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## 16 years later ... Convicted killer to be back in Pampa courtroom

By DAVID BOWSER  
Staff Writer

An El Paso man serving a sentence for voluntary manslaughter will be back in a Gray County courtroom Tuesday, almost 16 years after pleading guilty in the stabbing death of a 32-year-old Pampa man.

Antonio Borjas Moriel, 33, pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter Nov. 8, 1984, in the stabbing of Earl Love, 32, 417 Crest, in September of that year. Moriel was charged with murder.

Moriel was sentenced to the

state penitentiary for 20 years. He was paroled in 1996.

Born in Juarez, Mexico, Moriel was living in El Paso in 1998 when his parole was revoked, and he was returned to prison.

Moriel's parole was revoked in 1998 after he was arrested on charges of public intoxication, five counts of capital murder, two counts of aggravated robbery, two counts of attempted murder, association with known criminals and possession of a firearm.

In a motion for a new hearing, Moriel maintains that all the charges except the public intoxication charge were dismissed.

Moriel's attorney, Harold Comer, who represented him in the 1984 stabbing case, said even the public intoxication charge was not verified.

According to law enforcement officers, on Oct. 19, 1996, three men came into an El Paso bar and robbed it. Officers said the trio killed five men in the bar and shot two more. One of the victims was shot six times but survived.

Although Moriel was initially accused of being one of the three men who robbed the bar, charges were eventually dropped. He

was never convicted in connection with the robbery and shootings at the El Paso bar.

Judge Lee Waters of Pampa's 223rd District Court initially denied Moriel's motion for a new hearing based on a violation of his civil rights, but the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals overturned Judge Waters' decision, saying Moriel should be granted a hearing because he had not been allowed to confront adverse witnesses during his parole revocation hearing.

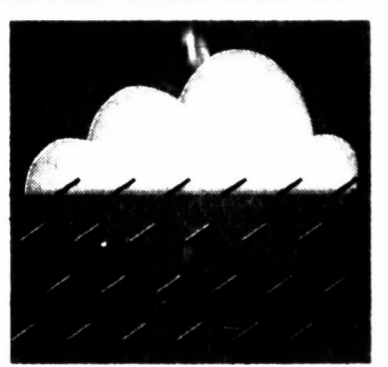
Tuesday's hearing will be to establish the facts in the parole revocation. Those facts will be

forwarded to the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals.

Moriel was a 17-year-old Pampa High School student at the time of the stabbing.

Pampa News reporter Jeff Langley described Moriel as a baby-faced suspect the day he was charged with Love's murder.

Authorities said Love and his girlfriend, Anne Wright, then 18-years-old, had driven to a Pampa convenience store about 1 a.m., Wednesday, Sept. 19, 1984, to buy a soft drink. As Love and Wright were leaving (See 16 YEARS, Page 2)



High today 56  
Low tonight 50  
For weather details see Page 2

### Early voting starts Monday

PAMPA — Early voting for the Nov. 7 General Election begins Monday, Oct. 23, at the Gray County Courthouse.

Balloting will continue through Nov. 3, from 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., in the Gray County Courtroom on the second floor of the county courthouse.

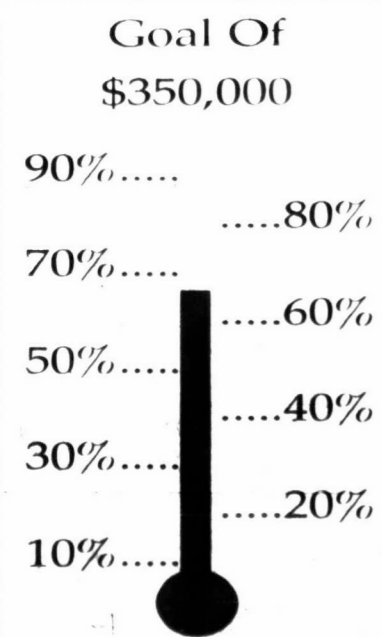
Applications for balloting by mail are being accepted through Oct. 31 for the Nov. 7 General Election.

The presidential election is highlighting the ballot with Republican George W. Bush and Democrat Al Gore both vying for the presidency.

Other contested races are the 31st District Attorney's race between Republican Richard J. Roach and Democrat Charles Kessie, and the U.S. Congressional race in which Cong. Mac Thornberry-R is being challenged by Curtis Clinesmith, a Denton attorney.

- Max G. Beaver, 72, retired English teacher.
- Kimberly Ann Ballard Hines, 39, phlebotomist.

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(Pampa News photo by Nancy Young)

Joan Aalbers, RN, pediatric nurse practitioner, Pampa Regional Medical Center Chief Executive Mike Munnerlyn, presents a toy to Blake Jones, 13 months old, and his parents, Jeff and Jodie Jones. The Jones family was the first Pampa family to earn the points that lead to a free gift in the 2Care for Babies program by completing checkups and immunizations during the child's first year. Audra Rios, CNA, right, is program assistant.

## Innovative year-old program making a difference for babies

By NANCY YOUNG  
Managing Editor

2CARE for Babies is one year old.

The innovative program came to Pampa last year, and has been very successful, according to Camille Stanley, director of 2CARE for Babies.

The occasion is being marked with a program expansion and the news of its successful service in several Texas communities.

A program of the Coalition of Health Services,

2CARE for Babies was established to give parents of newborn children in Pampa, Borger, Childress, Hereford and Perryton extra incentive to complete their child's well-child checkups and immunizations. The program is now spreading to Dimmitt.

"We are so excited by the support 2CARE for Babies has received," said Stanley. "By working hand-in-hand with physicians, nurse practitioners and clinic staff, 2Care for Babies is helping to

(See BABIES, Page 2)

## Father's murder altered life path of minister son

By DEE DEE LARAMORE  
Staff Writer

Two decades ago David Schlewitz stood on the brink of a career as a church pastor. He never dreamed the Lord would lead him to be a prison chaplain in Pampa, Texas. He couldn't imagine that his father would be murdered.

"My whole life changed when I became a victim of crime," he said.

In 1980, Schlewitz had just begun working as pastor of a small Assembly of God Church in Malone, Wash., when a telephone call shattered his life.

"I had just been to a conference and I was real excited," Schlewitz remembered. "My mom called and her voice



Chaplain David Schlewitz

sounded so flat. She said, "The pastor is here and he has something to tell you."

The minister told him his (See MINISTER, Page 2)

## 9-1-1 addresses go out in rural Roberts County

MIAMI — The Regional 9-1-1 Network and Roberts County with the help of the U. S. Postal Service have notified rural residents of their new 9-1-1 addresses, officials announced.

According to a press release from the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission in Amarillo, the new address for rural Roberts County residents is a physical address consisting of a house number and a road name. The primary purpose for the new address was to serve the enhanced 9-1-1 system by giving emergency personnel an exact physical address for rural residents.

The new address also serves as a mailing address for residents who currently have a route and box address. Individuals receiving mail at a post office box will use the 9-1-1 address as a physical address only, according to the release.

Any one living in a rural area of Roberts County who has not received an address notification or who may have questions about the notification should call the Regional 9-1-1 Network at (806) 372-3381 or 1-800-687-7911.

## Sunday snapshot



Name: Lupe Landin.  
Occupation/activities: Minister-evangelist.  
Birth date and place: March 31, 1953.  
Family: One brother, three sisters.  
If I had a different job, I'd be

a: Account clerk or CPA.  
My personal hero: Jesus Christ.  
The best advice I ever got was: Don't ever start something you can't finish.  
People who knew me in high school thought: Thought of me as "a funny fellow."  
The best word or words to describe me: Very talkative.  
People will remember me as being: Easy to get along with.  
My hobbies are: Music, art, crossword puzzles, reading, singing.  
My favorite sports team is: Dallas Cowboys.  
My favorite author is: Danielle Steele.  
The last book I read was: "Message from Nam."  
My favorite possession is: My

Bible.  
The biggest honor I've ever received is: A plaque for being founder of Ministers Hispanic Alliance.  
My favorite performer is: Carman and Point of Grace.  
I wish I knew how to: Speak German and Italian.  
My trademark cliché or expression is: "Hurt me!"  
My worst habit is: Biting my nails.  
I would never: Hurt anyone intentionally.  
The last good movie I saw was: "Random Hearts" and "Space Cowboys."  
I stay home to watch: Cowboys football game.  
Nobody knows: How it hurts me to see the elderly in nursing homes forgotten by their fami-

lies.  
Someday I want to drive a: Mini van.  
My favorite junk food is: Patty melts.  
My favorite beverage: Diet Dr. Pepper.  
My favorite restaurant is: Mi Familia Restaurant in Amarillo.  
My favorite pet: Beagle.  
My favorite meal is: Fajitas or menudo.  
I wish I could sing like: Walt Mills or Carman.  
I'm happiest when I'm: With friends or family.  
I regret: Not re-enlisting in the Air Force.  
I'm tired of: All turmoils and crimes among young people.  
I have a phobia about: Closed areas.  
The electrical device I could-

n't live without is: My stereo and TV.  
My most embarrassing moment: When I fell off my drum throne.  
The biggest waste of time is: Choosing leaders who aren't loyal.  
If I won the lottery, the most extravagant thing I would do is: Buy a church building, take a trip to Cancun, Mexico, and divide my winnings with family.  
If I had three wishes they would be: 1) Lose weight quickly; 2) preach on the radio; 3) have enough money to cater barbecue to nursing homes.  
If I could change one thing about Pampa, it would be: Start a taxi service and get prayer warriors to stop violence in Pampa.

The Chamber Reminds You October Is Breast Cancer Awareness Month

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A seriously injured Texas Panhandle woman represented by Amarillo Attorney Jack Hazlewood and his Dallas Co-Counsel awarded \$8.2 million Jury Verdict in Products Liability lawsuit against major automobile manufacturer (Case No. 93-10141, 116th District Court, Dallas County) Results obtained depend on the facts of each case.

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# Calendar of events

### T.O.P.S. #149

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (T.O.P.S.) #149 meets at 6 p.m. Monday at 513 E. Francis. Call 669-2389 for more information.

### T.O.P.S. #41

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (T.O.P.S.) #41 meets at noon Monday at 511 N. Hobart. For more information, call 665-3024.

### AL-ANON

Al-Anon will hold weekly meetings on Mondays and Wednesdays at 8 p.m. at 910 W. Kentucky.

### VFW CHARITY BINGO

The Pampa Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1657, 105 S. Cuyler, will be having Charity Bingo every Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Doors open at 12 noon. The public is welcome. License No. 1-75-6037422-9.

### CELEBRATION OF LIGHTS

The Celebration of Lights project will hold regular workshop meetings at 6:30 p.m. on Monday nights at 822 E. Foster. Anyone wishing to help with the project is invited to attend any work session.

### PAMPA DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

The Pampa Duplicate Bridge Club plays Monday at 1 p.m. and Thursdays at 10 a.m. at The Senior Citizens. For a partner, or more information, please call Marie Jamieson at 669-2945.

### PANHANDLE ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL

A support group for the mentally ill and family members meet the second Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at 218 N. Russell. This week we are discussing the negative symptoms of paranoid schizophrenia. There is no charge. For more information or if you need a ride call Sharon King, 665-2818.

### MONTHLY GOSPEL SINGING

First Pentecostal Holiness Church, 1700 Alcock, hosts a Gospel Singing from 2-4 p.m. every second Sunday of the month. Pastor Albert Maggard and the congregation of First Pentecostal cordially invites the public to attend. Singers and musicians from area churches participate in this informal congregational singing and enjoy various special vocal and instrumental presentations.

### ACT I COMMUNITY THEATER

ACT I Community Theater's annual membership drive is currently under way and will conclude at the end of the month. Season tickets are available and

include three shows: "The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940" (November); "Natalie Needs a Nightie" (February); and "Grace and Glory" (April). For more information, contact Membership Director Michele Andorfer at (806) 669-0356. All shows will be staged at the ACT I theater located in the Pampa Mall.

### SKELLY-GETTY-TEXACO RETIREES CLUB

Skelly-Getty-Texaco Retirees Club will meet at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 26 at Pampa Senior Citizens Center.

### LIFEGIFT MEETING

Jodie Patterson, LifeGift Organ Donation Center hospital liaison, Amarillo office, will facilitate a community meeting on organ and tissue donation at 2 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 22 in Zion Lutheran Church, 1200 Duncan. For more information, call Jean Snell at (806) 848-2943.

### REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB

Top O' Texas Republican Women's Club will meet from 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 25 at Furr's Cafeteria.

### HAUNTED HOUSE

Frank Phillips College Student Government will hold its annual Haunted House from 8 p.m.-12 midnight, Oct. 28 and 29 in the "old" Plainsmen Gym on campus in Borger. Admission will be \$4 for one and \$7 per couple.

### MUSEUM OF THE PLAINS

An exhibit by Lone Star Pastel Society is currently on display at Museum of the Plains, 1200 N. Main, Perryton. The exhibit, which includes contributions from 24 artists, will run through Oct. 31. A reception for the artists is scheduled from 2-4 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 22.

### MIP CLASSES

Clarendon College will offer

Minor in Possession classes from 7:30-10:30 p.m., Oct. 9-10, Nov. 13-14 and Dec. 11-12 in Clarendon, and Oct. 16-17 and Nov. 20-21 in Pampa. For more information, call Eddie Hankins, (806) 874-5074.

### PPQG

Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild will meet at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 26 at Pampa Senior Citizens Center, 500 W. Francis. The program will be a garage sale of sewing-related items. For more information, call (806) 779-2115. Visitors are welcome.

### FPC LYCEUM

Frank Phillips College Lyceum will host Meisenbach and Golden Harp/Flute Duo on Tuesday, Oct. 24 in the Fine Arts Building on campus in Borger. The concert is free and open to the public.

### PRPC CONTRACT

Procurement Center will sponsor "Doing Business with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice" with James W. David, HUB coordinator with Texas Department of Criminal Justice, from 6-8 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 24 at Panhandle Regional Planning Commission Board Room, 415 W. 8th Ave., Amarillo. RSVP by Oct. 20 to Edmond Esparza, phone (806) 372-3381 or fax (806) 373-3268.

### PALO DURO

Palo Duro Handweaver's Guild will meet at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 26 in Amarillo. The meeting is open to anyone interested in weaving, spinning, dyeing or fiber arts. For more

information, call (806) 358-2765.

### MINI BAZAAR

Waka's Church of the Brethren will sponsor the 11th Annual Mini Bazaar from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 28 in Ochiltree County Exposition Building in Perryton. Booth space is still available. The event will include: crafts, candles, candy, ceramics, cookbooks, cosmetics, home decorations, jewelry, leaded crystal items, Nativity sets, woodcrafts, yard decorations and much more. For more information, call (806) 435-4515, 435-2104, 435-3893 or 435-3876.

### CHILDREN'S HOPE INTERNATIONAL

Trinity Fellowship Church, Family Life Center, will sponsor a Children's Hope International meeting from 7-9 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 26 at the church, 5000 Hollywood Rd., Amarillo. The meeting will provide information on adoption programs in China, Russia, India, Vietnam and Guatemala. Brenda Barker, Southeastern Regional director for Children's Hope International and mother of seven internationally adopted children, will be the presenter. For more information, call (615) 309-8109, (615) 399-0032 or e-mail brenadabarker@earthlink.net.

### ARTS AND CRAFTS FESTIVAL

Wesley United Methodist Church will host its 20th Annual Festival of Arts and Crafts from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Dec. 2 in the Community Center in Hereford. A limited number of booths are currently available for a \$10 rental fee. Applications may be obtained by writing: Ellen Collins,

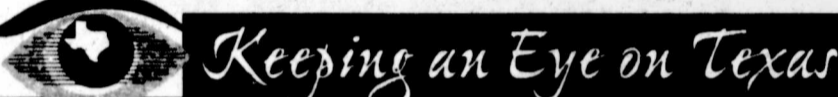
801 Miles St., Hereford, TX 79045 or by calling (806) 364-0774.

### ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

The local Alzheimer's Support Group will conduct a four-part series this fall. The series will kick-off Sept. 7 with Dr. Bruce Harrow presenting an overview of the disease. Topics will include: Communication and Activities of Daily Living, Oct. 5; and Community Resources and Caregiving Planning, Nov. 2. The series will conclude Dec. 7 with a panel discussion. The group meets regularly at 7 p.m. the first Thursday of each month at Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, 916 N. Crest. For more information, call Dauna Wilkinson, 665-0356.

### HEIFER PROJECT INTERNATIONAL

First Presbyterian Church, 525 N. Gray, is currently accepting aluminum cans for recycling. Proceeds will benefit Heifer Project International, an Arkansas-based service organization which provides livestock (chickens, pigs, sheep, cattle) along with training and support services to families and communities worldwide. For a limited time, donations will be matched 3-1 by a private foundation. HPI is a non-denominational not-for-profit agency. For more information, call the church office at 665-1031. Office hours are 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m.-12 noon, Friday and before 10:45 a.m. Sunday. For more information about HPI, call 1-800-422-0474 or visit <http://www.heifer.org> on the Internet.



## Defense downsize shuffles jobs

Since 1988, Congress has recommended closing or reorganizing more than 500 military bases in the United States — seven of them in Texas. Jobs were lost, but local economic development strategies restored jobs and created others.

Base	Year Closed	Jobs Lost†	Jobs Created and Restored†
Chase Field NAS — Beville	1993	1,801	2,219
Carswell AFB — Fort Worth	*	8,359	13,454
Bergstrom AFB — Austin	1993	6,678	3,500
Dallas NAS — Dallas	1997	1,642	+
Reese AFB — Lubbock	1997	2,492	1,450
Kelly AFB — San Antonio	2001	19,452	12,000
Red River Army Depot — Texarkana	*	4,512	2,900
<b>Total</b>		<b>44,936</b>	<b>35,523</b>

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Cindy and I are from this area. I grew up in Pampa and attended Wilson and Austin elementary schools, Pampa Middle School and Pampa High. My parents are Weldon (Bird dog) and Evelyn Trice. Cindy is from Miami. We have close ties to this area and love the people here. We support many area programs and the youth of this area. We want to see the communities of this area prosper. A major step toward the goal must be dedicated, meaningful and swift prosecution of those who violate our laws.

I will work hard for you to do the good job you deserve. I am the most qualified candidate. I have been the most dedicated in achieving our vision of full-time felony prosecution. In addition, I have recently attended conferences on "Prosecutor's Trial Skills" and on "Gang Prosecution" to better prepare for this important office.

Finally, I believe you deserve a District Attorney who possesses the same beliefs and values as you do. In this election, we must stand fast behind our values. It is critical that each of you who believes as I do stand up and vote for your beliefs in this election.

Cindy, the boys and I sincerely thank you for the encouragement and support you have given us through this difficult campaign. I am ready to accept this challenge and ask for your vote, prayers and support. With kindest regards, I remain

Sincerely,

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# People in the news ...

NEW YORK (AP) — Here's a tidbit for all the Harry Potter fans waiting for the fifth book in J.K. Rowling's series. The title, straight from the author, is "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix."

That was all Rowling would let slip Friday morning on the "Today" show and at a breakfast with children who had written winning essays about her books. "I kept saying I wouldn't tell anyone, but then this cute boy, about 8, asked me, and I knew it would make him so happy," she said.

Rowling has no deadline for the book and said it would probably not be ready by July, as had been rumored.

"Although book five is underway, I really haven't got that far with it yet," she said. "I'd like to ensure that I really like the writing ... I would like to take my time."

All is not lost, however. Rowling is penning two other related books to be released March 16. Proceeds from the sale of the books — "Fantastic Beasts And Where to Find Them" and "Quidditch Through the Ages" — will benefit Comic Relief.

"Fantastic Beasts" is a title on the boy wizard's school supply list in a previous book. The second new volume will be an anthology of Harry's favorite sport, quidditch.

LONDON (AP) — George Michael promised that as soon as he records a song on the piano John Lennon used to compose "Imagine," he'll return the instrument to Liverpool's Beatles museum.

"It's not the type of thing that should be in storage somewhere or being protected, it should be seen by people," Michael told London's Capital Radio on Friday.

The pop singer paid \$2.1 million on Tuesday to buy the Steinway Model Z upright, the centerpiece of an auction of Beatles memorabilia held at London's Hard Rock Cafe.

"I think I'll hold on to it for a couple of months and see if I can get it on to my new record and then it's going back to the museum in Liverpool where I think it rightly belongs," he said.

Michael downplayed suggestions that his composition would live up to the standard set by Lennon's "Imagine." "It'll probably be 'Chopsticks' in comparison," he said.

PORTLAND, Maine (AP) — Thanks to the honor system, horror writer Stephen King will continue to offer installments of "The Plant" online.

King had threatened to stop after three installments, about a vampire vine that takes over a publishing company, is still on track.

"I think he'd like to see that a little bit higher, but still is happy at least that people are coming through," King spokeswoman Marsha DeFilippo said Friday.

The fourth part of this serial novel will be posted on King's Web site, stephenking.com, on Monday. It will cost \$2 instead of \$1, but at 54 pages, will be twice as long as the previous installments, DeFilippo said.

DENVER (AP) — It was a skir-

nish in the war on fat as two rival diet gurus faced off at the American Dietetic Association convention.

Dr. Robert Atkins, author of two popular diet books advocating loads of protein and minimal carbohydrates, sparred with Dr. Dean Ornish, who advocates eating more fruits and vegetables and less fat, more in line with what most nutritionists recommend.

"I'm very happy to be here," Atkins quipped Thursday. "Not as happy as Daniel in the lion's den."

Atkins said his popular diet, which allows dieters to eat all the eggs, beef, chicken and fish they want, produces results. The crowd was polite but skeptical, with no overt heckling but many narrowed eyes and a bit of muttering from the aisles.

Ornish said Atkins' theories have no science behind them. Showing a poster from the movie "The Sixth Sense," about a boy who sees the dead, Ornish said, "I see dead people, too. They are on a high-protein diet."

SUN VALLEY, Idaho (AP) — The world's newest film festival debuts next week, complete with screenings, workshops and a dinner honoring actor Martin Sheen.

The Sun Valley Film Festival begins Thursday and runs through Oct. 29.

"Sun Valley was the only major resort without a film festival," said Wanda Petitioner, an organizer of the event. "Most of us go to the movies because of the actors, but none of the other festivals seem to focus on the

actors. So I thought, 'Why not?'"

Sheen, star of NBC Emmy-winner "The West Wing," will be given a career achievement award. Producer Roger Gimbel and set designer Herman Zimmerman will also receive awards.

The festival will feature workshops and talks, including a director's seminar with Jon Turteltaub. The festival has also given 52 scholarships to students.

ARCADIA, Wis. (AP) — Nicole Brown Simpson's sister said she is working to establish "Nicole Houses" throughout the country to provide temporary housing for abused women and children.

Denise Brown founded a charitable trust in her sister's name after the 1994 slayings of Nicole, the ex-wife of former football star O.J. Simpson, and her friend Ronald Goldman. Simpson was acquitted of the murders in a criminal trial but was found liable in a subsequent civil trial.

"We thought this could never happen to us," Brown said Thursday. "It can happen to anyone."

Nicole Houses will take in abused women for 18 to 24 months while they try to rebuild their lives, Brown said. Most shelters can't accommodate women long enough for them to get jobs, further their education and become self-sufficient, she said.

Nicole Houses are set to open in Minnesota, Michigan and California. The homes will be community-financed.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Cher, who is sometimes a topic of conversation on television's "Will & Grace," will make an appearance on the NBC comedy next month.

Playing herself, Cher will meet one of her biggest, most obsessed fans: Jack McFarland (Sean Hayes). The actress-singer filmed her cameo in the episode, called "Gypsies, Tramps and Weeds," on Tuesday.

"Will & Grace," which airs Thursday nights, received the best comedy series Emmy in September. The episode with Cher is scheduled for Nov. 16.

BOULDER, Colo. (AP) — President Fonda? Unlikely, says the actress.

Jane Fonda, campaigning against a proposed amendment to the Colorado constitution that would require a 24-hour delay in abortions, was asked Thursday if she would consider running for president.

Her initial response — laughter. "It's important we all remain realistic. I couldn't be elected dog catcher," Fonda, 62, said.

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. (AP) — Aviation legend Chuck Yeager, still flying high at 77, says there's really nothing to it.

"Airplanes are just like cars. If you can fly one, you can fly most of them," the retired Air Force general said Wednesday after climbing out of a F-15 fighter jet as part of a preview to this weekend's air show.

After joining the Air Force in

1941 as a mechanic, Yeager found himself in the cockpit of a P-39 in the skies over Tonopah, Nev. His first taste of combat came in 1944 in a P-51 Mustang over the coast of France.

The famed pilot flies a restored model Mustang regularly to events such as the Edwards Air Show.

"I don't live in the past," he said. "But I sure like that plane."

Yeager made history in 1947 by becoming the first to break the sound barrier, flying the experimental X-1 rocket plane.

MOUNT AIRY, N.C. (AP) — The Snappy Lunch restaurant, famous for its pork chop sandwiches and as the boyhood haunt of Andy Griffith, may be forced to move.

The building housing the town's oldest restaurant — mentioned frequently on "The Andy Griffith Show" — is for sale.

Jack Snow, 72, a retired veterinarian, bought the building in 1976 for \$12,500. He's asking \$159,000 for it.

Charles Dowell, 71, has worked the grill at Snappy Lunch since the 1940s, and has rented space in the building since 1960, when he bought out his partner.

Snow offered to sell it to Dowell, but the two couldn't reach an agreement.

Tourists and locals often stand in line to eat at Snappy Lunch, housed in the building since 1923.

"I think that somebody will buy this on emotion," Snow said.

## School gunman figures in election debate over sentence reform proposal

By BRAD CAIN  
Associated Press Writer

SALEM, Ore. (AP) — Kip Kinkel, the teen-ager who killed his parents and two schoolmates in 1998, has emerged as a central figure in the debate over an Oregon ballot measure that would reduce the sentences of thousands of inmates.

One student wounded in the attack and the father of one of those killed are asking voters to reject the measure, which theoretically could reduce Kinkel's 112-

year prison sentence to one that frees him at 21. The measure is on the ballot Nov. 7.

"If Kip Kinkel is resentenced, I will be living in fear every day, along with my family and fellow victims, that if he is released he will hunt us all down," Jennifer Alldredge wrote in the state's official voter guide.

The Republican candidate for attorney general is also featuring Kinkel in TV ads that accuse the incumbent of supporting the earlier guidelines.

Kinkel was 15 in 1998 when he

killed his parents at home, then went to Thurston High School and opened fire on students, killing two and wounding 25.

He pleaded guilty. Like thousands of other inmates, Kinkel was sentenced under guidelines passed by voters in 1994 that require judges to sentence anyone convicted of violent crimes, including young offenders, to fixed prison terms with no possibility of parole.

The repeal would require resentencing proceedings for Kinkel and everyone else sentenced under the 1994 law. Kinkel, now 18, could in theory be resentenced as a juvenile and be released when he is 21.

State Rep. Jo Ann Bowman, a leading repeal supporter, argued that opponents are using Kinkel as a scare tactic. Even if the ballot measure passes, she said, no judge would resentence Kinkel as a juvenile.

"There's no way that anyone could kill four people and wound 25 without spending an extremely long time in prison," the Portland Democrat said.

In the attorney general's race, Republican Kevin Mannix is running TV ads showing a photograph of Kinkel while a narrator says Democrat Hardy Myers supported the earlier sentencing guidelines.

Repeal opponent Steve Doell said there were times before 1994 when youths convicted of murder were released at 21, and it could happen again.

"There are judges who\* just don't believe in long sentences for juveniles," he said.

On the Net:  
Campaign for Measure 94:  
<http://www.voteyeson94.com>  
Crime Victims United:  
<http://www.crimevictimsunit-ed.org>

## GM to recall Cadillac DeVilles because of faulty air bags

WASHINGTON (AP) — General Motors Corp. plans to recall 224,000 Cadillac DeVilles because the side-impact air bags can deploy without a collision.

GM said it will replace the side-impact sensing module on the 1998 and 1999 model year cars once parts are available, which GM spokesman Greg Martin said would be sometime between January and March.

"Because these are past model years and the DeVille has been completely redesigned, we basically have to go back and remanufacture these parts," Martin said.

GM received 306 complaints that the side air bag on the driver's or passenger's side deployed without cause, including reports of one accident and 61 minor injuries. The company sent a letter to DeVille owners

last month telling them not to lean on the doors while driving. It also warned that if the air bag light stays on when the vehicle is started, the driver should immediately park and call for roadside assistance.

The agency is upgrading another investigation of 1.2 million GM trucks that may have faulty headlights, according to a report issued Friday. The investigation covers 1995 and 1996 model years of the Sierra, Suburban, Yukon, Tahoe and C/K trucks.

According to NHTSA, there may be an electrical problem that could cause the headlights to suddenly fail.

GM has received nearly 70,000 warranty claims on the problem. Three accidents have been three accidents reported, but no injuries or fatalities.

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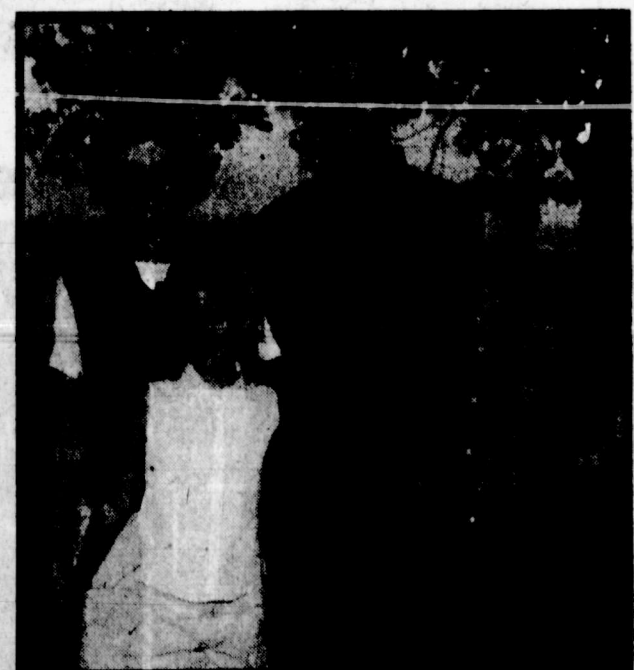
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# Letters to the editor

## Checks and balances system lost to executive branch

To the editor,  
Most of the issues discussed by Gore and Bush have questionable Constitutional authority. They make politically correct lures to attract voters.

There are important issues ignored by both candidates which are vital to the futures of all of us. Chances that they will be discussed in depth and explained are remote at best.

One major issue has to do with the many Executive Orders and Presidential Directives which President Clinton has inflicted on the body politic, mostly without citizens' knowledge or approval. Congress has allowed President Clinton to make "law" and has not protested. The overall result of this wave of lawmaking without Congress can only be tyranny if applied at some future date.

If the Executive Orders which implement United Nations' policies are put into effect, the sovereignty of the United States will be lost and international bureaucrats will become our masters.

Even though Congress will end its session soon, you can help restore American sovereignty by asking your Representative to support H.R. 2655, The Separation of Powers Restoration Act. This will come up again in January, but now is a good time for your action to stop the possibility of a future dictator destroying our liberties.

Paul D. Anderson  
Amarillo

If Democrats win back control of either the House or the Senate or if Al Gore takes the White House, then look for no Democratic death tax reform.

Generations of work can be wiped out overnight when estate taxes are due. Most people agree that death is a horrible event to tax, and that estate taxes are essentially confiscatory taxes on property that has all ready been taxed once.

So, I strongly urge you to vote, and when you do, please keep these thoughts in mind.

William L. Arrington  
Pampa

## Fourth Estate should pose questions better ...

To the editor,  
What do amble, canter, dander, glide, lope and saunter have in common? Give up? Well, for all practical purposes, they're just different ways of saying "walk." Do we really need that many ways to say the same thing? Probably not. Nevertheless, there they are — and there are many others. So here we sit, in our English-speaking nation, wondering why we have such a plethora of ways to describe such a trivial act. But when it comes to the union between two people who want to spend their lives together, we have but one term to describe such a union — marriage.

There seems to be a media conspiracy geared at tricking the Republican presidential candidate into divulging his opinion regarding homosexuality. Apparently, though, the only way of asking the question is to imbed it in an inquiry into his views on gay and lesbian marriage.

Quite naturally, he is able to easily dodge the question by saying marriage is meant to be between a man and a woman. It's truly amazing how media representatives pose questions to politicians using words that can be easily side-stepped, and then the same correspondents cry about having had their questions evaded. Meanwhile, the ignorant masses — who aren't supposed to know any better — are supposed to sit back and watch complacently.

Here's a thought. Why not ask both candidates how they would feel about simply calling gay and lesbian unions something other than marriage? After all, ours is not a tongue, which shuns synonyms. The unions could retain all the privileges of marriage, they'd just be called something else.

In other words, ask a question that must be answered without falling back on archaic definitions. Not long ago, a politician had the country on the brink of a constitutional crisis over his definition of some pretty easily defined terms, and the media had a field day. But that same media machine allows candidates to evade questions by

posing them in ways that make them easily evaded.

Perhaps the problem runs even deeper than simple semantics. Perhaps the nation's correspondents have already chosen a president, and now they are stuck with the unenviable task of making their choice seem presidential. And maybe the public is not supposed to ask any questions but are simply expected to sit back and watch the show — brought to them by the Fourth Estate, whose job it is to choose who will be the next President of the United States. Naturally, they perceive this as their duty because the general public isn't bright enough to select a person to fill such an important position.

So, who really won the last presidential debate? It was whomever the public was told to believe won it. Who will win the election? It will be whomever those "undecided voters" are persuaded to vote for. And whose will be the voice of persuasion? You can hear it every evening by tuning in to most of these ABC, CBS or NBC stations.

William Chaplar  
Jordan Unit

## Many citizens irate as food network gets the ax

To the editor,  
I have lived in the city of Pampa for a lot of years and, as the old saying goes, "I am much like Rover, I am all over," which means I get around a lot and I meet a lot of people.

Here of late I have come across many irate citizens who are angry with the local television cable service. Cable One has eliminated the Food Show on channel 62. The people who I have talked to are threatening to petition the city commissioners to procure another cable company.

I personally think I go along with the idea. Any help you can provide in this manner will be very much appreciated.

Lee Miles  
Pampa

## The real winner in the coming election is not clear

To the editor,  
There is much speculation and many polls about who will be elected our next president. In order to help the uninformed, it is obvious that the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR) will win whichever candidate gets the most votes.

President Clinton is a CFR member as are the leading members of his cabinet and policy makers in his administration. Vice President Gore is not a CFR member, but he may keep most of the CFR folks and probably add some more. Both candidates for vice president, Lieberman and Cheney, are CFR members.

There are 15 CFR advisors to Gov. Bush on his election team. Although he is not a CFR member, he will could very well follow his father who had about 300 CFR members in his administration.

So what? The "what" is that the Council on Foreign Relations is publicly dedicated to undermining the sovereignty of the United States and supporting the agenda of the International Socialists in the move to merge the nations of the World into the New World Order that President George Bush worked so hard to implement.

Whether Gore or Bush win the election, the big winner is the Council on Foreign Relations guaranteed!

Mark E. Pedersen  
Canyon

## Watch out for 'walking or riding school children'

To the editor,  
Please watch out for school children. Some of these children drive cars, and they have found the "Go Pedal," but seem to have difficulty remembering how to slow down and have not yet found the "Stop Pedal."

Never assume that stop signs are protecting you. Some students ignore good driving skills when trying to be first in line to eat. They may think they are good drivers; however, they are not yet mature enough to know that good drivers do not endanger other people.

The daily lunch race is most evident at 11:35 a.m. each school day. You are in the danger zone if you happen to be walking or driving anywhere between high school and the fast food drive-ins in Pampa. Remember to watch out for walking or riding school children.

Wm. J. Ragsdale  
Pampa

## TWC TOT program to help train child care workers

AUSTIN — The Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) is again giving eligible child care workers awards as part of the Train Our Teachers (TOT) program.

Awards, not to exceed \$1,000 each, will be given to approximately 400 child care workers statewide who will be enrolled in eligible courses during

Spring 2001. Applications and guidelines are currently available on the TWC website located at [www.texasworkforce.org/svcs/childcare/cctrain.html](http://www.texasworkforce.org/svcs/childcare/cctrain.html) on the World Wide Web. Applications also are available at Texas Workforce Centers and community colleges with approved programs.

TOT awards are targeted to current child care workers seeking to earn national certification as a Child Development Associate (CDA) or as a Certified Child Care Professional (CCP); or who are seeking a level one certificate or an associate degree in child development or early childhood education from an institution of higher education.

To be eligible to receive a TOT award, child care workers must have a high school diploma or GED; must be currently employed in a child care facility that is licensed or registered by the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services (TDPRS); must obtain one of the aforementioned credentials; and immediately after completion of the award-subsidized course work, must continue employment for at least 18 consecutive months in a facility that is licensed or registered by TDPRS. TOT awards are granted to an individual only one time. Previous recipients need not apply.


TWC has previously granted more than 1,800 TOT awards to child care workers across the state.

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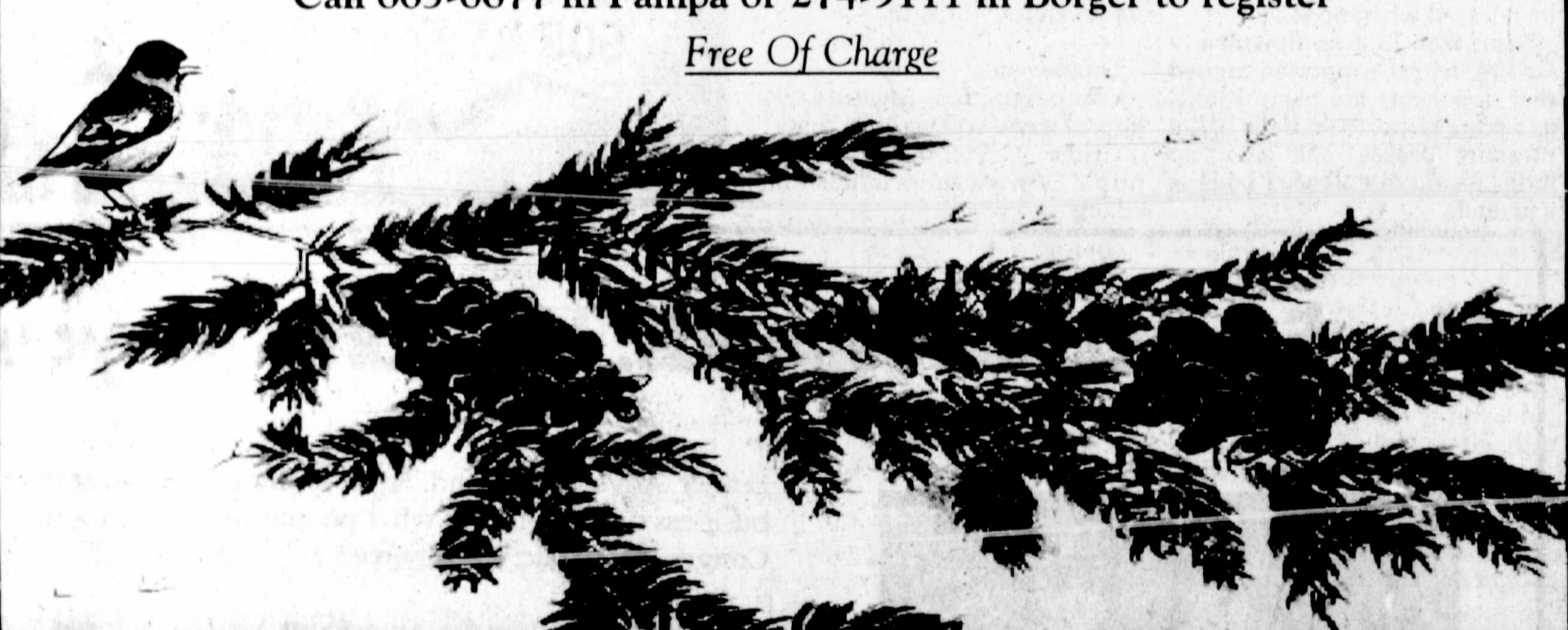
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# Education opportunities abound at upcoming Fort Worth Stock Show

FORT WORTH — Premium Lists for the 2001 Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show have been mailed to some 7,000 potential exhibitors, reports W.R. Watt, Jr., president-manager. The books outline the show classifications and give schedules for the more than 22,000 head of livestock expected to be in competition.

Scheduled dates of the 105th annual event are Jan. 19-Feb. 4. However, Horse Show exhibitors are urged to note that Cutting and Paint Horse events will begin Jan. 13.

"Record-setting entries among the horse breeds in general has necessitated the expanded schedule as a means of being more accommodating to exhibitors," Watt noted. Competition for the Llama Show also begins a day early, Jan. 18.

Junior Division exhibitors must enter through their county agent or agricultural science teacher by Dec. 1, while Open Division entries for cattle, sheep, swine, horses, donkeys, mules and llamas have until Dec. 10. Pigeon Show entry

*The "hands-on" exhibit will be open daily as a free learning opportunity, and compliment the Barn Tours program, presented by Barnmaster, the Kroger Petting Zoo, the FFA Children's Barnyard and the Milking Parlor.*

deadline is Jan. 5, and poultry and rabbits must be entered by Jan. 10.

Watt also said that many show rules and regulations have changed and urged exhibitors to read their Premium List carefully. He said that overall prize money for the 2001 event will exceed \$750,000 for the livestock divisions and the accompanying 30 performances of the World's Original Indoor Rodeo. Last year almost 800,000 visitors from across the United States and some 70 foreign nations attended the stock show, considered a premier exhibition and major livestock industry showcase.

National events for horned and polled Herefords are on the schedule. Auction sales on tap include the Invitational Ranch

Horse Show/Sale, and top quality offerings of Quarter Horses and miniature horses. In other divisions, auctions are set for llamas and registered shorthorn, polled Hereford, Maine-Anjou and Chianina cattle, plus two commercial heifer sales and the big Sale of Champions for Junior Department steers, lambs, barrows and wether goats.

Educational opportunities for all ages will abound at the stock show. The well-attended debut of the Planet Agriculture exhibit, presented by TXU Electric and Gas and coordinated by Texas Farm Bureau, will return as an interactive display that links all consumers to agriculture's daily involvement with life through sight, sound and touch.

The "hands-on" exhibit will

be open daily as a free learning opportunity, and compliment the Barn Tours program, presented by Barnmaster, the Kroger Petting Zoo, the FFA Children's Barnyard and the Milking Parlor. Another highlight will be the nightly presentation of the TexasBank Western Roundup Show, a pageant-style reflection of western heritage.

Rodeo fans will enjoy Jerry Diaz, a fourth-generation "charro" who exhibits amazing roping and riding skills that have won him international acclaim.

Also, Staci Anderson-Diaz will add a native-American tribute with her dancing horse, Dakota Warrior. Both will be joined by a special appearance of Fort Worth-based Folklorico Dancers. The special talent also will include a fast-moving band of trick and fancy riding experts.

Rodeo fans are urged to plan early for tickets to any of the 30 performances. Tickets to Friday night and all weekend performances are \$18 each, and weekday matinees and Monday-Thursday nights are priced at

\$16. The ticket office at the north entrance to Will Rogers Memorial Center will open Dec. 4 for over-the-counter sales. Early orders by mail should include \$4 extra per order for return postage and sent to the Stock Show Office.

Additional Premium Lists are available at the stock show office by calling 817-877-2400, or by writing P.O. Box 150, Fort Worth, TX 76101-0150. Information also is available on the Stock Show website, www.fwssr.com.

## West Texas A&M professor explores history of women in the panhandle

CANYON — Dr. Sandra Gail Teichmann, West Texas A&M University assistant professor of English, began a journey in 1996 to learn more about women in the Texas Panhandle. Her journey led her to a glimpse of early Panhandle life in "Woman of the Plains: The Journals and Stories of Nellie M. Perry."

"I was drawn to a few pages copied from the 1888 journal of Miss Nellie M. Perry," Teichmann said. After listening to several oral histories and looking at photographs and a few journals stored in the archives at the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum, Teichmann asked how she could get to the original, the whole of the journal.

Teichmann's questions led her to the Perry Memorial Library in Perryton and to Jeanne Gramstorff, the grandniece of Perry.

Teichmann spent the summer in Gramstorff's home reading journals and letters and looking at photographs from a time when Ochiltree County had fewer than 50 residents.

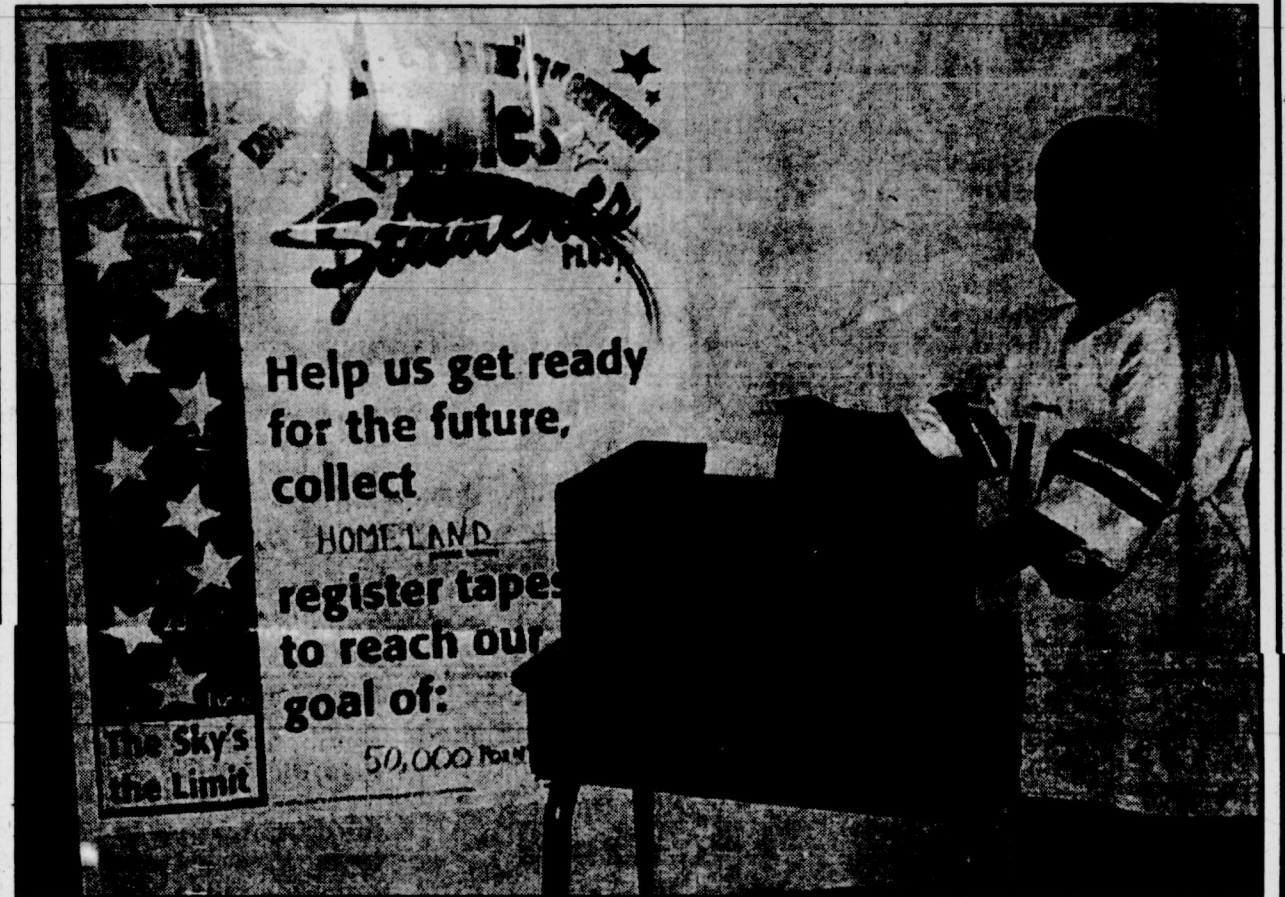
Teichmann carefully compiled Perry's never-before-published journals spanning from 1888 to her last in 1925 and compiled them in "Woman of the Plains: The Journals and Stories of Nellie M. Perry," which was published in June as part of the WTAMU Series by the Texas A&M University Press.

Perry began the first journal on the way to visit her brother George M. Perry, a pioneer rancher and later judge and founder of Perryton. Eventually, she came to live in Ochiltree County in 1916. During those years and afterward, she kept journals of her life in the panhandle. During that time she also wrote stories and essays about the people and things she encountered in that new, wild region.

"Women were needed on the frontier," Teichmann said. "Living was an ordeal, and many women did not have the time or strength to keep journals because of the difficult life."

After a book-signing and reading in Perryton, Teichmann enjoyed comments from those who have read the book. (See, BOOK, Page 8)

## 'Apples for Students Plus!'



(Community Camera photo by Patti Smith)

Ramon Jimenez, a second-grader at Lamar Elementary, puts a cash register receipt into the school's "Apple Plus" box. Lamar is currently participating in Homeland's "Apples for the Students Plus!" program. This school-community partnership awards educational equipment to schools that accumulate store register tapes. During the past several years, "Apples for the Students Plus!" has awarded more than \$250 million in needed classroom learning tools free to participating schools. For more information about Apples for the Students Plus!, or to donate register tapes to Lamar Elementary, contact Misty Jimenez at 669-4880.

## Local Edward Jones representative accepts limited partnership

Roger D. David, the Edward Jones investment representative in Pampa, has accepted a limited partnership offering in The Jones Financial Cos., the holding company for the St. Louis-based financial-services firm.

Roger said, "I am honored to be offered this limited partnership. It's a privilege to become part owner of a firm that is so well-known and well-respected throughout the financial-services industry."

John Bachmann, the firm's managing partner, added, "Edward Jones is owned entirely by its employees. We believe one of the best ways to reward outstanding associates is to offer them an opportunity to share in the ownership of the company they help build. I'm pleased to say that Roger has most definitely earned this limited partnership offering."

Roger, a native of Lawrenceville, Ill., joined Edward Jones in 1986. He has served investors in the Pampa area for the past 12 years and is active in several local groups, including the Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club.



Roger D. David

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## Austin honor roll

Austin Elementary School recently announced its honor roll for the first six-weeks grading period of the 2000-01 school year.

### SECOND GRADE

#### A Honor Roll

Payton Alvey, Hudson Bentley, Olin Boyd, Karina Cabrales, Trent Carter, Brandon Chairez, Rejoice Duggan, Katie Dunham, Lane Dyer, Dylan Ellis, Garrett Ericson, Chase Ferguson, Holly Gage, Callan Garner, Lynsie Guyer, Paige Hargus, Emily Hart, Lara Heersema, Paige Holt, Jacob Howard, Tyler Huddleston, Gavin Jimenez, Matt Kelley, Ashley Kettinger, Dillon Kyle, Evan McElwain, Kaitlyn O'Brien, Jonathan Polasek, Canaan Rhoades, Brenden Rice, Shanda Roberts, Hannah Smith, Kaysha Spence, Koby Starnes, Cameron Wall, Ty Youree, Danielle Zuniga.

#### A Honor Roll

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#### A Honor Roll

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Caitlyn Tanner, Rebecca Taylor, Carlyn Teichmann, Emilie Troxell, Samantha Turley, Brittany Vick, Whitney Wade, Kelsey Wallum, Kayla Ware, Kelsey Watson, Shelbie Watson, Caleb West, Hannah White, Ellen Whiteley, Ashley Williams, Leah Wilson, Kaitlin Winegeart.

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Taylor Little, Will McKay, Shelby Needham, Nicholas Riley, April Silva, Lauren Smith, Matthew Smith, Chandler Talley, Hilary Thomas, Lindsey Tomaschik, Casey Trimble, Chelsea Wallin, Abby West, Coleby West, Madison Wilson, Zach Winborne, Jeremy Zellefrow.

#### AB Honor Roll

Chloe Buttram, Colby Dennis, Krista Ferguson, Payton Johnson, Karlie Novian, Brett Powell, Kelly Smith, Jack Ware, Paul Watson, Shelby Wisdom.

### FIFTH GRADE

#### A Honor Roll

Cory Anderson, Layce Beesley, Claire Boyd, Colby Copeland, Jennifer Cox, Jimmy Craig, Kathryn Cree, Tanner Dyson, Colden Fortenberry, Stephanie Hasskarl, Nicole Heersema, Kenny Hightower, Dane Howard, Kailee Intemann, Mitch Kelley.

Chelsie Kyle, Logan McDonald, Mackinzi Pigg, Lindsey Riley, Texi Schaeffer, Garnett Schafer, Monica Schepp, Sarah Smith, Mark Stone, Marli Street, Briana Wallum, Greg Wariner, Joe Whiteley, Kelli Willson.

#### AB Honor Roll

Jesse Finney, Kyle Hargus, Matt Hathcoat, Haili Kotara, Jacob Maciel, Ariel Parry, Ashley Price, Tyler Rhoades, Erica Schepp, Brittany Tomaschik, Drew Williams, Ashley Winkleblack.

# Thousands of soldiers battle mysterious illness; Texas researchers seek answers

By TROY GOODMAN  
Associated Press Writer

ABILENE (AP) — Despite a firm grip on his ever-present walking cane, Chris Yarger has trouble just getting around the rooms and hallways of his home.

He's too unsteady for the outdoor patio. Accomplishing household chores can take hours and leave him physically and mentally exhausted. The 43-year-old former rancher hasn't held a job in some five years.

Doctors have yet to explain why the Gulf War veteran and father of two can't control his muscles better. Now classified as 100 percent disabled by the Pentagon, Yarger said the most troubling aspect of his unexplained illness is that his mind has lost its agility.

A former enlisted man, Yarger once learned three foreign languages to join a top-secret Army unit that practiced what he called "psychological operations" to help Kuwaiti civilians cope with a military presence.

"I forget where I put things within two minutes and my concentration is only good for about 10 minutes," Yarger said. "I'm not as sharp as I once was."

Diminished mental skill is a common refrain among more than 100,000 U.S. soldiers who returned from deployments to the Middle East in the early 1990s. Veterans say they suffer from a strange assortment of woes characterized as Gulf War Syndrome: memory loss, anxiety, severe nausea, balance disturbances, and chronic muscle and joint pain.

Nearly a decade later, a

debate still rages over whether the syndrome exists and what the government should do about it. North Texas researchers, meanwhile, have been gathering evidence that some troops may have suffered brain stem damage in a region called the basal ganglia.

"It's not a bunch of disconnected symptoms as we once thought since we are finding more and more evidence of real brain damage," said Robert Haley, chief epidemiologist for the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas. "We've raised a strong theory and supported it ... and nobody's refuted that."

UT Southwestern's findings haven't been ruled conclusive and federal officials have been skeptical. Scores of other university- and government-sponsored studies along with congressional hearings have failed to establish why some Gulf War veterans came home sick.

Some point to chemicals in the battlefield air, anti-nerve gas pills, vaccinations or rare infections.

The Pentagon and the Department of Veterans Affairs, after a slow start, have acknowledged a serious health problem exists but insist no single illness is behind Gulf War Syndrome.

Meanwhile, the political currency on the issue has dwindled, taking its place far behind concerns that the Clinton administration is not doing enough about America's dependence on foreign oil.

"What I'm distraught over is the thought of troops being sent to the Middle East again for another oil crisis," said Chris Kornkven, president of the National Gulf War Resource Center and a former Army staff sergeant who served in the Gulf.

At a Senate hearing last week, Dallas billionaire Ross Perot, who has funded Haley's research, said the controversy about Gulf War illness "is Agent Orange revisited,"

alluding to the defoliant used during the Vietnam War that the Pentagon claimed would not harm those exposed to it.

Perot said the failure to pinpoint a cause and treatment was due to Pentagon officials' unwillingness to retreat from early theories that the sicknesses were stress-related.

"I think you have a clear understanding of why this has gone on 10 years and nothing's happened," Perot told the senators.

Bernard Rostker, head of the Defense Department's Gulf War illness investigations, denied that government research is focused on stress. He suggested that Haley's findings need to be replicated with a larger group of veterans.

"We don't draw a conclusion on Dr. Haley's research. We are perfectly willing to support it," Rostker said. "But we don't again want to see Dr. Haley lobbying in place of the peer review, competitive research process."

In response, Haley said his research team has published 21 articles in peer-reviewed medical journals based on its work.

The sand-filled Persian Gulf region is a harsh, stark environment even for trained soldiers. Based on the available military records, many say it's nearly impossible to pinpoint exactly to what troops might have been exposed.

"We can talk about possible exposure all day, but that's not the point," said Howard Fienberg of Statistical Assessment Service, a Washington-based nonpartisan group that studies scientific and statistical data. "Disease is happening to a huge number of people and not just because they went to the Gulf War."

Initially, Haley was among the skeptics. But after poring over the medical histories of more than 2,000 sick veterans who had asked Perot for help, Haley became convinced more research needed to be done.

So using funding from the Perot Foundation, Haley's

team six years ago focused on veterans with the most dramatic and inexplicable symptoms. The result was a 1997 study published in the Journal of the American Medical Association that concluded that some soldiers suffer from distinct symptom clusters caused by chemical poisoning and that some may have suffered neurological damage from nerve gas or pesticides.

"Once you're confronted with that kind of scientific evidence, you can't help but aim for the truth," said Haley.

Texas Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison has secured \$5 million for Gulf War illness research in next year's defense spending bill. The money is expected to go to UT Southwestern.

The center is seeking another \$25 million to expand its research.

The data for Haley's work was gathered from the ranks of a Naval Mobile Construction Battalion. The unit's soldiers, dubbed Seabees, were reservists who, in contrast to combat units, traveled throughout the Gulf War theater and were exposed to a variety of desert camps.

Yarger, whose Army Special Operations squad actually lent support to units like the Seabees, was included in Haley's study as one of six soldiers designed to replicate the findings of a larger group.

Then in at least two studies published this year, UT Southwestern researchers used an imaging tool for measuring chemicals in the brain — magnetic resonance spectroscopy — to examine 22 of the sickest Seabees and compare the results to 18 healthy veterans.

Not only did they find subtle brain damage, but they say they've made a strong link between brain cell loss near the brain stem and abnormal overproduction of dopamine. Dopamine is a neurochemical that plays a key role in degenerative brain diseases, including Parkinson's.

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## BOOK

"One woman said 'I don't read, but I enjoyed this because I felt connected to these women,'" Teichmann said.

Another woman said she now lives on the Teas/Whippo ranch, a frequent visiting place for Miss Nellie, as she was called.

Teichmann said the book has also helped a lot of people value the stories their parents and grandparents have written.

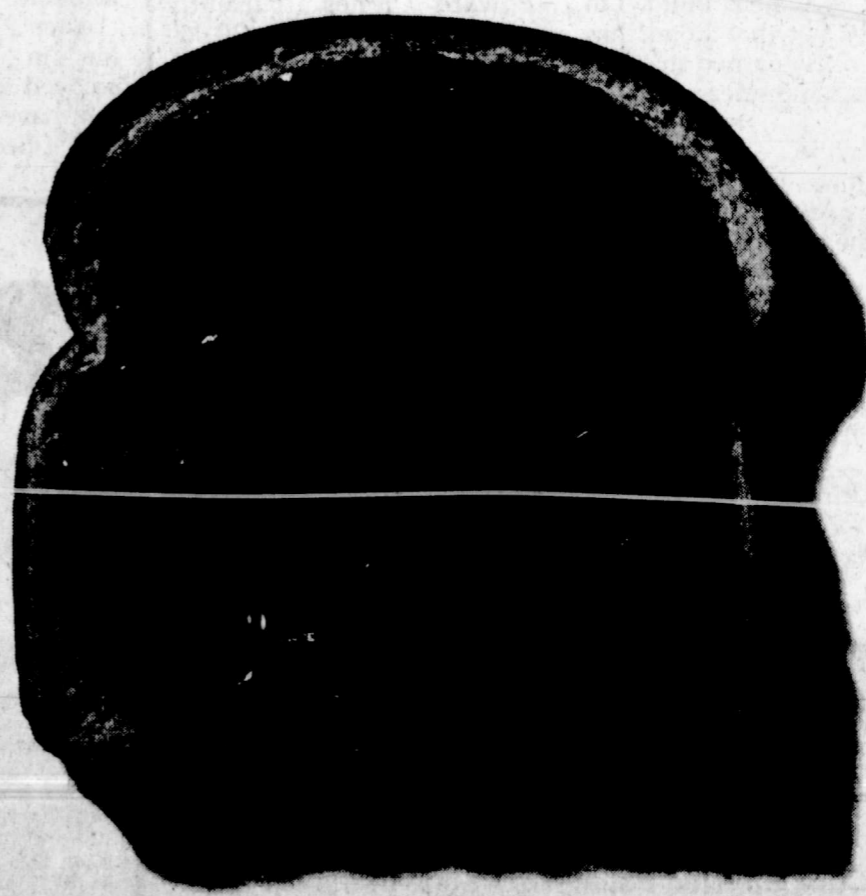
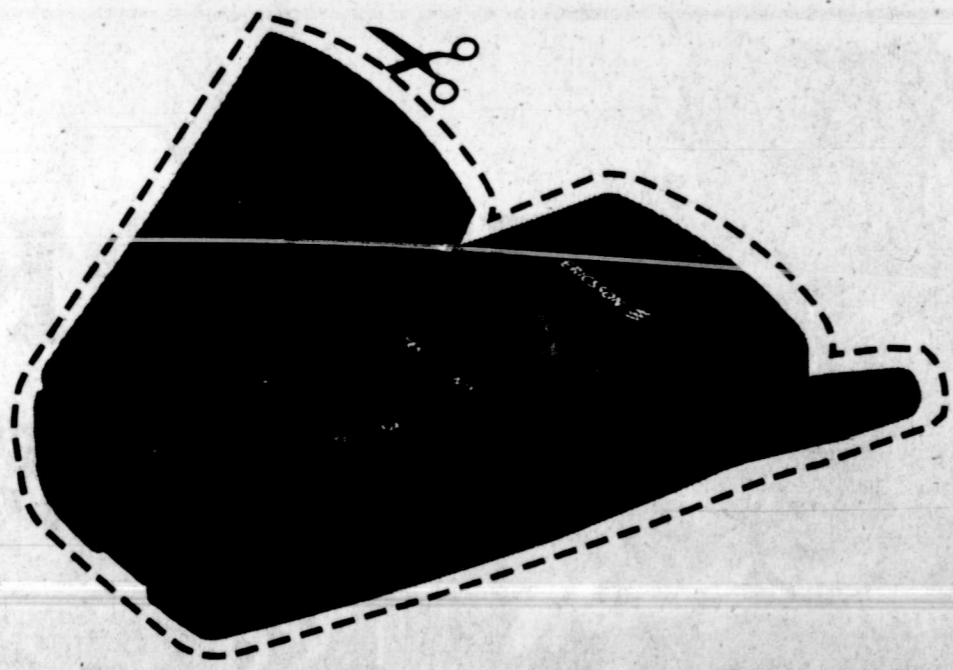
"I hope this will inspire them to go back and investigate their own family's stories," she said.

Teichmann has compiled another book, "Women on Trains," using journals women have written since the early

1900s about riding trains. Teichmann hopes "Women on Trains" might be published next year.

The 224-page book, "Woman of the Plains: The Journals and Stories of Nellie M. Perry," is available at the University Bookstore and on-line at [www.tamu.edu/upress](http://www.tamu.edu/upress) or [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com).

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# Businesses, services expanding to meet needs of an aging population

By STEPHANIE ALLMON  
Waco Tribune-Herald

WACO, Texas — With a generation of aging baby boomers and seniors who are living long, active lives, new businesses are being created to respond to the special needs of the older population.

From large responsibilities, such as selling home and medical care, to smaller ones like running errands, many individuals and businesses are marketing themselves to provide services that seniors need or want.

Bill Woodland, local managing ombudsman for the Heart of Texas Area Agency on Aging, said in his 10 years at the agency, the most noticeable trend in business response to seniors has been in living facilities for older people. Just a few years ago in Waco, for example, a senior without a medical emergency didn't have much choice if he or she wanted to move out of the family home. Now, with the emergence of retirement communities and assisted living facilities, they can remain independent and don't have to think about nursing homes as soon, he said.

"There are more old people than there's ever been, and the numbers are going up, up, up with the baby boomers," Woodland said. "Years ago, a man worked until he got old and died. Now he can be active with those ailments. Everybody wants to remain individual as long as they can."

Waco resident Nell Olszewski, who said she is "70-plus," wanted to remain independent but needed to take a few major steps to get there.

The maintenance around her house became too difficult, she said, so she needed to scale down her living arrangements. Her niece and nephew in Elm Mott, the only family she has in the area, helped a lot. But she needed to sell her house and many of the items she had collected over the years.

She called her friend Iris Clark, vice president of First National Bank of Central Texas. Clark's family owns and operates Clark Auction Co., a full-service auction and liquidation company and moving service. Not only did the company collect the items, which will be auctioned off, but it also helped move her belongings into her new residence at Lake Shore Estates.

Robbie Clark, part-owner of the company, said about 80 percent of its business comes from seniors who want to scale down their estates.

People in situations similar to Olszewski's are the reason Iris Clark has teamed up with her friend Evelyn Love, a Realtor with Kelly Realtors, to market their services as "Two Companies, One Vision." If Love sells a house owned by a senior who needs help moving, she'll call the Clarks. And Iris Clark may refer a family client to Love to sell the client's house.

Both Love and Clark had experienced moving their mothers into smaller homes or nursing homes, so they knew firsthand the challenges that go with making that transition.

"We thought it would be great for us to team together because there are so many people — even in Waco — like that," Love said. "I thought, if we teamed up, this would be almost like a ministry. Not only are we

doing our jobs — and, of course, it's a profit-making job — but we're helping people, and I think that was the whole idea because we could relate."

Robbie Clark said one of the most important aspects of working with seniors is making them feel comfortable. Sorting through a lifetime of personal belongings can be difficult, especially with complete strangers, he said. So he takes a few days to sit down and get to know his clients while he helps move their possessions.

When Cindy Lawless and Brenda Mosier assist their clients, they often become so close to them they become like part of the family. Almost a year ago, Lawless and Mosier founded Heart and Hands Personal Assistants, a service that helps seniors with everyday needs, such as grocery shopping, bill paying, gift shopping and insurance claims.

"We're really marketing peace of mind," said Lawless, who handles the business' marketing and sales, while Mosier handles most of the client services. "We're not trying to take control and take things away from them."

Lawless said Heart and Hands does not market itself exclusively to seniors, but seniors make up about 80 percent of the company's clientele. Both Lawless and Mosier had worked in businesses that had senior clients, so they knew about the growing population of older adults.

Besides errand-running and bill-paying, Heart and Hands offers a reminder service to help clients remember special days like birth-

days or anniversaries. The company also decorates people's homes for the holidays and helps them sign cards if they can't write. Depending on the service, Heart and Hands charge by a monthly or hourly fee.

Lawless, who also teaches in the Baylor marketing department, said that when seniors are choosing to work with a business that calls itself "senior friendly," they should make sure the business is offering services it can legally provide. For example, because of certain Medicaid laws, Heart and Hands cannot offer any medical services that require a nurse's aid. To check out a business, she suggested calling the Medicaid or Medicare office, or the Department of Human Services. The Better Business Bureau may also be able to help determine if the business is legitimate.

Once seniors do choose a company to work with, they should feel a high degree of comfort and trust, Lawless said. And that trust should be felt by all members of the family, not just the seniors themselves. She said sometimes it's the senior's loved ones who appreciate their services the most.

"We have ... a husband and wife in their 90s, and we work with their son extensively," she said. "Every time we're there, there's continual appreciation of what we're doing, there are hugs, and the son is constantly giving us a call. (The couple) has become like our grandparents. It's a business where you become very, very emotionally attached to your clients."

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## Employee of the Month



(Special photo) Artie Moore, an employee with the Jordan Unit at Pampa, is presented a certificate for October Employee of the Month by Mary Ann Munsell, assistant warden at the unit. Moore has been employed by the state since 1992 and has been commissary manager since 1994.

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## TOT

"The Train Our Teachers program benefits both child care workers and those whom they serve," said TWC Chair Diane Rath. "These educational grants enhance career skills. Plus, when children are guided by those trained child care workers, the children develop

a strong foundation for the future." Completed applications and supporting documents must be mailed to the TWC address specified on the application and must be postmarked no later than Nov. 15, 2000. Applications postmarked after that date will not be considered. Prospective applicants may call (512) 463-3137 for more information.

## Randel Chamber Orchestra to open 2000-01 season

AMARILLO — The Amarillo Symphony's Randel Chamber Orchestra will open its 2000-01 season with a performance at St. Paul United Methodist Church at 9 p.m., Friday, Nov. 3. Music Director and Conductor James Setapen will lead the Chamber Orchestra and will be joined by soprano Heather Alvarez. The concert includes works by Beethoven and Aaron Copland.

"The opening concert of the Randel Chamber Orchestra series is our season in a nutshell — music by Beethoven and

Copland," said Setapen. "Soprano Heather Alvarez performs not only Beethoven's passionate concert aria 'Ah! Perfido,' but also Copland's very lovely songs on eight poems of Emily Dickinson. The program also includes Beethoven's First Symphony. At 7 p.m., I will give a talk on what Beethoven means to me."

The 7 p.m. pre-concert lecture by Setapen that precedes the performance is free to all ticket holders. This lecture is part of the symphony's yearlong Beethoven Festival that includes performances of many of

Beethoven's greatest works and a series of special talks. The concert begins at 8 p.m. and tickets are available at the door.

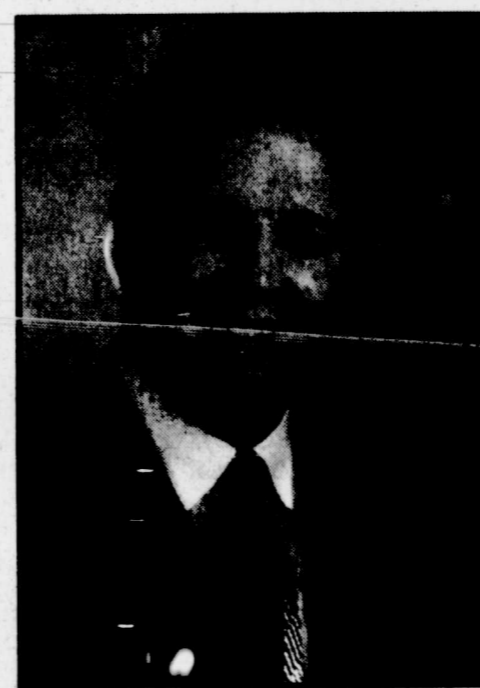
Soprano Heather Alvarez has been the featured soloist by the Amarillo Opera and currently lives in New Mexico. Subscription tickets for all three Randel Chamber Orchestra concerts are \$25. Single tickets for this concert are \$10 for adults and \$5 for senior citizen and students.

For more information call the symphony office at (806) 376-8782 or order tickets online at [www.amarillosymphony.org](http://www.amarillosymphony.org).

The family of Earnestine Ammons would like to express our gratitude for the numerous acts of kindness extended to us during the loss of our beloved wife and mother. Whether it was a visit, a phone call, food or flowers, your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated. Your many prayers have brought comfort to each of us in this difficult time.

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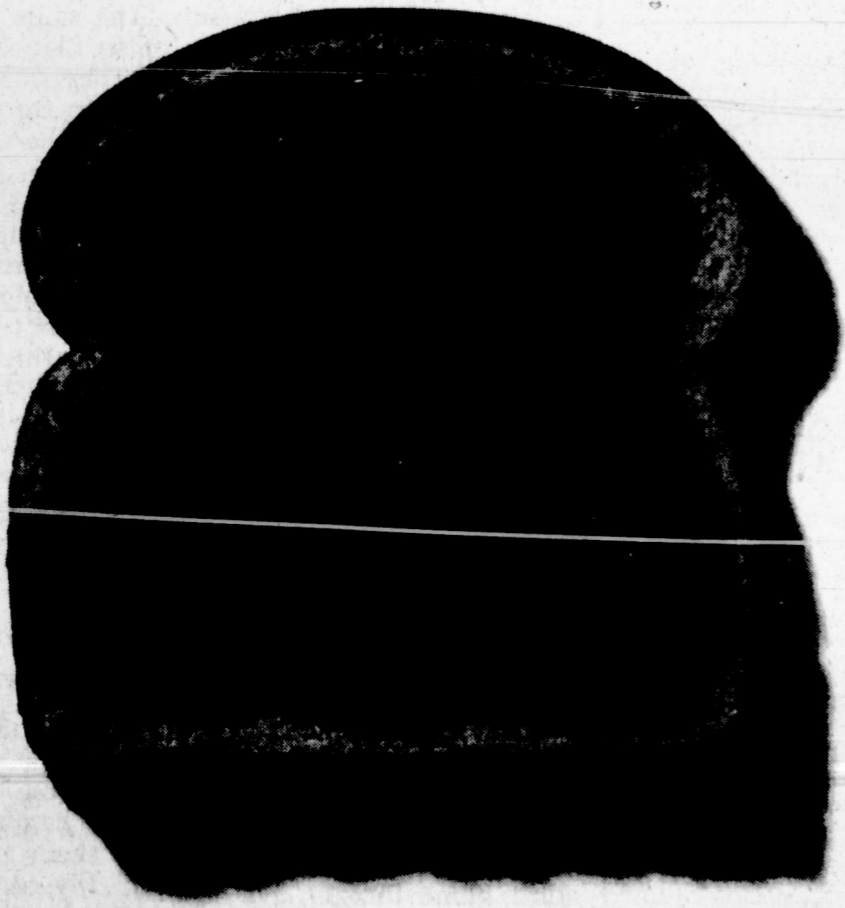
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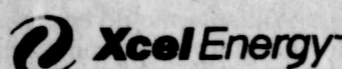


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# SPORTS

## Notebook

### BASKETBALL

**HOUSTON (AP)** — Hakeem Olajuwon will miss the rest of the Houston Rockets' preseason schedule with a sprained tendon in his left foot but will be ready for the regular season, team physician Dr. Walter Lowe said Friday.

Olajuwon, trying to overcome an asthma-like breathing disorder and play his final NBA season with the Houston Rockets, suffered the injury Thursday night in an exhibition game against the Portland Trail Blazers in North Little Rock, Ark.

Lowe ordered an MRI that was performed Friday and the results were negative.

Olajuwon, 37, who has announced he is retiring at the end of this season, needs every bit of practice time he can get because of the breathing condition that forced him to miss the final 14 games last season. Olajuwon also underwent hernia surgery last season.

### BASEBALL

**TORONTO (AP)** — Carlos Delgado soared past Roger Clemens and became baseball's highest-paid player, agreeing to a record \$68 million, four-year contract with the Toronto Blue Jays.

Delgado's average salary of \$17 million breaks the previous mark of \$15.45 million set by Clemens and the New York Yankees earlier this year when they agreed to what amounts to a two-year extension worth \$30.9 million.

# Harvesters cruise past Caprock 49-28

**PAMPA** — Pampa scored on its first four possessions, breaking a two-game losing streak on the way to a 49-28 win over Caprock in District 3-4A action Friday night in Harvester Stadium.

With the win, Pampa stayed in the playoff hunt as the Harvesters evened their district record to 2-2 and improved to 5-2 overall. Caprock is 1-3 in district and 3-4 for the season.

Senior fullback Thomas Long was the driving force in the Harvesters' victory. Long scored four touchdowns and rushed for 332 yards on 22 carries. Long's TDs came on runs of 24, 62, 6 and 27 yards.

Jason Burklow contributed a pair of touchdowns. Starting his first game at tight end, the 190-pound senior caught a 48-yard TD pass from quarterback J.J. Roark that opened the scoring in the first quarter. From his starting middle linebacker position, Burklow picked up a fumble by Caprock quarterback Geoffrey Ornelas on the Longhorns' 9-yard line and scrambled into the end zone for a fourth-quarter TD.

Tailback Terrance Lemons scored Pampa's other TD on a 3-yard run in the second quarter. The Harvesters held a 28-14 lead at halftime.

Pampa finished with 530 yards in total offense, compared to 297 for Caprock.

Pampa	21	7	7	14-49
Caprock	7	7	0	14-28

P-Jason Burklow 48 pass from J.J. Roark (kick failed).

### High School Football

**MIAMI** — Miami blanked Lefors 46-0 in a six-man football game Friday night. Miami's improved its record to 2-0 in District 1-1A and 5-2 for the season. Lefors is 0-2 and 2-5. Lucio Moreno led the Miami offense with 194 yards on 15 carries and four touchdowns. He had touchdown runs of 3, 14, 2, and 1. Quarterback Jimmy James completed 9 of 15 pass attempts for 204 yards. Ryan Manley and Justin Holman each had TD runs. Manley also kicked four extra points. Hal Rogers had one. Miami held a 24-0 halftime lead. The Warriors finished with 409 yards total offense and 14 first downs. Their defense held Lefors to 81 yards and 4 first downs. Miami plays at McLean this Friday night. Lefors hosts Follett.



(Photo by Grever Black)

**Pampa defenders Ricky Blain (55), Oscar Ortega (88) and Andy Schroeder cover downed Caprock quarterback Geoffrey Ornelas.**

## Pampa 8th grade shuts out Hereford

**PAMPA** — Pampa shut out Hereford 34-0 in 8th grade football action last week.

Two Pampa touchdowns were scored by the defense. Dustin Langley recovered a loose ball in the end zone and Janssen Eilenberger scored on a 28-yard fumble recovery run.

Seth Foster scored on a 78-yard punt return and he also kicked two extra points.

Tyler Doughty threw a 13-yard TD pass to Brittin East. Mateo Campos scored on a 2-yard run.

Campos also had a 2-point conversion run and a pass interception on defense.

Pampa won the B team game by a score of 14-0.

Cameron Seger scored both touchdowns on runs of 3 and 1 yard.

Adam Brown kicked the 2 extra points.

Defensively, Jared Winegeart had an interception.

Pampa's next games are against Dumas Oct. 24 at Harvester Stadium.

Games are at 5 p.m. for the B team and at 6:30 p.m. for the A team.

## Bucks shut out Booker

**WHITE DEER** — White Deer shut out Booker 41-0 in District 1-1A play Friday night.

Aaron McKean rushed for 97 yards and scored four touchdowns to lead the Bucks' attack. He scored on runs of 7, 9, 2 and 1 yard.

Matt Henderson ran for a score and threw a 20-yard touchdown pass to Jerry Evans.

Nick Ball didn't score, but he led White Deer rushers with 137 yards on 22 carries.

White Deer's defense held Booker to only 119 yards of total offense.

The Bucks move to 2-0 in district and 5-2 overall. Booker falls to 1-1.

### High School Scores

- Six-Men**  
 Abbott 39, Jonesboro 13  
 Balmorhea 75, Marathon 29  
 Baum 61, Morgan 12  
 Blackwell 66, Novice 31  
 Blum 61, Morgan 12  
 Brooksmith 41, Rochelle 38  
 Dell City 45, Sanderson 0  
 Gordon 45, Newcastle 0  
 Grady 42, Buena Vista 0  
 Guthrie 63, Benjamin 18  
 Harrold 61, Vernon Northside 34  
 Highland 46, Westbrook 0  
 Ira 44, Borden County 20  
 Jayton 51, Paint Creek 6  
 Panther Creek 54, Lohn 6  
 Patton Springs 30, Rochester 18  
 Sands 60, Klondike 18  
 Strawn 52, Bryson 32  
 Trinidad 79, Bynum 38  
 Woodson 60, Moran 12  
 Zephyr 56, Sidney 5
- Class 2A**  
 Arp 58, Malakoff Grosroads 6  
 Aubrey 24, Valley View 6  
 Bangs 24, Writers 0  
 Barquette 33, Skidmore-Tynan 7  
 Blanco 34, Johnson City 6  
 Boyd 40, Paradise 0  
 Brackett 40, Pettus 20  
 Brookshire Royal 24, East Bernard 21  
 Callisburg 10, Prosper 8  
 Collins 13, Pilot Point 8  
 Coshoma 20, Plains 14  
 Coleman 23, Jim Ned 7  
 Colorado City 21, Stanton 18  
 Comanche 27, Hico 7  
 Comfort 56, Florence 14  
 Community 13, Caddo Mills 6  
 Como-Pickton 30, Hawkins 13  
 Cooper 28, Honey Grove 0  
 Corrigan-Camden 39, Elkhart 8  
 Crawford 35, Blooming Grove 12  
 Daweyville 25, Wieman 14  
 Dilley 20, Natsala 0  
 East Chambers 26, West Hardin 0  
 Eldorado 19, Junction 7  
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 Giddingsville 18, San Saba 13  
 Gristview 66, Maypearl 0  
 Harlin 38, Stamford 7  
 Harmony 28, Harleton 14  
 Haskell 34, Arson 6  
 Hawley 27, Cisco 28  
 Herrin 63, Colmesneil 0  
 Herrin 35, Jacksboro 14

## Turco helps lead Stars to 5-1 win

**CHICAGO (AP)** — Marty Turco recorded 127 victories in four years at Michigan, the most by any goalie in NCAA history. From there, he added 52 more in two strong minor league seasons.

Now, Turco has one more win and it's one he'll never forget — his first in the NHL. It came in front of people who are important to him.

"I relished seeing my parents and friends and being able to give my wife a kiss," Turco said after helping the Dallas Stars beat the Chicago Blackhawks 5-1 Friday night.

Turco got to play because Ed Belfour got the night off.

And the Stars made it easy for their rookie goaltender, scoring three times in a three-minute span of the second period.

"It made me feel real good sitting in the other end watching that spurt. We always expect tight games," Turco said after the Stars' fourth straight win.

Turco, who gave up five goals in a 5-2 loss to Carolina in his only other start, stopped 17 shots Friday night.

Joe Nieuwendyk had two goals for the Stars, who overwhelmed Chicago goalie Jocelyn Thibault with the quick scoring outburst.

"This is the not the way you want to play if you want to win," Thibault said. "I'm not going to get down at all. If I said I played a solid game tonight, I'd be selfish."

Sergei Zubov moved the puck behind the net to Jamie Langenbrunner, who fed Nieuwendyk in front for the go-ahead goal at 16:09.

Just 71 seconds later, the Stars made it 3-1 when Darryl Sydor's slap shot from just inside the blue line went right through the

Blackhawks' defense, bounced off Thibault's pad and trickled in.

Brenden Morrow then took a crossing pass from Mike Keane and beat Thibault to make it 4-1 with just over a minute remaining in the period.

Nieuwendyk added his second goal, his fourth of the season, with just over six minutes left in the game. "The offense will take care of itself if we clean up some other areas of our game," Nieuwendyk said. "We're playing better in our own end and we're making better decisions."

The same cannot be said of the Blackhawks. "They scored two goals right in front of the net on exactly the same play," said Chicago coach Alpo Suhonen. "The puck was behind the net and they just flipped it in front because we were late."

"We can't keep doing like that for three or four more weeks or the race for the playoffs will start getting difficult."

The Blackhawks, outscored 10-2 in the opening period of their first six games, took a 1-0 lead at 3:41 when Tony Amonte centered a pass in front to Alex Zhamnov, who beat Turco.

"The good advice I got from Eddie was never play the clock," Turco said. "That came true tonight with them getting an early goal. My confidence wasn't shaken by that."

The Stars got even, shaking up Thibault in the process. Mike Modano skated up the left side, and his hard shot rebounded off Thibault's chest right to Jere Lehtinen for the score. Thibault was woozy on the ice and received a couple of minutes attention before continuing.

## Softball star claims promises were broken

**HOUSTON (AP)** — U.S. Women's Softball Team member Christa Williams should be basking in the glory of winning her second Olympic gold medal in Australia last month. But Williams said she instead feels betrayed by the people she helped win gold for at the summer games.

Williams claims she was told by Amateur Softball Association Executive Director Ron Radigonda and team head coach Ralph Raymond she could play for the Olympic team and also play her senior season at the University of Texas, Houston television station KRIV reported Friday.

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Going into its eighth year, *Hallowed House 2000* will be offering guided tours Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 29, 30 and 31 at the Calvary Baptist Church in Pampa.

The tours will lead the guests through a dramatization of the most vicious supernatural battle of all time: Jesus vs. Satan. Each tour will last about 25 minutes. The tours will run between 7 and 9 p.m., but because of the large crowds,

people are advised to come early.

This dramatization originated in Pampa's Calvary Baptist Church and has drawn local and national appeal. In the previous seven years of the program, it has drawn over 8,000 visitors.

Several churches from around the country have contacted the local church following an article in a national magazine.

A fully costumed cast and crew of over 100 will participate in this year's *Hallowed House 2000*.

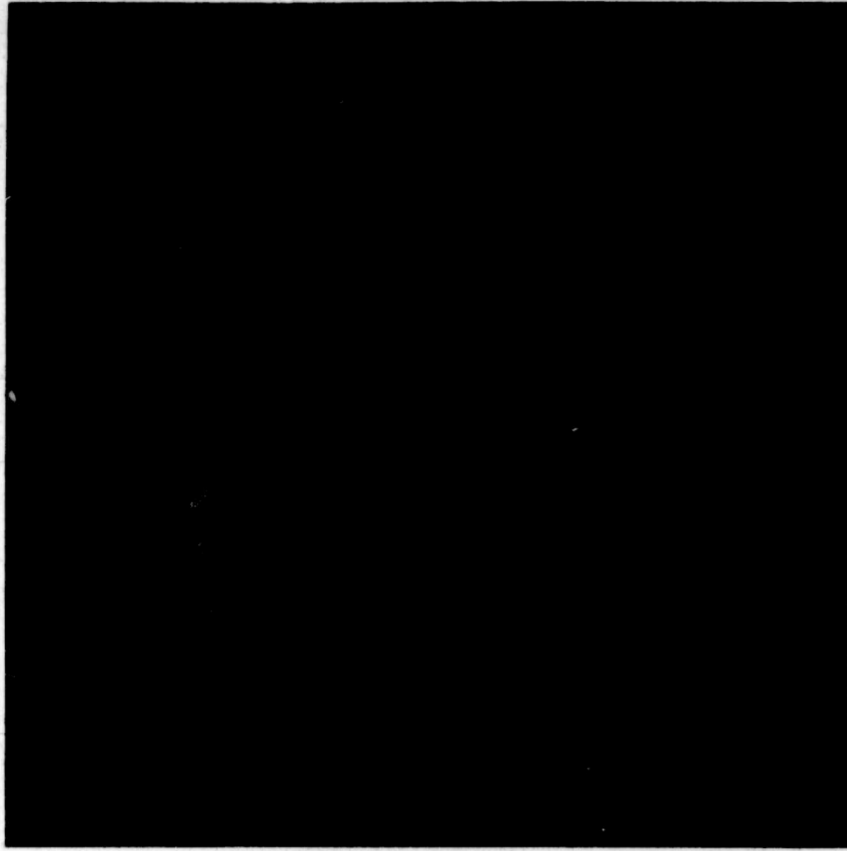
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scenery and special effects will be used to create the setting for Christ's battle with Satan. A "true to life" crucifixion and resurrection scene will close the program.

The *Hallowed House 2000* is directed by Rick Pearson. There is no admission and it will be held at Calvary Baptist Church, 900 E. 23rd St. in Pampa, which is one mile east of Wal-Mart.

Because of the graphic, historical detail, some scenes may not be suitable for smaller children. Parental guidance is advised.

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Mr. and Mrs. Reid Brooks

## Brooks anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Reid Brooks will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary from 2-4 p.m. today at Hughey House Bed and Breakfast in Pampa. Children of the couple will host the reception. Reid Brooks and June Lucille Lantz were married Oct. 21, 1950, in St. Paul Methodist Church in Abilene. The couple has lived in Pampa for the past 42 years.

Mr. Brooks worked at Dirkson Electric Supply in Pampa from 1958 until entering into a partnership with Ted Eads in 1965, acquiring The Electric Service. He purchased the business in 1968 and operated it until May of 1985, when he retired and sold the venture to his son, Neil. He is a 32nd degree Mason.

Mrs. Brooks has been an Avon representative since 1971 and is a member of Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Children of the couple are Neil and Jerilyn Brooks of Pampa, Martin and Shan Brooks of Brenham, Angela and Perry Colton of Borger and Paul and Pam Brooks of Sandy, Utah. They have 15 grandchildren.

## Menus

Oct. 23-27

Pampa Schools		Senior Citizens	
<b>MONDAY</b> Breakfast: Biscuits and gravy, sausage patty. Lunch: Turkey French fryz or pizza, whipped potatoes, English peas, mixed fruit, hot rolls.	<b>TUESDAY</b> Breakfast: Waffle sticks. Lunch: Chicken fajitas or chicken nuggets, bell peppers/onions, flour tortilla, pinto beans, Spanish rice, spiced apples.	<b>MONDAY</b> Breakfast: Pancakes on a stick, toast, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken nuggets or Salisbury steak, whipped potatoes, green beans, rolls, fruit, milk.	<b>MONDAY</b> Breakfast: Yogurt, toast, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Pizza or mini burritos, corn, salad, fruit, milk.
<b>TUESDAY</b> Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, sausage patty, toast. Lunch: Ribecue on a bun or burritos, potato rounds, tossed salad, peanut butter cookies, fresh fruit.	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> Breakfast: Oatmeal, toast. Lunch: Egg rolls or chef salad, broccoli florets, rice pilaf, pineapple, crackers.	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> Breakfast: Waffles, toast, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Frito pie or hot dogs with chili, cheese, beans, salad, fruit, milk.	<b>TUESDAY</b> Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Hamburgers or chicken patties, whipped potatoes, spinach, rolls, fruit, milk.
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> Breakfast: Cereal, toast, sausage patty. Lunch: Corn dogs or hamburgers, French fries, vegetarian beans, applesauce.	<b>THURSDAY</b> Breakfast: Muffins, toast, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Soft tacos, taco salad or chicken fajitas, Spanish rice, salad, fruit, milk.	<b>THURSDAY</b> Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Frito pie or hot dogs with chili, cheese, beans, salad, fruit, milk.	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> Breakfast: Waffles, toast, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Frito pie or hot dogs with chili, cheese, beans, salad, fruit, milk.
<b>THURSDAY</b> Breakfast: Cereal, toast, sausage patty. Lunch: Corn dogs or hamburgers, French fries, vegetarian beans, applesauce.	<b>FRIDAY</b> Breakfast: Cereal, toast, sausage patty. Lunch: Corn dogs or hamburgers, French fries, vegetarian beans, applesauce.	<b>FRIDAY</b> Breakfast: Waffles, toast, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Frito pie or hot dogs with chili, cheese, beans, salad, fruit, milk.	<b>FRIDAY</b> Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Hamburgers or chicken patties, whipped potatoes, spinach, rolls, fruit, milk.

## Lifestyles Policies

1. The Pampa News will not be responsible for photographs and announcements not engaged in or accepted by the newspaper.

2. All information must be submitted by 5 p.m. on Wednesday (12 noon on Monday before Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's prior to completion of the week's announcements, wedding and anniversary news only will be printed on Sunday).

3. Engagement announcements will be published if the announcement is submitted at least one month before the wedding, but not more than three months before the wedding.

4. Bridal photos and information will not be accepted in The Pampa News office later than one month past the date of the wedding.

5. Anniversary announcements will be published for celebrations only of 25 years or more and will not be published more than four weeks after the anniversary date.

6. Information that appears on engagement, wedding and anniversary forms will be used at the discretion of the editor. Forms are available from the office 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday thru Friday, or by sending a SASE to The Pampa News, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, TX 79066-2198.

## Club news

Club news is published strictly on a first come, first serve basis due to space limitations. The deadline each week for Sunday's paper is Wednesday at 5 p.m. (Tuesday at 12 noon on holidays such as Thanksgiving and Christmas.) The deadline does not guarantee publication. Thank you.

**Highland Hobby Club**  
Highland Hobby Club met recently at the home of Mairlyn Kirkwood. Six members were present.

Minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following officers were installed for the new club year: Ferline Calvert, president; Jewel Holmes, vice president; and Kirkwood, secretary-treasurer.

Dues and birthday monies were collected.

The next meeting will be at the home of Gloria Norris.

**Timeless Treasures Quilt Guild**  
Timeless Treasures Quilt Guild will meet at 10 a.m., Oct. 28 in the Methodist Family Enrichment Center in Guymon. Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. and the meeting will get under way at 10 a.m. Participants should bring salad or sandwiches to share for luncheon.

Janie Van Zandt of Pampa will be the speaker. She will lecture and give a demonstration on the care and restoration of textiles.

**Magic Plains ABWA**  
Magic Plains Chapter of the American Business Women's Association met Oct. 9 at Furr's Cafeteria with President Pat Winkleblack presiding. Nine

members and two guests, Codi Guthrie and Linda Winkleblack, were present.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—Minutes from the previous meeting and the treasurer's report were approved.

—Jan Allen delivered the program on Barbara Miller, president of Miller Paper Co. in Amarillo. Miller was named Woman of the Year for 2000 and competed against 51 other small business owners at a convention in Washington.

—Margaret Hall reported on the pecan sale. The pecans have been ordered and should arrive the first week of November. Prices will be the same as last year.

—Several new fund-raising ideas were presented.

Hostesses for the meeting were Frances Guthrie and Brunetta Stewart. Door prizes were won by Glenda Malone, Codi Guthrie, Margaret Hall, LaNella Hensley, Linda Winkleblack and Evelyn Boyd.

The next meeting will be Monday, Nov. 13 at Furr's.

**Kappa Alpha ESA**  
Kappa Alpha Chapter #3001 of Epsilon Sigma Alpha met Oct. 5 at the Sheriff's Office in Pampa.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—Judy West and Ann Turner were to represent the chapter at the district meeting held recently in Amarillo.

—Colby Brown gave the program on teenage crime prevention and focused on the teenage Crime Stoppers program which operates on donations and serves as a liaison between schools and communities.

Lucille Merillatt served as hostess.

**Progressive FCE Club**  
Progressive Family Community and Education Extension Club met Oct. 12 at the home of Leny Howard in Pampa with President June Rowan presiding. Nine members and one guest, Madeline Gawthrop, were present.

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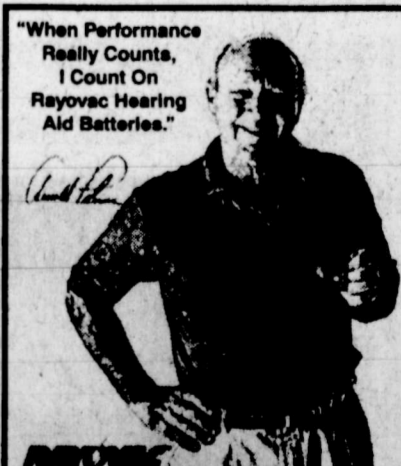
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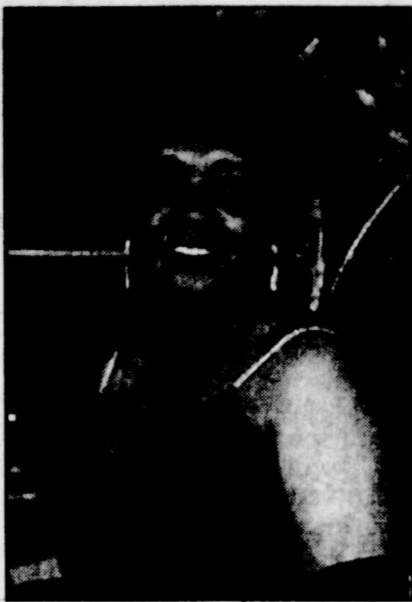
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# Newsmakers



**Helen Roberts**

DALLAS — Longtime Dallas County employee and former Borger resident **Helen Akins Roberts** was recently honored with a retirement reception at the Radisson Hotel in Dallas.

In May 1972, Roberts received a bachelor of science degree from Texas Woman's University. After graduation, she moved to Dallas and in September 1972 was among the first minorities to be hired in the Dallas County District Clerk's Office under the leadership of Bill Shaw.

In only two months, Roberts made history in Dallas Co. by becoming the first minority to work in the criminal courts. The first minority to be promoted as an assistant clerk, she was assigned to the 194th Judicial District Court under Judge John Vance.

After a year, Roberts was again promoted, this time as the chief clerk in Criminal District Court No. 2, the Hon. Don Mettalf presiding, where she remained for three years. In 1980, the Annex Courts were created and presided by Judge

Ovard who subsequently named Roberts as the court coordinator for those courts.

In 1982, the grants for those courts were terminated and the 291st and 292nd Judicial District Courts were created. Gerry Meir and Mike Keasler were appointed as judges by the governor to preside over those courts.

She applied for the position of court coordinator and was hired, working for Judge Moss from 1982 until 1986 when Moss was appointed to the 305th Juvenile District Court, thereby leaving County Criminal Court 10 vacant. The County Commissioners appointed Randall Isenberg to that bench and Judge Isenberg asked Roberts to remain.

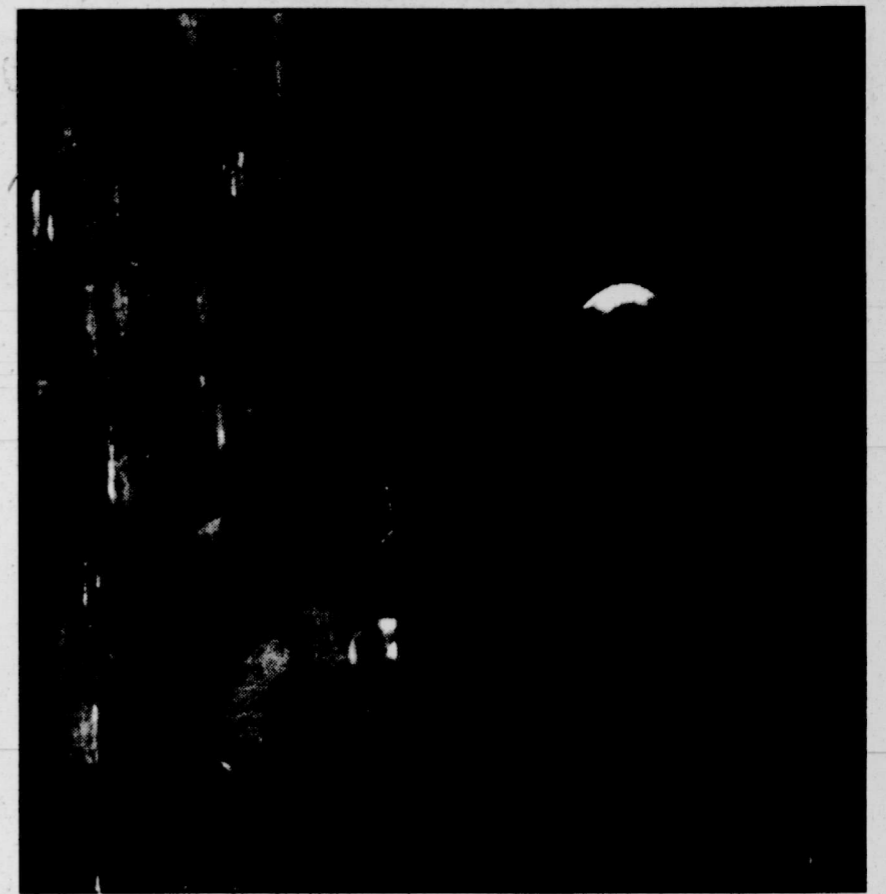
For the past 11 years, she served under Faith Johnson in the 363rd Judicial District Court.

Roberts and husband, Roger, are the parents of Dewayne and Angela Akins. Dewayne, 26, is a graduate of Texas A&M at Commerce with a BS degree in math and computers. Angela is a senior at the Texas Southern University School of Pharmacy.

Pampa ISD recently announced nine teachers from Pampa High have been selected for publication in Who's Who Among America's Teachers 2000.

To be eligible for inclusion in the annual publication, teachers must be nominated by one or more of their former students who themselves have been included in Who's Who Among American High School Students or The National Dean's List.

The following high school educators were named to the list: Dale Ammons, Lee Ann Ammons, Donna Crow, Tanya Elms, Tonya Lewis, Rod Porter, Steve Porter, Beth Shannon and Warren Smith.



**Christa Mouhot and Jonathon Taylor Mason**

## Mouhot-Mason

Christa Mouhot of Flower Mound, formerly of Pampa, and Jonathon Taylor Mason were married Aug. 16 in Dallas Arboretum in Dallas with Donnie Forson of Lewisville officiating.

A reception was held following the service in Dallas-Fort Worth Lakes Hilton.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Mouhot of Flower Mound and is the granddaughter of Mrs. Carl Sexton of Pampa. She is a senior business major at the University of North Texas.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Mason of Flower Mound. He is currently employed at Aerotex International.

The couple planned a honeymoon trip to Playa del Carmen in Mexico and intend to make their home in Flower Mound.

**Soña Solano and Lance Edward Wolff**

## Solano-Wolff

Soña Solano and Lance Edward Wolff, both of Amarillo, were wed Oct. 7 in St. Paul United Methodist Church of Amarillo with the Rev. Paul Nachtigall officiating.

The matron of honor was Nickki Cluck of Canyon. The bridesmaids were Misty Haynes of Houston, Torri Bailey, Tammy Newsom and Lori Provenge, all of Amarillo, and Mandy Phillips of Mesquite. The flower girl was Savannah Butcher of Glenwood Springs, Colo.

The best man was Dr. Kelly Clenny of Amarillo. The groomsmen were Chris Wolff of Portland, Ore., and Carey Wolff of Dallas, both brothers of the groom, Gil Solano, brother of the bride of Lubbock, Mike McKinley of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Britt Stubblefield of Amarillo. The ring bearer was Jimmy Don Butcher of Glenwood Springs.

The ushers were Sean Butcher of Denver, Colo., and Colby Brazile and Jeremy Farmer, both of Pampa.

Registering the guests was Vicki Brooks of Amarillo. Music was provided by Wyley Chaney of Amarillo as well as the bride and groom.

A reception was held following the service at Mesquite Ranch. The bride is the daughter of Jan and Gil Solano of Pampa. She holds a bachelor's degree from West Texas A&M University and is currently director of marketing for the March of Dimes.

The groom is the son of Pam Wolff of Perryton and Kelly Wolff of Bella Vista, Ark. He holds a bachelor's degree from Texas Tech University and is a professional representative for Astrazeneca Pharmaceuticals.

The couple planned a honeymoon trip to Martha's Vineyard, Mass., and intend to make their home in Amarillo.

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## CLUB

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—Minutes from the previous meeting were approved as read by Helene Baumgardner.

—Mary Ann Bailey gave the treasury report, and Howard, Council representative, reviewed the slate from the last Council meeting which included by-law changes.

—A Tupperware bingo party is slated at 10 a.m., Oct. 28.

—A "Celebrate 3" meeting is being sponsored by the Extension Service Oct. 26 at Texas A&M Research and Extension Center in Amarillo. The program will be presented by Carol Ritchie and District I, Texas Extension Association.

—Gawthrop presented the program, "Beauty is Skin Deep." Hand-outs were given on skin care.

—A gift was bestowed upon outgoing president, Eva Dennis who won the hostess door prize, provided by Howard.

The next meeting will be at 2 p.m. Nov. 9. The location will be announced at a later time.

### Pampa Garden Club

Pampa Garden Club meet recently with President — and hostess — Clara Quary presiding.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—Tina Holt reported on the Small Fry Garden Club which is

planning a butterfly garden at the corner of Harvester and Duncan. Holt said the children are enthusiastic about the project. Going along with the Butterfly theme, the Small Fry has plans to enter a decorated Christmas tree in the Festival of Trees.

—The Festival of Trees, sponsored this year by Pampa Garden Club, will be Dec. 9-10 at the north end of Lovett Memorial Library. For more information or to enter a tree, contact Cynthia Mann at 665-6144 or via mail. Mann's mailing address is 515 N. Frost. Be sure and include your name and address, phone number and type of tree. Entry fee is \$5 for a small tree and \$10 for a large tree. Cash prizes will be awarded to first and second place winners and third place winners and honorable mentions will earn ribbons.

—The program, "The Texas Panhandle from Above," was presented by Bonnie Wood. Several areas of interest about the panhandle were presented, namely the Ogallala Aquifer. Members were encouraged to do on an individual basis what they can to keep our water pure and to conserve water. A photo of a Pampa sunset, taken by PHS senior Aaron Fernuik, was shown to represent the area's spectacular sunsets.

The next meeting will be Nov. 13 at the home of hostess Lennie Howard.

## Extension Service to sponsor 'Celebrate 3' with Carol Ritchie

AMARILLO — Panhandle District, Texas Association of Extension Family and Consumer Sciences, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, will host "Celebrate 3" with Carol Ritchie, host of the cable program "Cookin' with Carol," in two identical sessions Thursday, Oct. 26, at Texas A&M Extension and Research Center, 6500 Amarillo Blvd. The morning program is scheduled to begin at 1:30 p.m. and the evening program will get under way at 6:30.

Ideas for decorating, entertaining and gift-giving will be the focus of "Celebrate 3." Ritchie will present a lively and educational demonstration of holiday ideas with an Australian flair. She will also explore holiday table decorating, cooking trends and other tips inspired from her trip "down under."

Through her weekly TV shows, Ritchie teaches basic cooking techniques — from food preparation to quick-cooking recipes to heart-healthy fundamentals. An Arlington resident, she has traveled extensively, conducting cooking demonstrations throughout Texas and the Midwest. She has appeared on PBS, TV Food Network, CBS's

"Saturday Morning Show," PAX cable network and a variety of local talk shows.

In addition to Ritchie's presentation, 21 Extension agents from the Panhandle District — including Gray Co. agent Joan Gray — will prepare a table display with a variety of prepared foods, decorating motifs and entertaining notions. During the program, ideas for the following holidays/occasions will be discussed: Election Celebrations, Autumn Harvest, Christmas and New Year's, Beach Parties, Mother's Day, Outdoorsman's Birthday, Easter, St. Patrick's and more.

A packet of instructions, illustrations and recipes will be distributed to each guest.

Proceeds from "Celebrate 3" will help fund scholarships and educational programs offered by the Extension Service.

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**FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN COWBOYS** meet the fourth Saturday of each month at the Clyde Carruth Livestock Pavilion, 6:30 p.m. Pot luck supper. For more information contact Kevin Romines, 665-8547 or Jim Greene, 665-8067.

**RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION** meets at 2 p.m. the third Monday of every month at the Senior Citizens Center. For more information, contact Carolyn Smith, 665-5158.

**FIRST PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS 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.

**WHITE DEER LAND MUSEUM** will celebrate its 30th anniversary in the Year 2000. A new exhibit, "A Season of Change, 1900-200," will go up in January to celebrate the anniversary and the millennium. The exhibit will run from January-September.

**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 about adult support groups, call 669-1788, and to inquire about children's support groups, 669-1131.

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

**MEALS ON WHEELS** Garage Sale, 900 N. Frost, will be every Monday throughout February and April. For more information, call Cindy Gindorf, 669-1007.

**PAMPA YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTER** Water Aerobics class will be from 6-7 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. For more information, call Frankie Hildenbrand, 669-3713, or Lee, Betty or Liz at Pampa Youth Center, 665-0748.

**PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL** office will be open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday-Friday. PALC volunteers work with people who need basic reading/writing skills as well as English as a second language. For more information, call 665-2331.

**GRAY COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY HEADQUARTERS**, 500 W. Kingsmill, is open from 12-4 p.m., Monday-Friday and from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday through Nov. 7. For more information or to volunteer, call 669-3545.

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**PANHANDLE ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL** will meet the second Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at 218 N. Russell. For more information call Sharon King, 665-2818.

**AL-ANON** will hold weekly meetings on Mondays and Wednesdays at 8 p.m. at 910 W. Kentucky. For more information, call 669-7501.

**CLEAN AIR AL-ANON** will hold weekly meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, call 669-7501.

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**THE ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP** will have regularly scheduled meetings the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, Inc. For more information contact Chrys Smith at 665-0356.

**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 GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY** regular meetings will be at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Monday of each month at the Sheriff's office classroom at the Francis Street entrance. For more information, call Harley Madison at 669-6294.

**TEXCARE PARTNERSHIP** is the New Children's Health Insurance campaign developed especially for Texas families with uninsured children, birth through age 18. The following health insurance programs are available: Children's Health Insurance Program, Medicaid and Texas Healthy Kids Corp. For more information, call 1-800-647-6558 or 1-888-892-2273.

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**PAMPA MOOSE LODGE #1385** charity bingo is at 7 p.m. every Friday at the lodge, 401 E. Brown.

**PAMPA SHRINE-CLUB** will meet every third Friday at the Sportsman's Club. For more information, call James Washington, 665-1488.

**OCTOBER**

**26 - PANHANDLE PIECEMAKERS QUILT GUILD** will meet at 6:30 p.m. at Pampa Senior Citizens Center, 500 W. Francis. The program will be a garage sale of sewing-related items. For more information, call (806) 79-2115. Visitors are welcome.

**28 - PET PATCH** Second Annual Pet Costume Kontest will be at 4 p.m. at 866 W. Foster. The entry fee is \$3 and the deadline is 6 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 26. For more information, call Mona Kennedy, 665-5504.

**NOVEMBER**

**3 - SHRINE CIRCUS BARBECUE** will be from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Sportsman Club. For more information, call 665-1488.

**4 - FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH Bazaar** will begin at 8 a.m. and will be held at 1633 N. Nelson. Cinnamon rolls and coffee will be served in the morning along with stew and chili at lunch. The bazaar will also include arts and crafts. For more information, call 669-3225.

**12 - PAMPA FINE ARTS ASSOCIATION** will hold a tea in honor of Artist of the Year Kay Crouch from 2-4 p.m. at White Deer Land Museum. For more information, call 665-0343.

**21 - GREATER PAMPA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE Luncheon** will be held in the M.K. Brown Room of Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard.

**30 - GREATER PAMPA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE Parade** will start at 6:30 p.m. at M.K. Brown Auditorium and end downtown. For more information, call the Chamber, 669-3241.

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**ILLNESS**

Spectroscopy brain scans are so new, though, that critics claim researchers are bound to find abnormalities when they analyze deep-seated brain cells and that such findings are hardly the answer to Gulf War illness claims.

Others aren't so sure the Seabees are representative of the thousands of veterans who say they're afflicted.

"Haley's is a notoriously small sample," Fienberg said.

Much larger studies, including one of more than 18,000 male and female veterans conducted by Indiana University School of Medicine, have found no apparent link between so-called Gulf War Syndrome and possible toxic exposure during the war.

Jerry Jones is not convinced. The retired North Carolina Department of Transportation mechanic, who served for months as a Seabee on the eastern coast of Saudi Arabia, remembers many nights when chemical alarms went off. He speculates that his unit may have been exposed.

"You could be hit with toxic gas and it would blow out of the area in just a matter of minutes" in the desert wind, said Jones, 58. "But that doesn't mean it didn't get on your skin or enter your system in some way."

The Pentagon in 1996

acknowledged that troops may have been exposed to chemical weapons, including nerve gas.

Jones said he fears the government will never assume full responsibility.

"They are going to ignore it as long as they can," he said this week. "It's not in our head. We have stress and depression, but it's due to our sickness and inability to do what we used to do."

Meanwhile, Jones hopes for something to ease his pain. Unable to work, he spends most of his days shut up in his Asheville, N.C., home where his wife helps him handle more than a half dozen medications to battle severe nausea, diarrhea, anxiety and muscle aches.

For Yarger, the issue is that the government has a responsibility to allocate the resources to find the source of the illness — no matter the cost.

"The bottom line is there are too many people that are sick and this has been going on for 10 years," he said. "We've got to find some answers."

On the Net:

University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas' Gulf War illnesses site: [www.swmed.edu/home-pages/epidemi/gws/Department\\_of\\_Defense's\\_Gulf\\_War\\_illnesses\\_site:www.gulfink.osd.mil](http://www.swmed.edu/home-pages/epidemi/gws/Department_of_Defense's_Gulf_War_illnesses_site:www.gulfink.osd.mil)

Staff writer Susan Parrott contributed to this report.

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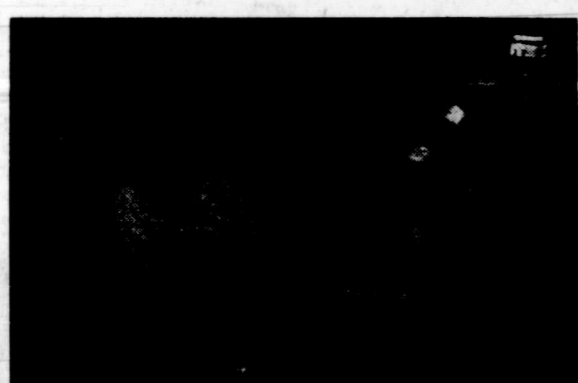
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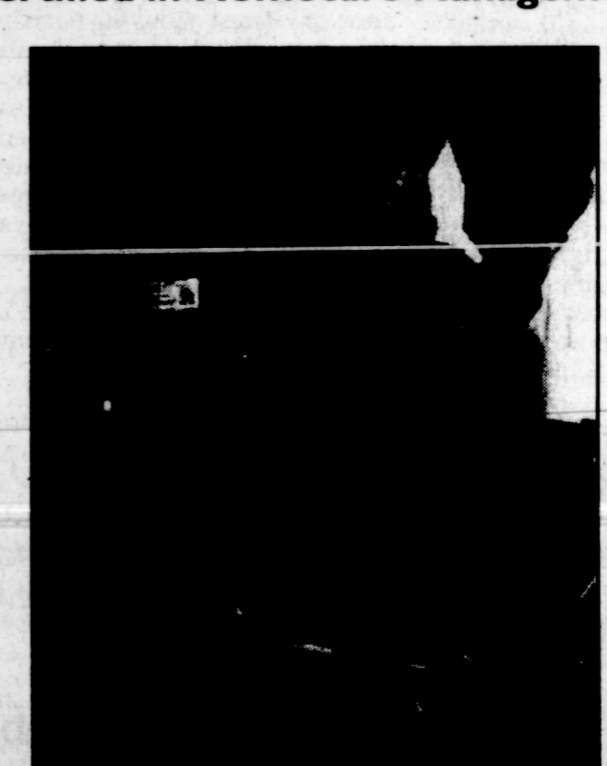
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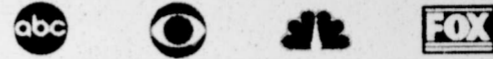
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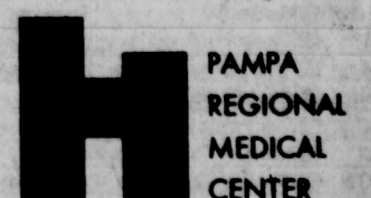


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Known for their instruments, people of Paracho gaining reputation for their music

By JOHN DAVIDSON San Antonio Express-News

PARACHO, Mexico — This is a sleeping beauty story, but in this case the beauty is guitar music and its heroes the children of Paracho, a small town in the highlands of Michoacan, world famous for its guitar makers.

For hundreds of years, the people of Paracho have been making guitars, but only recently has there been guitar music. There were lots of guitar makers (makers), but no guitarists (players).

Then, a short three years ago, the Monroy family, owners of the guitar factory Guitarras y Artesanias, agreed to fund a center for the study and development of the guitar.

The focus of the center — known by its acronym, CIDEG — was going to be the guitar itself, until children from the town started asking for lessons. The center hired teachers and founded La Orquesta de Los Niños del CIDEG.

The orchestra is slated to perform Saturday at Travis Park United Methodist Church as part of the Southwest Guitar Festival, an event expected to bring an estimated 400 guitar teachers, students and virtuosos to San Antonio.

showed him a couple of guitars from the town. "I was stunned by how good they were," Dunne said. "It was amazing quality for the money. As I got to know more people in Mexico, I started to hear more and more about this town and especially the kids."

"I got an offer to do a concert at CIDEG and was very impressed. I heard the kids play, and I was floored. Right then, I knew I was going to invite them to the U.S."

In Paracho, CIDEG is in a corner building a block off the main thoroughfare, la calle principal. The surrounding mountains are green and wooded, a bit like Colorado, but the town itself has a dark, bleak feel, as do many mountain towns. There's a central plaza and a cathedral, but no hotels, no movie theater.

But everywhere, there are guitarists. People carrying guitars, guitars hanging from the rafters in front of shops, as users sitting in front of their doorways making guitars. In this town of 10,000 residents, there are 10 guitar factories, 60 guitar stores and about 3,000 guitar makers producing about 80,000 guitars a year.

Guitars range in price from \$20 for a child's toy guitar to \$3,000 for a concert-quality instrument. Professional musicians, guitar retailers and some tourists from the United States make the trek to Paracho to buy guitars. But most are sold in Mexico, Central and South America.

Abel Garcia Lopez is a master guitar maker and the moving spirit behind CIDEG. He gives a brief tour of the CIDEG: a room with guitars displayed in glass cases, one classroom and an auditorium for performances.

The tradition of guitar making in Paracho is attributed to Don Vasco de Quiroga, a Spanish bishop said to have taught European crafts in Michoacan in the 16th century.

But when asked about Vasco de Quiroga, Garcia smiles and says in Spanish that the tradition had much more to do with the people's extraordinary ability to replicate what they saw.

"Before the Spaniards, there were no stringed instruments in Mexico," he said. "Craftsman here didn't pay much attention to how guitars sounded until the mid-1970s. Guitars were elaborately decorated, but the sound was bad. Then, 26 years ago, we started having the guitar festival and guitar competition here, and the visiting guitarists told us how bad our guitars were. The first competition changed the concept of the guitar in Paracho."

Paracho hosts its own guitar festival and competition every August. At 35, Garcia is a new breed of guitar maker who is building world-class concert guitars. The fifth generation of his family to make guitars, he studied electrical engineering in Mexico before returning to Paracho.

He has established an international reputation. He teaches other guitar makers in Spain, Cuba and the United States and has written two books about the guitar. "I don't remember," he says when asked how old he was when he started learning his craft. "I grew up in the workshop surrounded by guitars. Everything was guitars."

Pointing out the sights along the way — mostly guitar shops or workshops — Garcia leads the way from CIDEG to his parents' house several blocks away.

Behind the living quarters, there is an open patio, then a warren of small rooms where Garcia, his brother and father have their workshops. Garcia's is upstairs at the top of a flight of iron spiral steps.

It is a small, orderly room with a workbench and a small glass-fronted cabinet where woods are dried. He says it takes two years to cure the wood and two years to dry it.

Much of the wood comes from Mexico — cedar and a Mexican rosewood called palo escrito. Guitarroes also import spruce from the Rocky Mountains and Indian and Brazilian rosewood. Garcia uses only hand tools, most of them he makes himself.

"That way you don't have to depend on anyone, and they're better anyway," he explained. He picked up a guitar in progress and explained how the decorations around the soundhole and the edges of the soundboard make the instrument stronger.

Working entirely alone, he makes 12 to 14 guitars a year. They sell for about \$3,000 each and, according to Dunne, they'd bring twice as much in the United States.

It is quiet in the workshop, no music. Garcia doesn't want any distractions.

Several blocks away, it is equally quiet in Daniel Caro Leonardo's workshop, a small room that looks out on the street.

A large middle-aged man with gray hair, Caro talks about how everyone has his or her own place and how everyone has to be happy in that place. He says he began to work in 1954 but didn't start making quality guitars until the 1970s, when he went to California and worked in a shop that repaired guitars.

"There were a lot of good guitars there, and I could see inside," he said. "But the idea of making something better is in the blood. No one teaches you that. I always want to make a perfect guitar, but there's always something I don't like, something I want to improve. But each guitar is an accomplishment."

Like Garcia, he doesn't use electric tools and he works alone.

Aldo Monroy Barriga, one of the young students from CIDEG comes in, takes a guitar apart and starts to tune the instrument. Caro pushes his baseball cap back and listens intently; then starts to smile as the guitar comes to life.

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Weekly charts for the nation's best-selling recorded music as they appear in next week's issue of Billboard magazine. Reprinted with permission. (Platinum signifies more than 1 million copies sold; gold signifies more than 500,000 copies sold.)

- Billboard Hot 100: Top 10**  
(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan; radio playlists; and monitored radio by Broadcast Data Systems)
1. "Come On Over Baby (All I Want Is You)," Christina Aguilera. RCA.
  2. "Music," Madonna. Maverick.
  3. "With Arms Wide Open," Creed. Wind-up.
  4. "Kryptonite," 3 Doors Down. Republic.
  5. "Most Girls," Pink. LaFace.
  6. "Jumpin, Jumpin," Destiny's Child. Columbia.
  7. "Give Me Just One Night (Una Noche)," 98 Degrees. Universal.

8. "Bag Lady," Erykah Badu. Motown.
9. "Incomplete," Sisqo. Dragon/Def Soul. (Platinum)
10. "Gotta Tell You," Samantha Mumba. Wild Card. Copyright 2000, BPI Communications Inc. and SoundScan Inc.

- The Billboard 200 Top Albums: Top 10**  
(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)
1. "Rule 3.36," Ja Rule. Murder Inc./Def Jam.
  2. "Country Grammar," Nelly. Fo' Reel. (Platinum)
  3. "Let's Get Ready," Mystikal. Jive.
  4. "Human Clay," Creed. Wind-up. (Platinum)
  5. "Revelation," 98 Degrees. Universal.
  6. "Music," Madonna. Maverick.
  7. "Who Let The Dogs Out," Baha Men. S-Curve/Sheridan Square. (Platinum)
  8. "The Better Life," 3 Doors

- Down. Republic. (Platinum)
9. "The Marshall Mathers LP," Eminem. Web/Aftermath. (Platinum)
10. "Kid A," Radiohead. Capitol. Copyright 2000, BPI Communications Inc.

- Hot Adult Contemporary**  
(Compiled from a national sample of airplay supplied by Broadcast Data Systems)
1. "Taking You Home," Don Henley. Warner Bros.
  2. "Back Here," BBMak. Hollywood.
  3. "You Sang To Me," Marc Anthony. Columbia.
  4. "I Need You," LeAnn Rimes. Sparrow/Capitol/Curb.
  5. "Breathe," Faith Hill. Warner Bros. (Gold)
  6. "Amazed," Lonestar. BNA. (Gold)
  7. "I Knew I Loved You," Savage Garden. Columbia. (Gold)
  8. "Cruisin'," Huey Lewis & Gwyneth Paltrow. Hollywood.
  9. "I Turn To You," Christina Aguilera. RCA.
  10. "That's The Way It Is," Celine Dion. 550 Music.

- Mainstream Rock Tracks**  
(Compiled from a national sample of airplay supplied by Broadcast Data Systems)
1. "Loser," 3 Doors Down. Republic.
  2. "Why Pt. 2," Collective Soul. Atlantic.
  3. "Hemorrhage (In My Hands)," Fuel. 550 Music.
  4. "N.I.B.," Primus (w/Ozzy). Divine.
  5. "Are You Ready?," Creed. Wind-up.
  6. "Kryptonite," 3 Doors Down. MCA.
  10. "Breathe," Nickleback. Roadrunner.

- Modern Rock Tracks**  
(Compiled from a national sample of airplay supplied by Broadcast Data Systems)
1. "Minority," Green Day. Reprise.
  2. "Hemorrhage (In My Hands)," Fuel. 550 Music.
  3. "Stellar," Incubus. Immortal.
  4. "Loser," 3 Doors Down. Republic.
  5. "Man Overboard," Blink-182. MCA.
  6. "Beautiful Day," U2. Island.
  7. "Last Resort," Papa Roach. DreamWorks.
  8. "Original Prankster," The Offspring. Columbia.
  9. "Fiction (Dreams In Digital)," Orgy. Elementree.
  10. "Stupify," Disturbed. Giant.

- Hot Country Singles and Tracks**  
(Compiled from a national sample of monitored country radio by Broadcast Data Systems)
1. "The Little Girl," John Michael Montgomery. Atlantic.
  2. "Go On," George Strait. MCA Nashville.
  3. "Kiss This," Aaron Tippin. Lyric Street.
  4. "Best Of Intentions," Travis Tritt. Columbia.
  5. "Just Another Day In Paradise," Phil Vassar. Arista Nashville.
  6. "We Danced," Brad Paisley. Arista Nashville.
  7. "Feels Like Love," Vince Gill. MCA Nashville.
  8. "I Need You," LeAnn Rimes. Sparrow.
  9. "Let's Make Love," Faith Hill (w/Tim McGraw). Warner Bros.
  10. "That's The Way," Jo Dee Messina. Curb. Copyright 2000, BPI Communications Inc. and SoundScan Inc.

- Top Country Albums**  
(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)
1. "Breathe," Faith Hill. Warner Bros. (Platinum)
  2. "Greatest Hits," Kenny Chesney. BNA.
  3. "Brand New Me," John Michael Montgomery. Atlantic.
  4. "Fly," Dixie Chicks. Monument. (Platinum)
  5. Soundtrack: "Coyote Ugly." Curb. (Gold)
  6. "George Strait," George Strait. MCA Nashville.
  7. "One Voice," Billy Gilman. Epic. (Platinum)
  8. "Born To Fly," Sara Evans. RCA.
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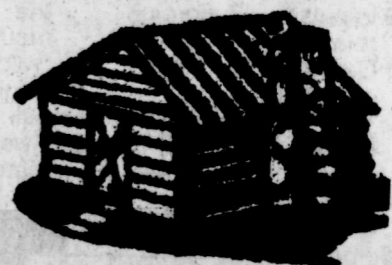
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## Farmers, ranchers need help with stress

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — Farmers and ranchers need help not only in improving national farm policy, but also in coping with the stress caused by disastrously low prices, an Iowa farmer and psychologist says.

Farmers in financial trouble often develop anxiety, depression or even feelings of worthlessness because of conditions that are beyond their control, said Michael Rosmann, director of Sharing Help United Awareness Network in Harlan, Iowa.

"When we're out there on the tractor, men and women, what we're thinking about is 'I don't know how much more of this I can take,'" Rosmann said at a workshop for mental health workers and others who work with farmers and ranchers.

Rosmann said counseling, support groups and other mental health services should be made avail-

able to farmers and ranchers, who frequently do not tell anyone they are suffering from anxiety, depression and other problems caused by financial trouble and the uncertainty of agriculture.

Farmers have a suicide rate that is six times the national average, and authorities often cannot tell whether some farm accidents are actually suicides, he said.

That means clergy, doctors, veterinarians, Farm Service agents, Cooperative Extension staff and others must be aware of the signs of stress and be willing to help farmers get assistance, Rosmann said.

Efforts are underway in South Dakota, Iowa and other Midwestern states to improve mental health services to farmers and ranchers, Rosmann said. The effort, he said, which includes integrating mental health services with medical care, must be

expanded to all states.

He also said U.S. farm policy must be changed to help family farmers survive. The nation now has only about 2 million farmers. Excluding huge farms and small hobby operations, about 600,000 family farms have gross incomes from \$40,000 to \$1 million a year, and those must be saved, he said.

The U.S. Agricultural Department estimates that farmers in 1999 got just 9 percent of their income from selling grain and livestock, Rosmann said. They got 48 percent from off-farm jobs, 36 percent from government payments and another 7 percent from interest earnings and rent, he said.

Americans spend a much smaller share of their incomes for food than do people in other nations, Rosmann said. If family farmers continue to go broke, corporations will take over and be able to

control food prices, he said.

"I'd rather buy my food from people I know love the land and take care of it," said Rosmann, who raises cattle in addition to working as a psychologist.

Meanwhile, farm debt continues to rise as income falls, Rosmann said. About 18 percent of farm debt this year is through credit cards, he said.

Larry and Linda Barber of Anita, Iowa, sought help from Rosmann. A bank refused to continue financing their farm after hail, strong winds and low prices cut their income to \$75,000 less than normal.

He said Rosmann was able to help because the psychologist also was a farmer and understood agricultural problems. "As much as anything, he made me feel like I was somebody, that I amounted to something."

## Bumper crop has farmers looking for storage space

DOVER, Del. (AP) — A record corn crop on the Delmarva Peninsula has posed a problem for farmers looking for storage space to keep their corn until it can be milled.

Ray Burton, an inspector with the Delaware Department of Agriculture, said the situation is nearing a crisis.

"There will be a critical storage problem before the corn harvest has been completed," Burton said.

Delaware corn farmers are expected to harvest 24.6 million bushels of corn this year — an 80 percent increase over last year and a new high over the previous record set in 1996 of 22 million bushels of corn. Farmers on Maryland's Eastern Shore are expected to see similar record yields.

The "bin buster" crop has pushed grain elevators and grain mills to their limits.

Despite the booming corn crop, the state of Delaware and the Eastern Shore of Maryland may still have to import approximately 20 million bushels of corn to feed the region's poultry.

Last year, poultry growers on the Delmarva Peninsula raised 606 million broilers and fed them about 71 million bushels of corn. Delmarva corn farmers provided about 50 million bushels to poultry growers, said Bill Satterfield, executive director of Delmarva Poultry Industry, Inc.

Meanwhile, mills in Maryland and Delaware are running nearly around the clock processing the corn into poultry feed. The more corn that is milled, the more space is available for storage, Burton said.

Between Maryland and Delaware, the peninsula can store about 90 million bushels of grain, but according to some estimates as much as 4 million bushels of corn will be stored on the ground by the end of the harvest.

Ground storage is more common in the Midwest, which has longer and colder winters than the temperate Mid-Atlantic. Moisture can destroy as much as 5 percent of corn stored on the ground.

Perdue Farms Inc. has begun storing corn on the ground at both its Salisbury, Md., headquarters and its mill in Hurlock, Md., said John Cassidy, grain operations manager for the poultry processing company.

The company, which has the capacity to hold from 21 to 22 million bushels of grain, expects to buy almost all its corn feed from area farmers, Cassidy said. In previous years, it has had to buy as much as 20 percent of its corn off railcars from the Midwest.

HUNTINGTON, Vt. (AP) — An organic farming association is working in schools across Vermont to let children know more about the food they eat.

The Northeast Organic Farming Association is using a 15-year-old food program used at the Huntington Elementary School as a guide for the statewide project.

The association hired five farmers from around the state to act as mentors to help establish contacts between schools and local farmers for the project called Vermont Food Education Every Day.

The project also will help teachers incorporate food into their curriculum and helping schools buy food from local farmers.

"The bottom line is to get kids to understand where their food comes from," said Enid Wonnacott, executive director of the Richmond-based association.

## Farmers with winter wheat hoping for additional rain

HASTINGS, Neb. (AP) — Farmers need more rain to keep their winter wheat crop alive.

"What we need is a good 2-inch soaker," said Alan Corr, University of Nebraska Cooperative Extension educator for Kearney and Franklin counties.

Drought last fall and winter hurt this year's wheat crop in Nebraska. So far this fall, timely rains have helped, but Corr said growing conditions have not been favorable as winter approaches.

"The wheat situation is similar to last year," he said.

Winter wheat generally is planted in September or October and harvested in June or July. It must sprout, emerge, go dormant, and then revivify in a process called "vernalization."

Lack of rain in the fall can scuttle the process, either by keeping the wheat from emerging before winter or by stressing the young plants, making them more susceptible to dying in the winter cold.

Richard Smith of Upland said he planted his wheat in northern Franklin County around Sept. 20.

He said he was pleased with the way the wheat had emerged after a recent 1.4 inches of rain.

"So far it looks great," Smith said. "We were fortunate in this area to get some rain."

With a few more showers, he said, his wheat on 2000 summer fallow ground should survive the winter. But more rainfall is critical, he said.

"If it doesn't rain, the young plants will suffer," he said.

Nebraska's extended forecast on Monday called for dry conditions until Thursday, when some rain could fall in the west. More rain could fall statewide Friday, with possible thunderstorms in the east.

Scott Keller, crop leader for the Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Service, said an estimated 81 percent of Nebraska's 2001 wheat crop had been planted as of Oct. 1. In south central Nebraska, an estimated 78 percent had been planted. The Oct. 1 statewide

average is 81 percent.

Keller said last week's rains had provided incentive for producers to go ahead and plant wheat rather than stay aboard their combines harvesting fall crops.

Emergence of wheat planted thus far was rated at 42 percent, compared with 55 percent as of Oct. 1, 1999. The Oct. 1 average is 52 percent.

In south central Nebraska, topsoil moisture was rated 57 percent "very short," and just 12 percent was rated adequate for the winter wheat crop. Subsoil was rated 80 percent "very short" in the region, and nowhere was it rated as adequate.

## Milk production up one percent

AUSTIN — Texas milk production totaled 391 million pounds during September, up 1 percent from last year. Production for August 2000 totaled 412 million pounds.

The number of milk cows during September averaged 346 head, unchanged from last year but down from August 2000. Production per cow averaged 1,130 pounds during September, up 1 percent from last year but down 5 percent from the 1,185 pounds during August 2000.

Milk production in the 20 states participating in the monthly survey totaled 11.5 bil-

lion pounds, up 2.8 percent from production in these same states in September 1999. August revised production, at 12.0 billion pounds, was up 3.7 percent from August 1999.

Production per cow during

September averaged 1,467 pounds, 22 pounds above a year ago. The average number of milk cows in the 20 states was 7.85 million head, 98,000 head more than last year and 11,000 head more than August 2000.

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# Sheriff tries to save migrants dying in the desert

By MEGAN K. STACK  
Associated Press Writer

SARITA, Texas (AP) — The sheriff knows them all. Not by name but by their tattered clothes, their thirst, the way their eyes roll back when the heat sets in.

He's watched them shred shirts off their chests. He's seen the skin slither off the feet of a woman who walked all the way from Mexico in sneakers that didn't fit.

He's seen them dying and dead and buried. He's even seen a few blink back to life after their hearts stopped beating.

"It makes you pray when you don't know how," says Rafael Cuellar Jr., squinting into the desert sun.

Cuellar was born on this dirt. He's been sheriff for eight years, a lawman more than 30. His rolling

belly laugh startles quail from the brush. He's half-deaf, walks with a cane, battles diabetes and depression.

The 61-year-old sheriff retires at the end of the calendar year. He leaves behind a scarred desk, a legacy of homespun humanitarian work and an immigrant cemetery blessed with the coo of doves.

"Maybe now we'll get to spend a little time with him," says Cuellar's son, Rafael III. "My dad gets up when it's dark and works until it's still dark."

Under Cuellar's watch, the Mexican and American governments declared his territory one of the three deadliest immigrant passages along the border. In the last four years, 62 migrants have lain down and died in Kenedy County. And those were just the bodies someone found.

But Cuellar wasn't about to let

death rule his county — not without a fight. He came back fierce, used his weekends, his imagination, his pocket money to battle the desert tragedies.

Somewhere out on the desolate coastal plains, he'll keep fighting. He'll fight until his bones are buried beside his grandfather's, his father's and those of the immigrants he couldn't save. Truth is, retirement or not, he doesn't know how to quit trying.

Everyone in South Texas knows, if you're out in Kenedy County, you'd best have a full tank of gas and an empty bladder. The county is bigger than Rhode Island — 1,700 square miles — but home to just 460 souls.

In Sarita, the county seat, a single spotlight blinks bleakly over the highway. There's a court-

house, a Catholic church and Cuellar's office. Nothing to buy but a postage stamp or a can of Coke, old-timers cackle.

"It's a nice little town — everybody's related, all cousins," Cuellar says. "You go out and barbecue at night, get into a fight and then go to church together the next day."

Yet Kenedy County is remarkable not for what it is but for where it is. One hundred miles north of Mexico, 270 miles south of Houston. One lone federal highway, U.S. 77, quivers in the heat. In the middle, 100 miles north of the border, the Border Patrol roadblock awaits northbound travelers. The guards sit behind their sunglasses, stretch out their hands for paperwork.

Most immigrants don't take the chance. It's easier, they believe, to get

dropped off south of the checkpoint, to skirt the Border Patrol by hiking 20 and 30 miles through the desert.

Footprint upon footprint, they trudge through wild olive, purple sage and mesquite, past the cattle, over the scattered white sand dunes that fool the eye and gulp the foot up to the ankle.

If they make it back to the road, a smuggler's car awaits. They can motor on, hair streaming, and let the desert slip off behind them. They can step into the anonymous sprawl of Houston, into crumbling apartment complexes and factories where bosses and landlords know better than to ask for papers.

There will be a chance — if they make it.

"They're sick, weak, hungry, thirsty," Cuellar says. A Santa Fe freight screams by, the only motion in a stifling afternoon. "They don't know where they are."

Cuellar scans the skies for buzzards. It's noon, and the cows are nosing around for shade. On the dashboard of his pickup, keys to every gate in the county jangle on an old ring.

The sheriff stocks pills and liniments and ice packs. He stashes countless sacks of chewing tobacco and foil packs of Swisher Sweet cigars. Wedges of melon, if the immigrants are hungry. Blankets, if they're cold. Rubber gloves and a camera, if it's too late.

"I never forget the body or the spot we find it," Cuellar says, shaking his head.

This particular dappled grove of live oak is a stone's throw from the highway. The earth vibrates when the big rigs pass, hauling oranges and blue jeans and camera parts from Mexico to Houston.

A 21-year-old woman died of dehydration here, her face turned toward the whistle and shush of passing cars.

"She was right there," Cuellar limps from the driver's seat and squats. He studies the dirt.

"She almost made it." Back over this way, a 12-year-old boy died. Stumbled down that desert dune, curled beneath a clump of wild grape vines, tried to escape the sun. Crazed. Lost.

All around the sheriff, all the time, the United States is struggling to pull shut its back door — but Cuellar doesn't waste much thought on politics.

"I'm so deep into this I don't even know right or wrong anymore," he says. "All I can see is to save lives."

A drunken driver here, a petty drug bust there. Kenedy County never had much crime.

"There wasn't any pressure to actually do any work," recalls James Scarborough, a former deputy who lost the sheriff's seat to Cuellar by five votes. Hard feelings melt fast in the Texas sun — the two men remain close friends.

But Cuellar doesn't rest. Pulls himself from bed on black mornings, makes his first rounds as the sun spills over the brown earth.

He drives two hours to visit Brownsville migrant shelters. He begs them not to risk it. It takes hours to die of dehydration, he warns them. In the end, you will think you've caught on fire. You will rip your clothes from your body, knowing death has caught you at last. He speaks of the bones he finds, of the back hoe that digs the graves.

"The main job Junior has is to stop those poor people from killing themselves," Jack Turquoise says. "That's how he perceives his job — and he's right."

The county's 70-year-old treasurer has known the sheriff for decades, ever since "Junior" took Turquoise's Roman Catholic catechism class. Back then, Cuellar couldn't speak English.

His grandfather drifted north from a little town just north of the border when he was 16. He ended up at Kenedy Ranch, where he worked as a ranch hand until he was 80. Cuellar's dad was a foreman at the ranch for half a centu-

ry. The young Cuellar trotted on horseback beside his old man on the long drives inland from the Gulf of Mexico. They nudged the herds across the harsh land, slowly, so the cattle wouldn't lose weight.

"He was accustomed to doing it the rough way," Cuellar recalls with a laugh. "The horse way. But he didn't want us to have a rough life like that."

Cuellar's own son, Rafael III, will soon be a Border Patrol agent. Cowboys, lawman, federal agent: Their family line sketches the slow drag of time on Kenedy County.

The decades have aged these lands. Even the illegals were different 20, 30, 40 years ago, long-time resident Scarborough believes — harder, and somehow smarter.

"They were campesinos, they were tough people coming up to work. They knew their way and they'd prepare for the trip," he says. "These illegals now, they come up desperate from the cities, and they don't know what they're getting into and ..."

He thinks for a minute. "And they die."

One day, Cuellar looked at a corpse and knew he couldn't dig another unmarked grave. He asked no one's permission. Just summoned a funeral director and bought a grave marker for a dead pilgrim.

Since that day 11 years ago, the county has paid at least \$100,000 for immigrant autopsies and burials — and nobody complains.

"Around here, just about everybody's had hard knocks, or at least seen somebody who works for 'em go through a tough time," Scarborough says. "People here understand how it is."

Besides, as Kenedy residents sometimes boast, the county has a lot of money and nothing to buy. Crisp corporate checks flow into the coffers regular as spring. Most of the taxes — 98 percent — come from oil companies with mineral rights to the deep pools of black gold.

"We don't have taxpayers," Turquoise says, laughing. "Not the way you mean it."

This nation never wanted them here. Didn't want their coffee eyes or their hardened hands. If the migrants had been caught alive, they would have been kicked out.

But they died mean deaths in their ill-fated journeys north — and so these immigrants can stay. They have earned a scrap of U.S. soil. As if life were a venom, as though death sucked them harmless.

Their names are etched in pounded tin, sunk in mounds of earth cracked by drought. Jeffry Guardado, 14. Espiridion Rosales, 58.

Female unknown. Unknown male. Unknown skeletal remains.

It was Cuellar who did this. When there's no way to identify the bones, when the family can't be found or doesn't want the body or can't afford to come, the sheriff calls a priest. He stands silent at the funerals, hammy hands slack at his sides.

Cuellar's father is buried here, beneath perfumed lilies, shouting distance from the immigrant graves.

Cuellar likes the graveyard, goes there to think. Some afternoons, doves light on the cemetery's wire fence. They sing while the sun seeps away.

Cuellar is fascinated by the doves' call. He often thinks he should record the song.

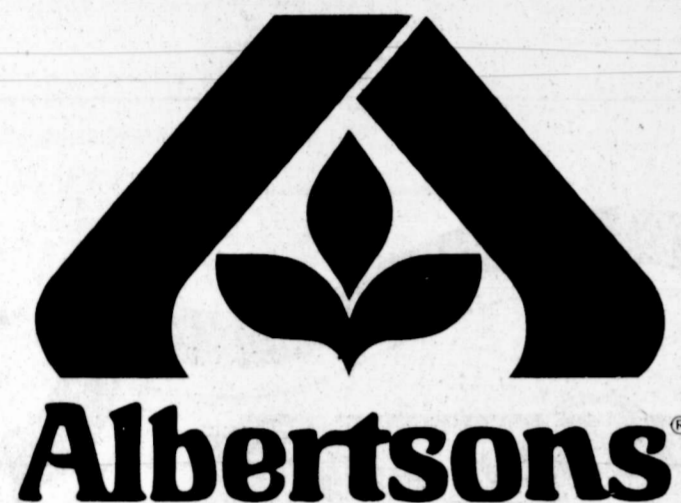
Maybe once he's retired, he'll have time.

"I'm tired. I'm tired in my bones," he says. "It takes something away from you, feeling sorry for all these people, all the time ..."

He trails off. Looks at the graves, the sky, the endless fields and the dirt road stretching back to town.

Out in the desert, the ragged procession is trudging north, pressing on, weak and weary. Cuellar knows they're there. He knows some will live, some will die.

He's seen them before.



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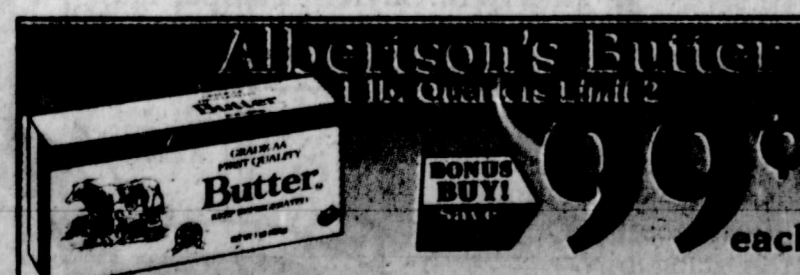


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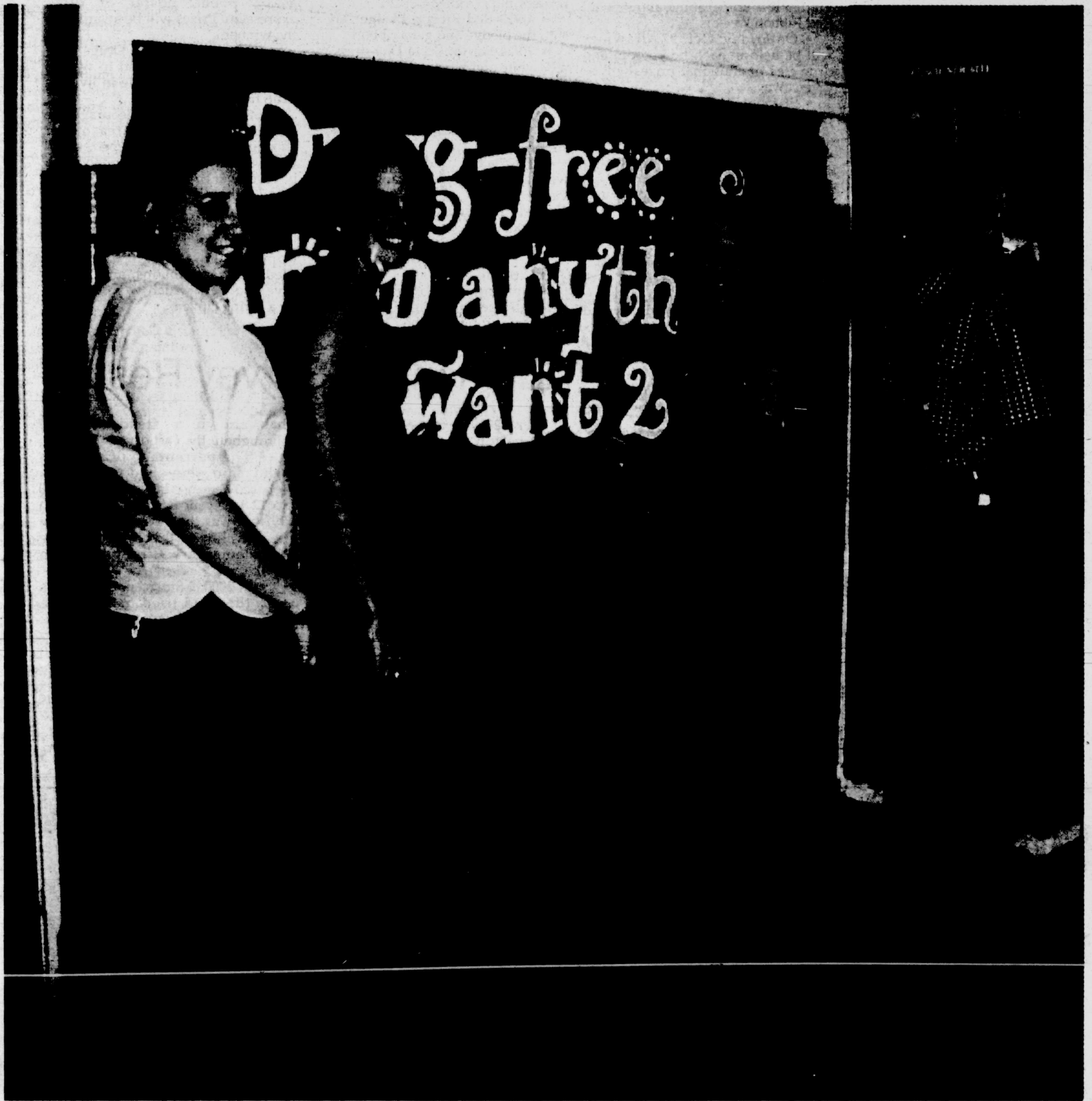


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# *PAMPA CELEBRATES RED RIBBON WEEK*



# Pampa school students to observe Red Ribbon Week

The following activities will be held at local schools in connection with Pampa Independent School District Red Ribbon activities Oct. 23-27, 2000.

#### Austin Elementary

- Grades K, 1 and 2 will color drug free coloring pages
- Grades, 3, 4, and 5 will circle around the school to show a united stand against drugs
- School will be decorated with red ribbons

#### Lamar Elementary

- Grades K, 1, and 2 will color drug free coloring pages
- Grades 3, 4, and 5 will paint fingernails red as a reminder of their commitment to be drug free
- School will be decorated with red ribbons

#### Travis Elementary

- Fifth graders will decorate the fences with red ribbons and will then

divide into teams and speak to grades K-4 homerooms about what Red Ribbon Week is

- On Friday, Oct. 27, drawings will be held in each homeroom and drug free promotional prizes will be given away
- Students will also color drug free coloring sheets

#### Wilson Elementary

- All students will be informed about the importance of the red ribbon and what Red Ribbon Week is about
- Grades K, 1, and 2 will color drug free coloring sheets
- Grades 3, 4, and 5 will paint their fingernails red as a reminder of their commitment to be drug free
- The school will be decorated with red ribbons
- Fourth grade will be learning Refusal Skills during that week

#### Pampa Middle School

- CAST (PMS's drug free group)

will decorate the school with ribbon, posters, etc... Friday, Oct. 20

- 10/23-Red Ribbon Pledge Day - sign the pledge and get a ribbon
- 10/24-Patriot Pride Day-dress in red, white and blue and get a sticker
- 10/25-Too Cool for Drugs Day-wear shades and get a bookmark
- 10/26-Sock it to Drugs Day-wear wild and crazy socks and get a sticker
- 10/27 - Put a lid on drugs day - wear a hat, get a pledge, and watch a video
- Mr. Ledesma's classes made all of the posters to decorate the school

#### Pampa High School

- Some classes will be participating in a contest in which students are encouraged to express how drugs can harm their bodies and

lives. Students can do so through an essay, poem, poster or other expression. Prizes will be awarded to the winner

- 10/25-Put a Lid on Drugs Day-students are encouraged to wear a hat to express their pride in living a drug free life
- Students will be encouraged to turn in their personal reason for choosing to be drug free-prizes will be awarded to the winners and will be read over the PA
- Myths vs. facts about drugs and alcohol will be read over the announcements during the week
- Students will be given the opportunity to sign drug free pledges, wear ribbons, and will be given suckers which were donated by a caring citizen.

## Elementary Survey Results

The 2000 Texas School Survey is the nation's largest survey of its kind. The survey examines alcohol and drug usage among students, as well as student attitudes, extracurricular involvement and other behaviors. The survey is conducted every two years by Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse in conjunction with the Public Policy Research Institute of Texas A&M University.

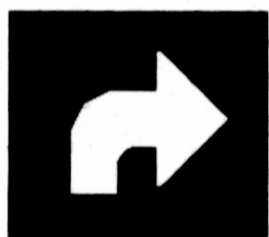
#### Elementary Survey

In the spring of 2000, TCADA surveyed 81,875 students in grades 4-6 from 70 Texas school districts. Among the findings:

- In 2000, 27.5 percent students reported they had tried alcohol, a seven percent decrease from 1998. Alcohol use among this age group

has shown a steady decline throughout the past decade.

- The percentage of students who said they had ever used tobacco decreased 23 percent in 2000 to 12.5 percent from 16.3 percent in 1998. It was the most dramatic two-year decline in this category since the elementary survey began in 1990.
- In 2000, 2.8 percent of students said they had tried marijuana, a drop of 22 percent from 1998. Marijuana use among this age group peaked in 1994, but has fallen 50 percent since that time.
- The percentage of students who said they have used inhalants fell 13 percent from 1998 to 10.7 percent in 2000.



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# Congress adopts national standard on drunk driving

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress, joining forces with President Clinton, is adopting a tough national standard for drunken driving that proponents say should reduce the 15,000-plus annual highway fatalities linked to alcohol.

Ending a three-year legislative struggle, House and Senate negotiators have agreed to require states to implement a 0.08 percent blood alcohol content standard as the legal level for drunken driving by 2004. States that fail to impose that standard would begin losing millions of dollars a year in federal highway funds.

The House may vote on the measure, part of a transportation spending bill, as early as Wednesday, and the Senate is expected to quickly follow suit, sending the legislation to the president for his signature.

Clinton said the 0.08 standard was a "common-sense nationwide limit" that will save an estimated 500 lives a year and prevent thousands of injuries.

"This is a tremendous win not only for those who have lost loved ones to drunk drivers, but for those whose families will remain safe because more drunk drivers will be off the road," said Sen. Frank Lautenberg, D-N.J., a chief sponsor of the legislation.

The restaurant and beverage industries, which have lobbied hard to defeat the 0.08 standard, said the majority of drinking-related fatalities involve people with far higher blood alcohol concentrations and the legislation does not address the real problem: hard-core and repeat drinking offenders.

In 1998, 15,935 traffic deaths were attributed to drunken driving, or 38.4 percent of the 41,471 deaths

overall. Both numbers were down slightly from the year before.

Mothers Against Drunk Driving cites studies showing that a driver with 0.08 blood alcohol content is 11 times more likely to be involved in a fatal collision than a sober driver.

"There's no single solution to drunk driving," said MADD President Millie Webb, who lost a nephew and a daughter and who, with her husband and unborn baby, was severely injured in a crash with a driver with 0.08 percent content. But 0.08 laws "are among the most important measures proven to save lives on our roadways."

Currently, 18 states and the District of Columbia have 0.08 laws, and in Massachusetts evidence of a level of 0.08 is considered evidence but not proof of drunkenness. Thirty-one states define drunken driving as 0.10 percent blood alcohol content.

Rep. Nita Lowey, D-N.Y., a leader on the issue in the House with Rep. Frank Wolf, R-Va., said 0.08 has been proven to save lives. Illinois, she said, has seen a 13.7 percent decline in fatal crashes involving drunken driving since it adopted 0.08 in 1997.

But John Doyle, spokesman for the American Beverage Institute, said alcohol-related fatalities were up 8 percent last year in Virginia, which has a 0.08 standard, but down 12 percent in neighboring Maryland, which does not.

Doyle's group says the 0.08 standard would mean that a 120-pound woman who drinks two 6-ounce glasses of wine over a two-hour period could face arrest and mandatory jail or loss of her license.

But MADD, also citing National Highway Traffic Safety Administration studies, says a 170-

pound man would have to have four drinks in an hour on an empty stomach, or a 137-pound woman three drinks in an hour, to reach 0.08.

Under the final compromise, states that don't implement the 0.08 standard by 2004 would lose 2 percent of their highway money, with the penalty increasing to 8 percent by 2007. States that adopt the standard by 2007 would be reimbursed for any lost money.

Several lawmakers made last-ditch efforts to sidetrack the 0.08 measure but were defeated by the House-Senate conference.

Rep. David Obey, D-Wis., contended it was wrong to take

money away from states that, while they might not have a 0.08 standard, impose other strong anti-drinking measures such as bans on driving with open containers of alcohol or mandatory blood testing after accidents.

"It's a gross injustice to many states that have far tougher drunk driving laws," he said.

The transportation spending bill is H.R. 4475.

On the Net: MADD: <http://www.madd.org/>  
American Beverage Institute: <http://www.abionline.org/>  
State drunken driving laws:

## Texas Drug Fact

In the spring of 2000, TCADA surveyed 127,380 students in grades 7-12 from 71 school districts. Among the findings was that more than nine percent of students said they had attended class while drunk at least once during the past school year.



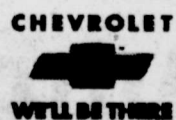
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## Strategies used to fight drug and alcohol abuse

In addition to approaches applied to society as a whole, prevention approaches are also aimed at individual citizens to provide them with the knowledge and skills to avoid alcohol and other drug problems. These prevention approaches are appropriate for individuals and groups who have never used tobacco, alcohol, or other drugs or whose use is at a very early stage — before serious problems have occurred.

Rather than addressing alcohol and other drugs directly, some prevention efforts attempt to alter factors that place individuals and groups "at risk." Individuals may be influenced by "risk factors" such as academic failure. Or the risk factor may be something in their personal relationships (for example, another family member may use tobacco, alcohol, or other drugs). Society as a whole also has risk factors (for example, the lack of economic opportunity or the easy availability of alcohol and other drugs).

The 1986 Anti-Drug Abuse Act identified groups of individuals who are at high risk because of social or environmental conditions. These groups are children of alcoholics and drug abusers; victims of sexual, physical, or psychological abuse; school dropouts; pregnant teens; economically disadvantaged youths; youths with mental health problems; youths who have attempted suicide; and disabled youths. Programs specifically designed for these groups have become a major

focus of recent state and federal programs.

Intervention (sometimes referred to as early intervention) refers to program strategies that are aimed at persons who have begun to use alcohol and other drugs or have begun to experience some problems as a result. The goal of intervention programs is to reduce the level of such use and to prevent alcohol and other drug problems from progressing further.

Treatment is usually provided to those individuals who have many serious problems caused by their use of alcohol or other drugs or who are addicted to or dependent on drugs. Because most individuals whose use of alcohol and other drugs is habitual or addictive cannot stop on their own, treatment programs are often highly structured and involve intensive therapy.

Enforcement refers to strategies used to eliminate the supply of drugs and curb underage drinking. The role of law enforcement personnel has also within the past ten years expanded to include "demand reduction." Recognizing that enforcement efforts alone will not totally eliminate drug use, law enforcement has realized that preventing the demand for drugs is the most cost effective solution. It is increasingly common to find law enforcement personnel in positive direct contact with young people through school-based programs such as Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.).

### Texas Drug Fact

Survey result of the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse revealed the numbers remained steady from 1998, cocaine and crack use remains a problem among Texas students. In 2000, nine percent of secondary students reported they had tried cocaine or crack, and 3.1 percent reported using these substances in the month before the survey.

## Drug abuse Resources in Pampa

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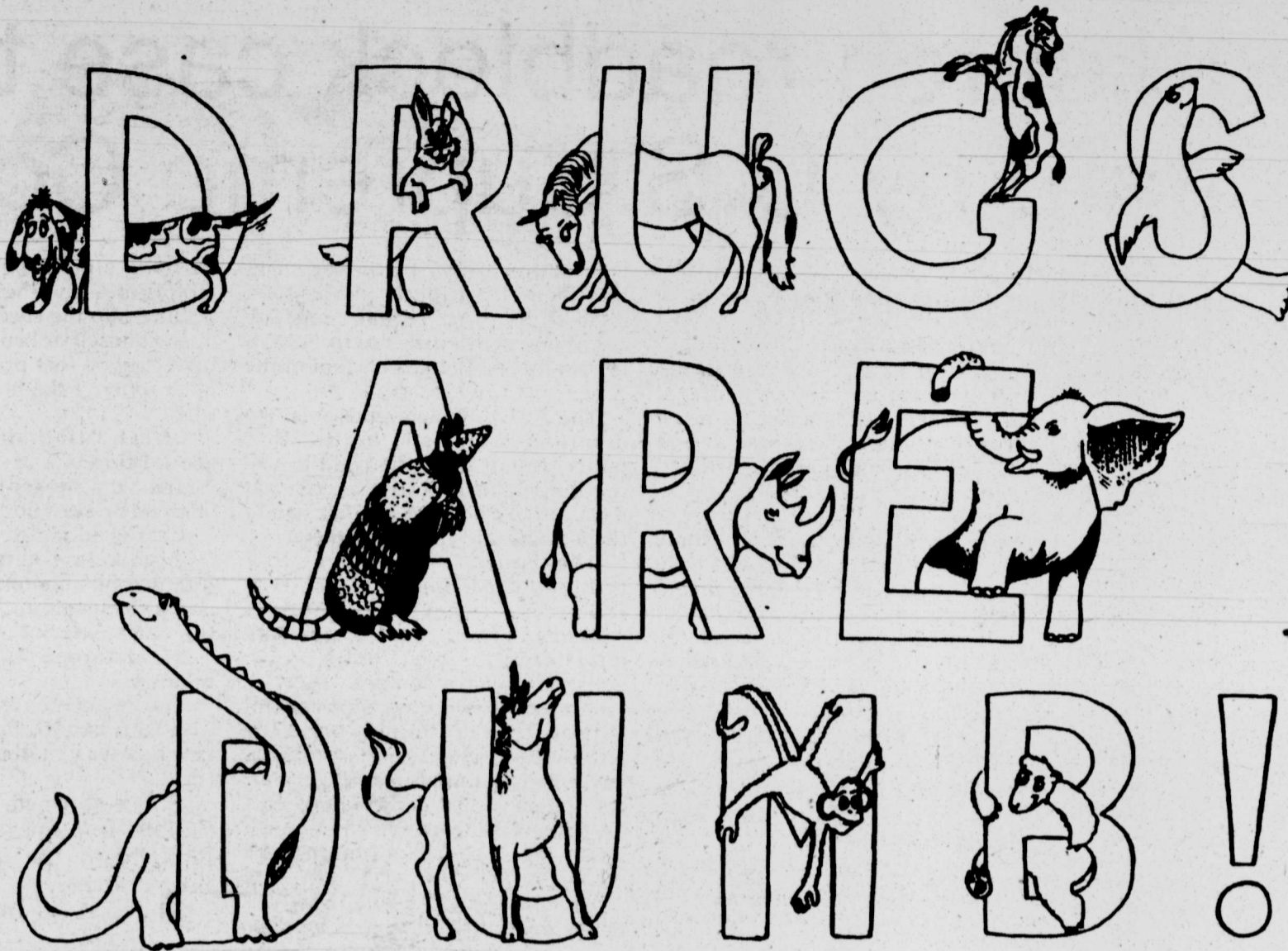


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### Red Ribbon Week began in 1986

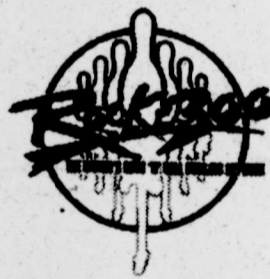
The Red Ribbon Campaign originated in 1986 when citizens of a small community donned red ribbons in tribute and memory of Enrique Camarena, the Drug Enforcement Agent who was slain by drug traffickers.

Since that time, the red ribbon has not only been a badge of Agent Camarena's sacrifice, but that of countless other law enforcement officers who have committed themselves to demand and supply reduction of illegal drugs. The campaign itself has spread across the nation from individual to individual, community to community, and state to state.

Texas' War on Drugs promoted the Red Ribbon Campaign in the State of Texas from 1988 to 1996. Seeing the positive impact that the Red Ribbon Campaign can have on the organization and implementation of drug prevention efforts, other states have brought the campaign to the public eye, usually through the leadership of statewide drug prevention organizations.

The National Family Partnership (formerly the National Federation of Parents for Drug-Free Youth) has assumed the role of campaign promotion for the nation.

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# Drug-search roadblock case to be heard by U.S. Supreme Court

WASHINGTON (AP) — Supreme Court justices questioned whether roadblocks to catch drug dealers are one step on the path toward the sort of random questioning by police that the Constitution is supposed to forbid.

The court took a new look last week at privacy rights versus the interests of law enforcement with the case of drug-search roadblocks that detain far more innocent motorists than criminals.

The court must decide whether the roadblocks set up by Indianapolis in 1998 are consistent with the accepted practices of border roadblocks to find illegal immigrants or random traffic stops to get drunks off the road.

The city admits that its primary aim was to catch drug criminals. Civil liberties advocates called the practice heavy-handed and risky, and asked the Supreme Court to ban it.

Justice Antonin Scalia pounced on a lawyer for the city, who argued that

the practice is no more intrusive than the traffic stops that previously passed court muster.

"So you think the government could stop a car anywhere in the United States and look for illegal immigrants?" Scalia asked in mock surprise. "Simply stop the car and say, 'Can I see your papers, please?'" As the crowd stirred, Scalia added: "Sorta scary."

The city's lawyer, A. Scott Chinn, replied that authorities would have to show a reason to suspect illegal immigrants were using a particular road, but he did not back off his argument that the drug checkpoints are a simple and effective way to find large amounts of drugs.

Several other cities have used similar checkpoints and the practice could become fairly common if the Supreme Court gives its blessing.

"The risk here is if we break down this barrier ... we will be faced with ever-increasing incursions that will

be balanced away," by the argument that the benefit to the public good outweighs individual privacy concerns, replied Kenneth Falk, a lawyer for the Indiana chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union.

The ACLU, which represents two detained motorists, argues that police do not have the right to use roadblocks to investigate criminal drug activity without good reason to suspect one motorist or another.

The Fourth Amendment that forbids unreasonable searches or seizures generally protects Americans from random sidewalk questioning by police, or indiscriminate traffic stops.

The court is reviewing a federal appeals court ruling that said the Indianapolis checkpoints probably amounted to unreasonable seizures. A Supreme Court decision, expected by June, will provide the court's latest word on the amendment's scope.

Several justices seemed troubled by the notion that motorists could be

stopped simply because they are motorists — in other words, that by driving into the checkpoint a person opens himself or herself to a criminal investigation that presumably would not happen if the he or she were on foot.

"I can't find anything special about being in a car ... and I haven't heard you present one," Justice Stephen Breyer said.

Cars were pulled over at random in high-crime neighborhoods in Indianapolis, motorists questioned, and a drug-sniffing dog led around the car's exterior. Most motorists were detained for about three minutes.

The city conducted six roadblocks over four months in 1998 before the practice was challenged in federal court.

Police stopped 1,161 cars and trucks and made 104 arrests. Fifty-five of the arrests were on drug charges.

The case is Indianapolis v.



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(Pampa News photo by Nancy Young)  
Josh Gibson, Meredith Hendricks, Sarah Fraser and Michael Cornelison are busy hanging red ribbon at tPampa High School in preparation of Red Ribbon Week which is held the last week of October each year. The event began 14 years ago in California. The students are all members of the PHS D-Fy-It organization, and are interested in fighting alcohol and drug abuse.

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# What you don't know about Drugs

## MARIJUANA

### DEFINITION

Marijuana is the crude drug obtained from the plant species *Cannabis sativa*. In marijuana, there are over 421 chemicals, increasing to over 2000 when the drug is smoked. More than 61 of these are called "cannabinoids," which interfere with the normal function of all types of living cells.

Delta-9-tetra-hydrocannabinol (THC) is the mind altering cannabinoid that causes the state of intoxication associated with marijuana. The higher the amount of THC, the more harmful marijuana becomes. The marijuana illegally grown today is 10 times more potent than that used prior to 1970. Not only is marijuana stronger, but it is becoming more common for "joints" to be laced with cocaine or PCP.

Marijuana is considered a "gateway drug" -- one which often leads to other drug use.

### EFFECTS

Cannabinoid molecules do not dissolve in water; they settle and collect in the fatty tissue of cell walls. The cells of all the major organs become saturated with fat-soluble cannabinoids, depending on the length of time the cannabinoids have been there. Even when a single marijuana cigarette is smoked, THC and other cannabinoids have an average "half-life" (the time it takes the body to break down and/or get rid of one-half of the drug taken into the body) of approximately 72 hours in the human body. It may take several months for tissue which is highly saturated with cannabinoids to rid itself of THC. During this time, THC is being slowly released into the body.

THE BRAIN is made up of 1/3 fat. When the cell walls in brain tissue become completely saturated with THC, the brain cells die. They cannot be replaced. The brain cells most impaired with marijuana use are those most responsible for the highest and most complex brain functions: thought, memory, learning, speech, and controlled emotions. Additionally, THC impairs the performance of tasks which require coordination and attention. Marijuana weakens the motivation center of the brain and, in time, permanently damages this area.

THE REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM, a network of glands and hormones, is also adversely affected by marijuana. Its use may impair sexual development, fertility, and sexual functioning. In men, marijuana reduces sperm production and can damage sperm cells. In women, marijuana can cause irregular menstrual cycles and can damage egg cells. In pregnancy, marijuana chemicals pass across the placenta to the developing fetus.

THE IMMUNE SYSTEM of a marijuana smoker is weakened by 40%, resulting in more susceptibility to infections and illness (including Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome -- AIDS).

THE LUNGS are damaged 5 times more from the smoking of one marijuana cigarette than from the smoking of one tobacco cigarette. In addition, the lungs of marijuana smokers are weakened in their ability to fight bacterial infections.

## PREVALENCE

Increases in lifetime, annual, current (use within the past 30 days) and daily use of marijuana by eighth and tenth graders continue a trend that began in the early 1990s. Among twelfth graders, rates of marijuana use remained high and increased for lifetime use. In Texas, current marijuana use among eighth graders has tripled in the past five years. In 1996, marijuana was the most commonly used illicit drug and the third most prevalent substance other than alcohol and tobacco. (1996 Monitoring the Future: University of Michigan; and the 1996 Texas School Survey of Substance Abuse: The Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse)

## GATEWAY DRUGS

Young people who experiment with drugs begin with specific drugs which "lead" or "open the gate" to increased use of these specific drugs or use of a wider range of drugs. Virtually all experimentation with illegal mind altering drugs begins between the ages of 12 and 20. By preventing the use of gateway drugs, it is likely that young people will grow to adulthood drug free.

Tobacco, alcohol, marijuana, and inhalants are identified as "gateway drugs."

### TOBACCO

The middle school child who experiments with tobacco is faced with approximately one to three odds of developing nicotine dependence. Of youth who experiment with only cigarettes, nearly 85% can become habitual smokers.

For every four adolescents who try tobacco, 20 years later, one will still be trying to kick the habit. 12 to 17 year olds who are current smokers of cigarettes when compared to youths of the same age who do not smoke, are twice as likely to be current users of alcohol, 9 times as likely to illegally use pills such as tranquilizers, 10 times more likely to smoke marijuana, and 14 times more likely to use cocaine, heroin, or hallucinogens. Thus, current smoking of cigarettes is a strong predictor of other drug use among teenagers. 81% of teenage smokers also try marijuana, versus only 21% of nonsmokers.

### ALCOHOL

Youth may become alcoholic (dependent upon alcohol) in 6 months to 3 years versus the 10 to 15 year pattern for adults. Lack of completely organized brain systems and fully developed bodies make the still-growing adolescent more vulnerable to alcoholic toxicity. The earlier and more intensively a young person uses alcohol the more likely that person is to use other drugs. On the other hand, the teen who does not drink alcohol is virtually immune from use of any other illegal drug, from marijuana to heroin.

### MARIJUANA

One in three Americans who try only one marijuana cigarette go on to daily marijuana use. Excluding cigarettes or alcohol (which are illegal for youth), the first universally illegal drug most often used is marijuana. Marijuana is considered a gateway drug for two reasons: 1) its use almost always occurs before the tenth grade; 2) it is rare for young people ever to progress to other drug use without first having used marijuana.



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# Rohypnol and its effects

## DEFINITIONS

Rohypnol (flunitrazepam) in usually prescribed doses is an effective sleeping medication. It is not available for prescription in the U.S., but is available in Mexico, Central and South America, Europe and Asia. Rohypnol is a benzodiazepine, in the same family of medications as Valium (diazepam), Librium (chlordiazepoxide), Xanax (Alprazolam) and Halcion (triazolam).

Street names of Rohypnol include Roachies, R-2, Roaches, or Roches, Rocha, Rophies, Roofies, Ruffles, Ropes or Rib. Being under the influence of the drug is referred to as being "roached out."

Rohypnol abuse has been reported in middle schools and high schools, as well as by college students and adults. Heroin addicts use it as an enhancer for low-quality heroin, or to self-medicate withdrawal symptoms from heroin or methadone. Cocaine abusers use Rohypnol to reduce anxiety and agitation from cocaine use.

The tablets are usually taken by mouth. Some people crush the tablets and snort or smoke the powder, or dissolve it for injection. The most common pattern is episodic use by teenagers and young adults, most often in combination with beer or marijuana. There have been reports that Rohypnol has been put in soft drinks or alcoholic beverages.

Along the Mexico-Texas border from Brownsville to Laredo, a somewhat different pattern of benzodiazepine abuse has developed. Many users are not specifically seeking or familiar with the name Rohypnol; instead, they are seeking tablets with the name Roche on them. From users' descriptions of the tablets, it is clear that instead of or in addition to Rohypnol, many are taking Rivotril (Clonazepam, which is sold in the U.S. under the trade name Klonopin), Lexotan (Bromazepam, another sleeping pill

marketed in Mexico) or Valium manufactured in Mexico (which is different in appearance from U.S. Valium). Use of other benzodiazepines, such as Ativan and Xanax, was also reported.

## EFFECTS

Flunitrazepam effects begin within 30 minutes, peak within 2 hours, and may persist for up to 8 hours or more, depending upon the dosage. Adverse effects include: decreased blood pressure; memory impairment, drowsiness, visual disturbances, dizziness, confusion, gastrointestinal disturbances, and urinary retention. Paradoxically, although the drug is classified as a depressant, flunitrazepam can induce excitability or aggressive behavior in some users.

Flunitrazepam use causes dependence in humans. Once dependence has developed, abstinence induces withdrawal symptoms, including headache, muscle pain, extreme anxiety, tension, restlessness, confusion, and irritability.

Numbness, tingling of the extremities, loss of identity, hallucinations, delirium, convulsions, shock, and cardiovascular collapse also may occur. Withdrawal seizures can occur a week or more after cessation of use. As with other benzodiazepines, treatment for flunitrazepam dependence must be gradual, with use tapering off.

## PREVALENCE

The distribution and abuse of flunitrazepam, in all likelihood, will continue to increase within certain segments of society in the United States, particularly among abusers of other illicit drugs and high school students who mistakenly believe that the drug is harmless.

Two recent surveys of persons making customs declarations along the Texas border found that 42 to 46% of the persons were declaring Rohypnol as one of the drugs they were bringing into the U.S.

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**Fact:** Smoking marijuana is more than 4 times as likely to cause cancer than smoking cigarettes. Marijuana smoke contains toxins like carbon monoxide.

**Bonus Fact:** Marijuana today is stronger than it was 10, 20, and 30 years ago.

**Fiction:** Marijuana doesn't affect your body or your mind.

**Fact:** Tasks that require concentration and coordination, like driving, are more difficult for a marijuana smoker to do than a non-smoker. One study found that teenagers who smoked marijuana were twice as likely to be in traffic accidents as non-smokers.

**Bonus Fact:** Smoking pot releases chemicals in the body which head straight to fat cells in the organs of the body such as the brain, ovaries, and testes. Long after marijuana has been smoked, these chemicals remain in the cells, damaging the way the brain and other vital organs work.

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- \* strong bonds with the family;
  - \* experience of parental monitoring with clear rules of conduct within the family unit and involvement of parents in the lives of their children;
  - \* success in school performance,
  - \* strong bonds with prosocial institutions such as the family, school, and religious organizations- and adoption of conventional norms about drug use. (source- Preventing Drug Use Among Children and Adolescents: A Research-Based Guide- National Institute on Drug Abuse)
- Resiliency is the process of coping with disruptive, stressful, or challenging life events in a way that provides the individual with more protective and coping skills than prior to the disruption that resulted from the event.
- The resilient child:
- \* Is effective in work, play and relationships:
    - establishes healthy friendships;
    - is goal-oriented and enjoys making satisfactory progress.
  - \* Has healthy expectancies and a positive outlook:
    - believes that effort and initiative will pay;
    - is oriented to success rather than to failure;
    - sets goals realistically.
  - \* Has self-esteem and internal locus of control:
    - feels competent and has a sense of personal power-
    - believes that s/he can influence events in his or her environment rather than being controlled by what occurs.
  - \* Is self-disciplined:
    - has the ability to delay gratification and control impulsive drive;
    - maintains a future-orientation.
  - \* Has critical thinking and problem-solving skills:
    - is able to think abstractly, to reflect and learn from experience, and to be flexible,
    - considers alternative solutions both to cognitive and social problems.
  - \* Enjoys a sense of humor:
    - has the ability to generate comic relief and alternative ways of looking at things; n laugh at self and ridiculous situations.

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## Quiz Cards For Kids: Alcohol

**Fiction:** Alcohol is not a drug.

**Fact:** Alcohol is an addictive drug. The active ingredient in all alcoholic drinks is ethyl alcohol, which works like ether. It acts like an anesthetic to put the brain to sleep.

**Bonus Fact:** Even a low level of alcohol in the blood has a tranquilizing effect, slowing you down. The more alcohol you drink, the more your brain is affected. You're unable to move normally. You can't see or hear as well, and you can't think clearly. That means you may do things you normally wouldn't do.

**Fiction:** It's OK to let teens drink, as long as they do it responsibly and don't drive.

**Fact:** Bodies are still growing until they reach the early 20's. Alcohol may permanently stop the development of the hypothalamus - part of the brain - in adolescents. Addiction often occurs more quickly in bodies that are still growing (it can happen in months).

**Bonus Fact:** Because of the difference in their body's makeup, women have a lower tolerance for alcohol than men.

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# Community works together in promoting Red Ribbon Week

Pampa Independent School District and The Pampa News are joining with the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse to promote the 2000 Red Ribbon Campaign.

The Red Ribbon Campaign is an opportunity to bring together parents, schools and businesses to help create drug-free communities, say leaders at the Commission, which is sponsoring the celebration from Oct. 23-31.

"The Red Ribbon Campaign is an excellent community opportunity for a statewide effort to protect children from the dangers of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs," says TCADA Chairman James C. Oberwetter.

A 1998 survey by the Commission

reported a dramatic decrease in the number of fourth, fifth and sixth graders who have tried alcohol, down from 41.8 percent in 1990. The number of elementary students who had tried tobacco dropped to 16.3 percent in 1998 from 21.1 percent in 1990.

"Red Ribbon Week should serve as a kickoff and catalyst for a year long prevention effort," says Joe Wiese, director of TCADA's Office of Prevention. "Successful prevention efforts include parents, schools, law enforcement, the faith community and all other community resources working in a unified way with a consistent message."

The first Red Ribbon Campaign was organized in 1986 by a

grassroots organization of parents dedicated to protecting communities from the destruction caused by alcohol and drug abuse.

The red ribbon was adopted as a symbol of the movement in honor of Enrique Camarena, an agent with the U. S. Drug Enforcement Administration kidnapped and killed while investigating drug traffickers. The campaign has reached millions of U.S. children and has been recognized by the U.S. Congress.

"Red Ribbon Week is a chance to be visible and vocal in our desire for a drug-free community," says Lesley Gershmel of Pampa Safe and Drug Free schools and communities. "We know that children are less likely to

use alcohol and other drugs when parents and other role models are clear and consistent in their opposition to alcohol and drug abuse. That's why we are proud to support Red Ribbon Week."

In 1997, the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse began committing resources to ensure the continuation of the Red Ribbon Campaign in Texas.

For more information about Red Ribbon Week or prevention resources, contact the Commission's Prevention Resource Centers at (888) PRC-TEXX.

If you are interested in receiving red ribbons or information on substance abuse prevention, contact Lesley Gershmel at 669-1012.

# New study suggests smoking can cause depression in teens

CHICAGO (AP) — A new study suggests smoking may be a cause of depression in teen-agers, contradicting the current thinking that says depressed people may smoke to feel better.

The study found that teens who smoked were about four times more likely to develop highly depressed symptoms during a year's time.

The researchers speculated that nicotine or other smoking byproducts may have a depressive effect on the central nervous system.

"The thing that bolsters the idea is that there is evidence that anti-depressant drugs are helpful in treating nicotine addiction," said Dr. Elizabeth Goodman, an adolescent-medicine specialist at Children's

Hospital Medical Center of Cincinnati who led the study.

The study appears in the October issue of Pediatrics. Other researchers have linked teen smoking with suicide, and smoking with depression in adults, but they disagree over whether tobacco use is a cause or merely a result of a depressed state.

Most think people "who have tendency to have depressed mood self-medicate by smoking. This is probably not the case," said Naomi Breslau, director of research at Henry Ford Health Systems in Detroit.

Breslau's own research also has suggested tobacco may somehow contribute to depression. She said that while the new findings do not

prove smoking is a cause, they strongly support that theory.

"They find absolutely no evidence that depressive symptoms per se increase the risk for smoking," she said. "They do find very clear evidence in the other direction."

The study relied not on doctors' diagnoses but on teen-agers' reports of having symptoms suggestive of depression.

The study analyzed data from teens questioned in 1995 and 1996 in a national study on adolescent health. It included 8,704 teens who were not initially depressed and 6,947 teens who were not initially smokers.

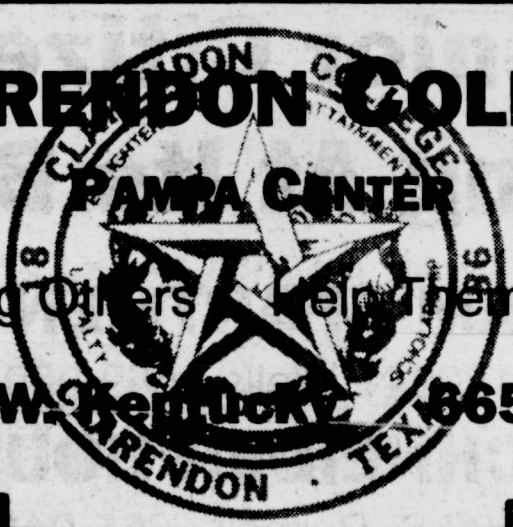
Evidence suggesting depression was a cause rather than a result of

smoking evaporated when the researchers took into account other factors that may have prompted the teens to start smoking, such as friends' use of tobacco and poor grades.

Current smokers included those who smoked as little as one cigarette in the previous month and those who smoked a pack a day or more. The researchers did not examine whether teens who smoked the most were the most likely to develop depression, but some of their other findings suggest that may have been the case.

After a year's time, 4.8 percent of the nonsmokers had developed depressed symptoms compared with 12 percent of those who initially smoked at least a pack a day.


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Collin Lewis, Leslee Ammons, Rhianna Anglin and Aaron Fernuik will be among the D-Fy-It students who will be participating in the Red Ribbon Week celebration activities at Pampa High School during Red Ribbon Week Oct. 23-31, 2000. The students will join students from across the country who will be working to bring attention to drug and alcohol abuse among young people. The local students will be distributing red ribbons at the high school to all students who would like to participate in the event.

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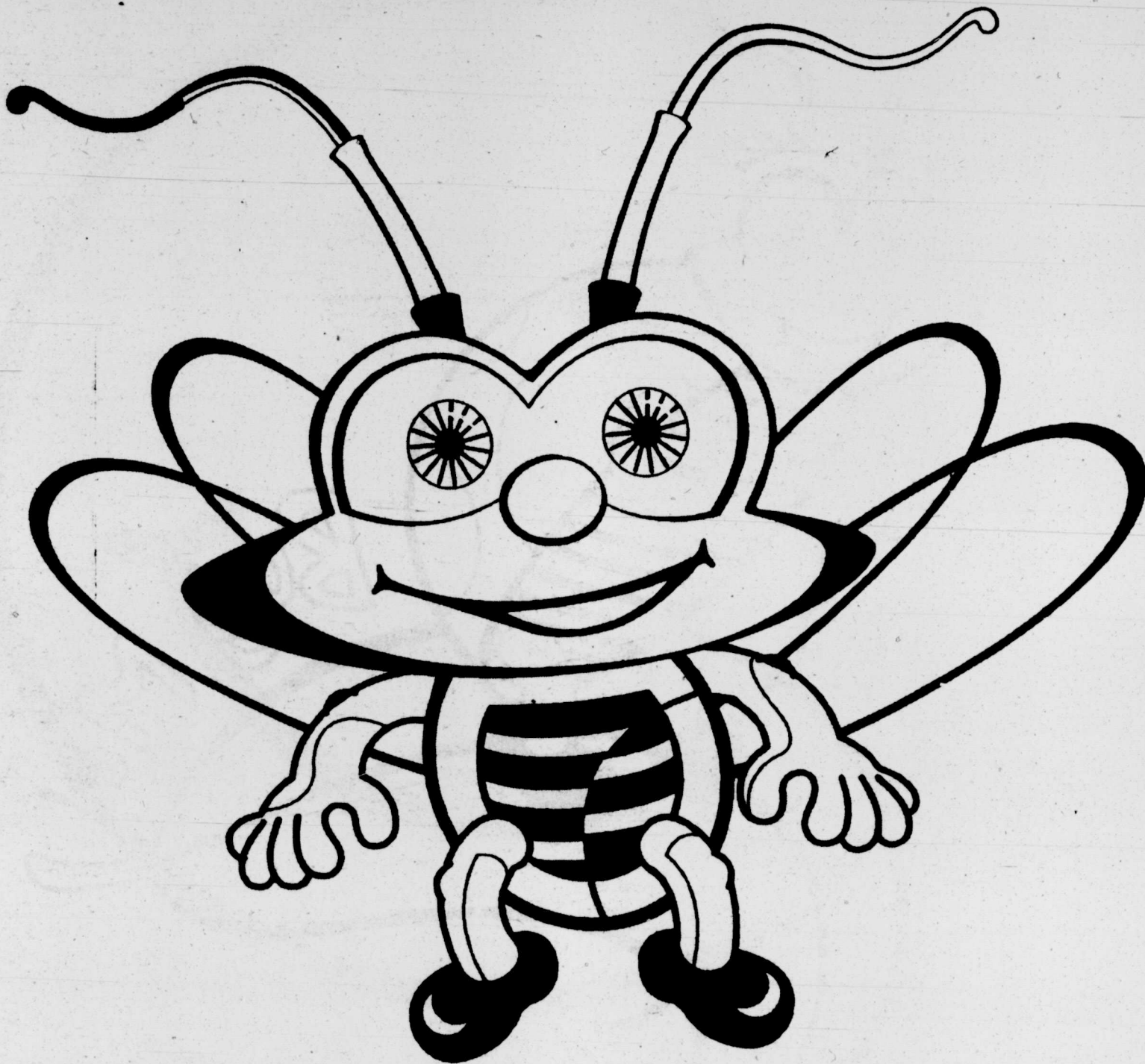
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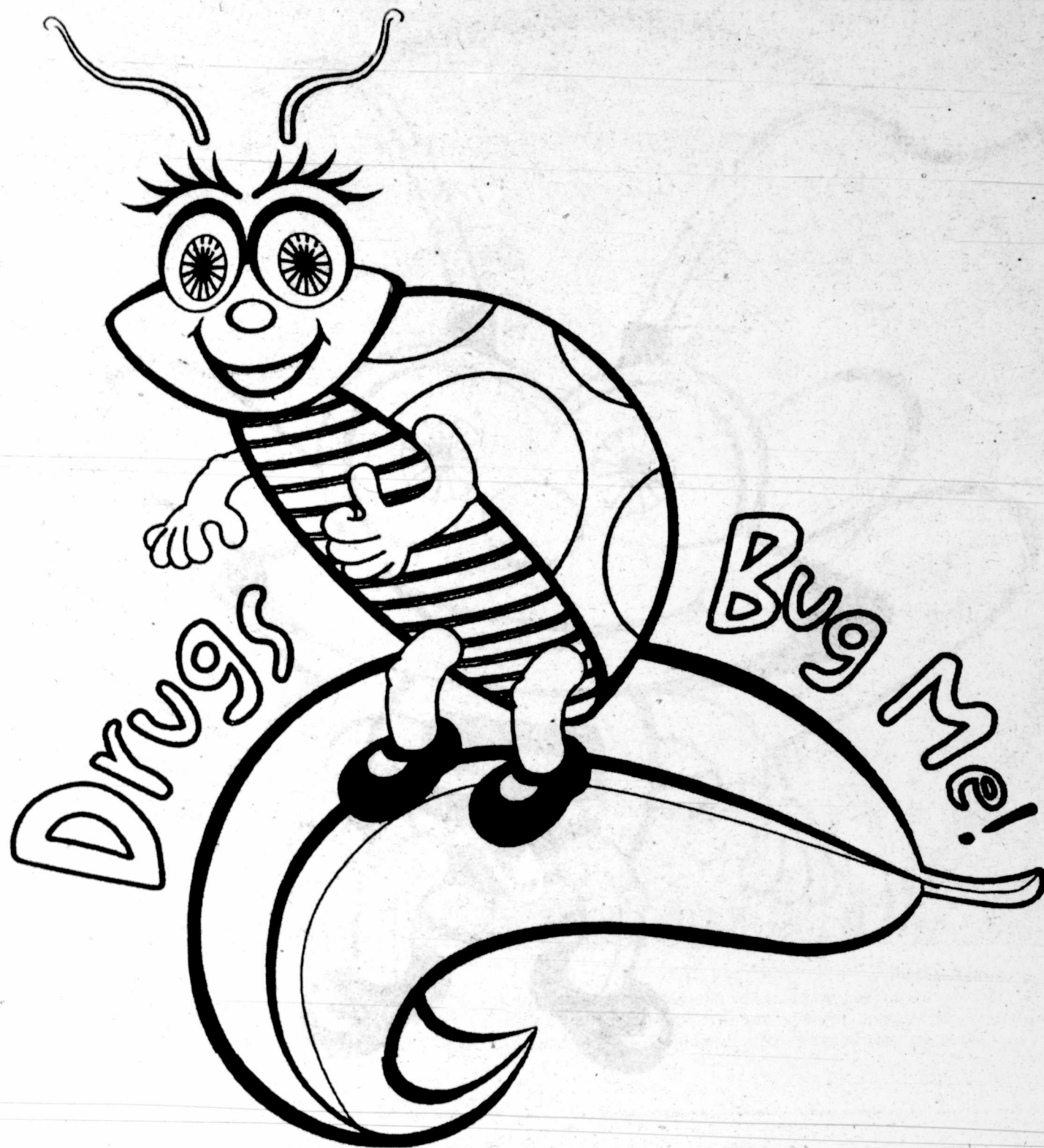
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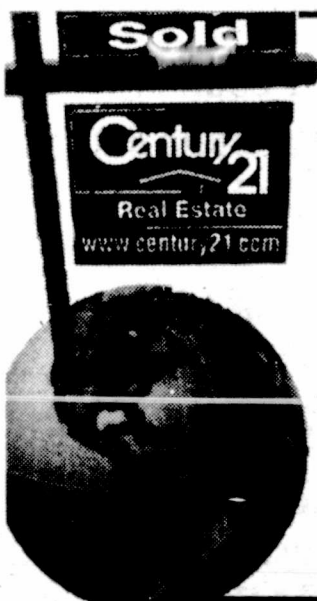
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# HOW TO TALK TO YOUR KIDS ABOUT DRUGS.

The best thing about this subject is that you don't have to do it well. You simply have to try.

If you try, your kids will get the message.

That you care about them.

That you understand something about the conflicts they face.

That you're there when they need you.

The alternative is to ignore the subject. Which means your kids are going to be listening to others who have strong opinions about the subject. Including those who use drugs. And those who sell them.

## ACCEPT REBELLION.

At the heart of it, drugs, alcohol, wild hairstyles, trendy clothes, ear-splitting music, outrageous language are different ways of expressing teenage rebellion.

That's not all bad. Part of growing up is to create a separate identity, apart from parents — a process which ultimately leads to feelings of self worth. A step along that path is rebellion of one kind or another — which is to say rejecting parental values, and staking out new ones.

You did it. They're doing it. And that's the way it is.

The problem comes when kids choose a path of rebellion that hurts them, destroys their self worth, and can ultimately kill them.

That's the reality of drugs.

## DON'T GET DISCOURAGED.

When you talk to your kids about drugs, it may seem as though nothing is getting through.

Don't you believe it.

The very fact you say it gives special weight to whatever you say.

But whether or not your kids let on they've heard you, whether or not they play back your words weeks or months later, keep trying.

## START ANYWHERE.

"Have you heard about any kids using drugs?"

"What kind of drugs?"

"How do you feel about that?"



It's never too early to start.

"Why do you think kids get involved with drugs?"

"How do other kids deal with peer pressure to use drugs? Which approaches make sense to you?"

"Have you talked about any of this in school?"

However you get into the subject, it's important to state exactly how strongly you feel about it.

Not in threatening tones. But in matter-of-fact, unmistakably clear language:

"Drugs are a way of hurting yourself."

"Drugs take all the promise of being young and destroy it."

"I love you too much to see you throw your life down the drain."

## SOME DO'S AND DON'TS.

The do's are as simple as speaking from the heart.

The biggest don't is don't do all the talking. If you listen to your kids — really listen and read between the lines — you'll learn a lot about what they think. About drugs. About themselves. About the world. And about you. They'll also feel heard and that, too, is a step along the path towards self esteem.

There are other do's and don'ts: Don't threaten. Don't badger them. Don't put your kid on the spot by asking directly if he or she has ever tried drugs. They'll probably lie, which undermines your whole conversation.

If you suspect your child is on drugs — there are all sorts of symptoms — that's a different matter. Then you've got to confront the subject directly.

In the meantime, just talk to them.

It's okay if you don't know much about drugs.

Your kids do.

But they need to know how you feel about the subject.

And whether you care.

For more information on how to talk with your kids about drugs, ask for a free copy of "Keeping Youth Drug-Free." Call 1-800-729-6686.

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