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PAMPA — Parents of PHS Class of 2000 members are asked to attend an organizational meeting for the after graduation All Night Party. The meeting will be Thursday, Sept. 30, at 7 p.m. in the school library.

PAMPA — Crown of Texas Hospice is offering an education series, Hospice - Living Life to the Fullest, Tuesdays and Fridays, Sept. 28 through Oct. 29 from 1-4 p.m. at The Meredith House, 812 W. 25th. For those interested in volunteer opportunities or learning more about hospice programs, phone 806-372-7696 or 1-800-572-6365. The series is free. Contact hours are available for nurses and 3.0 CEUs for others.

PAMPA — The Pampa Fine Arts Association is sponsoring two hands-on workshops presented by The Texas Commission on the Arts. One is a grants writing workshop and the other is a public relations workshop designed to assist organizations in promoting events to the media and public. The workshops will be at Lovett Memorial Library, Wed., Oct. 6, from 1-4 p.m. Please call Lee Crow for a reservation at 665-0343.

PAMPA — High school groups interested in borrowing a Pampa News Community Camera can pick it up in the PHS Journalism Department through Miranda Bailey. In addition, high school yearbook supplements (inserts covering prom and graduation) are also available in the Journalism Department, Room 124.

- Amanda Lynn Jacobs, 19, West Texas A&M student.
- Allen Monroe Reynolds, 76, farmer, rancher.

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Car-truck crash kills college student

By JEFF WEST
Staff Writer

A young Pampa woman on her way to Borger to teach at a dance academy was killed Thursday in a collision with a Carson County sand hauler.

The DPS said Amanda Lynn Jacobs, 19, 2507 Fir, was headed west on Highway 152 about 3:10 in a 1995 Ford Mustang when the accident occurred. She died instantly.

Jacobs was the daughter of Robert and Jane Jacobs of the Fir address. He is a gas plant manager and she is secretary of the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association.

"She was on top of the world," Robert Jacobs said of his daughter this morning. "She was in college and was student teaching tap and ballet. She was headed to Borger to teach when this happened ... it's a huge loss."

(See CRASH, Page 2)



Amanda Lynn Jacobs



Amanda Lynn Jacobs, 19, 2507 Fir, was killed Thursday afternoon near Skellytown after swerving into the wrong lane, according to the DPS, and then over-correcting her Mustang which collided with a Carson County truck. (See obituary on Page 2).

Tripplehorn interim director of PEDC

Susan Tripplehorn has been named interim director of the Pampa Economic Development Corporation, according to PEDC Board President Richard Stowers.

Stowers was given the authority to hire an interim director at the last PEDC board meeting. Tripplehorn has served as interim director before while the PEDC was in between executive directors.

At the same meeting, the board voted to once again retain the Pathfinders search firm to help search for a new



Susan Tripplehorn

(See PEDC, Page 2)

Food Stamp numbers, cost decrease in Gray County

By NANCY YOUNG
Managing Editor

Gray County has reduced the cost of food stamps to the local taxpayers, the Department of Human Services is reporting a 21 percent decrease in Food Stamp recipients and a 15 percent decrease in Temporary Assistance to Needy Families during 1998, according to Tammie Cervantez, public information officer for the Panhandle region.

During 1996, 2,243 persons were recipients of food stamps with a total cost of \$1,837,354. In 1998, the total had dropped to 1,780 persons for a total cost of \$1,412,953.

Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) for Gray County recipients totaled 591 in 1998 compared to 500 in 1996. The 1996 funds were \$428,756 compared to \$342,544 in 1998.

She indicated factors responsible for this drastic change include a good economy, availability of jobs and increased focus on employment for applicants of government assistance.

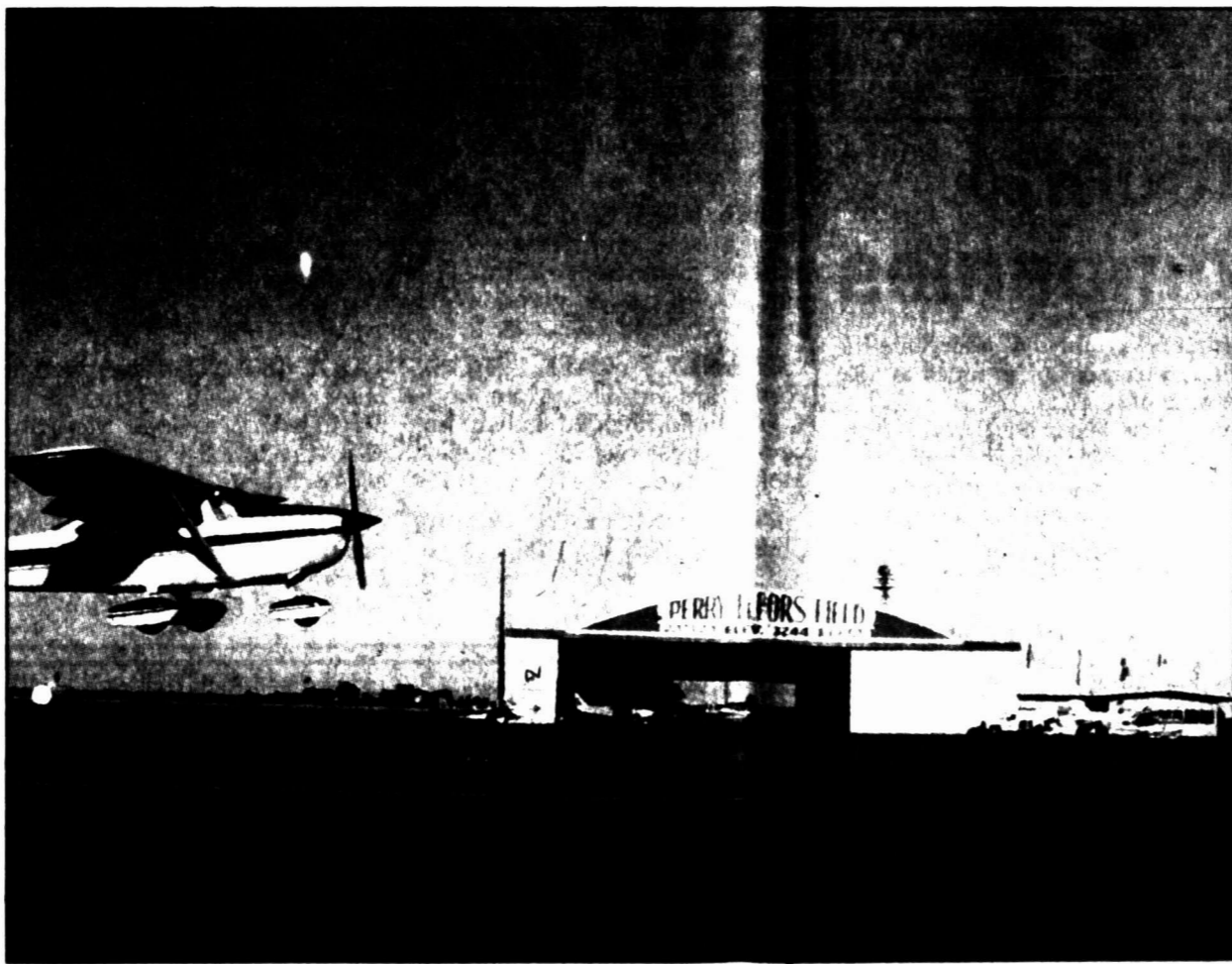
Texas also reflected a decrease of 20.9 percent in food stamp recipients and 31.2 percent in TANF.

The Pampa and Shamrock office employees of the Texas Human Services Agency are among the staff in the region which have been recognized for their accurate handling of the federally funded food stamp program in 1998.

While Texas as a whole had a food stamp payment error rate of only 5.17 percent, the Panhandle regional rural offices were recognized as having attained 100 percent accuracy rate in determining qualifying Texans for food stamp payments.

Chris Traylor, interim regional administrator of

(See FOOD STAMPS, Page 2)



Dave Wavra flies by in his Cessna Skylane while checking out the resurfaced runways and other improvements at the Perry Lefors Airport. An open house will be Saturday with free hot dogs and drinks. A "fly in" of planes is also scheduled about 11 a.m.

Airport open house Saturday salutes repairs

Helicopter rides, free hot dogs and drinks and a radio controlled aircraft display are all planned tomorrow at the open house to celebrate completion of the Perry Lefors Airport repairs.

There will also be a fly-in of planes to help christen the improved airport.

Funds from both the state and Gray County were used to resurface both runways and repaired and resurfaced the taxi ways.

Other repairs included rebuilding the hanger skirting which according to Pampa Pilot Association President Dave Wavra were in bad shape. He said that the skirting and taxiway was so bad his airplane wheel sank while trying to taxi to a runway.

One of the most helpful improvements, according to Wavra, is improvements in the runway lighting and drainage which will help in inclement weather as well as for night landings. The final improvement

will be the sign on top of the hanger that identifies the airport.

The open house will be from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the airport north of the city of Price Road.

United Way has check-in

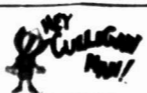
The Pampa United Way drive has raised \$39,248 during the first week. The initial amount is about 11 percent of the \$343,000 goal.

United Way Chairman John Curry and Katrina Bigham, United Way Executive Administrator, welcomed volunteers Thursday at the M. K. Brown Room of the Pampa Community Center.

About 30 volunteers and representatives of the United Way Agencies had lunch served by Pampa Meals on Wheels. The Bridge High Plains Epilepsy and Community Day Care

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Services tomorrow

JACOBS, Amanda Lynn — 2 p.m., First United Methodist Church, Pampa.
REYNOLDS, Allen Monroe — 2 p.m., First Baptist Church, Allison.

Obituaries

AMANDA LYNN JACOBS

Amanda Lynn Jacobs, 19, of Pampa, died Thursday, Sept. 23, 1999, at Skellytown. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Todd Dyess and John Curry officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Ms. Jacobs was born Feb. 27, 1980, at Pampa, to Robert and Jane Jacobs. She graduated from Pampa High School in 1998, earning an advanced with honors diploma. She was a member of Pampa High School Band for four years and Colorguard for three years. She was band historian and Colorguard captain her senior year at PHS.

She studied dance — ballet, tap and jazz — under the direction of Jeanne Willingham for 13 years and was a member of Pampa Civic Ballet for four years, serving as vice president her senior year. While in high school, she was also involved in Texas Association for Future Educators for one year, Drug Free Youth in Texas for two years and Fellowship of Christian Musicians for four years.

She was listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students and was named to the Dean's List while at college. She was currently attending West Texas A&M University in Canyon and Clarendon College-Pampa Center in Pampa. She was teaching dance at Borger Academy of Dance and was a Mary Kay independent consultant.

Survivors include her parents of Pampa; a sister and brother-in-law, Teena and Raymond Cox of Pampa; her maternal grandparents, Tennie and Marge Reynolds of Pampa; a niece, Kayla Taylor of Pampa; a special friend, Jonathan Smith of Pampa; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

The family requests memorials be to First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1981, Pampa, TX 79066-1981.

ALLEN MONROE REYNOLDS

ALLISON — Allen Monroe Reynolds, 76, died Wednesday, Sept. 22, 1999, at Hemphill County Hospice. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Robert Meller and his son-in-law, Gary Hall of Allison, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler.

Mr. Reynolds was born Aug. 17, 1923, at Morrilton, Ark., to James and Mary Jones Reynolds. He married Nadene Burgess on Dec. 8, 1943, at Mobeetie. The couple moved to Allison in 1949 from Pampa. He was a farmer and rancher and in 1967 was recognized by Wheeler Chamber of Commerce as Farmer/Rancher of the Year. He served on the board of trustees at Allison ISD for six years.

He belonged to First Baptist Church of Allison where he was a deacon for 41 years.

He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving during World War II.

He was preceded in death by his parents; four brothers; a sister; and a granddaughter, Kimberly Michelle Hall, in 1992.

Survivors include his wife, Nadene, of Allison; three daughters, Linda Hall and Debra Boydston, both of Allison, and Vickie Lay of Amarillo; a son, Allen Wayne Reynolds of Amarillo; two brothers, Denver Reynolds and Robert Reynolds, both of Amarillo; eight grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Hemphill County Hospice, 1020 S. 4th St., Canadian, TX 79014.

Police report

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

Thursday, Sep. 23

Christopher James Smith, 21, 723 Malone, was arrested on charges of public intoxication and disorderly conduct.

Jerry Wayne Ham, 19, 1601 Somerville #712, was arrested on charges of simple assault.

Criminal mischief was reported at North Crest Park on Scirroco.

Theft of gas was reported in the 1000 block of Neel.

Accidents

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

Thursday, Sep. 23

Jon Whittle Ray, 53, 1222 S. Barnes, was cited for passing on the right when the 1993 Toyota pickup she was driving attempted to pass a 1998 Dodge pickup driven by Roy Glenn Floyd, 71, 2112 Chestnut, in the 300 block of West Kingsmill. Floyd attempted to pull into a parking space and collided with Ray. No injuries were reported.

Correction

In an accident reported Thursday, the 10-year-old passenger who may have suffered injuries was a passenger in the Honda. She was not in the parked Bronco II.

Ambulance

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

Thursday, Sept. 23

10:58 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center and transported one to Baptist St. Anthony West.

Friday, Sept. 24

12:42 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 2300 block of Navajo and transported one patient to meet Lifestar which transported on to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

4:43 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1500 block of Coffee and transported one to PRMC.

Fires

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

Thursday, Sep. 23

2:48 p.m. - One unit and two personnel responded to the 900 block of South Barnes on a grass fire.

Stocks

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

Coca-Cola	51 5/8	up 11/16
Columbia/HCA	22 3/16	dn 9/16
Enron	38 9/16	dn 7/16
Halliburton	41 11/16	dn 7/16
IRI	4 7/8	up 1/16
KNE	22 1/16	dn 3/8
Kerr McGee	54 9/16	dn 1/2
Limited	37 3/16	up 1/8
McDonald's	42 7/8	dn 5/16
Mobil	97 1/2	dn 5/16
New Atmos	24 3/4	up 1/8
NCE	33 5/16	NC
Penney's	35 11/16	dn 7/16
Phillips	52 5/16	dn 1 9/16
Pioneer Nat	10 1/8	dn 1/8
SLB	59 3/8	dn 7/16
Tenneco	16 5/8	dn 3/8
Texaco	62 3/8	dn 3/16
Ultrapar	24 15/16	dn 3/16
Wal-Mart	46 13/16	up 1/8
Williams	35 1/8	dn 1 1/8
New York Gold	265.90	
Silver	5.26	
West Texas Crude	25.31	

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

Occidental	22 9/16	dn 3/16
Magellan	121.72	
Puritan	18.65	

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

Amsco	108 9/16	dn 5/8
Arco	87 3/16	dn 5/16
Cabot	22 1/4	NC
Cabot O&G	17	dn 1/8
Chevron	88 3/8	dn 13/16

Emergency numbers

Ambulance.....911
Crime Stoppers.....669-2222
Energas.....665-5777

Senate fails to raise federal royalty fees on oil companies

WASHINGTON (AP) — A proposed increase in royalties on oil taken from federal land is being postponed another year, though critics say the current fee system is depriving the government of millions of dollars every month.

Oil-state senators were successful Thursday in inserting a provision into a \$14 billion Interior Department spending bill that prohibits the department from making changes in the royalty system for at least another year.

Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, called it a victory "for unfair taxation" on an economically shell-shocked industry that "can't afford another price shock imposed by Washington."

But opponents to Hutchison's amendment, which was approved 51-47, said it means giant, profitable oil companies will continue to shortchange the taxpayer when taking oil or gas from federal land or from offshore wells.

"This allows the oil companies to continue this cozy arrangement where they decide what they're going to pay the federal government," complained Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., who waged a weeklong campaign against the amendment.

The vote on Hutchison's amendment cleared the way for a final approval of the spending bill that provides money for the Interior Department as well as energy conservation, forest programs and subsidies for the arts. The bill was passed 89-10 and now must be reconciled with a House-approved version.

For two years the Interior Department has been trying to impose new regulations on how oil from federal lands is valued, claiming that under the cur-

rent system oil companies routinely undervalue the oil and deprive the government of as much as \$5.6 million in royalties a month.

The government collects about \$1.2 billion from the 12.5 percent oil royalty each year and millions of more dollars from natural gas taken from federal land. The Interior proposal would require that oil value be pegged to a fair market indicator instead of oil companies setting the value arbitrary at the well-head.

But oil-state senators argued the change amounts to an additional tax and is so complicated that it would end up overcharging the oil companies. They argued a better system could be developed.

For example, the oil companies would like to adopt a barter system in which they would give the government oil in kind instead of a cash royalty. Interior officials say that's good in some cases, but not all.

Interior's proposal is "a scheme that is unnecessarily complicated, unworkable and absurd," insisted Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., co-sponsor of the amendment. "It's federal government mooching."

Hutchison twice before had been successful in blocking the new regulations — in 1998 and again this year — but both times it was done quietly during negotiations in a House-Senate conference. For the first time, the issue was debated openly on the Senate floor.

Boxer maintained that the oil companies themselves have acknowledged manipulating the numbers when calculating the value of the federal oil and gas.

CRASH

According to witness reports given the DPS, Jacobs reached down in her car apparently to retrieve something and swerved into the east bound lane. She then looked up and saw an oncoming Carson County sand hauler heading east. Jacobs then sharply swerved back into her lane missing the first truck.

The Mustang then over-corrected and once again swerved into the wrong lane, losing control, according to DPS Trooper Bob Shields. A second Carson County sand hauler, driven by Marvin Britten Jr., 39, Groom, attempted to stop and swerve to miss the Mustang but could not avoid a collision.

Britten was not physically injured but was visibly shaken at the scene.

The cab of the truck struck the sports car in the passenger side pushing both vehicles off on the south side of the road across from the Skellytown turn-off, Shields said. Either in the attempt to stop or during the collision itself, the belly of the trailer cut a deep groove in the asphalt before coming to a halt.

The force of the impact drove the right side of the sports car underneath the truck cab causing rescue workers concern for a time as to whether Jacobs was alone in the vehicle. It took over an hour to lift the cab of the sand hauler enough to free the vehicle.

Carson County Justice of the Peace Phyliss Tyler

pronounced Jacobs dead at 4 p.m. at the scene and ordered an autopsy. Highway 152 was re-routed until about 8:30 p.m. until the vehicles could be removed and a gash in the road was repaired.

Six DPS troopers along with the several law enforcement officials from Skellytown were at the scene as were fire, ambulance and rescue workers from both Skellytown and White Deer.

Jacobs was an avid dancer and had taken instruction in ballet, tap and jazz for 13 years from Jeanne Willingham in Pampa. Jacobs was scheduled to have had a lesson from Willingham last night.

"She was a precious little girl," Willingham said this morning. "I had her almost all her life and I taught her mother and sister, too."

Willingham expressed pride in Jacob's ability as a student and young teacher as well as in her character.

"She was a good student who tried very hard and was so well liked," Willingham said. "I was very proud of her."

Jacobs was a graduate of Pampa High School and was attending West Texas A&M University. She taught ballet, tap and jazz dance to children in Borger once a week, according to Crystal Bertrand of the Borger Dance Academy.

"Everyone here is very, very devastated," Bertrand said. "I'd known her about two years. She was very talented and had a wonderful kind spirit. She was a beautiful dancer and we were honored and blessed to have her as part of our staff. My heart goes out to the family."

CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE

FOOD STAMPS

the regional office in Lubbock, said Thursday while in Pampa that members of the field staff will receive bonuses for their outstanding efforts to become error free.

The Texas legislature set aside \$2 million dollars to reward the field service employees for their efforts. Each employee will probably receive around \$500 each.

Traylor said Texas dramatically improved its management of the food stamp program while also implementing welfare legislation. He said the number of food stamp recipients has fallen in recent years, but the number of food stamp applications handled by DHS staff has remained high.

He said that the agency took a proactive approach five years ago to increasing the accuracy by the department and that the goal was reached because the employees are very dedicated and want to help people who need help.

Beth Miller, Texas Works supervisor of the Pampa and Shamrock offices, said the state offices have changed the focus of the agency to become more accurate in meeting the needs of the applicants.

"This recognition shows that Texas can deliver social services in very efficient, effective, and technologically advanced ways to the benefit of taxpayers and needs families alike," said Lieutenant Governor Rick Perry in a news release. "The Texas Department of Human Services recognizes that truly needy families need our help to become self-sufficient, but there's no place for inefficiency and fraud in our welfare system. I congratulate the leadership and employees of DHS on achieving this record 19.7 million federal bonus," Perry added.

In 1994, Texas DHS experienced a payment error rate of 12.45 percent and was faced with federal fiscal sanctions. The recognition by the federal government is being celebrated by the local field workers as well as those across a 41 county region of rural counties north of Lubbock.

After four months, JonBenet grand jury resumes probe

BOULDER, Colo. (AP) — As a grand jury resumes investigating the JonBenet Ramsey slaying, county officials are asking prosecutors to justify why they should keep funding the inquiry if no indictment is returned by the end of next month.

Twelve grand jurors resumed work Thursday for the first time in four months with the October deadline looming.

County Commissioners say the grand jury and District Attorney Alex Hunter will have to come up with new information to justify more funds for the grand jury and the investigation, which has already cost the county more than \$500,000.

Among witnesses said to have testified already are police, forensic experts and friends and relatives of the Ramseys, including JonBenet's brother, Burke. Her parents are not believed to have made an appearance.

JonBenet's body was found beaten and strangled in the basement of her parents' home Dec. 26, 1996. Her parents, John and Patsy Ramsey, remain under a police "umbrella of suspicion," but have maintained their innocence.

Hunter turned to the grand jury last year after the case bogged down in wrangling over accusations, who allowed John Ramsey to search the house for evidence.

Ramsey, accompanied by a friend, found his daughter's body and contaminated evidence, authorities said.

Police in turn blamed the district attorney for not making an arrest.

The grand jury could issue an indictment, put out a report without bringing any charges, or disband without taking any action.

City Briefs

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DUCKS UNLIMITED Annual Banquet, Sept. 25, 1999, Pampa Community Center, 6:30 p.m. Tickets & info. 669-7494.

SILVER CITY Amusements, 900 S. Hobart. Fri. Sept. 24, Sat. Sept. 25th, in appreciation of our customers, we'll have food & fun. Break a balloon & win. Drawings 7 p.m. - 12. Will have cake & honor all Sept. Birthdays

BEST KEPT Secrets, 1925 N. Hobart, 1 Yr. Anniversary Celebration, Sat., Sept. 25th, 11-5 p.m. Door prizes given every hour

FREE BSA Hospice Volunteer training classes begin 5:30 p.m., Sept. 27, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, 665-6677.

ST. VINCENT'S Raffle 1st prize- Thanksgiving in Dallas, air fare, hotel, tickets to Dallas/Miami game, 2nd-Zach Thomas NFL football, 3rd-Zach Thomas autographed football. Come by school office for tickets.

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FREE HOT Dogs, Perry Lefors Field Open House, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Sat., Sept. 25th.

WED. NIGHT @ Sunset Bar & Grill, Guys come enter the Best Chest O' The West contest for cash prize! Don't miss the Diamond Ring Giveaway again this Saturday night.

DANCE MCLEAN Country Club, Sat. 25th to "Plain Country", 8-11:30 p.m. Members & guests.

PAMPA HIGH School Choir Boosters Hole in One Shootout, Preliminary, Pampa Middle School Sat., Sept. 25th, 9am-5pm.

WILL SIT with the Elderly. 665-5011.

Weather focus

PAMPA — Partly cloudy today with a high in the upper 80s and light and variable winds which will continue through tomorrow. Tonight, a 20 percent chance of rain and a low in the upper 50s. Tomorrow, mostly sunny with a high of 85-90. Yesterday's high was 84; the overnight low 62.

PANHANDLE — Tonight, partly cloudy. Low around 55. Light and variable winds. Saturday, mostly sunny with a high 85 to 90. Light and variable winds.

STATEWIDE — The second day of fall is expected to warm

up across much of Texas. Early-morning temperatures range from the 40s to 70s.

It's 50 degrees at Lufkin, 72 at Abilene, 59 at Amarillo, 57 at Dalhart, 68 at El Paso and 70 at Galveston and Laredo. Lubbock, Odessa and Childress were reporting 69 degrees while Conroe has 49 degrees.

Winds varied from southeasterly to southwesterly at 5 to 15 mph in most areas. Winds were light and variable across the Panhandle.

Patchy light fog shrouded the Beaumont area.

A warming trend was forecast for North Texas, with highs through Sunday in the mid- to upper 80s. Increasing cloudi-

ness was predicted with a slight chance of showers or thunderstorms in central and western sections.

Lows overnight should be in the low to mid 60s. In South Texas, highs should range from the upper 80s to lower 90s, with lower 80s along the coast. Lows were expected in the 60s, with lower 70s along the coast.

Lows in the west should range from the 40s across the Panhandle and in the southwestern mountains to the 60s in the Big Bend valleys.

Highs through Saturday will range from around 80 degrees in the north to near 100 degrees along the Rio Grande.

Beanie Babies donations



Central Fire Station and Carousel Expressions are currently accepting Beanie Babies through Nov. 16. The Beanie Babies — to be tagged with the initials of each recipient — will be donated to Coronado Healthcare Center and Pampa Nursing Center to cheer up residents. The Beanie Babies can also help work the hands. For more information, call Charlene Wright at 665-3109. Above: Aline Preacher, Mary Hatfield, Sandie Mathis and Wright.

Pampa woman helping fight AIDS battle

By NANCY YOUNG
Managing Editor

Fighting the battle of HIV/AIDS and its impact on women, children and families is what a former Pampa woman is doing.

Cruz Beatriz Villarreal is joining over 1,500 bike riders on a four day, 350 mile bike ride from Houston to Dallas on Oct. 14 to raise awareness on the women and children infected by the HIV virus in Texas and to raise funds to continue the fight against the disease with Tanqueray's Texas AIDS Ride 2.

Villarreal is a 1977 graduate of Pampa High. She said women are the fastest growing population with HIV/AIDS across the country.

"This has a profound impact on the well being of thousands of families. My goal is to represent those women and children in the ride who are unable to ride themselves due to illness or care giving responsibilities, and to bring awareness to people about the many issues HIV-illness or care giving responsibilities, and to bring awareness to people about the many issues HIV-impacted families face," said Villarreal.

She is seeking pledges from former Pampa residents for the ride. "In order for me to reach this goal, I need your help," says Villarreal. She said she must raise \$2,300 in pledges between now and October 8.

Villarreal was born and raised in Pampa. She often visits her parents, Victor and Consuelo Villarreal, and her brothers and sisters who live in Pampa. "While I have moved to Dallas, it is always nice to return to native soil and the open plains," said Villarreal. She said it was while she live in Pampa in her formative years that she learned the importance of living in community. "The seed was planted by family and community figures that has been my inspiration to reach out to those in need," said Villarreal.

After college she did missionary work in Mexico and in the USA. "I

have worked with the very poor who lived in cardboard homes as well as the refugees from Central America who are fleeing the threats that war brings to a country," she said. "I have heard horror stories of war and been in the presence of Angels as a person is dying. I have dedicated my life to social work and reform."

She is presently case management supervisor at AIDS ARMS INC. in Dallas. It is a non-profit AIDS agency which is dedicated to providing case management services to those individuals who have AIDS. She has been with the organization for seven years. She presently supervises the women's team, "Woman to Woman."

"In the time I have worked with families, I have been blessed by the lessons others have learned. I

appreciate each day that I have each moment granted as a true gift," she said. "I have held the hand of a dying child infected by AIDS. She has worked with grieving parents of an infected child as well as brothers and sisters and children of those impacted in some way by AIDS."

"I am saddened by the existing discrimination and fear of fellow human beings when someone says that they are HIV or AIDS positive. I am surprised at the number of individuals that state they will never be impacted by this virus. I am saddened at the growing number of women who are being infected," she said. "Most of these women have children. Who will care for these children? For the most part, it is both parents that are infected, and that means that the

grandparents must get involved.

Villarreal said she has so many true stories which is her motivator for getting involved in the fundraiser. One of the beneficiary organizations of this ride is Panhandle AIDS Support Organization, Inc. in Amarillo.

She is urging Pampa residents to assist in this effort. "We must become aware and accept that this virus is long from gone," she said. "Living day to day is difficult enough for families who do not need to fear that they will be shunned. They need our support. Education is of utmost importance."

Additional information may be obtained by contacting Berinda Turcotte at 662-9313. She will have pledge forms as well as further information.

Meals on Wheels



Members of PHS Senior Development Class deliver for Meals on Wheels each Tuesday to residents of the Schneider House. Above: Howard Eblin works in the kitchen after training with Meals on Wheels.

Calendar of events

PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL

Pampa Area Literacy Council office will be open from 1 to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. For more information, call 665-2331.

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

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ROCKTOBERFEST

Pampa High School Choir Boosters will sponsor "Rocktoberfest," a citywide street dance for all ages, from 7:30-11 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 2, on Cuyler Street in

downtown Pampa. Entertainment will be FlashBak, Damascus Road and PHS Show Choir. Tickets are \$5 for singles and \$8 for couples and may be purchased from PHS Choir members or at the dance. Refreshments will be available but no alcohol will be allowed.

AMARILLO FINE ARTS ASSOCIATION

Amarillo Fine Arts Association will hold its Best of the Southwest Fall Art Show Sept. 30-Oct. 8 at Amarillo National Bank in Amarillo. Judging will take place Sept. 29 and a reception and awards presentation will be from 5-8 p.m. Sept. 30. The juror for the competition will be Judi Betts of Baton Rouge, La. Betts will also be conducting a demonstration and a workshop. Fee for her two-day course on Sept. 27-28 will be \$100. The workshop is limited to the first 20 people. To register, send fee to Jo Bryan, 3501 Ruston, Amarillo, TX 79109. For more information, call Cindy Kelleher, chairman, at (806) 358-4880 or Bryan at (806) 355-4359.

ACT EXAMS

The ACT Assessment exam will be administered nationwide Oct. 23. The registration deadline is Sept. 17. Late registration postmark deadline is Oct. 1 (an additional fee is required for late registration.) The test fee is \$22. For more information, including registration forms and test locations, contact your high school or register on-line at ACT's website — www.act.org.

Knife and Fork Club to meet

John Ballard, a popular inspirational speaker from the plains of West Texas, will be the featured guest at the next meeting of the Top O' Texas Knife and Fork Club at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 28 at Pampa Country Club. The topic will be "You Can't Lose For Winning."

Ballard attended college at Oklahoma Baptist University and graduated from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He served churches in Jacksboro, Fort Worth, and Lubbock before retiring from his staff position in 1996. Then he discovered that it was impossible to retire from speaking; requests for presentations poured in from all over, and Ballard has expanded his ministry to include dinner clubs such as the local organization.

Ballard has addressed hundreds of audiences throughout his career, filling his speeches with heartwarming stories and a winsome sense of humor.

Club members are encouraged to make reservations at this time. Tickets are on sale at Dunlaps Department Store in the Coronado Center and will be available until Monday, Sept. 27.

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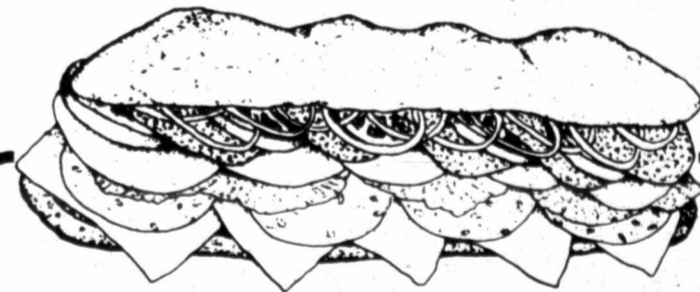
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Services tomorrow

JACOBS, Amanda Lynn — 2 p.m., First United Methodist Church, Pampa.
REYNOLDS, Allen Monroe — 2 p.m., First Baptist Church, Allison.

Obituaries

AMANDA LYNN JACOBS

Amanda Lynn Jacobs, 19, of Pampa, died Thursday, Sept. 23, 1999, at Skellytown. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Todd Dyess and John Curry officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Ms. Jacobs was born Feb. 27, 1980, at Pampa, to Robert and Jane Jacobs. She graduated from Pampa High School in 1998, earning an advanced with honors diploma. She was a member of Pampa High School Band for four years and Colorguard for three years. She was band historian and Colorguard captain her senior year at PHS.



She studied dance — ballet, tap and jazz — under the direction of Jeanne Willingham for 13 years and was a member of Pampa Civic Ballet for four years, serving as vice president her senior year. While in high school, she was also involved in Texas Association for Future Educators for one year, Drug Free Youth in Texas for two years and Fellowship of Christian Musicians for four years.

She was listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students and was named to the Dean's List while at college. She was currently attending West Texas A&M University in Canyon and Clarendon College-Pampa Center in Pampa. She was teaching dance at Borger Academy of Dance and was a Mary Kay independent consultant.

She belonged to First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include her parents of Pampa; a sister and brother-in-law, Teena and Raymond Cox of Pampa; her maternal grandparents, Tinnie and Marge Reynolds of Pampa; a niece, Kayla Taylor of Pampa; a special friend, Jonathan Smith of Pampa; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

The family requests memorials be to First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1981, Pampa, TX 79066-1981.

ALLEN MONROE REYNOLDS

ALLISON — Allen Monroe Reynolds, 76, died Wednesday, Sept. 22, 1999, at Hemphill County Hospice. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Robert Meller and his son-in-law, Gary Hall of Allison, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler.

Mr. Reynolds was born Aug. 17, 1923, at Morrilton, Ark., to James and Mary Jones Reynolds. He married Nadene Burruss on Dec. 8, 1943, at Mobetie. The couple moved to Allison in 1949 from Pampa. He was a farmer and rancher and in 1967 was recognized by Wheeler Chamber of Commerce as Farmer/Rancher of the Year. He served on the board of trustees at Allison ISD for six years.

He belonged to First Baptist Church of Allison where he was a deacon for 41 years.

He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving during World War II.

He was preceded in death by his parents; four brothers; a sister; and a granddaughter, Kimberly Michelle Hall, in 1992.

Survivors include his wife, Nadene, of Allison; three daughters, Linda Hall and Debra Boydston, both of Allison, and Vickie Lay of Amarillo; a son, Allen Wayne Reynolds of Amarillo; two brothers, Denver Reynolds and Robert Reynolds, both of Amarillo; eight grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Hemphill County Hospice, 1020 S. 4th St., Canadian, TX 79014.

Police report

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

Thursday, Sep. 23

Christopher James Smith, 21, 723 Malone, was arrested on charges of public intoxication and disorderly conduct.

Jerry Wayne Ham, 19, 1601 Somerville #712, was arrested on charges of simple assault.

Criminal mischief was reported at North Crest Park on Scirroco.

Theft of gas was reported in the 1000 block of Neel.

Accidents

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

Thursday, Sep. 23

Jon Whittle Ray, 53, 1222 S. Barnes, was cited for passing on the right when the 1993 Toyota pickup she was driving attempted to pass a 1998 Dodge pickup driven by Roy Glerff Floyd, 71, 2112 Chestnut, in the 300 block of West Kingsmill. Floyd attempted to pull into a parking space and collided with Ray. No injuries were reported.

Correction

In an accident reported Thursday, the 10-year-old passenger who may have suffered injuries was a passenger in the Honda. She was not in the parked Bronco II.

Ambulance

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

Thursday, Sept. 23

10:58 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center and transported one to Baptist St. Anthony West.

Friday, Sept. 24

12:42 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 2300 block of Navajo and transported one patient to meet Lifestar which transported on to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

4:43 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1500 block of Coffee and transported one to PRMC.

Fires

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

Thursday, Sep. 23

2:48 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to the 900 block of South Barnes on a grass fire.

Stocks

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

Wheat	2.16	Coca-Cola	51 5/8	up 11/16
Milo	2.74	Columbia/HCA	22 3/16	dn 9/16
Corn	3.27	Enron	38 9/16	dn 7/16
Soybeans	4.03	Halliburton	41 11/16	dn 7/16
		IRI	4.78	up 1/16
		KNE	22 1/16	dn 3/8
		Kerr McGee	54 9/16	dn 1/2
		Limited	37 3/16	up 1/8
		McDonald's	42 7/8	dn 5/16
		Mobil	97 1/2	dn 5/16
		New Atmos	24 3/4	up 1/8
		NCE	33 5/16	NC
		Penney's	35 11/16	dn 7/16
		Phillips	52 5/16	dn 1 9/16
		Pioneer Nat.	10 1/8	dn 1/8
		SLB	59 3/8	dn 7/16
		Tenneco	16 5/8	dn 3/8
		Texaco	62 3/8	dn 3/16
		Ultradram	24 15/16	dn 3/16
		Wal-Mart	46 13/16	up 1/8
		Williams	35 1/8	dn 1 1/8
		New York Gold	265.90	
		Silver	5.26	
		West Texas Crude	25.31	

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

Occidental	22 9/16	dn 3/16
Magellan	121.72	
Puritan	18.65	

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

Amoco	108 9/16	dn 5/8
Arco	87 3/16	dn 5/16
Cabot	22 1/4	NC
Cabot O&G	17	dn 1/8
Chevron	88 3/8	dn 13/16

Emergency numbers

Ambulance.....911
Crime Stoppers.....669-2222
Energas.....665-5777

Senate fails to raise federal royalty fees on oil companies

WASHINGTON (AP) — A proposed increase in royalties on oil taken from federal land is being postponed another year, though critics say the current fee system is depriving the government of millions of dollars every month.

Oil-state senators were successful Thursday in inserting a provision into a \$14 billion Interior Department spending bill that prohibits the department from making changes in the royalty system for at least another year.

Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, called it a victory "for unfair taxation" on an economically shell-shocked industry that "can't afford another price shock imposed by Washington."

But opponents to Hutchison's amendment, which was approved 51-47, said it means giant, profitable oil companies will continue to shortchange the taxpayer when taking oil or gas from federal land or from offshore wells.

"This allows the oil companies to continue this cozy arrangement where they decide what they're going to pay the federal government," complained Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., who waged a weeklong campaign against the amendment.

The vote on Hutchison's amendment cleared the way for a final approval of the spending bill that provides money for the Interior Department as well as energy conservation, forest programs and subsidies for the arts. The bill was passed 89-10 and now must be reconciled with a House-approved version.

For two years the Interior Department has been trying to impose new regulations on how oil from federal lands is valued, claiming that under the cur-

rent system oil companies routinely undervalue the oil and deprive the government of as much as \$5.6 million in royalties a month.

The government collects about \$1.2 billion from the 12.5 percent oil royalty each year and millions of more dollars from natural gas taken from federal land. The Interior proposal would require that oil value be pegged to a fair market indicator instead of oil companies setting the value arbitrary at the well-head.

But oil-state senators argued the change amounts to an additional tax and is so complicated that it would end up overcharging the oil companies. They argued a better system could be developed.

For example, the oil companies would like to adopt a barter system in which they would give the government oil in kind instead of a cash royalty. Interior officials say that's good in some cases, but not all.

Interior's proposal is "a scheme that is unnecessarily complicated, unworkable and absurd," insisted Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., co-sponsor of the amendment. "It's federal government mooching."

Hutchison twice before had been successful in blocking the new regulations — in 1998 and again this year — but both times it was done quietly during negotiations in a House-Senate conference. For the first time, the issue was debated openly on the Senate floor.

Boxer maintained that the oil companies themselves have acknowledged manipulating the numbers when calculating the value of the federal oil and gas.

CRASH

According to witness reports given the DPS, Jacobs reached down in her car apparently to retrieve something and swerved into the east bound lane. She then looked up and saw an oncoming Carson County sand hauler heading east. Jacobs then sharply swerved back into her lane missing the first truck.

The Mustang then over-corrected and once again swerved into the wrong lane, losing control, according to DPS Trooper Bob Shields. A second Carson County sand hauler, driven by Marvin Britten Jr., 39, Groom, attempted to stop and swerve to miss the Mustang but could not avoid a collision.

Britten was not physically injured but was visibly shaken at the scene.

The cab of the truck struck the sports car in the passenger side pushing both vehicles off on the south side of the road across from the Skellytown turn-off, Shields said. Either in the attempt to stop or during the collision itself, the belly of the trailer cut a deep groove in the asphalt before coming to a halt.

The force of the impact drove the right side of the sports car underneath the truck cab causing rescue workers concern for a time as to whether Jacobs was alone in the vehicle. It took over an hour to lift the cab of the sand hauler enough to free the vehicle.

Carson County Justice of the Peace Phyliss Tyler

pronounced Jacobs dead at 4 p.m. at the scene and ordered an autopsy. Highway 152 was re-routed until about 8:30 p.m. until the vehicles could be removed and a gash in the road was repaired.

Six DPS troopers along with the several law enforcement officials from Skellytown were at the scene as were fire, ambulance and rescue workers from both Skellytown and White Deer.

Jacobs was an avid dancer and had taken instruction in ballet, tap and jazz for 13 years from Jeanne Willingham in Pampa. Jacobs was scheduled to have had a lesson from Willingham last night.

"She was a precious little girl," Willingham said this morning. "I had her almost all her life and I taught her mother and sister, too."

Willingham expressed pride in Jacob's ability as a student and young teacher as well as in her character.

"She was a good student who tried very hard and was so well liked," Willingham said. "I was very proud of her."

Jacobs was a graduate of Pampa High School and was attending West Texas A&M University. She taught ballet, tap and jazz dance to children in Borger once a week, according to Crystal Bertrand of the Borger Dance Academy.

"Everyone here is very, very devastated," Bertrand said. "I'd known her about two years. She was very talented and had a wonderful kind spirit. She was a beautiful dancer and we were honored and blessed to have her as part of our staff. My heart goes out to the family."

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FOOD STAMPS

The regional office in Lubbock, said Thursday while in Pampa that members of the field staff will receive bonuses for their outstanding efforts to become error free.

The Texas legislature set aside \$2 million dollars to reward the field service employees for their efforts. Each employee will probably receive around \$500 each.

Traylor said Texas dramatically improved its management of the food stamp program while also implementing welfare legislation. He said the number of food stamp recipients has fallen in recent years, but the number of food stamp applications handled by DHS staff has remained high.

He said that the agency took a proactive approach five years ago to increasing the accuracy by the department and that the goal was reached because the employees are very dedicated and want to help people who need help.

Beth Miller, Texas Works supervisor of the Pampa and Shamrock offices, said the state offices have changed the focus of the agency to become more accurate in meeting the needs of the applicants.

"This recognition shows that Texas can deliver social services in very efficient, effective, and technologically advanced ways to the benefit of taxpayers and needs families alike," said Lieutenant Governor Rick Perry in a news release. "The Texas Department of Human Services recognizes that truly needy families need our help to become self-sufficient, but there's no place for inefficiency and fraud in our welfare system. I congratulate the leadership and employees of DHS on achieving this record 19.7 million federal bonus," Perry added.

In 1994, Texas DHS experienced a payment error rate of 12.45 percent and was faced with federal fiscal sanctions. The recognition by the federal government is being celebrated by the local field workers as well as those across a 41 county region of rural counties north of Lubbock.

After four months, JonBenet grand jury resumes probe

BOULDER, Colo. (AP) — As a grand jury resumes investigating the JonBenet Ramsey slaying, county officials are asking prosecutors to justify why they should keep funding the inquiry if no indictment is returned by the end of next month.

Twelve grand jurors resumed work Thursday for the first time in four months with the October deadline looming.

County Commissioners say the grand jury and District Attorney Alex Hunter will have to come up with new information to justify more funds for the grand jury and the investigation, which has already cost the county more than \$500,000.

Among witnesses said to have testified already are police, forensic experts and friends and relatives of the Ramseys, including JonBenet's brother, Burke. Her parents are not believed to have made an appearance.

JonBenet's body was found beaten and strangled in the basement of her parents' home Dec. 26, 1996. Her parents, John and Patsy Ramsey, remain under a police "umbrella of suspicion," but have maintained their innocence.

Hunter turned to the grand jury last year after the case bogged down in wrangling over accusations the investigation was bungled by authorities, who allowed John Ramsey to search the house for evidence.

Ramsey, accompanied by a friend, found his daughter's body and contaminated evidence, authorities said.

Police in turn blamed the district attorney for not making an arrest.

The grand jury could issue an indictment, put out a report without bringing any charges, or disband without taking any action.

City Briefs

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ART SHOW & Sale. Artists presenting are Polly Benton, Kay Crouch, John Darby, Francis Hall, Darlene Holmes, Dewey Hutchinson, Charlie Smith. Come and meet the artists from noon until 5 p.m. Sat., Sept. 25 at Consignment Gallery, Coronado Center, 665-5877.

DUCKS UNLIMITED Annual Banquet, Sept. 25, 1999, Pampa Community Center, 6:30 p.m. Tickets & info. 669-7494.

SILVER CITY Amusements, 900 S. Hobart. Fri. Sept. 24, Sat. Sept. 25th, in appreciation of our customers, we'll have food & fun. Break a balloon & win. Drawings 7 p.m. - 12. Will have cake & honor all Sept. Birthdays

BEST KEPT Secrets, 1925 N. Hobart, 1 Yr. Anniversary Celebration, Sat., Sept. 25th, 11-5 p.m. Door prizes given every hour

FREE BSA Hospice Volunteer training classes begin 5:30 p.m., Sept. 27, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, 665-6677.

ST. VINCENT'S Raffle 1st prize-Thanksgiving in Dallas, air fare, hotel, tickets to Dallas/Miami game, 2nd-Zach Thomas NFL football, 3rd-Zach Thomas autographed football. Come by school office for tickets.

CHANEY'S CAFE, 716 W. Foster, Sun.-Fri. 11-2, Mon.-Fri. 5-8. Fri.- hand breaded catfish, turkey & dressing, ch. fr. steak, cook's choice

FREE HOT Dogs, Perry Lefors Field Open House, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Sat., Sept. 25th.

WED. NIGHT @ Sunset Bar & Grill, Guys come enter the Best Chest O' The West contest for cash prize! Don't miss the Diamond Ring Giveaway again this Saturday night.

DANCE MCLEAN Country Club, Sat. 25th to "Plain Country", 8-11:30 p.m. Members & guests.

OCT. 1ST & 2nd live entertainment w/ "One Night Stand". Starting Oct. re-open Mon. thru Sat., stay tuned for Nightly Specials & Events! Sunset Bar & Grill

PAMPA HIGH School Choir Boosters Hole in One Shootout, Preliminary, Pampa Middle School Sat., Sept. 25th, 9am-5pm.

Weather focus

PAMPA — Partly cloudy today with a high in the upper 80s and light and variable winds which will continue through tomorrow. Tonight, a 20 percent chance of rain and a low in the upper 50s. Tomorrow, mostly sunny with a high of 85-90. Yesterday's high was 84; the overnight low 62.

PANHANDLE — Tonight, partly cloudy. Low around 55. Light and variable winds. Saturday, mostly sunny with a high 85 to 90. Light and variable winds.

STATEWIDE — The second day of fall is expected to warm

up across much of Texas. Early-morning temperatures range from the 40s to 70s.

It's 50 degrees at Lufkin, 72 at Abilene, 59 at Amarillo, 57 at Dalhart, 68 at El Paso and 70 at Galveston and Laredo. Lubbock, Odessa and Childress were reporting 69 degrees while Conroe has 49 degrees.

Winds varied from southeasterly to southwesterly at 5 to 15 mph in most areas. Winds were light and variable across the Panhandle.

Patchy light fog shrouded the Beaumont area.

A warming trend was forecast for North Texas, with highs through Sunday in the mid-to upper 80s. Increasing cloudi-

ness was predicted with a slight chance of showers or thunderstorms in central and western sections.

Lows overnight should be in the low to mid 60s.

In South Texas, highs should range from the upper 80s to lower 90s, with lower 80s along the coast. Lows were expected in the 60s, with lower 70s along the coast.

Lows in the west should range from the 40s across the Panhandle and in the south-western mountains to the 60s in the Big Bend valleys.

Highs through Saturday will range from around 80 degrees in the north to near 100 degrees along the Rio Grande.

Beanie Babies donations



Central Fire Station and Carousel Expressions are currently accepting Beanie Babies through Nov. 16. The Beanie Babies — to be tagged with the initials of each recipient — will be donated to Coronado Healthcare Center and Pampa Nursing Center to cheer up residents. The Beanie Babies can also help work the hands. For more information, call Charlene Wright at 665-3109. Above: Aline Preacher, Mary Hatfield, Sandie Mathis and Wright.

Pampa woman helping fight AIDS battle

By NANCY YOUNG
Managing Editor

Fighting the battle of HIV/AIDS and its impact on women, children and families is what a former Pampa woman is doing.

Cruz Beatriz Villarreal is joining over 1,500 bike riders on a four day, 350 mile bike ride from Houston to Dallas on Oct. 14 to raise awareness on the women and children infected by the HIV virus in Texas and to raise funds to continue the fight against the disease with Tanqueray's Texas AIDS Ride 2.

Villarreal is a 1977 graduate of Pampa High. She said women are the fastest growing population with HIV/AIDS across the country.

"This has a profound impact on the well being of thousands of families. My goal is to represent those women and children in the ride who are unable to ride themselves due to illness or care giving responsibilities, and to bring awareness to people about the many issues HIV-illness or care giving responsibilities, and to bring awareness to people about the many issues HIV-impacted families face," said Villarreal.

She is seeking pledges from former Pampa residents for the ride. "In order for me to reach this goal, I need your help," says Villarreal. She said she must raise \$2,300 in pledges between now and October 8.

Villarreal was born and raised in Pampa. She often visits her parents, Victor and Consuelo Villarreal, and her brothers and sisters who live in Pampa. "While I have moved to Dallas, it is always nice to return to native soil and the open plains," said Villarreal. She said it was while she live in Pampa in her formative years that she learned the importance of living in community. "The seed was planted by family and community figures that has been my inspiration to reach out to those in need," said Villarreal.

After college she did missionary work in Mexico and in the USA. "I

have worked with the very poor who lived in cardboard homes as well as the refugees from Central America who are fleeing the threats that war brings to a country," she said. "I have heard horror stories of war and been in the presence of Angels as a person is dying. I have dedicated my life to social work and reform."

She is presently case management supervisor at AIDS ARMS INC. in Dallas. It is a non-profit AIDS agency which is dedicated to providing case management services to those individuals who have AIDS. She has been with the organization for seven years. She presently supervises the women's team, "Woman to Woman."

"In the time I have worked with families, I have been blessed by the lessons others have learned. I

appreciate each day that I have each moment granted as a true gift," she said. "I have held the hand of a dying child infected by AIDS. She has worked with grieving parents of an infected child as well as brothers and sisters and children of those impacted in some way by AIDS."

"I am saddened by the existing discrimination and fear of fellow human beings when someone says that they are HIV or AIDS positive. I am surprised at the number of individuals that state they will never be impacted by this virus. I am saddened at the growing number of women who are being infected," she said. "Most of these women have children. Who will care for these children? For the most part, it is both parents that are infected, and that means that the

grandparents must get involved.

Villarreal said she has so many true stories which is her motivator for getting involved in the fundraiser. One of the beneficiary organizations of this ride is Panhandle AIDS Support Organization, Inc in Amarillo.

She is urging Pampa residents to assist in this effort. "We must become aware and accept that this virus is long from gone," she said. "Living day to day is difficult enough for families who do not need to fear that they will be shunned. They need our support. Education is of utmost importance."

Additional information may be obtained by contacting Berinda Turcotte at 662-9313. She will have pledge forms as well as further information.

Meals on Wheels



(Photo by Judy Elliott)

Members of PHS Senior Development Class deliver for Meals on Wheels each Tuesday to residents of the Schneider House. Above: Howard Eblin works in the kitchen after training with Meals on Wheels.

Calendar of events

PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL

Pampa Area Literacy Council office will be open from 1 to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. For more information, call 665-2331.

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ROCKTOBERFEST

Pampa High School Choir Boosters will sponsor "Rocktoberfest," a citywide street dance for all ages, from 7:30-11 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 2, on Cuyler Street in

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Amarillo Fine Arts Association will hold its Best of the Southwest Fall Art Show Sept. 30-Oct. 8 at Amarillo National Bank in Amarillo. Judging will take place Sept. 29 and a reception and awards presentation will be from 5-8 p.m. Sept. 30. The juror for the competition will be Judi Betts of Baton Rouge, La. Betts will also be conducting a demonstration and a workshop. Fee for her two-day course on Sept. 27-28 will be \$100. The workshop is limited to the first 20 people. To register, send fee to Jo Bryan, 3501 Ruston, Amarillo, TX 79109. For more information, call Cindy Kelleher, chairman, at (806) 358-4880 or Bryan at (806) 355-4359.

ACT EXAMS

The ACT Assessment exam will be administered nationwide Oct. 23. The registration deadline is Sept. 17. Late registration postmark deadline is Oct. 1 (an additional fee is required for late registration.) The test fee is \$22. For more information, including registration forms and test locations, contact your high school or register on-line at ACT's website — www.act.org.

Knife and Fork Club to meet

John Ballard, a popular inspirational speaker from the plains of West Texas, will be the featured guest at the next meeting of the Top O' Texas Knife and Fork Club at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 28 at Pampa Country Club. The topic will be "You Can't Lose For Winning."

Ballard attended college at Oklahoma Baptist University and graduated from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He served churches in Jacksboro, Fort Worth, and Lubbock before retiring from his staff position in 1996. Then he discovered that it was impossible to retire from speaking; requests for presentations poured in from all over, and Ballard has expanded his ministry to include dinner clubs such as the local organization.

Ballard has addressed hundreds of audiences throughout his career, filling his speeches with heartwarming stories and a winsome sense of humor.

Club members are encouraged to make reservations at this time. Tickets are on sale at Dunlaps Department Store in the Coronado Center and will be available until Monday, Sept. 27.

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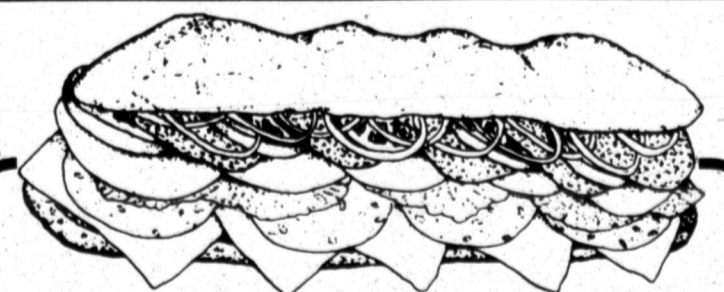
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Kids on Planes Are Safest Buckled in Their Own Seats

DEAR ABBY: In reference to the letter from the Los Angeles plastic surgeon regarding facial disfigurement of children who are allowed to stand in a moving car, may I add my 2 cents' worth?

I am a flight attendant for a major airline, and while the captain does not usually "jam on the brakes," we do hit unexpected turbulence. Planes can drop 500 feet in a matter of seconds. Guess where a small child who's not in a seatbelt goes? To the ceiling!

I write this out of sheer frustration with uneducated — or perhaps lazy — parents. The FAA does not mandate that a child under the age of 2 be in his or her own seat. This is shameful and absurd. We, the flight crew, are required to ensure that all carry-on luggage is safely stowed, yet our most precious cargo, these little human beings, can be on an adult's lap. I applaud parents who pay the extra money and purchase a seat for the child, and extra kudos when they bring along a car seat. If there is an extra seat available, I always move other passengers so "lap baby" can have his or her own seat, explaining to parents that it is safer. Guess what? They give me a blank stare and say: "Oh, she won't sit still in her own seat. She'll cry. I'll just hold her."

Let me offer this graphic thought: Parents, if the plane does crash and your baby is on your lap, the baby becomes a human air bag for you. Your baby will die instantly. I had a passenger tear-



Abigail Van Buren
SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

fully tell me that this happened to her. She is now crippled, and her only child (who would be 9 now) was killed.

I urge all parents and grandparents to write to Congress and insist that every passenger — even babies — be in a seat. The FAA's argument that families will not pay for the extra seat because the cost is prohibitive is unfounded. Most airlines offer a lower rate for children. The FAA says that people will turn to driving, which will cause more road accidents. This is conjecture.

I know this letter is long, but please pass along this important message. Believe me, it will be clipped by thousands of airline crews and shown to passengers.

A CONCERNED FLIGHT ATTENDANT

DEAR CONCERNED: You have issued a chilling warning to the parents of small children, and I sincerely hope it's one that will be heeded. A plane hitting an air pocket and suddenly losing altitude is not something

we hear about every day. However, I recall that it happened to Air Force One a year or so ago, and to a commercial flight just this month — so it's something that should be taken very seriously. All passengers should stay buckled up while they are in their seats.

DEAR ABBY: I have been involved with a nice gentleman for more than a year now. I'm a single parent and own my own home.

My problem is that he still lives with his ex-wife and children. He says that because of the child-support payments he has been unable to get a place of his own. I love him very much and suggested he move in with me — but he never responded. This has stressed our relationship.

Abby, should I continue to wait for him, or should I cut the ties? He's told me for more than a year that he's been looking for a place of his own, but his pride won't let him move "just anywhere." He says, "Be patient — good things come to those who wait."

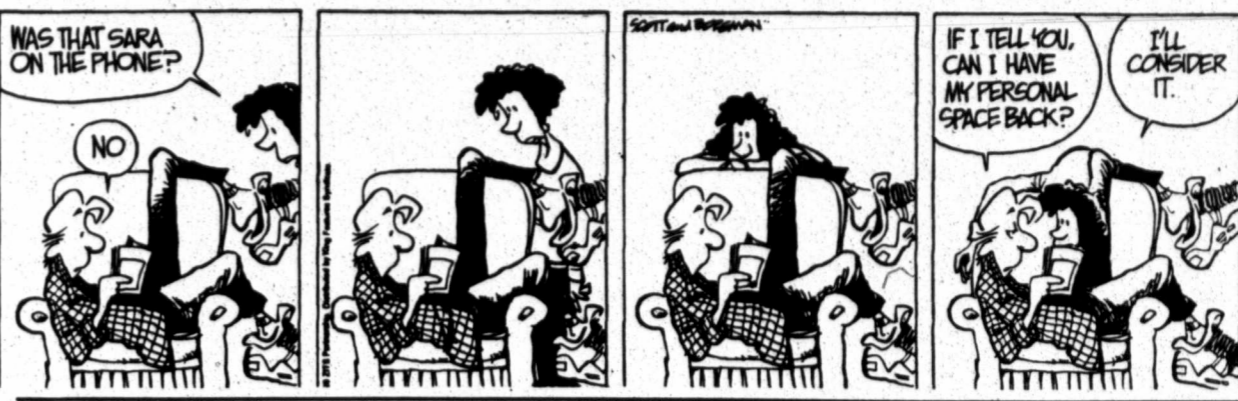
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DEAR J.Y.V.: Perhaps, but not always. I vote to cut the ties. I strongly suspect that the "nice gentleman" you are involved with is still married.

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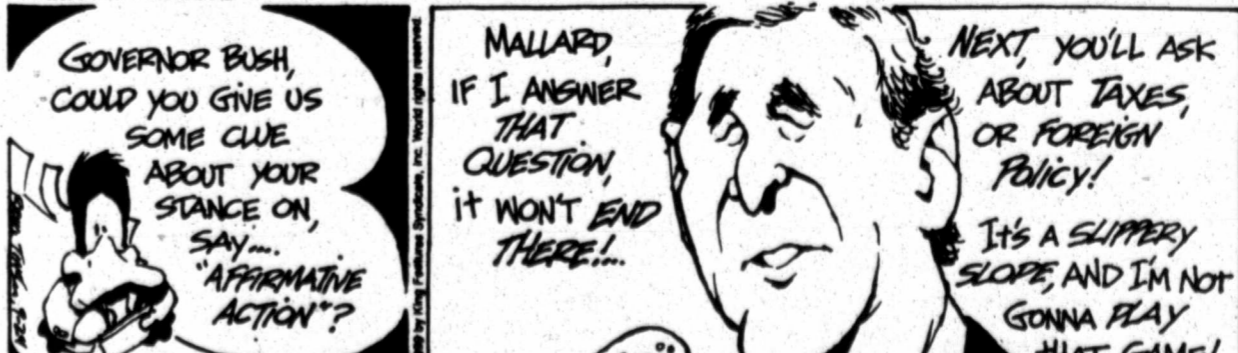
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Horoscope

SUNDAY, SEPT. 26, 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)

***** A misunderstanding can be a good thing, depending on how you use that energy. You can resolve some latent long-term issues, making both you and another happy. You honestly will understand the meaning of the saying, "All's well that ends well!" Tonight: Whatever pleases you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

*** Confusion could muck up the early day. Be smart and don't let another interfere with you. You are sensitive to others' needs, but you still need to discuss expectations with a partner. You discover you didn't have to worry so much! Tonight: Relaxing with your best friend.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

**** You don't always understand what is going on with another, but zoom in and have that needed discussion anyway. You straighten out the airwaves and make both yourself and another happy. Why disagree or feel badly when there is no need? Tonight: Kicking up your heels as if there were no tomorrow.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

*** Another's expectation might not be yours, and some confusion may need to be straightened out. You discover how much your nurturing means to another.

Ask for what you need, as well. Remember, caring is not a one-way street! Tonight: Get a head start on tomorrow's tasks.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

***** You have great ideas, but unfortunately another might not be receiving them the way you would like. Be as clear and defined as you want. Try a loving approach, and use that famous Leo charm. Others cannot and will not refuse. Tonight: Treat another to something totally new.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

*** You are out of sorts, and others react. Calm down and sort through fiction and fact. Only you know what is acceptable here. You easily could be overly sensitive and could take another's comments to heart. Recognize your own frailties before you blame another.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

***** Another's desires aren't lost on you. Nevertheless, you might have something to clear out before you launch into more pleasurable activities. Let another know what is stopping you from jumping in. Remember, communication can make all the difference. Tonight: Indulge a loved one.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

**** Think through a decision carefully, and don't stress out where you don't need to. Another might not be getting a clear message, in turn, you might be reacting to his behavior. Someone you care about does something very special. Accept this compliment. Tonight: Get a head start on errands.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

***** Allow more joy into your

life. Refuse to get triggered by others and their opinions. Remember, while you march to a different drummer in many ways, don't forget to be a leader. Take an overview. Be more spiritual in your caring. Make a call to a loved one. Tonight: Dance the night away.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

***** Others pressure you. A parent or boss might be confused, or you might not want to hear what he is saying. Turn the mood of the day around! Get together with a loving partner. Caring builds. Check out an expenditure carefully. Tonight: You are a stronger force than you realize.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

***** You like it when a lot happens, and now your plate is full! Confirm plans, make sure everyone is thinking the same way. Plans could be fraught with misunderstanding. A partner really doesn't care what you do, as long as you are with him. Tonight: Visit with friends and relish the good times.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

**** Be direct with others about money. Someone might take something you have for granted. Be realistic about limitations. A loved one does care, but he has an odd way of expressing it. Be open to different styles and you could be very pleased. Tonight: Mellow out with a loved one.

BORN TODAY

Musician Bryan Ferry (1945), singer Olivia Newton-John (1948), actress Melissa Sue Anderson (1962)

Jacqueline Bigar is on the Internet at <http://www.jacquelinebigar.com>.

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Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS
- 1 Had aspirations
 - 6 First letter
 - 11 Goof
 - 12 Stallions' mates
 - 13 Biscotti flavor
 - 14 Wrong
 - 15 Neutral color
 - 16 Pasta-cooking term
 - 18 Catchall abbr.
 - 19 Scottish river
 - 20 Barracks bed
 - 21 Profound
 - 23 "The Double Man" writer
 - 25 Cereal choice
 - 27 Hit letters
 - 28 One of the black keys
 - 30 Topics for X-files
 - 33 Got together
 - 34 Mekong people
 - 36 Before, to Byron
 - 37 Symbol of chastity
 - 39 Toothpaste choice
 - 40 Car choice
 - 41 Pastoral poem
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- 1 Like some arguments
 - 2 Fancy
 - 3 Nick Nolte film, with "The"
 - 4 Dawn goddess
 - 5 Intense fear
 - 6 Best Picture of 1984
 - 7 None too convincing
 - 8 Animated film of 1998, with "The"
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 - 10 Good quality
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 - 26 Like an eagle
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 - 31 Threatening words
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 - 35 In readiness
 - 38 Walking aid
 - 42 Mob leader



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Notebook FOOTBALL

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BASEBALL

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — In the past two weeks, the Texas Rangers have gone from storming toward the American League playoffs to stumbling against the league's worst teams. In the meantime, their nine-game lead in the AL West has shrunk to 5 1/2 as they head into a weekend series against division rival Oakland. Since an impressive two-game sweep at Cleveland on Sept. 7-8, Texas has lost seven of 11 games while playing also-rans Kansas City, Minnesota, Tampa Bay and Baltimore. Manager Johnny Oates insists there's no reason to panic. "It's a bump in the road, and hopefully the day off (Thursday) will clear their minds," Oates said after Wednesday's 7-4 loss to Baltimore.

GOLF

BROOKLINE, Mass. (AP) — Colin Montgomerie and Paul Lawrie took advantage of sloppy American play to beat David Duval and Phil Mickelson today and give Europe the first point in the Ryder Cup. Two other European teams led on the back nine in the opening matches at The Country Club, where fine early play by the defending champions mostly quieted the crowds of more than 30,000 that crowded the greens and fairways of one of the country's most historic clubs. "The Ryder Cup brings the best out in me, and I'm glad it does," Montgomerie said. With the playing conditions perfect, Montgomerie and Lawrie won the first match 3 and 2, clinching it on the 16th hole when Montgomerie hit an iron within 10 feet. A 5-footer by Mickelson that spun out of the hole on No. 10 put the pairing of Scots ahead for good, and another bogey by the Americans two holes later extended the lead. Montgomerie and Lawrie, meanwhile, played solidly, shooting a 2-under 33 on the front and playing the back side with all pars and a birdie on No. 14 that gave them a 3-up lead. "I don't think we played poorly," Duval said. "It didn't seem like it should have been a 3 and 2 match." Tom Lehman got the crowd roaring with a chip-in on the first hole, but it soon quieted down as the Europeans came back after trailing early in three matches. The alternate shot format provided plenty of drama as players traded shots and teams traded leads among huge galleries lining the fairways. At one point, the United States led three and was behind in one. But, by the time the four foursomes had made the turn and headed into the back nine, the matches stood 2-1 in the U.S. favor and no team had more than a 1-up lead. The quickest turnaround came in Jeff Maggert and Hal Sutton's match with Lee Westwood and Darren Clarke. Trailing by two holes through five, Maggert and Sutton birdied the next three holes to take a 1-up lead. Lehman's wedge out of the rough took three bounces and dropped into the hole, prompting a roar from the crowd. Lehman pumped his fist, and he and playing partner Tiger Woods slapped raised hands together.

Lakeview favored

PAMPA — The Harris Report isn't picking the Pampa Harvesters to have a very happy homecoming tonight. Pampa is a 1-point underdog to San Angelo Lakeview, according to Harris, even though the Harvesters have won the only two meetings between the schools. A year ago, Pampa cruised to a 24-7 win.

Last week's results may have had something to do with the prediction. Pampa fell to Plainview 28-3 and Lakeview downed Del Rio 20-14.

"We knew going in that all the advantages would be on Plainview's side," said Pampa coach Dennis Cavalier. "They have an extremely talented team."

The Harvesters, however, did have at least four starters who were afflicted with injury or illness. Quarterback Kaleb Snelgrooves, cornerback J.J. Roark, tight end-kicker Justin Barnes and tailback Terrance Lemons all saw action despite not feeling up to par. Flanker Aaron Cummings was still sidelined with an ankle injury for the second straight game.

Cavalier said a combination of things led to the defeat.

"There were my coaching errors, errors on the field, sickness or injury," he said. "We had some unusual lineup changes."

Roark, a junior, will be on the sideline tonight. Ryan Nash will be starting in Roark's spot. Quarterback Kaleb Snelgrooves will be seeing two-day duty. He will also be starting at strong safety.

The Harvesters seemed to have shed last week's lopsided loss and are concentrating on Lakeview.

"There's always a grieving period you go through after a loss, especially after one like we had," Cavalier said. "I think the players have responded well this week and are ready to go."

Pampa has a 1-2 record while Lakeview is 2-2.

Pampa Harvesters Probable Lineup

Offense
Center: Jeff Warren, 230-pound junior; Guards: Tyson Curtis, 210-pound senior; Andy Schroeder, 215-pound junior; Tackles: Cody Shepard, 250-pound senior; Daniel Abernathy, 200-pound junior; Tight end: Justin Barnes 185-pound senior; Split end: Johnny Cortez, 150-pound junior; Flanker: Tony Beck, 155-pound junior; Quarterback: Kaleb Snelgrooves, 160-pound senior; Fullback: Thomas Long, 190-pound junior; Tailback: Ramon Martinez, 145-pound senior.

Defense
Tackles: Curtis and Taylor Harris, 220-pound junior; Ends: Schroeder and Gary Anderson, 170-pound senior; Middle line-backer: Jason Burklow, 180-pound junior; Strongside line-backer: Nathan Arnn, 160-pound senior; Weakside line-backer: Barnes; Cornerbacks: Ryan Nash, 145-pound sophomore; Russell Robben, 150-pound senior; Strong safety: Snelgrooves; Free safety: Orlando Madrid, 180-pound sophomore.



(Pampa News Photo)

Pampa girls cross country team members Beth Lee, Marci Hansen, Andrea Lee, Amanda White, T'Andra Holmes, Anna Resendiz, Samantha Hurst and Rebecca Fatheree work out at Recreation Park in preparation for this weekend's Amarillo Invitational. The Lady Harvesters are undefeated after three meets this fall.

Spike taking heat

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Some fans are calling for coach Spike Dykes' job. Others are calling for much worse. Unless Dykes somehow guides Texas Tech through the stormy waters of Big 12 play, the longtime coach could find himself out of work.

The outlook has never been more grim for Dykes, who was born in Lubbock and has never looked to leave since he became the Red Raiders' head coach after the 1986 regular season.

Tech lost to North Texas last weekend — a 32-point underdog and a team that lost its first two games by a total of 75 points — and now must prepare to take on No. 5 Texas A&M after a bye week.

"You're always worried when you lose a game you feel you should have won," Dykes said this week. "The buck stops here. I take full responsibility. I know what people are saying."

Some fans are having no trouble holding Dykes accountable.

"He's a coach at a major university and he isn't getting the job done," said fan Jeff Ellis, while watching replays of the team's collapse against the Eagles at a local sports bar. "I love the guy, I really do, but it's time for a change. We can't keep him just because we think he's a nice guy."

In his 13 years at Tech, Dykes has racked up a 77-63-1 record to become the winningest coach in school history, surpassing the 76-32-6 mark of Pete Cawthon in 11 seasons from 1930-40.

In 1994, Dykes directed the Red Raiders to a five-way tie for first in the Southwest Conference, and they played in their first Cotton Bowl since 1938. Tech was second in the SWC in 1995 and were second in the Big 12 South in both 1996 and 1997 and third in the

Big 12 South in 1998.

But while doing OK against the good teams — Tech has beaten Texas A&M three of the last four years and Texas two of the last three — the Raiders also have lost to North Texas twice in three years and to mediocre Oklahoma teams in season-ending games the last two years.

The negative outburst by fans after this season's 1-2 start has been noticed by top school officials, but Texas Tech president Donald Haragan said the school will follow its policy of waiting until the end of the season to make personnel decisions.

"We obviously are aware of the malcontent of a lot of people," Haragan said. "But we've had a longstanding policy that we don't respond to individuals outside of our system of review."

At the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, letters of discontent have increased in number since the loss to North Texas.

"Why are our linemen so fat and slow? Why can't our quarterback complete a pass?" wrote Jon Stone of Lubbock. "It all results from lousy coaching and poor preparation. ... What is it going to take? An 0-11 year? I refuse to go to any more games as long as Spike is here. He is just like arthritis; he just won't go away."

Another fan wrote that he felt Spike's past popularity and good-natured mannerisms shouldn't factor into any decision to replace him.

"Spike's good ol' boy antics have been the reason he is still here," wrote Jackson Young. "I'll admit that they were funny at one time, but not when Tech loses to UNT or the like."

Dykes says he isn't affected by the letters.

"My job is to coach the best I can," Dykes said. "I'll do that everyday I come to work for as long as I can."

Big 12 spotlight is on Kansas State-Iowa State telecast on ABC

DALLAS (AP) — Kansas State is 21-1 in its last 22 regular season games, but the Wildcats will have to rally their strength with an Iowa State team brandishing the nation's top rushing attack.

The Cyclones have rushed for 354.3 yards per game.

K-State (2-0) hasn't missed a beat defensively, though, and are fourth in NCAA Division I-A rushing defense, allowing only 47 net yards per game. The Wildcats also ranks third in scoring defense with 3.5 points per contest.

Iowa State (3-0) holds a strong passing game, completing 61.1 percent of its tries (22-for-36). The team's All-America candidate, Cyclones running back Darren Davis (88 carries, 555 yards), is second nationally (by two yards) with 185 yards rushing per game.

That's the premier attraction on the Big 12 football slate this weekend.

Six other Big 12 games are on Saturday's schedule, including a couple of other conference matchups:

- Texas (3-1) at Baylor (0-3, 0-1 Big 12), 6 p.m.
- Nebraska (3-0) at Missouri (2-0), 6 p.m.
- Colorado (2-1, 1-0) at Washington (0-2), 2:30 p.m.
- Southern Mississippi (2-1) at Texas A&M (2-0) at 2:30 p.m.
- Oklahoma (2-0, 0-1) at Louisville (2-1), 2:30 p.m.
- San Diego State (1-2) at Kansas (1-2, 0-1), 6 p.m.
- Oklahoma State and Texas Tech both have open dates.

The Kansas State and Iowa State matchup is the 83rd game

of a continuous series started in 1917 with a 10-7 victory by Iowa State at Ames.

The Cyclones lead in games at Ames 26-12-3, while K-State has turned the tide over the last decade with a 8-2 mark since 1989 and won 52-7 at Manhattan in 1998.

But Iowa State has dominated the series with 10 straight between 1943 and 1952.

Saturday's game between Southern Mississippi and Texas A&M is the seventh meeting between the Golden Eagles of Conference USA and the Aggies. The Aggies have scored in a school-record 136 consecutive games since a 27-0 loss at LSU in 1988.

The Colorado-Washington matchup is interesting because former Buffalo head coach Rick Neuheisel is now head coach at Washington. Colorado feels Neuheisel betrayed the Buffaloes for big bucks after a 51-43 victory over Oregon in the Aloha Bowl.

Many Colorado players felt Neuheisel had led them to believe he had made a lifetime commitment to stay in Boulder. When Washington offered him \$997,000 a year for five years, he jumped ship.

The players Neuheisel recruited to Colorado could make Washington's worst start since 1985 even worse. A Colorado victory would drop Washington to 0-3 for the first time in 30 years.

Baylor is off to an 0-3 loss and has lost nine straight dating to last season. But the Bears have made it a habit of upsetting Texas.

Freshmen stay undefeated

AMARILLO — Pampa defeated Tascosa 20-14 in a 9th grade football game Thursday night.

Quarterback John Braddock scored the winning touchdown on an 18-yard scamper.

Braddock hooked up with Joel Botello on a 45-yard pass for Pampa's first touchdown of the game.

James Gaddis scored Pampa's second touchdown. He scored

on a 20-yard run when he picked up the loose ball after a Tascosa punt was blocked.

After the TD, Braddock passed to Derick Williams for the two-point conversion.

The Pampa freshmen improved their record to a perfect 4-0. Their next game will at 4:30 next Thursday at home against Valleyview. The B team or Gold team will play at Hereford next Thursday.

Pampa gymnasts compete at Plano

PLANO — Gymnastics of Pampa team members recently participated in an invitational meet in Plano. Gymnasts from the Dallas area, Austin and Albuquerque, N.M. also competed in the meet.

Leading Team Pampa with outstanding performances on all four events was Level 5 gymnast Lacie Long. Lacie had personal best scores on vault, bars and beam, and improved her All-Around score once again.

Lacie received silver medals for balance beam 9.6, and bars 9.05 and bronze medals for vault 9.2 and floor exercise 9.05. Her 36.9 in All Around earned the silver medal in the 11-year-old age group.

Turning out excellent performances in the 12-year-old and up division was Level 5 gymnast Cortnee White. Cortnee's personal best score of 9.4 on the balance beam was good for the gold medal. She also had a personal best score on vault, where

she earned a 9.0 for the silver medal. Cortnee received a bronze on bars 8.9 and fourth on floor exercise 8.9. She improved her personal best All-Around score by nearly two points to a 36.2 for the silver medal.

In Level 6 competition, Morgan Meharg and Amy Youree turned in solid performances for Team Pampa. Morgan won the 12 year old floor exercise gold with a 9.2 and improved her vault score to an 8.7. She finished sixth place in the All-Around with a 34.5.

Amy improved all of her scores from her first Level 6 competition. She placed third on floor 8.6, fourth on vault 9.0 and fifth on bars 8.6. Her 34.1 All-Around was nearly two points improvement and was good for eighth place.

Also competing for Team Pampa in the Level 5 division were Kendall Stokes, Brittany Warminski and Michaela Scroggins. Each girl had personal best performances on one or

more events. Kendall had personal bests on vault 8.6 and beam 8.9. She also had her highest All-Around score of 34.2 for eighth place.

Brittany, who travels from White Deer to train at Gymnastics of Pampa, had personal bests on beam 9.4 for sixth place, and on floor 9.15.

Michaela improved in all four event scores. She earned 8.3 for vault, 8.3 for bars, 9.0 for beam, and 8.45 for floor. Her 34.05 All-Around was more than a point higher than in previous meets and was good for 14th place.

"We attended this competition to see how we compare to some of the best gymnasts in the state, and I was very pleased with the girls' performances," said coach Kristi Fatheree. "They all came out and gave 100 percent and hung in there with the other competitors. This was a very positive meet for us."

The Team Pampa gymnasts will compete next in Amarillo at a District 1 qualifying meet.

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Denver faces daunting defense

By DAVE GOLDBERG
AP Football Writer

Mike Shanahan is playing better defense than his defense these days, deflecting every question about why his two-time Super Bowl champion Broncos are 0-2.

His players are more candid. "What we need to do is put our rings away, put them in the safe and just go out and play. What we did in the past is what we did in the past," says linebacker Glenn Cadrez.

What's in the immediate future is a trip to Tampa to play the Bucs, who just happen to lead the league in defense, albeit against two non-threatening offenses, the Giants and the Eagles.

The oddsmakers are starting to jump off the Broncos' bandwagon. The game opened as even, then the Bucs quickly jumped to 2 1/2-point favorites, even though Trent Dilfer remains their quarterback — for this week at least.

Brian Griese remains Denver's quarterback. Bobby Brister was no better in Kansas City off the bench than Griese was as the starter.

After the Bucs defense finishes with the Broncos, it could be Miller time.

Chris, that is.
BUCS, 17-11

Minnesota (pick 'em) at Green Bay
The Vikings averaged 34.8 points a game last season. This

Pro Picks

season they've scored 34 in two.
VIKINGS, 34-33

San Francisco (minus 2) at Arizona (Monday night)
Why do the oddsmakers still think the 49ers are still good?
CARDINALS, 27-17

Detroit (plus 3 1/2) at Kansas City
After two games, Bobby Ross is coach of the year.
LIONS, 21-15

Tennessee (plus 9 1/2) at Jacksonville
Neil O'Donnell will NOT pass for 310 yards this week.
JAGUARS, 27-14

Indianapolis (pick 'em) at San Diego
This is interesting, because Ryan Leaf will be holding a clipboard watching Peyton Manning instead of playing against him.
CHARGERS, 20-17

Washington (minus 1) at New York Jets
The Redskins will NOT score 50 at the Meadowlands this week.
REDSKINS 49-21

New York Giants (plus 6 1/2) at New England
The Giants will NOT allow 50 this week.
PATRIOTS, 49-21

Chicago (plus 7) at Oakland
The Raiders could probably win the NFC Central.
RAIDERS, 20-3

Seattle (plus 4 1/2) at Pittsburgh
Baltimore exposed some of the Steelers' weaknesses.
STEELERS, 17-16

Cleveland (plus 12) at Baltimore
The new Browns preen for Art Modell. Stoney Case preens for the Ravens.
RAVENS, 20-12

Atlanta (off) at St. Louis
This is off because of the injuries to Chris Chandler and Jamal Anderson. Are the Falcons reverting to their historic form?
RAMS, 17-7

Philadelphia (plus 11 1/2) at Buffalo
Donovan McNabb is familiar with upstate New York. If he plays, he'll get familiar with Bruce Smith.
BILLS, 20-2

Cincinnati (plus 7 1/2) at Carolina
Akili Smith shouldn't have held out.
PANTHERS, 27-10

Last week: 7-8 (Spread); 11-4 (Straight up).

Season: 15-15 (Spread); 19-11 (Straight up).

Braves pull off sweep against Mets

ATLANTA (AP) — It was a routine popup, the kind Chipper Jones usually catches with his eyes closed.

Instead, the ball drifted beyond his glove, Jones staggering after it in a futile lunge. The Atlanta Braves third baseman covered his head with his glove, an embarrassed grin on his face, as if to say, "OK, I'm not perfect."

Maybe not. But he wasn't too far from it against the New York Mets.

Homering four times in a three-game sweep, Jones almost single-handedly turned the NL East showdown into a rout. On Thursday, his three-run shot was the key blow in Atlanta's 6-3 victory, making it easy to laugh off the meaningless fielding gaffe.

"Besides that play," Jones said, "it was a pretty perfect series for us."

This is turning out to be the best of seasons for Jones, who has strong credentials to capture his first MVP award. He is hitting .322 with 45 homers, 105 RBIs, 114 runs, 120 walks and 24 stolen bases.

"There's still some games left, but he's the MVP right now," winning pitcher Greg Maddux said. "Look at what that guy has done down the stretch. To me, that carries more weight than the first three months of the season."

If the Mets were casting ballots, Jones would probably be a unanimous MVP. New York came to Atlanta one game back in the East, but departed with a four-game deficit and only nine to play.

"They sure did the job they needed to give themselves some room. At least Chipper did," Mets manager Bobby Valentine said. "It seems uncanny that he's been able to hit it over the fence, uncanny that he's that hot right now. Four big ones in three games is pretty good."

In other NL games, Chicago beat Pittsburgh 8-5, Milwaukee defeated Philadelphia 11-6, Florida edged Montreal 2-1, and Los Angeles topped San Francisco 5-3.

Jones hit a pair of solo homers Tuesday night, accounting for both Atlanta runs in a 2-1 victory, and added a two-run shot in Wednesday's 5-2 victory.

In the final game of the series,

the Braves trailed 2-1 in the fifth inning when Jones batted with two runners on and one out. On a 1-0 pitch, Mets starter Al Leiter (11-12) tried to sneak a fastball over the outside corner, but Jones sent it over the center-field wall.

"It was one of those dream series," Jones said. "I don't think I'm doing anything different, but it seems like the ball keeps hitting my sweet spot."

Jones, who already set an NL mark for most homers by a switch-hitter, has the most homers by a Braves player since Hank Aaron hit 47 in 1971. That is also the franchise record, set originally by Eddie Mathews in 1953.

"Chipper really did dominate these three games," manager Bobby Cox said. "I guess McGwire and Sosa do that on occasion. But it was great to see Chipper come through. I would think that has to add to his MVP votes."

Jones has seven homers and 14 RBIs in 29 at-bats against the Mets this season. He is hitting .448 (13-for-29), helping the Braves win seven of the nine meetings.

"I don't think they can beat us," New York's Rickey Henderson said defiantly. "But they seem to win the ballgames."

The teams have three more games next week at Shea Stadium, but that series could wind up being meaningless in the division race. Now, the Mets' main concern is maintaining the wild card, their lead over idle Cincinnati shrinking to two games.

"The reality is we got ourselves into a little deficit," Leiter said.

Maddux (19-8) pitched seven innings, allowing seven hits and all three New York runs, to break a two-game losing streak and move with one victory of his first 20-win season since 1993.

John Rocker worked the ninth for his 36th save, including all three games of the series.

Mike Piazza hit his 38th homer, giving him a Mets record 118 RBIs.

But the Mets, the best fielding team in the majors, made two costly throwing errors, both allowing runs to score.

New York gave away another

run in the fifth. Henderson was thrown out at home when he ran through a stop sign at third on Alfonso's double into the left-field corner.

Henderson, who tried to score from first, seemed to running at half-speed around the bases. He left the game after that play with what the team reported as a tight right hamstring.

"Stop sign?" Henderson said. "No, I look at the ball. I thought (left fielder Gerald Williams) had bobbed it."

Brewers 11, Phillies 6
Jeremy Burnitz drew four walks and scored each time as Milwaukee won a sloppy game at County Stadium.

Ron Belliard homered and drove in four runs for the Brewers, who took advantage of nine walks.

Philadelphia turned two errors and two wild pitches into four runs in the fifth for a 5-4 lead. The Brewers came back with four runs in the bottom half, helped by catcher Bobby Estalella's wild throw.

Marlins 2, Expos 1
Rookie A.J. Burnett won his second straight start as Florida beat visiting Montreal.

Burnett (4-2) gave up one run in seven innings, striking out six in his longest outing in the majors.

Cubs 8, Pirates 5
Sammy Sosa didn't homer for the fourth straight game, but he had an RBI single and scored a run as Chicago beat Pittsburgh at Wrigley Field.

Mark Grace hit a two-run homer and drove in another run for the Cubs, while Micah Bowie (2-6) got his first victory since Aug. 21.

Dodgers 5, Giants 3
Chan Ho Park won his sixth straight decision as Los Angeles beat San Francisco, clinching a tie for the NL West title for the Arizona Diamondbacks.

The Giants have lost five of six and are 9 1/2 games out of first place with nine to play. Arizona has 10 games remaining.

Gary Sheffield homered and Devon White drove in two runs with a triple for the host Dodgers.

Jeff Shaw pitched the ninth for his 34th save in 39 chances.

Ames holds one-stroke lead in Texas Open

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Familiarity with the La Cantera Golf Club course didn't seem to help in the first round of the Texas Open.

Stephen Ames shot an 8-under-par 64 on Thursday and held a 1-stroke lead entering today's second round. Rich Beem and Charles Raulerson were behind Ames with a 65.

All were competing at La Cantera for the first time.

"I walked off the driving range this morning not having a clue where I was going," said Beem, who first played the

course Tuesday. Brent Geiberger, Sandy Lyle and Perry Moss were another shot back at 6-under 66. Six players were another stroke behind. Bob Estes, the first alternate for the U.S. Ryder Cup team, shot a 1-under 71.

Raulerson had not played La Cantera until the tournament began. He walked the course earlier in the week and took precise notes about slopes and greens and club selection.

"I've played so many tournaments in a row," Raulerson said. "I've been just relaxing on Monday, Tuesday and

Wednesday, taking good notes."

Raulerson acknowledged he might have come to town sooner to check out La Cantera had he realized the tournament is now held on the hilly course on the edge of San Antonio.


He last played the Texas Open in 1994, when it was at Oak Hills Country Club.

"I actually thought it was the same course," Raulerson said. "That's why I didn't come in earlier."

The first round belonged to Ames, a native of Trinidad who lives in Canada.

Major League Standings

National League				American League				
Team	W	L	Pct.	Team	W	L	Pct.	
Atlanta	96	57	.627	New York	66	88	.425	
New York	92	61	.601	Cleveland	92	61	.601	
Philadelphia	71	82	.464	Chicago	68	84	.447	
Montreal	64	89	.418	Minnesota	62	89	.411	
Florida	61	92	.399	Detroit	62	90	.408	
Central Division				West Division				
Houston	93	61	.604	Texas	89	63	.586	
Cincinnati	90	63	.588	Oakland	84	69	.549	
Pittsburgh	75	77	.493	Seattle	75	77	.493	
St. Louis	72	80	.474	Anaheim	64	89	.418	
Milwaukee	68	83	.454	X-clinched division title				
Chicago	62	91	.405	Minnesota 5, Oakland 4	Cleveland 9, Detroit 1			
West Division				Baltimore 7, Texas 4				
Arizona	92	60	.606	Toronto 14, Boston 9	New York 5, Chicago 4			
San Francisco	83	70	.542	Anaheim 8, Tampa Bay 5	Kansas City 12, Seattle 6			
Los Angeles	72	81	.471	Chicago 9, Baltimore 6	St. Louis 11, Philadelphia 10			
San Diego	72	81	.471	Baltimore 12, Oakland 4	Toronto 7, Boston 5			
Colorado	68	85	.444	Chicago 12, Seattle 6	Only games scheduled			
Wednesday's Games				Friday's Games				
Chicago 5, St. Louis 3				Baltimore 12, Oakland 4				
Arizona 11, Colorado 3				Philadelphia 12, Milwaukee 3				
Pittsburgh 3, Houston 2				San Francisco 5, Los Angeles 4				
Montreal 5, Florida 3				Cincinnati 4, San Diego 3				
Atlanta 5, New York 2				Thursday's Games				
Philadelphia 12, Milwaukee 3				Florida 2, Montreal 1				
San Francisco 5, Los Angeles 4				Atlanta 6, New York 3				
Cincinnati 4, San Diego 3				Milwaukee 11, Philadelphia 6				
Thursday's Games				Chicago 8, Pittsburgh 5				
Florida 2, Montreal 1				Los Angeles 5, San Francisco 3				
Atlanta 6, New York 3				Only games scheduled				
Milwaukee 11, Philadelphia 6				Friday's Games				
Chicago 8, Pittsburgh 5				Pittsburgh (Schmidt 13-10) at Chicago				
Los Angeles 5, San Francisco 3				(Farnsworth 4-8), 3:20 p.m.				
Only games scheduled				Atlanta (Milwood 18-7) at Montreal (Lilly 0-1), 7:05 p.m.				
				East Division				
				New York	93	59	.612	
				Boston	88	64	.579	
				Toronto	79	74	.516	
				Baltimore	75	77	.493	

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Pampa Harvesters line streets for homecoming parade Thursday



Grand Marshal of the 1999 Pampa Harvester Homecoming parade Thursday was Herman Whatley, a 1925 graduate of Pampa High School. Whatley, 91, played football in the early 1920s for the Harvesters. He was attired in his PHS football letter sweater for the parade. He has been a lifetime Pampa resident.



Pampa Harvester Band lead the Homecoming parade Thursday afternoon, as Harvester fans from throughout the community lined the streets to begin the annual homecoming celebration of activities to be held throughout the weekend.



Pampa 1999 Homecoming King candidates are front, left to right, Gil Solano, Jacob Lewis, and Russell Rubben. Back row, from left, are Justin Trolinger, Tyson Curtis and Jesse Francis.



Pampa 1999 Homecoming Queen candidates are front, left to right, Rebekah Warner, Emily Curtis and Lee Carmichael. Back, from left, are Vaughn Evans, Beth Buzzard and Mary Grace Fields. The Homecoming King candidates are front, left to right, Gil Solano, Jacob Lewis, and Russell Rubben. Back row, from left, are Justin Trolinger, Tyson Curtis and Jesse Francis. The king and queen will be named at 7 p.m. tonight prior to the homecoming game.

Council takes aim at violent video games

DALLAS (AP) — Some cities are taking aim at violent video games despite an industry rating system that warns parents about a game's level of violence.

The Grapevine City Council told a developer this week that he can build an entertainment

complex — complete with bowling alleys, billiards, video games and laser tag — but all the video games have to be rated suitable for all ages by industry standards.

"It clearly goes to the fact that there's too much violence out there in our society," Grapevine Assistant City Manager Bruno Rumbelow said Thursday. "Whatever steps we can take locally... we're going to do that."

Council members didn't specifically mention last week's church shooting in nearby Fort Worth during their discussions Tuesday, but they didn't have to.

"Let's face it there have been shootings at schools and the Fort

Worth shooting," Rumbelow said, mentioning rampages in West Paducah, Ky., and Littleton, Colo. "No question that all that plays into the sentiment that people were feeling in that room when they made the condition for Main Event being constructed here."

Neil Hupfauer, vice president of Main Event Entertainment Properties, told the council he had no problem with banning violent games.

Since the April 20 massacre at Columbine High School, the entertainment industry has faced criticism that the violence in films, television and video games contributes to real-life violence.

President Clinton and Congress have appealed to Hollywood to show more restraint.

Bob Fay, executive director of American Amusement Machine Association, which represents manufacturers and distributors of coin-operated video games, said his industry is seeking to diminish the level of violence and has manufacturers sign a code of conduct.

"One of the key elements of the code of conduct is to reduce the level of violence in video games," he said.

The majority of new video games manufactured last year were deemed suitable for all ages, Fay said, noting a trend

toward more sports-oriented, driving games.

Six years ago, the industry began a color-coded, "traffic light" approach to rating new games. A green sticker means a game is suitable for all ages, yellow means animated or caution and red means stop or look at it before you play, Fay said.

Last year, only 10 percent of the 60 to 70 new commercial video games manufactured were red sticker games or rated to be violent, Fay said. Sixty percent were deemed suitable for all ages, up from 42 percent the previous year, he said.

Grapevine officials said they have no plans to make facilities such as GameWorks, which allows violent video games, meet the same requirements as Main Event. GameWorks is owned by Sega, Dreamworks and Universal Studios and was co-founded by director Steven Spielberg.

GameWorks is aware of the concerns and already has a "v-

card" that can block red and yellow sticker games from activating, said spokeswoman Kendra Sartor. Of the facility's 200-plus games, only 15 percent carry a red sticker, she said.

"Basically it empowers the parents to make a choice and minimize their child's exposure to violence," Ms. Sartor said.

For example, some parents may not want their child playing a hunting game.

"Everyone's perception of violence is different," she said. "Some may feel a hunting game is appropriate and not violent in the least, while others may see it as offensive and violent."

Ms. Sartor said she wasn't surprised by the Grapevine council's action considering the shootings in Fort Worth and Colorado.

"Certainly we see it as a concern and want to take a proactive stance," she said. "We want to offer our guests the option to play those games but also the parents to take control."

Let's Talk Real Estate

by Jim Davidson
Realtor
TAKING "COMPS" INTO ACCOUNT

One of the most important pieces of information that real estate agents have at their disposal to help them calculate selling prices is "comps." This term refers to comparable sales prices of similar homes within the seller's own neighborhood. In fact, the three most important elements in regard to finding acceptable comps are area or location, comparable amenities in homes, and sizes of homes. Real estate agents know how to read and understand comparable sales data, and use this information to help them determine the proper market value of a property. There is perhaps no other step in the selling process that is so critical to best ensuring a sale.

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