By KATE B. DICKSON **Associate Publisher**

tation superintendent.

"The people love it. No other city in the panhan-

Helping to unload and man-

age the event were 55 volunteers

who included city employees,

members of the HHW

Committee, seven inmates from

the Jordan Unit, elementary and

high school students, Celanese

employees, Cabot employees, Clean Pampa representatives

and others, Stone said. Also on

hand was Jimmy Walker, region-

al inspector for the Texas Natural

Contracted to remove the

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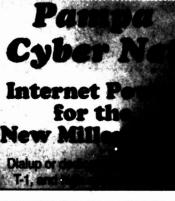
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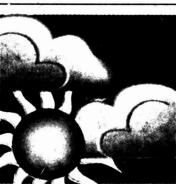


Household Hazardous Waste ...

356 vehicles counted at collection site

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High today 70 Low tonight mid 40s For weather details see Page 2.

PAMPA — The Grav County Commissioners Court has named Robert Dixon as the new Veterans Service Officer. Dixon also currently serves as a Pampa City Commissioner. He is scheduled to begin his new job on Friday. He replaces John Tripplehorn who resigned recently to go into private business.

PAMPA motions for Justin D. Sober, 22, 1220 McCullough, had originally been scheduled Monday in 31st District Court but the defense has not filed any motions in the case at this point, according to officials in the District Attorney's Office. Sober is charged with intoxicated manslaughter in connection with the May 30 traffic death of Stacey Kaye Sehorn. He faces other charges in a different court in connection with the accident that injured Nakisha Horton, 19, Amarillo, and Shawn Allen Reames, 29, Rt. 1 Box 150 C. Pampa. Sober is free on \$75,000 in bonds.

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — A career criminal already dying from liver failure brought on by lifelong drug and alcohol abuse was headed for the Texas death chamber today for the slav-

ing of a woman in Baytown. Richard Wayne Smith, 43, has dropped all appeals to his conviction for the Dec. 2, 1992, murder of Karen Birky, allowing the state to execute him instead of waiting to die from his condi-

· LV Jewell Hoskins, 90, retired bookkeeper.

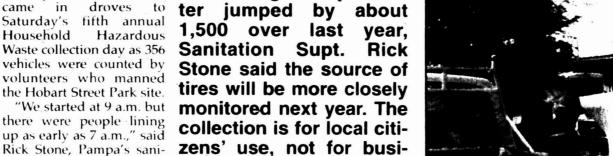
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Pampa-area residents tires brought to the cen-

ness use.

In all, 55 drums were filled with hazardous wastes that included poisons, caustic and corrosive liquids as well as flammable substances, solvents, fertilizer and more, Stone said.

Other collections included: • 800 gallons of used oil

• 40 gallons of old anti-freeze • 200 oil filters

• 180 gallons of paint

• 170 batteries • 4,080 tires

Because the number of tires brought to the center jumped by about 1,500 over last year, Stone said the source of tires will be more closely monitored next vear. The collection is for local

(See WASTE, Page 2)



Categorizing various kinds of paints, varnishes and other chemicals in buckets are Mark Warner (left), Mark Watkins and John Fitzgerald who volunteered at the Household Hazardous Waste Collection last weekend.

PEDC ponders soybean mill plan, request for funds

Staff Writer

Should Pampa, Gray County and the Pampa Economic Development Commission work to get a soybean processing

That's the latest question to go before the PEDC board. The board heard Monday from Ronnie Goode, an independent Pampa consultant who managed the Celanese farm for 11

viability of such an operation here. Goode said private investors are available to pay for the actual building of the plant, which would run between \$1-1.5 million. But, he said, the primary potential investor is currently leaning towards building the facility in Carson County.

years. He asked the PEDC to fund a feasibility study about the

In addition to the feasibility study, Board President Richard Stowers said the PEDC might also be asked to buy a grain elevator for bean storage.

He said it is almost a certainty a single mill will be built somewhere in the panhandle.

PEDC Project Coordinator Susan Tripplehorn said she was told if the study is done, and the project is deemed feasible, then (See PEDC, Page 2)

Jobless rate goes down

Unemployment has dropped in Pampa and Gray County, in part due to fewer people in the work

The number of people listed as unemployed here in August has dropped about a half of a percentage point according to the Texas Workforce Commission. In Pampa 525 people are listed as unemployed which is 5.9 percent of the work force population. That figure is _own from 6.6 percent in July. Countywide 647 people or 6.1 percent are listed as unem-

ployed down from 6.7 percent the month before. The number one reason for the decrease is students going back to school and dropping out of the work force, according to TWC spokesman Steve

Cross. He said some of the drop may also be due to

beopie who nave used up all of their unemployment insurance and are no longer listed. He said the numbers could drop again in September due to students going back to school and businesses starting to hire for the Christmas season.

Borger still reported the highest unemployment in the Panhandle but those numbers also improved dropping from 10.2 percent to 8.8. The lowest city unemployment was in Dalhart where only 2.4 percent of the population is unemployed. Cross said that can be a problem too since there are jobs there that can go unfilled. Scarcely populated Sherman County showed the lowest numbers with a drop from 1.6 to 1.3 percent. Only 18 people are listed as unemployed there.

Judge hears felony pleas

Five felony cases, including one that dates back a decade, were settled in court Monday.

The cases were heard in Steven Emmert's 31st

District Court and all were the results of plea bar-

The decade-old case involved Sandra Bogart, 38, who was charged with forgery by passing in 1989. According to court records, Bogart disappeared after posting bond in that year and did the same thing in the mid 1990s.

Bogart claimed on the stand the checks belonged to her then fiancee and said she had permission at

the time. Emmert sentenced her to one year in the Gray County Jail with credit for the 329 days she has already served

Ben Allen Cross, 36, Mobeetie, pled guilty to forgery by passing for two checks he was accused of stealing and then forging in January of last year. He was sentenced to 180 days in Gray County Iail and ordered to pay restitution and court costs before being released.

Albert Tambunga, 48, had nearly finished his probation for a 1989 conviction for possession of a (See JUDGE, Page 2)

Quite frankly... What's your favorite television show?



"I don't really have one. I watch a lot of movies.'

-- Natalie Albear



"Maude." I like to watch something funny. I don't like sad shows."

— Susan Walser



"The Spanish channel." I like the History Channel from 6 to 9."

— Elfida Regalado



"Walker, Texas I like the Ranger." action.'

— Chris Hodge



"The Practice." I like shows dealing with politics and lawyers."

— Louie Allen

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Services tomorrow

HOSKINS, Lv Jewell — Graveside services, 9 a.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa

Obituaries

LV JEWELL HOSKINS

TYLER - Ly lewell Hoskins, 90, died Monday, Sept. 20, 1999. Graveside services will be at 9 a.m. Wednesday in Fairview Cemetery at Pampa with the Rev. Fines Marchman, pastor of First Baptist Church of Skellytown, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Lloyd James Funeral Home of Tyler.

Mrs. Hoskins was born June 20, 1909, at Clovis, N.M. She had been a Houston resident for 25 years prior to moving to Tyler in February. She was a bookkeeper.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Floyd Clarence Hoskins, on June 20, 1936.

Survivors include a daughter, June Laswell of Tyler; four grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

Accidents

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

Monday, Sep. 20

Keith Young, 18, 118 W. Albert, was cited for failure to yield right of way and no valid drivers license when the 1994 Geo he was driving struck a 1991 Camero driven by James W. Alexander Jr., 32, at 21st and Charles. Young and a 5-year-old passenger in the Camero reported non-incapacitating injuries.

Stocks

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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, Sep. 20 Ben Allen Cross, 36, Plainview, was arrested after being sentenced for forgery.

Police report

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

Monday, Sep. 20 Richard Jones, 25, 637 N. Wells, was arrested on charges of failure to appear and seat belt viola-

Simple assault was reported in the 900 block of

Theft over \$20,000 involving a pickup and plumbing tools was reported in the 400 block on

North Sumner. Criminal mischief was reported in the 700 block of North Christy.

Terroristic threats were reported in the 200 block of North Russell.

Ambulance

Rural/Metro made the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today. Monday, Sept. 20

7:46 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 2500 block of Perryton Parkway and transported one to Baptist St. Anthony West in Amarillo.

1:07 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of Huff and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

1:52 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to a local nursing facility. 8:13 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing facility and transported one to PRMC.

9:50 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing facility and transported one to PRMC. 10:20 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of Scott and transported one to PRMC.

Tuesday, Sept. 21 1:47 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to a local nursing facility.

Fires

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

Monday, Sep. 20

8:05 a.m. — Two units and five personnel responded to 21st and Charles on an automobile accident.

8: 11 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to 1504 W. Kentucky on a medical.

Clinton: U.S. must aid Russia

Clinton administration told to Russia. Congress today that the United States must continue to support ers today that the administration accounts suspected to be linked Russia or risk being branded as must weigh the need to remain to the Russian case. A 1998 law

money-laundering scheme in U.S. history, Treasury Secretary Lawrence Summers said the administration will propose to strengthen laws and make it tougher for foreigners to clean ill-gotten gains through American banks.

Summers was the leadoff witness as Congress opened the first of a series of inquiries into allegations that Russian gangsters illegally channeled billions of dollars through the Bank of New

The administration backs continued support for Russia in spite of these allegations because "to quarantine, contain or write off Russia as too corrupt would ill serve our national interest," Summers told the House Banking Committee.

"Acting on that view would limit our ability to support Russian economic and financial stability; it would inhibit our ability to promote democratization and it would raise the risk that the United States and the West would be labeled as scapegoats for Russia's failure to and strengthen U.S. enforcement investigators have presented no address its problems," Summers

U.S. investigators have not commented publicly on the case, in which as much as \$10 billion allegedly was funneled through range of international criminals, the Bank of New York, the 15thlargest U.S. bank.

the bank's Eastern European cious-activity reports to cover not Washington last week with FBI division, Natasha Kagalovsky only banks but also money ser- Director Louis Freeh and other and Lucy Edwards, were sus- vice businesses, security brokers officials. pended, and Ms. Edwards was and casinos. subsequently fired for alleged falsification of bank records and failure to cooperate with internal Committee, said at the opening laundered money through the investigators. The two have of today's hearing that he also Bank of New York, apparently denied any wrongdoing.

cal flash point between of secrecy that for too long has said earlier Monday that the visit Washington and Moscow and made it possible" for offshore produced no evidence of Russian prompted Republican leaders to financial institutions to skirt U.S. money being misdirected. denounce the Clinton adminis- laws.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The tration's policy of supporting aid

Summers stressed to lawmakwhile demanding reforms.

He said the International Monetary Fund, at U.S. urging, the billions in loans provided by the West are used for legitimate purposes.

He noted that Russia's current \$4.8 billion loan program is being provided in such a way that Russia can use the money only to pay back previous IMF loans. bursed unless the IMF is satisfied that the Russian central bank has foreign assistance.

World Bank President James Wolfensohn said today the bank has not be able to find any misuse of its funds in Russia. The bank investigated its 34 projects in Russia and "everything seems to be straightforward. As of this to Washington last week, and moment I have nothing to both countries agreed to investiannounce," he said.

Summers said that Thursday the administration will release a number of proposals to bolster the Federal Security Service, international cooperation in Russia's main intelligence investigating money laundering agency, said Monday that U.S. through tighter regulation of financial institutions.

Congress to make money-laun- dering. dering laws applicable to a broad including corrupt foreign officials, Summers said, and broaden headed the Russian team of Two high-level executives of the requirements for filing suspi-

chairman of the House Banking suggesting Russian businesses was introducing legislation to contradicting Russian Prime The issue has become a polititighten laws and "pierce the veil Minister Vladimir Putin, who

Today, the Swiss government announced that Swiss banks have frozen \$16.8 million in "scapegoats" for Russia's failure. engaged with Russia, with its requires banks to take such action In the wake of what may be the huge arsenal of nuclear weapons, and report to the government when they have well-founded suspicions of money laundering.

Russia now owes some \$16 bilhas already acted to make sure lion of the \$22 billion that the 182nation IMF has lent it since 1992. The IMF board is expected soon to consider approving a second, \$640 million installment under a \$4.5 billion loan package for Russia that was previously authorized.

Russian President Boris Yeltsin None of the money will be dis-received Nikolai Patrushev, head of the Federal Security Service, today at his country residence for put in place adequate controls on talks on the money-laundering investigation.

> Yeltsin has not commented publicly on the expanding scandal, though the Kremlin has issued statements denying any wrongdoing by the president.

A Russian delegation traveled gate the matter and compare notes, Patrushev told Yeltsin.

Viktor Ivanov, deputy head of evidence that money from the IMF or other international agen-The report will call for cies was involved in money laun-

Nor was there any evidence that high-level Russian officials were involved, said Ivanov, who Russian investigators who met in

Ivanov on Monday said that Rep. James Leach, R-lowa, U.S. investigators have material

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WASTE

citizens' use, not for business use.

The tires filled two 55-foot trailers and were taken to Lubbock Waste Tire Recycling where they will be processed and the material used for such things as asphalt additives and material from which park benches can be made, Stone said.

The tire recycling facility is the same one used by the city's landfill which accepts tires, for a fee, all year long. Likewise, the Recycling Center at Hobart Street Park accepts used oil, filters and antifreeze weekly on Thursday afternoons and all day Friday

The bulk of the cost of the event goes to Safety-Kleen (an estimated \$22,805) for collection and proper disposal of the waste at hazardous waste

incinerators and approved landfills. The tire disposal cost about \$4,000.

Celanese is bearing most of the cost of this year's event but the HHW Committee is working to spread the cost around as Celanese has said it can't contribute as much next year. City Commissioners have proposed adding a dime to the sewer bills of residents and commercial customers in order to raise over \$9,000 a year for the collection.

Volunteers were provided lunch that included "fried chicken and good pies," said Stone. Contributors to that included Albertson's, United Foods, Wal-Mart and Frank's.

"People don't realize all the work that goes into this," Stone said, "but now that we have done it a number of times it isn't too hard to organize ... and the whole thing really is a lot of fun. It's just a good community event."

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PEDC

the plant will be built here.

Board members expressed interest but said they need firm assurances the mill will be built in Gray County before they will commit about \$32,000 the study is estimated to cost.

One of the areas that will benefit from a soybean processing plant is Gray County's growing dairy industry. Currently, soybeans for feed have to be

shipped in from Nebraska or Kansas. Goode said having the soybean mill here might

provide another competitive edge to getting more dairies to come.

Besides dairy cattle, soybeans can be dehulled and sold as food for swine production. Soybean oil

can also be extracted during the process. In other dairy related news, the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission has issued a draft permit for the Roden Dairy. The PEDC should receive permission to go into a 30-day public comment phase after which the final permits can be issued. Officials are still hoping to start construction in November.

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JUDGE

controlled substance when he was arrested in Houston for possession of cocaine. He is currently incarcerated in Houston. Emmert sentenced him to two years in prison on the probation violation but agreed it could run concurrently with the Houston sentence.

Jose Delores Venegas, 39, was sentenced to five years in prison for delivery of a controlled substance after selling an undercover agent over one but less than four grams of cocaine in November of 1996. He was also fined \$2,500. Because he said in court that he is not an American citizen he also

faces deportation, according to court records. Zachary Keith Mabry, 23, Pampa, was in court accused of sexual assault in an incident involving a then underage teen January of last year.

When Asst. District Attorney Matt Martindale told the Court of a plea bargain for two years probation under deferred adjudication program. Deferred adjudication means if Mabry completes his probation successfully the case will be dismissed and stricken from his record. Emmert asked if the victim had been consulted and asked the prosecution to do so before the plea was accepted. Martindale later said the victim approved of the sentence and Emmert agreed to the terms, which included 240 hours of community service.

Floyd cleanup begins

MANVILLE, N.J. (AP) — The smell of disinfectant and furniture polish wafted through the air as residents of central New Jersey tried to scrub away the mud-strewn legacy Hurricane Floyd.

Sections of Manville looked as if a tornado had sucked furniture, carpet and books from their homes, depositing them along sidewalks in piles 8 feet

"This is incredible," Cheryl Volker, 42, said as she sorted through belongings that had bobbed about for days in her temporary indoor pool - her living room.

Floyd dumped so much water on central New Jersey that more than a million residents were likely have to endure a fifth day today without safe water to drink. Floodwaters have swamped a water treatment plant in Bridgewater that wasn't expected to have water pressure or pumping equipment. Officials

fretted about fire protection. Rain fell again today in central and northern New Jersey, with as much as an inch expected by evening. The National Weather Service issued a flash flood watch for the area but said the threat of additional flooding was confined mainly to small streams and creeks.

Other flash flood watches were posted today in southeast Pennsylvania, northern Delaware and extreme northeast Maryland.

In the northern New Jersey town of Lodi, residents were wary. Floodwaters 5 feet deep ruined the finished basement of Gouid and Yatna Vakharia's home on Garibaldi Avenue last Friday. This morning was the first time water wasn't coming up through the basement floor, Yatna Vakharia said. But then it began to rain.

"I'm scared because of structural damage," she said. "I don't want this house to fall down because this is all we have.'

"Even an inch is worrisome.

It doesn't make me feel too Cross' colorful shirts and shorts. good," Alan Blitzer of Bound Brook said of today's rain. In general

Monday, revealing the storm's to provide relief. long-term legacy of misery. Christina Hussein said she is Blackwater

distribution site.

Folks in northeastern Virginia also drops. were also worried about clothes. sifted through boxes of the Red damage.

More than 1,000 people attending a community meeting in the across the school auditorium heard local Northeast, the flooding pro- and state officials assure them duced by Floyd had receded that everything was being done

Little can be done until the River entirely ready to take her children to a recedes, Mayor Jim Councill hotel. "We have no clean clothes said. The water dropped a couleft," she said while picking up ple of feet Monday but isn't free bottled water at an Edison expected to completely fall until the downstream Nottoway River

None of Franklin's 8,700 resi-Hard-hit residents of Franklin, 50 dents would predict when they miles southeast of Richmond, might get a good look at the

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Weather focus

PAMPA — Mostly sunny today with a high of about 70 and north-northeast winds at 5-10 mph. Mostly clear tonight with a low in the mid 40s and light and variable winds. Tomorrow, sunny and 80 with south-southeast winds at 5-10 mph. Yesterday's high 58; the overnight low 46.

PANHANDLE — Tonight, mostly clear with a low 40 to 45. Light and variable wind. high in the upper 70s. South wind 5-10 mph.

STATEWIDE — A cold front is taking the edge off Texas' long- Mostly cloudy skies developed standing heat wave, but bring- along the coast and in deep

ing only scattered rainfall across

Isolated showers and thunderstorms developed today along the frontal boundary in South Texas. The front stretched from south of Lufkin through the San Antonio area to Del Rio. But elsewhere, the state was rain-free.

Accompanying the front, a surface high-pressure system centered over East Central Colorado helped bring gusty north winds to Texas.

Partly cloudy to cloudy skies Wednesday, mostly sunny with a covered the northern third of the state and it was partly cloudy along a line from Del Rio into the Beaumont-Port Arthur area.

South Texas.

Patchy fog shrouded the Coastal Bend.

Early-morning temperatures ranged from the 40s to 80s statewide. It was 46 degrees at Dalhart and 81 at Stinson Field in San Antonio, while Wichita Falls had 55.

Winds were mostly northerly over the northern two-thirds of Texas at 15 to 25 mph and gusty. Light southerly conditions prevailed in the deep south.

Decreasing cloudiness was forecast through Wednesday, but windy and cooler with highs in the mid-70s in the north to lower

and mid-80s in the south. Overnight lows should range from the 40s to 50s.

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Pampa High School Choir recently competed in District choir competition at Borger — the first of four auditions leading to All-State Choir. The following four students earned first chair in their sections: Meredith Hendricks, first soprano; Tiffany Bruce, second soprano; Traci Shelton, second alto; and Josh Gibson, second tenor. Dillon Hill was second chair in first bass section. Also earning places in the District Choir were: Melea Jouett and Karissa Internann, first soprano; Shelby McGahen, Denise

Mackie, Celeste Stowers, Sammie Parsley, Jessica Burns and Charity Godwin, first alto; Joanna Wheeley, Courtney Lang and Hayle Garrison, second alto; Greg Hartman, second alternate, second tenor; Clay Britton, Patrick Parsons, Nathanael Hill, Jacob Lewis and Aaron Fernuik, first bass; and Cory Bigham and Michael Eskridge, second bass. These students will go to regional competition Nov. 6 at Randall High School in Amarillo.

Calendar of events

TOASTMASTERS

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

Door Alcoholics Anonymous at 910 Kentucky (across from Albertson's) meeting schedule - seven days a week

United Way reports on fund-raising

United Way of Pampa is currently conducting its 1999 "Caring Hearts Build Hope" fund drive. UW officials recently reported receiving \$18,073.

Celanese is 25 percent finished raising funds while Wal-Mart and SPS are finished but did not have totals to give at the UW Kick-Off Luncheon. United Supermarkets is finished with employee pledges but the corporate pledge is forthcoming. NBC Bank has had its presentation and Williams Energy Service is already working on employee programs.

The next luncheon is slated at 12 noon Thursday, Sept. 23 in the Large Meeting Room of Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard. Sponsors for the luncheon will be: Community Day Care Center, Pampa Meals on Wheels, High Plains Epilepsy Association, and The Bridge. Participants should bring finished pledge cards and money to the check-in.

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

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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 ing skills to assist parents and 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 abuse from 7-8 p.m. Thursdays. and no registration is required. For more information, call the library at 669-5780.

Rodeo Club





The following Rodeo Club officers were recently installed for the 1999-00 club year: (left-right) April Melanson, treasurer; Jamie Mears, president; Tobee Bowman, vice president; Ashlie Lee, secretary. The Rodeo Club Queen candidates are (left-right) April Melanson and Jamie Mears, both seniors, and Nicole Bruton, junior.

Gov. Bush proclaims this week Texas Y2K Readiness Week'

similarly, they should know in October. what to do if the Year 2000

and positive manner."

AUSTIN — Gov. George W. effort spearheaded by Readiness ready for potential glitches, but Bush has named this week, Sept. 2000, a coalition of state agen-19-25, "Y2K Awareness Week" cies promoting Y2K preparedness, will start airing TV and "The keys are knowledge and radio public service announcepreparation," Bush said in the ments promoting Y2K preparedproclamation. "Texans know ness and featuring the charachow to avoid the wrath of a hur- ters of Greater Tuna, other ricane in the Gulf of Mexico; celebrities and elected officials

"It seems that people hear brings temporary disruptions in more about the Y2K computer services. Those who are well- problem and speculation that prepared will be able to meet ranges from the practical to the any possible challenges in the absurd every day," said Tom Year 2000 in a calm, proactive Millwee, state coordinator with the Texas Division of Emergency A statewide communications Management. "People should be

they should not over-react or make dramatic preparations that could prove unnecessarily costly or put them or their loved



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Mayor Bob Neslage

PEDC director lacked honor

As the Mayor of Pampa, I feel it necessary to make my views known concerning recent developments with the PEDC director and his dismissal. From my many years of experience in the military dealing with men and women, I felt comfortable with my ability to judge character and human nature through an interviewing process. In Mr. Ready's case, I was very wrong and must absorb part of the blame in hiring him.

Richard Stowers, Jerry Foote, Lewis Meers, Roger David and Riley Kothmann are all honorable men with character. They were placed on the PEDC Board because of their professional education, experience and moral character. I deeply respect them all and sincerely appreciate their willingness to serve in a voluntary capacity

I applaud Richard Stowers for having the moral character to step up and do the right thing in the face of adversity. When he became aware of improprieties on behalf of Mr. Ready with public funds and resources, he exercised his fiduciary responsibility as an appointed public official having oversight of public funds and resources. Integrity and honesty are cornerstones in Richard Stowers' character as in my own. Lying to your boss and abuse of public funds and resources may be acceptable behavior in some circles but not in city government while I am mayor of this city.

In my heart, I know that Richard Stowers had no intent to violate the State Open Meetings law and am not convinced that he did. How do you communicate with your board that you need a meeting and for what purpose? No predetermined outcome was arrived at prior to the formal meeting on Sept.

Mr. Ready's accusations of profiteering and conflicts of interest on the part of the board members is merely the lashing out of a man going on the offense because he was caught and has no credible defense. From the moment Mr. Ready was put on administrative leave, he went around town and to the press in hopes to create a smoke screen. He also knew it would not be difficult to garner support from those in town who are against the PEDC. I sincerely hope that those who care about this community will look below the surface of this issue and search for the truth.

Texas Editorials

By The Associated Press

A sampling of editorial opinion from Texas newspapers: The Facts (Brazoria County) on state railroad crossing safe-

Alfred Froberg, who owns Froberg farms in Alvin, knows just how deadly a railroad crossing can be. Two years ago, Froberg posted a sign next to the railroad tracks intersecting the dirt road leading from his farm reading, "Watch for train."

Froberg did that after a fatal car-train wreck. Since then, there have been at least three more accidents, including the July 30 wreck that took the lives of two area women.

Clearly, it is time for such tragedies to stop and we commend the state for working on the problem. According to the Texas Department of Transportation, the state is upgrading approximately 150 railroad crossings a year at a cost of between \$100,000 and \$400,000 per crossing.

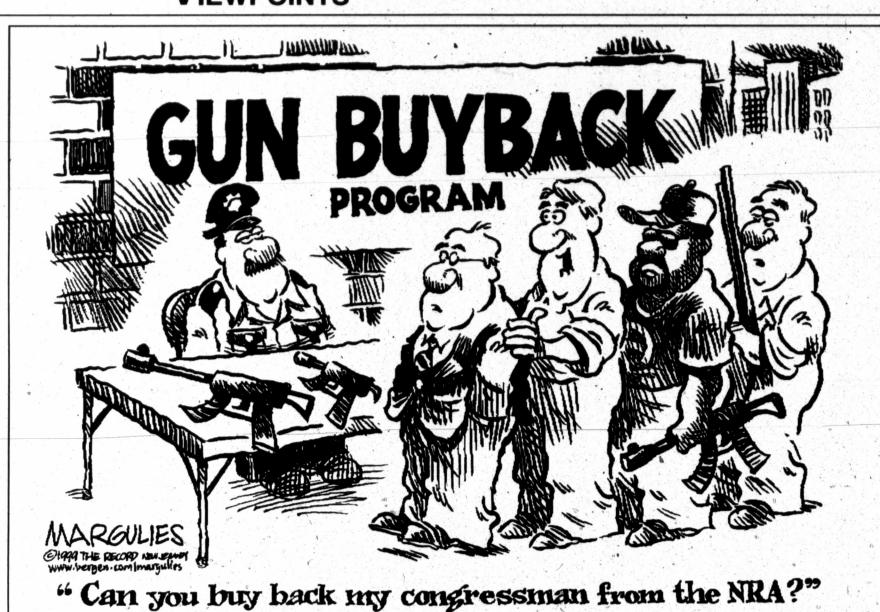
But with more than half the nearly 12,000 railroad crossings statewide unprotected by warning lights or guard rails, at the present pace it will take more than \$66 billion and 44 years to complete the job. While this may seem slow, with everything else the highway department is responsible, for it would be unrealistic to expect the project be completed sooner.

However, Texans don't have to wait to be safe. This is one job we can do ourselves if we just remember the three "Ls" of railroad crossings: stop and "look;" "listen" for any train; and

That last one should be the easiest. Unfortunately, the statistics prove differently. The Federal Railroad Administration said there were nearly 1,000 deaths and more than 7,000 accidents at railway crossings between January 1997 and December 1998. And although fatal crossing accidents are down about 20 percent over the first five months of the year, 146 people have already died nationwide in 1999

In Brazoria County, there are 25 railroad crossings without warning lights or guard rails according to the highway department — 25 potentially deadly intersections.

We urge every driver to be aware of these crossings and to treat them with care and respect. We don't want you to become a statistic



Unstable people need treatment

Charley

Reese

Syndicated columnist

I'm not going to argue against gun control again, but a lot of Americans are failing to see the forest when they respond to recent random shootings. Their standard response is to blame either the gun or hate. I think the problem often is mental illness.

I'm not suggesting that there is no such thing as a genuine hate crime. There are people who, while rational, are consumed by their hatred of various others. But there are a lot of bigots, and most don't commit acts of random violence. A lot of people get fired or laid off, but they don't respond with gunfire. A lot of adolescents get snubbed or ridiculed, but they don't shoot their

To put it bluntly, it is rational to kill someone or assume that all evil is irrational. Unfortunately, evil can be rational, logical and well-planned.

But it is definitely irrational to decide suddenly to kill people at random.

Some years ago, a well-intentioned mistake was made. People saw correctly that many hosmentally ill were overcrowded and under-

as many patients as possible back home. The theory was that a lot of patients could receive outpatient treatment in community-based facil-

As often happens, there was a gap between you genuinely hate; it is rational to kill to facil- the theory and the reality. Many communities itate the commission of a crime; it is rational to had no facilities. Furthermore, when you con- who claim to track hate groups and make a forkill in self-defense; it is even rational to kill for sider how difficult it is to persuade people to tune scaring their donor lists. money. Don't confuse rationality with morality continue taking their antibiotics after they start to feel better, just imagine how much more dif- accused of shooting five people at a Jewish ficult it is to persuade a mentally ill person to take medication. People with the flu know they are sick. Often the mentally ill do not.

Diagnosis of mental illness remains extremely difficult and even controversial. Where is the line between eccentricity and madness? We pitals — especially state facilities — for the have no clue as to what is going on in people's minds other than their words and actions, staffed. People were, in effect, simply being which may be deliberately deceptive or warehoused. A movement developed to send ambiguous. To complicate matters further, we more gun control.

cannot, under our system of laws, imprison or compel people to undergo treatment based on a mere guess about their future behavior.

Predicting the future behavior of a human

being is extremely difficult, as any psychiatrist or criminal judge will tell you. For example, a person may be perfectly healthy today and develop mental illness next month.

Finally, the field of psychiatry and psychology is itself still at a primitive state. Charlatans and competing theories abound. A great deal of psychiatric resources are devoted to making rich neurotics feel better about themselves.

Still, if you are one of those with an itch to create a perfect world, you'd do better to lobby for community health facilities and psychiatric research than to send your money to people

For example, Buford Furrow, the man community center and killing a postman, was known to be mentally ill, was known to be violent and was in the custody of authorities in Washington on an assault charge. He was

Laws need to be changed to make it easier to commit people involuntarily for mental treatment when they are known to be dangerous. In other words, what is needed is nut control, not

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Sept. 21, the 264th day of 1999. There are 101 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 21, 1949, the People's Republic of China was proclaimed by its Communist leaders.

In 1792, the French National Convention voted to abolish the

In 1897, the New York Sun ran its famous editorial that declared, practices, 'Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus.

In 1931, Britain went off the gold

Tolkien, was published.

In 1938, a hurricane struck parts of New York and New England, causing widespread damage and killing more than 600.

In 1948, Milton Berle made his debut as full-time host of "The Texaco Star Theater" on NBC-TV. In 1973, the U.S. Senate con- Ga. firmed Henry Kissinger to be

Secretary of State. In 1977, after weeks of controversy over past business and banking President Carter's embattled budget director, Bert

Lance, resigned. In 1983, in a speech to the U.S.

as consisting of "a black ... a woman, two Jews and a cripple." Although Watt later apologized, he later resigned.

In 1996, John F. Kennedy Jr. married Carolyn Bessette in a secret ceremony on Cumberland Island,

Ten years ago: Hurricane Hugo, packing winds of up to 135 mph, crashed into Charleston, S.C. In her home in Mission Viejo, Calif.; Alton, Texas, 21 students died she was 38. Hurricane Georges when their school bus collided roared through Puerto Rico and the with a truck and careered into a water-filled pit.

Chamber of Commerce, Interior Los Angeles and Santa Barbara Rand Brooks is 81. Actor Larry In 1937, "The Hobbit," by J.R.R. Secretary James G. Watt jokingly counties announced that Michael Hagman is 68.

described a special advisory panel Jackson would not face child molestation charges; however, the case would remain open until 1999.

One year ago: President Clinton's videotaped grand jury testimony was publicly broadcast; in it, Clinton tussled with prosecutors over "the truth of my relationship" with Monica Lewinsky. Olympic gold medal track star Florence Griffith Joyner was found dead at northeast Caribbean.

Today's Birthdays: Cartoon ani-Five years ago: Prosecutors from mator Chuck Jones is 87. Actor

Happy to be back on the police beat

Beth Gansmann

Guest columnist

Recently, I've been placed in a situation where I've come into contact with the Navarro County Sheriff's Department and the Corsicana Police Department working the police beat with one of my colleagues.

I know what you are thinking. I'm a 30-something female who probably has no idea about police departments. Not true. My uncle was a police chief for the little town of Trenton, Ill. Uncle Buddy fathered three sons, but I sus-

pect he always wanted a daughter. Being the only daughter of his favorite little sister, I guess I became the next best thing. He told me stories and jokes and gave me

quarters to go to the local store and buy sweets, pop and comic books. One hot summer afternoon before I started

kindergarten, Uncle Buddy decided to teach me how to tie my shoes. He was a big man with large, sausage-like fingers, but he carefully modeled my fingers to do the operation, augmenting the process with funny stories about a bunny running around a tree. He worked patiently and diligently until finally I got it. As a reward, he took me for a ride in his police car, letting me work the sirens.

When my mom would take me to Trenton City Hall, I got to sit on his desk wearing his badge and playing with his handcuffs and flashlight. He told everyone I was his best girl and I was going to be a cop someday, just like

My uncle died from a brain tumor when I

was six. I don't remember too much of his illness because the cancer overwhelmed his system very quickly after his diagnosis, but I remember my cousins being lined up on a hospital couch looking lost and confused. I remember my mom telling me Uncle Buddy couldn't see anymore. I begged to see him, but the adults thought it was better if I didn't.

His funeral was held on a clear, spring day. The flag was at half-staff at city hall. The 20 police cars leading the funeral procession had their lights flashing, but cruised along the streets silently.

My mother sat beside me immersed in her own grief, while I was stupefied at the grandeur of the events unfolding around me. At the gravesite, I looked at all the officers there in different uniforms with their eyes downturned. There were so many police officers there and it made a big impression.

The quiet of the ceremony shattered with gunfire in honor of my uncle and a simple hymn, then it was over.

About a week later, Mom took me back to city hall. My aunt worked there as the city sec- and law enforcement for the Corsicana Daily Sun.

free from my mom's hand and headed for my Uncle Buddy's office.

As I tore through the door, I spotted a man sitting at my uncle's desk and cardboard boxes strewn about the room. The realization of my uncle's death set in and I stood in the middle of the office and began to cry. The poor man who took my uncle's office sat dumbfounded, unable to overcome his shock.

I probably stood there for a few seconds, but it seemed like hours before my mom came in and got me. We both stood near the doorway of his office crying.

I haven't hung around a police station since then, but now when I visit CPD or NCSO, I'm able to think of my uncle before he was sick. I can remember the man who took great pride in his profession. Trenton was a small town and my uncle spent most of his time settling disputes and reminding teenagers to drive carefully. It wasn't a scene out of Dragnet, but he enjoyed his job and the people he worked with.

The last couple of days I've thought about my uncle, comic books, candy, shoe-tying and rides in the police car with lights and sirens. I miss him, but I think that he can see me hanging around police stations, chatting with officers. I hope it makes him happy.

Beth Gansmann covers county government

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FOOTBALL

GUTHRIE — Lefors lost to Loraine in a close six-man football battle, 55-44, last Friday night.

Rene Garcia and Mike Rico scored three touchdowns each for Loraine.

Running back Michael Steele had three touchdowns and 230 yards rushing to lead the Lefors attack. Caleb Barnes also had three touchdowns for Lefors. Ray Turpin had four conversion kicks for the Pirates.

The Pirates held, a 30-27 lead at halftime and were still ahead 38-35 going into the fourth quarter.

Lefors had 391 yards in total offense, compared to 353 for Loraine.

Lefors is now 1-2 for the season. The Pirates host Trinity at 7:30 Friday night.

VOLLEYBALL

PAMPA — The District 3-4A opening volleyball match between Pampa and Caprock in Amarillo has been rescheduled at 4 p.m. Wednesday.

The match was originally scheduled for today, but was postponed so Pampa players and supporters could attend funeral of Amy Newhouse.

HOCKEY

IRVING, Texas (AP) -The Dallas Stars narrowed their roster Monday, sending 13 players to the Michigan K-Wings, their minor league affiliate in the International Hockey League.

Cup Stanley Champion Stars also sent three players to junior teams and released two others.

The roster moves leave the Stars with 31 players remaining in training camp. They must reach the 23-man NHL roster by Oct. 1, the first day of the 1999-2000 season.

The players assigned to the K-Wings are: Mel Angelstad, LW; Mike Bales, G; Gregor Baumgartner, RW; Ryan Christie, LW; Kelly Fairchild C; Steve Gainey LW; Roman C: Lyashenko, leff MacMillan, D; Matt Martin, D; Jeff McKercher, D; Brenden Morrow, LW; Evgueni Tsybuk, D; and Mark Wotton, D.

The players returned to junior teams are: Tyler Bouck, RW (Prince George, WHL); John Erskine, D (London, OHL); Kenton Smith, D (Calgary, WHL).

LOS ANGELES (AP) -Marvin Davis, who has shown interest in building a stadium and bringing an NFL team to Hollywood Park in Inglewood, reportedly is considering whether to pay more than \$1 billion for a team and facility.

The Los Angeles Times reported today that Davis with met Commissioner Paul Tagliabue in San Francisco on Monday night. The league is trying to decide where to place a new expansion franchise, which would be its 32nd team.

The NFL's deadline for dealing exclusively with groups in Los Angeles passed last Wednesday, but the league was continuing to speak with representatives here beyond that selfimposed deadline. However, Houston - which has a stadium proposal and financing plan set to go - is considered the likely favorite to get the new team.

Davis, 74, and his sons, Gregg and John, met last week with retired Denver Broncos quarterback John Elway, the newspaper said. There had been preliminary talks with Elway's representatives about the possibility of giving Elway a 10 percent stake in the team in exchange for becoming team president, the report said.

Michael Finnigan, a Davis representative at Hollywood Park, did not immediately return a phone call from The Associated Press placed before business hours today.

Dallas defense comes through against Atlanta

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Walking off the field after a season-opening victory in Washington, the Dallas Cowboys defense didn't feel like a winner.

They knew their offense had bailed them out and vowed to repay the favor — quickly.

Dallas' defense did that Monday night, rattling Atlanta's backup-filled offense into mistake after mistake and overcoming a bad night for the offense in a 24-7 Cowboys victory.

"It was really important to get off on the right step and play with confidence," said defensive end Chad Hennings, who had two of Dallas' six sacks. "We got momentum-booster."

The Cowboys are 2-0 for the first time since 1995, their last Super ably. Bowl season. The Falcons are 0-2, as are the Denver Broncos, marking the first time both defending conference champions have been winless after two games.

got to get after his backup."

The Falcons started the game ters, plus two possessions. That without quarterback Chris was somewhat of a milestone for Chandler, and six minutes after him considering he was benched kickoff, they lost Pro Bowl run- at halftime of his other two career ning back Jamal Anderson.

Anderson is hopeful he can return by Sunday. Ditto for the Cowboys on his first play. A either player.

Reeves isn't buying the injury

"I was embarrassed by our play," Reeves said. "The way we went out there was not what I expect."

Once Anderson went down, the Cowboys were able to focus scramble, setting up the score on quarterback Tony Graziani. after them early. This is a big Defensive coordinator Dave Campo tested him with a variety groove," Graziani said. of blitzes, and he failed miser-"I believe this is an injury

Atlanta has an excuse: injuries. passing for 90 yards in two quar-failed to convert three of them rushing (133) or passing (98)

The left-hander almost burned Chandler, although coach Dan flea flicker turned into a bomb to Reeves said it's too early to tell on a wide-open Chris Calloway, but he dropped what would've been a sure touchdown, and things were never that good again.

Graziani's next pass was intercepted, leading to a 23-yard field goal by Richie Cunningham. On the third play of the third quarter, Graziani fumbled during a that put Dallas ahead 17-0.

"We just couldn't get into a

Atlanta's defense kept the game close, but the Falcons simply couldn't sustain drives. league," Campo said. "When

Part of the problem was Byron

while trailing 10-0, including once when Hanspard was stopped for no gain.

Danny Kanell replaced Graziani, but wasn't able to work the same magic as in 1997 when he beat Dallas twice while with the New York Giants.

He had some highlights, such as throwing a 45-yard touchdown pass to Tim Dwight with four minutes left and hitting another long pass to set up firstand-goal from the 4.

But after two incompletions, Kanell threw a pass directly to defensive end Greg Ellis, who returned it 87 yards for the Cowboys' final points.

"I looked up and there was 80 yards to go," Ellis said. "I wanted to pitch to someone. It was a long, hard run and I didn't think I was going to make it."

Dallas had three interceptions, they lose a great player, you've Hanspard not being able to con- two off Kanell, and returned vert on third-and-short the way them for 154 yards. That was make some plays. We've got to Dallas held Graziani to 7-of-16 Anderson usually does. Atlanta more than the Cowboys had win with who we have."

Atlanta outgained Dallas 316-231, but 168 of the Falcons' yards came in the fourth quarter whenthey were forced to play catchup.

Emmitt Smith led the Cowboys offense with 108 yards rushing and two touchdowns. His second straight 100-yard outing sent him past Tony Dorsett for fourth on the NFL's career rushing list at 12,783 yards. Dorsett was at the game to take part in a halftime celebration honoring Cowboys' 40th anniversary.

As good as the Dallas defense was, it'll be better soon.

After a bye this week, the Cowboys expect to get back cornerbacks Deion Sanders, and possibly Kevin Smith.

"I told our guys before the game we can't be worrying about who is not here," defensive coordinator Dave Campo said. "However we do it, we've got to

Pampa blanks Caprock

AMARILLO — The Pampa tennis team turned in another impressive performance last weekend, shutting out Caprock 19-0 in Amarillo. The Harvester varsity improved their record to 3-0 in District 3-4A and 9-4 for the season. Pampa has now compiled 18 consecutive district team

"Congratulations to the team for their ability to focus and win at every position," said Pampa head coach Carolyn Quarles.

Players of the week are junior Michael Cornelison and sophomores A.J. Smith, Michelle Lee and Ashley Stucki.

Cornelison defeated Caprock's No. 1 player, 6-1, 6-1.

"Michael has battled through some very tough No. 1 players in pre-season. That tough competition has clearly improved his play, as he demonstrated on Saturday."

Smith won at the No. 6 spot, 6-0, 6-0. He improved his record to 10-1 for the season. Lee and Stucki at No. 3 doubles

won their match, 6-1, 6-0. These two are fun to watch in doubles because of their intensity and movement," coach Quarles

said. The Harvesters play Tascosa on Tuesday in Amarillo and continue district play next Saturday against

The junior varsity also improved their district record to 3-0 Saturday in defeating Caprock JV, 22-0. The JV has dropped only two individual matches in district play, compiling a 58-2 individual match record in three

Pampa 19, Caprock 0 (varsity)

Boys' Singles Michael Cornelison (P) def. Mey Lucero 6-Ryan Mills (P) def. John Mender 6-0, 6-4 Matt Rains (P) def. Caprock 7-5, 6-2. Bryce Jordan (P) def. Caprock 6-3, 6-2. David Philips (P) def. Caprock 6-2, 6-1.

Girls' Singles Emily Waters (P) def. Caprock. Emily Curtis (P) def. Caprock 6-1, 6-2. Helen Orr (P) def. Caprock 6-2, 6-3. Ashley Stucki (P) def. Caprock 6-3, 6-1 lle Lee (P) def. Caprock 6-0, 6-3. Stacie Carter (P) def. Caprock 8-0. **Boys' Doubles** nelison-Jordan (P) def. Caprock 6-0,

Rains-Smith (P) def. Caprock 6-1, 6-2. Mills-Turner (P) Caprock 6-0, 6-0. Girls' Doubles Waters-Curtis (P) def. Caprock 6-1, 6-0

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Pampa 22, Caprock 0 (junior varsity)

y Turner (P) def. Kush Nathu 6-0, 6-1. Eric Scroggins (P) def. Duain Gomez 6-1, 6-

Matt Cook (P) def. Stephen Osborne 6-1, 6-Jeff Atkins (P) def. Alex Patel 6-0, 6-0.

Nathanael Hill (P) def. David Chick 6-3, 6-4. Jon Brooks (P) def. Matthew Stringer 6-2, 6-Jay Gerber (P) def. Freddy Barrera 6-0, 6-0. Ryan Zemanek (P) uer.

Girls' Singles

Jennifer Muns (P) def. Rendie Bennett 6-1,

Ashlei Jordan (P) def. Esther Aleman 6-1, 6-

Brittany Brazil def. Serena Ruiz 6-1, 6-1 Ashley Willis (P) def. C. Idadra 6-0, 6-0. Helen Brooks (P) def. Angelina Penna 6-0,

Abby Bradley (P) def. Michelle Judkins 6-0. Lauren Acker (P) def. Meri Wilder 6-0, 6-1.

Boys' Doubles Cook-Scroggins (P) def. Osborne-Patel 6-2, Jay Gerber-David Thacker (P) def. Stringer

Carter-Brazil (P) def. Ruiz-Isidra 6-1, 6-1. brooks-Willis (P) def. Penna-Weidler 6-0, 6-Acker-West (P) def. Hutton-Buisson 6-2, 6-

Robben-Bradley (P) def. Morgan-Barrera 6-

Hole-in-one prize



Dillion Hill and Meredith Hendricks pictured with a vehicle from Culberson-Stowers (donated for Grand Prize in PHS Choir Hole-in-One Golf Shoot-out) and a Tommy Armour T/100 Graphite Shaft Driver (donated by Richard Mackie) which will be given away in a drawing at the tournament. The Hole-In-One Shootout will be held Saturday and Sunday. Preliminaries will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday at the middle school. Finals will be held Sunday at Hidden Hills Public Golf Course. Tickets (three balls for \$5.00) are available from choir students or may be purchased at the tournament.

Pirates cut Astros' lead in National League Central

the Chicago Cubs a trip to the this team certainly does." postseason.

make the playoffs.

among his three hits and drove in four runs as the Pittsburgh run homer to left-center in the Pirates continued to play tough third that followed Brian Giles' against the contenders, beating leadoff double and Kevin the Astros 11-5.

Houston's fourth loss in five tory in San Diego cut the Astros' three RBIs. lead to 2 1/2 games in the NL Central.

Because of a 1-hour, 42-minute or the aggravation.

"It's one of those things that to qualify as a wild card. happens during a year," manager very good time for it to happen."

wasn't. "I don't think anyone's feeling ressure," Dierker said. "We don't have a big lead, but we have enough of a lead."

Reds close, going 0-4 in Pittsburgh this season and losing six of their last seven to the Pirates. Last year, they were 9-2 against the Pirates.

For now, the Astros don't sound worried.

body," Bill Spiers said. "We just ering my at-bats." have to play the ball we're capable of playing, and we'll be fine. closer to .500 than a year ago,

PITTSBURGH (AP) - Brant We've had trouble with these when they lost 25 of their final 30 leader Arizona, then took two of Brown spent six months wishing guys when we've played them to finish 69-93. They have a three-over the weekend from everyone would forget about the here. For whatever reason, cerchance for their first winning seadropped fly ball that almost cost tain teams gives you trouble, and

On Monday night, he hit a (16-11) yielded five earned runs home run the Houston Astros in 22-3 innings to extend a run of won't soon forget if they don't bad starts that began with losses Brown had a three-run homer and Mike Hampton in St. Louis.

Brown had the key hit, a three-Young's walk, putting the Pirates ahead 5-4. Giles had three hits, games and Cincinnati's 12-1 vic- two in the second inning, and

Brown also made a major impact on the playoff race last September, but in a far different rain delay during the middle of way. He dropped a fly ball Sept. the Pirates' six-run third inning, 23 in Milwaukee that cost the the game didn't end until just Cubs three runs, an 8-7 loss and, before midnight EDT. For the nearly, their trip to the postsea-Astros, it wasn't worth the wait son. But they recovered to beat the Giants in a one-game playoff

Until recently, Brown's season Larry Dierker said. "This isn't a hasn't gone much better than that forgettable Sunday in Not with Cincinnati winning, it Milwaukee. He began the year as the Pirates' center fielder, but his erratic defense and low average soon led him to be benched.

But Brown has hit much better in the second half of the season, Houston has helped keep the and now has a career-high 15 homers and 53 RBIs in 312 at-

"Everything hasn't been cherries on top of whipped cream, but I feel like I've made something of this season," Brown said. "My average (.244) is nowhere Chicago "It's still not over, but we're not close to where it can be, but my Green Bay the ones trying to catch some- other numbers aren't bad consid-Minnesota Tampa Bay West St. Louis

The Pirates (74-75) also are a lot

son since 1992.

"I don't think we lack confi-Astros starter Shane Reynolds dence," manager Gene Lamont Jason Kendall, Pat Meares, Ed said. "We know we can play against these teams. We're shooting for .500. We've got 12 games by 20-game winners Jose Lima left and we want to be ready to

play every one of them." The Pirates have won four of

National Football League

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Cincinnati.

"We've had a lot of guys go down with injuries this season -Sprague — so it shows the character of this club the way we're playing now," Brown said.

Notes: Pete Schourek (4-7) pitched 3 2-3 innings of one-run relief for the victory, his first their last five, all against con- since July 24 against Montreal. ... tenders. They won the final game The Pirates are 44-35 in Three of a three-game series Rivers, their best home record Wednesday against NL West since they were \$3-28 in 1992. ...

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Gooden, A's hurt playoff hopes

By BEN WALKER **AP Baseball Writer**

At this rate, Dwight Gooden might well miss the playoffs. Same goes for the Oakland Athletics.

The Athletics missed a chance to move up in the wild-card race, losing 4-0 at home to Minnesota on Monday night. A crowd of only 6,512 saw Oakland fall five games behind idle Boston.

"It was disappointing, very disappointing," Athletics manager ly struck Shulock. Art Howe. "There wasn't a whole Shulock, an Al lot of energy in the stands, but it's 1979, was not hurt. He straightup to us to get it going. We have to ened up and slowly headed motivate ourselves."

plans, lasting 5 2-3 innings in a 4-3, 10-inning loss to Detroit.

"I don't feel like I'm auditioning or anything like that," Gooden said. "If I don't pitch in the postseason, I have nobody to blame but myself."

Gooden is 3-4 with a 6.22 ERA this year. He's never won a game in postseason play, going 0-4 in nine starts.

"I'm not going to throw out Twins 4, Athletics 0 names," Indians manager Mike

just like everybody else is."

In other AL games, Anaheim beat Tampa Bay 10-5 and Kansas City defeated Seattle 10-9. Angels 10, Devil Rays 5

Tampa Bay's Wilson Alvarez got hit hard, then triggered an argument when his final pitch hit plate umpire John Shulock in the mask.

Alvarez was tagged for seven runs in 2 1-3 innings at Anaheim. His night ended when his 1-1 fastball to Matt Walbeck got past catcher Mike DiFelice and square-

Shulock, an AL umpire since toward the mound, and DiFelice caught up to him. Devil Rays Gooden, meanwhile, put him- manager Larry Rothschild came self in further jeopardy of being out of the dugout and, after left out of Cleveland's pitching Shulock and Alvarez briefly argued, brought in reliever Rick White.

"I can't prove he did it on purpose, but the more I think about it, I'm sure he did it intentionally," Shulock said.

Said Alvarez: "Mike called for a fastball away, and I threw one right down the middle. It hit him. Those things happen. I didn't try to hit him.

Jason Ryan pitched shutout ball

earned his first major league victory as Minnesota stopped Oakland. Ryan (1-2) outpitched Kevin Appier (15-13), who matched his career high for losses.

Ron Coomer drove in three runs as the Twins won consecutive games for the first time since Sept. 5-6 against Tampa Bay. Minnesota is 5-14 in September. Tigers 4, Indians 3

Detroit began its final homestand at Tiger Stadium with a victory when Juan Encarnacion singled home the winning run with one out in the 10th.

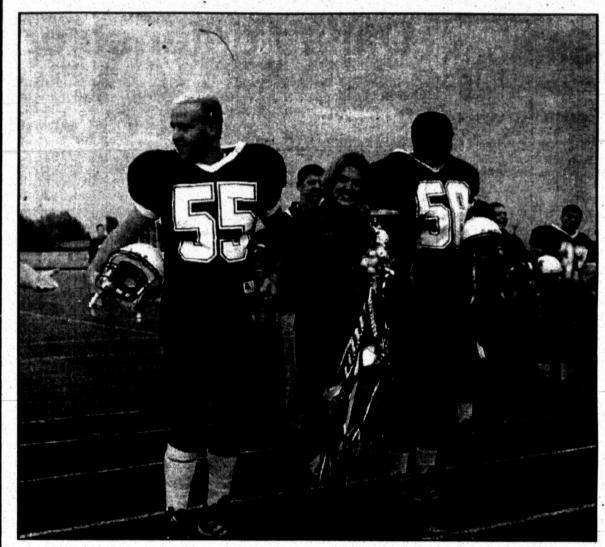
Gooden allowed three runs on five hits, including Dean Palmer's 35th homer. He walked three and hit two batters. Rookie reliever David Riske

walked Tony Clark to start the 10th, made a throwing error on Palmer's bunt and gave up Encarnacion's hit.

The AL Central champion Indians lost for the sixth time in seven games and fell a half-game behind New York for the league's best record.

After four games against the Indians, the Tigers play four against Kansas City to finish up at the stadium that opened in 1912. To give the park an old-timey feel, groundskeepers cut a dirt path Hargrove said. "Doc's in the mix, into the seventh inning and from the mound to home plate.

White Deer homecoming



Carmen Terry was crowned the 1999 White Deer homecoming queen. She was escorted by Kevin Ware (55) and Jon Kinsey last Friday night during the the football game with Sunray.

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Minnesota	61	88	.409	28 1/2
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dering if his team has a killer championship."

Brown: Longhorns looking for killer instinct

A win Saturday against winless Baylor in Waco, where the "Probably the worst thing that No. 22 Longhorns have lost five happened to us was Stanford even though it gave us confidence at the time," Brown said. of the last seven meetings, would

instinct.

tell him a lot, Brown said The Rice game was a wakeup "We'll know how tough our call for a young team." team is when we walk out of

his team will look past the Bears There is a question of toughness about the Longhorns, winners of three straight after losing the season-opener to North Saturday at Oklahoma. When Texas last went to Waco Carolina State. Texas recovered

from that last-minute defeat to in 1997, then 1-6 Baylor handed to bully Rice was in the running crush Stanford 69-17, cruise past the Longhorns a 23-21 loss. Rutgers 38-21 and struggle to Euphoric Bears fans tore down the goalposts.

"That was a bad feeling for yards on 21 carries...

AUSTIN (AP) — After four — including a dropped pass in us," said Texas senior defensive games and a crawl back into the the end zone, two late fumbles, a end Cedric Woodard. "We realtop 25, Texas coach Mack Brown missed field goal and another ize they're going to come in playstill isn't sure just what his team one blocked - left Brown won- ing like it's for the national

Even so, Baylor may represent the easiest opponent over the next month. After Baylor, the Longhorns play No. 15 Kansas State (2-0), Oklahoma (2-0) and No. 6 Nebraska (3-0).

'We've got to take everybody's Baylor is Texas' Big 12 opener best shot and be tough enough to and Brown said he doesn't think take it," Brown said. "If you look at our schedule, we can lose (0-3) who lost two close games every game we play for the before a 41-10 drubbing last remainder of the year if we don't play well."

One area where Texas was able game. Tailback Hodges Mitchell, who had split time this season with Victor Ike, rushed for 188

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Couple Continues to Date After 14 Years of Marriage

DEAR ABBY: In a recent letter, a young woman said she didn't need a man to open the door for her. I just had to respond to that statement. After 14 years of marriage, my husband and I agreed he would go back to that old-fashioned courtesy of opening the car door for me. He has always opened doors for me at buildings.) We thought this would remind us that we are still "dating" and to treat each other in a special way. I wait, he opens my door, I smile and thank him. he smiles back and holds my hand as we walk along. At first I thought this little ritual seemed forced; now it feels natural and we like the results. I think it has made us more aware and more considerate of each

Our daughters, ages 14 and 10, cannot say enough about how stupid they think this courtesy is. They think I'm the one insisting my husband do this. They can't believe I would put him through it - let. alone be willing to wait the few extra seconds it takes for him to walk around the car to open my door. They don't realize they are taking for granted their parents acting in a loving way toward each other! I feel cherished and connected to my husband all the time, and these little outward acts of courtesy have a remarkable effect

on our relationship. Last night at a parents' meeting at school, my husband sweetly held my hand the entire time. I noticed other parents not doing the same,

Abigail Van Buren **SYNDICATED**

COLUMNIST

We have been at this little experiment in "old-fashioned" manners for more than a year now, and nei-ther of us would ever go back. I realize that the married generations before me understood the value of seemingly meaningless outward gestures. Of course, I am strong enough to open my own doors, but it's not an insult that my husband wants to do it for me. Small gestures go a long way toward reminding us of our constant courtship. STILL DATING, KELLER, TEXAS

DEAR STILL DATING: You'll get no argument from me. At the risk of irritating some feminists, I must say that I've never been offended when a gentleman opened a door for me, helped me with my chair or stood when I entered a room. I have always regarded it as a gesture of respect. When a man acknowledges my femininity

with an act of chivalry, I always

desk than you might like. Take an active

stand, setting boundaries and establish-

ing what you can and will do. Be indul-

gent with another, but in a way that is

*** * Getting down to the nitty-

gritty proves to be challenging, as you

are thoroughly and delightfully distract-

have a good time, even in the office.

routine, work and the possibility of a

home office. Yes, another is demanding!

* * * * Your words might come off a

lot more brusquely than you think.

Establish limits, knowing what you

expect and need from others. Your cre-

uncomfortable risk. Tonight: Make time

★ ★ ★ Make that additional effort with a

Recognize your limits, and be careful.

Ask for support as you attempt to rein in

Tonight: Get into a home project.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

for a special friend.

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thank him for it.

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DEAR ABBY: My parents were married nearly 40 years when my father passed away. About a year later, my mother remarried. A year after she remarried, my father's mother passed away.

At my grandmother's funeral, my uncle referred to my mother as my grandmother's "former daughter-in-law." The same term was used in the obituary submitted by the family.

My mother was hurt by this

THE FORMER GRANDCHILD

ing. Be open to suggestion. Tonight: Order in; make it easy!

* * An invitation is very enticcomfortable for you. Tonight: Time for ing, and it might be difficult to say no. Take a risk and allow another to express his feelings. You want to go along, and there is nothing stopping you. You have more power than you think you do. Others might even be overly reactive to

haps taking a lengthy lunch break. You spot

*** Accept a stronger role when Creativity surges. A loved one wants what he wants - now! Tonight: Kicking handling your finances. However, another will do all he can to convince you that he can manage the funds. Despite the best of intentions, you still need to keep *** You may not have the whole your finger in the pie. Instincts are rightstory. Take a step back and relax. Be on Tonight: Your treat.

willing to reveal a private piece of infor-AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) dence. Family requires that you focus on

Tonight: Where the gang is. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) * * Take a back seat; listen to your instincts and gather feedback. As you ativity and forceful thinking allow others assimilate information, you find out a lot to change a pattern. Turn your back on an about a co-worker. Take time for a leisurely lunch so you can explore different ideas. Right now, you are in a plan-

the solutions, but you do have some BORN TODAY

Actor Scott Baio (1961), actress Shari

characterization, as she feels that she was always a good daughter-inlaw, and always maintained the mother-in-law/daughter-in-law relationship even after my father passed away. She feels that despite the passing of my father and her subsequent remarriage, she should have nevertheless been referred to as my grandmother's daughter-inlaw and not "former" daughter-in-

DEAR GRANDCHILD: I'm sure your uncle meant no offense. His reasoning may have been that regardless of how loving your mother's relationship was with her mother-inlaw, her remarriage made her a "former" daughter-in-law. From his point of view, it seems perfectly logical.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

ed. Consider going in to work late or per- your ideas. Tonight: At your favorite

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22₅Jan. 19)

what you want to do. Sometimes others push you way too hard. Think through a decision. Don't allow a friend to play such a strong role. A partner or associate tries to lure you out of the doldrums.

ning phase, professionally. Tonight: Make plans to hide out.

Belafonte-Harper (1954), singer Joan

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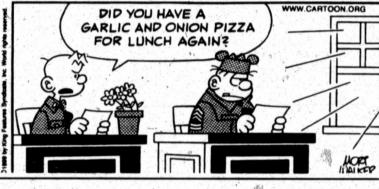
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BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll 5-Dynamic; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

*** A loved one clearly wants your time and is definitely not thinking about your schedule! However, it is your pleasure to indulge him, even if it throws work off a bit. Good news deserves to be spread; be the first to let others know! Surprises surround a friendship. Tonight: Doing exactly what you want!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Honor a partner's request. Together, you can negotiate a better financial agreement that could have a surprising impact on your work. Do not take another for granted — he will kick hard if you do.

Indulgence works better. Tonight: Make

a must-show. GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Another inadvertently gives you an important insight. As a result, you might veer off your course and go in another direction. Your sense of what is workable could change if you detach. Don't get plugged into personal problems. Do what you understand best. Tonight: Go see a kind of movie you usu-family member. You might not have all ally wouldn't see!

CANCER (June 21-July 22) * * * A partner might mean well, but

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he ends up tossing more work onto your your budget. A boss is most understand-Crossword Puzzle

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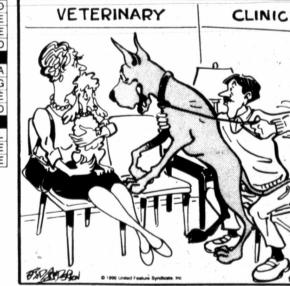
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