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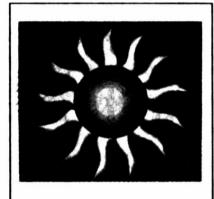
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DEER

Wednesday night's concert by the famed Blackwood Brothers gospel group will be in the town's high school auditorium rather than at White Deer's First United Methodist Church. Rev. Bob Kelley said his church's sponsorship of the group "is quite an event for our little town." He said the decision to move the 7 p.m. concert was made after "we heard there may be a large crowd." The concert is free but an offering will be taken. The auditorium is at 603 Doucette.

HOUSTON (AP)

Houston school trustees are boosting Superintendent Rod Paige's salary by 26 percent, to \$275,000, believed to be the highest salary in the nation among public school chiefs.

The pay raise, approved last week by school trustees after a closed-door evaluation, will take effect on July 1. Paige now makes \$219,000 per year.

"I didn't seek this, but I'm appreciative for it," Paige

According to surveys, Waldemar "Bill" Rojas, earning \$260,000 in Dallas, and Thomas Tocco, earning \$249,000 in Fort Worth, are believed to be the highestpaid superintendents in the

Houston Federation of Teachers President Gayle Fallon said she hoped teachers would now get an equitable pay increase.

• Helen E. DeVoll, 83, homemaker.

· Billy Powell Everett, 24, diesel mechanic. · Lewis Willis Rogers, 81, retired Ashland Chemical

employee.

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Parking law effective tomorrow

By KATE B. DICKSON Associate Publisher

Your time's up. The meter's on zero. New parking regulations go into effect Wednesday to keep tractor-trailers, boats, recreational vehicles, trailers and such off the city's residential streets.

The much-debated ordinance was passed in October and six months have gone by since since two required legal notices were published in the newspaper, according to City Attorney Don Lane. The last legal notice ran Nov. 10, thus the law becomes effective six months later on May 10.

Enforcement of the law will be generat-

the police department, said Pampa Police Chief Charlie Morris.

Citizens making complaints are asked not to call 911 but to use the department's non-emergency number, 669-5700, Morris

When the ordinance becomes effective, the chief said he expects police officers to issue warning tickets at first because a time when warm weather usually

ed primarily by complaint calls made to many people may not realize the law has gone into effect.

Morris said the police department "wants to handle" parking problems related to the ordinance but said the violations "are more of a nuisance, an inconvenience" rather than a life threatening or

The ordinance is also going into effect at

police on patrol, the chief said, noting that has always been the case. He said safety violations usually fall under older, existing ordinances. As part of the law, city commissioners also included a provision that restricts

But when officers see a safety problem

related to parking it will be handled by

issues such as teenage drinking."

truck/tractors and other two-ton or higher rated vehicles from idling in neighborhoods for more than 15 minutes at a time. Originally the plan called for no park-

ing of boats, RVs, trailers, truck tractors, etc., on private property as well as on (See PARKING, Page 2)

"Citizens making complaints should not call 911 but use the department's non-emergency number, 669-5700."

Police Chief Charlie Morris

PISD board takes oath; PHS, PMS tile bids approved

By DEE DEE LARAMORE Staff Writer

Nancy Coffee and Lee Porter took their seats as members of the Pampa Independent School District's board of education during a special meeting at Carver Center early today. Coffee, a retired Pampa High School teacher, defeated incumbent

Sue Fatheree, for the Place 4 position in the school board election May 6. Porter ran unopposed for the Place 5 seat. Board members unanimously accepted the results of the May 6

election after Charles Buzzard, CPA, and board members Bill Jones and Pat Kennedy canvassed the votes. Municipal Judge Phil Vanderpool then administered the oath of

office to Porter and Coffee. President Jay Johnson welcomed Coffee as a new member of the

"I'm excited about being here," Coffee said. After the new members were installed, Jones moved that last

(See PISD, Page 2) Vandals will face felony charges

year's slate of officers serve as officers for the 2000-2001 year. Board

Police officials said today they intend Crime Stoppers to seek felony charges against those who smashed windows, mail boxes and

on Dogwood, East Kentucky and Holly Lane.

vard lights last weekend. Authorities said there were more than 40 reports of vandalism. Most of the damage was within an area bounded by Randy Matson, Hobart, 23rd and Lynn Streets. Damage was also reported

Officers said those reporting damage should be able to give a financial estimate of the damage done in order to receive restitution when the case goes to court.

Vandals went on a rampage between 11 p.m. Friday and 2 a.m. Saturday breaking windshields and knocking outside rearview mirrors off cars and trucks. Damage was also reported to yard decorations and lights and to mail boxes.

Officers estimated that the damage to the vehicles, mail boxes and yard decorations would run between \$7,000 and \$10,000.



(Pampa News photo by Nancy Young)

Folding chairs were among the many items auctioned off by the City of Pampa at the auction held in Borger Saturday. About 10 public entities and several private individuals placed items in the auction which drew over 400 bidders. Over \$38,000 will be the City of Pampa's share from the auctioned items.

Miami board to take oath

MIAMI — Newly elected members of Miami Independent School District's board of education are to be sworn in at its regular meeting tonight at 7 p.m. in the school administration office, 321 Custer.

After board members canvass the results from the May 6 election, the new board members will receive the oath of office and take their places on

the board. Other business items include the following:

reorganize the board;

 consider resolutions regarding EDNET Interlocal Agreement and UIL regional golf;

consider TASB media honor roll;

 consider resignations and hirings. Reports will be presented on the following sub-

NASA students and sponsors presentation;

TAAS test results for Spring 2000;

TASA/TASB Convention in Houston, Sept. 22-

• training requirements for board members. Financial reports to be given at the meeting

list of bills for payment;

· fund balances; lunch room; and

tax collector's report

Quite frankly... What is your favorite hobby or pastime?



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Jessie Serda



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"Fishing. I like the out- "Definitely gardening. I'm just an amateur. Occasionally, I do some stamp collecting."

Elizabeth Fernuik



"Sewing. I like to take a piece of fabric and make something out of

Chris Hodge



"Playing tennis. I enjoy being outside."

- Matt Raines



"Bluegrass Festivals. We like to pick and grin. We just got back from one in Mountain View, Ark., and some others."

Mary Caddel



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Daily Record

Obituaries

BILLY POWELL EVERETT

GALVESTON — Billy Powell Everett, 24, died Monday, May 8, 2000, as a result of a motorcycle accident he sustained May 2. An oceanside memorial service was recently held in Galveston. The body was donated to the Monday in the 2600 block of Navajo. University of Texas Teaching Hospital for Trauma Research.

Mr. Everett recently moved to Galveston from Amarillo. He was a diesel mechanic in Galveston and an organ donor.

Survivors include his wife, Lanay Everett, of the home; a son, 1-year-old Dakota Cole Everett; that someone had grabbed her shoulder. his parents, Clifton and Tanna Everett of Carrollton and Butch and Lara Eastern of Galveston; his grandparents, Charles and Nell Everett of Amarillo and Junior and Katherine Williams of White Deer; five aunts, Jaye Michelle Gunn and Io Walker, both of Amarillo, Betty Bradford and Pat Griffin, both of Pampa, and Llwlyn Walker of Lubbock; and two uncles, Walter Williams of Pampa and Robert Williams of Longview.

The family requests memorials be in lieu of flowers to: Dakota Cole Everett Education Fund in care of National Bank of Commerce, 1224 N. Hobart, Pampa TX 79065, (806) 665-0022. Cards, etc., may be sent to Mr. Everett's parents: Clifton and Tanna Everett, 1915 Sandy Lake Road, Box 104, Carrollton, TX 75006. The family encourages organ donation as it can provide a sense of comfort for those in pain as well as continued life for many in need.

HELEN E. DeVOLL

Helen E. DeVoll, 83, of Pampa, died Tuesday, May 9, 2000, at Amarillo. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. DeVoll was born April 18, 1917, at Kiowa, Okla. She married Steve DeVoll on July 15, 1939, at Robert Lee, Texas. She had been a Pampa resident since 1968. She was a homemaker and a member of a nondenominational church.

She was preceded in death by a son, Wayne DeVoll, in 1997; and by a sister, Nina Caffrey.

Survivors include her husband, Steve, of the home; three daughters, Nina Kemph of Colorado City, Martha Sluder of Pampa and Karen DeVoll of Tallahasse, Fla.; three sons, Roland DeVoll of Palmdale, Calif., Eddie DeVoll of Sunnyvale and Bill Rice DeVoll of Pampa; three brothers, John Martin Gramling of San Antonio, Dick Gramling of Cocoa, Fla., and Mem Gramling of Muleshoe; 11 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren. The family will be at 2609 Cherokee and

requests memorials be to Good Samaritan Christian Services, 309 N. Ward, Pampa, TX

LEWIS WILLIS ROGERS

WHEELER — Lewis Willis Rogers, 81, died Monday, May 8, 2000, at Elk City, Okla. Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Wheeler Church of Christ with Bill Morrison, minister, officiating. Burial will be in Wheeler Cemetery under direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler.

Mr. Rogers was born Aug. 2, 1918, at Medical Center. Shoshone, Idaho, to Franklin and Mary Ellen Simons Rogers, and was a lifelong Wheeler County resident. He married Irene Lois Switzer on Dec. 12, 1945, at Pampa. He retired from Ashland Chemical print shop and was a farmer

He belonged to Wheeler Church of Christ and American Legion.

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

Survivors include his wife, Irene, of Wheeler; a daughter, Linda Hink of Kelton; a son, Frank Rogers of Roundrock; a brother, Wayne Rogers of Sudan; six grandchildren; and two great-

The family requests memorials be to Wheeler Cemetery Association.

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Police report

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

Monday, May 8

Disorderly conduct was reported about 5 p.m.

Almost \$300 in compact disks and CD cases thought to have been taken in a burglary was reported found about 6 p.m. Monday in the alley of the 400 block of North Yeager.

An assault by contact was reported at Pampa High School. An 18-year-old student reported

Two glass windows were reported broken n the 1000 of North Russell.

A 14-year-old student at Pampa Middle School reported the theft of one pair of blue shorts.

A driver's side rearview mirror was smashed in the 1100 block of Garland sometime between 6 p.m. Sunday and 7 a.m. Monday. Tuesday, May 9

A domestic quarrel was reported about 1 a.m. today in the 800 block of Campbell.

Sheriff's Office

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

Monday, May 8 Misti Dawn Hill, 32, Groom, was arrested about 9 p.m. Monday by Gray County deputies on a warrant charging her with theft of property

Heather Dawn Heiskell, 19, 1717 Duncan, was arrested about 9:30 p.m. Monday by Gray County deputies on charges of theft of property

Accidents

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

Monday, May 8 A 1996 red Ford Thunderbird driven by Brandy B. Halliburton, 26, 429 N. Russell, was in collision with a 1956 white and red Chevrolet Bel Air driven by Kelly Charles Presson, 35, 2124 N. Sumner, about noon Monday on Hobart near Kentucky. Officers said Halliburton was stopped behind Presson at a stop light in the north bound lanes of Hobart when her foot slipped off the brake pedal. Presson was cited for not having

Ambulance

Rural/Metro made the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today. Monday, May 8

12:10 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Hobart on a motor vehicle accident and transported one to Pampa Regional

12:34 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC for a transport to Baptist St. Anthony West in 1:22 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the Star

Motel on East Frederic and transported to PRMC. 2:11 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo and transported one to PRMC.

2:54 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to NWTH for a patient transport to PRMC.

 5:10 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC for a transport to BSAW.

10:22 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 2000 block of Christine and transported one to

Fires

Pampa Fire Department responded to the following call during the 24-hour period ending at 7

Monday, May 8

6:35 p.m. — Five units and nine firefighters responded to a structure fire at 728 E. Denver. An outbuilding at the residence burned. Cause of the fire had not been determined by press time today.

Emergency numbers

Ambulance	911	
Crime Stoppers	669-2222	
Energas	1-888-Energas	
Fire		
Police (emergency)		
Police (non-emergency)	669-5700	
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Edwards attorney says he will call for mistrial in former governor's trial

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — A defense attorney Edwards' son, Stephen Edwards, said in court in former Louisiana Gov. Edwin Edwards' racketoday that he would file a mistrial motion. He teering trial said today he will ask for a mistrial also asked the judge whether he should file a secbecause the jury saw transcripts of secretly ond motion to make sure details of the mistrial recorded conversations that contained underlined

The jury told the judge about the markings on Monday but said jury members had not been prejudiced by what they saw.

Prosecutors and defense attorneys frequently made marks in the transcripts throughout the trial, but U.S. District Judge Frank Polozola had asked that the jurors be given transcripts that

were clear of any notations from either side. Defense lawyer, Jim Cole, who represents could get more than 300 years in prison.

request are kept secret.

Most of the motions that have been filed over the four months of the trial have been sealed by the judge. The defendants and attorneys are also prevented by a gag order from publicly discussing details of the case.

The four-term governor, his son, a state senator and four others are accused in a series of extortion schemes to manipulate the licensing of Louisiana riverboat casinos from 1991 through 1997. If convicted on all counts, Edwards, 72,

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PARKING

streets. The commissioners struck the private property prohibition from the ordinance following on outcry of complaints.

Under the law, truck tractors can be brought into neighborhoods so long as they are not parked on the street, but on private property. This provision was included because many truckers said they worked on and loaded and unloaded their rigs at

In these cases where complaints are made,

PISD

members agreed by acclamation to retain Dr. Jay Johnson as president, Pat Kennedy as vice president and Lee Porter as secretary for the coming

"It is traditional for the officers to serve two terms," Johnson commented.

"The first year is a learning experience," Kennedy added.

After the board officers were elected, Denver Bruner, facilities management, presented his recommendation to accept AMSI of Borger's bid of \$45,500 for asbestos removal and \$15,300 to replace tile at Pampa Middle School and Pampa High School cafeterias.

Only AMSI responded to the bid solicitation. Requests for asbestos abatement bids were also sent to SERCO in Borger, CST Environmental in Houston and Alamo Environmental in San Antonio.

This is considerably under what I had budgeted," Bruner told the board.

Bruner explained that the floor tile at Pampa Middle School and Pampa High School is the orig-

"It's old and said to be ugly," he said. "The tile itself is not asbestos, but the mastic underneath is." "How did we verify that this was asbestos," Dr. Johnson asked.

Bruner explained that a federal law passed in 1988 required that all school districts test their facilities for asbestos and the asbestos under the tile was found at that time.

"I verified that a year ago with an independent

Additionally, a 96-hour provision has been included which will allow RV street parking for uests visiting and for loading and unloading of ne vehicles.

Morris said citizens making the complaint will have to sign documents "because we will have no way of knowing how many hours a vehicle has been parked on the street."

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test," Bruner said.

Kennedy asked about the color of the tile and whether or not it was part of an overall decorating plan for the two schools.

Bruner said the tile for the high school had not been chosen, but that it would be lighter than the present brown tile. He said 90 percent of the tile at Pampa Middle School would be white with streaks of gray. Red and blue tiles will be interspersed with the white tile in keeping with the "Patriot" colors of red, white and blue, he added.

"I do hope we have a plan," Kennedy said. "My objective for being on the facilities committee is to see that there is a plan. I love the outside of Pampa High School, but then I go inside the high school and I feel like I've gone back about 50 years.'

removal would begin on Tuesday, May 30, and completed sometime in July. Dr. Johnson asked if the cracks, like those he had seen at Pampa High School, were going to be

With the board's approval, Bruner said, asbestos

repaired or if the tile would be laid over the cracks. "A lot of the problems you saw aren't going to be there," Bruner said. "The bid includes floor prep at both Pampa High School and Pampa Middle

Board members unanimously accepted AMSI's bid for asbestos abatement of floor tile in the cafeterias at Pampa Middle School for \$17,500 and at Pampa High School for \$28,000, and the company's bid to replace the cafeteria floor tile at the middle school for \$5,550 and for \$9,750 for the high school.

In answer to a question from Kennedy, Bruner said the stair treads are not included in this bid. He said this will be addressed at a later meeting.

Albilene sets highest U.S. temperature Monday with 102

It seems too early to be seeking stressing utilities as residents issued heat stroke and air quali-relief from record heat to Ben cranked up air conditioners. ty warnings, with few problems Parker of Abilene, Texas.

"It's just miserable," Parker, 77, said as his West Texas city posted the nation's highest recorded temperature Monday at 102 degrees. Three straight days of heat were making him feel his age.

"I would even like to go fishing, but it is too cotton pickin'

A spring heat wave has sizzled from Texas to New England,

Study will test oral form of MS drug

HOUSTON (AP) — An oral medication taken in tablet form could replace the daily and weekly shots that victims of multiple sclerosis must endure, a new study

The Coral Study, which will test the effects of the oral dose on people who have relapsing-remitting MS, is named for the oral form of the medication Copaxone. The University of Texas-

Houston Health Science Center is one of 57 sites in the country and the only one in Houston involved in the global study. Copaxone is one of three med-

ications approved to treat MS, a disease in which the body's white blood cells, called T-cells, mistakenly recognize cells in the myelin sheath system as enemies. The sheath, which protects the

central nervous system, begins to break down, leading to physical disabilities including numbness, blurred vision, incontinence, pain, loss of muscle control and coordination and in the most severe cases, blindness and paralysis.

All three of the approved medications come only in injectable forms, which allow the drug to be spread through the system via the lymph nodes.

"If the oral version of Copaxone turns out to be at least as good as the injectable, or better, it will make it easier for people to treat themselves," Dr. Jerry S. Wolinsky

While parts of New England and reported. Texas were expecting cooler tem-Carolina to Connecticut. In southern Michigan, resi-

region. But the storms also set in 1936. The American Red hot for that," he said. "I've been knocked out power to roughly Cross handed out thousands of here nearly all my life ... and I 40,000 Detroit Edison Co. cus- bottles of water. don't ever recall it being like this tomers, spokesman Scott Simons Any relief can't come soon that power might be restored.

> tures were in the lower 90s conditioning closed or sent children home early because of the

"It's warm. And we don't perform well when it's warm," said Barbara J. Jones-Smith, principal at Portsmouth's Douglass Park Elementary School.

Power companies in the midto conserve electricity as tem- early in the season," readings in the 70s, the National Maryland suburbs.

The unseasonable heat came summer, said Melissa Josef, a spokeswoman for PJM, which coordinates the transmission of Authorities in many areas tary.

Temperatures in Texas first

peratures, highs in the 90s were rose on Friday and reached forecast again today from South record highs over the weekend. It was 106 in Abilene on Sunday. Monday's afternoon high in

dents got relief from the searing New York City's Central Park heat early today as a wave of was 91 degrees, 22 degrees thunderstorms swept across the above normal and tying a record

said. He didn't know how soon enough for the animals at the Cape May Country Park & Zoo In Virginia, where tempera- on the southern New Jersey coast. Zookeepers scurried from today, many schools without air enclosure to enclosure helping out their charges in 90-degree heat Monday.

The goats hid under a wooden walkway, cowering from the midday sun. Tosh, a 350-pound Bengal tiger, lolled around in the shade, pausing only for an occasional dip in his pool.

"They definitely don't like the Atlantic region urged customers heat, especially happening this peaked Monday zookeeper Sheri Hickok. "Most above 90, well over usual spring of these animals, you've got to give them a little help. ... The Weather Service said. Potomac panda bears hate the heat. They Electric Power Co. warned of don't like being hosed or mistpossible brownouts today in ed, either, so we put ice blocks Washington, D.C., and its in their cages so they can rub up against them."

Belvedere Elementary School at a time when some generating in Arnold, Md., had to send stuunits were down for scheduled dents home two hours early maintenance to get ready for the because workers couldn't get the school's central air conditioning system started.

"It's a little warm in here," power for Mid-Atlantic utilities. said Deb Sesney, school secre-

City Briefs

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Weather focus

STATEWIDE - Mostly sunny today with a high in the mid 70s and north winds at 10-20 mph. Tonight, clear with a low in the mid 50s and southeast winds at 5-15 mph. Sunny tomorrow with a high in the upper 80s and south winds at 20-30 mph. Yesterday's high was 76; the overnight low was

PAMPA — A cold front dropping into Texas today promised

a slight break from unseasonably warm temperatures at the start of the week.

The front, accompanied by winds of 15 to 25 mph, dropped temperatures into the 50s and 60s from Wichita Falls to Lubbock.

In South Texas, morning temperatures ranged from lows in the 70s in southeast areas to the low 80s in the Big Bend. Skies were generally clear with only a

few high clouds. The forecast for North Texas

called for cooler temperatures by midday, with winds out of south turning gusty. Temperatures were only expected to reach the upper 70s and low 80s. Afternoon and evening thunderstorms were possible over far northern sections.

High temperatures today were expected to range from 70 in the Panhandle to 105 in the Big Bend. The forecast calls for lows in the 50s in northern parts of the state, and lower 70s in the extreme south.

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Calendar of events

TOASTMASTERS

night from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. at the Furrs Cafeteria. PAMPA PRISON MINISTRY

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

PANHANDLE ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL

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

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

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

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER

Womens Support Group for Child Management offers parenting skills to assist parents and children in dealing with anger and behavioral issues resulting from peer pressure, sibling rivalry, family violence and/or sexual abuse from 7-8 p.m. Thursdays. For more information, call Tralee Crisis Center, 669-1131. **HEAD START**

Head Start applications for enrollment will be available May 19 at Lamar Elementary School. The program is open to children who will be 4-years-old on or before Sept. 1, 2000. Acceptance in the program is based upon: 1) family income guidelines; 2) public assistance; 3) child with documented disability; 4) foster child. The following documentation must be provided: child's birth certificate; 2-months income verification or tax return; immunization McKeever at (806) 359-4673, ext. 141 or toll-free at 1records; Social Security numbers; documentation of 800-274-4673.

TOASTMASTERS disability (if applicable); proof of public assistance, i.e. food stamp card, TANF benefits, Medicaid; and health insurance card (if applicable).

PAMPA BOOK CLUB

Pampa Book Club will meet at 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 10 in the conference room of Lovett Memorial Library. The group will discuss the "Left Behind" series by Jerry Jenkins and Tim LaHaye. Visitors are welcome.

PRMC VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Sign-up for the summer Junior Volunteer Program at Pampa Regional Medical Center is currently under way this month after school at the Volunteer Front Lobby desk at PRMC. Students must be 13 or older. An application must be completed and returned to Nancy Paronto, coordinator of volunteers at the hospital, complete with parents' or guardian's written permission on form. Participants will be notified of all-day orientation in June. Normal schedules during the summer are four to eight hours per week. Learn about health care, accounting, business office, human resource office, dietary department, material management, medical surgical unit, skilled bed unit, information services desk and outpatient desk. Older students may want to try emergency department, surgery department and pharmacy department. For more information, call 663-5577.

COWBOY POETRY BREAKFAST

A Cowboy Poetry Breakfast will begin at 8 a.m. May 13 at the Big Texan in Amarillo. Working cowboys who write cowboy poetry and cowboy country musicians are encouraged to attend this monthly event. The western band "Palo Duro" will headine the morning program. Also performing will be Jim Anderson and son Cody.

HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will hold "Dialogue," a patient/family education support group sponsored by the cancer center and the American Cancer Society, Thursdays from 12 noon-1:30 p.m. this month (May). For more information, call Gerry Kelly at (806) 359-4673, ext. 235 or Stan

Meredith Horton of Pampa was recently honored as Outstanding Student Teacher of the Year during a banquet held recently by the Amarillo Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa at West Texas A&M University Hazel Kelly Wilson Alumni Banquet Hall in Canyon.

Meredith Horton Outstanding Student Teacher of the Year at West Texas A&M

CANYON — It was a night to remember for Meredith of Phi Delta Kappa recently honored several students at West Texas A&M University in the Hazel Kelly Wilson Alumni Banquet Hall. Awards were given for individual excellence in student teaching. Horton, a Pampa native, was among the honored recipients. Horton was awarded Outstanding Student Teacher of the Year in

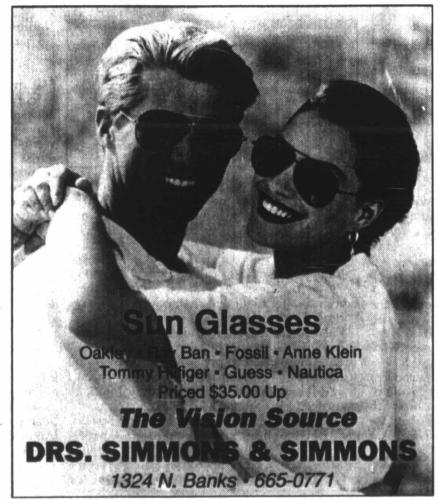
the Elementary category. Horton did her student teaching at Western Plateau Elementary School in Amarillo where she taught fifth grade. Her supervisor, Margaret Read, commented in the nomination letter that, "Meredith was so prepared each and everyday, she was always on task, and she has an unbelievable talent for keeping the students' attention while challenging them in small groups, individually, and as an entire class. It was an absolute joy to watch her."

Mary Beth Ford, a professor of education at WTAMU, presented the awards. Ford paused after reading the nomination letter from Read to let the audience know that Horton's extra work outside the classroom deserved recognition, too.

"Not only did Meredith perform well in the classroom, but she went above and beyond the normal responsibility of a student teacher by taking her own initiative in creating a student newspaper for the entire elementary school," said Ford. "I don't know how many student teachers would even attempt to do that."

Horton said, "I am very requirements for her teaching thankful for this award ... a lot certificate last fall from WT and Horton. The Amarillo Chapter of hard work went into it, and I is now teaching full-time at am very thankful for the sup- Western Plateau Elementary port of my family and teachers. School where she teaches sec-I could not have achieved this ond grade.
without them."
Other recipients included

Horton was also nominated Andrea Bryan who received for Student Teacher of the Year Outstanding Student in the State of Texas as well as Teacher of the Year in Student Teacher of the Year in Secondary Education, and the United States. The results of Jason Brents who received those nominations will be Outstanding Student Teacher of the Year in Allannounced later in the year. the Levels as a band director. completed



IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

The Texas Department of Health will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases including May 10, Wheeler School, Wheeler. polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) and chickenpox (varicella). The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The following clinics will be offered: 10 a.m.-12 p.m., 1-4:30 p.m., May 3, 17 and 1, Family Health Care, 600 W. Kentucky, Pampa; 12-

4 p.m., May 22, City Hall, Canadian; 12-3 p.m., May 4, Miami School, Miami; 10 a.m.-12 noon, 1-3 p.m., May 8, Shamrock School, Shamrock; 10 a.m.-1 p.m., SKY CAMP

Crown of Texas Hospice Foundation will present the third season of "SKY Camp," a camp for grieving children, June 30-July 2 in Ceta Canyon Camp and Retreat Center, 40 miles southeast of Amarillo. The camp is free to all participants and will focus on children between 7-17 grieving the death of a loved one. For more information or to make application, call (806) 372-7696 or 1-800-6365. The deadline for application is May 15.



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Opinion

Was force needed to capture Elian?

Storm trooper tactics really didn't need to be employed. There's thankfulness that no one was hurt and that 6-yearold Elian Gonzalez was reunited with his father.

But the outpouring of sentiment across the county causes

deeply disturbing questions to arise:
Was the raid justified by the circumstances? Did it have to be undertaken in such an overwhelming, quasi-military fashion,

with combat gear and automatic weapons? Was seizing Elian by pointing automatic weapons in his

general direction really in the best interests of the child?

One school of thought says that the government had its paperwork in order; that the family had resisted the federal government for months; that his Miami relatives were doing little more than treating him like an anti-Castro political prop.

Still, one retired Miami policeman, now living in California, said he is often appalled by the reliance on SWAT teams and paramilitary tactics by modern police agencies.

This time, though, he said the raid was justifiable and carried out in textbook-perfect fashion. His only regret was that it wasn't done earlier. The boy belongs with his father under normal immigration circumstances, the Miami relatives resisted turning him over to his father and such an action would ed turning him over to his father and such an action would have been necessary sooner or later. Surprise and force made it less dangerous, he reasoned.

But the point is plainly arguable. Joseph McNamara, the former police chief of San Jose, Calif., who is now a fellow at the Hoover Institution at Stanford University, said the bottom line is that the U.S. government put Elian Gonzalez' life in jeop-

ardy without any real justification. There was no evidence that the family was a threat to the boy, or that the crowds of protestors constituted a threat. Any SWAT-type raid with heavy armament includes the high probability that something unexpected might happen, McNamara said. "The only real danger to the boy came from the action of the government agents who were seizing him.

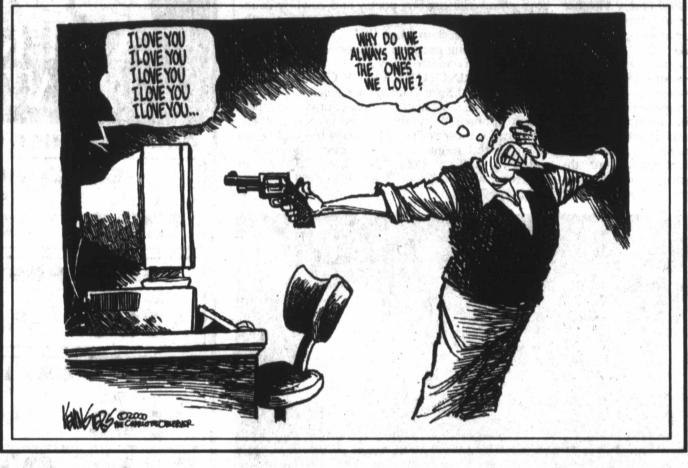
Thank God nobody was hurt, but the potential was there." McNamara questioned Attorney General Janet Reno's explanation that she made the decision to use overwhelming force because the negotiations with the family weren't going well. "Every hostage or hostage-like negotiation includes tense moments when one doubts the other side is operating in good faith and is tempted to kiss it off and go in with guns blazing," he said. "But when the federal government trains local police in resolving standoffs, they emphasize patience, keeping the negotiations active and understanding that time is on your side. They should check their own guidelines."

Then, the timing of the raid must be noted. The feds began to talk about a forceful seizure of Elian after the 11th Circuit Court of Appeal ruled, in what was viewed as a mild reprimand of the government's eagerness, that Elian should stay in the United States until the court heard his asylum case.

Most troubling, though, is the propensity of federal law enforcement agencies to use overwhelming, virtually military force as the first resort rather than as a backup. "The final irony," McNamara said, "is that Republicans in Congress, who have been urging the feds to beef up local police to conduct similar overbearing raids in drug cases every day, are shocked deeply shocked.

-Odessa American





Today in history

By The Associated Press Today is Tuesday, May 9, the 130th day of 2000. There are 236

days left in the year.
Today's Highlight in History:
On May 9, 1960, the Food and
Drug Administration approved a pill as safe for birth control use. (The pill, Enovid, was made by G.D. Searle and Company of Chicago.)
On this date:

1502, Christopher Columbus left Cadiz, Spain, on his fourth and final trip to the Western Hemisphere.

In 1754, a cartoon in Benjamin Franklin's "Pennsylvania Gazette" showed a snake cut into sections, each part representing an American colony; the caption read, "Join or die."

In 1926, Americans Richard Byrd and Floyd Bennett became the first men to fly over the North Pole.

In 1936, Italy annexed Ethiopia.

In 1945, U.S. officials announced that the midnight entertainment curfew being lifted immediately.

1961, **Federal** Communications Commission chairman Newton N. Minow condemned television programming as a "vast wasteland" in a speech to the National Association of Broadcasters.

In 1974, the House Judiciary Committee opened hearings on whether to recommend the impeachment of President Nixon

In 1978, the bullet-riddled body of Aldo Moro, Italy's former Italian prime minister who had been abducted by Red Brigade terrorists, was found in an automobile in the center of Rome.

In 1980, 35 motorists were killed when a Liberian freighter rammed the Sunshine Skyway Bridge over Tampa Bay in Florida, causing a 1,400-foot section to collapse. In 1994, South Africa's newly

elected parliament chose Nelson Mandela to be the country's first black president.

Mother's Day Wishes part two

Dee Dee

Laramore

Years ago, I wrote a column titled "Mother's Day Wishes." I wrote about my children and what I wished for them as adults.

Angel and Davy are adults now. Angel is 25 with two children of her own. Davy outgrew his name. We call him "Dave" and he's 22.

Tomorrow I will watch as he is swears his allegiance to the United States Army and I will watch as he flies away to a new life in Fort Benning, Ga.

When I was a teenager, I told my mother that I wasn't going to get married. I was going to be a foreign correspondent and travel the world. I was going to live life hard and fast and write all about it like my hero Ernest Hemingway.

I remember Mom looking at me, shocked. That's a hard life, Dee Dee," she told me. "You don't really want that."

"You don't understand me at all," I thought. The last thing in the world I wanted to do was take care of children. I babysat my own brother and sister after school and during the summer. That was enough for me.

Somehow, my adventurous dreams fell by the wayside. I got married a year out of high school. Three months later I discovered I was pregnant.

This was not at all what I had planned! When the reality that I was going to be a mother finally sank in, I started investigating this phenomenon. I remember looking at women on the street with children. "They sur-

vived, maybe I will, too," I mused.

I recall going to a book store in Lubbock and

flipping through a book on pregnancy. An amazing color picture of a fetus at the same stage as mine fascinated me.

But it wasn't until I felt the first flutter of life inside me that I began to experience a sense of excitement. When I heard the heart beat for the first time, I cried.

Since then I have cried many times for my children. When Dave was born and I saw he was the boy — the first one of this generation to be born in my family, I cried.

Because of my children, I've cried from happiness, frustration, anger and the deepest pain a person can experience.

One frozen January day, I stood beside a had died of pneumonia. I grieved because my

to this mother's whose daughter's life ended far too soon. I realized that day that our children are our greatest joy and our greatest sorrow.

When our babies are little, we spend all our time teaching them to walk and talk. Then we spend the rest of the 18 years we have with them telling them to sit down and be quiet.

We spend those two short decades preparing them to fly away on their own. That is the purpose of parenthood. That is our goal. My wish, truly my prayer, for Angel and Dave was to see them become loving, caring, responsible peo-

One day I watched Angel care for her children, my precious grandbabies Kaitlyn and Brendan. Once again, amazement filled me as I saw her dedication to them. She's a much better mother than I ever was. Watching them, I felt the same thrill I experienced when she laughed Tomorrow I will watch Dave fly away. This is

the culmination of the years Vic and I have spent preparing him for the future. Our task is done. We have met our goal. One more time, I will cry. Cutting the apron strings doesn't hurt that much, it's the way children have of breaking your heart strings. So I'm not a female Ernest Hemingway. I

mother burying her 20-year-old daughter who wouldn't trade the fullness of life that comes from being a mother, or my "Mother's tears," teenage daughter had gone to live with her happy or sad, for anything. Not for all the father 800 miles away. My grief did not compare world!

Coincidences in Elian Gonzalez case

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Mash almost any of America's foreign-policy pustules and what will ooze out is big business in pursuit of money. It now seems that even little Elian Gonzalez has become a pawn in an international business scheme. By the time you read this, some outcome

Nevertheless, what might have occurred. follows is important background. All of the information comes from the Archer Daniels Midland Shareholders Watch Committee. In the fall of 1995, ADM's chairman, Dwayne

Andreas, met with Fidel Castro for dinner in New York. In July 1996, Andreas announced that he was going to Cuba to see Castro. He said he contemplated building a refinery in Cuba but would do it through a Spanish subsidiary because of the trade embargo.

In 1997, a Spanish company invested \$65 million in Cuba for a refinery for the production of alcohol from molasses. In October 1999, Martin Andreas, senior vice president, said ADM would consider constructing a vegetable-oil plant in Cuba if the market were open.
Last January, the Cuban government

announced that it is moving toward consideration of a joint venture type of relationship with ADM. In February, ADM announced plans for another trade exhibition in Havana in

What has this got to do with Elian Gonzalez? Well, there are a lot of interesting coincidences.



Charley Reese

Syndicated columnist

Remember the meeting with the grandmothers at the home of the president of Barry University? Dwayne Andreas is a large contributor to Barry University and his wife is a graduate and is past chairman of the board of trustees. The president of the university was initially in favor of returning Elian to his father until the meeting with the grandmothers convinced her that the Cuban government was calling the shots.

Last October, Andrew Young, an ADM board member and member of the public-policy committee, is installed as president of the National Council of Churches, an old left front group that took the lead in urging that Elian be returned to his father.

Gregory Craig, high-priced lawyer who suddenly materialized to represent Juan Gonzalez, who couldn't afford two seconds of Craig's time, is part of a law firm that also represents ADM. Craig is ostensibly being paid by the

National Council of Churches.

That seems like an awful lot of coincidences linking Elian Gonzalez with ADM, which calls' itself the supermarket to the world. Castro is like any other communist dictator. If you want to cut deals with him, you have to kiss his backside. If you want to open a news bureau in Havana, you have to kiss his backside. Castro wants the kid back, and what do you know, a leftist church group and a high-priced lawyer, both with ADM connections, pop up to lead the campaign. And, no surprise, the big American news media jump on the same band-

Castro, by the way, has already said that Elian will be sent to a boarding school in Havana, where Cuban psychologists will straighten out his mind. Castro's daughter, who lives in Spain, had already warned that it would be Elian's fate if he's handed over to the dictator.

The Cuban exile community has always known that the question is not one of familial custody but one of freedom or a kid being sacrificed to a ruthless communist dictator.

One day I might find an American foreign policy that does not cause me to become nauseated. By and large, it is safe to say that the American government generally disgusts me, as do much of American big business, and much of the American news media. Liberty gets a cold reception from all three.

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Calvary Baptist Church building new education wing

Pampa's Calvary Baptist Church members broke ground recently on a new education wing with seven class-rooms and a youth hall.

The classrooms and youth hall are being built to relieve overcrowding in the children's and youth ministries of the church, church officials say.

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Once completed, Calvary Baptist's main facility, located at 900 E. 23rd, will consist of a 650-seat worship center, 30 classrooms, eight offices, a youth hall and a fellowship hall.

Rev. Richard Bartel said he and his staff are proud of their facility, but added that his church's main concern is to reach out to the community. He said Calvary Baptist seeks to achieve this goal through its many ministries, including men's and women's min-istries, youth ministry, prayer ministry, children's ministry, Bible study classes, marriage and family classes.

For more information on Calvary Baptist Church of Pampa and its min-istries, call or visit the church or log on to their web site at www.calvary-bap-



Members of Calvary Baptist Church of Pampa break ground for a new education wing. Pictured are Doug Cates, Jim Bennett, Meryl Looper, Rev. Richard Bartel, and Mike Flaherty of Mid-Continent Construction. The new wing will include seven classrooms and a large youth hall, church officials say.

McCain endorses Bush, asks not to be considered for veep

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Two months after their bitter primary battle, John McCain endorsed George W. Bush today and said he looked forward to "enthusiastically campaigning" for the likely Republican presidential nominee. McCain, however, asked not mate.

The Arizona senator gave his formal endorsement to Bush after a 90-minute private meeting that ended with a public handshake. "I endorse Governor Bush," McCain said over and over with a smile, drawing laughter from an audience that had waited weeks for the moment.

"By the way, I enthusiastically accept," Bush said.

McCain and Bush acknowledged they still have differences. "We are in agreement on more issues than we are in disagreement," McCain said.

While agreeing to hit the cam-paign trail for his one-time rival, McCain made clear he wouldn't accept the No. 2 position on a Republican ticket that polls show would attract support from independent voters who also are being courted by Democrat Al

"I asked that I not be considered for vice president of the United States," McCain said. He added that the Texas governor had a long list of qualified candidates to choose from, including Pennsylvania Gov. Tom Ridge, Sen. Fred Thompson of Tennessee and Wisconsin Gov.

Tommy G. Thompson. When a reporter asked McCain about aides' remarks that the timing of the endorsement was like taking medicine now rather than later, McCain replied, "I think your 'take-the-medicine-now' is probably a good description."

Behind the scenes, McCain's political team was chafing at Bush's refusal in the news conference to repudiate conservative broadcaster Pat Robertson's statement last weekend that a

Nonetheless, McCain was concerned that looking too eager to cozy up to Bush would tarnish his image as a straight-shooting outsider. And Bush was wary of being seen as begging for McCain's support, since doing so to be considered as a running would make him look weak or desperate against Gore.

be "very dangerous."

Asked about that, Bush simply said that McCain is "a friend of

"I look forward to enthusiastically campaigning for Governor Bush for the next six months," McCain said, calling the Texas governor the most qualified candidate to be president.

"I believe it is very important that we restore integrity to the White House," McCain said.

Both men said the tough GOP primary had not affected their relationship. "To look back with any anger or any rancor would be future. mistake for me and for hold no rancor."

nominating convention this summer. He said that in the tough primary campaign, McCain "made me a better candidate" and added to Bush's preparation to be

The Texas governor, who had been reluctant to compliment McCain immediately after their primary fight, said, "I told him point blank he made me a better candidate. He waged a very good campaign, he put me through my paces, and as a result of the campaign, I stand better prepared to become the president."

Bush said the two agree in many areas, including a need for reforms in education, Social Security and campaign finance

McCain told his staff of the

McCain vice presidency would endorsement decision after receiving a call from Bush on Sunday. When word leaked out Monday, McCain was furious, threatening temporarily in private to reverse course.

Unity serves the political ambitions of both men.

Bush needs McCain's help to court independent-minded voters and unite the GOP for a tough race against Vice President Gore.

McCain, whose presidential ambitions didn't perish with his campaign, wants to convince Republicans he is a party warrior worthy of a second look in the

Nonetheless, McCain was con-Governor Bush," McCain said. "I cerned that looking too eager to cozy up to Bush would tarnish Bush also offered an olive his image as a straight-shooting branch to McCain, saving he outsider. And Bush was wary of hoped his former rival would being seen as begging for play a key role at the Republican McCain's support, since doing so would make him look weak or desperate against Gore.

> During the primaries, Bush argued for a five-year, \$460 billion tax cut. McCain said the country could not afford it and the money would be better spent shoring up Social Security and paying down the national debt.

The two also clashed on campaign finance reform. McCain argued for a ban on all partybuilding, "soft-money" donations. Bush disagreed, saying that would give an unfair advantage to Democratic candidates, who can benefit from political donations funneled through labor

Bush tried to dilute the differ ences Sunday by telephoning

Big Game — big odds

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an ex-president. And no one seems to care.

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In Cana, Va., just across the North Carolina state line, 200 lottery players lined up at an Exxon station before sunrise Monday. One man bought \$3,050 in tickets, and gasoline sales suffered all day because the parking lot was full.

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In Virginia, so many people tried to access the lottery's Web site that the server crashed.

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et are about the same as putting by 13 machinists in Westerville, imagine the equivalent of sticking a pin in the Los Angeles The world lottery record is \$1.2 white pages and hitting your billion, set last December by cousin's name. Or throwing a Spain's El Gordo, or the Fat One. rock off the Empire State and hit-

Temple University math professor John Allen Paulos said the game amounts to a cheap dream.

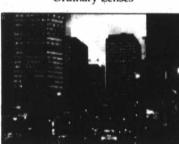
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Investigators say Osprey crash may have resulted from lift loss - descent is so rapid that the flow of In the case of the Osprey, the WASHINGTON (AP)

forced the aircraft into a fatal nose

The investigators are close to ruling out mechanical failure as a uncontrollably. cause and do not believe the investigation will find a need to redesign the aircraft, a unique hybrid of airplane and helicopter, Monday. said Investigators also have found no indication of recklessness by the pilot, Maj. John A. Brow, 39, of California, Md.

The Marines planned to dis-close their latest findings today. One Pentagon official said

investigators are about 90 percent certain that the crash at a small airport north of Tucson, Ariz., was caused by an aerodynamic phenomenon known as "settling with

This condition, also known as vortex ring state," occurs when a helicopter settles into the wash produced by its own rotor system. This can happen in circumstances combining a rapid rate of descent, low forward airspeed and a nearly vertical descent. The aircraft's

greater than the downward flow rotor wash. roduced by blade rotation. At

Marine Corps investigators air at the inner portion of the rotor rotors may have been using such believe last month's MV-22 blades is upward rather than a large proportion of available Osprey crash that killed 19 downward. The upward flow of engine power that the aircraft had Marines probably was caused by air caused by the aircraft's insufficient power left to slow the a loss of aerodynamic lift that descent can reach a level that is rate at which it was sinking in its

It is not clear what caused the this point the aircraft can sink Osprey to get into the "settling with power" problem.



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Power To Make A Choice Is Every Woman's Right

DEAR ABBY: The letter from "Pro-Choice Grandma" has caused me to write my very first letter to you.

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I, too, am a grandma, though only 60 years old. When my chil-dren were small, we discovered they suffered from brittle bone disease that caused their bones to break easily.

Our younger son was 5 when the first broken leg occurred. During that year, he broke his leg three times in less than nine months. To date, he has broken his legs a total of 22 times. He also broke his back and neck in an accident and is a paraplegic

Our older son has broken his legs six times. As soon as my boys were diagnosed with this condition, I promised myself I would not bring another child into this world to suffer as they

Abortions were not legal or acceptable in the early '60s, nor was permanent sterilization available for women in our area. We did everything we knew to prevent another pregnancy, but I knew in my heart that if indeed I did get pregnant again, I would not carry the baby to term. The good Lord blessed us by not forcing us to make that decision, but the fact that I might have had to have an abortion has enabled me to be more understanding of others who make the decision to end tive that individuals be



an unplanned pregnancy.

My younger son once told me that he would not have been able to forgive us for bringing him into this world, knowing he would suffer like he has. However, since we knew nothing of this condition until he was 5, he could not hold us responsible. He has chosen not to pass this condition on to his children. He has since married a lovely girl with two precious daughters who are now ais children and our grandchildren. We are also blessed with

two wonderful godchildren.
I join with those who are prochoice, and agree that only the individual knows how much she can handle, and the decision

should be hers to make.
BLESSED GRANDMA IN KANSAS CITY, MO.

DEAR GRANDMA: Your letter proves once again that there are many circum-stances that make it imperaallowed to make a choice for themselves. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I want to join "Pro-Choice Grandma." Where is it written that the only "choice" pregnant women will make is abortion? Choice means just that - the woman has a right to decide for herself, her body and her pregnancy. She might just as easily choose to have her baby, have it adopted or keep it herself.

The way I see it, I can be pro-choice and pro-life at the same time. I would make a *choice* to keep my baby. My niece chose adoption when she was pregnant after a date rape. I might have counseled her (had she asked me) to have her baby, but if she had chosen abortion, I believe that would have been her affair.

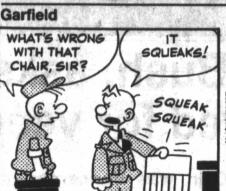
Each person's pain or joy is her own. There's no reason why another person should claim the right to decide how things should be for another. The right to "choose" for one's self is an indi-

vidual right.
GRANNY IN LONG BEACH

DEAR GRANNY: Absolutely. And it is a right that women had to wage a vigor-ous and protracted battle to win. However, it is also a right that, if taken for grant-ed, will surely be lost — and no one should forget that



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Horoscope

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 2000

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

* * * Your style is severely cramped by another. Where you believe a situation should be clear, others make it difficult. Money matters come to the forefront. Recognize that you might not be able to make a project happen as you'd like. Tonight: Midweek fun - you need it!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ** Difficulties arise. Others have a hard time working with you, but it's not necessarily your fault. Move into a more responsible position, where you can make your own calls. Others appear erratic and difficult. Tonight: Hide out and turn on the answering machine!

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ** Events and conversations force you to think long and hard about your situation. It seems that, no matter which direction you head in, you are blocked. Pull back and handle what you must. Work with the unexpected. Refuse to let uproar get to you. Tonight: Swap today's

war stories. CANCER (June 21-July 22) * Hold on tight as you see something

you want approach, only to fade away. You might feel you're on a roller-coaster ride and can't get off. A friend lets you

down in a key matter; associates rage out of control. Be careful with money. Tonight: Try to make it an early night.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) * * Try all you might, others seem to block your actions. Being self-contained in the midst of problems will help you weather the present storms. Partners get testy when the pressure's on. Let this pass. Tonight: Plan on doing your own

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

* Cocoon or take a day off. Anxiety builds, and you might not be sure about the direction in which you're heading. Lighten up about what can be, and worry less. What goes on today could shake you up. Plans take unanticipated twists.

good night's sleep. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

* * Work as a team, which in itself * Pace yourself. Listen to others when could be difficult. Others have their own dealing with a controversial matter. Keep agendas and could be causing you and themselves more trouble than they can see. Have a serious talk. Take a stand with a partner. Tonight: Hold on tight!

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) * Pressure builds, and you cannot seem to take a positive action. Stop trying! Tread water for now. Watch others and how they handle different demands. The spotlight might be on you, but don't feel forced to make a decision yet.

Tonight: Work late. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

and strong reactions mark your day, service of InterMedia Inc., Jenkintown, Maintain a sense of humor, a lot could Pa.

change quickly. Tonight: Relax with a movie

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) * * Work with others. Show your good will while others throw tantrums. Maintain your sense of humor, even though you might be challenged where money is involved. Avoid risks, both emotional and financial. A child or loved one is in a tizzy! Tonight: Listen to a close friend.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

* Listen. Try to restrain yourself from tossing your hands in the air. A family member might be exasperated, but there is little you can do. Defer to others as Work could be difficult. Tonight: Get a much as you can. Just let the present mood pass. Tonight: Out with friends. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

asking questions, especially if another's responses seem off to you. Concentrate on work, which could mean screening calls. Stay focused. Tonight: Exercise stress away

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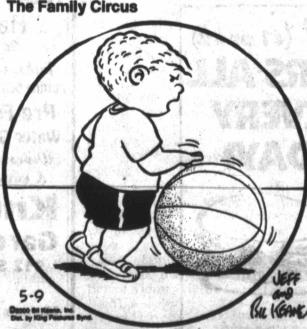
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"Go sleep on the couch. You kick in your sleep!"

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"That's why those basketball guys hafta be so tall. So they can dribble!"

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Notebook

BASEBALL

LUBBOCK - Pampa meets Pecos in the Class 4A area round of the playoffs at 7 p.m. Friday at Lubbock Christian University.

The second game of the best of three series will be played at 2 p.m. Saturday. A third game, if needed, follows 30 minutes later.

BASKETBALL

LOS ANGELES (AP) -Shaquille O'Neal of the Los Angeles Lakers won the Most Valuable Player Award today, finishing one vote shy of becoming the first unani-mous choice in NBA history.

The 7-foot-1 center, who led the league in scoring and field goal percentage, won the award for the first time. He received 121 of 122 votes from a panel of sports writers and broadcasters, said an NBA source, speaking on condition of anonymity.

This was the highest vote percentage (99.1) for a winner since the award began in the 1955-56 season.

Allen Iverson of the Philadelphia 76ers received the other vote, from Fred Hickman of CNN/SI.

"You take Shaq away from the Lakers and you've still got a great team," Hickman said. "You take Iverson away from the 76ers and they are the Clippers, the Hawks. They are no longer contenders."

The Lakers would not confirm the MVP Award but scheduled a "major" news conference for today when the NBA was to announce the

The vote totals were first reported today by the Los Angeles Times.

There was little question O'Neal would win. He proved unstoppable this season in leading the Lakers to a 67-15 record, second best in franchise history, and made them prohibitive favorites for their first title since 1988.

"I hope I get it," O'Neal said with a smile Monday when asked about the MVP award. "I'm having a pretty good year."

Finishing his eighth NBA season, O'Neal is the first Lakers player to win the award since Magic Johnson did so for a second straight time in 1990. Utah's Karl Malone won the award last

O'Neal won his second scoring title this season, averaging a career-high 29.7 points. He also led the NBA in field goal percentage (.574), was second in rebounding with a 13.6 average, and averaged 3.03 blocks and a career-high 3.8 assists.

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The 28-year-old center played his first four NBA seasons with the Orlando Magic before signing as a free agent with Los Angeles in July 1996. He missed a total of 53 games because of injuries in his first two seasons with the Lakers and was hampered by a strained groin last season.

"My first four years were pretty dominant," he said. "When I came here, I had some injuries. This year, I've been pretty much doing the same thing (as in Orlando)."

O'Neal missed only two games because of injury this season, both last month because of an ankle sprain after the Lakers had clinched the NBA's best record and home-court advantage throughout the playoffs.

O'Neal has averaged an NBA-high 30.7 points and 16.8 rebounds in six playoff games. The Lakers take a 1-0 lead over Phoenix into Wednesday night's second game of their best-of-seven Western Conference semifi-

"I would say this is the best team I've been on," O'Neal said. "Everyone gets along."

"I'm feeling stronger and The NBA's Rookie of the Award will be announced Thursday, with Steve Francis of the Houston Rockets and Elton Brand of the Chicago Bulls reportedly sharing the honor.

Scoreboard State meet looms ahead for Pampa foursome

PAMPA - For Tandi arships. Morton, Beth Lee, Angela Phillips and Levonne Evans, the wrapup on an outstanding track and field season comes down to the state meet May 12-13 in Austin.

No matter what the outcome, the four Pampa state qualifiers were a big part of the one of the most successful Lady Harvesters track team in school history. Pampa had seven meets on it schedule and didn't lose a one. The Lady Harvesters shared the regional track title with Canyon. Pampa hadn't finished first in a regional meet since 1994.

College recruiters have been quick to recognize the talents Lee and Morton have already signed college athletic schol-

Morton, who going to winning the 3200 and 800 Wayland Baptist University three times each. on track and volleyball scholarships, has enjoyed the best season of any Pampa hurdler in school history. Morton is unbeaten in seven meets and her 14.90 in the regional meet was the third best time in the

Lee, headed to South Plains College in Levelland to run track and cross country, is entered in both the 3200 and 1600 at Austin. She was the only Lady Harvesters to earn a medal at last year's state the title in 1999. meet, taking third in the 1600. Lee captured the 3200 at regionals and placed second in the 1600. She started out competing in the 800 in the of the Lady Harvesters. Both early meets before switching to the 3200.

Lee was a five-time winner

in the 1600 this season while gold.

chance of bringing home the Phillips won five meets and regionals.

Phillips may have the best ranked second at state. races before placing second at

finished second twice.

Her 39-9 1/2 throw in win- Evans sped past the compe-

San Antonio sisters vie for 2A title

AUSTIN (AP) - Two sisters of Whiteface advanced to the a 6-0, 5-7, 7-6 (8-6) winner over from San Antonio Cole High girls' title match with a 6-0, 6-0

title match with semifinal victo- Mims. ries on Monday.

Jill beat her sister 6-0, 7-5 for

Jill Klauck On Monday, defeated Lacey Wuthrich of Archer City, 6-4, 6-4 and Julie Klauck beat Big Sandy's Natalie Shipp 6-3, 6-1 to set up Tuesday's family showdown.

In other action Monday: —In Class 1A, Lindsey Brown

School are playing each other victory over Caroline Madison for a state tennis title — again. of Grady. She will play Crystal Jill and Julie Klauck earned a Blazek, of Leakey, a 6-2, 7-5 rematch of their 1999 Class 2A winner over Grady's Meagan

In 1A boys semifinals, John Paul Dennison of Irion County beat Clint Shuelke of Grady 6-1, 6-3 and Overton's Robert Brown scored a 6-2, 6-2 victory over John Dauselt of LaFors.

Beedy will play Mike Matison, 4-6, 6-3, 6-2.

Elkhart's Jon Michael Cline, for

-In Class 3A, Pam Gerik of West defeated Ginny Hubbard of Aledo 6-2, 6-1 to advance to the title match. She'll play Christy Mares of Seminole, who advanced with a 6-0, 6-1 win over Kayla Bowden of Gladewater.

John Leavitt of Vernon will play in the boys' final after a 6--In Class 2A, Kevin Beedy of 0, 6-1 defeat of Chad Waller of Spearman advanced to the final Bridgeport. He'll play Jeff with a 6-1, 6-3 victory over Easterwood of Rockdale, who Justin Johnson of Somerville. defeated Vernon's Wes Lehman

Avs may have edge on Stars

DALLAS (AP) — As the Dallas Stars prepare to meet the Colorado Avalanche in the Western Conference finals, the Stanley Cup champions are ready to take on a label they haven't had for vears: underdogs.

Although Dallas is the higher seed, Colorado is seen by many as the favorite because of how well the Avalanche have played lately.

Since adding defenseman Ray Bourque, Colorado is 20-4-1. The Avs have gone 8-2 in the postseason to set up a rematch of last year's conference finals won by the Stars in seven games.

Dallas also has gone 8-2 and is playing at its highest level since hoisting the Cup. The Stars have even been more impressive than last year's team that won the Stanley

"This is going to be a great ear," said Dallas center Mike Modano. "We just have to keep focusing on the fact we're eight wins away."

The first two games will be played in Dallas. The league has yet to announce a schedule for the series.

Statistically, the teams are pretty even.

The Avalanche and Stars have each lost just one game per round in setting up the rematch. Both have allowed 18 goals, though Colorado has scored two more than Dallas.

Their matching playoff records have been achieved much differently. The Stars have played six one-goal games, winning five, while the Avalanche have had only three, winning two. One of Colorado's tight wins came in overtime; Dallas has yet to go to an extra period after doing so in five games over the first two rounds last postseason.

Those minor differences are reflected in the similar ways the teams are built.

Like Dallas, Colorado has four lines that are expected to produce, six quality defensemen and a superb, séasoned goaltender.

Patrick Roy of the Avalanche has the most postseason wins in NHL history. Stars goalie Ed Belfour has been the best keeper the last three postseasons, leading Dallas to the conference finals each time.

"I always like the challenge of playing against Patrick," Belfour said. "The games are always competitive. I don't expect anything different."

Belfour has led the Stars to eight straight wins at Reunion Arena. He's had shutouts in four of them.

stronger," said Belfour, whose steadiness all season has helped the Stars win while working in new players and weathering a series of injuries. "A couple games, l didn't play well. But I feel I get better as the playoffs go

Who's on first?



Baserunner Oscar Sanchez of Curtis Well Service (left) and first sacker Ian Smith of Mon. Corp. take a moment to chat during a t-ball game last weekend at Optimist Park. The t-ball league is for five and sixyear-old players.

Astros drop to 3-10 on their new playing field

Enron Field isn't such a hitters' year. ballpark after all. At least not when Pedro Astacio is pitching.

snapped a string of 22 scoreless they throw what they want for innings with a 3-1 victory over strikes." the Houston Astros on Monday

park. It was just good pitching 21st of his career. by both Astacio (4-2) and loser Chris Holt (1-5).

here," Astros first baseman Jeff focused." Bagwell said. "We've said all tions, you can win."

Astacio did that as well as any Colorado failed to score in the

this park," Astros manager Larry Dierker said. "Change your speeds and change your locathat from time to time. Chris did walk. it some tonight. We need to get

everyone doing it." Astacio didn't allow a hit until the left-field wall and bounced any mistakes."

HOUSTON (AP) — Maybe over for his 10th home run of the

"It doesn't matter where you pitch if you have stuff and locate Astacio pitched a three-hitter your pitches," Rockies manager and Todd Helton hit a two-run Buddy Bell said. "He did that. homer as the Colorado Rockies That's what big time pitchers do,

Astacio, who also gave up Bill Spiers' leadoff single in the The Astros dropped to 3-10 in eighth and Hidalgo's single in their new playing field, the the ninth, struck out 10, walked worst home record in baseball. two and hit a batter in his first But they aren't blaming it on the complete game this season, the

"It was the best breaking pitch I've had," Astacio said. "I was "Chris and Pedro showed that throwing everything well. Most you can pitch in this park if you everything I threw, I threw for move the ball in and out and strikes. I didn't worry about the change speeds you can win fences. You just have to be

The Rockies didn't score in the along it's not the ballpark. You first, tying the team record of 22 change speeds and hit your loca-consecutive innings set from Aug. 11-14, 1996.

pitcher has at Enron Field this final three innings against "He (Astacio) changed speeds, blanked by the Giants twice, which is what you need to do in then was rained out Sunday at San Francisco.

Helton, who went 3-for-3, hit his 10th homer, in the second off tions. Shane Reynolds has done Holt after Jeff Cirillo's leadoff

"Pedro was the reason we won this game," Helton said. "He battled and battled and wouldn't Richard Hidalgo's leadoff homer give in. I can't say enough about in the fifth, which hit the top of the job he did. He didn't make

Fans treated to baseball, barbeque during Opening Day Ceremonies

beque were on the menu dur- Mice Mitchell. Shane Davis for DFB. ing Opening Day Ceremonies came in to pitch the final last weekend at Optimist inning and helped save the hits, but was hurt by eight

Fans were treated to four exciting games in the 9-10 homer. Drew Williams also year old Cal Ripken Boys had a two-run homer for League.

Also during Opening Day Ceremonies, Tanner Dyer was presented with a plaque from the 9-10 year old league committee members, players and managers. The 2000 seasonwas dedicated to Tanner, who has been through chemotherapy treatments and won't be able to play baseball for a

In Saturday's games, Miami remained unbeaten, Golden to win their first game of the Optimist Park. young season.

First State Bank of Miami defeated Celanese 5-2 as winpitcher Greenhouse struck out eight while allowing two runs on no hits. Greenhouse, Darius Kimberling and Aaron Carr combined for 17 strikeouts. Celanese had 13 strikeouts in the losing effort.

Moose Lodge downed Dunlap 16-11 in more 9-10 action last weekend.

game for Moose.

Davis also hit a two-run Stucki pitched five innings Cabot. Dunlap.

9-10 League (Standings through May 6)

Celanese Operating Co. Medicine Shoppe

In 11-12 boys Bambino Fortenberry pitched six League action last weekend, innings and struck out 13 bat- Duncan, Fraser & Bridges ters, Lefors came from behind slipped past Cabot 6-5 at

Winning pitcher was Braydon Barker, who didn't allow a run on one hit while striking out five in two and one-third innings

Shane Goldsmit had two singles while Luke Rabor, Chris Peoples and Dane Howard had one base hit each to lead DFB batters.

Grant Stucki had a double, Caesar Holguin and Keenan Davis one single each for

Goldsmith pitched the first

walks.

PAMPA — Baseball and bar- Winning pitcher was Ja- three and two-thirds innings for Cabot and struck out eight while giving up five walks

.He allowed five runs on two and five hits. Davis came in and pitched a scoreless sixth inning for



Coach Ed Copeland of The Operating Company 9-10 League team and son Colby get ready to enjoy the barbeque during Opening Day Ceremonies

Amanda is something special

They're all winners, those Special Olympic ath-

Last weekend at Boys Ranch, 19-year-old Amanda Childress of Wheeler became the latest

Area Director Rick Bousquet presented Amanda with a plaque, honoring her as Female Athlete of the Year for Special Olympics, Area 16. She was recommended for the award by Mary Stevens, Mary Ford and Jean Reeves, her Special Olympic Coaches.

Wheeler, is as active as any teenager.

An original member of the Islanders team, Amanda has participated in Special Olympics for about 10 years, competing in track, bowling, basketball skills, and aquatics. She is also a member of the basketball team.

The S.O. award is presented annually to a female athlete who best exhibits the attributes of courage, spirit and determination. Amanda certainly answers that description.

Amanda was supposed to be both crippled and blind when she was born, according to Jo Ann Green, a Special Olympics representative.

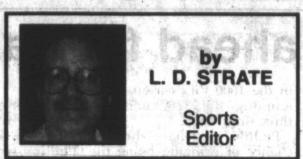
"Through her courage and determination to participate in Special Olympic competitions, she not only overcame her physical limitations, but also the sudden death of her father in 1996," Green said. Green said Amanda's father was instrumental in

getting her involved in Special Olympics. "With her mother's continued support, Amanda has far exceeded all expectations, Greene added. "She demonstrates a perfect example of what is expected by the Special Olympics oath: "Let me win, but If I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt."

I once sat out a high school basketball game because of a sore thumb. Makes me kind of ashamed now.

Pampa High is having its first spring football practice since Dennis Cavalier first took charge of the program in 1987.

The University Interscholastic League allowed scrimmages.



Amanda, the daughter of Pat Childress of Class 4A schools to have spring football for the first time this year. Before, only 5A schools had

Cavalier likes the new ruling.

"I really enjoy having the opportunity to do this. It's nice to able to instill our particularly style of football in a relaxed manner," he says. We don't have to worry about getting ready for a scrimmage or the first football game."

Pampa used to have spring practice when it was a 5A school. The Harvesters dropped from 5A to 4A in the mid-1980s.

This spring, indoctrinating the players into the Cavalier brand of football - both on offense and defense — has been the coaching staff's No. 1 priority.

The next phase has to do with the correct way to block and tackle. In other words, the basics. At last count, there were 137 current fresh-

men, sophomores and juniors taking part in spring workouts at Harvester Stadium. oaches are also busy trying to connect the new names to the faces. Class 4A schools are allowed 18 practices in a

30-day period. Cavalier plans 16 practice days, ending a week from Friday with a Green &

One intrasquad scrimmage has been held. Other scrimmages - involving the freshmen squad at 9 a.m., followed by the sophomores and juniors at 10 a.m. — will be held Saturday.

The public is invited to attend those spring

Pacers looking to sweep 76ers

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — The the 76ers in the Eastern Conference semifinals for a second consecutive year.

best-of-seven series Monday night, but saw his team lose 103-97 in a game that wasn't that close.

"I didn't think we were the aggressor at all the first half. for-25 from the field. He had a collectively tried to contain We were back on our heels," Brown said. "They got every can talk about it (winning) until that moral victories don't mean you're blue in the face, but anything. ... We never felt a you've got to go out and do it."

Jalen Rose and Reggie Miller, played like we were up three who each scored 40 points in games." Game 1, again made big contributions, while reserve Austin ing guard Eric Snow, who Croshere also frustrated Philadelphia's defense in Game

Rose scored 30 points and Croshere added a career playoff high 20 as the Pacers took a 2-0 lead in the Eastern Conference semifinals despite not making a field goal in the final seven minutes.

"I didn't feel that I carried my Smits. weight in the first round. There was a little bit of nervousness in that first series," said Croshere, who saw only one minute of playoff action in his first two seasons. "The key for me wasn't 'I've got to come out and score,' but to play hard and be aggressive."

Indiana's final field goal was a 3-pointer by Rose with 7:27 to play, giving the Pacers a 93-73 lead. The Pacers then scored Rose that put Indiana ahead 95-78 with 5:53 remaining.

The 76ers cut the deficit to four twice in the final 14 seconds, but were forced to foul, with Rose and Miller each making two free throws.

Indiana Pacers headed to Philadelphia on Wednesday Jalen, and then you have a Philadelphia hoping to sweep and Saturday. Only seven Croshere, and even Mark teams in NBA history have ral- (Jackson) ... It's a pretty impreslied from a 2-0 deficit to win a sive group."

> play a little bit more freer, a lit- against Iverson. tle bit more loose," said Miller, who had 19 points.

Allen Iverson led the 76ers with 28 points, but was only 9playoff career high 10 assists.

sense of urgency. I thought we

The 76ers also learned startmissed the final two games of

Indiana, which pulled away half, also got 14 points on 7-of-9 shooting from center Rik

They made shots again. I didn't think our defense was great," Brown said. "Until the end, the fourth quarter, they did just about what they wanted because their execution was great, their effort was great."

Croshere was 4-for-4 from 3point range.

game," Miller said of Croshere. streak of sellouts at Conseco McKey, their contributions their final 10 points on free were phenomenal," Brown the series. ... Croshere's previthrows, starting with two by said, adding he thought Smits ous high in the playoffs was 16

the middle and played his posi-"And with Reggie, and the high game with 28.

series shifts to level that he's playing, and

lackson scored seven points, Coach Larry Brown thought "Squarely, the pressure is but had 14 assists and also did the 76ers were ready to even now on Philadelphia. We can much of the defensive work

'He's a phenomenal basketball player. He can score against anybody, believe me," Jackson said of Iverson. "We him. We want to make him "It felt good to finish strong," work for everything he gets."

loose ball, they got long Iverson said. "But, I've been in The 76ers went more than six rebounds. They executed. You this league long enough now minutes without a field goal in the second quarter, shooting 22 percent. Indiana led 55-40 at

> Indiana came out hot for the second consecutive game, making 11 of its first 15 shots.

When we start like that, it takes us to another level. It the opening series against takes us from being a danger-Charlotte with a fractured right ous basketball team to being an ankle, will be out the rest of the awfully dangerous basketball way. He played just four min- team," said Jackson, who had utes in the second half Monday eight assists in the first period.

Indiana led 31-26 after one quarter and scored in the first as it shot 55 percent in the first two minutes of the second quarter on four layups.

> The Pacers began the final period with four reserves on the court and the 76ers capitalized. Indiana returned its starters, but went only 3-of-14 from the field in the quarter.

Notes: Miller, who scored 16 points in the first quarter of Game 1, had 11 points in the opening quarter Monday. ... "He had a fantastic overall The Pacers extended their "Croshere and (Derrick) Fieldhouse to 46. ... Indiana is 19-for-42 from behind the arc in made a significant impact, too. in the opening round against "The first half, he was great. I Milwaukee. ... Jackson has had thought he was good defen- 32 assists and just three sively. I thought he clogged up turnovers in the last three games. ... The Pacers tied their tion pretty good," Brown said. playoff record for assists in a

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Randy Velarde from the 15-day disabled list. Recalled RHP Ariel Prieto from Sacramento of the Pacific Coast League. Optioned INF Adam Piatt to Sacramento. Designated LHP Ron Mahay for assignment. SEATTLE MARINERS—Assigned OF John Mabry to Tacoma of the Pacific Coast League on injury rehabilitation. TEXAS RANGERS—Announced the retirement of Ed Napoleon, first-base and outfield

National League ATLANTA BRAVES—Recalled C Fernando Lunar from Greenville of the Southern League.
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Rangers' Helling stifles Mariners, 10-1

Texas starter Rick Helling wasn't language when I went out there, sure of where his pitches were going. It didn't matter because

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hit on his throwing hand by a too much to bear. comebacker, as the Rangers beat Seattle 10-1 Monday night.

"By far I didn't have really anything out there after getting hit. I just ended up getting by, Helling said. "I changed my total style of pitching and my approach to the game tonight, kind of make things up as you go out there."

After throwing out Tom Lampkin on the comebacker that ended the second, Helling showed no obvious ill effects until he began warming up prior to the seventh. He had retired the Mariners 1-2-3 in the third and fourth innings.

But while Helling was still shutting Seattle down, he was getting treatment every time he went to the dugout.

were unable to keep the swelling ball. down," Texas manager Johnny

and he admitted it."

Helling (4-1) allowed just three Seattle had a hard time hitting singles before he left with a 6-0 lead. He came out to warm up to Helling pitched six shutout start the seventh, but the pain innings, four of them after being and swelling in his hand became

"I don't think he threw the ball that well. He spotted the ball well," Seattle manager Lou Piniella said. "His hand had to have been bothering him. Give him high marks for staying in there and getting the win."

For Helling, it was his another solid start. In his previous start last Tuesday, Helling allowed just one hit in 7 1-3 innings against Tampa Bay, an 8-1 victory. He has worked at least six innings in six straight starts after I going just 3 1-3 innings on April

"I don't ever want to come out of the game, and I wasn't about to let it happen there unless I just absolutely could not throw the ball," said Helling, showing the swollen hand which still "He gutted it out until they imprinted with the seams of the third homer in as many games,

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Oates said. "I didn't like his body runs for the Rangers, who had extra-base hits to start five of the six innings in which they scored.

Royce Clayton led off the Texas first with a triple and the Rangers went ahead for good with three runs, highlighted by Curtis' two-run single. Clayton also had a leadoff homer in the eighth.

Jason McDonald had a leadoff homer in the second, and Mike Lamb scored after hitting doubles to start the fourth and sixth

After Clayton's leadoff triple in the first, Luis Alicea had an RBI single on the next pitch by Brett Tomko (1-2). After consecutive walks loaded the bases, Curtis singled with two outs.

The fact they are hot and that didn't pitch to the degree I should really didn't help," Tomko said.

McDonald, in the Rangers lineup because outfielders Rusty Greer and Gabe Kapler are on the disabled list, hit a 422-foot homer into the upper deck to start the second inning. After his he added an RBI single in the Chad Curtis drove in three fourth that scored Lamb.

New tracks get NASCAR, Indy Racing League races for next year

By JOHN MILBURN **Associated Press Writer**

The rumble of earth movers and the crashing waves of Lake Michigan were fitting back-drops as NASCAR and the Indy members.

NASCAR will expand its seaaddition of races at tracks Sept. 2. under construction in Joliet, Ill., and Kansas City, Kan. The events plug two gaps in NASCAR's coast-to-coast cir-

cuit. Monday's joint announcement at Chicago's Navy Pier and Kansas Speedway by NASCAR senior

indicate the series' growing racing has traditionally had a City, there will be as few as five schedule in 1972. Before that, relationship.

The first weekend of racing at Chicagoland Speedway, about interest.

30 miles from Chicago, will Series race on July 14, 2001, fol- to be back. Racing league added two new_lowed by a Winston Cup race on July 15. Chicagoland son to 36 events in 2001 with the Indy Racing League event on

The Kansas track, about 10 miles from downtown Kansas City, Mo., will open with an IRL race on July 8, 2001, before Cup event on Sept. 30.

New races in the heartland were welcome news to 1998 vice president Mike Helton and Indianapolis 500 champion IRL president Tony George Eddie Cheever. He said Indy for the series title. After Kansas

strong fan base in the Midwest, and the events will tap that

"This is our home ground," include a NASCAR Busch Cheever said. "It's great for us

Cheever, who appeared in Kansas City and Chicago, gave Speedway will also hold an credit to NASCAR for its tradition of oval racing and developing American drivers, a similarity he likened to the IRL. He said NASCAR had made great strides building tracks nationwide — which the IRL can also playing host to a Busch Series use — and showing that it is race on Sept. 29 and a Winston more than a southern phenom-

For Winston Cup drivers, the Kansas City date immediately becomes a race of consequence

race and could be the turning point of the season," said Jeff year's standings and 59 points behind leader Bobby Labonte.

The new races come just in time for the start of NASCAR's new \$2.8 billion, six-year TV will be the most events in a NASCAR season since its modern era began in 1972.

Both tracks will seat 75,000 around a 1 1/2-mile oval. The Kansas track is nearing completion and the Illinois facility is spring 2001.

since NASCAR trimmed its said.

there were as many as 62 races "It becomes a real important in one season, and no fewer than 44.

Helton said he has spoken Burton, who is fourth in this with many teams about the additions to the schedule.

"Part of them say, 'We're racers. We'll go 52 weeks a year," he told The Associated Press. "Others just say the additional package with NBC and Fox. It races make sense in the overall scheme of things and they'll do what they need to do."

Burton was not troubled by the length of the season, nor did he think larger venues for racing were hurting the sport.

"If you have to drop a few of scheduled for completion in the smaller tracks to make the series bigger and better, then It will be the most races run that's not a bad thing," Burton

Helton said NASCAR was wary of increasing the number of Winston Cup races.

"For us to add races to grow the sport, we knew it had to be major, major opportunities," he said. "That's what Chicago and Kansas City represent for us. By bringing out competitors to these major markets, we are creating the greatest overall awareness and enthusiasm for our sport."

Monday's announcements were geared at fueling that enthusiasm. Chicago is the third largest market in the United States, with a population exceeding 8 million, while Kansas City is also one of the top 25 markets and within a 300-mile radius of 21 million people.

State regulators examine landfill tire storage; tip claims some hidden from inspectors

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) - Workers at a Coastal Bend landfill may have hidden tires from state regulators to avoid being cited for violating environmental rules amid an inspection.

After investigators for the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission went to the J.C. Elliott Landfill, they heard that tires had

already been moved away.

"That is what we are investigating: where they were moved to and how many tires were there," Buddy Stanley, TNRCC regional director, told the Corpus Christi Caller-Times in today's editions. "We are looking into the whole

Stanley said the city is alllowed to

store as many as 500 tires at the landfill, Garcia said he learned of the latest cials today to discuss the incident, fire at the dump, burning for several days. The fire burned throughout the the size of a football field.

Corpus Christi City Manager David

which was inspected on April 28. In investigation early Monday and was Stanley said. Each violation carries a August, a mound of tire chips caught trying to find out the details. He said he fine of as much as \$10,000 a day. was unaware why anyone would hide tires, which can be stored temporarily at top layer of the 30- to-40-foot-tall the landfill until they are hauled across mound and into the interior of the pile the state to businesses that shred the

Inspectors will meet with city offi-

"We are going to take what action we

need to," Stanley said.

The TNRCC informed the city in March that the agency intended to fine the city \$87,675 for the August fire that cost almost \$1.2 million to extinguish.



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RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCI-ATION meets at 2 p.m. the third Monday of every month at the information, contact Carolyn Smith,

NESS CHURCH hosts "Second Sunday Singing" from 2-4 p.m. the second Sunday of each month. Singers and musicians from all over perform congregational singing. The public is cordially invited to attend. For more information, call Mina Towey, 665-8529.

Season of Change, 1900-200," will PALC volunteers work with people

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WHITE DEER LAND MUSEUM will be selling leaves and rocks to go on the new bronze Heritage which is in the Holland Wing. The items may be purchased all year as memorials and tributes to families, family members and friends.

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER support groups for victims of family violence - both women and children - meet every Thursday evening. For more information, call Diane about the adult support groups, 669-1788, and Nita about the children's support groups, 669-

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER Coordinating Council meets once a month. For more information, call Ann, 669-1131.

Senior Citizens Center. For more MEALS ON WHEELS Garage Sale, 900 N. Frost, will be every Monday throughout February and FIRST PENTECOSTAL HOLI- April. For more information, call Cindy Gindorf, 669-1007.

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more information, call 669-7501. CLEAN AIR AL-ANON will hold Thursdays at noon at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, call 669-7501. CLEAN AIR AL-ATEEN will hold weekly meetings on Mondays at 7 p.m. at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, contact 669-3988.

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p.m. at 218 N. Russell. For more infor- MISS TOP O' TEXAS RODEO 2000 pageant entries are currently being accepted. The pageant will be ings on Mondays and Wednesdays held July 13-15. The deadline for at 8 p.m. at 910 W. Kentucky. For entries is May 30. For more information, call the Rodeo office at 669-

weekly meetings on Tuesdays and HIDDEN HILLS Women's Golf Association will hold its "Play Day" at 6 p.m. each Monday from May-September. For more information, call 669-0434.

GRAY COUNTY GENEALOGI-CAL SOCIETY regular meetings will be at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Monday of each month at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church Parish Hall, 727 W. Browning. For more information, call Harley Madison at 669-6294.

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10:30 a.m. in the Nona S. Payne Genesis House. Room of Pampa Community 13 - CASH FOR TRASH program

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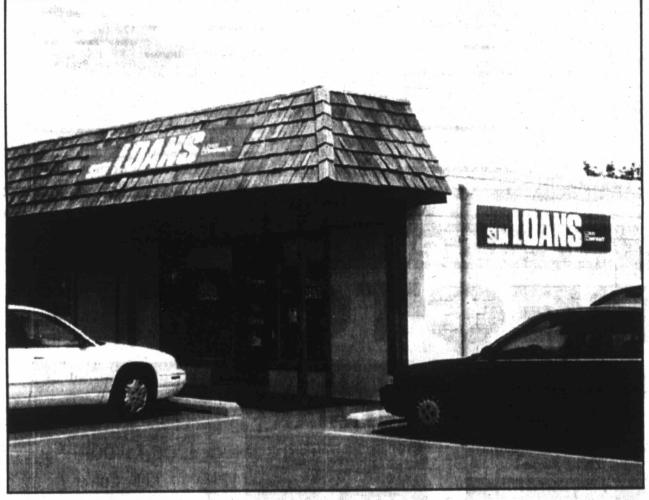
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