes grant

Just six months after opening its doors to serve women from across the area, the Baby's Coming Shop in Amarillo has received a significant grant from the March of Dimes Foundation. The \$5,000 grant is designed for promoting the shop and distributing information about the benefits of early and regular prenatal care. The Baby's Coming Shop is unique in that it does not sell merchandise. Instead, the shop's sole purpose is to provide baby-related gifts to new moms who enter prenatal care in the first 12 weeks of pregnancy and participate in the Coalition of Health Services' 2CARE for MOMS incentive program. "This grant from the March of Dimes Foundation will be especially helpful in meeting our service goals for the Baby's Coming Shop," said Holly Hancock, director of 2CARE for MOMS. "Contributions earmarked for education and promotion help us get our message to more moms." Only 64 percent of pregnant women in the Texas Panhandle receive prenatal care within the first 12 weeks of pregnancy. That rate is among the lowest in Texas and substantially lower than the national average of 85 percent. The 2CARE for MOMS incentive program encourages pregnant women to visit a participating physician or nurse practitioner during the first 12 weeks of pregnancy. By enrolling in the 2CARE for MOMS incentive program during their

first prenatal appointment, moms-to-be can earn points redeemable at the Baby's Coming Shop. Points are awarded for completing a schedule of prenatal medical appointments and for attending educational classes related to pregnancy, birth and childcare. Participants may personally select gifts during a visit to the Baby's Coming Shop or request delivery. The Baby's Coming Shop is stocked with donations of new and gently used baby items from retailer, individuals, churches and civic organizations. Grants and cash donations are used to purchase needed items ranging from diapers and blankets to strollers and car seats. The Baby's Coming Shop was developed through the cooperative efforts of the Coalition of Health Services and the High Plains Division of the March of Dimes. The shop is located in the March of Dimes office at 104 West 6th, Suite 301, at the northwest corner of 6th and Polk in downtown Amarillo. The Coalition of Health Services is a nonprofit alliance of 20 area hospitals and providers working to enhance community health. Baptist St. Anthony's Health System and Northwest Texas Health Care Systems are affiliates of the Coalition of Health Services. For more information about the 2CARE for MOMS incentive program or the Baby's Coming Shop, contact Holly Hancock toll free at (888) 89-2CARE.



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