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Sales tax collections rebound

By KATE B. DICKSON
Associate Publisher

There is good news on the sales tax collection front ... at least where the latest report is concerned, said City Finance Director John Horst.

Numbers were recently received marking February sales and the \$140,598 collected is only 1.7 percent below that collected last year and only .4 percent under what was budgeted, Horst said.

"This is the best month we've had for sales tax collection," in said making reference to the current fiscal year which started Oct. 1, 1998.

"We were only \$527 under budget."

Horst said he could not explain why the slide, which started last August, halted in February but said, "I hope we see this trend continue."

If it does, the finance director estimates the budgeted shortfall will end up under \$90,000 as compared to the estimated \$160,000 that had earlier been predicted.

"The sales tax numbers have been so wild this fiscal year," he said. "We've had it range from .4 percent under budget to 15.7 percent under."

Sales tax collections will figure into city commission discussions today when commissioners consider how to cut the

budget to make up for the shortfall, Horst said.

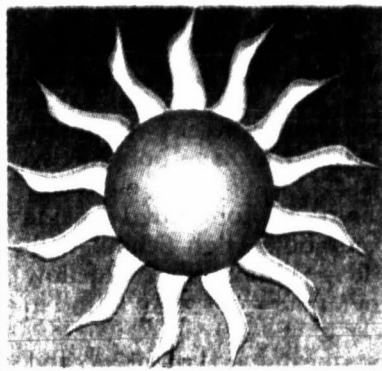
Previously, the commission looked at numbers showing how cuts would manifest if each department took an equal (two percent) amount from their spending side this year. The two percent would amount to about \$160,000.

At the last meeting, commissioners tabled that plan after the question was raised if such a method would produce the best overall results.

The commission goes into its public work session at 4 p.m. at City Hall today and the regular meeting follows at 6 p.m.

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— John Horst
City finance director



High today low 80s
Low tonight low 50s
For weather details see Page 2.

PAMPA — Pampa Regional Medical Center, along with its medical staff, has contracted with FIRSTCARE as a full-service hospital provider effective immediately, said PRMC spokesman Terry Barnes. Previously, FIRSTCARE members were referred and admitted to other area hospitals having contracts with the company. Now, FIRSTCARE members will have access to PRMC for inpatient and outpatient hospital services.

PAMPA — The Gray County Veterans Service Office will be closed until Monday May 3.

WICHITA FALLS (AP) — Four teen-agers who were taken into custody over the weekend have told police they were experimenting with making bombs and did not intend to use them to harm people.

The boys, ages 14 to 16, were picked up Sunday after authorities found bomb-making materials in the back seat and the trunk of the car the boys were in.

A judge was set to decide today whether the teens would be released to their parents or remain in custody.

Employees at a hardware store called police after they noticed the teens pick up a bag of fertilizer and a galvanized pipe.

Police said the teens wanted to take the bomb to a rural area and blow up a shed. The boys also said they had built a bomb before in a back yard using dry ice, police said.

- **Nina Daniels, 66**, retired Veteran's Administration employee.
- **B.B. 'Bo' Dyer, 69**, retired pipeline construction foreman.
- **C. Nelson Dyson, 75**, aerospace industry machinist.
- **Thelma Iru Farrar, 92**, homemaker.
- **Wynama 'Susie' Hamlin, 55**, homemaker, hairdresser.
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Adult trial set for youth in escape case

A juvenile who escaped from the Canadian Boot Camp last month will face charges as an adult.

A cook was struck in the head with a board and the pair then allegedly took his keys and his car to escape.

Chris Clay Geller, 16, from San Antonio was certified late last week by 31st District Judge Steve Emmert in Hemphill County to be tried as an adult.

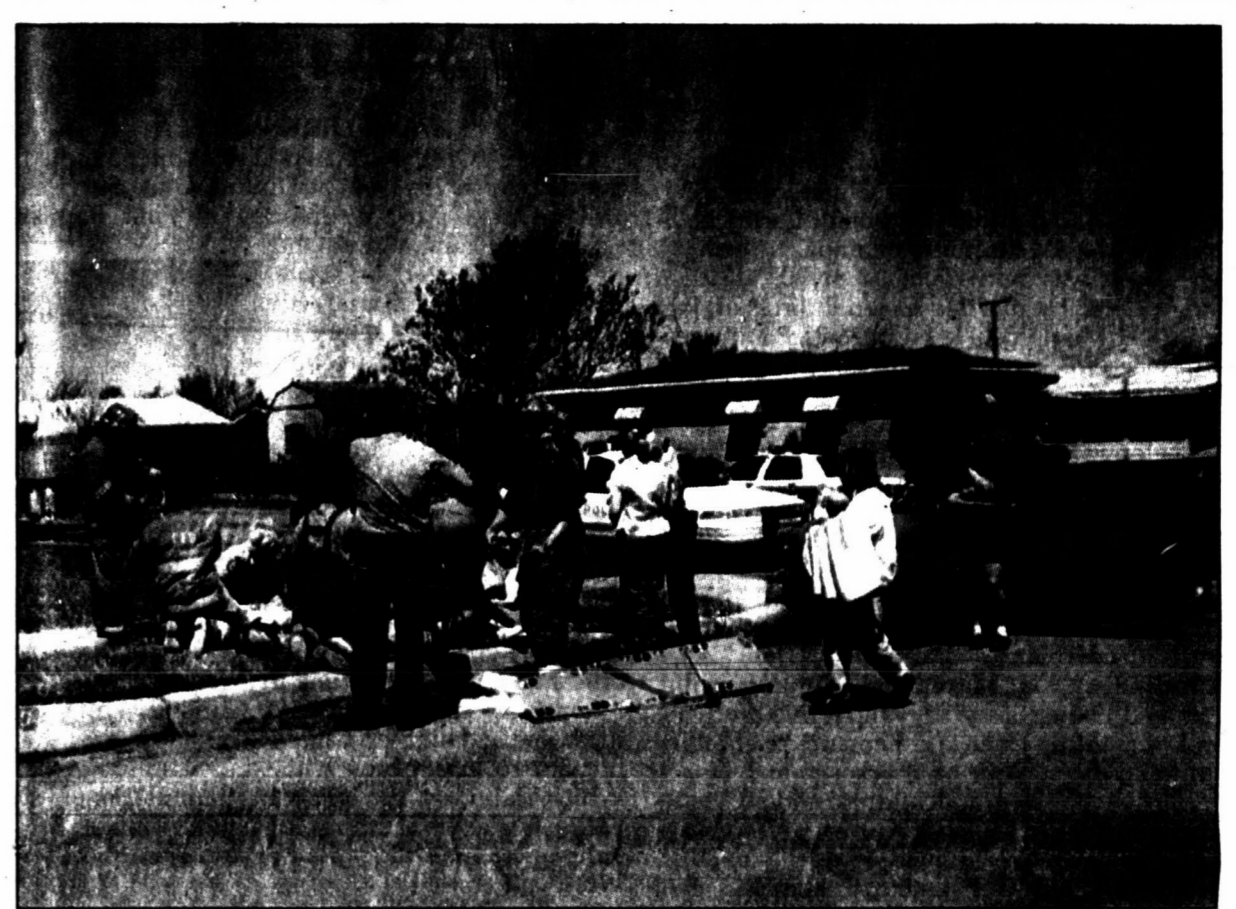
Geller is alleged, along with Robert Lemus, 17, Plano, to have helped attack a cook the evening of March 28.

Jean Pierre Campillo was struck in the head with a board and the pair then allegedly took his keys and his car to escape. Campillo spent several days in Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

The car was spotted about 30-40 minutes later by a Wheeler County Deputy who stopped the auto. The pair jumped from the car and evaded deputies until the next day when they were arrested while apparently attempting to break into a trailer in Wheeler.

"In this day and age, juveniles are acting more like adults and when dealing with violent crimes they need to be treated as such," said Assistant Prosecutor Matt Martindale.

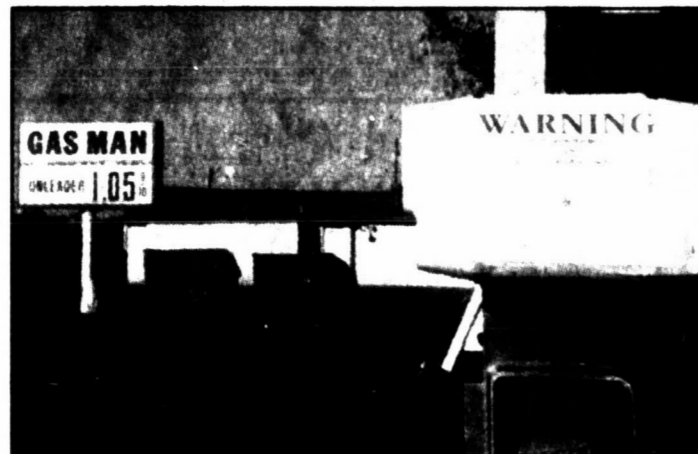
Geller was transported to Hemphill County Jail after the hearing and is being held on \$100,000 bond for aggravated robbery and aggravated assault. Lemus is also being held there. The Texas Youth Commission also has charges pending against the pair since the escape was from a TYC facility.



(Pampa News photo by Jeff West)

Seven people were treated and released at Pampa Regional Medical Center when a 1984 Mustang driven by Kelleen Patricia Ebel, 16, 1909 N. Dwight failed to yield at Faulkner and 21st about 12:30 p.m. Monday and struck a 1992 Chevrolet driven by Katina Ann Atchley, 20, 2100 N. Wells. Ebel was cited for failure to yield the right of way, expired registration and expired inspection sticker. Wells was cited for no liability insurance.

Fuel tax fraud alleged in closings



Sign tells the story at Gas Man station.

Texas Gas Man on U.S. Highway 60 in Pampa is out of business today as it is one of 19 locations ordered closed down by State Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander.

It's all part of what Rylander calls a war on motor fuels tax fraud in which she alleges Texas Corporation, owned by J&R Mercantile of New Mexico, defrauded the state of more than \$2.8 million dollars. With penalties and interest, this could mean an additional \$5 million for state coffers.

"Today, I am closing down an out-of-state tax cheat," Rylander said Monday. "I will not tolerate the actions of any cheater who takes money from our Texas school children or from building much needed highways."

(See FUEL, Page 2)

Historical group needs old courthouse photos

Do you have any old pictures of the Gray County Courthouse? The Historical Restoration Society is looking for pictures of the interior or exterior of the courthouse from any era, according to Sandra Martin of the County Judge's office.

The group consists of White Deer Land Museum Director Anne Davidson, County Commissioner Gerald Wright, Thelma Bray, Darlene Birkes and County Judge Richard Peet. It was formed to restore the building, which has been declared a historic building by the Texas Historical Commission. Peet said it may also be listed with the National Registry later.

The group wants all available pictures but would particularly like pictures taken prior to 1950. Martin said all pictures should (See PHOTOS, Page 5)

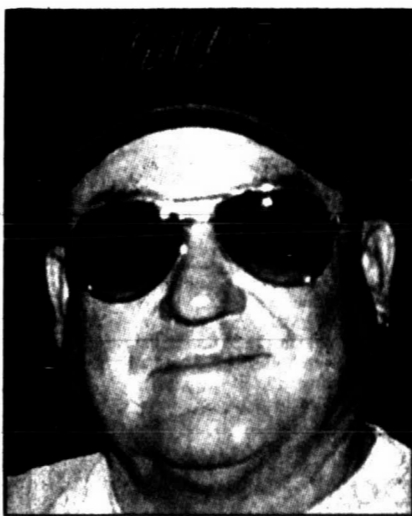
Quite frankly... Should we send ground troops into Kosovo?



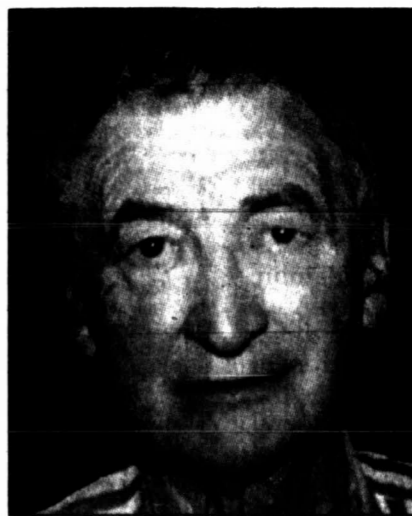
"No. I just don't think we should."
— Junita Rogers



"We shouldn't even have air troops over there."
— Gary Cummings



"Probably so. I don't think they can get done what they started without some help on the ground."
— Cecil Kerbo



"I'm opposed to what we're doing there anyway. We don't have any business there."
— Paul Simmons



"It's not my choice but I don't think we can accomplish what we want without them."
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Pampa man heads for state penitentiary

A 24-year-old Pampa man was awaiting transfer to the penitentiary after his probation on a 1991 arson charge was revoked last week.

Rhoston Odell "Kojack" Young was sentenced by 223rd District Judge Lee Waters Wednesday to serve seven years in the Texas Department of Corrections institutional division.

Young's probation was revoked following his arrest Sept. 2, 1998, on charges of possession of a controlled substance, cocaine, with intent to deliver. He was arrested in a car with two other felony probationers, a violation of his probation.

Authorities said Young was also about \$1,000 delinquent in paying court-ordered attorney fees.

Young had been sent to boot camp in 1993 for probation violations, but his probation was continued later that year.

He would have completed his probated sentence May 4, 2001, officers said.

Man found guilty of aggravated robbery receives probation

A Pampa man is free on probation after being found guilty and sentenced to 10 years on an aggravated robbery charge.

Felix Wilbur Scott Jr., 25, of 1049 Varnon, was sentenced to 10 years probation last week during a deferred adjudication hearing on an aggravated robbery charge.

Scott was accused of aggravated robbery along with two other men in June, 1997, and was given deferred adjudication. Tuesday, 223rd District Judge Lee Waters

found Scott guilty and sentenced him.

The motion to proceed with adjudication was filed by District Attorney John Mann after Scott was arrested Sept. 2, 1998 for possession of a controlled substance, cocaine, with intent to deliver.

Authorities said Scott was also delinquent in payments for court-ordered fines, court costs, transcription fees and attorney fees.

Crime Victims Rights Week

This week marks the 1999 National Crime Victims Rights Week.

"It's important to remember during this week, and throughout the year, that crime victims in our community do have rights and services available to help them," said Ann Hamilton of Tralee Crisis Center.

In an effort to create more public awareness on the issue, Tralee, along with the 31st and 223rd Office of the District

Attorneys, are honoring victims and the people who assist victims with a special ceremony.

Beginning at 7 p.m. on Fri., April 30, the public is invited to come to the VFW where victims and victims advocates will be recognized as part of National Crime Victims Week.

For more information on the ceremony or crime victims rights, contact Tralee Crisis Center at 669-1131.

Canadian duo plead guilty to burglary

CANADIAN — Two Canadian men pleaded guilty last week in 31st District Court here to burglary.

Richard Blanco, 20, and Jose Morales, 18, pleaded guilty before District Judge Steven Emmert to burglarizing Canadian High School.

Officers said the pair broke into

the high school Dec. 28, 1997, and stole video and computer equipment.

Blanco and Morales were each ordered to pay \$270 in restitution to the Canadian Independent School District. Each man was given three years deferred adjudication and ordered to pay a \$1,000 fine.

City-wide garage sale in offing in Wheeler

WHEELER — The Wheeler Chamber of Commerce will conduct a City-Wide Sidewalk and Garage Sale and the Third Annual Car Show on Saturday, May 8. The Chamber will sell garage sale permits to individuals, organizations, and businesses for a one-day sale. All garage sales on this day will be required to have a permit.

The sidewalk and garage sale is the spring project for the Wheeler Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber will sponsor a food booth, selling their world-famous hamburgers and soft drinks. Garage sale spaces will be available for anyone from out of town wishing to participate in the garage sale. They will be assigned a space at the court house square for their \$10 permit fee.

Individuals in Wheeler can have their garage sale at their residence if they have bought their \$10 permit. The Chamber will do the advertising for you. You will need to have your permit on display at your garage sale location. To obtain a permit, contact Wheeler Chamber of Commerce, Wheeler Chamber Office, Box 221 or 101 E. Oklahoma, Wheeler, TX 79096 (806) 826-3408.

Maps of all the garage sales being held that day will be handed out at 8 a.m. in front of the Chamber Office. The last day for obtaining a permit and a listing on the garage sale map is May 6.

Wal-Mart Scholarship



(Pampa News photo by Miranda Bailey)

Allie Moore of Wheeler (left) has been awarded with a special scholarship from Wal-Mart to help her with her studies at Texas Tech next year. Moore, an honors student, said she wants to study Biology, Chemistry and become a pre-med student.

'To Gillian on Her 37th Birthday'



(Special photo)

The award-winning cast of "To Gillian on Her 37th Birthday" will present an encore performance of the one act play at 7:45 p.m. April 27 in the PHS auditorium. The play was chosen as the district one-act play champion last month. Cast member Boyd Yates was chosen as Best Actor, member Vanessa Fisher was selected to the All Star Cast, and Dirk Archer received a technical award for sound. At the area level, Boyd Yates was chosen to the Honorable Mention All Star Cast, and Lacy Plunk was selected to be a member of the All Star Cast. Dean Birkes is the director. Reservations are limited, so please call 669-4800, ext. 333 by April 26.

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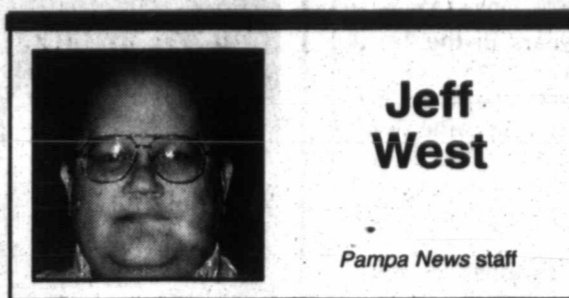
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I don't like bumpy roads

There are at least two things I like about my job. One of the great things is that if I wonder why somebody does something I don't understand I can call and talk to them, or their spokesman, or some public relations guy, depending on how high in the bureaucracy my question takes me. But quite often I get my question answered. The other thing I like is that when I get ticked about the stuff we all get ticked about I can complain here. That often gets me a call or two, and sometimes an answer. So, today we discuss highway repair.

Now I'm not against highway repair, I like good roads. I don't like bumpy roads. I saw a pothole recently where a homeless family had moved in. I hate that. And I realize that it's rare when little elves come at night and repair the roads. I saw it once but that was a long time ago.

I know that some hard working people have to work hard to make highway repairs. What I wonder about, specifically with state highways, is proportion and why there isn't any. I know you wonder about that, too, so I'm complaining for all mankind, well not really, the mankind in Sahara Desert, where they have almost no pavement, or



Jeff West
Pampa News staff

Botswana where they have almost no cars, or New Mexico where they have almost no road repairs but for mankind in the civilized part of this country, mostly here.

What I mean by proportion is why don't they figure out how much road can be repaired in a reasonable length of time say a week or a month and just work on that.

Why for instance do you drive along I-40 for 2,000 or 3,000 miles (more or less) in one lane with nothing wrong with the other lanes and then finally see two guys patching a hole with a shovel and a bucket of tar? Or, as is happening between

Pampa and Amarillo, do they tear up enough concrete to pave the Gulf of Mexico in one night and then take the next decade to patch it up? Is it that the crews that tear concrete up are much more efficient than the crews that put down the new stuff? Or do they use a lot more folks to tear up the roads? Or do they just think we like to be entertained on our drives by watching week after week to see if another foot of road is finish?

And why do they tear up 14 or 15 million different spots in an area and then have one crew work on each? Tear up one spot and put everybody there on it and then move on.

You think after all this time they would have figured out how much road they can repair in a fixed amount of time and not block off or tear up more than they can handle. And no, I'm not complaining about they folks on the road crews, they just do what they're told, some of them don't even own pocket protectors. I'd just like to know why, and Sandra Bullock's phone number, but that's another story entirely.

Be good to one another and be good to yourselves.

Opinion

NATO showed no compassion

Bombing during a holy time didn't show much class

U.S. officials say that they are not at war with the Serbian people, but with their leader, Slobodan Milosevic, and his policy of ethnic cleansing in Kosovo.

If the Clinton administration meant what it said, President Clinton should not have so easily dismissed Milosevic's call for an Easter ceasefire.

The Serbian plan may indeed have been a ploy, as the United States contends. But whatever the motives of the Serbian dictator, Serbs treat their Easter holiday as the most solemn tune of the year.

The United States' smug dismissal of their religious rites — bombing began on the Feast of the Annunciation and continued unabated throughout Holy Week — has exacerbated anti-Western sentiments throughout the Orthodox world.

U.S. missiles have pummeled downtown Belgrade, have killed innocent civilians and have even damaged an ancient Gracanica monastery.

Yet the horrors continued onward, even as the faithful — most of whom have nothing to do with the injustices in Kosovo capped their weeks-long Lenten fast with the hauntingly beautiful Pascha service.

"For the last week Orthodox bishops from around the world have been writing to President Clinton, asking him to suspend the bombing, explaining that 'there is no holier time than for Orthodox Christians ...' columnist Arianna Huffington wrote. "At midnight in a completely darkened church, the worshippers wait for the priest to come forward with a white candle whose flame is passed along the congregation until the church is ablaze with the glow of candlelight."

It was a beautiful sight, dampened by the fear of falling missiles. Is it too much to ask, she wonders, for NATO to postpone its air raids long enough "to allow the Serbian people to celebrate their religion without the threat of death?"

A good question. The answer speaks much about the humanitarianism of U.S. and NATO leaders.

—Odessa American



Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, April 27, the 117th day of 1999. There are 248 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 27, 1521, Portuguese explorer Ferdinand Magellan was killed by natives in the Philippines.

On this date:

In 1509, Pope Julius II excommunicated the Italian state of Venice.

In 1805, a force led by U.S. Marines captured the city of Derna, on the shores of Tripoli.

In 1822, the 18th president of the United States, Ulysses S. Grant, was born in Point Pleasant, Ohio.

In 1865, the steamer, Sultana exploded on the Mississippi River near Memphis, Tenn., killing more than 1,400 Union prisoners of war.

In 1932, American poet Hart Crane drowned after jumping from a steamer while en route to New York; he was 32.

The problem with Bush's past

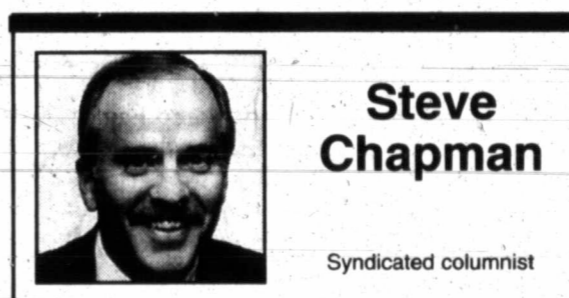
George W. Bush is the popular governor of a large state, blessed with a famous name, sharp political instincts and enough campaign money to buy all the oil in Saudi Arabia. But in the era of Monica Lewinsky, the leading Republican presidential candidate has a potential Achilles' heel. Bush, 52, says he spent his younger years in unwholesome pursuits that he prefers not to catalogue. He turned over a new leaf at 40 but confides that "when I was young and irresponsible, I was young and irresponsible."

Admirers in the Republican Party have been only slightly nervous about the prospect of reporters digging into the dark secrets of Bush's misspent youth, figuring he has immunized himself against scandal. But now the facts are starting to emerge, and they may prove devastating to his candidacy. The ominous possibility no one seems to have considered is that Bush was always a perfect angel.

That's the implication of a recent story about Cathy Young, a 52-year-old woman from Bush's past. In 1967, at the height of the era of excess, she and Bush were engaged to be married, though they ended up postponing the wedding and then calling it off. What scandalous revelations came out when she was approached by a reporter for The Dallas Morning News? She said that "if he had wild days, they weren't with me."

This is not the only evidence undermining Bush's claim that he squandered his younger days in beer-soaked revelry. If he left scores of wanton women in his wake, none has come forward to offer details. A tabloid story that he was once photographed dancing naked and drunk atop a bar has not panned out. Rumors of an arrest record or an acquaintance with cocaine remain only rumors.

The worst charge that anyone has documented



Steve Chapman
Syndicated columnist

so far is that as a Yale undergraduate — send the children out of the room, please — he participated in some fraternity hazing. Good thing Bush isn't a Catholic — he might be laughed out of the confessional. When he says, "I'm not going to itemize my mistakes," he gives the impression that they could fill several spiky volumes, but the reality may be that they wouldn't take up two lines in a small ledger.

That disclosure could be a serious blow to his prospects. Unlike his father, who sometimes came across as a goody two-shoes, Bush has shrewdly cultivated a rakish air meant to appeal to the sort of voters who frequently enjoy detours from the straight and narrow.

During his 1994 gubernatorial campaign, when brother Jeb said he had never slept with any woman but his wife, George W. had this response: "Jeb said that? Oh, boy. No comment. I mean, Jeb's setting a tough standard for the rest of us in that generation. Boy, I mean it. I'm not getting into that one. Jeb is a very different guy. He really said that?"

The contrast with his teachers-pet rivals can only be to his advantage. It's hard to picture Elizabeth Dole or Steve Forbes dancing naked on a bar, or even in the shower. Marilyn Quayle has said that given a choice between golf and

sex, her husband would choose golf every time. Lamar Alexander and Gary Bauer give the impression that they never had lust even in their hearts.

But Bush may have found a way to outdo all these candidates in appealing to religious conservatives. His born-again faith, which he credits partly to a conversation with Billy Graham, makes him more than acceptable to the church-going set, and the worse his past, the better. Christians are particularly fond of hell-raisers who find God — recalling Jesus' assertion that "there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over 99 righteous persons who need no repentance." Bush even has the blessing of chief morality cop William Bennett, who notes, "The Irish have a saying: The merry-hearted boys make the best men."

Some voters, of course, are leery of piety in a politician, having never recovered from Jimmy Carter. But Bush's religiosity and marital devotion ("I've been a loyal husband," he declares) is also reassuring to the many not-so-devout Americans who have no desire to ever hear about another president violating the Seventh Commandment in the Oval Office. At the same time, his alleged playboy past suggests he is not one to sit in judgment on anyone whose behavior falls short of exemplary.

Bush has thus cleverly forged the most formidable possible coalition — saints and sinners. But his supporters may suffer buyer's remorse if it turns out his idea of hard partying was downing a second glass of sherry, or that the closest thing he has to a sex scandal is the time he got slapped for trying to kiss a girl on the first date. Let Bill Clinton worry about women coming forward with lurid allegations. Bush could use a bimbo eruption, and fast.

Thought for today

"Too rashly charged the troops of error, and remain as trophies unto the enemies of truth."

—Sir Thomas Browne

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The United States' shameful attack

Let me tell you about something that happened back in the dark days of World War II.

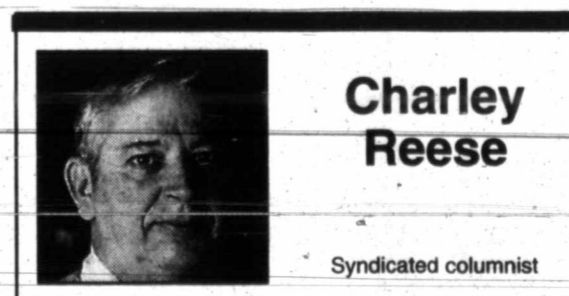
The German army, in 1941, stood astride of Europe, having defeated or compelled the surrender of every nation. From the borders of Russia to the Atlantic, from the English Channel and North Sea to the Mediterranean, the German war machine stood victorious.

It is no surprise then that when it rolled into Yugoslavia, the government surrendered. There was no chance to win a fight. Croatia became an enthusiastic fascist state and set up its own concentration camps to slaughter Jews and Serbs. Albania had joined the fascists and sent a division into Kosovo where, at that time, Serbs were a huge majority. They killed about 140,000 Serbs.

The Bosnian Muslims, including its present leader, enthusiastically formed a Waffen SS division.

So what did the Serbs do? Well, that's the magic. Within a few days after the Yugoslavian government surrendered, the Serb people rose up, overthrew that government and told Hitler's legions in effect: "Hell, no! We don't surrender."

This is one of the noblest examples of human courage in history. Here was a people hopelessly outnumbered who nevertheless preferred to die than to surrender. More than a million died, but they fought the Germans so fiercely that the German invasion of the Soviet Union was



Charley Reese
Syndicated columnist

delayed. Hitler later blamed his defeat by the Russians on this delay.

It is shameful, in my opinion, that the United States, in its postwar decline and led by sleazy people, is attacking the Serbs, who fought with us as allies, to assist people who fought against us as Nazi allies.

And it is moronic that people in Washington supposed that the Serbs, who defied the German war machine, would collapse and tremble at the feet of a cowardly draft dodger whose ill-planned, poorly thought out campaign has already led to a human disaster for the very people he claimed it was designed to save.

And make no mistake, this president — famous for his bad judgment — by rejecting any compromise is committing the United States to ground war in the Balkans. The idea that this man, who spoke of loathing the U.S. military

and who cowardly avoided the draft, is now willing to put American troops into war against a former ally is really disgusting.

Clinton is going to discover, like Hitler, that he can occupy Serbia, but he cannot subdue the Serbian people.

The American people should wake up and decide how many of their sons and daughters they wish to sacrifice for the sake of Albania — once a fascist state, once the most Stalinist of the communist states, and currently the most corrupt and incompetent of the former communist states.

When Clinton sends troops into Yugoslavia, it will be pointless to talk about an exit strategy. There won't be one. There isn't even one for the American troops stuck in Bosnia. NATO officials have said they will be there at least another five years.

Americans should also remember that not one single European leader in 1914 intended to start a world war. They simply found themselves trapped in a chain of actions and reactions and ended up in a situation not a single one of them had intended or wanted.

Clinton is a cheap, small-state hustler and is clearly out of his depth. He is playing a dangerous game and isn't sane enough to realize just how dangerous it is. Beware of God's ironic sense of humor. The century started with a world war ignited in the Balkans. Let's pray it doesn't end the same way.

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PFAA earns honor

Pampa Fine Arts Association has been notified its 1997-98 project to bring the ARTRAIN traveling museum to the Texas Panhandle has been nominated for the prestigious "Golden Nail" award, an annual award presented by the Arts in Amarillo Committee of the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce. The Golden Nail award will be presented at a dinner and concert on Saturday, May 8, in Amarillo.

In addition to the project itself, several individuals, businesses, foundations and other organizations also are nominees.

These nominees represent a variety of support services provided for the ARTRAIN effort, including financial contributions, personnel and materials and equipment. They include the following:

—Attebury Grain Elevator Company which provided the railroad siding where the train was parked for the six-day visit, and fielded numerous questions from visitors about "where's the ARTRAIN?"

—Burlington-Northern/Santa Fe Railroad. Part of the national network of rail companies that provide engines and crew to move the ARTRAIN around the country, the Pampa and Amarillo offices for BNSF worked closely with all facets of the project.

—City of Pampa, notably, Bill Hildebrandt. It was a real work of art to coordinate all sorts of varied parts of the puzzle, both city-related (i.e., Parks Dept., Street Dept.) and commercial (i.e., utilities, area businesses, etc.). Another division of the City of Pampa that worked with the ARTRAIN project was the City Police Department, who were very helpful. The City Commission was also involved by giving their blessing and approval on the project.

—Committee on Tourism/Pampa Chamber of Commerce which approved some funding from the hotel/motel tax to pay for ARTRAIN staff lodging.

—Reed Echols. Her contribution made a fourth day of school visits possible when Pampa Fine Arts had originally contracted for three ... and schools were being turned away.

—Eileen Kludt and Pampa I.S.D. Kludt's work as the "school coordinator" included scheduling all school visits, shipping art education curriculum packets to participating teachers (this was weeks before the ARTRAIN was here), meeting busses upon arrival, guiding students and teachers to the right location and collecting and returning the education packets to ARTRAIN. Her time away from



Visitors exit ARTRAIN, top, near a large grain storage bin at Attebury. A BSNF engine, bottom, positions ARTRAIN caboose onto the siding just north of Highway 60.

(photos by Loralee Cooley)

the Pampa High School campus was approved by Principal John Kendell and Superintendent Dawson Orr, as community service. The school system also was helpful in providing tables and chairs for the tent, which was used as a "reception area."

—David and Nona Payne Foundation. The grant money received from the foundation was the first real funds toward getting the ARTRAIN to the panhandle.

—M.K. Brown Foundation. This grant guaranteed the ARTRAIN visit.

—Texaco Corporation. Funding from Texaco was used to pay numerous budgeted items, such as publicity, printing, utilities, etc.

—McCarley Foundation. Foundation funds came after the project was completed, and paid for those last minute, unexpected loose ends that always happen.

—Celanese Ltd. Celanese paid for the rental of a 40x40-foot red-and-yellow tent, as well as kerosene heaters and fuel which proved to be a lifesaver on the windy and wet weekend days when the public toured the exhibit. This tent provided space for visitors to gather, for six area museums to have displays and for chil-

dren to do some improvised coloring on the tables covered with newsprint.

—Fauncine and Debra Mack. Their services filled innumerable needs ... partly because of heavy rain that came on the day of set-up. They provided bales of straw to soak up the water and mud, they also contracted and paid for a wooden walkway to be built across an old railroad siding (not in use) to make it handicap-accessible and crossable from the parking area. And they hosted a dinner for about 50 people involved with the ARTRAIN effort.

—And the Chrysler-Plymouth-Dodge-Jeep-Eagle Dealerships of the Texas and Oklahoma Panhandles including Robert Knowles Dealership with Chrysler Corporation being a national sponsor of ARTRAIN, the nine dealerships of this region banded together to host a gala opening reception for over 300 people at M.K. Brown Heritage Room who were area volunteers for the project. In addition, Robert Knowles Dealership provided several vehicles for display from the opening reception at M.K. Brown through the final day of the ARTRAIN visit at Attebury Grain Elevator.

Also deserving of recognition are two service agencies in Pampa — the American Red Cross and the Salvation Army. Both agencies provided vehicles which were parked on-site for use during the ARTRAIN visit. The Salvation Army installed their portable kitchen which served as a refreshment stand, staffed by various church, school and youth groups, and the Red Cross provided volunteer staff who stayed in the Red Cross truck in order to be available for any medical emergencies.

The Golden Nail award gala will be held in Amarillo on Saturday evening, May 8. There will be a dinner followed by a special concert by the Amarillo Symphony.

Anyone who would like to attend — especially those who were part of the ARTRAIN project — is welcome to do so. Each person is responsible for the cost of the dinner and concert, but PFAA encourages as many as possible to come and enjoy this party.

Deadline for making reservations is Monday, May 3. Contact the PFAA office — 665-0343 — no later than noon of May 3, in order to confirm your reservation. Checks should be made payable to the "Golden Nail Awards."

SHOOTER'S

Klebold and Harris had aimed for an even bigger bloodbath, plotting to kill hundreds of students, and then to hijack a plane and crash it into New York City. Investigators cited a diary they found that was kept by Harris.

The attack's bold, bizarre nature led to speculation that the gunmen might have been taking drugs, but toxicology tests revealed no drugs or alcohol in their bodies, the county coroner's office said.

"It makes it a little more frightening to me that they were of sound mind and not under the influence of alcohol and drugs," Thomas told MSNBC.

Columbine's campus remained closed to everyone except bomb squads and investigators. Columbine teachers were due to report for duty today at nearby Chatfield High School, where armed sheriff's deputies and parents have been assigned to guard the doors. Columbine's students will begin classes at Chatfield on Thursday. Teachers haven't been allowed to pick up their books and other belongings since the bloodshed at Columbine.

"If they need anything and we can find it, we'll get it for them," sheriff's Sgt. Jim Parr said Monday. "But I think they're going to be operating on a shoestring for a while."

Chatfield Principal Sally Blanchard said her staff would try to make Columbine teachers feel welcome on campus as they prepare their lessons in hopes of finishing out the school year.

"We want them to feel honored. We want them to feel safe," she said.

Funerals were held Monday for three students and Dave Sanders, the only teacher killed in the rampage. The emotionally exhausted community faced two more funerals today and planned a moment of silence at 11:21 a.m., the time the attack began a week ago.

Mourners, including students by the hundreds, turned out Monday to remember Lauren Townsend, an 18-year-old honor student and captain of the girls' volleyball team; Daniel Rohrbough, the 15-year-old boy shot while holding an exit door open for fleeing students; and Cassie Bernall, the 17-year-old girl who professed her love of God just before she was shot.

"Cassie died a martyr's death," Pastor George Kirsten told mourners. "She went to the martyrs' hall of fame."

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PHOTOS

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Peet said the move is in conjunction with the Texas Legislature possibly allotting funds for the restoration of historic buildings.

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Attention 1999 Seniors

Does Pampa High School Have Your Senior Picture?

If not we can't print it in the 1999 Graduation Special Section So ...

Come by The Pampa News Tuesday, May 4th between 3:30 and 5:00 to have your picture taken. No other photo will be taken after this time.

But ...

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Homeless food thief gets 25-to-life

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Two appellate judges considered Gregory Taylor, who tried to pry open a church kitchen door, as a third-strike felon. A dissenting judge likened him to a sad character from "Les Miserables."

The majority prevailed, and Taylor, 37, is serving 25 years to life in prison for his third felony conviction.

The ruling was defended Monday by a spokesman for Attorney General Bill Lockyer, who believes the three-strikes law has proper safeguards against excessive sentences.

Taylor was spotted by security guards early one morning in July 1997 using a board to try to open a screen over the kitchen door of St. Joseph's Church in Los Angeles. Taylor told a policeman he knew a priest at the church and was trying to enter the kitchen to get something to eat.

At the trial, the Rev. Allan McCoy said he had known Taylor for about nine years and sometimes gave him food. Taylor also

had been allowed to sleep in a church building in the past.

Taylor was convicted of burglary for entering the kitchen to steal. He had two robbery convictions from the 1980s and a 1988 parole violation, said Deputy Attorney General Chung Mar.

He was sentenced under the three-strikes law, which requires

a term of 25 years to life for any felony committed by a defendant with two previous serious or violent felony convictions.

Superior Court Judge James Dunn refused to use his authority to disregard one or both of Taylor's past convictions, which would have lessened his sentence.

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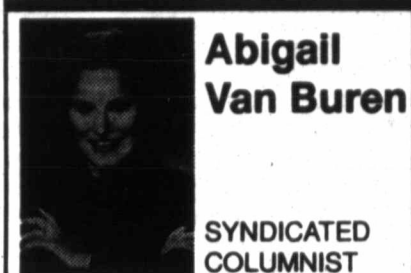
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Responsible Teen Still Chafes Under Parents' Nightly Curfew

DEAR ABBY: I am almost 19 years old. I live at home with my parents while going to school full-time, working part-time and helping my mother baby-sit two little boys four days a week. I also help around the house whenever I'm asked. I have never given my mother any reason not to trust me. I'm a very responsible young adult.



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

My problem is my curfew. My mother feels I should be home every night by 1 a.m., and I feel I am mature enough to decide what time to come home. I have a cell phone and a pager, so I can be reached at any time. I don't get off work until after 10 p.m., and one night a week I would like to stay out late with my friends. It's hard to visit and socialize when I have so little time.

NIGHT OWL IN NASHVILLE, TENN.

DEAR NIGHT OWL: Your request for an extension of your curfew one night a week sounds reasonable to me. However, in your parents' home they are entitled to make the rules, and as long as you live under their roof, you must abide by their decisions. If your mother is unwilling to relax her restrictions, consider moving out and sharing an apartment with some of your friends. That way you can make your own rules.

DEAR ABBY: You recently printed a list of signs of teen-age

drug abuse. Although the list is valuable for parents, you should know that a majority of those signs could also be signs of sexual, physical or emotional abuse.

Out of the 11 warning signs, I exhibited nine as a teen-ager, and I wasn't using drugs. I had been twice molested as a child by two neighbor boys. My family didn't talk about it because a psychiatrist told my parents not to bring it up. During my teens, I struggled with my sexuality and insecurities brought on by the abuse. I was embarrassed and felt dirty. I was in terrible emotional pain and had no one to talk to. My parents knew I was depressed but didn't know how to approach me. They accused me of having an "attitude" problem. I was desperate for help, but had no way of asking.

I was able to get past being a teen-ager, but I was angry at my parents for not recognizing I needed help. I came from a close family with parents who cared very much for me. There were many good times, but I had a deep sadness that

never fully went away. It affected my entire family.

I would urge parents to stop and consider: Could your child be acting out for other reasons than drugs? Could your child be crying out for help? When approaching your child, be careful not to accuse. Be understanding. Ask questions.

If your child refuses to talk to you about personal things, consider seeking professional help. This help is as much for you as it is for your child. Generally, if a child is acting out or using drugs, it's a family problem. Even the best families can have a breakdown of communications. There's no such thing as a "perfect" teen-ager or a "perfect" parent. It's OK to ask for help.

BEEN THERE IN PORTLAND

DEAR BEEN THERE: I agree that if a child is "acting out" or using drugs, it's a family problem. And the logical place to start to resolve it is by alerting the family physician that something is wrong, and seeking an appropriate referral - whether it's for substance abuse intervention, emotional or behavior problems, or family therapy.

To receive a collection of Abby's most memorable - and most frequently requested - poems and essays, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby's "Keepers," P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61064-0447. (Postage is included.)

Horoscope

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28, 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) **★★★★** Unexpected developments have you thinking and evaluating. You can transform a problem into a solution. Lady Luck follows you, and others know it. They want some of what you have! Express yourself to a partner; your words will be received well. Tonight: Enjoy friends during a midweek break.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) **★★★** Inspired by a vision of what could be, you focus on work. Your intuition is unusually on as you make the right move at the right time. Use your high energy to clear errands as well as paperwork. Take time to buy a loved one a card or to send a letter. Tonight: Off to the gym.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) **★★★★** You clear obstacles, in spite of a misunderstanding. Your willingness to do more than your share is noticed. Open up new horizons because of more creative and dynamic thinking. Understand how you limit yourself. A friend has good news. Is this relationship changing? Tonight: Living life to the utmost.
CANCER (June 21-July 22) **★★★★** You are unusually grounded as you navigate through one difficult situation after another. The unexpected occurs financially. You gain a new vision of what works

through discussions. The boss smiles on you. Make your desires happen. Tonight: Head home.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) **★★★★** Options appear left and right. Though initially you could encounter some resistance to a great idea, you find that what you want is possible. Your abilities to see pitfalls and to find new solutions mark interactions. Make time for an important meeting. Network to your heart's delight! Tonight: Errands.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) **★★★★** Money matters could send you into a tizzy. Decide to clear up a problem. You feel renewed and ready for a new beginning. Unforeseen developments at work initially maximize chaos, but at the same time reveal an opportunity. Tonight: Your treat.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) **★★★★** You beam in what you want. Don't get discouraged by feedback or by another's negativity. You might not always understand what is most effective; take clues from those around you. Show caring, gain a perspective, be willing to create more acceptance between you. Tonight: Your call.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) **★★★** Be willing to take a risk and let others see where you are coming from. Your sense of humor comes out. Opt not to control but to observe. Work flows and can be quite demanding. Listen to feedback from a key partner, who offers you something special. Tonight: Curl up with a book or watch a favorite movie.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) **★★★★** By being helpful to a partner who is ever so witty, you find wonderful solutions. Good will and understanding

flow between you. Your awareness of what you want helps you lasso in the right elements to make it happen. Make time for socializing with co-workers. Tonight: Where your friends are.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) **★★★★** Be more forthright about what is on your mind. Scheduling could go haywire, though you quickly recover your losses. Understand that a co-worker might have more than a normal interest in you. Recognize limits. Remain upbeat with those in your day-to-day life. Tonight: Willingly work late.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) **★★★★** Your ability to take an overview saves this day of confusion and demands. Be positive. You have unusual assets and a way of looking at problems differently than others do. As usual, you shake others up. Screen calls, if you want to get everything done. Tonight: Do something ultimately relaxing.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) **★★★★** Relating yields financial as well as personal information. Sometimes you don't understand exactly what you need to do with a partner. You easily could go on overload. Be optimistic. Don't let a family member push you too hard. Tonight: Dinner out.

BORN TODAY
Actress Ann-Margret (1941), TV talk host Jay Leno (1950), actress Madge Sinclair (1938)

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Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

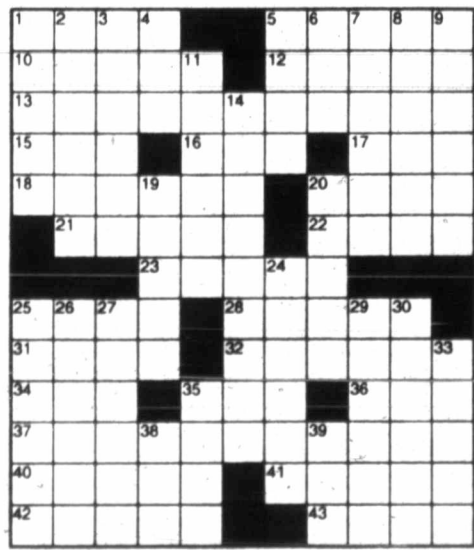
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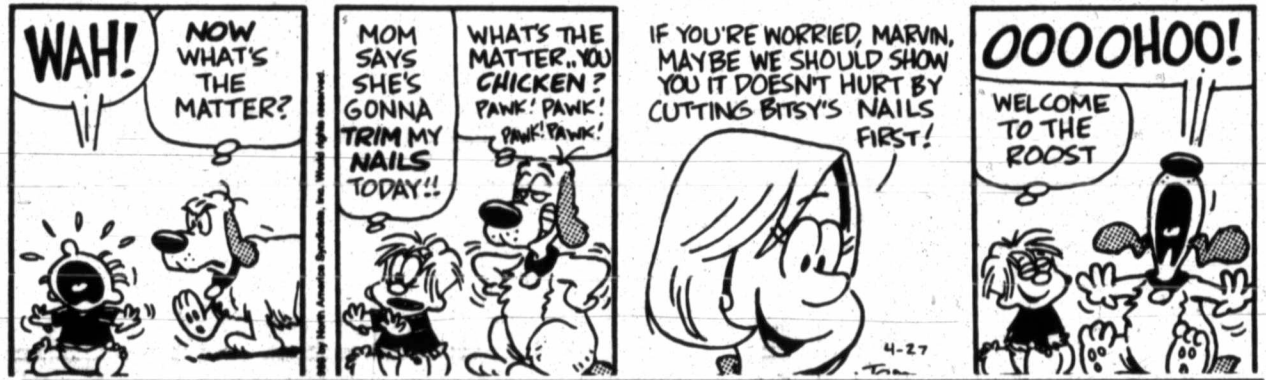
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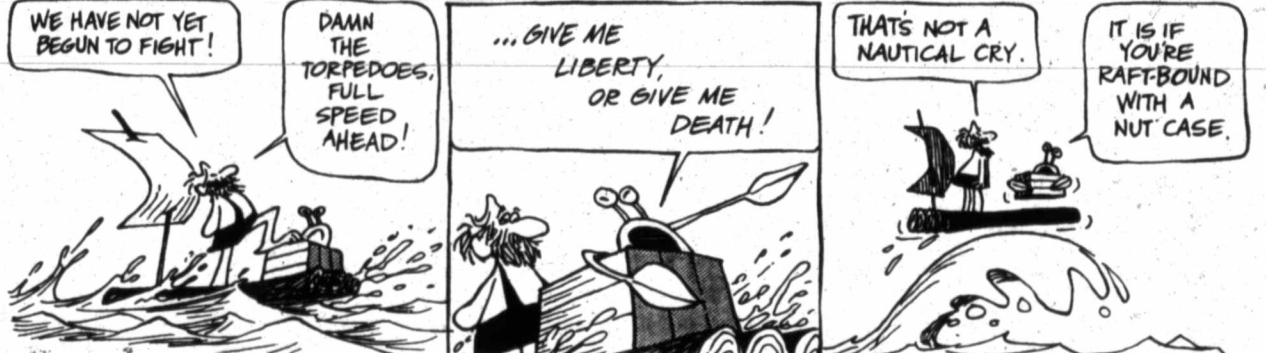
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Calendar of events

PAMPA CHESS CLUB

The Pampa Chess Club meets every Tuesday night at Yummie's Pizza in the Pampa Mall at 7:30 p.m. We offer casual yet competitive games, free instruction, and a quarterly newsletter. For more information contact James A. Shook at 669-0227.

TOASTMASTERS

The Toastmasters will meet every Wednesday night from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. at the Furrs Cafeteria.

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER FOR WOMEN

Tralee Crisis Center for Women is offering an in-house support group for victims of family violence. Meetings will be Tuesday's from 11 a.m.-12 noon and on Thursday's from 7-8 p.m. For more information call (806) 669-1131. All calls are kept confidential.

TOTS-N-TRAINING

Each Wednesday at the times and locations listed below you will receive a newsletter and free materials that will help you get your child ready for school.

—Frank's Thriftway #1, 300 E. Brown, 10-11 a.m. & 3-4 p.m. & 5:30-6:30 p.m.

—Woodrow Wilson School, 801 E. Browning, 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

—Albertson's, 1233 N. Hobart, 10-11 a.m. & 3:00-5:00 p.m.

—Community Day Care, 1100 Gwendolyn, 4:30-6 p.m.

PAMPA PRISON MINISTRY

The Pampa Prison Ministry meets the first Tuesday of every month at Central Baptist Church located at Francis and Starkweather at 7 p.m. sharp. For further information call Bob Andersen 665-4252 or J.B Walker at 669-2266.

PANHANDLE ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL

A support group for the mentally ill and family members meet the second Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at 218 N. Russell. There is no charge. For more information or if you need a ride call Sharon King, 665-2818.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

Pampa Chapter No. 65, Order of the Eastern Star, has changed their meeting nights from the first and third Tuesdays to the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. at 420 West Kingsmill.

OPEN DOOR ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Open Door Alcoholics Anonymous at 910 Kentucky (across from Albertson's) meeting schedule - seven days a week - two meetings a day -noon till 1 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday 8-9 p.m. No smoking, call 665-9702 for information.

AMARILLO INVENTORS ASSOCIATION

The Amarillo Inventors Association meets Tuesday, Apr. 27, at 7 p.m. in the Board Room in the downtown main branch of the Amarillo Public Library, 4th and Buchanan streets. Visitor and anyone interested are welcome.

EASTERN STAR CHAPTER #65

Eastern Star, Chapter #65 will hold its regular meeting Tuesday, Apr. 27 will hold an election of officers. Officers need to wear their Chapter Dresses.

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.

Harrington String Quartet to perform

AMARILLO — The Harrington String Quartet will offer the second of three subscription performances in its 1998-99 season at 8 p.m. Saturday, May 1 at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 2525 Wimberly Road. The quartet's final concert in this series will be performed on Saturday, June 12 in the same location. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$2 for students and senior citizens and are available from the Amarillo Symphony's offices. The quartet will perform compositions by Mozart and Brahms.

The quartet will also give a free performance as part of the Greater Southwest Music Festival at 6 p.m. Thursday, April 29 "in the round" in the Social Hall of Polk Street United Methodist Church.

The Harrington String Quartet was formed in the fall of 1981. The current members of the Harrington String Quartet are violinists Corinne Stillwell and Annie Chalex, violist Joanna Mendoza and cellist Emmanuel Lopez.

West Texas A&M's Branding Iron Theatre to present 'Marvin's Room'

CANYON — West Texas A&M University's Branding Iron Theatre will present "Marvin's Room" by Scott McPherson. The show opens Wednesday, April 28 and continues through Sunday, May 2 at the BIT in the Fine Arts Building on the WTAMU campus. Performance times are at 8 p.m. April 28-May 1 and 3 p.m. May 2.

According to director Perry Crafton, instructor of theatre, "Marvin's Room" is a critically acclaimed and off-beat play

that takes an original look at the irrepressible nature of the human spirit in the face of death. It focuses on Bessie, a woman taking care of her aunt and dying father.

Candi Terry, a freshman computer science and mass communications-print major from Pampa, will be playing the roles of Dr. Charlotte and Hospice Nurse.

Tickets will be \$10 at the door or can be purchased in advance at the Department of Art, Communication and

Theatre, Room 151 of the Fine Arts Building on the WTAMU campus. Seniors 65 and older and children 12 and under will receive a \$3 discount. Students, faculty and staff members may pick up free tickets with a valid WTAMU ID.

For more information or to reserve tickets, contact the WTAMU Department of Art, Communication and Theatre at (806) 651-2798 (8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday) or (806) 651-2804 the evening of performances.

Therapy with children and adolescents to be focus of upcoming Waugh Conference in Canyon

CANYON — Carol Madanes, director of the Family Therapy Institute in Washington, D.C., will present "Brief Strategic Therapy with Children and Adolescents" at the West Texas A&M University Waugh Conference Friday, April 30.

Madanes is recognized internationally as

an innovator in family and brief therapy. She has authored five books: "Strategic Family Therapy," "Behind the One-Way Mirror," "Sex, Love and Violence," "The Secret Meaning of Money" and "The Violence of Men."

She will present a variety of strategies for solving a wide range of childhood and ado-

lescent problems and will discuss the prevention of hospitalization and suicide. She will also present a series of steps for solving problems of child abuse, neglect and sexual abuse.

The conference will begin with registration from 8-8:30 a.m. at the Alumni Banquet Facility on the WTAMU campus. Four brief

sessions, lunch and discussion groups will be included in the program, which will conclude at 4 p.m.

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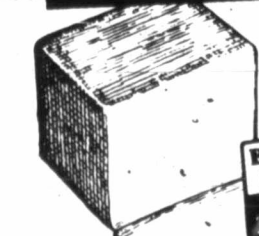
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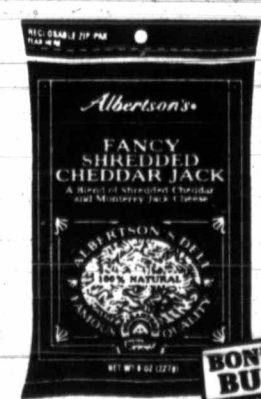


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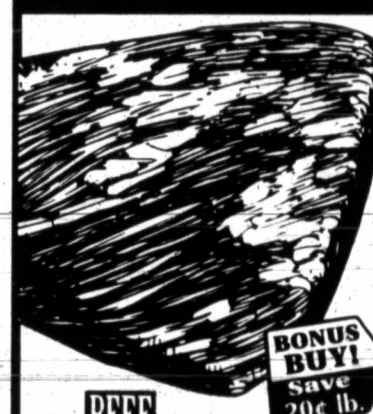
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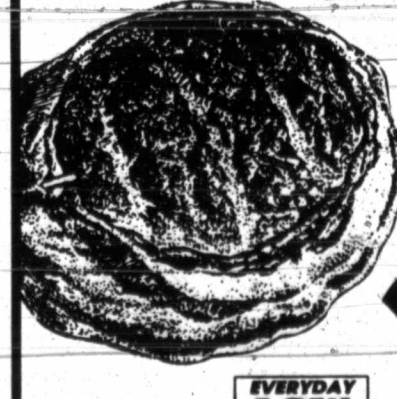


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