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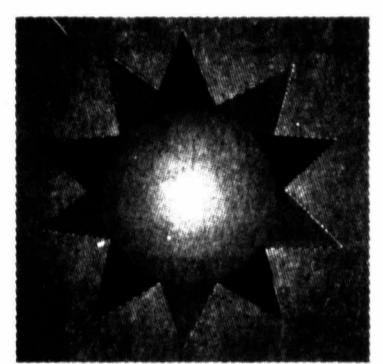
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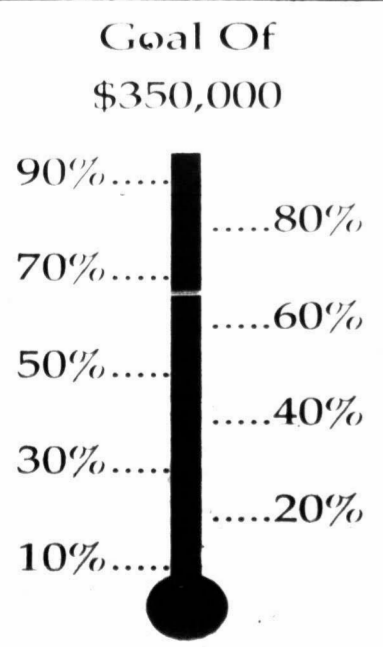
AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Lotto Texas numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery: 9, 10, 15, 16, 39, 41. Estimated Lotto Texas jackpot: \$4 million.

**Mission police make pyramid scheme bust**

MISSION (AP) — Police seized \$20,000 in two weekend raids against an alleged pyramid scheme just days after another similar raid. In each of the raids, police found about 30 women suspected of paying \$5,000 to join a gifting club. Women Empowering Women.

- Don Ray Blaylock, 60, formerly of Pampa.
- Pam Moore, 58, day care operator.
- Albert "Tennie" Reynolds, 83, pioneer Rancher in Roberts County.
- Corean Cates Roberts, 91, retired nurse's aid.
- Arthur Lee "Bo" Sinches, 76, retired employee Bob Wilson Fire Company.
- Thomas Hefflin Sumners, 91, retired pumper for Stanlin Oil Company.
- Larosa Beatrice Fleming Walker, 75, homemaker.

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## TNRCC sets \$19,775 water violation fine

By KATE B. DICKSON  
 Associate Publisher

Though the City of Pampa denies the allegations, a penalty of \$19,775 for five water treatment and storage violations has been outlined in a proposed agreed order from the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission.

While it will take a vote of the City Commission to agree to the penalty, City Manager Bob Eskridge predicted that is what will happen, "because it will take more in legal costs to fight it" than it will to pay it.

But instead of paying the penalty outright, Eskridge said the city most likely will opt for an alternative which will allow the city to make a like amount of improvements. These could include cleaning out ditches, removing old tires, reducing infiltration into sewer lines, etc.

"That way," he said, "the city will get some benefit from the penalty."

The TNRCC letter to Mayor Bob Neslage, dated Nov. 8 gives the city 60 days to agree to the penalty or the proposed agreement will be withdrawn.

The five allegations made by the TNRCC after a July 31 inspection are:

- Failed to control levels of total trihalomethanes (TTHM).
- Failed to operate the water treatment plant within design capacities.
- Failed to maintain exterior coating systems on the Warren Street

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## Fire pacts atop county agenda

Gray County Commissioners Court will consider several fire contracts with area firefighting departments when the court meets at 9 a.m. Tuesday morning in the Gray County Courtroom.

Action on the fire contracts was tabled from the Nov. 1 meeting. County Judge Richard Peet reported then that fire contracts must be drawn up annually between the county and departments receiving payment for fire services in that county, according to an attorney general's opinion.

Peet said some of the contracts with the area fire departments have not been changed since 1982.

Gray County has contracts with the City of Pampa as well as each volunteer department in the area which fights fires in Gray County.

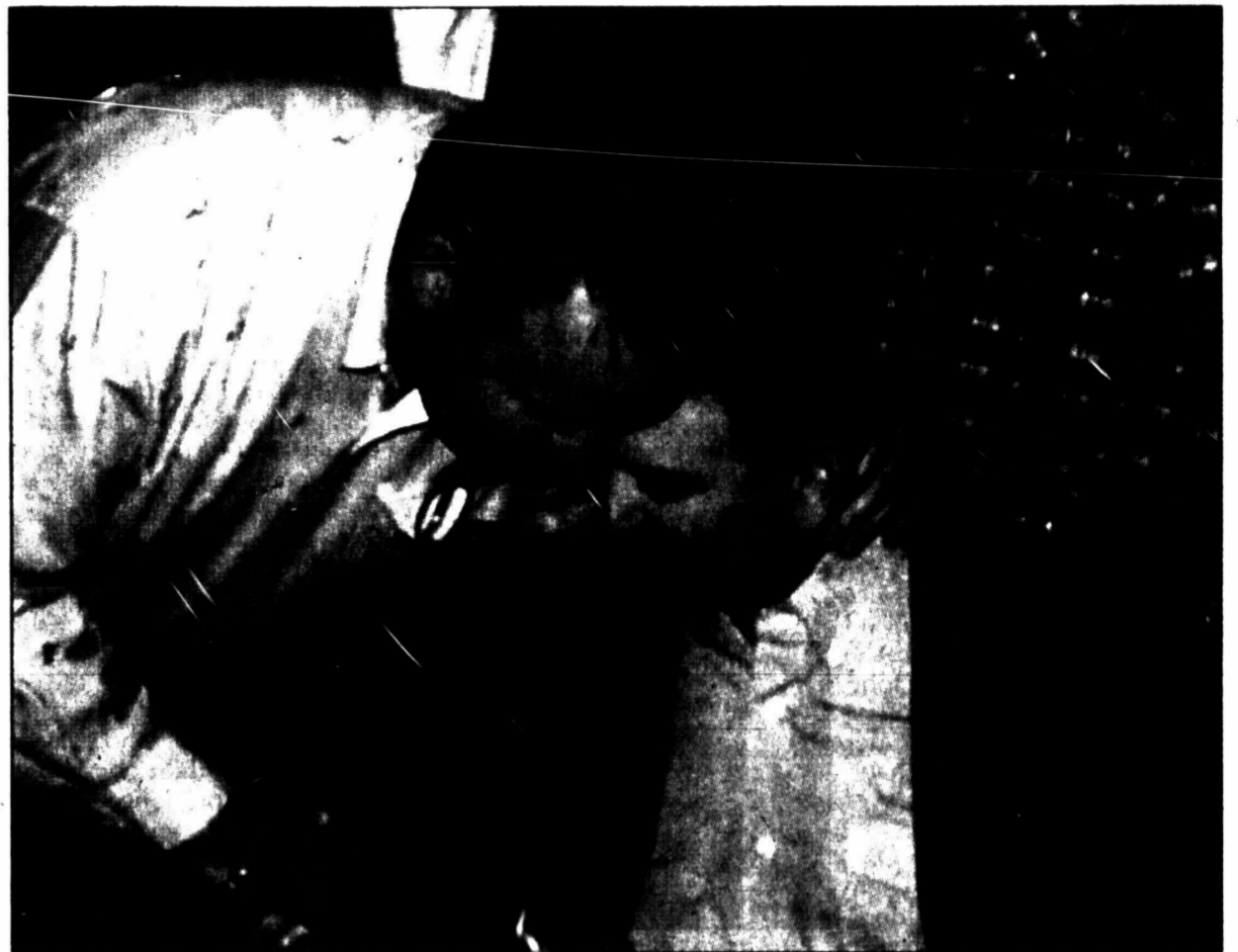
Peet said at the Nov. 1 meeting he will update the contracts and present them at the meeting on Tuesday for approval.

Volunteer departments serving Gray include Hoover, Letors, Wheeler, Groom, Skellytown, McLean, White Deer and Mobeetie. Also to be considered will be L.H. Webb's request for the county to build a neighborhood road for him to gain access to his property and an invoice from Correction Security Services.

Reed Kirkpatrick and Chaplin David Schlewitz are to address the court regarding building of a chapel at Jordan Unit. Other items include canvassing votes from the Nov. 7 General Election, pay bills and salaries as approved by the County Auditor, and consider intra-budget transfer requests.

A Dec. 31, 1999, audit is to be presented by Doshier, Pickens and Francis and the commissioners will reconsider Sept. 6, minutes.

## Longtime pals ...



(Pampa News photo by Kate B. Dickson)

Wayne Stribling, right, greets Talley Timmens during Saturday night's community wide event that honored Stribling. This morning, Stribling died at Pampa Regional Medical Center. Timmens and Stribling when to high school together in Mobeetie and later were college roommates at what is now West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

## Stribling loses battle Brain cancer claims businessman

### Big turnout Saturday paid honor to Stribling

By KATE B. DICKSON  
 Associate Publisher

Wayne Stribling lost his battle with brain cancer this morning. He died about 8:30 a.m. at Pampa Regional Medical Center.

His death came only hours after his friends filled M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium Saturday night during a community-wide chili supper, auction and dance that paid tribute to the Pampa businessman and civic leader.

Stribling, 50, went into a coma Sunday and was taken to PRMC, a spokesman for the family said. Arrangements are incomplete with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors in charge of services.

"It was a miracle from God that Wayne was there Saturday night ... that he had a chance to tell everyone he loved them," said Coelene Stover, manager of Wayne's Western Wear.

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Upon learning of Stribling's death, Pampa News Publisher L.W. McCall reflected on the three years he has been here and his dealings with the business and Chamber community.

"In all my years in the newspaper business, I have met few men I liked or respected more than Wayne."

During the Saturday event, Stribling stayed about five hours, not wanting to leave saying, "It's my party and I'm going to stay," a family friend said.

Stribling, who was released from the hospital last week after having surgery for a recurrence of a cancerous brain tumor, attended the event

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(Pampa News photo by Kate B. Dickson)

Members of the Robert Morriss family were among those attending the community wide benefit to honor Wayne Stribling. (See related story this page). Robert and Judy Morriss finish business at the ticket table and head into the chili supper with their grandchildren Shayley Morriss and Andrew Morriss.

## Expert: Bite marks too vague to make sure identification

By DAVID BOWSER  
 Staff Writer

AMARILLO — An El Paso dentist took a bite out of the state's case today against Leland Ray Milburn.

Leland Ray Milburn, 24, of Canadian, is accused of killing Brendan Tyler Brown, the 2-year-old baby of Milburn's girl friend, Caryn Brown, 19, also of Canadian, on May 25, 1999.

Dr. George Isaac, a forensic dentist from El Paso and former president of the American Board of Forensic Odontologists, testified here today that bite marks on the body of the Brown baby were too vague to be used to identify the person who made them.

"It's just too fuzzy," he said. "It's inconclusive and certainly not good enough for me to say who made them."

Earlier in the trial, Dr. Homer Campbell, a pathologist from Albuquerque, testified for the state that the bite marks could have been made by the defendant. Dr. Campbell told the court that based on his expertise the bite marks were not those of the baby's mother, Caryn Brown, but could have been made by the defendant, Milburn.

Isaac said he had been provided with photographs of the bite marks on the body of Brendan Brown's body and of dental molds made from Leland Milburn's teeth, and from Caryn Brown's teeth. He said he had not seen similar molds made of the teeth of Danelle Ishmael and Robi Simpson, friends of Caryn Brown who had cared for Brendan the night before his died.

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Next Prayer Breakfast December 5th - 7:00 A.M. - Chamber Building

# Daily Record

## Services tomorrow

REYNOLDS, Albert (Tennie), pioneer rancher in Roberts County.

## Obituaries

### PAM MOORE

WHITE DEER — Pam Moore, 58, died Saturday, Nov. 11, 2000, at Amarillo. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel in Pampa with the Rev. John Collis, pastor of First Baptist Church of White Deer, officiating. The body was cremated and consequently will not be available for viewing. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Moore was born Aug. 2, 1942, at Amarillo. She married Byron Moore on Feb. 5, 1960, at Bushland. She lived in Amarillo for a number of years prior to moving to White Deer in 1969. She operated a day care for children out of her home for many years and was a homemaker and a Baptist.

Survivors include her husband, Byron, of the home; three daughters, Kerry Martin and Tracy Collier, both of White Deer, and Linda Moore, of the home; her mother and stepfather, Lucille and Bill Wood of Fort Worth; a sister, Linda Sebastian of Tulsa, Okla.; and five grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to BSA Hospice and Life Enrichment Center, P.O. Box 950, Amarillo, TX 79176.

### ALBERT (TENNIE) REYNOLDS

Albert (Tennie) Reynolds, 83, of Pampa, died Saturday, Nov. 11, 2000. Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Todd Dyess and John Curry officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.



Mr. Reynolds was born Dec. 3, 1916, in Gray County where he had been a lifelong resident. He was a pioneer rancher in Roberts County. He married Marge Skaggs on Aug. 8, 1937, at Sayre, Okla.

He was a member of Texas Southwestern Cattlemen's Association and was a past board member of Top O' Texas Rodeo Association. He was a past member of Tri-State Seniors Golf Association, West Texas-New Mexico Golf Association and Life Begins at 40 Golf Association.

He was a member of First United Methodist Church and Men's Fellowship Sunday School Class.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, Henry, Topsy and Wiley Reynolds; a sister, Ruth Osborne; and a granddaughter, Amanda Jacobs.

Survivors include his wife, Marge, of the home; a son and daughter-in-law, John and Ginger Reynolds of Dallas; a daughter and son-in-law, Jane and Robert Jacobs of Pampa; a brother, Noel Reynolds of Fort Worth; a sister-in-law, Lorene Stein of Amarillo; a granddaughter and her husband, Teena and Raymond L. Cox of Pampa; a great-granddaughter, Kayla Jane Taylor of Pampa; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family will be at 2507 Fir and requests memorials be to First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1981, Pampa, TX 79066-1981.

### THOMAS HEFLIN SUMNERS

Thomas Heflin Sumners, 91, of Pampa, died Sunday, Nov. 12, 2000. No services are scheduled at this time. The body was cremated and consequently will not be available for viewing. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Sumners was born March 12, 1909, at Tallahassee, Ala. He married Dora Ozmun in 1932 at Sayre, Okla.; she died in December of 1995. He had been a Pampa resident since 1941, moving from Lubbock. He was a pumper for Stanlin Oil Company, retiring in 1974.

He was a member of Moose Lodge #1385 of Pampa.

Survivors include a daughter, Dora Lee Bridgeman of San Antonio; a son, Skip Sumners of Pampa; a sister, Louise Runnels of Lewiston, N.C.; four grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, TX 79065.

### ARTHUR LEE "BO" SINCHES

Arthur Lee "Bo" Sinches, 76, died November 9, 2000. Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel, with Frankie Lemons, minister of the McCullough Street Church of Christ officiating. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Sinches was born April 14, 1924 in Mineola. He came to Pampa in 1983 from San Angelo. He worked for Bob Wilson Tire Company for 25 years until his retirement. He was a member of the McCullough Street Church of Christ.

Survivors include two sisters: Ada M. Murray of Pampa, and Mary M. Mack of Colorado Springs, Colorado. One brother: John L. Sinches of Pampa and numerous nieces and nephews.

### LAROSA BEATRICE FLEMING WALKER

Larosa Beatrice Fleming Walker, 75, died November 13, 2000. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Walker was born December 28, 1924 in Wheeler, Texas. She had been a resident of Pampa since 1959, and she was a homemaker. She married Paul Walker on November 10, 1946. He preceded her in death in 1978. She was also preceded in death by a son, Cecil Walker in 1974.

Survivors include one son: Charles Bruce Walker of Pampa, two grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

### DON RAY BLAYLOCK

LYONS, GA. — Don Ray Blaylock, 60, died Tuesday, Nov. 7, 2000, after an extended illness. Memorial services were Saturday November 11,

in Lyons, GA at Lyons First Baptist Church.

Mr. Blaylock was a native of Henrietta, Texas, and was raised in Pampa. He had been a Lyons resident for the past three years and was a member of Lyons First Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Mabel Blaylock of Lyons; a daughter, Shannon Rae Lopez of San Antonio; two sons, Don Ray Blaylock, Jr. of Alyons and Brett Keen of Conway, Ark.; two sisters, Betty Jo Brown of Pampa and Mona Elaine Weatherly of Oklahoma; two brothers, Duane Hager of Arlington and Delbert Simmons of Conway; and four grandchildren.

### COREAN CATES ROBERTS

LEFORS — Corean Cates Roberts, 91, died Monday, November 13, 2000. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the First Baptist Church of Lefors, with Rev. Lewis Ellis, pastor, officiating. Burial will be at Memorial Heights Cemetery in Lefors, under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.



Mrs. Roberts was born on July 26, 1909 in Yowell, Fannin County, Texas. She had been a resident of Lefors since 1932. She married Arthur George "Pete" Roberts on December 15, 1929 at Reed, Oklahoma. He preceded her in death on September 3, 1996. She was a nurse's aid at Highland General Hospital and later at Coronado Hospital, starting in January of 1962, and retiring in July of 1983. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Lefors.

Survivors include two daughters: Wanda Carter of Pampa and Betty Garland of Burk Burnett. Two sons: Art Roberts of Richardson and Eddie Joe Roberts of Lefors. Eight grandchildren: Randy Carter of Pampa, Dr. Tam Garland-Michalscheck of Lubbock, Kol Garland of Pineville, Louisiana, Karen Rhea Roberts of Richardson, Jody Lee Roberts of Plano, Crystal Brown of Pampa, and Amanda Roberts and Drayton Roberts, both of Lefors. She also had nine great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials go to the Lefors Fire Department, 107 N. Main, Lefors, Texas 79054, or BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa Texas, 79065.

## Police report

Pampa Police Department reported the following arrests and incidents during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

### Saturday, Nov. 11

Waymon Wedgeworth, 22, 715 Sloan, was arrested in the 1100 block of Varnon on a capias pro fine for failure to maintain financial responsibility and possession of marijuana under two ounces.

A domestic disturbance in the 1000 block of Duncan was reported to have occurred on Nov. 10.

Aggravated assault was reported. The victim, Brian Keith Arznen, 21, 434 Hill, reportedly suffered a broken jaw in a fight at a party sometime between 1 a.m. and 3 p.m. Arznen told police he did not know who assaulted him. He was treated and released at Pampa Regional Medical Center, according to PRMC records. No arrests had been made by press time today. Police are continuing to investigate the incident and interview witnesses.

Burglary of a business was reported in the 1100 block of West Randy Matson. Sometime between 11 a.m. and 8:30 p.m., someone entered the back bay window of Buzzy's Automotive and took approximately \$20 in cash and change. Three thick window panes valued at \$600 were broken, the bay window received \$50 damage, and a candy machine received \$1,500 damage in the break-in.

Criminal mischief over \$50/ under \$500 was reported in the 200 block of West Louisiana. Shortly before midnight, someone caused \$150 damage to the driver's side outside mirror of a parked 2000 Chevrolet pickup.

An unattended death was reported in the 200 block of North Ballard. Police were initially called to the scene in response to a report of a motor vehicle collision with injuries. Officer Andy Alaniz received a 3 1/2 inch laceration to his palm trying to get to the person in the vehicle. He was treated and released at Pampa Regional Medical Center. Officer Heather Ratzlaff performed cardiopulmonary resuscitation until paramedics arrived. The person in the vehicle was identified as Albert "Tennie" Reynolds, 83, who lived on the Reynolds Ranch north of Pampa. Justice of the Peace Curt Kurfman pronounced him dead at the scene as the result of natural causes.

### Sunday, Nov. 12

Donald Wayne Perry, 25, 1105 Varnon, was arrested in the 1100 block of Terrace for assault with bodily injury to a family member.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 2500 block of Beech. Sometime between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m., someone caused \$25 damage to a redwood mailbox post.

Found property was reported in the 2500 block of Chestnut.

## Sheriff's Office

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following incidents during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

### Thursday, Nov. 9

A suspect was detained for reported possession of marijuana.

### Friday, Nov. 10

Burglary of a residence was reported in the 1100 block of South Hobart. Someone entered the residence and took \$450 in cash and change.

### Saturday, Nov. 11

Creature Comforts in Lefors reported theft over \$50 and under \$200.

Larceny over \$200 was reported in the 2300 block of Alcock. Someone entered a 1989 Chevrolet pickup parked in a parking lot and took a stereo system from the vehicle.

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## TNRCC

and Northcrest elevated storage tanks. Failed to provide overflows on the Warren Street and Northcrest elevated storage tanks.

Failed to provide a liquid level indicator at the Hobart Street Park ground water storage tank.

In an interview, Eskridge told *The Pampa News* that corrective measures on the five allegations have either been made or are in the process of being made.

TTHMs are a byproduct of using chlorine to treat surface water and the permitted concentration is 100 parts per billion — a number expected to drop to 80 parts per billion in 2002. The byproduct is the result of chlorine coming into contact with carbon-based material such as leaves and dirt.

Pampa now has cut the concentration of TTHMs by adding more (cleaner) ground water from city wells to the water received from Lake Meredith, said Eskridge. Recent city tests put TTHM levels at 47, 96 and 88. The city's lake-water supply will be further diluted when the Roberts County well-field project begins delivering water in the spring.

Regarding the water treatment plant, Eskridge said the city's settling basins are not large enough to allow water to remain in them for the six hours required by the rules.

If that was done under the present setup, the city could not produce enough water to meet needs, he

said. Those rules were not in effect when the plant was built.

The city has been operating the plant under a TNRCC waiver and the water produced meets turbidity (particle) requirements but not the six-hour rule, Eskridge said.

At Tuesday's commission meeting, commissioners will review a plan to test "relatively-new technology" equipment designed to eliminate turbidity while meeting TNRCC requirements. The test is to be done during cold weather sometime in February.

It's expected that project will cost from \$1-to-\$1.5 million and additional debt will have to be taken on to pay for it, the city manager said. Though not certain, the commission has looked at extending the city's debt load payout time so as not to raise rates to pay for solution.

Increased water rates are almost certain, however, on other projects as commissioners have unofficially committed to an increase in January to pay for the work on two water tanks.

The tanks, Warren Street and Northcrest elevated storage tanks, Eskridge said, already have contracts let to replace the one on Warren Street and to repaint the Northcrest tank.

The fourth and fifth allegations lodged by the TNRCC, proper overflows on the Warren Street and Northcrest tanks and a liquid level indicator at the Hobart Street Park ground tank, have been corrected, Eskridge said.

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## EXPERT

Isaac said the width of the dental molds of all four people were about 31 mm wide.

"Virtually all four of them have the same measurement," Isaacs said. "At least within a half a millimeter or so."

Testimony is expected to conclude today.

The case could go to the jury as early as Tuesday afternoon.

Although Milburn is charged with capital murder, the state is not seeking the death penalty. Milburn, however, could face life in prison.

The trial was moved from Canadian to Amarillo on a change of venue.

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## STRIBLING

with his family where he was greeted by throngs of well-wishers.

Everything for the event was donated and all proceeds were given to Stribling, owner of Wayne's Western Wear, to help defray medical expenses. Over \$22,000 was raised from ticket sales, the auctions and general donations.

Stribling's sons Scotty and Seth stood by his side as their father, wiping away tears at times, saw friends and received hug after hug.

"Our family feels pretty honored by all of this," Scotty Stribling said. "It is always a blessing to know you have friends like this and get to see them ... to have them all in one building."

Though he had only been out of the hospital one day, Scotty Stribling said his dad "... wanted to come and see people."

Stribling's wife Carol, choked with emotion, looked at the crowd around her husband and in the building saying, "We're just overwhelmed at what the community has done. It's unbelievable."

Among those attending were members of the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association Board of Directors,

a group to which Stribling has belonged.

"I've been here since 1980," said rodeo director Mike Guess. "This is a great evening and this is a case where Pampa is taking care of one of our own."

Mayor Bob Neslage, a Chamber of Commerce Goldcoat who helped put on the affair, called the turnout "fantastic," saying, "this place is full."

Neslage praised Stribling for being "... such a good public servant. He's been involved in civic and church affairs and also worked on the Pampa Economic Development Commission."

Neslage's wife, Shelia, noted how those attending represented "different aspects" of the community illustrating how much Stribling has touched people in different walks of life. She pointed to his fellow members of Central Baptist Church, the business and Chamber of Commerce community, rodeo association members, city officials and many others.

"He's certainly a role model for what you look up to as a good community servant," the mayor said. "Wayne has always been involved and concerned in seeing that Pampa progresses. He's just a prince of a fellow."

## Accidents

Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m.

### Wednesday, Nov. 8

1 p.m. — A 1985 Ford van driven by Stephanie Lynn Sawyer, 18, Amarillo and a 1992 Chevrolet pickup driven by William Elmo Poole, 57, 1105 Duncan, collided in the 400 block of South Cuyler. Sawyer was cited for improper right turn - wrong way. No injuries were reported at the scene.

### Thursday, Nov. 9

8:33 p.m. — A 1992 Cadillac driven by Bernice Christian Norton, 64, White Deer, collided with a fire hydrant and a street light in the 1200 block of West Wilks. Damage to the fire hydrant, owned by the City of Pampa, was estimated at \$350. The street light, owned by SP5, received an estimated \$800 damage. Norton told police she was distracted by a cellular phone in the vehicle. No injuries were reported at the scene.

## Fires

Pampa Fire Department responded to the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

### Saturday, Nov. 11

7:34 a.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a report of arcing power lines in the 300 block of East Atchison.

5:03 p.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 200 block of North Ballard.

9:39 p.m. — Two units and six firefighters responded to a false alarm at One Medical Plaza.

### Sunday, Nov. 12

12 noon — One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist at Keller Estates.

2:06 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to an alarm in the 100 block of South Russell. According to fire reports, the alarm was set off by burned toast.

## City Briefs

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**CLOTHING ROOM** Mary Ellen & Harvester Church of Christ (building across the street, south of Pampa High School) open Tues. Nov. 14th, 9-1 p.m., or call 665-2373, lv. msg. for appt.

**92 CADILLAC** STS 84K, loaded, \$13,000. 806-669-3156.

**HOLIDAY GREETERS** Open House, Mon. Nov. 13th, 716 W. Foster, 6-8 p.m. Come see our lighted displays!

**DUNLAPS CHRISTMAS** Open House, Thurs. Nov. 16th, 6-9 p.m. Give Aways, 25% off Christmas, Refreshments. Come celebrate the beginning of the season!!

**PHS CHOIR** presents "Cinderella." Congratulate your teen with a Balloon Bouquet from Celebrations, Coronado Center, 665-3100. Free delivery.

## Weather focus

**PAMPA** — Sunny today with highs around 43 and light north-west winds. Tonight, mostly clear with lows near 23 and light and variable winds. Tuesday, mostly sunny. Highs around 52 and south winds 5 to 15 mph.

Tuesday night, partly cloudy with lows around 32. On Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs 54 to 60. Sunday's high was 37 and the overnight low, 19.

**STATEWIDE** — Clouds still blanketed South Texas as a cold front continued to push through the state, while North and West Texas had clear skies Monday morning. Temperatures ranged from the low 20s in the Panhandle to the 70s in the Rio Grande Valley.

As the cold front continues to push through the state, overcast skies in South Texas should clear up a bit, although the region should still be cloudy, breezy and cold with temperatures climbing into the 50s and 60s.

Most parts of West and North Texas should continue to have clear skies and temperatures should warm slightly into the 30s to 50s.

Most areas of the state are expected to hit freezing overnight Tuesday.

South Texas had a rough night as the cold front pushed its way into the region and collided with Gulf moisture.

Fierce thunderstorms rumbled through southeast Texas, producing winds as fast as 78 miles per hour and dropping hail as large as golf balls. The strong winds felled trees and power

poles, knocking out power to some 23,000 residents.

The region should be calmer today. Early morning temperatures ranged from 37 degrees in Burnet to 71 degrees in Brownsville.

West Texas skies were for the most part clear, except for the northwest portion of the Panhandle and areas of the Big Bend. Temperatures were frosty overnight, ranging between Amarillo's 20 degrees and Marfa's 37 degrees.

Some clouds with light and freezing rain moved across the southernmost portions of North Texas early Monday, but should clear up for sunny skies region wide. Early morning temperatures were mostly in the 20s and 30, ranging from 26 degrees in Wichita Falls to 37 degrees in Waco.

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# Calendar of events

## PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL

Pampa Area Literacy Council office is open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information, call 665-2331.

## CLEAN AIR AL-ANON

Clean Air Al-Anon will hold weekly meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, call 669-3988.

## TRALEE CRISIS CENTER

Tralee Crisis Center will offer Volunteer Training for people interested in working with victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and other crime victims. For more information, call 669-1131 or 1-800-658-2796.

## PLANNED PARENTHOOD

Planned Parenthood of Amarillo and the Texas Panhandle is changing its hours. It is now open from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 408 W. Kingsmill Ave., #175-A, in Pampa. For more information or for an appointment, call 665-2291. Planned Parenthood is a not-for-profit health care organization serving women and men in 17 offices covering 26 counties in the panhandle.

## PRE-SCHOOL STORY HOUR

Lovett Memorial Library will sponsor a pre-school story hour at 10 a.m. every Tuesday this fall beginning Sept. 5. The free program is open to children 18 months to 5 years of age and will include stories, crafts and other activities. No registration is required. For more information, call the library at 669-5780.

## PAMPA FINE ARTS ASSOCIATION

Pampa Fine Arts Association Board of Directors will meet at 6 p.m. the third Thursday of each month at Pampa Community Building.

## 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.

## PAS DANCE

Due to the Thanksgiving holidays, Pampa Area Singles (Christian Singles) will not schedule a dance for November. The next dance will be Dec. 30. For more information, call 665-7059.

## ANTIQUÉ SHOW

Continental Shows will host an Antiqué Show and Sale at Amarillo Civic Center Nov. 17-19. The show will include china, cut glass, art glass, toys, furniture, pottery, quilts, textiles, primitives, jewelry, art and much more. Show hours will be from 12-8 p.m. Friday, 11-6 p.m.

Saturday and 12-5 p.m. Sunday. One admission fee of \$3 will cover all three days. Children are free when accompanied by an adult.

## PAMPA AREA CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

The Pampa Area Cancer Support Group for individuals, families and friends who have been touched by cancer will meet at 7 p.m. Nov. 16 in the cafeteria of the Pampa Regional Medical Center, One Medical Plaza. Program for this month's meeting will be the video "My Word Against Theirs." Refreshments will be served after the meeting. The public is invited. For more information, call 665-4742 or 665-2654. For a ride, call Betty Whitson after 5 p.m. at 669-2198 or Linda Norris at 665-2654. In case of inclement weather, call ahead in case meeting is canceled.

## AMERICAN PETROLEUM INSTITUTE

The November regular meeting of the Panhandle chapter of the American Petroleum Institute will be held at the Pampa Country Club, Thursday, Nov. 16 beginning with social hour at 6:30 p.m. The speaker will be Wayne Hughes with Panhandle Producers & Royalty Owners Association. The topic of the presentation will be legislative issues regarding the oil and gas industry. The turkey and dressing buffet will cost \$15 per person. Door prizes are being donated by King Well Service and Black Gold Supply, both of Canadian.

## AMARILLO ASTRONOMY CLUB

Amarillo Astronomy Club will host a "Stargazing" beginning at 7 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 18, at the Lone Star Interpretive Theater in Palo Duro Canyon State Park. AAC members will bring their telescopes and hot chocolate. Entrance fees (\$6) will be waived for those bringing a nonperishable food item for donation to local charities. For more information, call Heather Lanman at (806) 488-2227, ext. 49.

## CANYON NATURE HIKES

The following nature hikes are scheduled from 2-5 p.m. at Palo Duro Canyon State Park: Nov. 18 and 25, Givens, Spicer and Lowry Running Trail, 2.5-mile hike, moderately difficult. Participants should bring water and good walking shoes. The walks will include discussions on geology, history, wildlife and plants. For more information, call (806) 488-2227, ext. 49.

## SQUARE HOUSE MUSEUM

Author Dean Downey will perform at 2 p.m., Nov. 18 at Carson County Square House Museum in Panhandle. Downey has published two cowboy poetry books and a children's book, "A Horse Named Lightening." The children's book will be available for purchase and signing. For more information, contact the museum at (806) 537-3524.

## PDCSP PROGRAMS

Palo Duro Canyon State Park will host a series of evening programs throughout the month at Lone Star Interpretive Theater near Hackberry campground. Topics and dates are as follows: "Canyon Critters," 7-8 p.m., Nov. 25. For more information, call (806) 488-2227, ext. 49.

## AMERICAN LEGION E-CARDS

The American Legion is promoting free Veterans Day e-cards to celebrate Veterans Day, Nov. 11. This is the third year American Legion has offered the free, musical e-mail cards. To send a card to your special veteran simply visit the Veterans Day e-card service at the American Legion's homepage, www.legion.org on the World Wide Web.

## ACT I PLAY

ACT I Community Theater will present "The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940" by John Bishop beginning with dinner at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 9-11 and 16-18 at the ACT I theater, west entrance, Pampa Mall. The meal will be catered by Clint and Sons. The performance will be held at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$8 for the dinner and \$7.50 for the play. For reservations, call 665-3266.

## WHEELER OPEN HOUSE

The annual Wheeler Open House, sponsored by Wheeler Chamber of Commerce, will be from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 18, and from 2-5 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 19. Participating downtown merchants will be open these special hours for pre-Christmas shopping. The event will also feature booths and crafts and information from local businesses.

## FPC EXTENDED EDUCATION CLASSES

Frank Phillips College in Borger will offer the following extended education classes: American Red Cross Infant/Child CPR, Community First Aid (Nov. 4); "Retirement, Life Insurance and Disability Planning Money Management Seminar (Nov. 7-21); photography (Nov. 7-Dec. 12); Improving Equipment Maintenance and Reliability (January). FPC is also offering FCC License Testing Nov. 9. For more information, (806) 274-5311 or 1-800-687-2056, ext. 777.

## ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

The Alzheimer's Support Group will continue its four-part series at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 2 in Shepard's Nursing, 916 N. Crest Rd. November's program will be a panel discussion by health care providers. The group meets the first Thursday of each month at Shepard's Crook Nursing. For more information, call Dauna Wilkinson at 6650 0356.

## SCIENCE SPECTRUM

Science Spectrum, a non-profit museum for science education in Lubbock, is currently offering two educational films in its Omnimax Theatre — "Michael Jordan to the Max" featuring Michael Jordan and "Mysteries of Egypt" with actors Omar Sharif and Kate Maberly. In addition, the interactive traveling exhibit "Whodunit? The Science of Solving Crime" is currently at the museum. For more information, call (806) 745-2525.

## FRESHSTART

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will hold FreshStart, a free two-week smoking cessation support series sponsored by the cancer center and the American Cancer Society, from 6-7 p.m., Mondays and Tuesdays, Nov. 6-14. For more information, call Gerry Kelly at (806) 359-4673, ext. 235.

## PATHWAYS

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will offer "Pathways," a four-part support series for those who have lost a loved one, from 1:30-3 p.m. Tuesdays throughout the month. For more information, call Gerry Kelly at (806) 359-4673, ext. 235 or Stan McKeever at (806) 359-4673, ext. 141 or toll-free at 1-800-274-4673.

## IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

The Texas Department of Health will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) and chickenpox (varicella). Flu vaccines will also be offered at designated clinics. The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The following clinics will be offered: 9 a.m.-12 noon and 1-4:30 p.m., Nov. 15, Pampa Family Clinic, 700 W. Kentucky; 12-4 p.m., Nov. 27, City Hall, Canadian; 9:30 a.m.-12 noon, 1-3 p.m., Nov. 6, Groom School, Groom; 9:30 a.m.-12 noon, Nov. 7, Methodist Church, White Deer; (flu) 1:30-3:30 p.m., Nov. 7, Skellytown School, Skellytown; 1-3 p.m., Nov. 9, Illinois St., Shamrock; 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Nov. 13, Wheeler School, Wheeler.

## HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center has announced the following upcoming breast cancer screening clinics: Nov. 7, Family Care Center, Shamrock; Nov. 28, Hemphill County Hospital, Canadian. Participants will receive a low-cost self-exam mammogram and a breast health appraisal along with individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are by appointment only. For more information, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

## AREA AGENCY ON AGING

Area Agency on Aging of the Panhandle is seeking volunteers to serve as advocates for nursing home residents as part of its Ombudsmen program. The Ombudsmen will visit residents of long-term care facilities and help resolve complaints involving residents rights, quality of life and quality of care. Once accepted into the program, volunteers complete a three month internship including intensive training and supervision in preparation. Ideal candidates will have strong sense of fair play, excellent problem-solving skills, good relationships with older people and the ability to devote two hours a week to the residents served by the Ombudsman program. For more information, contact Jeff Price, regional Ombudsman, or Shirley Sheldon, Ombudsman Program Aide, at 1-800-642-6008; or write P.O. Box 9257, Amarillo, TX, 79105.

## 'Cinderella'



(Photo by Jennifer Scoggin)

Pampa High School Concert Choir will present Rodgers and Hammerstein's "Cinderella" at 8 p.m., Nov. 17 and at 2:30 p.m., Nov. 19 at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$4.50 for students. Above: (Back row) Townspeople Sara Scott, Amy Robbins, Karen Kirkwood, Janelle Powers, Sarah Porter, Michelle Haley; (front) Stacie Carter, Catherine Morse, Misti Northcutt, Bonnie Holmes and Abbey Parker.

## Drilling Intentions

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# MEDICAL

## Healthbeat: Mothers not breast-feeding enough

By LAURAN NEERGAARD  
AP Medical Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Breast milk is considered babies' perfect food. Yet despite a decade of encouraging more American mothers to breast-feed their infants, not enough do. And among black women, breast-feeding is "alarmingly low," in the surgeon general's words.

So concludes a major new government report that calls for a cultural shift in how the nation regards breast-feeding — with policies to ensure that parents are told routinely why it's so healthy, that hospitals improve teaching of mothers in how to do it, and that workplaces make breast-feeding easier for employees.

The onus isn't just on moms. Support from the baby's father and grandmothers, and clear-cut doctor's advice, play huge roles in her decision. Yet black women in particular too often get little encouragement, especially because their own mothers likely used infant formula.

"The culture of breast-feeding has been lost, especially in the low-income African-American community," said Dr. Yvonne Bronner of Morgan State University, who is working to counter the racial disparity with education and peer-counseling.

Add shortened hospital stays and there's little time to ensure that new moth-

ers aren't finding breast-feeding difficult or painful. So access to lactation consultants often proves key to not giving up.

"Help is available, but a lot of women never hear that," said Kay Sophar, a nurse practitioner and lactation consultant in Silver Spring, Md., who says most complaints are easily solved problems with how the baby's latching on.

Some 64 percent of American women breast-feed during their infants' first weeks to month of life. That's better than the 50 percent of a decade ago, but the nation missed the government's goal of having 75 percent of mothers breast-feeding newborns by this year.

But only 29 percent of all moms, and 19 percent of black mothers, breast-feed until their babies are 6 months old — a crucial time period, says the report Surgeon General David Satcher released last week.

The government's new goal: By 2010, for at least half of mothers to breast-feed exclusively until age 6 months, when solid foods are added, and for at least 25 percent to continue breast-feeding until the baby's first birthday.

Why is breast-feeding so much better than formula? Breast-fed babies suffer fewer illnesses such as diarrhea, earache, pneumonia and other infections. Studies suggest breast-fed babies also may be less likely to develop asthma, diabetes or

childhood cancer. Their brains seem to develop faster, their immune systems respond better to vaccines and they are less likely to become fat later in childhood.

Mothers benefit, too, shedding pregnancy pounds faster. Long-term breast-feeding may lower some women's risk of getting breast cancer. Not to mention it's cheap.

It's not for everyone: HIV-infected Americans shouldn't breast-feed. Babies with a rare metabolic disorder need plant-derived formula. Some women who have undergone breast-reduction surgery may not lactate properly.

But most women can breast-feed, stressed report chairwoman Suzanne Haynes of the Department of Health and Human Services. "Be patient and get somebody to help you."

Among HHS' recommendations:

—Hospitals should help women begin the first breast-feeding within an hour of birth, teaching new moms how to position the infant to suckle properly and offering prompt help with any difficulties. Mother and baby should sleep in the same room so the baby can feed quickly on demand. Doctors and nurses should encourage breast-feeding.

"It only takes a word from physicians: 'You ought to breast-feed.' ... If the physician fails to make that simple statement,

it's amazing the difference that makes," Bronner said.

—Limit use of pacifiers or bottles until age 6 weeks. Artificial nipples teach babies to hold their tongues in a way that makes breast-feeding difficult, a common reason for breast-feeding trouble. After six weeks, most babies can easily shift between bottle and breast.

—Working mothers should be encouraged to pump and freeze breast milk, and workplaces should allow adequate breaks and private rooms for pumping.

—Public education, through schools, ad campaigns and health clinics, should stress breast-feeding's importance.

—Health workers should increase mothers' access to peer counselors or lactation consultants if they have difficulty.

"Pain is normal for the first two days. Past two days, you need to seek help," said Sophar, adding that adjusting how the baby is held so it doesn't clamp down on the breast solves most problems. Also helpful are fixing how the baby holds its tongue, clearing up skin infections, or increasing milk production with more feedings or pumpings — not supplemental formula.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Luran Neergaard covers health and medical issues for The Associated Press in Washington.

### First-aid care package can perk up college students

HOUSTON — Not only is it difficult for many parents to say goodbye to their college bound children, it can be stressful to be so far away in times of sickness or injury.

Dr. Hubert Ho, a pediatrician with Texas Children's Pediatric Associates, suggests compiling a first-aid kit for minor illnesses and emergencies.

"Stock a plastic container with bandages, gauze, adhesive tape, antibiotic ointment, an ice pack or chemical cold pack for sprains, and a thermometer," Ho said. "You'll also want to include medicines for diarrhea, upset stomach, headache, cold or flu, allergies, general aches and pains, and sore throat lozenges or spray. If your child is on prescription medication, make sure he or she locates a nearby pharmacy for prescription refills."

Ho advises parents to make sure college students receive the meningococcal vaccine since they can be extremely susceptible to this type of meningitis.

### Say cheese for good dental health

HOUSTON — Nothing can take the place of good dental hygiene and regular checkups. However, a recent study suggests that cheddar, mozzarella, Swiss and American cheeses may help protect against tooth decay.

According to Dr. Bruce Carter, chief of the Dental Clinic at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston, important nutrients found in cheese, such as calcium, protein and phosphorus, stimulate saliva production in the mouth, helping break down decay-causing acids.

These same nutrients help to build and strengthen teeth and bones.

### Preteens and teen-age girls need to boost calcium intake

HOUSTON — When it comes to the beverage of choice, too many girls are choosing soft drinks instead of milk and may be suffering significant consequences as a result.

"The dietary choices girls make when they are in their preteens and teens can have a profound impact years later," said Dr. Kathleen Motil, a gastroenterology and nutrition specialist at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston. "Girls should consume 1,300 mg of calcium a day and engage in weight-bearing activities such as walking or jogging to build and maintain bone mass."

To increase calcium intake, experiment with low-fat cheeses, yogurt and milk in food preparation, select calcium-fortified juices and products and include high-calcium vegetables such as broccoli. Calcium supplements also may be helpful for girls who do not receive enough calcium from dietary sources.

### Sleeping with baby, yields more risks than benefits

HOUSTON — Many parents enjoy bringing their babies to bed to cuddle and feed them. However, when it is time to go to sleep, the safest place for the baby is in his or her own crib.

"An adult can roll over and suffocate a baby, or the baby can become entangled in the bedding or trapped between the bed and the wall," said Dr. Jose Teran, a pulmonary specialist at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston. "Sleeping with a baby is particularly dangerous when the parent is in a reduced state of arousal because of extreme fatigue, drinking or drug use or there are other children in bed."

Teran advises parents who want to be in close proximity to their babies to place the crib near their bed. Sleeping with baby on a couch also should be avoided.

### Simple tips can keep kids healthy

HOUSTON — Keeping children healthy during the school year can seem like an impossible feat, but parents can take steps to decrease those inevitable sick days, according to Dr. Nancy Kelly, a pediatrician at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston.

"One of the best things parents can do is to ensure their children receive recommended immunizations and have regular checkups," Kelly said. "Parents also can make sure children get enough sleep, eat nutritious meals and maintain a balanced schedule that allows time for study, household responsibilities and recreational or sports activities."

When children are at school, remind them to wash their hands often. Tell them never to share combs, hats or hair accessories to reduce exposure to head lice. Instruct your child not to sit close to classmates who are coughing or sneezing.

## Mayo researchers develop noninvasive colon cancer test

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Researchers at the Mayo Clinic have developed a new test that detects colon cancer without the invasive procedures so many people try to avoid, but it could be years before the test is widely available.

Rather than using a long scope to examine the colon, the new test measures genetic abnormalities in the patient's stool.

"From the patient's perspective, it's a very user-friendly kind of test that may help overcome some of the barriers to screening participation," said Dr. David Ahlquist, the Mayo Clinic gastroenterologist who led the study, published recently in the journal *Gastroenterology*.

According to the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, an estimated 129,400 people are diagnosed with colorectal cancer each year and 56,000 die from it.

It can be cured if detected early, but because of the uncomfortable procedures, only 30 percent of Americans over the age of 50 — the recommended screening age for people without risk factors — get tested, Ahlquist said.

Researchers at the clinic in Rochester and EXACT Laboratories in Maynard, Mass., used the new stool test in a study of 61 Mayo Clinic patients over the past year and a half. Of the 22 who were known to have colon cancer, the new test detected it in 20, or 91 percent. It also

detected 73 percent of precancerous polyps in those with cancer and 11 others. It gave no false positive results in the 28 people with normal colons.

"The results exceeded our expectations," Ahlquist said. "Those are values much higher than detection rates by fecal blood testing and conventional sigmoidoscopy," which involves a flexible tube inserted in the rectum to examine the first 10 to 12 inches of the intestine.

The stool test works like this: DNA is contained in cells that are continuously shed from precancerous polyps and cancerous tumors in the colon. By examining the patient's stool in a laboratory, that DNA can be detected, Ahlquist said. No special diet or medication restrictions and no enemas or bowel preparations are needed.

Current tests for colon cancer include fecal blood testing, sigmoidoscopy and colonoscopy. The first has an average 5 percent false positive rate, and the latter two involve invasive procedures.

"I think the study is very promising," said Dr. Sidney Winawer, an attending gastroenterologist at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York and principal investigator of the National Colonoscopy Study.

"The concept of checking the stool for DNA mutations in order to identify people with cancerous polyps is something that's been studied for several years and has been found to be not very sensitive," Winawer said.

The new test is more sensitive because it looks at a range of DNA mutations.

In theory, this type of test could be useful in almost any form of cancer in which there is access to cells from the tumor, said Dr. Richard Schilsky, professor of medicine at the University of Chicago.

However, one potential problem Schilsky sees is a possible technology gap between being able to detect a tumor through testing but then not being able to find it because it is so small.

Ahlquist said it will be several years before the new test could be available. It also needs to be corroborated in a larger study, he said.

The National Cancer Institute has granted the researchers \$4.9 million for a three-year study starting in January that will compare the DNA test with other screening methods. The study will involve the Mayo Clinic, the University of Colorado, the University of Oregon, the University of Indiana, the University of Rochester in New York and Kaiser Permanente in California.

On the Net:  
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## Study: Inhaled steroids, taken for asthma, don't permanently stunt growth

By JANET MCCONNAUGHEY  
Associated Press Writer

Inhaled steroids — a standard treatment for children with severe asthma — do not permanently stunt growth, as doctors had feared.

Doctors knew that steroids cut growth by about a third of an inch a year when children start using them, and had worried that youngsters' growth might continue to lag that much every year.

The first research to take a long look at the drugs — a five-year U.S. study and a 10-year study in Kolding, Denmark — found that the effect is temporary and children resume normal growth after about a year.

The U.S. study further found that inhaled steroids can help control symptoms even in mild cases.

Up to now, doctors knew that in children with severe cases of asthma, steroids' effectiveness outweighed any side effects. But they weren't sure whether that was true in mild cases.

"We hope these results will convince more physicians, and parents as well, that treating children with mild to moderate asthma with inhaled corticosteroids will result in better asthma control and improved quality of life," said Dr. Claude Lenfant, director of the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute, which paid for the U.S. study.

The findings are reassuring

news for both doctors and parents, said Dr. Cleveland Moore, pediatric director at LSU's Morial Asthma Center.

The study at Kolding Hospital and the one at eight U.S. centers were published in a recent *New England Journal of Medicine*.

The Danish team looked at the steroid budesonide's effect on the height of 211 people. They had spent an average of nine years on the drug.

The U.S. study looked at both a steroid and a non-steroidal anti-inflammatory inhaler and their various effects on children with mild to moderate asthma.

"When asthma is more severe, steroids are clearly the drug of choice, even though there is slight growth retardation," said Dr. N. Franklin Adkinson, executive director of

the eight-center Childhood Asthma Management Research Group. "Our focus was on mild asthma because there is no consensus that inhaled steroids are the drug of choice."

The steroid was much better than the other anti-inflammatory drug, nedocromil, at reducing the heightened sensitivity that turns allergies into asthma.

Both medicines also cut down the number of emergency room and urgent doctor visits, with budesonide doing better than nedocromil. Budesonide also had benefits the other drug did not: less time spent in the hospital, less need for other asthma medicines, and more days without asthma attacks.

Doctors did not find one improvement they had hoped for: better lung capacity. That may indicate that the children's

lungs already had been damaged irreversibly, Lenfant and Moore said.

"This tells me these young kids need to be started with therapy with inhaled steroids early in life — within two years of developing the disease," Moore said.

The NIH institute plans studies to look at asthma treatments in younger children.

### Chickenpox may be preventable

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A five-year study of a chickenpox vaccine found that inoculations can reduce cases by 80 percent, suggesting the itchy rite of childhood can be prevented just like the mumps and measles.

The ongoing study by Los Angeles County health officials for the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention was conducted in the Antelope Valley, about 70 miles north of Los Angeles.

Chickenpox cases in the region dropped from 2,934 in 1995, when the vaccine was introduced, to 587 by 1999. The rates declined in all age groups, but were most dramatic among children 1 through 4 years old.

The amount of complications from the disease, such as bacterial infections, also fell.

"The bottom line is ... the vaccine works," said Dr. Laurene Mascola, a researcher and chief of the county's acute communicable disease control branch. "You can prevent chickenpox."

The virus often strikes children before the age of 10 and sickens its victims for 10 days with itchy rashes, fevers and fatigue. The highly contagious disease, which is often spread by touch or airborne droplets, infects as many as 4 million people each year in the United States.

The Antelope Valley, with about 300,000 residents, is one of three areas chosen by the CDC for the study. The other two are in west Philadelphia and Travis County, Texas. The California vaccinations were voluntary.

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# Even more complications in battle of Florida

By ANNE GEARAN  
Associated Press Writer

MIAMI (AP) — Florida's contested presidential election grew steadily more complicated on Monday as a federal judge heard arguments from George W. Bush's lawyers to block hand recounts planned or already in progress. The state's top election official vowed to wrap up the vote count by late Tuesday afternoon.

Democrats laboring on Al Gore's behalf threatened a lawsuit of their own — this one to allow the hand recounts to proceed and to become part of the final tally.

Bush's lead in the unofficial AP count grew by 100 votes to 388 as Polk County certified new results.

"The law unambiguously states when the process of counting and recounting the votes cast on Election Day must end," Katherine Harris, Florida's secretary of state, said in a written

statement distributed in Tallahassee.

"For this election, that time is 5 p.m. Nov. 14, which is tomorrow."

Bush, Gore and the nation all awaited the outcome of the legal and political duel in Florida. The candidate who gains the state's 25 electoral votes stands to become the nation's 43rd president after one of the closest presidential elections in history.

Nearly one full week after the nation voted, there seemed little prospect for a swift resolution. An unofficial recount gave the Texas governor a 388-vote margin over the vice president, with an unknown number of overseas absentee ballots yet to be counted.

Both sides seemed to be guessing that the Texas governor's margin would grow when those votes were tallied by Friday afternoon.

That made the Gore camp's request for recounts by hand in a few predominantly Democratic

counties critical. Already, officials in Volusia and Palm Beach counties were deep into hand recounts. Officials arranged to begin sorting through thousands of ballots in Broward County on Monday, and in Miami-Dade, the canvassing board set a meeting for Tuesday to decide how to proceed.

The day began with Harris, a Republican, meeting with officials from the two campaigns.

Her decision to require counties to certify results on Tuesday prompted a sharp retort from Warren Christopher, representing the Gore campaign. He suggested that she was biased because of her political affiliation and her association with the state's GOP governor, Jeb Bush, the presidential candidate's brother.

"We regard the action of the secretary to be arbitrary and unreasonable," he said.

He said the county election boards and the Gore campaign would appeal promptly, and officials in Volusia County filed

papers in state court seeking to extend the 5 p.m. Tuesday deadline.

Officials in some counties said they could not physically complete the Gore-sought hand recounts by the deadline.

At the other end of the state, U.S. District Judge Donald Middlebrooks, named to the court by President Clinton, agreed to hear the Bush camp's claim that the recounts are unconstitutional.

Television networks requested cameras be allowed in the courtroom, but the judge denied the request.

On the ballot matter, the judge will measure Bush's claims against four legal tests before deciding whether to step in. The toughest test for the Texas governor appears to be proving that voters would suffer "irreparable harm" if the counts go forward.

After chastising Democrats for threatening a lawsuit over the unresolved presidential election, it was the GOP that sued first.

The gist of the Republican claim is that the hand recounts in only four of Florida's 67 counties amount to unequal treatment for some Florida residents. The 14th Amendment guarantees all Americans equal protection

under the law.

Democrats filed court papers Sunday night defending the constitutionality of Florida's manual ballot law. Led by Harvard University law professor Laurence Tribe, party lawyers also said Bush's complaint threatens Florida's right to run its own elections.

Under Florida law, manual recounts are allowed if a candidate meets a post-election deadline to request them and the local election board agrees.

The Bush camp argues that hand recounts are a sort of third election — after the regular Nov. 7 voting and an automated recount that took place last week.

If Bush fails in court, senior strategists say he may seek his own recounts in some GOP-dominated Florida counties. Bush also could demand recounts in close-voting states won by Gore, such as Iowa, Wisconsin, Oregon — or too-close-to-call New Mexico.

Republicans previewed their court argument Sunday, warning that the recounts expose Florida to political mischief and human error.

Former Secretary of State James A. Baker III, who is leading the Florida legal and public relations effort for Bush, described the

Florida standoff as "a black mark on our democracy and on our process."

Christopher, former secretary of state in the Clinton administration, portrayed vote recounts as a small necessity of democracy.

"If at the end of the day, George Bush has more votes in Florida than we do, certainly the vice president will concede," Christopher said.

Gore leads in the nationwide popular vote, but the Electoral College tally is so close that the eventual winner in Florida is almost certain to win the White House.

No final answer seemed likely before Nov. 17, when Florida stops counting ballots mailed in from Americans living overseas.

Bush would have to win Oregon, Iowa, New Mexico and Wisconsin to claim the White House without Florida — a long shot given that Gore is leading by 5,000 or more votes in all those states but New Mexico.

Apart from Florida, Bush carried 29 states for 246 electoral votes. Gore, who added Oregon to his column on Friday, counted 19 states plus the District of Columbia for 262 electoral votes, with 270 needed for victory.

## Mistakes in review tighten presidential count in N.H.

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — Proofreading and computer errors have tightened the presidential race in New Hampshire and may affect some local races, the secretary of state's office said Monday.

One error gave Republican George W. Bush — who won the state — 1,000 too many votes in one Nashua ward, Assistant Secretary of State Karen Ladd said.

In several other communities, a programming error miscounted votes for Bush and Al Gore, denying Bush 107 votes in Randolph and Gore 208 in Stark and Stewartstown.

The official margin of victory for Bush now is 7,068 as election officials check for other possible errors.

The Nashua error occurred when the secretary of state's office was "proofing" local figures last week, Ladd said. Officials do not know if the same mistake was made in totaling results anywhere else and are double checking their numbers.

Officials are also checking to see if the program-

ming errors were made anywhere else.

In at least two other communities, Lyman and Warren, straight ticket votes were not counted, but Ladd estimated this mistake affected only about 200 votes, with most of them going to Bush.

With three different types of mistakes now spotted, officials were checking other community results for other possible problems, she said.

"I don't think I will find any more," Ladd said. She said the programming error that miscounted Gore and Bush votes occurred because a computer program recorded the votes as a date, reading 108 votes for Bush in Randolph, for instance, as Jan. 8. Election officials, examining the printed totals, saw a "1" recorded in what they thought was the vote column and gave Bush one vote instead of 108.

The initial official results gave Bush 274,290 votes to Gore's 266,121, a difference of 8,169 votes.

Ladd said there have been no requests from the Gore campaign for a recount. The deadline for recount requests is Monday, Nov. 13.

## Job-related injury protection aim of new standards being issued

WASHINGTON (AP) — Workers who spend their day typing on a computer or repeatedly lifting heavy boxes are among the more than 100 million Americans to receive new protections from job-related injuries under standards being issued by the Clinton administration.

The rules, filed Monday, were so contentious that they helped torpedo budget negotiations between the White House and Republican lawmakers. Two business groups quickly filed petitions for review of the standards; the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and the National Association of Manufacturers are among dozens of businesses and pro-business organizations that want the standards thrown out.

Organized labor had pushed for the regulations, which could force companies to alter work stations, redesign facilities or change tools once employees are found to suffer work-related injuries.

"Employers already have begun putting ergonomic programs in place," Charles Jeffress, head of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, said in an interview. "By adding the impetus of a standard, we think we can reach out and protect more workers than are currently covered."

The standards take effect in January, but business will have until October to come into compliance. Some of the 6 million workplaces covered by the rule may have to do little more than provide workers with information about ergonomics-related injuries and their symptoms.

If a worker reports symptoms of a musculoskeletal disorder — such as carpal tunnel syndrome, back pain and tendinitis — the employer must determine whether that problem is connected to the job. If so, the worker is entitled to medical care and time off with pay. The employer must then examine more broadly if that job exposes workers to risks and take steps to reduce the hazards.

OSHA hopes the standards will prevent 460,000 workers from getting hurt on the job each year. It says 1.8 million workers have musculoskeletal injuries related to ergonomic factors, and 600,000 people miss some work because of them annually.

According to OSHA, the rules would cost businesses some \$4.5 billion to implement but would reap \$9 billion a year in savings from medical expenses and workers' compensation.

Business leaders sharply dispute the cost figures, citing a think-tank study that estimated costs of more than \$90 billion a year.

"We do not believe that there is an adequate scientific basis that (the rule) meets the statutory requirement, and we believe it is unconstitutionally vague," said Stephen Bokal, senior vice president and general counsel of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. The group seeks to overturn the standard in court.

Labor officials contend the new standards do not place an undue burden on employers because companies need not take preventive action against hazardous conditions.

"In some respects, the rule is

quite conservative," said Peg Seminario, health and safety director for the AFL-CIO. "It requires a significant level of exposure. The idea that any ache or pain is what is triggering exposure here is not the case."

Once a musculoskeletal disorder is determined to be work-related, employers must look more closely at the nature of the job to see if it exposes workers to risk factors that include:

—Repeating the same motions every few seconds.

—Using a keyboard or mouse for more than four hours a day.

—Repeatedly working with the hands above the head for more than two hours a day.

The employers then would have to take steps to reduce these hazards.

Given the Republican opposition, the White House offered to allow OSHA to issue the rules this year but put off implementing them until next June, allowing the next president the opportunity to block them.

GOP leaders balked, saying this provision did not go far enough and that once the rules were issued, the new president might have a hard time rescinding them.

That helped stall final agreement on the \$350 billion labor-health-education spending bill, one of the items still to be enacted by Congress for the fiscal year that began Oct. 1.

On the Net:  
OSHA: <http://www.osha.gov>  
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: <http://www.uschamber.org>  
AFL-CIO: <http://www.afl-cio.org>

## Teen jailed in series of fires

MCALLEN, Texas (AP) — A teen-age girl remained in a South Texas jail Monday as law enforcement officials investigated a series of arson fires that destroyed two homes and damaged a third.

The unnamed 17-year-old woman was being held at the Hidalgo County Jail in Edinburg, Texas, after she was arrested on a disorderly conduct charge.

County fire marshal J. Orlando Garcia told The (McAllen) Monitor that arson charges against the teen-ager were pending.

Garcia said the fires were started within one hour of each other in a rural subdivision north of Elsa, which is about 40 miles northwest of Brownsville. No one was injured in the fires.

The teen-ager was arrested after neighbors told police they saw her start the second fire, Garcia said.

Authorities expect to make another arrest in the blazes, which Garcia said were likely vandalism. "They were intentionally set, more than likely with matches or a lighter ... using just the combustible material inside," Garcia said.

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The Fashion Trend Was \_\_\_\_\_

My Favorite Saying Was \_\_\_\_\_

My Favorite Song Was \_\_\_\_\_

Another Memory I Want To Share Is \_\_\_\_\_

Monday November 13

# Couple Mends Broken Marriage Through Forgiveness and Love

DEAR ABBY: To those who wonder, "Can people fall back in love after having an affair?" the answer is yes. Here's what happened to me:

Six years ago, my wife found out that I had been having an affair with a woman at work for more than three years. Her husband called my wife and told her all the details. It happened five days before Christmas, and I had to call both our families to explain why we would not be attending the holiday gatherings. I also had to explain to our teen-age daughter why I was moving out of our home.

We are a very close family, and when I faced the ugliness of what I had done and the hurt I caused, I realized what a fool I'd been.

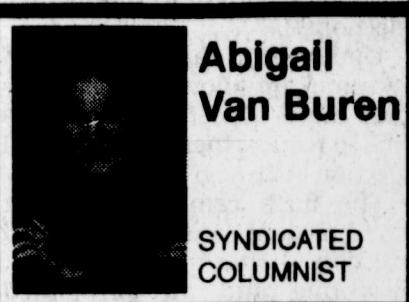
After convincing my wife that I would do absolutely anything to stay married to her, she allowed me to move back home and seemed willing to give it a try.

We worked with a wonderful counselor who helped us to rediscover each other, and we fell in love all over again — 25 years after we'd done it the first time. We also became best friends, and truly have a dream marriage now.

Abby, I will always feel guilt and sadness about what I did. However, love and forgiveness gave us a way to begin again.

BLESSED IN ALABAMA

DEAR BLESSED: That must have been one chilly Christmas. I'm pleased your story has a happy ending.



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

Many people will be reassured by your testimonial that a marriage can survive after infidelity has been uncovered. The most important ingredient for a successful marriage is two people who really need each other. That understood, with counseling and both parties willing to work at rebuilding their relationship, there's no reason for a reconciliation to fail.

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DEAR ABBY: Operation Dear Abby, your annual call for letters to servicepersons stationed on foreign soil during the holidays, should be extended to include veterans in hospitals and nursing homes.

Although many of these veterans have family and friends to visit and write to them, others are alone. I volunteer a couple of days a week at a veterans home in Oregon. I drive their recreational bus for field trips and help with the needs of the veterans while we're on trips. Howev-

er, there are many other needs volunteers could fill: reading to veterans, writing letters for them, or just spending a little time visiting with them.

If some of your readers would like to help and there are no nearby veteran facilities, the American Legion, the VFW or the library can provide an address to which they can send cards and letters. Veterans hospitals are located all over the United States.

Thank you for considering an extension to your Operation Dear Abby.

BONNIE L. KENDALL, DALLASPORT, WASH.

DEAR BONNIE: That's a terrific idea. We owe our freedom to our veterans. But why stop with volunteering during the holidays? Volunteering 12 months a year — if possible — would be a meaningful gift to those who sacrificed so much for us.

Readers, our veterans are waiting and they need you. The time you give them will be much appreciated. You'll get more than you give by volunteering. I always have.

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## Horoscope

TUESDAY, NOV. 14, 2000

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

\*\*\* Though focused on gain, you could easily be distracted by present events. Listen carefully to a partner who gives you powerful advice. Nervous energy could fuel your drive and decisions. Avoid letting another be the brunt of frustrations. Tonight: Talk up a storm.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

\*\*\* Communication feeds your natural creativity and ingenuity. Though you might not always have the answers, you explore options carefully. You might not see eye to eye with a child or loved one. Don't allow irritation to build up. Tonight: Browse a favorite store.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

\*\*\* Expenses swing upward, even though you are creative with work and funds. Explore a moneymaking option. Be willing to put in extra hours or take a special class. You'll only gain through increasing your expertise. Tonight: Kick up your heels with a fun friend.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

\*\*\* Allow your personality to speak. Others see your intentions and caring. Though you might be prone to excess, and another cheers you on, you still might need to halt spending. Understand what motivates you and oth-

ers. Tonight: See what a family member thinks. You don't need to agree.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

\*\*\* Think before deciding to let go. Add that extra touch to another's day. Ask for what you need, with the full expectation of getting just that. Use care with another. You could say something harsh, or vice versa. Pull back. Tonight: Make it a night for yourself.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

\*\*\* Aim for what you want. You might be especially effective when dealing with others in groups and directly. Not everyone sees eye to eye with you. A loved one or child puts you on a pedestal. Enjoy it up there before you tumble off! Express ideas. Tonight: Where the crowds are.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

\*\*\* You could be coming off a lot more strongly than you realize. Question choices carefully without causing an unnecessary uproar. Someone might disagree with you. Discuss money and making more of it. In this area, you see eye to eye with an associate or boss. Make a must appearance. Tonight: Work late.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

\*\*\* Another zeros in on what is important. Though you could be annoyed by what appears to be another's intrusive behavior, think twice before saying anything. Force yourself to take an overview. Understanding opens new doors and allows for a better work climate. Tonight: Put your best foot forward.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

\*\*\* Evaluate what is happening within a relationship. You might not be sure about what you want with a partner,

but be smart. Don't burn any bridges just yet. Extremes mark your finances. Your inner voice suggests which direction to go with another. Halt spending if need be. Tonight: Say yes to a loved one.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

\*\*\* Your decisions go to extremes. Allow your softer side to come into play with others. A boss, however, expects productivity and demands. You can use all your charms, but you might never decide what to do. Schedule an important meeting. Aim high, and aim for what you want. Tonight: Go along with another's plans.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

\*\*\* You feel encouraged by your work. Push for your goals as hard as you need to. You could easily be overwhelmed by news from a distance. Rather than becoming contentious, ask for feedback. Don't hold in your feelings. Tonight: Off to the gym.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

\*\*\* Call upon your ingenuity to find solutions. Do not accept a "no." Know what you want and where you are heading. Another gives you an important perspective. Someone shares his feelings. Be sensitive to him. Your innate creativity comes out with a loved one. Tonight: Let the good times roll.

BORN TODAY

England's Prince Charles (1948), King Hussein of Jordan (1935), singer Nina Gordon (1962)

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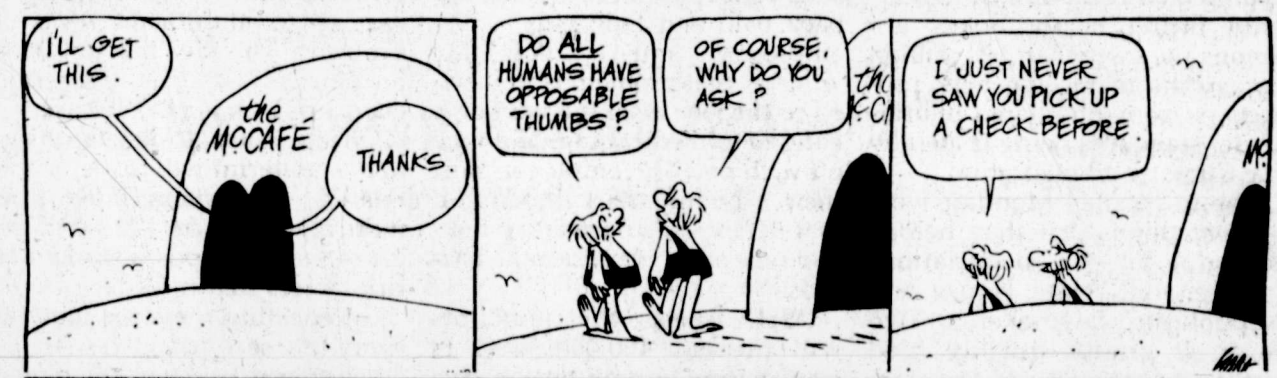
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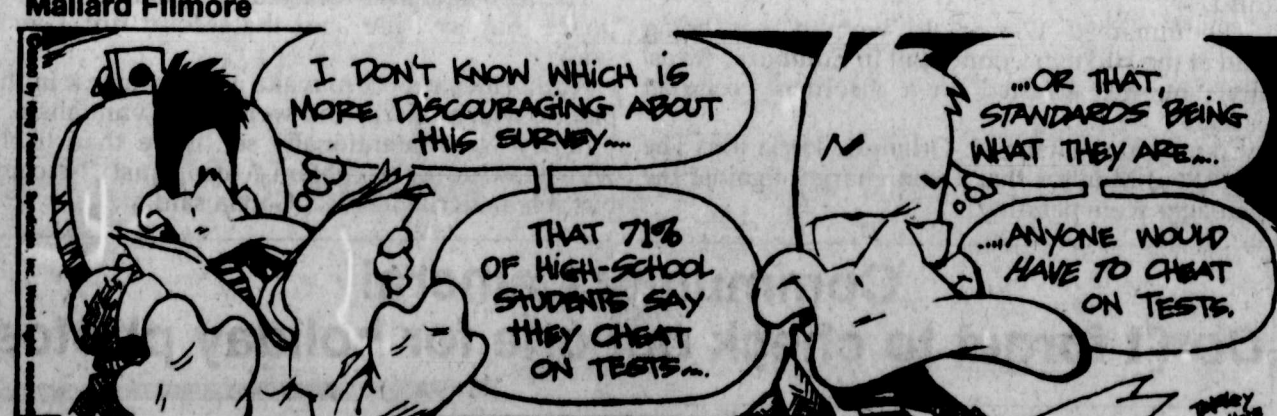
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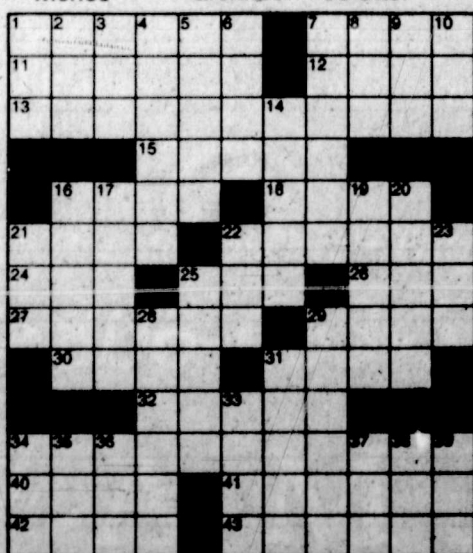
By THOMAS JOSEPH

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### The Family Circus



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"Mirror, mirror, in the car, who's the fairest one by far?"

## SPORTS

## Notebook

## FOOTBALL

**WHITE DEER** — White Deer will be the site of a Class 1A bi-district game between Wheeler and Nazareth.

Gametime is 7:30 Friday night at the Bucks' high school field.

**SUNRAY** — Canaan slipped by Sunray 22-21 to finish the season unbeaten in District 6-2A last Friday night.

Ali Morales kicked a 27-yard field goal in the third quarter for the winning points.

Quarterback Coleman Bartlett led the way for the Wildcats. He threw a 17-yard touchdown pass to Cap Culver and also scored on a 1-yard run. Jarrod Timmons added a 16-yard touchdown run.

Canadian finished the regular season with an 8-2 record overall and 7-0 in district.

## CROSS COUNTRY

**PAMPA** — Pampa junior Rebecca Fatheree competed in the Class 4A girls cross country state meet over the weekend in Round Rock.

Fatheree, who won the District 3-4A championship this year, was 30th in state competition.

Jessa Vacek of Southlake Carroll was the Class 4A winner. Southlake Carroll also won the team competition.

## BASKETBALL

**PAMPA** — Pampa Kids & Youth Club continues its basketball signups today through Thursday from 6 to 8 at Topographic's, located at 2225 North Perryton Parkway between Dollar General and Western Auto.

The signups are for boys and girls kindergarten through the 12th grade. Scholarships are available.

Cost is \$20 for one player, \$35 for two players and \$45 for three players.

The Kids & Youth Club is seeking coaches, referees and sponsors. If interested call, 669-8236.

**SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP)** — Chris Webber wasn't available in the fourth quarter. Fortunately for the Sacramento Kings, they didn't need him.

The Kings built a big lead and went on to a 109-84 victory Sunday night over the Dallas Mavericks, despite losing their All-Star forward to a sprained left ankle in the closing seconds of the third quarter.

"He'll be all right," Kings point guard Jason Williams said. "He's a big fella, he's got those nice big bones. Things like that will happen, but you've just got to keep going and do whatever you can to get by and get the win."

Webber, who had 23 points and 13 rebounds, is considered day-to-day. The Kings play at home against Orlando on Tuesday.

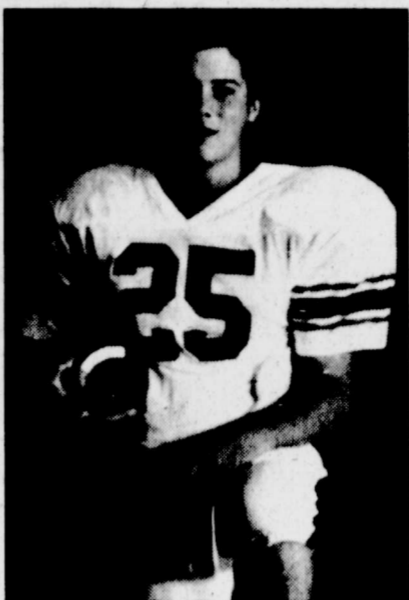
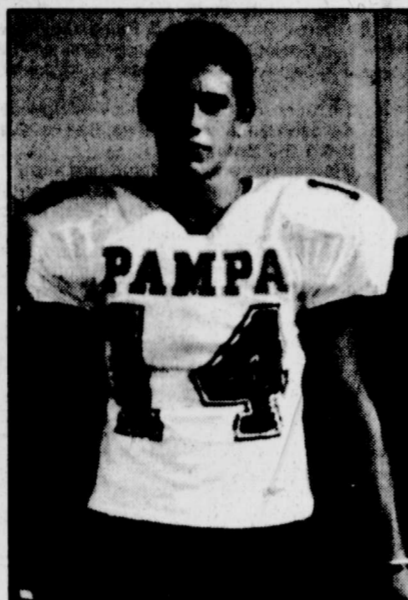
Peja Stojakovic scored 28 points as the Kings won their fourth straight game and defeated Dallas for the seventh consecutive time at Arco Arena.

"That's the best passing team in the league," Dallas guard Greg Buckner said. "They've got a lot of guys that can score and it makes it tough on you when they are making all those shots."

Sacramento (6-2) also has been playing some tough defense this season, allowing only two opponents to top 100 points — both in overtime games. That's quite a contrast from last season, when the Kings allowed 102 points per game, the NBA's third-highest average.

"I think teams still look at us and think they are going to score a lot of points," said Kings reserve forward Lawrence Funderburke, who scored 14 points. "Teams think we're still an inferior defensive team. But we're playing hard on defense and they still have to guard us at the other end."

## Players of the Week.....



Players of the week chosen by the Pampa football coaching staff are (left to right): Varsity: Tailback Terrence Lemons (parents, Frank and Dora Lemons); Junior varsity: Quarterback John Braddock (mother, Susan Braddock, grandparents, Charles and Jan Lockhart); 8th Grade A: Fullback-Linebacker QB Cobb (parents, Craig and Kelly Cobb); 8th grade B: Quarterback-Safety Drew Morrison (parents, Dan and Brenda Morrison); 7th Grade A: No player selected, game rained out; 7th Grade B: Running back-Linebacker Weston Teichmann (parents, David and Shelly Teichmann).

## It's rivalry week on collegiate football scene

By RICHARD ROSENBLATT  
AP Football Writer

Need a break from deciphering the BCS standings? Sit back this Saturday and watch college football the way it's meant to be — for bragging rights, baubles and bowl berths.

Yes, there's a national championship to be decided in the Orange Bowl on Jan. 3, and Oklahoma's in the lead with Miami and Florida State close behind in the Bowl Championship Series standings. But there's also The Game and the Big Game, the Iron Bowl and the Civil War, the Apple Cup and the Old Oaken Bucket.

A few games, such as No. 4 Florida at No. 3 Florida State have everything on the line — from the Governor's Cup to a national title shot.

Here's a look:

—Florida (9-1) at Florida State (10-1) is Saturday's biggest game in the world of the Bowl Championship Series.

The Seminoles, 35-6, winners over Wake Forest on Saturday, have locked up a BCS game as ACC champs and a win over the Gators gives them a strong chance at defending their national title. Florida, SEC East champs after a 41-21 win over South Carolina, needs to win in Tallahassee, then take the SEC title game on Dec. 2 to make a claim for the national crown.

—No. 5 Oregon (9-1, 7-0 Pac-10) is at No. 8 Oregon State (9-1, 6-1) in the biggest Civil War game ever. The Ducks, who beat California 25-17, will be Pac-10 champs and head to the Rose Bowl with a win; the Beavers, 33-9 winners over Arizona, go the Rose Bowl for the first time since 1964 if they beat the Ducks and

Washington State (4-6, 2-5) upsets No. 6 Washington (9-1, 6-1) in the Apple Cup.

—"It's going to be World War III," Oregon cornerback Rashad Bauman said. "There's going to be fights, some talking... whatever you could expect in a great college football game."

Washington ends up in the Rose Bowl with a win over the Cougars and a loss by the Ducks.

—In the Big Ten, there's a four-way tie for first place: No. 17 Purdue (7-3, 5-2), despite a 30-10 loss to Michigan State, earns its first Rose Bowl berth since 1966 with a victory at home over Indiana (3-7, 2-5) in the traditional game for the Old Oaken Bucket.

No. 23 Northwestern, a 27-17 loser to Iowa, can get to Pasadena with a win at home against Illinois (5-5, 2-5) coupled with a loss by Purdue and a win

by Michigan over Ohio State; No. 12 Ohio State (7-3, 5-2) gets in with a victory over No. 19 Michigan (7-3, 5-2) and a loss by Purdue; and Michigan gets in with a win over Ohio State plus losses by Purdue and Northwestern.

—No. 18 Auburn (8-2, 5-2) plays Alabama (3-7, 3-4) in the first Iron Bowl at Tuscaloosa since 1901; the game was played for decades at Legion Field in Birmingham. The Tigers, who edged No. 22 Georgia 29-26 in OT, are in a three-way battle with LSU (7-3, 5-2) and No. 13 Mississippi State (7-2, 4-2) for the SEC West crown. For Auburn to advance to the SEC title game against Florida, the Tigers need to beat Bama and hope Mississippi State loses to either Arkansas or Mississippi. For the Tide, playing their last game under coach Mike DuBose, a win

against their bitter state rival will soothe a lost season. Alabama, beaten by Mississippi State 29-7 on Saturday, is trying to avoid the most losses in a season since going 0-10 in 1955.

Of course, there's The Game — Harvard-Yale — and the Big Game — Cal-Stanford. Harvard (5-4, 4-2) needs a win over Yale (6-3, 3-3) at home to finish in a second-place tie in the Ivy League title, while the Cal-Stanford winner claims bragging rights for a year in one of the game's most entertaining rivalries. Cal is 3-7, 2-5; Stanford, 4-6, 3-4.

Other top games include South Carolina at Clemson, USC at UCLA and North Carolina at Duke in Victory Bell games; Iowa at Minnesota for the Floyd of Rosedale; and Lehigh at Lafayette for the 156th time in the most-played rivalry.

## Bloody Sunday: Some of NFL stars sidelined

## Seder steals the show with touchdown run as Cowboys beat Bengals

By BARRY WILNER  
AP Football Writer

It was a bloody Sunday in the NFL, with some of the league's biggest stars being sidelined.

New Orleans lost Ricky Williams with a broken left ankle, but beat Carolina 20-10. Green Bay's Brett Favre sprained his foot in a 20-15 loss at Tampa Bay. Miami's Thurman Thomas sprained his knee and was contemplating retirement, despite the Dolphins' 17-7 victory at San Diego.

And Chicago's Jim Miller, in at quarterback for the already-injured Cade McNown (separated shoulder) tore his Achilles' tendon and is gone until next season. The Bears lost 20-3 at Buffalo.

Those injuries spoiled a day of surprises — Tennessee finally losing at home, to Baltimore 24-23, snapping a 12-game winning string at Adelphia Coliseum; San Francisco finding some defense in a 21-7 win over Kansas City; and Cleveland winning for the third time this season after only two victories in 1999, by beating New England 19-11.

Also, it was St. Louis 38, the New York Giants 24; Indianapolis 23, the New York Jets 15; Minnesota 31, Arizona 14; Philadelphia 26, Pittsburgh 23 in overtime; Seattle 28, Jacksonville 21; Dallas 23, Cincinnati 6; and Detroit 13, Atlanta 10.

Oakland is at Denver on Monday night.

**Saints 20, Panthers 10**

Williams was on pace to earn a \$1 million bonus by rushing for 1,600 yards until his injury, which will sideline him for 6-8 weeks. He hit exactly 1,000 yards on the play on which he was hurt as New Orleans (7-3)

won its sixth straight.

"It's devastating to me," said rookie running back Chad Morton, who likely will take over for Williams. "I feel sick about it right now. I can't even enjoy this win. He's our offense."

It was the defense that made the difference at Carolina (4-6). Keith Mitchell returned a fumble 90 yards for a touchdown and the Saints forced five turnovers and had eight sacks.

**Buccaneers 20, Packers 15**

Favre's NFL record streak of 135 consecutive starts is in jeopardy. He limped off the field after being sacked by Warren Sapp in the third quarter.

"I anticipate him to be out for at least the next week and maybe longer," coach Mike Sherman said. "It's too early to tell. He's not able to walk at the present time, so I anticipate him to be out for a little while."

Martin Gramatica extended his streak of consecutive field goals to 12 with fourth-quarter kicks of 54 and 51 yards for Tampa Bay (6-4).

Ryan Longwell kicked field goals of 52, 42 and 45 yards for the Packers (4-6), who took a 15-14 lead when Favre's backup, Matt Hasselbeck, tossed a 27-yard touchdown pass to Bubba Franks on a fake field goal.

**Dolphins 17, Chargers 7**

Thomas, ninth on the NFL's career rushing list, said he'll consider retirement if his sprained right knee requires lengthy rehabilitation. The 13-year veteran, in his first year with Miami, was hurt after a 12-yard reception midway through the second quarter and was on crutches after the game. He'll have an MRI on Monday.

Last year, Thomas missed 11 games with a bruised liver.

"This is the second year for me," Thomas said. "It's a concern for me if I'm looking at 10 months of rehab. I might have

to consider retirement."

Lamar Smith scored on runs of 2 and 6 yards and Jay Fiedler completed his first nine passes for the AFC East-leading Dolphins (8-2).

San Diego has lost all 10 games this year.

**Bills 20, Bears 3**

Miller scrambled deep in Buffalo territory, then went down diving for the sideline.

"I was just running and it was just a freak thing that happened," Miller said after Chicago fell to 2-8. "My Achilles' tore. Everybody says it feels like you're getting shot or kicked from behind and that's exactly what it felt like."

Eric Moulds caught five passes for 89 yards and Keion Carpenter had two interceptions.

Doug Flutie, 3-1 as a starter for Buffalo (6-4) after replacing injured Rob Johnson, will be benched next week. Coach Wade Phillips said he will go back to Johnson, who now is healthy.

**Ravens 24, Titans 23**

Al Del Greco, one of the NFL's most reliable kickers, missed an extra point, then a 43-yard field goal on the final play, ending the Titans' NFL record of 12 games without a loss at a new stadium.

Trent Dilfer passed to Patrick Johnson for a 2-yard touchdown, and Matt Stover's extra point was the difference. Baltimore (7-4) broke the Titans' eight-game winning streak.

Tennessee (8-2) went in front 23-17 on an 87-yard interception return by Perry Phenix with 2:30 left, but Del Greco missed his first extra point in 229 tries, a streak that started in 1993.

**49ers, 21, Chiefs 7**

A San Francisco defense that is the league's worst in six statistical categories dominated Kansas City (5-5), which had scored 109 points in its last three games. The Chiefs needed Donnell Bennett's 1-yard TD run with 6:27 left to avoid being shut out for the first time in 101 games.

Charlie Garner ran for 102 yards and a touchdown, while Jeff Garcia completed 20 of 25 passes for 244 yards and ran for short TDs as host San Francisco

(3-8) snapped its five-game losing streak.

**Browns 19, Patriots 11**

Bill Belichick, very unpopular when he coached the old Browns and now the head coach in New England (2-8), was greeted with hoots and chants by the Dawg Pound. The Browns (3-8) added insult to that as Phil Dawson kicked a career-high four field goals to snap a seven-game losing streak.

Cleveland's defense recovered three fumbles and intercepted a pass.

**Rams 38, Giants 24**

In a matchup of division leaders, the high-powered Rams (8-2), even without Kurt Warner and Marshall Faulk, overwhelmed the host Giants (7-3). St. Louis had a decent game defensively, while Trent Green, subbing for injured Warner, threw four TD passes and ran for another.

New York's four-game winning streak was snapped.

**Colts 23, Jets 15**

Edgerrin James went over 1,000 yards rushing for the season with 130 yards and a touchdown as the Colts (7-3) handed the Jets (6-4) their third straight defeat. New York was down 20-0, but staged its patented fourth-quarter comeback. But unlike in four previous victories secured with late rallies, the Jets fell short for the third week in a row.

Wayne Chrebet had eight receptions for 140 yards and one touchdown for the visitors.

**Vikings 31, Cardinals 14**

After two mediocre efforts, Daunte Culpepper returned to early-season form with three TD passes and 302 yards. He also ran for another score as the Vikings (8-2) remained unbeaten in the Metrodome. Robert Smith gained 117 yards on 20 carries to give him 1,025 yards this season.

MarTay Jenkins had a 98-yard kickoff return for Arizona (3-7), the first for the Cardinals since 1979.

**Eagles 26, Steelers 23, OT**

Placekicker David Akers played the key role in the Eagles' surge to victory at Pittsburgh. His onside kick was recovered by Philadelphia (7-4),

and he made a hurried 42-yard field goal on the final play of regulation.

"I didn't even have time to take a deep breath," Akers said of his tying field goal. "But once I got out there, it was just automatic motor movement."

He hit another 42-yarder in overtime for the victory.

The Steelers (5-5), losing their second straight after winning five in a row, never got the ball in overtime.

**Seahawks 28, Jaguars 21**

Mark Brunell overthrew Alvis Whitted on a miscommunicated play from the 1 with no time remaining. An interference call on Reggie Tongue had given the Jaguars (3-7) the ball for one last play.

Jon Kitna threw a 4-yard pass to Ricky Watters with 2:01 left for the winning touchdown for visiting Seattle (3-7).

**Cowboys 23, Bengals 6**

Troy Aikman's injury-ravaged season got a little healthier as he threw for 308 yards and a touchdown.

But rookie Tim Seder, who made three field goals, was the big offensive star — and not for his kicking.

Seder took a pitch from holder Micah Knorr on a fake field goal and ran untouched for a 1-yard score for the Cowboys (4-6).

Akili Smith threw for just 68 yards for the Bengals (2-8).

**Lions 13, Falcons 10**

Gary Moeller won his first game as Detroit's coach — Bobby Ross resigned last Monday. Moeller was booed by the hometown fans when he went for the tie even though the Lions had the ball inches from the goal line on a fourth down with five minutes left in the game. Jason Hanson's 18-yard field goal tied it at 10.

But Danny Kanell's pass was intercepted by Corwin Brown, who returned the ball 10 yards to the Falcons 29 with 2:13 left. Four plays later, Hanson kicked a winning 44-yarder for the Lions (6-4).

Atlanta fell to 3-8, even though Jamal Anderson rushed for 119 yards.

# Sooners, Wildcats appear headed for Big 12 rematch

By OWEN CANFIELD  
AP Sports Writer

The picture is now clear in the Big 12: Barring something unforeseen, Oklahoma and Kansas State will meet again on the first weekend of December to determine the conference champion.

The top-ranked Sooners, it would appear, can put the throttle on cruise control after beating Texas A&M, 35-31, on Saturday in College Station. The largest crowd to watch a game in the state of Texas, 87,188, saw Oklahoma rally from a 10-point fourth-quarter deficit and put a headlock on the South Division title.

The Sooners (9-0, 6-0 Big 12) have a home game this week against Texas Tech and close out the regular season on Nov. 25 against Oklahoma State.

Kansas State, meanwhile, scored a late touchdown to beat Nebraska, 29-28. With a victory over Missouri this week, the Wildcats (9-2, 5-2) will win the North and get another crack at the Sooners, who beat them 41-31 in Manhattan.

"If there's one team we want to face, it's Oklahoma," KSU defensive end Monty Beisel said.

It looked for a while Saturday as if Oklahoma would need some help down the road to get to Arrowhead Stadium. The Sooners trailed 31-21 early in the fourth quarter before rallying.

The first touchdown came on a 2-yard run by Quentin Griffin with 7:43 remaining that capped a 15-play, 77-yard drive. Josh Heupel,

who had been intercepted twice earlier in the game, was 6-of-7 passing and twice scrambled for yardage on the drive.

The game turned on A&M's next play from scrimmage. After the kickoff, Mark Farris threw to receiver Greg Porter, who was cutting across the middle. Linebacker Torrance Marshall dropped back into coverage, turned and intercepted the ball, then returned it 41 yards for the go-ahead touchdown.

"That was the biggest play of the game right there," OU defensive back Brandon Everage said. "Might be the biggest play of the season."

The Aggies (7-3, 5-2) threw a scare into Oklahoma, however. They drove to the 4-yard line where a fourth-down pass fell incomplete, and on their final drive in the last minute, Porter was stopped five yards short of a first down. Oklahoma then ran out the clock.

The victory had coach Bob Stoops and some of his players talking about so-called "Sooner Magic," a term used often during the mid-1980s when Oklahoma found ways to win big games.

"Hopefully, we've got a little more magic left in the bag," Heupel said.

After a rough start, Heupel helped rally his team and kept alive his chances of winning the Heisman Trophy. He finished the day 28-of-42 for 263 yards and a touchdown, with two interceptions.

"I don't know what anyone else was looking for. The guy just finds

a way to win," Stoops said. "He's undefeated, we're undefeated and in the driver's seat of the big 12 South. I don't think there's any question Josh has to be the leading candidate."

Kansas State has lost 31 times to Nebraska in the past 32 years, but pulled out the victory in the snow and sleet. Quincy Morgan's 12-yard touchdown catch on a pass from Jonathan Beasley put the Wildcats ahead with 2:52 remaining. Carter finished with 199 yards and two touchdowns on just seven receptions.

"I knew I had to come out and play well against Nebraska," Morgan said. "I wanted to do my part for the team. We knew this was a big game. The loser goes home."

With 50 seconds remaining and a heavy snow falling, Eric Crouch's pass bounced off the hands of Matt Davison on fourth-and-5. Thus ended the Cornhuskers' national championship hopes for this season.

"This is very difficult for a team to take," coach Frank Solich said. "They worked tremendously hard to put themselves into position ... but they're not going to reach all their goals."

A little snow didn't keep Iowa State from reaching one of its goals. The Cyclones beat Colorado 35-27, and now have seven victories and are eligible for a bowl for the first time since 1978.

"Our goal at the beginning of the year was to go into the Kansas game (next week) with a bowl wrapped up, playing for a bigger one," coach Dan McCarney said.

# Labonte claims Pennzoil 400 title

HOMESTEAD, Fla. (AP) — With a bag of ice still melting in the seat around him, Tony Stewart frantically searched to find the radio frequency Bobby Labonte was using during the Pennzoil 400.

Stewart had something to say.

Tuning the dial up then down, he struggled to locate his Joe Gibbs Racing teammate. Finally, after several attempts, Stewart heard Labonte's voice.

Then Stewart chimed in, "Good job, champ."

Labonte clinched his first Winston Cup Series title with a fourth-place finish Sunday in the Pennzoil 400 at Homestead-Miami Speedway. He took a victory lap alongside Stewart, who won the race for the second straight year.

"It feels great. We've had a great year and it feels great to beat the guys we beat like Dale Earnhardt, Jeff Burton, Dale Jarrett and Jeff Gordon," Labonte said. "It's just awesome. I can't really believe it. You start thinking it's going to happen, but you never know until it's over."

Labonte led two laps Sunday, allowing him to finish as low as sixth in the next-to-last race of the year to capture

the title, which was worth \$3 million.

He started third in the 43-car field and spent most of the day running fourth to eighth, often more than half a lap behind Stewart. The steady performance was typical of Labonte, who earned his 18th top-five finish this year.

For the second year in a row, Stewart won the race but shared the spotlight. Last year it was with Jarrett; this time it was with his teammate.

"It's a great day for Joe Gibbs Racing," said Stewart, who led 166 of the 267 laps. "For Bobby to win the championship, I couldn't be prouder of him."

Earnhardt, who began the day second in the Winston Cup Series points standings, started 37th and finished 20th. He dropped one spot in the standings, falling 19 points behind Burton.

Jeremy Mayfield took second, 4.5 seconds behind Stewart, and Mark Martin was third. Pole-sitter Steve Park kept the lead for only nine laps and finished eighth.

On a warm, sunny day, Stewart became woozy during the second half of the race. His crew dumped a bag of ice down his suit during each of his final two pit stops.

"I've never dealt with heat

very well, and I was feeling sick," Stewart said. "You probably pay a \$1.50 for a bag of ice, and that probably won us the race. I wouldn't have made it, and that cooled me off."

When the race ended, Labonte pulled his Pontiac alongside Stewart's and motioned that they should share a victory lap.

"I thought he was going to knock the door off my car, he was so happy," Stewart said. "To share that moment with Bobby, that's a moment I'll never forget the rest of my life."

Added Gibbs, who coached the Washington Redskins to victories in the 1983, '88 and '92 Super Bowls: "Our group is a quiet group, but that's as good a celebration as I've seen."

The scene was reminiscent of Terry Labonte's second Winston Cup win in 1996, when he circled the track alongside Bobby.

Terry Labonte was the Winston Cup champion in 1984 and '96. He and Bobby are the first brothers to win titles.

"Just watching him sure helped a lot," Bobby Labonte said. With a laugh he added, "I'm still one behind."

# Weir wins American Express title; Tiger slips down the stretch

SOTOGRADE, Spain (AP) — The diabolical par-5 17th at Valderrama again showed that it plays no favorites.

But Canadian Mike Weir parred the 17th Sunday just minutes before winning \$1 million at the American Express Championship by shooting a 3-under 69 to finish two strokes ahead of England's Lee Westwood.

Weir was able to rebound from his second-round struggle on the 17, a hole that caused problems for a handful of players on Sunday. Weir almost played himself out of the tournament when he hit two approaches on to the green, and both were funneled — with a bit of backspin — down the sloping green into the pond guarding the front edge.

"I'm happy to come out on top," Weir said. "I'm more happy with the way I rebounded from Friday. I made 8 on 17, and I was 10 shots, nine shots out of the lead going into the weekend."

Actually, he was eight behind Nick Price.

Price and Tiger Woods both struggled Sunday at 17 as they chased the 30-year-old Canadian. Price, playing two groups in

front of Weir and trailing by one, hit two short approaches over the pond, and both rolled into the water. The even-tempered Price was out of it with a triple-bogey eight and raced off the course without comment.

Woods has had problems with 17 dating to last year's tournament and the 1997 Ryder Cup.

Trailing Weir by two shots and playing one group in front of him, Woods found the water on 17 — the fourth time in five rounds he landed there on the tricky course in deep southern Spain. Woods took a double-bogey 7, and his chase was over.

"Every ball I've hit in the water there have been good shots," Woods said. "It's just indicative of the hole. It is not a very well-designed hole and unfortunately if you just walk around the bank — look how many balls are in the water."

Woods picked up a triple-bogey 8 on 17 in the final round a year ago, forcing a playoff he won over Miguel Angel Jimenez. He also hit the water three years ago in the Ryder Cup.

The event shifts to Bellerive in St. Louis next year, and Mount Juliet in Ireland in 2002.

"I'm glad we're not going to come back ever again," Woods said.

That is sure to distress the billionaire owner of Valderrama, Jaime Ortiz-Patino, who takes pride in the nearly perfect playing conditions and abundant cork trees at a layout some call "Europe's Augusta."

Weir, who finished at 11-under 277, was more diplomatic calling it a "precise" course. He even spoke well of No. 17, where 11 players in the 55-man field found water over the four rounds.

"The 17th is very difficult hole, controversial I guess," he said. "But it adds to the flavor of this event and this golf course."

Weir, whose only other win came last season in the Air Canada Championship in Vancouver, took pleasure in beating Woods. For the third straight week, Woods was two strokes off the lead in the final round and came up short.

"It's a huge win, a world championship," the left-hander said. "With the quality of the field, that's what makes it so special. Any time Tiger plays in the tournament you win, it makes you feel great because he's far and

## Scoreboard

### SOCCER

Pampa Soccer Association  
Results of games ending Nov. 4  
(\*Friendly games, does not count in standings)

**U-14 Boys**  
Duncan, Fraser & Bridges 4, Borger Bombers 1

**U-12 Boys**  
Gene Goss Engine & Machine 5, Culbertson-Stowers 1

**U-10 Boys**  
Wheeler Bank Center 2, Pampa Municipal CU 1  
Cliff Cook Golf 5, Panhandle Northern Railroad 0  
Southwest Collision Repair 5, Big Country Tire 0

**U-10 Girls**  
J.A. Johnson DDS 3, Curtis Well Service 0  
Keyes Pharmacy 3, National Bank of Commerce 1

**U-6 & U-8 Sponsors**  
(Recreation only, no standings kept)  
CTW Brake Rims, Centramedia, Classic Lube & Wash, Clifton Supply Company, Computer Sales & Tech, CompuTech Companies Inc., Culligan Filter, Davis Electric Co., Dean's Pharmacy, Edward D. Jones, FNB of Borger, Ferguson Enterprises, FirstBank Southwest, Franks Foods, Guardian Corrosion, Hall Auto Sound, JerSkp's Paintball, Kids Stuff, Medicine Shoppe, MetLife Auto & Home, Parsley's Roofing, Payless Glits, Praxair, Scarab Manufacturing, Snappy Services, T-Shirts & More, VFW Post 1657, Ware Chevrolet.

**League Standings**  
(Week 7-Nov. 4)

Team	W	L	T	GF	GA	GP
Gene Goss Engine & Machine	2	0	0	8	2	2
Culbertson-Stowers	0	2	0	2	8	2
Panhandle Compt. Svc.	0	0	0	0	0	0

**U-12 Girls**

Team	W	L	T	GF	GA	GP
Hammans Janitorial Svcs	1	0	0	3	2	1
Dale-Ann Co. Inc.	0	1	0	2	3	1
Sun Bank	0	0	0	0	0	0

**U-10 Boys**

Team	W	L	T	GF	GA	GP
Panhandle Northern RR	4	1	0	10	7	5
Southwest Collision	3	1	0	27	5	4
Cliff Cook Golf	3	1	0	25	4	4
Wheeler Bank Cntr	2	2	1	7	10	5
Pampa Municipal Credit	0	4	0	2	25	4
Big Country Tire	0	3	1	3	24	4

**U-10 Girls**

Team	W	L	T	GF	GA	GP
J.A. Johnson DDS	3	0	0	14	3	3
Curtis Well Service	1	1	0	1	3	3
Keyes Pharmacy	1	2	0	4	7	3
National Bank of Commerce	0	2	0	1	9	2

(Week 6-Oct. 28: Rained out games not included)

**Sunday's Games**  
Detroit 13, Atlanta 10  
Buffalo 20, Chicago 3  
Dallas 23, Cincinnati 6  
New Orleans 20, Carolina 10  
Seattle 28, Jacksonville 21  
Baltimore 24, Tennessee 23  
Minnesota 31, Arizona 14  
Cleveland 19, New England 11  
Philadelphia 26, Pittsburgh 23, OT  
Miami 17, San Diego 7  
San Francisco 21, Kansas City 7  
St. Louis 38, N.Y. Giants 24  
Tampa Bay 20, Green Bay 15  
Indianapolis 23, N.Y. Jets 15  
Open: Seattle  
Monday, Nov. 20  
Washington at St. Louis, 8:20 p.m.

### COLLEGE FOOTBALL

How Top 25 Fared  
By The Associated Press

How the top 25 teams in The Associated Press' college football poll fared this week:

No. 1 Oklahoma (9-0) beat No. 23 Texas A&M 35-31. Next: vs. Texas Tech, Saturday.  
No. 2 Miami (8-1) beat Pittsburgh 35-7. Next: at Syracuse, Saturday.  
No. 3 Florida State (10-1) beat Wake Forest 35-6. Next: vs. No. 5 Florida, Saturday.  
No. 4 Nebraska (8-2) lost to No. 16 Kansas State 29-28. Next: vs. Colorado, Friday, Nov. 24.  
No. 5 Florida (9-1) beat No. 21 South Carolina 41-21. Next: at No. 3 Florida State, Saturday.  
No. 6 Oregon (9-1) beat California 25-17. Next: at No. 10 Oregon State, Saturday.  
No. 7 Washington (9-1) beat UCLA 35-28. Next: at Washington State, Saturday.  
No. 8 Virginia Tech (9-1) beat Central Florida 44-21. Next: vs. Virginia, Saturday, Nov. 25.  
No. 9 Purdue (7-3) lost to Michigan State 30-10. Next: vs. Indiana, Saturday.  
No. 10 Oregon State (9-1) beat Arizona 33-9. Next: vs. No. 6 Oregon, Saturday.  
No. 11 Notre Dame (7-3) beat Boston College 28-16. Next: at Rutgers, Saturday.  
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No. 14 Georgia (7-2) lost to No. 22 Auburn 29-26, OT. Next: vs. Mississippi, Saturday.  
No. 15 Mississippi State (7-2) beat Alabama 29-7. Next: vs. Arkansas, Saturday.  
No. 16 Kansas State (9-2) beat No. 4 Nebraska 29-28. Next: at Missouri, Saturday.  
No. 17 Clemson (8-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 21 South Carolina, Saturday.  
No. 18 TCU (8-1) beat Fresno State 24-7. Next: vs. Texas-El Paso, Saturday.  
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No. 24 Georgia Tech (7-2) beat Virginia 35-0, Thursday. Next: at Maryland, Saturday.  
No. 25 Southern Mississippi (7-2) beat Alabama-Birmingham 33-30, 2OT. Next: at Cincinnati, Saturday.

# Florida schools are closing in

By RICHARD ROSENBLATT  
AP Football Writer

Watch out No. 1 Oklahoma, the Florida schools are closing in.

The Sooners (9-0), the nation's only major unbeaten team, remained atop The Associated Press Top 25 for the third straight week with Miami, Florida State and Florida running 2-3-4.

The final ballot count Sunday had Oklahoma with 70 first-place votes and 1,274 points from the 71 sports writers and broadcasters on the AP panel. Oklahoma pulled for a 35-31 victory over Texas A&M on Sunday.

Miami (8-1), a 35-7 winner over Pittsburgh, held the No. 1 spot with 1,690 points. No. 3 Florida

State (10-1) had one first-place vote and 1,400 points following a 35-6 win over Wake Forest, and Florida (9-1) moved up a spot to No. 4 with 1,551 points after a 41-21 win over South Carolina.

The winners of Saturday's Florida-Florida State game will continue on the road toward a national title, while the loser likely goes out of contention.

Several upsets caused a reshuffling of other Top 25 teams, with Kansas State (9-2) rising seven places to No. 9 after a 29-28 win over Nebraska (8-2), which tumbling six spots to No. 10. Purdue fell eight spots to No. 17 with a 30-10 loss to Michigan State, and Northwestern, beaten by Iowa 27-17, tumbled 11 places to No. 23.

Oregon (9-1) moved up a notch

to No. 5 after a 25-17 win over California, followed by No. 6 Washington, No. 7 Virginia Tech, No. 8 Oregon State, No. 9 Kansas State and No. 10 Nebraska.

The top five in the USA Today/ESPN coaches poll were Oklahoma, Miami, Florida State, Florida and Washington.

Note: Dame (7-2), a 28-16 winner over Boston College, slipped No. 11 in the AP poll, followed by No. 12 Ohio State, No. 13 Mississippi State, No. 14 Texas, No. 15 TCU, No. 16 Clemson, No. 17 Purdue, No. 18 Auburn, No. 19 Michigan and No. 20 Georgia Tech.

Texas A&M, despite its loss to Oklahoma, moved up two places to No. 21, followed by No. 22

# Paralyzed player undergoes surgery

DALLAS (AP) — Less than a week ago, 17-year-old linebacker Joe Beene's biggest concern was beating his high school's crosstown rival.

After seven hours of surgery to fuse together the Odessa Permian football player's second vertebra — broken during football practice last week — Beene probably will never play football again and is uncertain if he'll even walk again.

But that storied rivalry between his teammates and Odessa was still in the forefront of his mind when he awoke from

surgery Saturday.

"He had a big smile. You could tell he was very happy about it," his mother, Dianne, said Sunday of her son's reaction to Permian's 28-0 shutout of Odessa.

Joe, who will be 18 on Dec. 30th, was in critical condition Sunday in the intensive care unit at Zale Lipshy University Hospital in Dallas. He remains paralyzed from the neck down.

"He's in very good spirits," his mother said. "At this point we're still waiting for the swelling to go down. It could take 6-8 months to be able to tell (if he'll

regain the use of his lower body). But he does have a good attitude. He's holding his own. He's in critical shape, but he's holding his own."

Joe's uncle, Terry Swann, said Beene next will go to a rehabilitation center in Houston, although it's unknown when he will be discharged from Zale Lipshy.

The accident happened when Beene, who was playing outside linebacker at practice on Wednesday, tackled teammate receiver James Johnson. That snapped one of the upper vertebrae in his neck.



# New protections in works for repetitive motion injuries

WASHINGTON (AP) — Workers who spend their day typing on a computer or repeatedly lifting heavy boxes are among the more than 100 million Americans to receive new protections from job-related injuries under standards being issued by the Clinton administration.

But the rules, ready for release Monday, were so contentious that they helped torpedo budget negotiations between the White House and Republican lawmakers. They are sure to face a court challenge by business interests.

Organized labor had pushed for the regulations, which could force companies to alter work stations, redesign facilities or change tools once employees are found to suffer work-related injuries.

"Employers already have begun putting ergonomic programs in place," Charles Jeffress, head of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, said in an interview. "By adding the impetus of a standard, we think we can reach out and protect more workers than are currently covered."

The standards take effect in January, but business will have until October to come into compliance. Some of the 6 million workplaces covered by the rule may have to do little more than provide workers with information about ergonomics-related injuries and their symptoms.

If, however, a worker reports symptoms of a musculoskeletal disorder — such as carpal tunnel syndrome, back pain and tendonitis — the employer must determine whether that problem is connected to the job. If so, the worker is entitled to medical care and time off with pay. The employer must then examine workers to risks and take steps to reduce the hazards.

OSHA hopes the standards will prevent 460,000 workers from

getting hurt on the job each year. It says 1.8 million workers have musculoskeletal injuries related to ergonomic factors, and 600,000 people miss some work because of them annually.

According to OSHA, the rules would cost businesses some \$4.5 billion to implement but would reap \$9 billion a year in savings from medical expenses and workers' compensation.

But business leaders sharply dispute the cost figures, citing a

think-tank study that estimated costs of more than \$90 billion a year.

"We do not believe that there is an adequate scientific basis that (the rule) meets the statutory requirement, and we believe it is unconstitutionally vague," said Stephen Bokart, senior vice president and general counsel of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. The group will seek to overturn the standard in court.

Labor officials contend the new

standards do not place an undue burden on employers because companies need not take preventive action against hazardous conditions.

"In some respects, the rule is quite conservative," said Peggy Seminario, health and safety director for the AFL-CIO. "It requires a significant level of exposure. The idea that any ache or pain is what is triggering exposure here is not the case."

Once a musculoskeletal disorder is determined to be work-related, employers must look more closely at the nature of the job to see if it exposes workers to risk factors that include:

—Repeating the same motions every few seconds.

—Using a keyboard or mouse for more than four hours a day.

—Repeatedly working with the hands above the head for more than two hours a day.

The employers then would have to take steps to reduce these hazards.

Given the Republican opposition, the White House offered to allow OSHA to issue the rules this year but put off implementing them until next June, allowing the

next president the opportunity to block them.

But GOP leaders balked, saying this provision did not go far enough and that once issued, the new president might have a hard time rescinding the rules.

That helped stall final agreement on the \$350 billion labor-health-education spending bill, one of the items still to be enacted by Congress for the fiscal year that began Oct. 1.

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## OPEC stays hand on oil prices, focuses on cuts in coming year

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — OPEC leaders said Monday that the oil cartel would not increase output again this year, a decision likely to upset consumer nations where high oil prices are pushing up winter heating bills.

Ministers from the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, which produces 40 percent of the world's crude oil, said Sunday they would not increase output now. Some hinted the next output change could come at their next meeting on Jan. 17.

Prices and output were both discussed during an informal meeting of the group in Vienna on Sunday. Delegates met formally on Monday to rubber-stamp Sunday's decisions.

Crude prices, already hovering near their Persian Gulf War highs, jumped in early trading Monday on the news. December light, sweet crude futures were up about 45 cents to \$34.47 in Singapore trading Monday.

In his opening remarks Monday, OPEC President Ali Rodriguez said that high prices were being fueled by speculation, high taxes in consumer nations and refining bottlenecks.

Consumers may be concerned about ever-higher heating oil bills this winter, but OPEC members are more worried about shriveling oil prices in the spring when demand for heating oil shrinks.

Delegates also decided Sunday to name Rodriguez as the cartel's new secretary-general, replacing Rilwanu Lukman of Nigeria. Some analysts saw the selection as bullish for prices, describing Rodriguez as a price hawk.

"It may mean a redirection of OPEC toward old-style OPEC," said Leonidas P. Drollas of the

London-based Centre for Global Energy Studies. He defined that direction as, "Prices need to be high, consumers must pay, oil is a precious commodity."

After Sunday's talks, Kuwaiti Oil Minister Sheikh Saud Nasser al-Sabah said the cartel would not increase output before January.

Such an outcome could run afoul of an informal OPEC agreement aimed at keeping prices between \$22 a barrel and \$28.

Under the deal, agreed to earlier this year, OPEC members pledged that if average prices for crude remain above \$28 for 20 consecutive days, they would hike daily production by 500,000 barrels.

They last did that just 13 days ago, but prices are still above the upper limit — and likely to stay there long enough to require another production increase under the agreement.

Some ministers supported the price agreement, but others said it was more a guideline than a hard and fast rule.

They argue the market needs more time to digest the 3.7 million barrels a day in hikes already agreed to this year.

"We have said that we want to assess the impact of these increments on the market — it takes time to determine the effects," Saudi Oil Minister Ali Naimi said.

Some analysts say OPEC simply cannot pump any more.

"I think they are stuck. They don't have options," said Jareer Elasm, managing director of Oil Navigator. "They are using pressure of falling demand and refining restrictions as the reason why they cannot act aggressively now."

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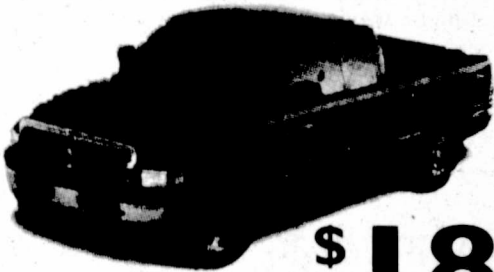
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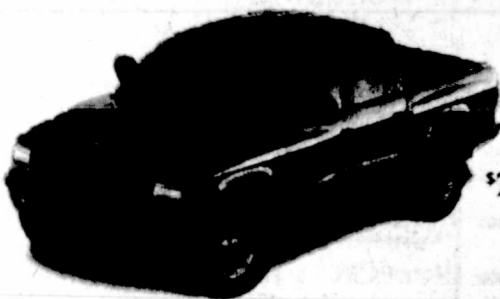


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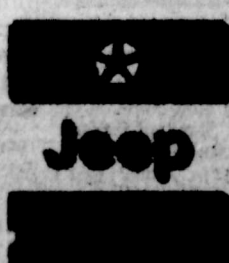
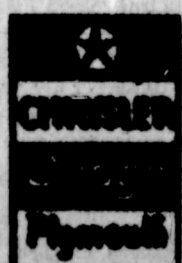


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