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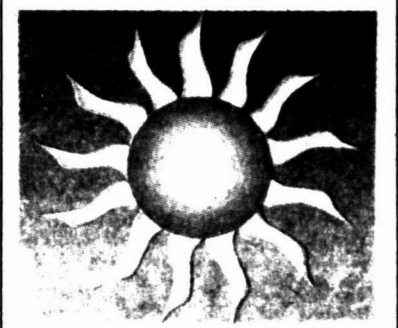


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**PAMPA** — PHS Open House will be Thursday, Sept. 9, at 6 p.m. A public meeting will follow in the auditorium to discuss 98-99 TAAS scores and the 99-00 campus plan.

**SAN ANTONIO (AP)** — The city of San Antonio appears to have fallen out of compliance with federal clean air standards, making it the last major U.S. city to do so.

For the fourth time this month, an air monitor in northwest San Antonio on Monday recorded an average ozone level of more than 81 parts per billion over an eight-hour period.

If verified by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, the city likely will lose its clean-air status, Mayor Howard Peak said.

"I'm disappointed that we have reached this point," Peak said, adding the city may contest a high ozone reading of Aug. 21 that local officials argue can be attributed to Hurricane Bret.

Weather systems from the north and the south converged at that time, providing for "a strange effect of sorts," Peak said.

"We also at that same time had lots of additional vehicle traffic heading up to San Antonio that could well have contributed to our exceedence," he said.

- J.C. Roberts, 65, former employee of El Paso Natural Gas.
- Clara Delberta Hall Wainwright, 68, homemaker and martial arts instructor.
- Donald Rodney Webb, 60, cowboy.

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## Vets want to retain service office

### Group makes show at commission meet

By JEFF WEST  
Staff Writer

Veterans angry over the possible changes with the veterans service officer crowded the Gray County Commission's Court Monday.

The veterans were there to show support for having a full time Veterans Service Officer for Gray County. The veterans came in response to a letter to the editor published in Sunday's *The Pampa News* and passed through the veterans community.

Gray County Judge Richard Peet explained the session was not a regular board meeting but a budget work session. The only item listed on the agenda to be discussed was the budget. He said a special meeting will be at 9 a.m. Wednesday in the county courtroom, and the item will be placed on that agenda.

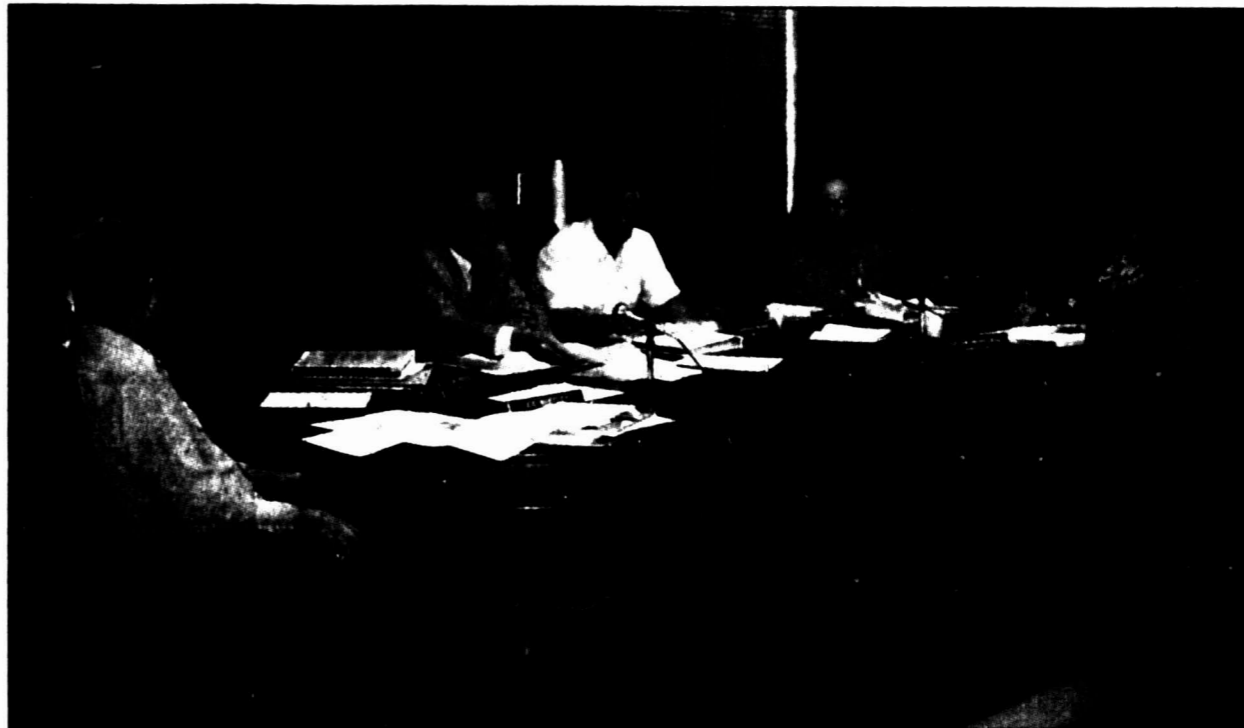
Peet then said the Commission had already voted to keep the position of Veterans Service Officer.

"It was a unanimous vote, not 3-2 or 4-1," Peet said.

Commissioner Joe Wheeley explained he had asked outgoing Veteran's Service Officer John Triplehorn to be present and explain his budget to the Commission. Other commissioners agreed they wanted to hear from Triplehorn.

Peet said he had no objection but said he had asked the commissioners before if they wanted any department heads to meet and they had not mentioned the Veterans Officer.

When Triplehorn rose to address the Court he read a prepared statement praising the commissioners but critical of Peet. He also read from the minutes. (See VETS, Page 2)



(Pampa News photo by Jeff West) A courtroom full of veterans showed up Monday at the Gray County Commission's budget session, but it wasn't money that was on their minds. The veterans want to make sure officials don't do away with veterans service office. Present were Commissioners Joe Wheeley (left) and Jim Greene, Judge Richard Peet, Commissioners Gerald Wright and James Hefley and County Clerk Susan Winborne.

## Miami ISD to discuss suit status, prayer issue

**MIAMI** — Miami ISD trustees will decide tonight whether to pursue further legal action following the Texas Supreme Court's decision denying an appeal from the school district involving the 1993 school finance Robin Hood law.

A ruling Thursday was the third court decision to go against the Miami ISD during the past two years. The rural district is one of the school districts in Texas which was determined wealthy because the district's taxable values exceed \$280,000 per student, and must share the wealth with property poor districts.

District Judge Scott McCown of Austin ruled against the district last year. His ruling was upheld by the 3rd Court of Appeals. Thursday the Supreme Court of Texas denied the appeal

without comment.

Superintendent Allen Dinsmore said the case is not an issue over school finance, but instead is over accountability standards.

He said the rural district's interpretation of the law is that the recently achieved exemplary status by the district is a reward, and that the funds do not have to be sent from Miami ISD to the state.

The district has 170 students, down from 188 during the 1998-1999 school year.

Another item includes a report from Dinsmore on the school prayer issue before football games. Trustees will also approve the 1999-2000 budget, approve transfer students and financial reports.

The meeting will be at 8 tonight.

## Program lets high schoolers get college credit

By Nancy Young  
Managing Editor

Pampa High School students may receive both high school credit and college hours.

Students enrolled in junior or senior level advanced placement class with Clarendon College, Pampa Center may qualify for the program.

By enrolling for dual credit with Clarendon College, these qualifying students may earn college and high school credit at the same time.

Representative from Clarendon College will be on the Pampa High School campus on Sept. 8 to register students for the dual credit classes. Registration will be at 9:30 a.m. Students may register for a maximum of seven college hours per college semester.

Cost for one three-hour course is \$104. A four-hour course, lab sciences, is \$152. Students should have taken the TASP or be exempt from the TASP before trying to enroll.

A small amount of money is available for the Pampa Independent School District for grants-in-aid for some students. The guidelines for the federal free lunch program are being used to determine eligibility. Students who feel they may qualify should apply in the counselor's office by Friday, Sept. 3.

Dual credit classes allow advanced students to get a jump on their college careers while still in high school. The cost is also less than normal college tuition costs.

Students planning to register on Sept. 8 should have a copy of their TASP scores, a permission letter from a parent, social security number and money for the registration.

High school counselors will have a letter of certification available for students who are exempt from TASP because of TAAS scores.

**Dual credit classes allow students to get a jump on college careers while in high school. The cost is less than most normal college tuition.**

## Confrontation with armed man ends peacefully; he's behind bars

**WHEELER** — A Shamrock man was in Wheeler County jail today after being charged with possession of a firearm and attempted murder in connection with a shooting in Shamrock.

Calvin Menefield, 38, was being held in lieu of \$20,000 bond after he was charged with being a felon in possession of a firearm and criminal attempt to commit murder, according to a spokesman for the 31st District Attorney's office. Wheeler County Justice of the Peace Brady Meadows set bond.

Wheeler County officials said Menefield was arrested after a brief standoff Saturday, Aug. 21, in the 500 block of Arizona Street.

Officers said they received an emergency call shortly before 5 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 21, from a man who said someone had fired four shots at his house at 911 N. Texas Street in Shamrock.

Shamrock Police Chief Joe Daniels said no one was injured in the shooting.

Menefield's Chevrolet Caprice was stopped by officers later that evening, and Menefield was arrested following a short standoff, officers said. Authorities said that following a confrontation, Menefield put down a 12 gauge shotgun.

Authorities said Menefield had been convicted of a felony in the 1980s.

## Quite frankly... Which football team is your favorite and who is your favorite player?



"Green Bay Packers is my favorite team and the quarterback, Brett Favre, is my favorite player."

— Jamie Humphrey



"Dallas Cowboys. My favorite person with the team is Jerry Jones because he took them to the Super Bowl."

— Michael Yates



"I like the San Francisco 49ers. Steve Young is my favorite player."

— Elder Christian Ricks



"My favorite team is the Atlanta Falcons. Ricky Williams of the New Orleans Saints is my favorite player."

— James Dunn



"My favorite team is the Chicago Bears. I don't have one favorite player."

— Timmy Broadbent

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# Daily Record

## Services tomorrow

**ROBERTS, J.C.** — 10:30 a.m., Calvary Christian Fellowship Church, Shamrock.  
**WAINWRIGHT, Clara Delberta Hall** — 10 a.m., Sticklely-Hill Funeral Directors Chapel, Canadian.  
**WEBB, Donald Rodney** — 2 p.m., Clarendon Church of Christ, Clarendon.

## Obituaries

**J.C. ROBERTS**  
 SHAMROCK — J.C. Roberts, 65, died Saturday, Aug. 28, 1999. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in Calvary Christian Fellowship Church with the Rev. Harry Pittam of Lovington, N.M., officiating. Burial will be in Shamrock Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors of Shamrock.

Mr. Roberts was born Dec. 17, 1933, at Wimberly. He married Joan Pittam in 1958 at Jal, N.M. He had been a Shamrock resident for the past 26 years. He worked for El Paso Natural Gas for over 20 years and belonged to Shamrock Country Club.

He was a U.S. Army veteran. Survivors include his wife, Joan; three daughters, Beth McFarland and Beverly Wendlin, both of Seelyville, Ind., and Alice Garner of Shamrock; and three grandchildren.

**CLARA DELBERTA HALL WAINWRIGHT**  
 LUBBOCK — Clara Delberta Hall Wainwright, 68, a former Canadian resident, died Monday, Aug. 30, 1999. Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Sticklely-Hill Funeral Directors Chapel at Canadian with the Rev. Roy Almaroad, pastor of Mescalero Baptist Church of Amarillo, officiating. Burial will be in Edith Ford Memorial Cemetery.

Mrs. Wainwright was born at Flippin, Ark., and attended school there. She married Alvin Henry Wainwright in 1948 at Yellville, Ark. She moved to Canadian in 1948. She was a homemaker and did alterations at Monarch Cleaners. She was a fourth degree martial arts instructor and belonged to Westmont Christian Church of Lubbock and Epsilon Sigma Alpha sorority.

Survivors include her husband, Alvin; a daughter, Phyllis Shira of Farnsworth; a son, Roger Wainwright of Canadian; a sister, Marie Smith of Amarillo; a brother, Marvin Hall of Defiance, Ohio; four grandchildren; and a great-grandchild. The body will be available for viewing from 4-8 p.m. today and from 8:30 a.m. until service time Wednesday at the funeral home.

The family requests memorials be to Southwest Cancer Society or to American Cancer Society.

**DONALD RODNEY WEBB**  
 HOWARDWICK — Donald Rodney Webb, 60, a former Groom resident, died Monday, Aug. 30, 1999. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Clarendon Church of Christ at Clarendon with Brian Gochenour, minister, and Mike Suter, minister of San Jacinto Church of Christ in Amarillo, officiating. Burial will be in Citizens Cemetery under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Mr. Webb was born at Amarillo. He married Josephine Peyton in 1985 at Groom. He had been a Howardwick resident for the past eight years, moving from Groom. He was a cowboy.

He belonged to Clarendon Church of Christ. Survivors include his wife, Josephine; two daughters, Linda Garner of Euless and Wanda Arganbright of Amarillo; three sons, Lewis Alton Webb and Kerry Don Webb, both of Euless, and Daniel Kirk Webb of Amarillo; two brothers, Gayle Webb and Jerry Webb, both of Amarillo; 11 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to American Cancer Society, Crown of Texas Hospice or Veterans Administration Medical Center Hospitality House.

## Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Antebury Grain of Pampa

Wheat	2.16
Milo	2.23
Corn	1.13
Soybeans	3.71

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

Occidental	21.14	up 5/16
Magellan	124.17	
Puritan	19.96	

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

Ameco	112.9/16	up 1/8/16
Alcoa	88.1/8	up 2
Cash	23.3/16	dn 1/16
Cash O&G	18.11/16	dn 1/16
Chevron	92.9/16	up 1/16

Coca-Cola	60.7/16	dn 7/16
Columbia/HCA	24.1/2	up 3/16
Enron	42.1/8	up 7/8
Halliburton	45.1/2	up 1
IRI	4.3/4	up 3/16
KNE	20.1/2	dn 1/8
Kerr-McGee	55.1/16	up 1/16
Limited	39.1/8	up 1/8
McDonald's	42.3/8	up 5/16
Mobil	103.1/8	up 2/8
New Atmos	25.1/16	NC
NCE	36	up 3/16
Penney	39	up 5/16
Phillips	51.3/4	up 13/16
Pioneer Nat Res	11.1/2	up 5/16
SLB	65.1/2	up 1/16
Tenneco	20.5/8	dn 1/8
Texaco	63.1/16	up 13/16
Ultrasat	26	dn 1/16
Wal-Mart	45.5/8	dn 1/8
Williams	42.3/4	up 3/16
New York Gold	253.95	
Silver	5.10	
West Texas Crude	21.66	

## Police report

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

**Monday, Aug. 30**  
 Troy D. Britt, 36, 1124 Prairie, was arrested on charges of terroristic threats and aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Roy Robert Huff, 34, 1309 Garland, was arrested on charges of public intoxication.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1800 block of Beech.

Aggravated assault was reported in the 600 block of South Barnes.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 1500 block of North Hobart.

Forgery was reported in the 200 block of West Kingsmill.

Domestic assault was reported in the 1900 block of North Wells.

Simple assault was reported at Pampa High School.

## Sheriff's Office

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

**Monday, Aug. 30**  
 Ricky Don Howard, 32, Lefors, was arrested on charges of issuance of bad checks.

## Accidents

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

**Monday, Aug. 30**  
 An unknown vehicle struck the legally parked 1979 Coach trailer moving it several inches. No injuries were reported.

## Ambulance

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

**Monday, Aug. 29**  
 10:44 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center and transported one to Northwest Texas Hospital.

12:46 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 300 block of North Somerville on a fire standby.

1:32 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block of Terrace on lifting assistance.

1:40 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 500 block of Short and transported one to PRMC.

2:33 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to NWH.

3:01 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 2000 block of Coffee and transported one to PRMC.

3:55 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC; no transport.

5:19 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1400 block of South Barnes on a welfare check; no transport.

6:22 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of North Christy and transported one to PRMC.

**Tuesday, Aug. 30**  
 1:47 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1300 block of Garland; no transport.

## Fires

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

**Monday, Aug. 30**  
 12:28 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to a grass fire south of Pampa.

12:38 p.m. — Three units and seven personnel responded to a reported structure fire in the 300 block of North Somerville.

2:57 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to a medical assist in the 2000 block of Coffee.

## Emergency numbers

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

# Innocent plea assigned to white supremacist in postal worker slaying

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Lawyers now will evaluate strategy after a judge entered a plea of innocent for a white supremacist who allegedly confessed to killing a Filipino-American postal worker and shooting up a Jewish community center full of children.

Magistrate judge Stephen Hillman entered an innocent plea for Buford O. Furrow Jr., 37, after defense lawyers stated they did not intend to enter a plea.

Such a defense move is not unusual, and provides time for lawyers to plot strategy.

Hillman set a tentative trial date of Oct. 12 and assigned the case to U.S. District Judge Richard Paez.

Paez will determine a formal trial date after he confers with attorneys and finds out whether Furrow will waive his right to a speedy trial.

The family of slain letter carrier Joseph Iletto sat across the courtroom from Furrow as he answered

"yes" in a quiet voice, acknowledging he understood the charges against him.

Iletto, 39, was shot to death Aug. 10. Although the arraignment was for that killing, the government could add hate crimes allegations that would encompass the wounding of five people, including three children, the same day at the Jewish Community Center in suburban Granada Hills.

Furrow faces separate state charges of attempted murder in that shooting. The district attorney's office also filed a murder charge in the Iletto killing and added hate crime allegations against Furrow.

Furrow allegedly told investigators he intended that shooting as "a wake-up call to America to kill Jews."

Both state and federal charges carry a potential death penalty.

Experts have suggested that Furrow will have a defense based on mental illness.

## VETS

utes of the Aug. 23rd meeting of the Commissioners Court. A motion was made by Commissioner Jim Greene to approve keeping the position of Veterans Service Officer. In the final vote all commissioners voted for the motion, Peet voted nay, according to the minutes.

"Richard Peet, you and I have an irreconcilable philosophical difference. That being a given, I would ask you to leave the veteran community out of the difference... I find it totally reprehensible that you would use disabled veterans, elderly veterans and widows of deceased veterans as your weapon of choice in our ongoing difference," Triplehorn said.

"As far as Richard's idea of shortening the salary on it [veterans service office] I know his intent was not to shortchange the veterans of this county, but to put it in a position to where we could save some money and at the same time service that office," said Wheelery.

Triplehorn also said Peet was incorrect when he said several counties, including Randall, did not have a veteran's service officer when there was one listed.

Peet said that he had spoken to several of the county judges including Randall County Judge Ted Woods.

"They do have a veteran's officer but there is not one in the budget. They pay him no salary," Peet said.

Peet said he had found the hours and salaries of VSO's varied greatly. He said Hutchinson County had a part time veterans service officer who worked three days a week and earned \$13,000. Hale County had a full time employee making about \$25,000 but only spent about one-fourth of his time on veterans, the rest was spent on other county business. The Gray County budget currently calls for a base salary of \$22,901 plus longevity

pay for a full time service officer.

Peet said his vote against the veteran's service officer was a vote against keeping the position as it currently stands. He believes the office could be a part time position or even voluntary. Peet said that there is a veteran who is receiving 100 percent disability from the Veterans Administration who has said he would like to help but can not receive a salary to comply with VA rules. Peet said the legality of such an arrangement has been cleared with the Attorney Generals Office.

When one of the veterans present at Monday's meeting attempted to give the Commission a petition Peet repeated that no public comments were being accepted but the petition and comments would be accepted at the regular meeting Wednesday.

Copies of resolutions from the Freedom Museum and the VFW given to *The Pampa News* call for continuing the office at its present rate.

A letter from Freedom Museum Curator Mike Porter also addressed a suggestion by Peet to move the Veteran's Service Officer's Office from 123 Foster, a building owned by a private corporation called the Gray County Veterans Building Corp., to the County Courthouse. The letter states the history of the building bought for veterans, but also spoke of the lack of parking and number of stairs at the Courthouse.

The letter says the veterans building, "Finding and entering the building is easy for the World War III veterans and parking is available right at the front door. The courthouse is another story. Just try to find a parking place without a reserved sign on it, you lose; and the stairs are killers. I know, just watch me walk."

"I just want to say that, as a veteran myself, I am not against veterans or their families," Peet said.

Peet told the crowd that no votes would be taken at the meeting Monday, the budget as a whole was under discussion. Most of the audience then left.

# Report: Handyman confessed to sexually assaulting two sightseers

FRESNO, Calif. (AP) — A motel handyman who has confessed to killing a Yosemite National Park naturalist and three sightseers has also admitted to sexually assaulting the two teen-age victims, according to court documents.

In a previous jailhouse interview with a television reporter, Cary Stayner said he committed all four murders but denied that any sexual assault was involved. Authorities later confirmed that he had confessed.

An FBI affidavit filed Monday says that Stayner, 38, has admitted not only to killing sightseers

Juli Sund, 15, and Silvina Pelosso, 16, but to sexually assaulting them in a room at the Cedar Lodge, where he worked as a handyman.

The girls, along with Juli's mother, 42-year-old Carole Sund, were last seen alive at the lodge in February. Their bodies were found weeks later.

A search of the room yielded evidence including "hairs in vacuum sweepings" and "possible bodily fluid stains on a blanket seized in the room," the affidavit says.

The affidavit also says Stayner led the FBI to the knives he says he used to slash Juli's throat and

to decapitate his fourth victim — 26-year-old naturalist Joie Armstrong, who was killed in July. Investigators expected to lift fingerprints and other evidence from the knives, which have dried blood on them, the FBI said.

Stayner has been charged only with Ms. Armstrong's murder.

Following a hearing Monday, a judge ordered him to comply with the FBI's request to provide hair and bodily fluids. His federal public defender, Robert Rainwater, who had fought the request, declined comment Monday.

# Authorities seize cocaine found in shipment of fresh fish

MIAMI (AP) — When U.S. Customs inspectors found more than a ton of cocaine stuffed between ice packs and fish filets in a cargo shipment from Ecuador, they waited to see who would pick it up. No one came.

The Arrow Airlines cargo plane carrying the strange shipment landed at 1:10 a.m. EDT Monday. Officials suspect workers at Miami International Airport may have been in on the smuggling job and called off the pickup.

"With that much cocaine and nobody coming to claim it, especially at that hour, it indicates to us that whoever is involved knew about the seizure," said John Clark, special agent in charge with the U.S. Customs service.

The drug seizure comes less than a week after 58 people, many of whom worked for Fort Worth, Texas-based American Airlines, were charged with smuggling drugs and weapons at the Miami airport. Clark did not say the two incidents were linked, but said there were similarities.

The plane, from Guayaquil, Ecuador, contained 50 boxes of fish, 22 of which were loaded with 2,720 pounds of cocaine, worth an estimated \$21 million.

Inspectors found the cocaine wrapped neatly in waxed-paper packages, hidden under filets of grouper, congrio and tuna. One box contained 36 pounds of cocaine.

The drugs showed up in an X-ray during a routine inspection.

"Usually, the sort of organiza-

tion that would be bringing in this quantity... would be pretty determined to recover it," Clark said.

But Monday afternoon, the cocaine was still packed in soggy cardboard boxes at the airport, the fish spoiling in the sun.

"This particular airline has no coolers ... and this is a very perishable item," said chief inspec-

tor Mary Meier, noting that there were other shipments of fish aboard the plane.

No one was immediately charged, though the investigation was continuing. Miami-based Arrow Air is cooperating with the customs service, said Michael J. Sheehan, a U.S. Customs spokesman.

## City Briefs

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## Weather focus

**PAMPA** — Mostly sunny today with a high in the upper 90s and south winds at 10-20 mph. Tonight, mostly clear with a high in the upper 60s and southeast winds at 5-10 mph. Tomorrow, partly sunny with a high in the mid 90s with south winds at 10-20 mph. High yesterday 96; the overnight low 70.

**PANHANDLE** — Tonight, a less than 20 percent chance of evening thunderstorms. Otherwise mostly clear. Low in the middle 60s. South wind 5-15 mph. Wednesday, partly sunny with a high in the lower 90s.

Southwest to south wind 10-20 mph with higher gusts.

**STATEWIDE** — Slightly cooler temperatures and a chance of rainfall were new additions to the late summer forecast for parts of Texas today. High pressure continued to dominate the state's weather picture. Light winds and clear skies created radiational cooling, allowing temperatures to drop into the 60s and lower 70s in most areas.

It was 59 degrees at Marfa, 68 at Junction, 70 at Alliance Airport in Fort Worth, 79 at El Paso, 81 at Galveston, 82 at Del Rio and 83 at Dallas Love Field.

Winds were variable from east

to south at 5 to 15 mph. Patchy light fog developed overnight along the Gulf coast.

On Monday, the high reached 102 degrees at both Austin and Laredo.

Isolated afternoon and evening showers and thunderstorms were expected over Southeast Texas and in southwestern mountains. Scattered storms were also forecast for North Texas through Thursday. Daytime highs will be around 90 to 100 and near 103 in the Big Bend under fair skies.

Lows overnight should be in the 60s and 70s, except for near 80 at the coast.



## Western and English Marketing Council announces Western Heritage Month

DENVER, Colo. — The Western and English Marketing Council announces September 1999 as the inaugural "National Western Heritage Month." The monthlong celebration of the western lifestyle will include authentic cultural events, parades, concerts and an in-store \$5,000-00 trivia Sweepstakes contest where winners can win cash, trips to exclusive guest ranches and product prizes from leading western brands. The trivia contest game sheet is available only at western stores nationwide. Consumers can find out where the nearest western store to them is by visiting the National Western Heritage Month website at [www.livethewest.com](http://www.livethewest.com), or they can call toll free 1-800-941-2107.

With the new millennium coming, concern over Y2K and the hype of the Internet, it appears that a significant amount of the population is seeking to reduce their fast pace life, a benefit long associated with the western lifestyle. In fact, The Wall Street Journal recently reported that Americans are flocking toward equine activities in record numbers. Interest in "ranch vacations" is also on the rise. Visitors to the 109-member ranches in the Dude Ranchers Association have shown a dramatic increase in the past few years. The fashion world seems to agree with the trend. Reports from international fashion shows say many couture designers are once again showing western influences in their designs. Additionally, designer, Ralph Lauren and even retail giant The Gap have recently used western themes in ad campaigns.

Hollywood has also done its part to promote the current western trend. According to The Hollywood Reporter four blockbuster, western

movies are in production or will be released by the end of the year. These films will feature superstars such as Matt Damon, Dylan McDermott, James Van Der Beek, Salma Hayek, Will Smith, Kevin Kline and Willem DaFoe. One of the films, "All the Pretty Horses" is directed by Billy Bob Thornton.

**Reports from international fashion shows say many couture designers are once again showing western influences in their designs. Additionally, designer, Ralph Lauren and even retail giant The Gap have recently used western themes in ad campaigns.**

All this adds up to a broadening appeal for "things western." Unlike the last Urban Cowboy western boom which featured synthetic fabrics, tight jeans, long necks and mechanical bulls, the current trend features natural fabrications and loose fitting, contemporary designs. These new Western fashions are not only coming from industry staples such as Wrangler, Justin, Rocky Mountain Clothing Co., Resistor, Roper USA and Stetson, but also from rising stars like Circle T Western Wear, American West Collection by Force Ten, Chambers Belt and Accessories, Country Tease, Gordon & James, Milano Hat Co., Montana Silversmiths, Schaefer Outfitter and Southwest Canyon.

Industry insiders believe that, like most trends, people may start out purchasing brands outside the core industry group of designers and manufacturers, but will quickly gravitate toward the authentic brands as they become more educated about the products. Zane Lewis, Associate Publisher of Western & English Today, a leading industry trade magazine says, "It won't take long for a woman on Rodeo Drive or Park Avenue to spot the superior quality and style of a Stetson hat versus a non core market designer. I believe we are on the verge of an explosive interest in western apparel, home furnishings, travel and the whole attitude of the west."

## Governor proclaims September 'Food Safety Month,' TDH launches education campaign

AUSTIN — While Gov. George W. Bush has proclaimed September as Food Safety Month, the Texas Department of Health has joined forces with industry groups to raise awareness among consumers through its Texas Partnership for Food Safety Education.

The Partnership has launched a monthlong campaign, "The Heat Is On," to educate consumers on food safety, specifically with regard to cooking temperatures.

"Most foodborne illnesses can be prevented simply by keeping hot foods hot and cold foods

cold," says TDH Commissioner Dr. William Archer III. "We want to raise awareness for the consumer so that they know they can control whether the food they eat is safe or not."

Archer encourages consumers who have a meat thermometer to check the internal temperature of ground meat to ensure that it reaches 160 degrees. TDH also recommends the following food safety tips:

- Meat that is ground should be cooked thoroughly.
- Always heat or reheat carry-out meals and leftovers to a minimum of 165 degrees.

—Be sure to check for cold spots in food when using the microwave.

"As people get ready for Labor Day barbecues, any outdoor cooking or even indoor cooking, we want them to remember to keep the meat cold until they're ready to prepare it and when they prepare those ground meats, they should be thoroughly cooked — that means well done."

Consumers can log onto the TDH web site at [www.tdh.state.tx.us](http://www.tdh.state.tx.us) for more food safety information.



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2:00-4:50PM	T	Arts	2366	01	Intro to Water Color	3	Shelley
2:00-4:50PM	T	Arts	2367	01	Intro to Water Color	3	Shelley
2:00-4:50PM	T	Arts	2367	01	Water Color Painting	3	Shelley
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7:00-9:50PM	TH	Biol	1411	01	Botany	4	Kepley
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4:00-6:50PM	W	Biol	2401	01	Human A&P I	4	Windhorst
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4:30-6:50PM	T	Biol	2420	01	Microbiology	4	Lowrie
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MDA: Give to a worthy cause

Well, summer has ended, especially if you're a student, teacher or parent of a school-age child. So will all of you people please quit sweating?

Of course, Labor Day is still about a week away which means I'll not be able to wear white soon. I think that is the rule, no one wears white after Labor Day. I don't know who made the rule, or why, or whether it applied to underwear, but I try never to violate the rule. That's just me, of course. Because I'm such a clothes horse. I've been known to change a shirt just because the stains no longer made geometrical patterns.

Actually, I figure I'm always either fashionable or ahead of the fashion curve. I wear pretty much the same kind of clothes all the time. Once in a while they are in fashion, sometimes they aren't but that's ok. I'm just ahead of the curve for when they come back into fashion.

Speaking of Labor Day, I guess that means Jerry Lewis will be working again. I hate to say anything bad about Jerry. He went into



Jeff West

Pampa News staff

the hospital earlier this year and I was afraid he might not make the show. Now, don't get me wrong, working as hard as he does raising money for MD is a good thing. I wish him lots of luck this year as always. I usually donate some money (not enough probably) and urge everyone to put something in the pot.

I was wondering however, is Jerry getting a little too old or worn out to do the telethon? He keeps a frantic pace for a while before the event every year getting money and stuff lined up, and that may be what landed him in the hospital earlier. But at last year's telethon,

most of which I don't watch, he seemed to have that tired vacant stare from the opening song. Towards the end he seemed more incoherent than usual to me.

Of course, I guess I should confess I may not be the best judge of his coherency since most of his movies have been fairly incoherent to me, too. I've also never figured out why he is such a hero in France but I've held that against him anyway.

By the way, as of tomorrow there's only four months left until the end of the world. Or at least that's the way it was being billed just a short time back. I don't hear as much about it lately. Maybe all the fear mongers have taken off for the mountains with their beef jerky and C-rations already. Or they just worked the American public into a frenzy too soon. Americans get worked up easily but have a short attention span when they're outraged. Better luck at the start of the next century, guys.

Be good to one another and be good to yourselves.



Inside the Beltway with Sen. Hutchison

Women could use a tax break

One of the most interesting and positive aspects of the taxpayer refund proposal that Congress just passed is the way it responds to the needs of women, in particular. Whether they're married, single, homemakers, employees or employers, women are big winners under this plan.

Lowering taxes, as Congress proposes to do in order to refund a small portion of the \$1 trillion taxpayer overpayment, means women as well as men taxpayers will be able to hang on to more of the money they earn, rather than send it to Washington so someone else can decide how to spend it.

Opponents of the congressional plan to lower taxes cite Medicare and Social Security and their impact on women, because women live longer. But Congress' plan allocates more than \$2 TRILLION to the long-term solvency of Medicare and Social Security. The non-partisan Congressional Budget Office estimates that the congressional plan will cut the federal debt in half in 10 years.

The highest priority of Congress' plan is marriage tax penalty relief, which is approached in several ways. For instance, right now the standard deduction is \$4,300 for an individual. If two taxpayers happen to marry, their standard deduction is not the \$8,600 one might expect (\$4,300 twice). Instead, it is \$7,200. Congress' plan phases out that unfairness for those who choose the standard deduction rather than itemizing.

It also would double the income levels for the lowest tax bracket. Two unmarried people earning \$25,000 each are taxed at a marginal rate of 15 percent, but when they marry, the government taxes their combined income at a rate of 28 percent. We want to end that by expanding the size of the 15 percent tax bracket. This would prevent a working wife's income from being taxed at the higher marginal rate.

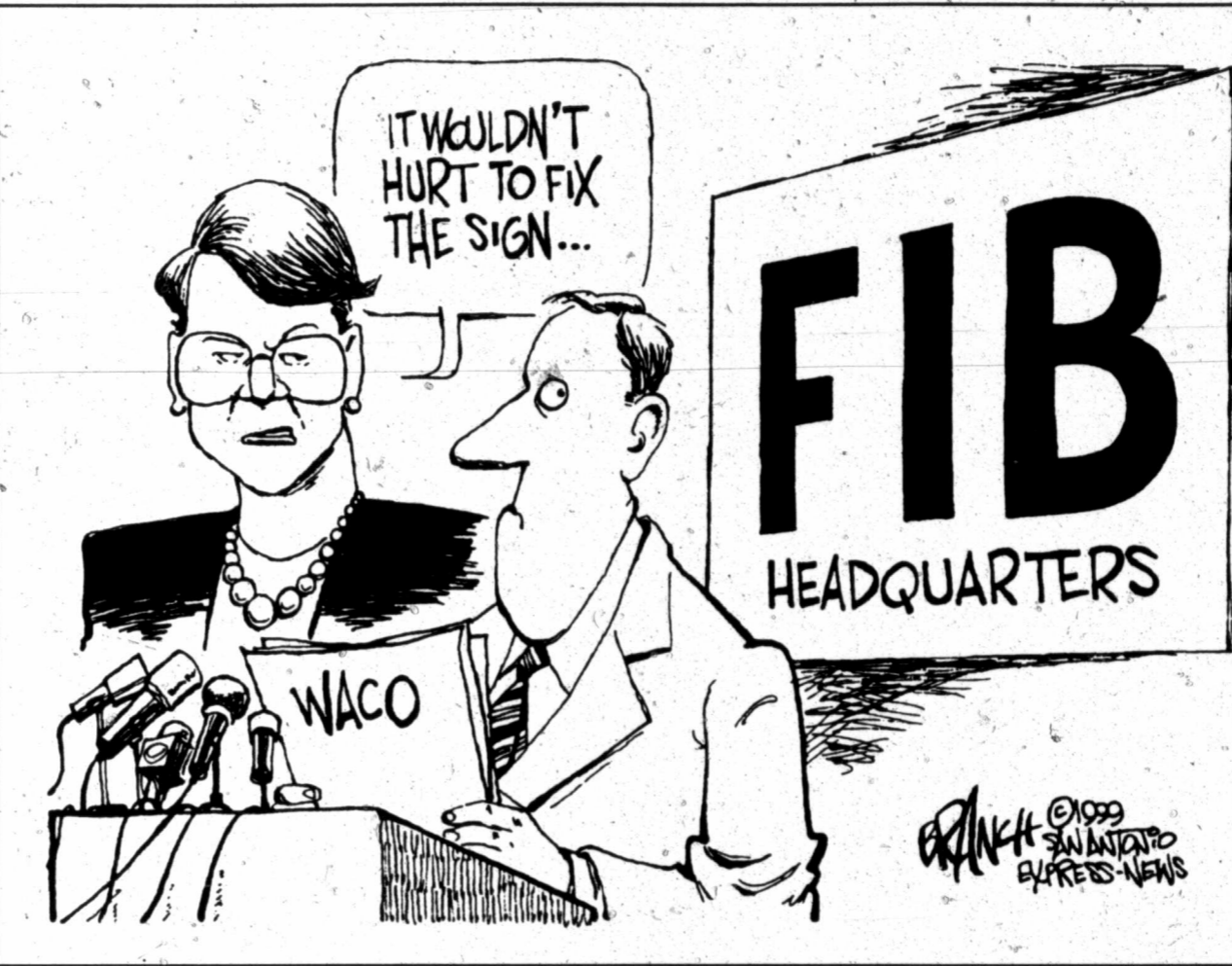
The plan includes another great innovation, one that helps women make extra contributions to their pensions and other retirement savings programs. Women who do not work outside the home have been at a disadvantage when it comes to pension savings programs such as IRAs and 401 (k)s. We began addressing this problem three years ago when my Homemaker IRA plan became law. This allows stay-at-home spouses to set aside the full \$2,000 for retirement, just as their working spouses can, rather than the \$250 allowed them before.

Women who work outside the home go off the savings track when they leave the workplace to raise children. One result can be that women end up with smaller pensions when they retire. We want to recognize this disparity by permitting "catch-up" payments for those who return to the workforce. Congress' plan allows women who return to work after raising their children to contribute as much as 50 percent more per year to their pension plans.

Women remain the primary care givers for elderly family members. Congress' plan will help them bear the costs of home-based care more easily if a loved one faces long-term illness. Congress' proposal also allows an additional personal exemption for those caretakers of elderly family members, and it permits people to deduct the cost of long-term care insurance.

Finally, Congress' tax relief plan would help women by recognizing that they constitute the fastest growing segment of business owners in America. The plan would allow the self-employed to deduct the cost of their health insurance, making it possible for a greater number of people to get health care coverage, and it would phase out the death tax so women business owners, as well as men, can pass their success on to their children.

Congress and the White House agree that two out of three dollars in the expected surplus over the next 10 years will be dedicated to saving Social Security. The debate is over the remaining dollar. Congress wants to give a quarter of it back to those who worked so hard to send it to Washington and use the rest for even more debt reduction and Medicare stability. The plan is balanced, and it's fair. And the big winners will be women.



Finding bliss way up north, in Alaska

While traveling along, fishing southwestern Alaska, I am thinking of Jack. Jack the Dreamer. Long ago and far away. We were kids living on the Texas coast. Then — suddenly, it seemed to us — we were men. Or so we thought. We were of legal age. But, as we soon learned, that doesn't make you a man.

Jack married early. We both went briefly into military service, and our paths parted. Then, after a few years, we found ourselves fishing the flats together on a torridly hot and humid Gulf Coast day.

"Been dreaming, Rags," Jack said. "Dreaming about going to Alaska: Wanna come along?"

It was, I recall, 1957. Alaska wasn't even a state then. It was a territory. And it seemed as far away as the moon, or at least Tibet.

"Dream on, maniac, I replied," and laughed him off.

Next thing any of us knew, Jack had packed up his aged pickup and went off. North, to Alaska. He tried to talk his wife into going, but she wasn't having any of it.

Just getting to Alaska was tough. The great national highway system we enjoy these days didn't exist then. And once in Alaska, the driving got even tougher.

Neither Jack's wife nor his friends thought he would make it.



Dan Rather

Syndicated columnist

We underestimated him. Jack got there. And he loved it. Soon he telephoned his wife: "Honey, I've quit my job. Come on up. This is our new home."

She thought he was crazy and said so. She also thought he'd be back after the first big snowfall. But he never went back. He never left the place to return anywhere in what Alaskans call "The Lower 48."

He lived his dream. Fishing, hunting, walking the woods, prowling the cold coasts, exploring the wild all over this immense state. It cost him his wife. But he got another — a local woman who loved the world as much as he did.

Years later, while in Alaska covering politics, I hooked up with Jack, and we fished and hunted for a few days. I never saw a man before or since so contented, so happy. He had found his bliss.

A great part of Jack's bliss was getting to know the wildlife. He raved about the caribou and the bear, the elk and the moose. He came to know the ways of them all, as well as those of the wolf and the beaver. His knowledge of the sable and the mink also amazed me.

And the fish! Salmon, trout, steelhead — he caught them all and taught me how. He knew the salt water as well as the fresh. He seemed to have developed some inner radar for halibut and cod.

He talked for hours about otters, sea lions, walrus and whales. And he delighted in showing them all to me.

"It's always a magic time in this place," he said with a big smile as he let me off at the airport. Then he winked and drove off, back into the wild.

Haven't seen Jack for a long while now. We corresponded sporadically over the years, then just sort of lost track of each other and wandered apart again. Life's like that.

But in these waning days of August, as Alaska's summer gets cooler and heads into autumn, and as I marvel anew at the grandeur and breathtaking beauty of this — still to me — wilderness, I think of Jack.

He found bliss early and stayed with it. Way up north. North to Alaska.

Plenty more yet to learn about space

Among the commentaries on the 30th anniversary of the moon landings, I heard at least one fellow bemoan the fact that, after the successful landings, the program stopped.

Well, for heaven's sakes, why not? Going to the moon is like climbing Mount Everest. The point is to get there, not stay there. Nobody wants to stay on top of Everest for the same reason no one wanted to stay on the moon. They are environments that won't sustain life.

Today's space program is very broad-based and productive. Its many projects are not as sexy as landing men on the moon, but that's not the same as being unimportant. After all, the gain from the Apollo program was knowledge. No one expected to find gold or to lay out a new subdivision on the moon's surface.

Today's space program is mining knowledge in many areas. I would bet a month's worth of barbecue that, dollar for dollar, the NASA budget yields more useful knowledge per dollar spent than any other federal agency.

As for excitement, undertaking a mammoth construction project in space — the international space station — seems pretty exciting to me. How would you like to build a 10-story building with no earth to hold it up?

People should remember that every time a space shuttle engine ignites, the astronauts on board are risking their lives. The shuttles are incredibly complex machines subjected to enormous stresses. Only the hard and intelligent work of the NASA team creates the



Charley Reese

Syndicated columnist

impression that space shuttle launches and landings are routinely safe. They are not routinely safe. They are safe only at the price of extreme diligence and great skill on the part of the team — and good luck. Spaceflights of any kind are inherently dangerous. And luck, as any professional gambler will tell you, always runs out at some point.

That's why it's always appropriate to get any countdown or landing with a prayer. Astronauts, whether the media choose to notice them or not, are all heroes and heroines who do something most extraordinary despite great dangers.

And while it is even less noticeable, there is also a heroic quality to the work of the ground crews, who are also doing life-or-death work — even though if they fail, it won't be their lives which are lost. Just think about the enormous responsibility involved in working on the space shuttle. A bit of carelessness or forgetfulness that would be meaningless in an

automobile repair shop could produce a catastrophe in space.

I would guess that it would be satisfying to be part of something that is really important. Much of the work in this country is done on projects that are essentially unimportant, such as entertainment enterprises.

We are still only at the beginning of space exploration. The vastness of space is easy to forget with all the fictional treatment, but the fact is that if we could build a ship capable of traveling at the speed of light, it still would take four years to reach the nearest star. And that star and our sun are only two out of 2 trillion in our one galaxy, which is only one of billions.

We humans have much patient learning yet to do about our own little solar system, and NASA is working hard on it. In the meantime, long before we think of colonizing other planets, we had best learn how to manage our own a bit better.

The upside of the human species is its unquenchable thirst for knowledge and its courage. The downside is its quarrelsomeness, possessiveness and violence. Making our own planet the solar system's blood-soaked rubbish heap will hardly recommend us to any aliens, if such beings exist. Let's hope that one day Americans will be excited by the quiet success demonstrated by NASA and turned off by the spectacle of violent death and explosions. That will be a sign of progress.



# Singer preparing for murder trial compares his life to country song

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Former country star Johnny Rodriguez says his life would make a great song, "but I don't think anyone would believe it, not even if Hank Williams Sr., himself, was here to sing it."

Rodriguez, 47, who goes to trial in six weeks on charges of murdering a drinking buddy last year in his hometown of Sabinal, Texas, says he thought he was defending his mother's home from a burglar. "I was shocked, stunned, you name it, when they charged me with murder," he told The Tennessean for a story published Monday. "I have never intentionally hurt anyone in my life."

Rodriguez says he walked into his mother's house, thought he saw a burglar, grabbed a gun hidden in the couch and fired once. Israel Borrego, 26, died the next day.

Rodriguez is no stranger to trouble. He was a 17-

year-old juvenile delinquent jailed for stealing a goat when a Texas Ranger discovered his singing talent.

Rodriguez moved to Nashville with \$14 and the promise of a job from country star Tom T. Hall. After a stint in Hall's band, Rodriguez landed a recording contract and released "Pass Me By (If You're Only Passing Through)," the first of 10 chart-topping singles in the 1970s.

Then he lost his voice and career to drug addiction, ending up back in Texas in 1992.

Since then, he has married a fourth time, had a daughter, freed himself of drug addiction and begun singing again.

"All I want to do with the rest of my life is tend to my family and sing my songs," he said. "And heck, when I think back about it now, that's really all I ever wanted to do."

## Ventura's backs away from newspaper boycott

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — Gov. Jesse Ventura was "kidding" when he said he planned to cancel his office's subscriptions to the Saint Paul Pioneer Press, his spokesman says.

"I don't think we're going to be canceling any newspaper subscriptions," John Wodele said Monday. "He was kidding when he said it."

Ventura on Friday called the state's second-largest newspaper the "Saint Paul Pioneer Porn" for running advertisements for X-rated movies and strip clubs in its sports section.

Ventura was angered by criticism from the paper's editorial page staff and columnists after the governor's guest appearance Aug. 22 at SummerSlam, a

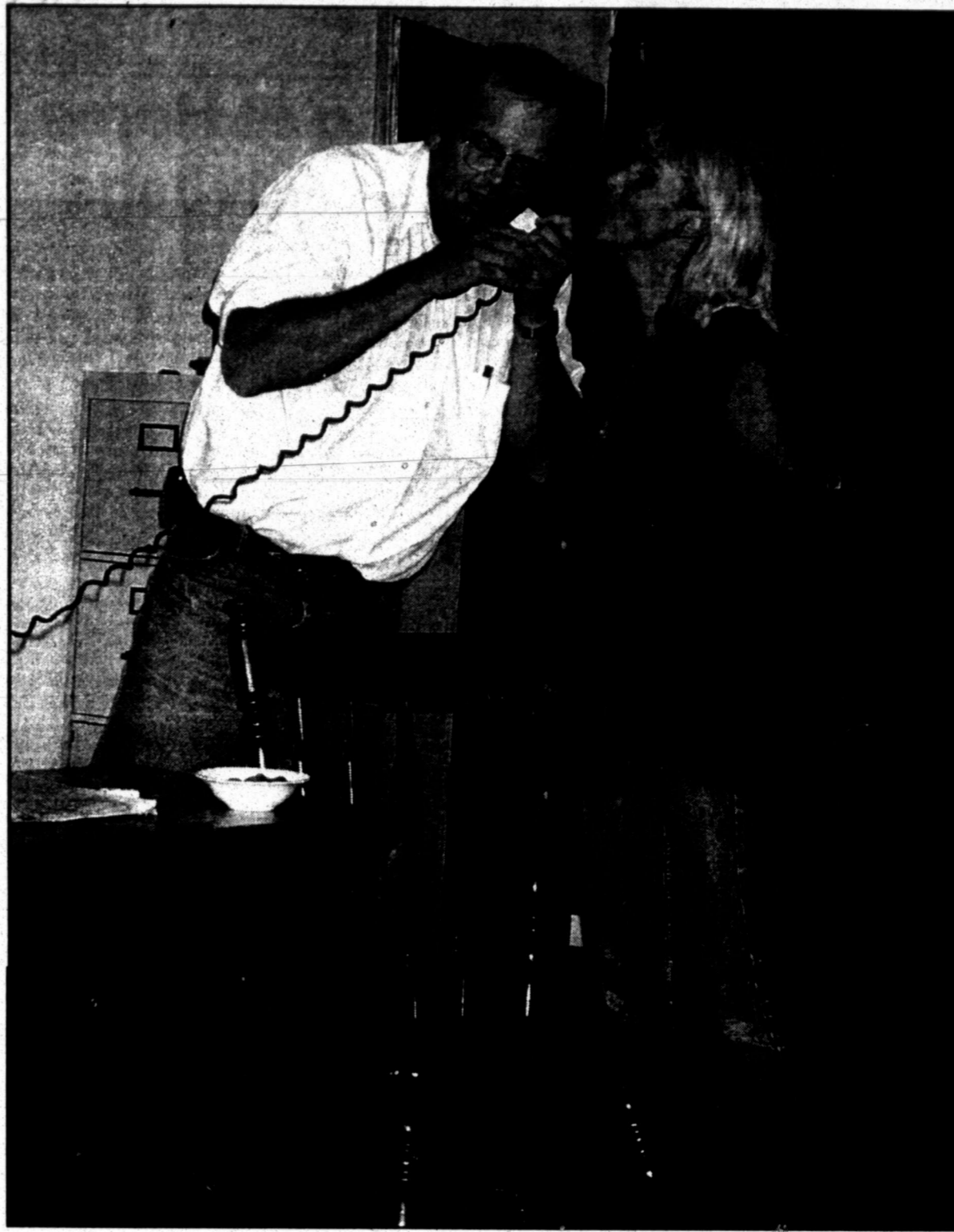
World Wrestling Federation event.

The governor said the newspaper was hypocritical by criticizing him for appearing at an event with choreographed violence, scantily clad women and vulgar language when, at the same time, it runs advertisements for X-rated movies and strip clubs.

Ventura felt the newspaper "ought to take a look at their own policies" if they were going to criticize professional wrestling, Wodele said.

"I'm glad he's changed his mind about canceling the Pioneer Press," said Walker Lundy, the newspaper's editor. Lundy, interviewed by CNN minutes after hearing the governor's latest comments, said he doesn't consider the situation with Ventura a feud.

## ACT I



(Photo by Miranda Bailey)

Jimmy Lindsay and Sheila Lindsay play Bob, and his social-elite girlfriend, Tiffany, in ACT I's upcoming comedy, "Mary, Mary." The play is a dinner theatre show scheduled nightly for this Thurs.-Sat. Dinner begins at 6:30 and the show starts at 7:30. Call Berinda Turcotte for reservations, 665-9369.



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**Just Fill Out The Following Questions (you do not have to answer all the questions to be a Sunday Snapshot) And Bring It To The Pampa News Office. We Can Take Your Picture In The Office Or You Can Bring A Favorite Photo With You. It's That Easy ... And It's For All Ages!**

• Name: _____	• I stay home to watch: _____
• Occupation/Activities: _____	• Nobody knows: _____
• Birth Date & Place: _____	• I drive a: "or" _____
• Family: _____	• Someday I want to drive a: _____
• If I had a different job, I'd be a: "or" _____	• My favorite junk food is: _____
• When I grow up I want to be: _____	• My favorite beverage: _____
• My personal hero: _____	• My favorite restaurant is: _____
• The best advice I ever got was: _____	• My favorite pet: _____
• People who knew me in High School thought: "or" _____	• For my last meal, I would choose: "or" _____
• My classmates think of me as: _____	• My favorite meal is: _____
• The best word or words to describe me: _____	• I wish I could sing like: _____
• People will remember me as being: _____	• I'm happiest when I'm: _____
• The four guests at my fantasy dinner party would be: _____	• I regret: _____
• My hobbies are: _____	• I'm tired of: _____
• My favorite sports team is: _____	• I have a phobia about: "or" _____
• My favorite author is: _____	• My biggest fear is: _____
• The last book I read was: _____	• The electrical device I couldn't live without is: _____
• My favorite possession is: _____	• My most embarrassing moment: _____
• The biggest honor I've ever received is: _____	• The biggest waste of time is: _____
• My favorite performer is: _____	• If I won the lottery, the most extravagant thing I would do is: _____
• I wish I knew how to: _____	• If I had three wishes they would be: _____
• My trademark cliché or expression is: _____	• If I could change one thing about Pampa, it would be: _____
• My worst habit is: _____	
• I would never: _____	
• The last good movie I saw was: _____	

## 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 Furr's Cafeteria.

### 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. no smoking, and Tuesday and Thursday 8-9 p.m. call 665-9702 for information.

### TRALEE CRISIS CENTER

Womens Support Group for Child Management offers parenting skills to assist parents and children in dealing with anger and behavioral issues resulting from peer pressure, sibling rivalry, family violence and/or sexual abuse from 7-8 p.m. Thursdays.

For more information, call Tralee Crisis Center, 669-1131.

### LOVETT MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Lovett Memorial Library will offer the Fall 1999 Pre-School Story Hour beginning at 10 a.m. every Tuesday from Sept. 7-Dec. 14. All children between 18 months and 5 years of age are welcome to participate. Stories, crafts and activities are planned. Special programs will be announced. All programs are free and no registration is required. For more information, call the library at 669-5780.

### FPC MASSAGE THERAPY

Frank Phillips College Massage Therapy students will be giving \$10 massages throughout September in the Classroom Learning Complex, Room CLC-26, on campus in Borger. Appointments may be arranged at 5 p.m., 6:15 p.m. and 8:45 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday or at 10 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 12:30 p.m. or 2 p.m. on Saturday. To sign-up or for more information, call (806) 274-5311 or 1-800-687-2056, ext. 789. The Massage Therapy Program consists of 300 hours of class time and 50 hours of hands-on experience. The next massage therapy class is scheduled from 5-10 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, Oct. 19-May 25.

### CLARENDON COLLEGE

Clarendon College-Pampa Center will offer a continuing education computer course for beginning computer users from 1-3 p.m., Sept. 13-29. In addition, CC-Pampa Center will offer Internet I during October and Excel during November. To register or for more information, call Pampa Center at (806) 665-8801.

### MEMORY WALK

Alzheimer's Association of the Texas Panhandle will hold "Memory Walk '99" Saturday, Sept. 25 at Sam Houston Park, Line Avenue and Western in Amarillo. Registration/check-in will begin at 9 a.m. and the main event will start at 10 a.m. Walkers

of all ages are encouraged to participate, individually or in groups. The walk is baby stroller and wheelchair accessible and pets are welcome. For more information or for a registration brochure, call the Panhandle Chapter at (806) 372-8693 or outside Amarillo at 1-800-687-8693.

### HARRINGTON HOUSE

The 1999 tour season for Harrington House, 1600 Polk Street in Amarillo, is currently underway. The house is open to tours from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays through mid-December. Each tour, limited to four people over 14 years of age, is 50 minutes long. For more information or to arrange a tour, call (806) 374-5490.

### MISS TEEN ALL AMERICAN

Pageant officials are seeking applicants for the 2000 Miss Texas Teen All American Pageant slated Nov. 13 and 14 at DFW Lakes Hilton in Grapevine. To qualify, the applicant must be 13-19 years of age as of Aug. 1, 2000, must have never been married and must be a legal resident of the U.S. To apply, send a recent photo, name, address, telephone number, date of birth and short bio by fax, 1-304-242-8341, or mail to: Dept. C - Miss Texas Teen All American, 603 Schrader Ave., Wheeling, WV 26003-9619.

### 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.

**HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY EVENT**  
 September 18th, 1999  
 9:00am Hobart Street Park  
 Free to public non-commercial • call 663-4626

Public Service Announcement paid by CLEAN PAMPA, Inc.

**CINEMA**  
 #1 Movie  
**Sixth Sense** (PG-13)  
 2 Shows Nightly 7:05 & 9:20  
 Sat. & Sun. Matinee 1:50

1<sup>st</sup> Week  
**Blair Witch Project** (R)  
 2 Shows Nightly 7:15 & 9:10  
 Sat. & Sun. Matinee 1:55

3<sup>rd</sup> Week  
**Bowfinger** (PG-13)  
 2 Shows Nightly 7:10 & 9:05  
 Sat. & Sun. Matinee 2:00

5<sup>th</sup> Week  
**Runaway Bride** (PG)  
 2 Shows Nightly 7:00 & 9:15  
 Sat. & Sun. Matinee 1:45



# Daughter Still Living at Home Should Pay for the Privilege

DEAR ABBY: I have a 21-year-old daughter who has three semesters left in college and a well-paying, part-time co-op job. She still lives at home with us. All that we ask of her is that she come home at night, take turns with her sisters doing the dishes and one chore a week.

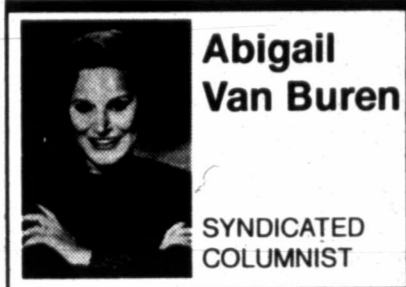
My husband works 45-plus hours a week at his job and 15-plus hours a week on our small business. I am disabled and unable to do much around the house. My daughter doesn't always come home at night, and while she has time to sleep until 2 p.m. on weekends and time for her boyfriend, she does not make time to do her chores.

I do not want to kick her out and possibly jeopardize her college education, but she's too old to ground. I'm thinking of having her pay \$100 a month for rent (this would be no hardship for her), as it seems she uses our home like a hotel and disregards our wishes. Your thoughts, please.

**OUT OF OPTIONS**

DEAR OUT OF OPTIONS: I see nothing wrong with the idea. Since your daughter feels she's old enough to disregard the rules of the house, and giving you \$100 a month would not be a financial hardship, that's what she should do.

DEAR ABBY: Friends of ours — not too close, not too distant — have



**Abigail Van Buren**

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

a son who is being married for the second time. The wedding will be held 3,000 miles from where we live.

I have just found out that we will be receiving an invitation anyway, because we lived there 30 years ago. They know that we would not fly out for the wedding.

When this man was married the first time, we gave them a nice wedding gift. We also sent one when he graduated from high school and from college.

Must I send them a gift when the invitation arrives? I think these folks are just out for the gifts. My husband said he plans to throw the invitation in the trash as soon as he sees it. Please advise.

AT A LOSS IN RICHMOND, VA.

DEAR AT A LOSS: Guests who are unable to attend a wedding need not send a gift. When the invitation arrives, send your regrets and a warm note congratulating the couple and wishing them every happiness. Period.

DEAR ABBY: I feel that I must respond to the 31-year-old woman whose "live-in" wants to be married secretly. I know the results of what has ensued in a similar situation.

The man had been married before and had a daughter. Although he had been separated from his wife for many years, they had never been divorced. The latter "wife" only discovered this when the man became seriously ill and his daughter was contacted.

You once printed something that I have never forgotten: "O-what a tangled web we weave, when first we practice to deceive."

A GRATEFUL READER WHOM YOU ONCE HELPED

DEAR GRATEFUL READER: I agree that the proposal of a secret marriage should not only raise a few eyebrows, but some suspicions as well. And I cannot take credit for that quote. It came from Sir Walter Scott (1771-1832) — and it's certainly appropriate.

For everything you need to know about wedding planning, order "How to Have a Lovely Wedding." Send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Wedding Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

## Horoscope

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 1, 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)**

What you are dead serious about, early on, will easily change by midday. You'll risk where you wouldn't have before. Where you thought you would hold back ideas and feelings, you may now speak. Realize that flexibility is strength. Congratulate yourself on knowing when to change course. Tonight: Your treat.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20)**

You could be off kilter when you wake up. A serious course of action helps you get plugged into your workday. Another allows you to loosen up. Let your charming and affectionate ways come out, others love that side of you. Don't deny them — or yourself. Tonight: Be the star that you are.

**Gemini (May 21-June 20)**

Take a back seat and observe more. What makes you upset or depressed in the morning changes rapidly. Others clearly are drawn to you. Another makes you laugh, from that point on, you loosen up. Allow more quiet times in your life. Tonight: Don't push.

**Cancer (June 21-July 22)**

Your sense of direction can be amazing once you decide what the right course or route is. You have a ten-

dency to go to extremes, whether with moods, spending or actions. You exemplify this characteristic now. Be reasonable when buying a gift. Sometimes a card would do just fine! Tonight: Kick up your heels.

**Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)**

Handle responsibilities early in the day. Others clearly distract you — not that you aren't a willing participant! You find something fun and social in the most serious business happenings. Keep talks focused, even if your imagination goes a bit haywire. Tonight: Burning the midnight oil.

**Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**

Reach out to a difficult associate at a distance. What you thought was going to be a tough task proves to be a lot easier than you anticipated. Humor and kindness mix, allowing others to gain understanding. Share your admiration with another. Tonight: Try a new restaurant.

**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)**

You know how to charm the socks off another. A difficult associate moderates his stand and becomes a lot more easygoing. Listen to your inner voice. A friend might have a fun idea, but you could be distracted by work. A partner could easily get jealous. Tonight: Togetherness counts.

**Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)**

Others hold the cards. Though you see another as being touchy, he will change his stance. A boss takes over and handles a difficult matter with decorum and direction. Make time for an office get-together. Socializing with co-workers can improve work relationships. Tonight: Accept an invitation.

**Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)**

You might be exhausted by work demands. Nevertheless, you find a bright spot in your day. This could involve some office gossip or news from a distance. Opt to smile and take care of business simultaneously. You'll get more done that way! Tonight: Run errands on the way home.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**

You might be overly serious with a loved one or child, but you won't stay that way. Loosen up about expectations and allow more humor and lightness into your life. A partner helps you see life on the bright side. Tonight: Spice up your night — and others'.

**Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)**

A partner or dear friend helps you laugh at something you found burdensome. Don't make something bigger or harder than it is. Your attitude can make or break the situation. Take time for a leisurely lunch or a break with a friend. If single, more could be developing here. Tonight: Head home and do something you love!

**Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)**

Talks seem solemn, but a co-worker helps you find levity in a difficult matter. Be more positive and nurturing. You reverse a trend. Use your wonderful social skills to bring out the best in others. You'll notice that something difficult becomes easier. Tonight: Whatever you do, do it 100 percent!

**BORN TODAY**

Singer Barry Gibb (1946), comedienne Lily Tomlin (1939), actor Don Stroud (1937)

## Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**  
 1 Cars' scars  
 6 Black shade  
 11 Heep of fiction  
 12 Haughty  
 13 Very short time  
 15 Spelling contest  
 16 Zeus or Jupiter  
 17 Arthur's brother  
 18 Ballet costumes  
 20 Sink  
 23 Wear  
 27 Way to go  
 28 Clinton's veep  
 29 Singer/actress Reese  
 31 Christened  
 32 Blunder  
 34 Exist  
 37 Martini base  
 38 Bound  
 41 See to every detail  
 44 Tiny openings  
 45 Sends  
 46 Den  
 47 Wading bird

LOAF THIS DARLA WANTS ORALS ON TOP ZENITH ERA EDGE OZARKS DOESTERNS BELLILAG BRAZIL TUG FLAXEN RUISE RAM KLAXION OZONE ADEPT GENUS BIDES RATS SOON

**Yesterday's answer**  
 20 Flower setting  
 31 Merchant ship  
 7 Rainbow shape  
 21 Fire-fighting tool  
 33 Border  
 34 Guitarists' needs  
 8 Words to a musical  
 22 Part of film  
 35 Uprising  
 9 Bertolucci  
 24 NSW man  
 36 Beige  
 10 Whirlpool  
 25 Mine yield  
 38 Locks  
 14 Drunkard  
 26 Actor Beatty  
 39 Eye  
 40 Nuisance  
 42 Blushing  
 43 Pester

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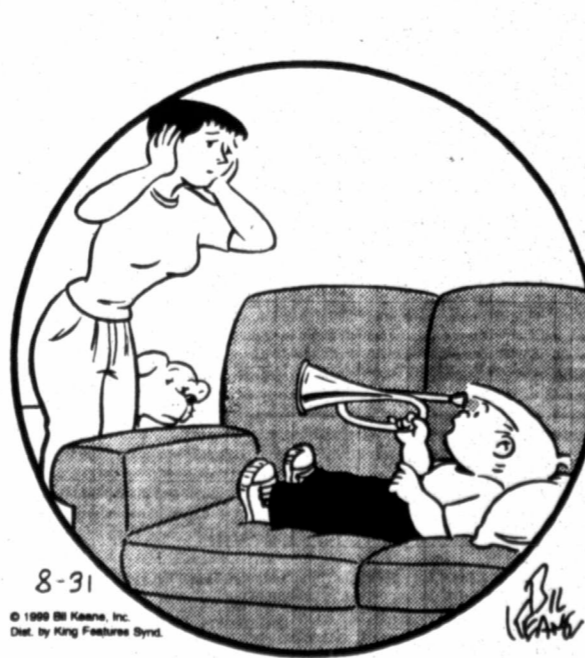
For answers to today's crossword, call 1-900-454-7377! 99¢ per minute, touch-tone/rotary phones. (18-only.) A King Features service, NYC.

**Marmaduke**



"He's gonna have to cut back on the amount of homework he eats."

**The Family Circus**



"I'm workin' on a new note."

**For Better or For Worse**



**Zits**



**Garfield**



**Beetle Bailey**



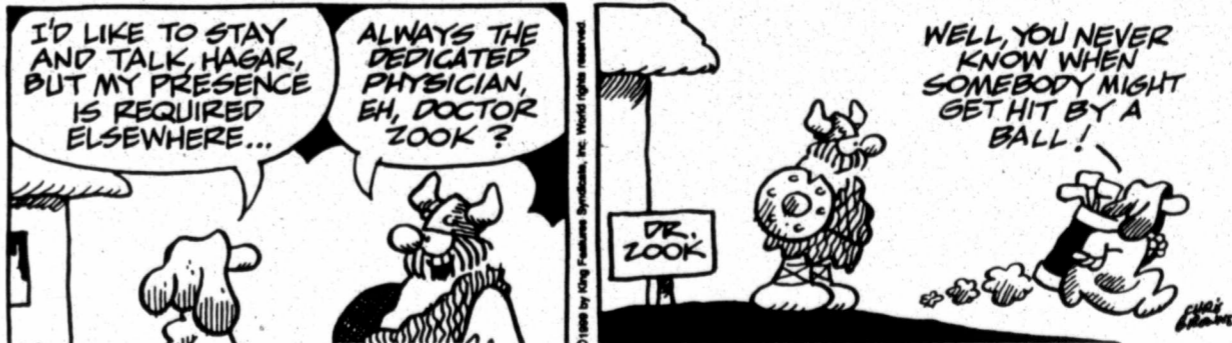
**Marvin**



**B.C.**



**Hagar The Horrible**



**Peanuts**



**Blondie**



**Mallard Filmore**





# SPORTS

## Cavalier concerned about trench play

### Notebook

#### VOLLEYBALL

**PAMPA** — Pampa hosts Randall tonight with matches beginning at 6 in McNeely Fieldhouse.

The Lady Harvesters have a 3-5 record while Randall is 8-3. The two teams met last week in the Judson Northwest Tournament of Champions with Randall coming away with a 15-4, 15-8 win. Randall was third in the Championship Silver Division of the Tournament and Pampa finished sixth.

#### BASEBALL

**SAN FRANCISCO (AP)** — Barry Bonds' second homer of the game, a two-run shot in the 10th, gave the San Francisco Giants a 6-4 win Monday night over the Philadelphia Phillies.

Bill Mueller walked to open the 10th and Bonds hit the first pitch over the center-field fence.

Bonds, who has homered in nine of his last 15 games, has 28 homers this season. He moved past Andre Dawson into 23rd place on the career list with his 438th and 439th homers.

Rich Rodriguez (1-0) pitched the 10th for the victory.

#### OLYMPICS

**SALT LAKE CITY (AP)** — Olympic officials have recruited a group of local business and community leaders to urge others to sponsor the scandal-plagued 2002 Winter Games.

Members of the Utah Ambassadors have not necessarily donated money themselves, but have agreed to "give support and help open doors," said Kem Gardner, the marketing advisory committee's chairman.

Salt Lake Organizing Committee president Mitt Romney said the group should help raise the \$179 million needed from corporate sponsors to meet the \$1.34 billion budget for the games.

"We anticipate we will add one to two sponsors a month" over the next two years, he said Monday.

Since January, sales have been stymied by reports of corruption in the host-city selection process. Only one new sponsor and four suppliers have signed on to the Salt Lake City Games since the scandal broke last December.

"I don't know that people ever flock to give money," Romney said.

"We have had some problems," admitted former French ski champion Jean-Claude Killy, deputy chairman of the IOC Coordination Commission for the 2002 Games. "Everything has changed since Mitt's arrival. ... Everyone is positive again. Everyone is confident."

Salt Lake's bid team provided more than \$1 million in perks and payments to IOC members, prompting a Justice Department probe into possible bribery, fraud and money-laundering.

Gov. Mike Leavitt, who will serve as the group's honorary chairman, said he too has "growing confidence and growing optimism" in the SLOC's efforts.

Romney also reiterated that the SLOC intends to only spend money it can raise and will cut the budget if necessary.

"We have the ability to accordon our operation somewhat," he said.

Ambassadors were chosen from a list of business leaders who had already demonstrated they are willing to support the games. The 20-person committee includes the president of Intermountain Health Care, which provided free medical services to three Africans connected to the IOC. The nearly \$28,000 in health care included hepatitis treatment, plastic surgery, and knee joint replacement surgery.

**PAMPA** — Pampa head coach Dennis Cavalier isn't ready to push the panic button yet, but he sure didn't like the way the Harvesters looked in the season's final scrimmage last week.

"I was pretty disappointed in our level of play," Cavalier said concerning the Pampa-Frenship scrimmage. "Coming out of the Borger scrimmage I was very encouraged, but it's looks like we've gone backwards just a bit."

The main problem was up front, according to Cavalier.

"I felt like Frenship beat us in the trenches and that's where we've got to be really good, coming on game week. I don't know if the long, hot trip had anything to do with it, but we

### High School Football

should have been able to handle the situation better than we did," he said.

There was still some bright spots for Pampa in the scrimmage.

Tyson Curtis at offensive guard and Kaleb Snelgroves at quarterback were impressive, said Cavalier.

"Our cornerbacks, Russell Robben and J.J. Roark, looked good in man coverage," Cavalier also noted. "They made some good plays."

Thomas Long at fullback and Terrance Lemons at defensive end also looked good for the

Harvesters. "Long did a good job of blocking and Lemons showed a lot of promise at defensive end. He played with a lot of enthusiasm," Cavalier said.

Pampa opens the 1999 season against Lubbock Estacado at 7:30 Friday night in Harvester Stadium.

**DALLAS (AP)** — Converse Judson dropped seven spots in The Associated Press high school football poll after its season-opening loss to Katy in the Texas Football Classic at the Alamodome in San Antonio.

All five No. 1 teams in the preseason poll remained atop their respective classes after a week in

which only 13 of the 50 ranked teams played their first games.

A panel of 20 sports writers and broadcasters kept Midland Lee and Duncanville first and second in Class 5A, but Judson's 21-7 loss enabled Lewisville to move into the third spot. Austin Westlake, which defeated Humble 42-20 in the Classic, is ranked No. 4.

Judson fell from No. 3 to No. 10, while Katy moved up two poll positions to No. 7.

In Class 4A, Stephenville held onto its No. 1 ranking with a 34-7 win over Weatherford. La Marque was idle and remained at No. 2, while No. 3 Jacksonville held its ground with a 39-7 win over Sulphur Springs.

Schertz Clemens moved into the 4A rankings at No. 10, as Plainview suffered a 17-7 loss to Big Spring and dropped out of the rankings.

Sealy, Cuero, Aledo still top Class 3A, but Iowa Park made a move from No. 10 to a tie for seventh with a 27-8 win over Holliday.

Omaha Paul Pewitt retained its stranglehold on Class 2A, garnering 17 of the 20 first-place votes. Italy used a 40-0 victory over Trinity Christian to enter the poll at No. 10. Refugio, which lost to Aransas Pass, fell out of the Top 10.

The Class 1A rankings are identical to the preseason poll, as all 10 ranked teams were idle last week.

### FALL SOFTBALL STANDINGS

1999 Fall Softball League Standings			
<b>Men's Open</b>			
<b>Division One</b>			
Team	Won	Lost	
B.D.C.I.	10	0	
Celanese	9	2	
Specialty Compressor	6	4	
Giles	5	5	
Ferguson Ball Bonds	3	7	
Robert Knowles	2	8	
7-H Cattle Co.	1	9	
<b>Division Two</b>			
Team	Won	Lost	
Emily's Cafe	8	1	
C.S.C.	4	3	
Pampa Bulls	4	4	
Dr. DaSilva's	4	4	
Team Celanese	4	4	
West Texas Landscaping	3	4	
Jerry's Remodeling	1	8	
<b>Mixed Open</b>			
<b>Division One</b>			
Team	Won	Lost	
Pampa Cyber Net	9	2	
Carter Sand & Gravel	8	2	
Eubank's Rental	8	3	
Subway	4	6	
O.M.I.	3	7	
Big Country Tire	3	8	
Rick's Body Shop	2	8	
<b>Division Two</b>			
Team	Won	Lost	
Finish Line	10	0 (1st place)	
B & J Pump	5	5 (2nd place)	
J&M Machine	5	5 (3rd place)	
B & J	4	6	
Cent. 21-McGuire Motors	3	7	
Pampa Regional Med Ctr.	3	7	
<b>Division Three</b>			
Team	Won	Lost	
EZ Pawn	10	0 (1st place)	
Century 21	5	5 (2nd place)	
Stan's Hot Shots	5	5 (3rd place)	
Trinity Fellowship	4	6	
Thomas Automotive	3	7	
Crossways	3	7	

### Conference could expand

By The Associated Press

Although Conference USA is considering expansion, leaders at Texas Christian and Southern Methodist say their schools are not on the league's invitation list.

Presidents of C-USA schools discussed specific institutions for expansion goals on Monday evening, conference commissioner Mike Slive said. But he declined to say which locations were listed.

A report on ESPN.com said that C-USA would extend invitations to SMU and TCU within the next few days. The release preceded conference presidents' meetings Monday night in Chicago.

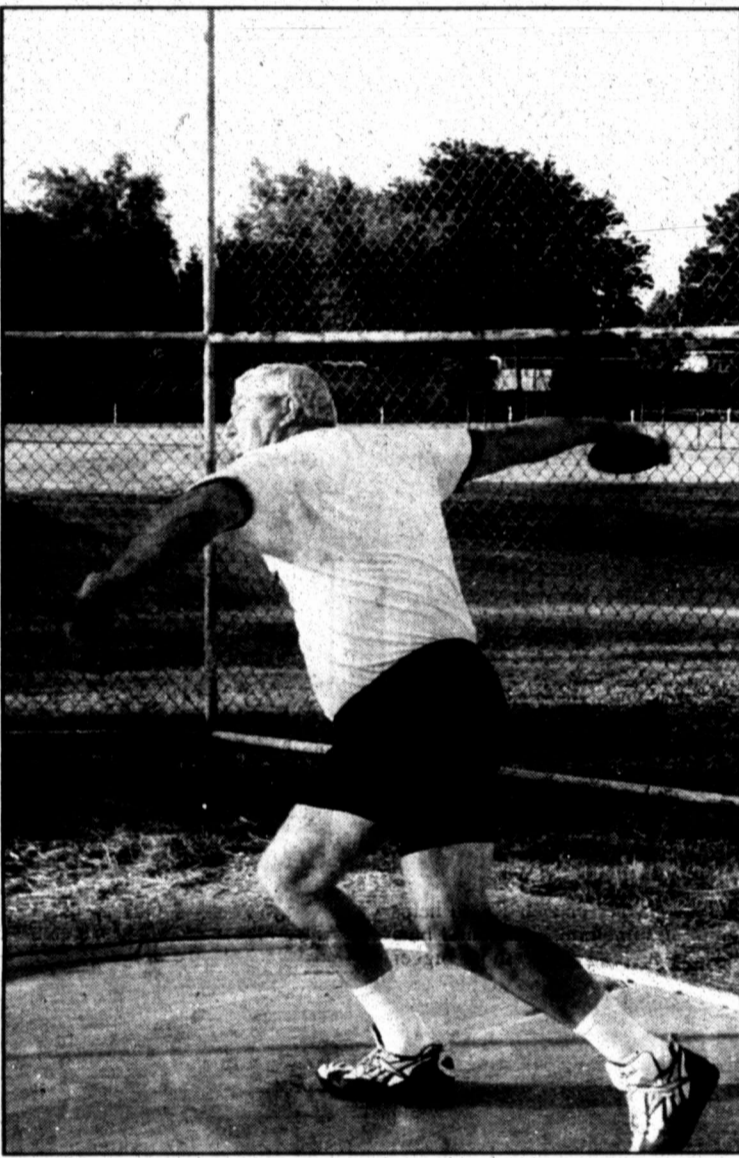
Both SMU and TCU are now part of the eight-member Western Athletic Conference.

Meetings were scheduled to continue today, with expansion on the agenda.

A source with Conference USA said a number of possible expansion topics could arise.

"They could be talking about expansion as a concept, the short term, the long term, specific schools," he said.

### Masters champ



(Pampa News photo)

Pampa school teacher Wendell Palmer won both the shot put and discus competition last weekend at the USATF Outdoor Masters Championships in Orlando, Fla. The 67-year-old Palmer holds the world record in his age group with a 176-11 in the discus and 44-5 in the shot.

### More magic from Michael?

**SEVILLE, Spain (AP)** — The magic of Michael Johnson's 400-meter world record was an electrifying moment of the World Championships. There could be more magic in his future.

While Johnson has accomplished more than any track and field athlete during the '90s, his career is far from over at 31.

He still has some big goals, including dropping the 400 record below 43 seconds and winning an unprecedented second 200-400 double at the Sydney Olympics.

"I never put limits on myself,"

said Johnson, who shattered Butch Reynolds' 11-year-old 400 record of 43.29 seconds with an electrifying time of 43.18.

Johnson, a native Dallasite who attended Baylor, ran the first 200 in 21.0 and the second 200 in 22.2, a pattern that other 400 runners cannot match. For the average quarter-miler, the difference between the first half of the race and the second is two seconds.

"Getting to 300, he was very relaxed," coach Clyde Hart said. "Patience was very important. He showed that 31.6 was like a walk in the park."

Houston manager Larry Dierker agreed.

"This is the best I can remember," Dierker said. "I saw Joe Morgan get six hits at Milwaukee when the Braves were playing there but that was in an extra-inning game. Alfonzo hit everything we threw at him."

The second baseman entered New York's six-game road trip in a 2-for-25 slump. He has gone 10-for-19 through the first four games of the trip.

Darryl Hamilton was 4-for-5 with a homer and three RBIs and Mike Piazza also homered for New York. Every Mets starter except for pitcher Masato Yoshii had at least one hit.

Yoshii (9-8) pitched six shutout innings and allowed only two singles. He walked one and struck out eight. In his last three starts, the Mets right-hander is 2-0 and has allowed two runs in 22 1-3 innings.

## Pampa tennis team defeats Dumas in Amarillo Tournament

**AMARILLO** — Pampa, ranked No. 9 in Class 4A, won two of four rounds last weekend at the Amarillo Team Tennis Tournament, including a 13-6 win over District 3-4A rival Dumas.

Pampa defeated Tascosa junior varsity 19-0 in the opening round. The losses came against Class 5A schools Tascosa varsity (14-5) and Amarillo High (10-1).

The Harvesters went against No. 17th-ranked Dumas in the final round.

"I was concerned about having to play a tough district team like Dumas at the end of a hard two days of tennis. It wasn't just about tennis shots, but also conditioning and focus. Our players rose to the occasion and got the job done," said Pampa head coach Carolyn Quarles.

Some of the younger team members came through with some key performances, according to Quarles. A.J. Smith was 6-1 for the weekend and David Philips

was 5-2 in matches won. Ashley Stucki and Michelle Lee played outstanding doubles at the No. 3 spot while Ashley Jordan sparked the mixed doubles matches with partner David Philips. All five players are sophomores.

PHS junior Michael Cornelison was involved in a thriller against Dumas' Matt Coggins, the Demons' No. 1 player. They had two hard-fought sets, each resulting in a tie-breaker to end the match at 6-4 in the third set in Coggins' favor.

Players of the Week are senior Helen Orr, who had a 5-2 record for the weekend; A.J. Smith 6-1, David Philips 5-2 and Kerry Turner 3-1 in doubles with A.J. Smith.

The Harvesters travel to Wichita Falls for a team tournament on Friday.

Pampa's individual results in the Amarillo Team Tournament will be published in Wednesday's edition of *The Pampa News*.

## Griese replaces Brister as Broncos' starting QB

**DENVER (AP)** — Bubby is out and Brian is in.

In a stunning move, Denver Broncos coach Mike Shanahan on Monday benched quarterback Bubby Brister, the heir apparent to the retired John Elway, and elevated second-year pro Brian Griese into the starting role.

Just two weeks before the start of the regular season, the Broncos decided to go with a talented but unproven quarterback who has never started an NFL game.

In fact, Griese has played in just one NFL regular-season game, substituting for Brister in the fourth quarter of a victory over Philadelphia last season going 1-of-3 for 2 yards with an interception.

Shanahan, whose team is seeking an unprecedented third straight Super Bowl title, seemed unfazed by what most observers called a risky gamble.

"It's not that Bubby Brister has not played at the level I think he can," Shanahan said. "It's that Brian Griese has played so well through-

out camp and preseason games that I think he deserves that opportunity.

"If I didn't feel like Brian could take us all the way, I wouldn't have ever made this decision."

The change was made a day after the Broncos were embarrassed 22-12 in Dallas, their second straight dismal performance on national television. Denver was routed 27-12 by Green Bay in the previous game.

Brister, 37, inherited the starting job after going 4-0 in the games he started last season in place of the injured Elway.

But under his stewardship, the two-time Super Bowl champions are just 2-2 this preseason.

"The pressure to replace a guy like John Elway is tremendous, and the scrutiny by the media is something that is overwhelming," Shanahan said.

During four preseason games, Brister completed 31 of 50 passes for 302 yards, no touchdowns and three interceptions for a quarterback rating of 53.9.

## Astros suffer one of most lopsided losses in team history

**HOUSTON (AP)** — It was a memorable game for Edgardo Alfonzo.

"It was an unbelievable game. Everything that happened to me was good," Alfonzo said after going 6-for-6 with three homers as the New York Mets handed the Houston Astros the most lopsided home loss in franchise history, 17-1 on Monday night.

Alfonzo scored a major league-tying record six times and drove in five runs. He hit a solo homer in the first, singled and scored a run in the second, hit a two-run homer in the fourth and added a solo shot in the sixth.

"I was hitting the ball hard and getting good pitches to hit," Alfonzo said. "I just started having a good time and enjoying the game."

"The guys on the bench really didn't know how to react, but everybody was watching," New York manager Bobby Valentine

said. "He just smiled a little bit, that was the only reaction that I saw from him. He knows he's good, he just doesn't know how good."

Mike Piazza enjoyed watching his teammate's performance.

"That was very impressive. He can do a lot of things well," Piazza said. "I think he is underrated. He has tremendous power and he's getting better all the time. You have to mention him with the better second basemen in baseball."

Alfonzo singled and scored in the eighth and got his final hit to set the club record in the ninth with a run-scoring ground-rule double.

"I've never seen a four home run performance, and I don't think I've ever seen six hits in a major league game," Valentine said. "This is the best one-game offensive performance I've ever seen."

"Yoshii was aces. Everything he threw was a quality pitch," Valentine said.

The Mets rocked Shane Reynolds (14-11) for seven runs in the first two innings.

"This was one of those games I want to forget as soon as possible," Reynolds said. "It was terrible."

Said teammate Craig Biggio: "Every year you're going to have five laughers that go your way and five laughers that go the other way. Tonight it happened to go against us."

Alfonzo gave the Mets a 1-0 lead with one out in the first when he drove a 0-1 pitch from Reynolds into the left-field seats.

Hamilton led off the second with his seventh homer. Roger Cedeno followed with a single and moved to second on a sacrifice. Cedeno stole third and scored on Rickey Henderson's single off the left-field wall.

"Tonight I was getting good pitches to hit," Alfonzo said. "I feel I can go out every day and try to be positive and hit the ball hard. Home runs I don't think about, I just try to have good at bats."

The Mets extended their lead to 9-0 in the fourth when Alfonzo homered to left. His third homer of the game and 23rd of the season made the score 11-0 in the sixth.

"It was only one loss and we didn't use our whole team to get it. All you can do is forget it and move on to tomorrow," Dierker said.

The Astros avoided the shutout when rookie Lance Berkman hit Jeff Tam's first pitch for his fourth homer of the year with two outs in the seventh.

Reynolds pitched three innings, allowing seven runs on seven hits. He walked two and struck out three.



# Scoreboard

### BASEBALL

#### National League

**At A Glance**  
By The Associated Press  
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	83	50	.624	—
New York	80	52	.606	2 1/2
Philadelphia	67	63	.515	14 1/2
Montreal	55	76	.420	27
Florida	53	78	.406	29

Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	78	55	.586	—
Cincinnati	76	54	.585	1/2
Pittsburgh	65	67	.492	12 1/2
St. Louis	63	69	.477	14 1/2
Milwaukee	57	73	.439	19 1/2
Chicago	54	76	.415	22 1/2

West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Arizona	79	53	.598	—
San Francisco	81	51	.614	8 1/2
Los Angeles	61	70	.466	17 1/2
San Diego	60	72	.455	19
Colorado	60	73	.451	19 1/2

**Sunday's Games**  
Montreal 8, Cincinnati 6  
Houston 10, Florida 4  
Colorado 6, Philadelphia 5  
San Francisco 5, Pittsburgh 3  
San Diego 5, Milwaukee 4, 10 innings  
Chicago 6, Los Angeles 0  
Arizona 6, New York 4  
Atlanta 4, St. Louis 3, 12 innings

**Monday's Games**  
Cincinnati 11, Atlanta 3  
Florida 4, St. Louis 2  
New York 17, Houston 1  
Pittsburgh 11, Colorado 8  
Arizona 5, Montreal 4  
Los Angeles 6, Milwaukee 1  
San Diego 8, Chicago 4  
San Francisco 6, Philadelphia 4, 10 innings

**Tuesday's Games**  
Atlanta (Madux 16-6) at Cincinnati (Guzman 4-1), 7:05 p.m.

New York (Rogers 3-0) at Houston (Lima 17-7), 8:05 p.m.  
Florida (Meadows 10-13) at St. Louis (Luebbers 1-3), 8:10 p.m.  
Pittsburgh (Anderson 2-1) at Colorado (Thomson 1-6), 9:05 p.m.  
Montreal (Thurman 5-10) at Arizona (R. Johnson 14-8), 9:35 p.m.  
Chicago (Bowie 1-3) at San Diego (Ashby 12-7), 10:05 p.m.  
Philadelphia (Wolf 5-5) at San Francisco (Ruetter 12-7), 10:05 p.m.  
Milwaukee (Peterson 1-4) at Los Angeles (Judd 2-1), 10:10 p.m.

**Wednesday's Games**  
Philadelphia (Grace 1-1) at San Francisco (L. Hernandez 7-11), 4:05 p.m.  
Pittsburgh (Schmidt 10-9) at Colorado (Ja. Wright 1-2), 5:05 p.m.  
Atlanta (Muholland 7-7) at Cincinnati (Villone 6-4), 7:05 p.m.  
Milwaukee (Eldred 1-7) at Los Angeles (Valdes 9-11), 7:35 p.m.  
New York (Dotel 5-1) at Houston (Holt 3-12), 8:05 p.m.  
Florida (Dempster 6-6) at St. Louis (Stephenson 4-0), 8:10 p.m.  
Montreal (Hermanson 5-12) at Arizona (Daal 13-7), 10:05 p.m.  
Chicago (Trachsel 4-16) at San Diego (Hitchock 11-9), 10:35 p.m.

**American League**  
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East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	81	49	.623	—
Boston	73	58	.557	8 1/2
Toronto	70	63	.526	12 1/2
Baltimore	58	72	.446	23
Tampa Bay	58	73	.443	23 1/2

Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	80	50	.615	—
Chicago	62	70	.470	19
Minnesota	55	74	.426	24 1/2
Detroit	52	78	.400	28

**West Division**  
Seattle 5, Chicago 2, 1st game  
Seattle 14, Chicago 6, 2nd game  
Toronto 2, Minnesota 1  
Detroit 1, Texas 0  
Boston 9, Kansas City 1  
Cleveland 7, Anaheim 5  
New York 7, Oakland 4  
Only games scheduled

**Tuesday's Games**  
Kansas City (Witasick 5-10) at Boston (Portugal 7-12), 7:05 p.m.  
Minnesota (Racke 10-12) at Toronto (Hamilton 7-7), 7:05 p.m.  
Anaheim (Finley 8-11) at Cleveland (Gooden 3-3), 7:05 p.m.  
Texas (Morgan 12-8) at Detroit (Borkowski 0-4), 7:05 p.m.  
Tampa Bay (Rupe 7-7) at Baltimore (Ponson 11-9), 7:35 p.m.  
Oakland (Haynes 7-11) at New York (Cone 11-7), 7:35 p.m.  
Seattle (Halama 10-5) at Chicago (Snyder 9-9), 8:05 p.m.

**Wednesday's Games**  
Kansas City (Rosado 7-12) at Boston (Mercker 0-0), 7:05 p.m.  
Tampa Bay (White 5-2) at Baltimore (Johns 2-2), 7:05 p.m.  
Minnesota (Milton 6-10) at Toronto (Escobar 10-9), 7:05 p.m.  
Anaheim (Washburn 0-2) at Cleveland (Burba 11-7), 7:05 p.m.  
Texas (Helling 11-7) at Detroit (Weaver 8-9), 7:05 p.m.

Kansas City 51 80 .389 29 1/2  
Texas 79 53 .598 —  
Oakland 71 80 .542 7 1/2  
Seattle 85 66 .496 13 1/2  
Anaheim 51 79 .392 27

**Sunday's Games**  
Texas 4, Toronto 2  
Baltimore 11, Detroit 4  
Boston 7, Anaheim 4  
Tampa Bay 8, Cleveland 4  
New York 11, Seattle 5  
Minnesota 6, Kansas City 2  
Chicago 7, Oakland 2

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Seattle (Meche 4-4) at Chicago (Sirota 8-11), 8:05 p.m.

### HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

**Fort Elliott Schedule**  
Sept.  
3-Lefors, 7:30 away; 10-Higgins, 7:30 away; 17-Vernon Northside, 7:30 home; 24-Clovis Christian, 7:30 away.  
Oct.  
1-Opera, 8 - Miami, 7:30 home; 15-Groom, away; 22-Higgins, 7:30 home; 29-Follett, 7:30 away.  
Nov.  
5 - Lefors, 7:30 home.

### BASKETBALL

**WNBA Playoff Glance**  
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**FIRST ROUND**  
Tuesday, Aug. 24  
**EASTERN CONFERENCE**  
Charlotte 60, Detroit 54  
**WESTERN CONFERENCE**  
Los Angeles 71, Sacramento 58

**CONFERENCE FINALS**  
**EASTERN CONFERENCE**  
Friday, Aug. 27  
Charlotte 78, New York 67  
Sunday, Aug. 29  
New York 74, Charlotte 70  
Monday, Aug. 30  
New York 69, Charlotte 54, New York wins series 2-1

**WESTERN CONFERENCE**  
Thursday, Aug. 26  
Los Angeles 75, Houston 60  
Sunday, Aug. 29  
Houston 83, Los Angeles 55  
Monday, Aug. 30

Houston 72, Los Angeles 62, Houston wins series 2-1

### CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

**(Best-of-3)**  
Thursday, Sept. 2  
Houston at New York, 8 p.m.  
Saturday, Sept. 4  
New York at Houston, 3:30 p.m.  
Sunday, Sept. 5  
New York at Houston, 3:30 p.m., if necessary

### PRO FOOTBALL

**National Football League**  
**Pressroom At A Glance**  
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**AMERICAN CONFERENCE**

East	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Buffalo	2	1	0	.667	73	33
Indianapolis	2	1	0	.667	63	33
Miami	2	1	0	.667	58	46
N.Y. Jets	2	1	0	.667	42	46
New England	1	2	0	.333	62	79

**Central**  
Baltimore 3, 0 0 1.000 57 37  
Jacksonville 2, 1 0 0.667 86 43  
Cleveland 2, 2 0 0.500 75 95  
Pittsburgh 1, 2 0 0.333 57 70  
Tennessee 1, 2 0 0.333 54 62  
Cincinnati 0, 3 0 0.000 20 66

**West**  
Oakland 2, 2 1 0.1000 38 36  
Denver 2, 2 0 0.500 82 73  
Kansas City 1, 2 0 0.333 35 68  
Seattle 1, 2 0 0.333 74 55  
San Diego 0, 4 0 0.000 72 88

**NATIONAL CONFERENCE**

West	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Washington	3	0	0	1.000	67	47
N.Y. Giants	2	1	0	.667	73	57
Arizona	1	2	0	.333	41	98
Dallas	1	3	0	.250	58	76
Philadelphia	0	3	0	.000	29	37

**Central**  
Green Bay 3, 0 0 1.000 92 45

Tampa Bay 3, 0 0 1.000 92 24  
Minnesota 2, 1 0 0.667 62 66  
Chicago 2, 2 0 0.500 94 95  
Detroit 1, 2 0 0.333 57 66

**West**  
San Francisco 3, 0 0 1.000 71 66  
Atlanta 1, 2 0 0.333 44 67  
Carolina 1, 2 0 0.333 54 78  
New Orleans 1, 2 0 0.333 50 89  
St. Louis 1, 2 0 0.333 65 77

**Thursday's Games**  
Jacksonville 31, Kansas City 8  
Minnesota 17, Philadelphia 13  
**Friday's Game**  
Tennessee 17, Atlanta 3  
**Saturday's Games**  
Dallas 31, Detroit 10  
Washington 27, Pittsburgh 14  
Buffalo 30, Cincinnati 3  
N.Y. Jets 16, N.Y. Giants 10  
Green Bay 38, New Orleans 17  
St. Louis 24, San Diego 21  
Tampa Bay 46, New England 14  
Cleveland 36, Chicago 24  
Baltimore 28, Carolina 24  
**Sunday's Game**  
Dallas 22, Denver 12  
**Monday's Game**  
San Francisco 16, Oakland 8  
**Thursday, Sept. 2**  
St. Louis at Detroit, 7 p.m.  
Cleveland at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.  
New England at Carolina, 8 p.m.  
Miami at Green Bay, 8 p.m.  
Seattle at Indianapolis, 8 p.m.  
New Orleans at Tennessee, 8 p.m.  
Jacksonville at Dallas, 9 p.m.  
**Friday, Sept. 3**  
N.Y. Giants at Baltimore, Noon  
Atlanta at Cincinnati, 7:30 p.m.  
Minnesota at N.Y. Jets, 7:30 p.m.  
Tampa Bay at Washington, 8 p.m.  
San Francisco at Denver, 9 p.m.  
Oakland at Arizona, 10 p.m.  
Kansas City at San Diego, 11 p.m.  
**Saturday, Sept. 4**  
Pittsburgh at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m.  
**End Pressroom**

# Martinez boosts record to 19-4 as Boston routs Kansas City 9-1

By The Associated Press

With one more win, Pedro Martinez would become the first 20-game winner of the season. Not that he cares.

"I'm not thinking 20. I'm just trying to win the game," he said Monday night after leading the Boston Red Sox over the Kansas City Royals 9-1.

Martinez (19-4) struck out 11 in six innings, matching his career

high for wins in a season. He struck out 10 or more for a club-record 14th time this season and the 49th time in his career, allowing one run and four hits as he lowered his major league-leading ERA to 2.36.

"Twenty games doesn't mean anything to me. I could win the Cy Young with less than 20, I've done it before," he said.

In other games, Toronto beat Minnesota 2-1, New York beat

Oakland 7-4, Cleveland beat Anaheim 7-5, Detroit beat Texas 1-0 and Seattle swept Chicago 5-2 and 14-6.

At Fenway Park, Jose Offerman went 4-for-4 and Butch Huskey had three hits and two RBIs for the Red Sox, who opened a two-game lead over Oakland in the AL wildcard race.

Jeff Suppan (8-8) allowed six runs — five earned — and seven hits in 4 1-3 innings as the Royals

lost their fourth straight. **Blue Jays 2, Twins 1**

At SkyDome, Pat Hentgen (9-10) won consecutive starts for the first time since May, allowing just one run and five hits in 7 1-3 innings.

Toronto overcame a two-hitter by rookie Jason Ryan (1-1), making just his second career start in the major leagues.

Graeme Lloyd and Billy Koch finished with hitless relief for Toronto, which stopped a nine-

game losing streak and remained four games behind Boston. Koch got three outs for his 26th save.

**Yankees 7, Athletics 4**

Chuck Knoblauch homered and drove in four runs as the Yankees moved 2,000 games over .500 (8,475-6,475) since moving to New York before the 1903 season.

Visiting Oakland led 4-0 in the fifth before New York rallied with four runs in the fifth and three in the eighth.


Jeff Nelson (2-1) struck out the side in the eighth, and Mariano Rivera finished for his 38th save. T.J. Mathews (8-4) was the loser.

**Indians 7, Angels 5**

Roberto Alomar doubled off Al Levine (1-1) to break a 5-all tie in the seventh at Jacobs Field.

Bartolo Colon withstood homers by Garret Anderson, Mo Vaughn and Jim Edmonds to win his fifth straight start and extend the Angels' losing streak to six.

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# PUC: New laws to offer more consumer protections

AUSTIN — Customers can look for lower prices, enhanced services and stronger protections when new telecommunications and electric utility laws passed last spring take effect Sept. 1.

"Customers win big with these laws," said Public Utility Commission Chairman Pat Wood, III. "They get the lower prices that come with competition plus legislative assurances that customer abuse will not be tolerated in Texas."

Senate Bill 560, authored by Sen. David Sibley and Reps. Toby Goodman and Leticia Van de Putte, lowers telephone access charges to significantly lower prices for intrastate long distance calls. To implement this part of the law, the PUC ordered long distance companies to pass these access charge savings through to customers and broadened the Texas Universal Service Fund to provide affordable local telephone service to all Texans. SB 560 also requires Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. to reduce its access charges by another penny on Sept. 1 that will save SWBT customers an average of five cents per minute off their intrastate long distance calls.

No later than June 1, or when SWBT begins offering interstate long distance service, another two-cent reduction will take effect. Approximately 76 percent of Texas telephone lines are served by SWBT.

Also effective Sept. 1, customers' local telephone service cannot be disconnected for nonpayment of long distance charges. This benefit is due to SB 86 by Sen. Jane Nelson and Rep. Debra Danburg, a comprehensive customer protection bill that also:

- Protects customers from fraudulent, deceptive and anti-competitive practices.
- Outlaws cramming, the adding of unauthorized charges to your phone bill.
- Prohibits changing phone service based on a "negative option"

offer — an offer that switches the customer's service if the customer takes no action preventing the switch.

—Bans discrimination based on income level, source of income or geographic area.

*The major task of the PUC over the next two years will be to adopt new rules and regulations to implement the new laws. The Commission already has established working groups to ensure a fair and speedy process.*

—Requires phone bills to use "clear, readable format and easy-to-understand language."

—Requires that eligible customers be automatically enrolled in discount programs for low-income customers.

—Lets the PUC revoke the operating certificates of any telecommunications company that violates the law or PUC rules.

—Strengthens the PUC's enforcement authority by removing a provision that gave a utility 30 days after receiving a PUC notice of violation to show that the utility solved the problem.

On the electricity side, Senate Bill 7, authored by Sen. David Sibley and Rep. Steve Wolens, freezes electric rates on Sept. 1 for all customers of investor-owned utilities, which serve approximately 80 percent of Texas customers. That will be followed by a 6 percent rate reduction in January 2002.

Also beginning Sept. 1, electric cooperatives will no longer be regulated by the PUC, but will be required to adopt equivalent cus-

tom protection standards. In addition, the General Land Office can begin selling electric power at discounted rates to school districts, state universities and state agencies as well as cities and counties.

"We are proud to say that Texas now has the best electric restructuring legislation in the country," said Commissioner Judy Walsh. "We think competition and these customer protections will be good for all Texans."

The major task of the PUC over the next two years will be to adopt new rules and regulations to implement the new laws. The Commission already has established working groups to ensure a fair and speedy process.

"Our rulemaking procedures will be swift and collaborative," said Commissioner Brett A. Perlman. "As we move away from our traditional role as an economic regulator, we will not get bogged down in paperwork and endless legal battles."

Information about the new laws is one of the topics in the summer edition of the PUC's "Public Utility Connection," a quarterly publication available free of charge. Other issues covered in this latest edition are renewable energy sources, area code additions and a user-friendly chart comparing phone companies' rates for local toll calls.

To get a free copy of Public Utility Connection or to become a subscriber, call the PUC toll-free at 1-888-782-8477, or write us at PUC-Customer Protection, P.O. Box 13326, Austin TX 78711-3326. The "Public Utility Connection" also is published on the PUC website, [www.puc.state.tx.us](http://www.puc.state.tx.us).

## As 'TEXAS' season ends, preparation for next year begins

CANYON — "TEXAS" successfully completed its 34th season, Aug. 21, with 81,859 visitors from 51 states and 93 countries. On closing night, TEXAS was honored with the presence of Astronaut Rick Husband, an Amarillo native, and four other crew members from the space mission of the STS-96. The astronauts, like all 1999 visitors, enjoyed a cast of 150 professional members who contributed to this western tale of romance and drama in Palo Duro Canyon.

Several technical improvements helped maintain the production's high-quality entertainment. A \$34,000 amplification system, donated in part by Bill and Louise Dee, enhanced the quality of sound throughout the Pioneer Theatre. The zoned microphone system allowed audiences to hear the voices on-stage without distracting from the live theatre aspect of the performances. Installation of a credit card system, courtesy of the First National Bank of Amarillo, was effective in providing more convenience for customers.

The July 4 Extravaganza Week, a special patriotic week filled with booming fireworks and spirited song, sponsored by Norwest Banks, was such a big hit that it will take place again next year, only bigger and better! Two trumpeters who played during the week of the extravaganza added to the authenticity of the live theatre, and became permanent fixtures for the rest of the season. Fiery special effects in the Prairie Fire Ballet enhanced the spiritual and mystic elements of the drama.

General Manager and President Blaine Bertrand is pleased with the overall success of the 1999 season, and he is looking forward to future seasons. "We've done a great job of preparing ourselves for the 35th Anniversary Season next year. 'TEXAS' has made many improvements to secure the memories of the 'TEXAS' traveler," he said.

Improvements will be made on many different levels of the production to celebrate 2000 and prepare "TEXAS" for the new millennium. Amarillo Globe News funding through its Celebrate 2000 project and a matching grant from the Meadows Foundation will be used for new side stages and scenic upgrades and special effects. LEK Technologies and Thomas A. Edison Corps. will donate \$100,000 worth of computer upgrades. Another exciting addition will be the new capabilities of the "TEXAS" website. By 2000, reservations can be made on-line, and special package deals will be available through the [www.texasmusicaldrama.com](http://www.texasmusicaldrama.com) website.

All of these improvements and additions will add to the "edu-tainment" value of "TEXAS," Bertrand explained, as the production provides rich history in a fun, entertaining way to create an experience that will live on in visitor's memories. "TEXAS" is looking forward to giving everyone, including its three millionth visitor, a special treat for next year's "TEXAS"-sized 35th Anniversary Season. The 2000 season will begin June 7 and will close Aug. 19 with a summer filled with millennium-scaled family entertainment.



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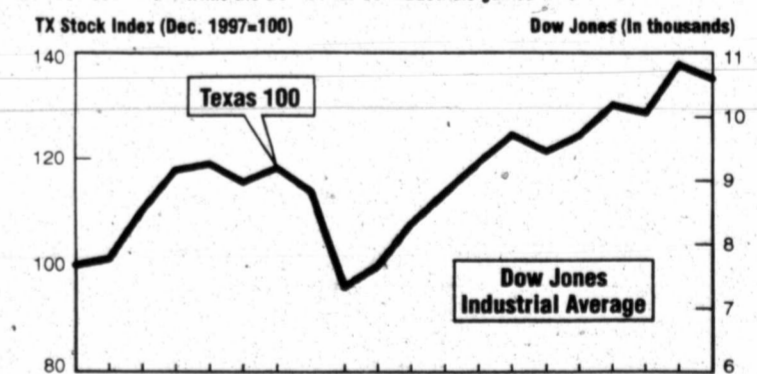
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100 STOCK INDEX

The Largest Publicly Traded Employers in Texas

Texas 100 Stock Index

The Texas 100 Stock Index fell 1.9% in July to a level of 135.2. Over the last 12 months, the index has risen 41.0% while the Dow Jones 30 Industrials gained 41.3%.



Ups & downs by sector

Largest percentage changes in company stock prices

Energy	0.8%	Other Manufacturing	7.9%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>↑ Amoco Corp. +6.8%</li> <li>↑ E.I. Du Pont De Nemours +5.6%</li> <li>↑ Shell Oil +4.2%</li> <li>↓ Lyondell Petrochemical -11.5%</li> <li>↓ Hoeschst -8.6%</li> <li>↓ Schlumberger -4.9%</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>↑ Champion International +8.1%</li> <li>↑ Bridgestone +0.1%</li> <li>↑ PepsiCo +0.1%</li> <li>↓ Pilgrim's Pride -30.5%</li> <li>↓ Goodyear Tire &amp; Rubber -10.1%</li> <li>↓ VF -7.6%</li> </ul>	
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NOTE: The index reflects how much an investment of one dollar in each company made in December 1997 would be worth today (\$135.16).

SOURCE: Carol Kaefer Rylander, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts.