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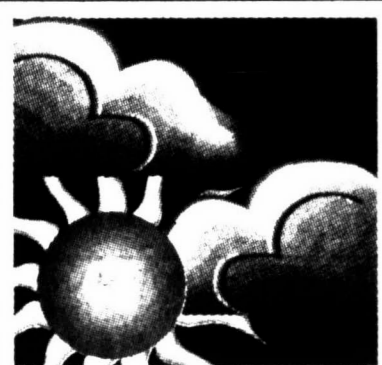
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Today's high near 45
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PHS PSAT test results available

PAMPA — Students and parents may review results of the PSAT tests conducted in October during two meetings Monday, Dec. 11 in the high school library. The first meeting will be at 11 a.m. for high school freshmen and sophomores. Another meeting is slated at 3:45 p.m. for juniors.

\$2,500 bond set on beating charge

Justice of the Peace Kurt Curtman set bond at \$2,500 for a Pampa man arrested for beating his 37-year-old wife at a parking lot party Wednesday night.

Aaron Eugene Young, 31, 314 Wynne, was arrested by Pampa police Thursday in the 1400 block of East Browning and charged with assault causing bodily injury to a family member. Young was in Gray County Jail at press time today, but officials said they believed he was in the process of making bond.

According to reports, a woman said she had been attacked by her husband at a party in a parking lot in the 600 block of South Gray about 11 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 6. When police arrived, the suspect was gone. The woman, Jammie Young, 37, of 314 N. Wynne, suffered a swollen left hand, a knot to the back of her head, and cuts on her nose and ear.

- Wesley Lafayette Bruce, 87, former owner-operator of Bruce and Son Moving and Storage.
- Mary Ann Carver, 58, homemaker.
- Shirley 'Billie' Dumas, 73, homemaker.
- Alma Green, 89, former Panhandle resident.
- Jerry Dale Jones, 50, Pampa native.
- Phil Londagin, 53, sports director at KGRO.
- Betty McDowell, 70, homemaker.

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PISD van, big rig wreck at Kingsmill

Middle-schoolers escape with only minor injuries

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
Staff Writer

A Pampa Middle School eighth grade basketball trip to Canyon came to an abrupt end Thursday afternoon when the school van they were riding in crashed with a grain truck on U.S. 60 at Kingsmill.

The 14-member team, riding in a Chevrolet Beauville van driven by Coach Sam Haynes, had left for Canyon shortly after school ended. The accident occurred at approximately 3:45 p.m., according to Texas Department of Public Safety Trooper David O'Brien.

O'Brien said that a tractor-trailer rig driven by Donald Fry, 64, of Amarillo was west bound on U.S. 60, and making a right turn from the outside lane into the parking lot of a grain elevator when the westbound school van rammed into the side of the truck. The grain truck, owned by Soliz Trucking of Canyon, was empty at the time of the wreck, the trooper said.

Fry was cited by Trooper O'Brien for turning when unsafe. Trooper Larry Ratzlaff, license and weight, also cited Fry for not having the truck's log book current.

Deputies from the Gray County Sheriff's Office were the first emergency workers to arrive on the scene, followed by DPS traffic and license and weight officers. Rural Metro Ambulance also responded. Pampa Independent School District officials also arrived at the site of the wreck.

Ambulance personnel examined all of the students and the drivers. (See WRECK, Page 2)



Austin Morgan, 13, above, uses a cellular phone to tell his mother Tammy Morgan that he and other members of the Pampa Middle School eighth grade basketball team had been involved in a wreck near Kingsmill on U.S. 60, west of Pampa, Thursday afternoon. Morgan is standing beside the wrecked Pampa Independent School District van and the tractor-trailer grain truck involved in the collision. Morgan was one of 14 members of the basketball team riding in the van, pictured below, driven by Coach Sam Haynes.

(Pampa News photos by Dee Dee Laramore)

Officers chase, nab wanted man

He had 13 warrants

An early-morning foot chase in southwest Pampa led to the arrest of a local man wanted on 13 outstanding warrants, including a felony drug warrant.

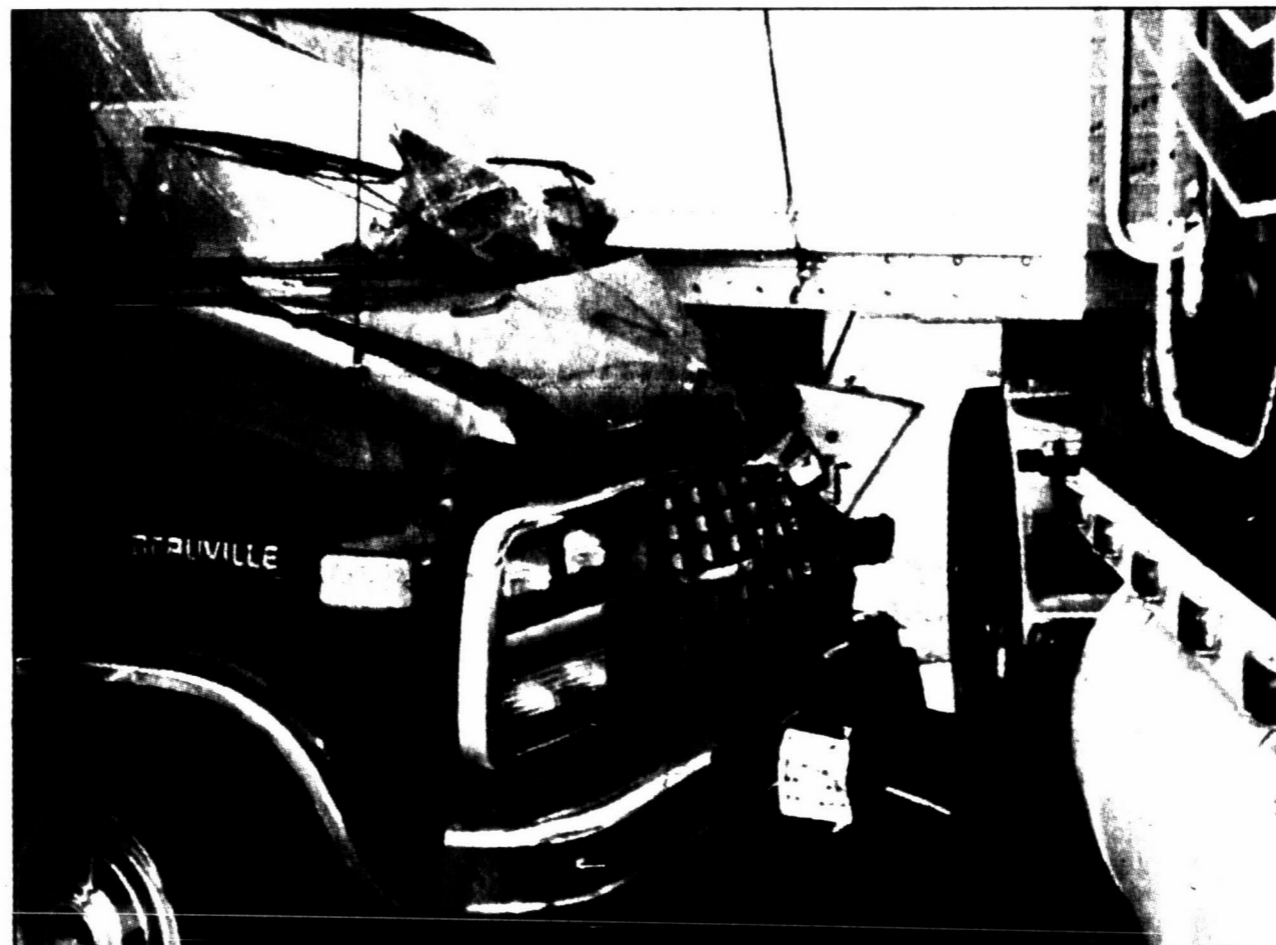
Leonard Anthony Scott, 36, 1105 Neel Rd., awaited arraignment in Gray County Jail at press time today, jail officials said.

Scott was arrested for evading arrest and on a felony warrant for possession of a controlled substance, a misdemeanor warrant for possession of marijuana, plus 11 municipal court warrants for various offenses including failure to appear, failure to maintain financial responsibility, expired motor vehicle inspection, driving without a license, and expired registration, according to a police press release.

At approximately 4 a.m. today, Police Officer Andy Alaniz spotted Scott in a vehicle parked at a convenience store in the 1000 block of West Wilks. Aware that Scott had both outstanding felony and misdemeanor warrants, Alaniz alerted fellow police officers Fred Courtney, Heather Ratzlaff and Cade Logue, as well as Deputy Cary Rushing of the Gray County Sheriff's Office, for back up.

While the other officers were en route, according to the release, Alaniz approached Scott and told him he was under arrest. The man fled south on Faulkner with Alaniz chasing him on foot, police said.

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Lawmaker for agri district bill

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

DUMAS — Come January, David Swintford will leave his home and business here for Austin and the state legislature. Swintford, R-Dumas, is chairman of the Texas House Agriculture Committee and his focus will be on a core of legislation dealing mostly with agriculture.

"I'm doing my best to dodge 15 or 20 bills that people have brought me," he says. "I'm going to concentrate on the major issues."

He says he expects to concentrate on five or six bills.

Swintford says among the legislation he plans to try to pass in the next session is the Agriculture

District Bill.

It is designed to enable farmers and ranchers develop value-added entities to increase agricultural income and add jobs to the communities in rural Texas.

According to the Texas Department of Agriculture, every one percent increase in value-added processing means a billion dollars to the state's economy.

Swintford says that the way the legislation will be set up is that a group of people with a certain project can go to their county commissioners and ask for an election to establish that project. Only those producers involved directly in the project are allowed to vote, not the general public because the general public is not involved.

Using an ethanol plant as an example, Swintford says that a group of corn farmers can go to their county commissioners court in the county in which the plant is to be built and ask them to call for an election among the members of the district. The project has to be specific.

If the members of the district vote for it, Swintford says, they become a governmental entity, much like a water district.

Swintford says there is a provision in the bill that nothing will come off the tax rolls. They don't, however, pay taxes on the facility that they build.

Although they'll have to secure their own financing initially, after they are up and running, the dis-

(See LAWMAKER, Page 2)

Grant hearing Monday

A public hearing regarding a \$7,971 U.S. Department of Justice grant to the Pampa Police Department is set for 12 noon, Monday, Dec. 11, in the Commission Chamber of City Hall.

Deputy Chief Terry Young said the hearing is a requirement of the Department of Justice for giving the block grant funds to the local police department.

The funds will be used, he said, to purchase special equipment for the department's tactical team.

"We want to equip the tactical team to be better prepared to handle extreme circumstances," Young explained.

"We try to get equipment to provide officers with greater protection when they serve warrants in dangerous situations," Chief Charlie Morris added. "We try to do all we can to eliminate the risk when there's dangerous suspects."

Local police plan to use the funds to obtain night vision. (See GRANT, Page 2)

United Foods atop city permit list

Lead by the new United Foods Supermarket at a construction cost of \$2.8 million, 10 city building permits issued last month reflected a combined value of over \$2.9 million dollars. During the same month last year the total value of building projects was \$22,700.

That's according to the monthly report issued by the city's building inspections office.

Besides the building permits there were 33 plumbing permits issued, four mechanical permits and 11 electrical permits. All

together, the permit fees totaled \$9,270.

There were 84 inspections last month in Pampa with the majority, 37, being plumbing inspections, according to the building inspectors office. In Nov. 1999, there were 153 inspections done.

The number and type of other inspections last month were: eight building, 10 electrical, six mechanical, and 23 miscellaneous. In Nov. 1999, there were 106 inspections made.

During the calendar year to date, there have been 1,154 inspections. On the permit

side, there have been 124 building permits reflecting construction costs of \$4.28 million. Other permit totals for the first 11 months of this year include 469 plumbing, 69 mechanical and 119 electrical.

Also to date this year, all types of permit fees total \$33,086.

The breakdown on types of building permits issued during November is: one commercial, four accessory buildings, two alterations and additions to dwellings, one commercial alteration and two driveways/sidewalks.

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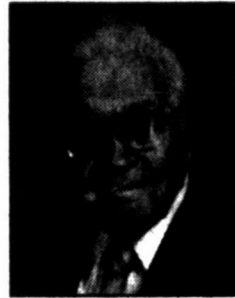
Services tomorrow

BRUCE, Wesley Lafayette — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.
CARVER, Mary Ann — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.
GRUBEN, Wynne Beatrice — Memorial services, 2 p.m., First Baptist Church, Spur.
LONDAGIN, Phil — 10 a.m., San Jacinto Baptist Church, Amarillo. Graveside services, 1 p.m., Westlawn Memorial Park Cemetery, Borger.
McDOWELL, Betty — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.

Obituaries

WESLEY LAFAYETTE BRUCE

Wesley Lafayette Bruce, 87, of Pampa, died Wednesday, Dec. 6, 2000. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Fairview Cemetery with the Rev. Lynn Hancock, pastor of Briarwood Full Gospel Church of Pampa, and the Rev. Lakan Mariano, pastor of College Hills Baptist Church of San Angelo, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.



Mr. Bruce was born Jan. 27, 1913, at Alva, Okla. He married Lena Ozell Lester on Sept. 2, 1930, at Sayre, Okla.; she died in 1995. He had been a resident of Amarillo and Pampa since 1939 and owned-operated Bruce and Son Moving and Storage for approximately 60 years.

He was a member of First Assembly of God Church in both Pampa and Amarillo and attended Trinity Fellowship Church and Briarwood Full Gospel Church with his family.

Survivors include a daughter, June Thurman of Pampa; a son, Wallace L. Bruce of Pampa; a brother, Ira Bruce of Amarillo; six grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to Briarwood Full Gospel Church, 1800 W. Harvester, Pampa; or to Trinity Fellowship Church, 1200 S. Sumner, Pampa.

MARY ANN CARVER

Mary Ann Carver, 58, of Pampa, died Thursday, Dec. 7, 2000. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in Fairview Cemetery with the Rev. Sterling Edwards, youth minister of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Carver was born April 3, 1942, at Woodward, Okla. She had been a Pampa resident since 1959 and belonged to Trinity Fellowship Church.

She married Tommy Carver, Sr., on Feb. 23, 1982, at Pampa; he died Aug. 20, 1994.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Judy Sims; and by a brother, Francis Matthew.

Survivors include a brother, Richard Matthew of Hooker, Okla.; a half-brother, Mike Matthew of Sacramento, Calif.; and a half-sister, Debra Albamaz of San Antonio.

The family requests memorials be to Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center, 1500 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo, TX 79106.

SHIRLEY 'BILLIE' DUMAS

Shirley "Billie" Dumas, 73, of Pampa, died Friday, Dec. 8, 2000, at Odessa. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Monday in Memory Gardens Cemetery with the Rev. John Glover, associate pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Dumas was born Nov. 2, 1927, at White Deer and had been a Pampa resident most of her life. She married J.B. Dumas in 1951; he died April 12, 1987.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Tommy Chambliss, in 1975.

Survivors include a daughter, Gloria Holt of New Braunfels; a son, Gary Dumas of Odessa; three sisters, Penny McCormick of Pampa, Carlene Walker of Arlington and Dolly Grant of Amarillo; a brother, Vaughn Chambliss of Florida; and six grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to American Diabetes Association, Potter/Randall Chapter, P.O. Box 50433, Amarillo, TX 79159.

ALMA GREEN

CANADIAN — Alma Green, 89, died Thursday, Dec. 7, 2000. Graveside services were to be at 2 p.m. today in Buffalo Cemetery, near Sweetwater, Okla., with Johnny McClellan of Custer City, Okla., officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Stickley-Hill Funeral Directors of Canadian.

Born in Beckham County, Okla., Mrs. Green went to school at Rankin. She married Emery B. Green in 1927 in Beckham County; he died in 1975.

She had been a Canadian resident since 1994, moving from Panhandle. She was a Rebekah Lodge member and attended First Baptist

Church in Panhandle.

Survivors include two daughters, Billie Williams of Canadian and Shirley Wagner of Amarillo; five grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and eight great-great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Abraham Memorial Home, 803 Birch, Canadian, TX 79014.

JERRY DALE JONES

Jerry Dale Jones, 50, of Pampa, died Tuesday, Dec. 5, 2000. Mr. Jones was cremated and consequently the body will not be available for viewing. Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Monday in Trinity Fellowship Church with Lonny Robbins, pastor, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Jones was born Jan. 29, 1950, at Pampa and graduated from Pampa High School in 1968. He married Barbara McKean on Oct. 6, 1967, at Pampa.

He was a member of Trinity Fellowship Church.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara Jones, of the home; two sons and daughters-in-law, Jeff and Jodie Jones of Pampa and Kelly and Krista Jones of Amarillo; his father and stepmother, Roy and Katherine Jones of Pampa; his mother, Helen Gabriel of Pampa; a brother, David Bowers of Pampa; and five grandchildren, Kalynn, Brian and Blake Jones, all of Pampa, and Hayden and Cooper Jones, both of Amarillo.

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

PHIL LONDAGIN

AMARILLO — Phil Londagin, 53, died Wednesday, Dec. 6, 2000. Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in San Jacinto Baptist Church with the Rev. Kurtis Spidel, pastor of Faith Baptist Church, officiating. Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. in Westlawn Memorial Park Cemetery in Borger. Burial will be under the direction of N.S. Griggs and Sons Funeral Directors of Amarillo.



Mr. Londagin was born at Wewoka, Okla., and grew up in Pampa, graduating from Pampa High School. After graduation from PHS, he moved to Borger and remained there for many years. He married Linda Dawson in 1968 at Spring Creek; she died in 1987. He later married Randi Zint in 1995 at Amarillo.

Since 1968, he worked as a sports broadcaster in Amarillo, Borger and Pampa and was sports director at KGRO Radio in Pampa. He broadcast for Amarillo Dilla's, Pampa Harvesters, Borger Bulldogs and West Texas A&M University and was much involved in Amarillo Sports Network.

In addition, from 1991-94, he owned Fan Fair Sports in Westgate Mall in Amarillo.

He had been an Amarillo resident since 1988 and belonged to Faith Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Randi, of the home; a stepson, Josh Zint of Amarillo; his parents, Bob and Maxine Londagin of Borger; and a brother, Rick Londagin of Stinnett.

The family will be at 334 W. Hastings in Amarillo and requests memorials be to American Heart Association or to Potter/Randall Chapter of American Diabetes Association.

BETTY McDOWELL

LEFORS — Betty McDowell, 70, died Thursday, Dec. 7, 2000. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Fairview Cemetery in Pampa with the Rev. Lewis Ellis, pastor of First Baptist Church of Lefors, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.



Mrs. McDowell was born Dec. 18, 1929, at Durham, Okla. She married Floyd McDowell on Sept. 16, 1946, at Pampa. She had been a Lefors resident since 1956, moving to the community from Pampa.

She was a homemaker and a Baptist.

She was preceded in death by a son, Larry McDowell, in 1966.

Survivors include her husband, Floyd, of the home; a daughter, Patricia McBee of Lefors; a son, Danny McDowell of Pampa; two sisters, Sarah Wallace of Dallas and Eulala "Vera" Anderson of Nezperce, Idaho; six grandchildren, Daron McBee and Billy D. McBee, both of Lefors, Danny L. McDowell of Amarillo, Randy McDowell of Canyon and Katy Odell and Becky Carpenter, both of Pampa; seven great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Ambulance

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

Thursday, Dec. 7

9 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to SCCI in Amarillo.

3:21 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded east on Highway 60 and transported one to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

3:58 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Kingsmill on Highway 60; no transport.

5:07 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 900 block of Malone; no transport.

Friday, Dec. 8

2:53 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 700 block of North Dwight; no transport.

Fires

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

Thursday, Dec. 7

10:27 a.m. - One unit and three firefighters installed a smoke alarm in the 2000 block of Duncan.

5:08 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist call in the 900 block of Malone.

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of the two vehicles at the scene, but none required transport to the hospital. The students suffered bumps and bruises, banged knees and one player received a cut to the mouth. The mother of one of the students reported her son was stiff and sore early today.

School officials canceled the basketball game and arranged for another bus to pick up the team members and take them back to the middle school.

Using cellular phones, many of the students

notified their parents immediately after the accident from the scene. Several parents were following the bus to Canyon in their personal vehicles. One parent was in front of the van, but turned around and returned after learning about the wreck.

Student passengers in the van included Aaron Ledbetter, 13; Wesley Brogdon, 13; Austin Morgan, 13; Shawn Carey, 14; Brandon Johnston, 14; Cody Hukill, 13; Michael Pergeson, 14; Clayton Hall, 13; Seth Foster, 14; Q.B. Cobb, 13; Mark Williams, 14; Heth Miller, 13; Tyler Doughty, 13; and Britten East, 14.

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OFFICERS

Alaniz kept the other officers informed of the pursuit's progress which had now moved to an alley between the 1000 blocks of South Faulkner

and Sumner streets. The backup units formed a perimeter around the 1000 block area.

According to police reports, when Scott climbed over a fence at 1021 S. Sumner, he was met by officers. Scott then laid on the ground and was placed under arrest, the report stated.

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equipment for the tactical team.

Young said in past years the block grant funds helped purchase in-car video equipment, records archiving software, records management software, and computer-aided dispatch equipment.

"By researching and applying for grants and funds like this, we have saved the community and the city a lot," Morris said. "It would have been

years before we could have equipped our vehicles with video recorders. They've become an important part of our work. We use them as evidence and for training."

A local block grant advisory board met Wednesday and gave full approval for the department's proposed use of the funds, Young said.

The board consists of local representatives from law enforcement, courts, school system, prosecutor's office, and a local non-profit organization involved in crime or drug-use prevention.

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LAWMAKER

trict can issue tax-free revenue bonds based on its production.

Because it is a governmental entity, Swinford points out, it can't make a profit.

"What will happen is these same people may form a co-op, and their co-op's business will be run in this plant," Swinford says. "The plant will charge them what it takes to make their revenue bond payment.

The plant itself will be revenue neutral."

In a co-op, he says, all the profits are passed back down to the individuals involved.

In the meantime, Swinford says, they've created 30 jobs. The money also stays in the town. He says such a business would also generate other businesses such as trucking firms to haul in corn and haul out ethanol.

Under the proposed legislation, it doesn't cost the government anything, and the county still has the property on its tax roles.

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Weather focus

PAMPA — Today, mostly cloudy with highs near 45. North to northeast winds 10 to 15 mph. Tonight, mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of light rain. Rain may change to light freezing rain or light snow late. Lows in the lower 30s. East to southeast winds 5 to 10 mph.

Saturday, becoming partly sunny with highs 55 to 60. South to southwest winds 10 to 20 mph. Saturday night, partly cloudy with lows near 35. Yesterday's high 61; the overnight low 32.

STATEWIDE — Light freez-

ing rain or snow could start the weekend for West Texans in what forecasters say will herald several days of increasingly cold weather.

Early-morning temperatures on Friday ranged from the 30s to 50. It was 32 degrees at Amarillo and 47 at Galveston.

Other readings were 33 at Conroe and 45 at both Spur and Odessa.

Winds were mostly northerly and southerly at 5 to 15 mph in the north and west, with gusts in the Panhandle, and light and variable conditions elsewhere.

Patchy fog shrouded some locations in the southeast and in eastern parts of North

Texas, along with the Coastal Plains.

With the latest cold front's approach, a slight chance of rain was forecast through the weekend, with precipitation possibly turning to light freezing rain or light snow late at night in the Panhandle.

Daytime highs should range from near 40 in the Panhandle to almost 70 along the Rio Grande.

Lows overnight were expected from the upper 20s to the mid-40s, with low 50s along the coast.

Patchy fog could return to northern and southeastern parts of the state.

Stocks

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

Wheat	2.51
Milo	3.21
Corn	3.51
Soybeans	4.28

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

Occidental	20.34	dn 11/16
Fidelity Magellan	124.32	up 1/4
Putnam	18.95	dn 1/8

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

BP Amoco	47 15/16	up 1/4
Citibank	25 1/8	up 1/4
Chubb	23 9/16	up 1/4
Chrysler	79 9/16	dn 1/8
Coca-Cola	61 3/8	dn 1/4

Columbia/HCA	40.00	up 0/87
Enron	71 11/16	dn 1/16
Halliburton	35 9/16	dn 5/16
KMI	44 11/16	dn 1/4
Kerr McGee	59 11/16	dn 1
Limited	17 5/16	up 5/16
McDonald's	29 9/16	dn 11/16
Exxon Mobil	87 13/16	dn 3/16
New Atmos	23 5/8	up 3/16
XCEL	27 5/8	NC
NOI	34 3/8	up 13/16
OKI	42 5/16	up 1/4
Pennco	9 3/8	dn 1/8
Phillips	52 1/4	dn 1 1/4
Pioneer Nat.	14 15/16	up 1/8
SLB	69 5/16	dn 1/2
Tenneco	35 1/16	NC
Texas	37 9/16	dn 5/16
Ultrasun	27 13/16	up 5/16
Wal-Mart	54 15/16	dn 1/16
Williams	35 13/16	dn 1/2

New York Gold	273.65
Silver	4.74
West Texas Crude	29.50

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.

ADHD/ADD SUPPORT GROUP

If interested in the ADHD/ADD Support Group call Connie at 669-9364.

ST. MARK CME CHURCH

St. Mark will host a monthly breakfast the first Saturday of every month from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Donations will be accepted.

MACEDONIA CHURCH

Macedonia Church will host a monthly breakfast the third Saturday of every month from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. at 441 Elm Street with the Rev. L.L. Patrick. Donations will be accepted and the public is invited.

THE FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN COWBOYS

The Fellowship of Christian Cowboys potluck will meet on the fourth Saturday of each month at 6 p.m. in the Clyde Carruth Pavilion. For more information, contact Keven Romines at 665-8547 or Jim Greene at 665-8067.

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.

SHRINE CLUB

Pampa Shrine Club holds a covered dish meeting at 7 p.m. every third Friday of each month at the Sportsman's Club on South Barnes.

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.

CPF

Cerebral Palsy Foundation is seeking families with children (birth to age 12) affected by cerebral palsy in an effort to establish a chapter in the area. CPF offers financial and emotional support as well as many free services. For more information, call 1-888-872-7966 toll-free.

PAS DANCE

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

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Shepherd's Helping Hands is sponsoring "Breakfast with Santa" at 9:30 a.m. or 11 a.m. Dec. 2 in the parish hall of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, 727 W. Browning. Cost is \$8 per child and covers breakfast, a picture with Santa and a goodie bag. Space is limited and reservations are encouraged. Children must be accompanied by an adult. For more information, call Cora at Shepherd's Helping Hands, 665-9750.

RUSHING WIND

Rushing Wind Emmaus will sponsor "Christmas at Waka" at 7 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 9 at Waka Christian Center. Potluck dinner will be served followed by a praise and worship service in the chapel. Families and friends are welcome and a nursery will be provided. The Waka Christian Center Board will meet prior to the event at 4:30 p.m.

DISCOVERY CENTER SANTA BUFFET

The Don Harrington Discovery Center in Amarillo will host "Breakfast with Santa" from 8-11:30 a.m. Dec. 9 at the center located at 1200 Streit Drive, Amarillo. The event will include a breakfast buffet, a special holiday Planetarium show and pictures with Santa for \$3. Cost of admission for child members is \$5, for non child members, \$7, and for adults eating breakfast, \$5. For more information, call (806) 355-9548, ext. 11.

TRAIN SHOW

Amarillo Model Railroad Association will hold its annual Magic of Christmas Past Train Show beginning Nov. 24 in Western Plaza. Show hours are, 12 noon-8 p.m., Nov. 24-26 and Dec. 25-31 as well as 5-8 p.m., every Friday in December. The association will raffie off a 4' x 8' HO-scale model railroad at 4 p.m. Christmas Eve. Admission is \$1 for adults and 50-cents for children. Raffle tickets are \$1 a chance or six for \$5.

GED TESTING

Clarendon College-Pampa Center conducts GED testing the fourth Monday and Tuesday of every month except for May and June. Test dates for these two months are May 22 and 23 and June 19 and 20. Those taking the full test must attend both days. Preregistration is required. For more information, call Jana Wesson-Martin at 665-8801.

RED CROSS CLASSES

Gray County Chapter of the American Red Cross will offer the following courses this month: First Aid, 3-7 p.m., Dec. 5, ARC office, 108 N. Russell; CPR class, 5-9 p.m., Dec. 12 at the ARC office. To register or for more information, call 669-7121.

THANKSGIVING DINNER

The Salvation Army, 701 S. Cuyler, will hold its first annual community Thanksgiving Dinner from 12 noon-2 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 23. All are invited to attend.

MIP CLASSES

Clarendon College will offer ABC Computer Class from 1-4 p.m., Dec. 14 and from 8:30 a.m.-12 a.m. and 1-4 p.m., Dec. 15. Minor in Possession classes are scheduled from 7:30-10:30 p.m., Dec. 11-12 in Clarendon. For more information, call Clarendon College-Pampa Center or Eddie Hankins, (806) 874-5074.

ADOPT-A-SEA TURTLE

Adopt a sea turtle for some one you love this holiday season. For a tax-deductible \$25, the Sea Turtle Survival League, an educational, outreach program of the nonprofit Caribbean Conservation Corp., will send participants a personalized color sea turtle adoption certificate, a sea turtle fact sheet, colorful decal and magnet and a subscription to the organization's quarterly newsletter, all in a special folder. For more information, call 1-800-678-7853 or visit www.ccturtle.org on the Internet.

CHILDREN'S HOPE INTERNATIONAL

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

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

The local Alzheimer's Support Group will conduct a four-part series this fall. The series will kick-off Sept. 7 with Dr. Bruce Harrow presenting an

overview of the disease. Topics will include: Communication and Activities of Daily Living, Oct. 5; and Community Resources and Caregiving Planning, Nov. 2. The series will conclude Dec. 7 with a panel discussion. The group meets regularly at 7 p.m. the first Thursday of each month at Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, 916 N. Crest. For more information, call Dauna Wilkinson, 665-0356.

FPC EXTENDED EDUCATION CLASSES

Frank Phillips College in Borger will offer the following extended education classes: PC Upgrade class, Dec. 4-14; Concealed Handgun Course, Dec. 12-13. For more information, (806) 274-5311 or 1-800-687-2056, ext. 777.

EXTENSION BAZAAR

Moonlight Extension Education Club will hold its 22nd Annual Christmas Bazaar Dec. 9 at the Bailey County Civic Center and Coliseum in Muleshoe. Booth space will be available until Dec. 4. To request an application, contact Linda Huckaby, 902 W. 8th, Muleshoe, TX 79347.

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.

HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center has announced the following upcoming breast cancer screening clinics: Dec. 6 and 27, Hemphill County Hospital, Canadian; Dec. 15, First United Methodist Church Educational Building, 201 E. Foster, Pampa; Dec. 26, Family Care Center, 1010 S. Main, Shamrock and Parkview Hospital, 901 S. Sweetwater, Wheeler. 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.

DIALOGUE

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will hold "Dialogue," a patient/family education support group sponsored by the cancer center and the American Cancer Society, Thursdays from 12 noon-1:30 p.m. this month. 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.

FIFTH ARMY TOUR

World War II veterans of the United States 5th Army will tour battlefield sites in Italy in June 2001. For more information, contact: Sy Canton, executive director, 5th Army Association, 465 Shore Rd., Ste 7P, Long Beach, NY 11561 or call (516) 432-3022.

PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE SCHOLARSHIPS

President's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities is hosting three scholarship competitions for post-secondary students with disabilities for the 2000-01 academic year. Two competitions are open to candidates with disabilities seeking financial assistance for undergraduate study at a four-year college or university. The third competition is open to female candidates with disabilities seeking financial assistance for graduate study. For more information, visit the President's Committee website at www.pcep.org and click the "Scholarships" link on the home page.

MSAA

A wide range of free, direct support services is available to local residents suffering from multiple sclerosis through Multiple Sclerosis Association of America. Services include general information, therapeutic equipment, educational literature, national lending library, no-cost MRIs, cool suits, wheelchairs and scooters, support groups and more. For more information, contact MSAA at 1-800-LEARN-MS or access www.msaa.com on the Internet.

FAN BOOKLET

The Financial Assistance Network in Washington, D.C., recently published the booklet, "Free & Low Cost Medical Care." The booklet includes information on how and where to get free and low-cost medical care under the Federal Hill-Burton program. Consumers can obtain a copy by sending \$5 to cover printing, postage and handling to: Financial Assistance Network - Free & Low Cost Medical Care Booklet, Dept. MCB-0725, P.O. Box 60848, Washington, DC 20039-0848. The information is also available at www.FinancialAssistanceNetwork.org.

Theater presentation



(Special photos)

Chris Johnson, top, Kasey Presson, April Anderson and Rhianna Anglin are cast members in the production, "And Then They Came for Me," which is being presented by Pampa High School's Advanced Theater class at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Bottom: Anderson's character, Mutti, comforts Young Eva, portrayed by Rhianna Anglin.

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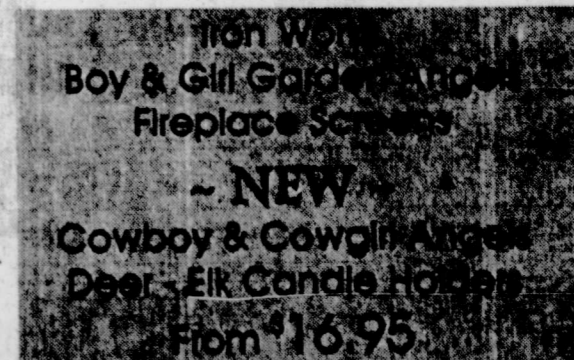
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All eyes on Florida Legislature, Supreme Court for decisions

By DAVID ESPO
AP Political Writer

Florida's Legislature marched toward a special session, its Supreme Court deliberated and George W. Bush and Al Gore watched anxiously from afar on Friday as the nation's presidential election adventure neared a climax. A defeat for the vice president in the state's high court, said one Democratic senator bluntly, and "this battle's over."

"We're hopeful that we'll finally see finality in this election," Bush told reporters as he met with aides who would work in his White House. "It's time to get on with America's business."

"I think this is the definitive day," said Sen. Robert Torricelli, D-N.J., as judges in two trial courts as well as the state Supreme Court pondered their cases 31 days after Election Day.

In a last-minute legal maneuver, Bush's lawyers filed an unusual clarification with the Supreme Court, telling the seven justices they don't have authority to grant Gore the manual recounts he seeks.

"This Court does not have authority to grant such relief under Florida law or federal law," the Bush petition said, reversing comments Bush attorney Barry Richard made Thursday in oral arguments that the high court had "limited" jurisdiction.

In the trial courts below, Circuit Court Judges Nikki Clark and Terry Lewis relayed word they would rule at midday on lawsuits filed by Democratic voters seeking to throw out thousands of absentee ballots in Martin and Seminole counties.

"They're in the process of editing those rulings right now," said Doug Smith, a spokesman for the judges.

Bush is the certified winner by 537 votes in Florida, and Gore has been attempting to overturn that in the courts, and win the manual recounting of thousands of ballots he says could reverse his rival's lead. The winner of the state's 25 electoral votes stands to take office in January as the nation's 43rd president.

Torricelli offered his brutally simple prediction on CBS, saying, "If Al Gore cannot persuade the Florida Supreme Court ... then this battle's over."

Also on CBS, Gore adviser Ron Klain said the vice president's team viewed the state Supreme Court as "the final arbiter of Florida law" and he acknowledged the obvious in saying a loss there "would be a setback for us, and a major one."

Klain, also on CBS, said he's been party to no talk of a concession by Gore. And with Florida Democrats battling to give Gore advantage in two lower court cases, Klain would not commit Gore to bowing out if he loses in the state Supreme Court. "We think we'll win," he said.

Across the street from the Supreme Court building in the state Capitol, members of the Republican-controlled Legislature were gathering for a special session, ready by all accounts to appoint a slate of electors loyal to Bush. The Legislature's heavily outnumbered Democrats charged the Bush campaign was pulling the strings from Texas, but conceded they were powerless to prevail.

The speaker of the Florida House, Tom Feeney, acknowledged he has received advice from Bush intermediaries but denied the campaign was calling the shots. Such allegations from Democrats were "out of touch" with reality, he said.

But the Bush campaign said its lawyers "provided legal interpretations when asked by legislators, and no one could be surprised by that. Nor would anyone be surprised if such contacts occurred between Democratic legislators and Gore lawyers," said a spokesman, Tucker Eskew.

Depending on the outcome of Gore's appeal, the legislation contemplated by GOP leaders could set up a contest between two rival Florida slates when the Electoral College votes are cast on Dec. 18 and then counted in Congress on Jan. 6. That, in turn, could ratchet up the controversy even further in the contest to pick a president.

In Thursday's high court hearing, Gore lawyer David Boies implored the court to grant the selective manual recounts that could yet revive the vice president's hopes of winning the White House.

The Florida high court offered no hint of when it would rule, although the seven justices moved with unusual speed a little more than two weeks ago in an earlier recount-related case. This time, if anything, the time pressure is even greater, since Dec. 12 is the deadline for appointment of the state's 25 presidential electors.

Two other judges in the state capital of Tallahassee weighed Democratic requests to throw out thousands of absentee votes, a move that also could tip the balance to Gore. Republicans made clear that they were ready to appeal any unfavorable ruling, possibly returning to a federal appeals court in Atlanta.

"We have always had to prepare for every contingency. ... We are prepared to file appeals and briefs," Bush attorney Barry Richard said late Thursday on CNN.

Even so, there were other court cases pending in a controversy that has spawned dozens of them.

Both absentee ballot cases were filed by Democrats claiming that the ballots are invalid because detachable ballot applications were not properly filled out and elections officials allowed information to be added improperly.

Either of those two cases had the potential to transform a controversy that had Gore struggling for survival and Bush working conspicuously on his transition to power.

The main focus on Thursday was in state Supreme Court, where Boies pressed Gore's case to open up roughly 13,000 ballots in Miami-Dade and Palm Beach counties to a manual recount, and where Richard argued the justices would be exceeding their legal authority if they did so.

Both men were barraged with questions.

"We're now here on December the 7th, with December the 12th, you know, fast approaching," Justice Harry Lee Anstead told Boies in the final question of the session. "How can we resolve an issue like that at this late date?"

"There's never been a rule that says you have to recount all the ballots in an election contest," Boies replied, returning one final time to his point that only a small fraction of more than 1 million ballots need be reviewed.

Besides, he said, the Bush campaign never asked for a recount.



Members of the Pampa Middle School's eighth grade basketball team pick up their duffel bags and prepare to board another school bus after the van they were riding in was involved in a collision Thursday afternoon at Kingsmill, west of Pampa. Only minor injuries were reported at the scene. The team's game with Canyon Middle School was called off, school officials said. See Page 1 for more about the incident.

(Pampa News photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

VP candidate Cheney residency question goes to Supreme Court

By ALAN CLENDENNING
Associated Press Writer

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The question of whether Dick Cheney is a Wyoming resident, and thus qualified to serve as George W. Bush's vice president, is heading to the U.S. Supreme Court.

After losing a bid before a federal appeals court to have Cheney declared a Texas resident, lawyers for three Texans said they would file a final appeal with the high court by Monday.

The Texans' lawsuit cites the 12th Amendment, which bars electors from giving their votes to two residents of their own state. Bush is Texas' governor.

Cheney, a former Wyoming congressman, lived in Dallas while he was chairman of Halliburton Co. until he changed his voting registration to Teton County, Wyo., on July 21. Four days later, he became Bush's running mate.

A three-judge panel of the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said Thursday that Cheney is a Wyoming resident. The ruling came after

an hourlong hearing in which a lawyer for the Texans claimed Cheney had lived in Texas since he bought a house and moved to Dallas in 1993.

The three judges took a short recess after arguments. Then Patrick Higginbotham, a Republican appointee like the other two judges, returned to the bench and announced the decision.

"It is clear beyond a reasonable question to us that Secretary Cheney was at all relevant times an inhabitant of Wyoming," Higginbotham said.

Deliverymen receive \$3 million wage settlement

NEW YORK (AP) — Deliverymen for a supermarket chain in Manhattan who claimed they were earning just \$2 an hour will receive \$3 million in back pay after reaching a settlement, the state Attorney General said.

The settlement reached Thursday ends a lawsuit filed earlier this year by Attorney General Eliot Spitzer and the deliverymen. The lawsuit accused the Great Atlantic and

Pacific Tea Co., which owns the Food Emporium stores, of violating minimum wage and overtime laws and sought six years in back wages.

Some deliverymen stand to receive about \$30,000 from the settlement.

"This settlement is important because it will teach Food Emporium a lesson that this shouldn't happen anymore," deliveryman Mamadou Camara

told the New York Times. "We were all working like slaves."

The lawsuit claimed those making deliveries for one Food Emporium store earned less than half the \$5.15 per hour federal minimum wage — about \$60 to \$120 for work weeks averaging 69 hours.

Food Emporium executives denied any wrongdoing, saying the wage responsibility lies with outside contractors that employ

the delivery workers.

A lawsuit is still pending against two Manhattan retailers, and two delivery contractors that provide workers to Food Emporium. The suit charges all of them with widespread minimum wage violations.

State law allows employers to pay workers in some low-level jobs as little as \$4.25 an hour but requires time and a half for work beyond 40 hours a week.

Economist: Keeping penny makes 'cents'

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Honest Abe — the penny should stay.

That's the conclusion of an economist who says getting rid of the penny would be a burden to poorer people as prices such as 99 cents are rounded up.

Penn State University professor Raymond Lombra, a former senior staff economist at the Federal Reserve Board, said eliminating the penny would create a "rounding tax." Hardest hit would be the 10 million households without checking accounts — mainly poorer people, Lombra said.

His most conservative estimate was that U.S. consumers would

pay an extra \$600 million per year in rounded-up costs in a penniless society.

Lombra said that Americans for Common Cents, a pro-penny group backed by zinc companies, asked for the study and paid for his research assistant. Pennies were once mostly copper but since the early 1980s have been mostly zinc with copper coating.

"I told (the group), 'Whatever I find out, you are going to have to live with it, whether you like it or not,'" Lombra said about his study released Monday.

Lombra analyzed the books of a convenience store chain and simu-

lated 5,000 sales of one to three items each — batteries, gum and chewing tobacco, for example. In three-fifths of the sales, the sale would be rounded up to the nearest nickel in the absence of pennies, the study said. When just one item was purchased, the price was rounded up 93 percent of the time because many items are priced in amounts ending in 9, such as 99 cents.

Lombra assumed that stores would increase prices ending in 3 or 4 and decrease those ending in 1 or 2.

On the flip side, the nonprofit Coin Coalition is pushing for prices in multiples of five like those in Australia and at U.S. military bases.

The coalition, which argued for this year's new dollar coin, is backed by retailers and operators

of vending machines and arcade games.

And before you pity the penny, consider the clerks who count them. The 3,200-store Walgreen Co. drugstore chain said its clerks spend 2 seconds per transaction handling pennies.

"It is extremely inconvenient for us to deal with pennies. There is no question that we would like to get rid of them," said Robert E. Kahng, the assistant treasurer at suburban Chicago-based Walgreen.

That's just what a lot of people are doing, apparently.

Seattle-based Coinstar Inc. said it has collected 15.5 billion pennies this year in its 8,000 U.S. machines, which charge 8.9 cents per dollar to convert coins to cash.

The penny remains welcome at the Gas Lite General Store in Copper Harbor, Mich. "Dealing with pennies is part of retailing," Gas Lite co-owner Tish Booth said. "I've never had a problem with them. They've always been around, and I hope they always will be."

In honor of Mike Porter, the family invites you to his "80th" Birthday Come & Go Reception this Sunday, December 10, 2000 from 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church Parlor at 203 N. West St. in Pampa.

In lieu of gifts, you may make a donation to the Freedom Museum USA. It would be greatly appreciated.

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RELIGION

Minister's musing ...

Have you ever watched a skilled artist draw a picture? When the first lines are drawn the final object seems so far away, even non-existent. Even as several more lines take their proper place, nothing seems proper at all. Early in a drawing the beautiful result is only clear in the mind of the artist. To those watching the image it is fuzzy at best. Only as the artist nears the completion of His creation does everything begin to fall into place for us non-talented bystanders.



By Rev. Mike Sublett
Hi-land Christian Church

My brother-in-law, Jerry Ferrell, is a gifted artist and I recently asked him to draw a picture in several different stages for a sermon I was preaching. In the first of seven pictures there is simply one lonely pine tree. In #2 you can see the addition of the front of some kind of building. In #3 a walkway and a creek begin to take shape. In #4 a couple of rolling hills fill the background. In #5 the rest of the building begins to take shape, maybe a barn or a rustic house. In #6 another tree appears to fill even more of the page. Then in #7 the building gets its steeple and crosses in the windows. The final product is a beautiful picture of a country church in the mountains of Colorado with its very own trout stream and mountains for decorations. The whole picture was real to Jerry before the first stroke was made.

begotten Son of God. Over 30 different prophecies, the first from the Garden of Eden itself, paint a masterpiece of God's answer to the human sin problem. In Gen 3:15 the picture of the coming Messiah was so faint that it only lived in the mind of the God Himself. But then comes Gen 18:18; 49: 10; Num 24:17 and Deut 18:15 and the field of the picture begins to narrow to the families of Abraham, Jacob and Judah and we learn to look for a prophet.

Then we jump to David's time (1,000 BC) and we discover that the coming one will be betrayed by a friend, that the betrayer will be replaced, that the Messiah will be hated without cause, falsely accused, mocked and insulted, will have his hands and feet pierced, be given gall and vinegar, not have a single bone broken, that his garments will be divided and the best news—RESURREC-

TION! (Ps 41:9; 109:7; 69:4; 27:12; 22:16; 22:6-8; 69:21; 22:18; 34:19-20; 16:9-10)

But still the masterpiece is missing too much to see clearly the image of the Creator/Artist. So we leap to the time of the prophets of Israel (725-500 BC) and find revealed before our eyes that the coming one will escape to Egypt, inherit David's throne, be born in Bethlehem, be born of a virgin, live in Galilee, be rejected by the Jews, be silent when accused, be struck and spit on, suffer for others, that he will pray for his enemies, die with sinners, be buried with the rich, enter Jerusalem in triumph, be betrayed for 30 pieces of silver and be pierced. (Hos 11: 1; Isa 9:7; Mic 5:2; Isa 7:14; 9:1-2; 53:3, 7; 50:6; 53:4-5, 12, 9; Zech 9:9; 11: 14-13; 12: 10)

You and I now live so far past those days when the image was obscure, faint and fuzzy. We now look at those lines in scripture and see JESUS with clarity, boldness and surety. May we all remember as this Christmas time draws near that Jesus was the one promised from the Garden of Eden. He, and no other, is the fulfillment of every single one of those "lines" in scripture. May we worship Him and adore Him as the one and only Savior, God Himself incarnate. No greater masterpiece was ever painted than by God in the book we call the Bible.

Religion briefs...

Foy's Toys Giveaway Dec. 16

PAMPA — On Saturday, Dec. 16, Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ will host its third annual Foy's Toys Giveaway to benefit unfortunate children in Pampa and the surrounding area. The giveaway will get under way at 9 a.m. in the youth building across from the church and will end at 4 p.m. or when all the toys have been handed out. The clothing room, which is usually only open the first and third Tuesday of each month, will also be available for anyone needing winter clothes. For more information, contact the church office at 665-0031

Dramatic musical Dec. 16-18 in Perryton

Full Gospel Community Worship Center in Perryton will present "Four Tickets to Christmas" at 7 p.m. nightly, Dec. 16-18 in Perryton High School Auditorium. The Broadway-style dramatic musical is about the true meaning of Christmas. The performance is open and free to the public. For tickets or for more information, call the church office at (806) 435-2506.

Second Waco church severs ties with SBC

Congregational vote was 91-1

WACO, Texas (AP) — A second Waco Baptist church has severed ties with the Southern Baptist Convention, which critics say has been losing support because of its increasing conservatism and fundamentalist views.

Lake Shore Baptist Church split from the denomination Wednesday night by a 91-1 congregational vote.

The Rev. Brett Younger, Lake Shore Baptist's pastor, said church members have contemplated splitting with the SBC for several years. The church hasn't supported the convention financially since 1993. Lake Shore Baptist's only alignment with SBC is through its church constitution.

"That was our last official connection," Younger told the Waco Tribune-Herald in Friday's editions. "I guess we were dealing with how best to be Baptist."

Seventh and James Baptist Church of Waco voted to split from the SBC almost two months ago.

Both churches echo an increasing controversy among Texas Baptists, some of whom identify themselves as more moderate. Others are aligned with the more conservative SBC.

The friction has been triggered by recent changes to the SBC's Baptist Faith and Message. Among other things, the doctrine states that women cannot be ordained as pastors and that wives should "submit graciously" to their husbands. The doctrine has also condemned homosexuality.

Also alienating more moderate members is the recently deleted premise that Jesus Christ is the ultimate interpreter of scripture.

"I think that the difference is the SBC is trying to take the Bible literally and that's different from taking the Bible seriously," Younger said. "If you take the Bible seriously, it will lead you to the same openness that Jesus had."

But William Merrell of the SBC's executive committee defended the SBC's theology.

"We are not politically correct," he said. "There are some denominations that feel they ought to change what the Bible says."

Many Texas Baptist churches have been moving in the same direction as Lake Shore Baptist.

In October, the Baptist General Convention of Texas met in Corpus Christi and agreed to cut \$4.3 million from the funds it annually contributes to SBC-member seminaries.

Younger said he talked to seven other pastors whose congregations had withdrawn from the SBC before Lake Shore did.

"I think that more churches will sever their ties with the SBC," said Younger. "And I think those churches will be healthier because of it. They'll get to rethink their heritage."

Is your church planning a special service or services during the Christmas Season? If so, share that information with other readers of *The Pampa News*. Remember: The church news deadline is every Wednesday at noon.

Notice to Ministers...
We'd like to replenish our supply of Minister's musings columns. Will you help?

Calvary Baptist Church will present "Christmas at Calvary" at 6 p.m. Dec. 10 in the church's worship center, 900 E. 23rd. Performing during this special musical presentation will be Calvary's preschool choir, children's choirs, adult choir and the 15-piece Calvary Christmas Orchestra. The program is free and open to the public. Above: (top, left-right) Kirby Broadus, Whitney Karr, Shalea Ausbrooks, Russel Bradley, Ricky McCoy, Rachel Bartel; (middle, l-r) Melinda Bell, Shealyn McGahan, Trevor Collins, Drew Williams; (front, l-r) Ashley Wheeler, Desiray Vance, Kenzie Clendennen, Alyssa Kelsey, Courtney Meyer, Mistee Morelan, Andrea Burkhalter, Sara Osbin, Kristen Roye, Shelly Cook, Stephanie Dinges; and (inside stable) Ryan Bradley.



Town removes, then restores, nativity scene

BROKEN BOW, Neb. (AP) — A nativity scene is back on public land after four attorneys volunteered to defend the city against possible American Civil Liberties Union action.

The ACLU raised the issue after a resident complained about the display. Mayor Vaughn Lyne met the city council and had the nativity scene moved to a Lutheran church, saying, "We just don't have the money to be spending for legal services."

But the Broken Bow Chamber of Commerce, which owns the nativity scene, asked the city to return it to the city square, and the mayor and city council agreed when free legal help was offered.

Attorney Jim Duncan, who practices in Broken Bow, said the city is on solid ground because it doesn't own the display or limit access to public space. A posted sign on the square explains that other points of view are welcome.

Church to defy ban and ordain lesbian pastor

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — A local congregation has voted 176-0 to defy the policy of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and ordain an openly lesbian minister next April.

Anita Hill, who has worked for St. Paul-Reformation Lutheran Church since 1983, heads its ministry for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered Lutherans, who make up about a fifth of the congregation's membership.

"Full participation is not possible so long as the ELCA excludes calling and ordaining qualified gay and lesbian candidates in committed relationships," said the Rev. Paul Tidemann, the pastor.

Last month the ELCA's national council rejected a bid from the St. Paul regional body to allow exceptions to the homosexual clergy ban.

Church ends affiliation with Boy Scouts

TAUNTON, Mass. (AP) — The Union Congregational Church, affiliated with the United Church of Christ, has voted to cancel the charter of its Boy Scout troop as of January, forcing the scouts to find another sponsor and meeting place.

A local elementary school also severed official ties, but is letting the scouts continue to meet in the building. In both cases, the issue is the organization's ban on openly gay leaders.

The U.S. Supreme Court upheld the Boy Scouts' right to set its own standards for leaders. In response, numerous school boards, city councils, corporations and charities have cut support.

Nuns apologize for slave legacy

BARDSTOWN, Ky. (AP) — Three orders of nuns gathered to formally apologize for the use of slave labor by their predecessors in the early 1800s.

Black worshippers responded with forgiveness at the service in St. Joseph Church, which slaves helped build in 1819.

Nearly 400 people sang gospel songs and recited prayers of repentance. The event was sponsored by three predominantly white orders with Kentucky roots: the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth, Sisters of Loretto and Dominicans of St. Catharine.

"I cannot tell you what this service has done for me," said Martha Hickman, whose husband's forebears were slaves. "It has strengthened my heart. My deceased ancestors are crying tears of joy in heaven today, and I'm sure yours are, too."

The service was part of an effort by Catholic institutions worldwide this year to repent for the mistreatment of others.

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HEBREWS 13:8

Wife Seeks Encouraging Word From Man Who Won't Praise

DEAR ABBY: I have been married for 17 years. My husband never tells me I look pretty. I know some women reading your column will think, "Who cares what somebody else thinks of you?" He tells my daughter she looks pretty — and the girls in his office — so I know he knows how to give a compliment.

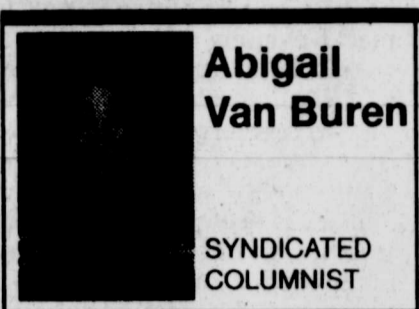
Abby, I am not overweight. I wear makeup and get my hair cut every six weeks. I am not homely. I shower twice a day.

A year ago I told my husband how I felt. Now the only time he says anything complimentary to me is when we are in bed. Too late! I need to hear encouraging words. Every woman needs to hear that she's attractive.

If you print this, maybe it will alert some nice husband out there who has been withholding to say, "Honey, you look pretty today." It'll sure go a long way with his wife.

DESPERATE FOR A COMPLIMENT

DEAR DESPERATE: You hit the nail on the head when you



Abigail Van Buren

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described your husband's behavior as "withholding." The next step is to discover why he would deliberately withhold something from you that you told him you needed. And while you're at it, ask yourself why it took 16 years to tell your husband what you wanted from him.

I suspect there are problems in your marriage that you haven't mentioned in your letter. Perhaps when they're resolved, you'll receive the strokes you crave.

DEAR ABBY: Our neighbors hung a wreath on their door with a motion sensor that plays Christmas music whenever someone comes to the door. Unfortunately, it is also activated by the wind, so that it plays endlessly, over and over, day and night on breezy days.

There should be a unique hell for people who invent those little electronic noise-making gizmos; they certainly make it difficult for folks in this world!

Please, Abby, ask your readers to keep such items inside their homes for their own enjoyment. Then maybe the rest of us can have a "silent night."

BAH HUMBUG
IN COLUMBUS, OHIO

DEAR HUMBUG: Your suggestion seems reasonable to me. A silent night is a necessity before a constructive work day. And most of us have to work — even during the Christmas season. Ho! Ho! Ho!

This week: You bloom as the week begins. Your charisma speaks, and you could become extravagant.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

***** Aim high. Above all, don't let a minor setback with a friend or loved one get to you. Understand that once in a while, a misunderstanding is likely. You build intensity and caring in a relationship by working through an occasional hassle. Tonight: Where the good times are.

This week: Head into work early on Monday. Midweek, a lot goes on behind the scenes. On Thursday, you have reason to smile.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

***** All eyes turn to you. You make strong decisions that can make a big difference to your family and loved ones. Tension surrounds your decisions. You feel like something is off kilter. Be loving to those close to you. Tonight: Invite others over.

This week: Think in terms of responsibility. You succeed way beyond your expectations.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

***** How another views a changing situation might have very little to do with what is going on. Walking in someone else's footsteps will open doors. Don't hedge anymore. Tell another exactly how you feel. Tonight: Say yes to an invitation.

This week: Once you get going, you won't have a moment to stop. You are the kingpin. You make a difference all week long.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

***** You might not be sure about another. This causes much tension. What could be peaceful turns out to be a major squabble. Think about a long-term decision involving that special person in your life. Express caring. Tonight: Play follow-the-leader. You follow.

This week: Another pushes you with great financial insights, but you do your own research. You like being the controlling factor.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

***** Others call the shots. You might not agree with what you hear, so re-evaluate decisions that surround you

and another. Somehow, you might not be altogether in sync with plans. Express your feelings, and you'll reverse patterns. Tonight: Could be heavenly.

This week: Others knock on your door and seek you out. You deal best with finances. Intense conversation brings you the results you want.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

***** Emphasize what you can get done. Work through stress by indulging in a preferred hobby or pastime. You might not be absolutely sure about your feelings involving a loved one right now. Give yourself time to sort through your emotions. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep.

This week: Though you have great work intentions on Monday, by Tuesday you're easily distracted, which is odd for you. On Thursday, focus.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

***** Express your playfulness. Do not be surprised, however, if another misreads you. A friend might not be on the same wavelength as you. You might be juggling a friendship with a love relationship. Be careful with someone who might be very fragile. Tonight: Be a kid again.

This week: Your mind pops out one idea after another. Co-workers seek you out as a resource. You gain in stature.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

***** Family dominates your plans. You might not be sure about what you want to say to another. Juggle needs, with an eye to another's expectations. What starts out as a squabble could be the basis of a better understanding. Tonight: Order in.

This week: Distractions are plenty this week. You justify playing (as opposed to working) by the fact that if you aren't happy, nothing works.

BORN TODAY

Actress Susan Dey (1952), actor Dan Blocker (1928), journalist Chet Huntley (1911)

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Horoscope

SUNDAY, DEC. 10, 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)

***** Speak your mind, and expect a strong response. You're unusually creative and dynamic. Others recognize this trait in you. A disagreement becomes fertile ground for a new understanding and mutuality. Express your loving feelings. Tonight: Out and about.

This week: Deal with co-workers as if they are family. You can be unusually vulnerable at this time of year.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

*** Deal head-on with a higher-up and his needs. Do not compromise what you know is right here. Understand that another might not be as clear or direct as you are. Confusion surrounds funds but is the basis for new clarity. Speak about financial facts. Tonight: Your treat.

This week: Your warm and friendly style melts away another's resistance. Build security. Think long term.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

***** Your presence naturally makes someone imagine and think of possibilities. For a while, you could be out of sync. Confusion surrounds communication. You might feel insecure. Go right past any limits, and wonderful events will occur. Another does adore you. Tonight: Go for what you want.

This week: Work hard on Monday. You could be difficult to stop. You find great ways of making and spending money.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

*** Put that special person on a pedestal. Let him know how very much you care about him. Confusion or a misunderstanding stems from insecurity. Reveal more of your feelings, and a relationship will finally bloom. Schedule time for some extra ZZZs. Tonight: A quiet night for two.

Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
- 1 Rodeo
 - 6 Broken
 - 11 Called for a massage
 - 12 Steamed
 - 13 Jobs in the computer business
 - 14 Barber's need
 - 15 Take it easy
 - 17 Is imagined
 - 18 Will name
 - 20 Longing
 - 22 Pole worker
 - 23 Engine fluid
 - 26 Actress Woodard
 - 28 Donnybrook
 - 29 Edison's collection
 - 31 John's role on "Roseanne"
 - 32 Sask. neighbor
 - 33 Moves swiftly
 - 34 Motown legend
 - 36 Twofold
 - 38 Writer Cunningham
 - 40 Like some floors
 - 43 Unattached
- DOWN**
- 1 — Vegas
 - 2 Play part
 - 3 Mayberry lawyer
 - 4 Cut off
 - 5 Pindar poetry
 - 6 Frank McCourt book
 - 7 Editor's concern
 - 8 Dodge City lawyer
 - 9 Harrow rival
 - 10 Corp. division
 - 16 Uncle, in Acapulco
 - 18 Pile
 - 19 Singer Fitzgerald
 - 21 Some cats
 - 23 Copper
 - 24 Tide type
 - 25 Register compartment
 - 27 Set free
 - 30 Youngster
 - 33 Democratic Republic of the Congo, formerly
 - 34 Strong wind
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Marmaduke

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"Marmaduke has become such a fashion plate. Now he wants me to lay out his doggie sweater the night before."

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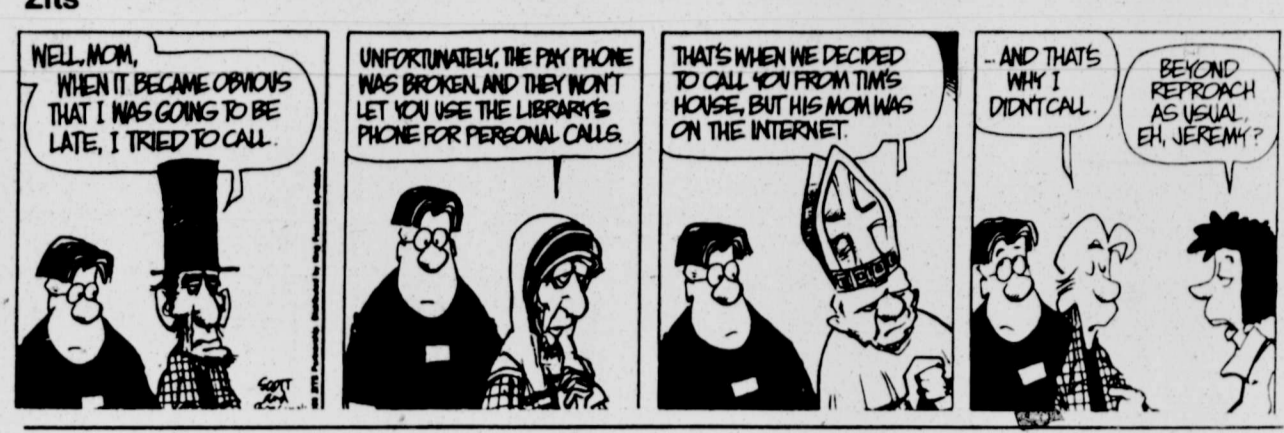


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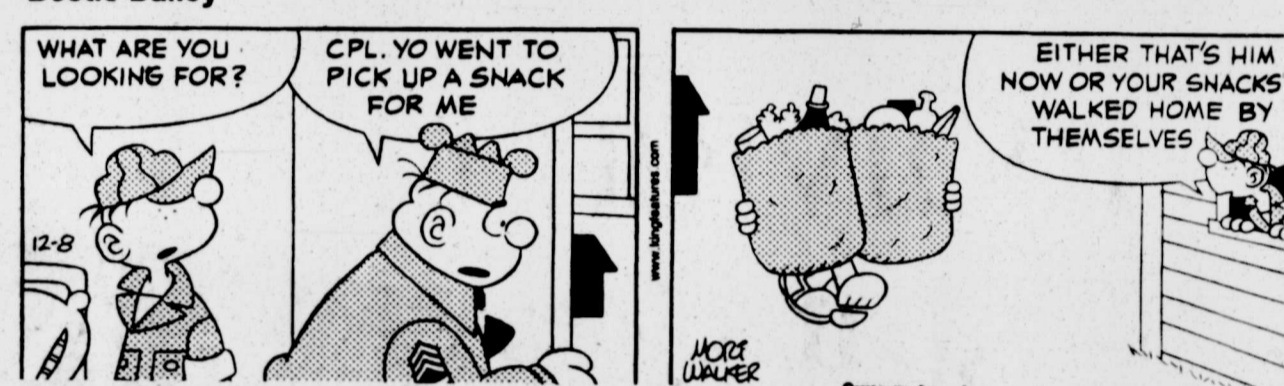
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Nation looks to Florida Legislature and Supreme Court

By The Associated Press
Florida's Legislature is convening, its Supreme Court deliberating — and George W. Bush and Al Gore are watching and wondering as the nation's presidential election adventure nears a climax. The Florida high court offered no hint of when it would rule, although the seven justices moved with unusual speed a little more than two weeks ago in an earlier recount-related case. At the same time, two other judges in the state capital of Tallahassee weighed Democratic requests to throw out thousands of absentee votes, a move that could tip the balance to Gore. Republicans made clear that they were ready to appeal any unfavorable ruling, possibly returning to a federal appeals court in Atlanta.

Russian commission recommends clemency for U.S. prisoner

MOSCOW (AP) — Russia's presidential pardons commission recommended on Friday that President Vladimir Putin free U.S. prisoner Edmond Pope, who was convicted of spying earlier in the week and sentenced to 20 years in prison. "Pope is a

sick man who has gone through a lot, and he should be let go," commission head Anatoly Pristavkin said, according to the Interfax news agency. Pristavkin had said Thursday that Putin usually abides by the commit-

tee's recommendations. Pope, 54, was convicted of espionage Wednesday despite his claims of innocence and sentenced to a maximum-security prison. He and his family have begged for a pardon, saying they fear the bone

cancer he suffered has returned. **At brink of blackouts, California taps power from huge pumps**
FOLSOM, Calif. (AP) — California's strained electric grid

tapped enormous water pumps for emergency power and was able to avert blackouts, but authorities worry an expected cold snap could push energy demands beyond the system's capacity. State officials declared a Stage Three alert Thursday because as utilities struggled to meet evening demands, the state's electricity reserves dipped to critical levels. The unprecedented emergency followed hours of increasing stress on California's electricity grid, which has been strapped by cold weather, power plants idled for maintenance and repairs, and dwindling imports. The alert allows operators to obtain emergency power and ask certain customers to curtail usage and warns of the possibility of blackouts.

Israeli woman killed, two hurt in West Bank shooting attack

JERUSALEM (AP) — An Israeli woman was killed and two Israelis wounded, one seriously, in a shooting attack Friday near an Israeli settlement in the West Bank, the military said. The attack came a day after a Palestinian leader called for renewed confrontations. In a move that might add to the tension here, Israeli police banned Palestinian residents of the West Bank and Gaza Strip from Jerusalem prayers to mark the second Friday of Ramadan, the Muslim holy month. Only Muslims with Israeli identity cards were allowed to pray at the Al Aqsa mosque.

Billy Graham recovering from medical procedure

ROCHESTER, Minn. (AP) — The Rev. Billy Graham is recovering at the Mayo Clinic after a shunt that drains fluid from his brain was adjusted. The procedure was performed Wednesday during follow-up tests and procedures this week following Graham's three-month stay at the clinic in the summer, said A. Larry Ross, a Graham spokesman. "The doctors anticipate he'll be out in a few days and he's looking forward to being home for the holidays," Ross said Thursday. The shunt relieves fluid pressure on his brain, a condition called normal pressure hydrocephalus. Ross said tests performed this week found that the shunt wasn't working as efficiently as it should. Graham is 82.

Space station, shuttle crews to finally meet

By JUAN A. LOZANO
Associated Press Writer

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — After more than a month in space, the inhabitants of the international space station are finally getting their first visitors Friday.

The visit, from the crew of space shuttle Endeavour, comes after astronauts Joe Tanner and Carlos Noriega tightened a new solar wing on space station Alpha Thursday. That operation unexpectedly required only the first 1 1/2 hours of a five-hour spacewalk.

Since the space shuttle docked at the space station last Saturday, the two crews have only communicated via radio. Because of the difference in air pressure between the craft, the hatches between them needed to be sealed until three spacewalks were completed.

Station commander Bill Shepherd and his Russian crewmates, Yuri Gidzenko and Sergei Krikalev, began their four-month mission aboard Alpha on Nov. 2.

After greeting each other, the crews will transfer needed supplies to the station and remove to take home such things as malfunctioning laptop computers and used water bags.

The crews also plan to fire the shuttle's engines to study the stability and other features of the station's new solar wings.

But it won't be all work. "The rest of the time will be spent with the crews spending some time together to swap stories of the last few days, have a meal together," said Jeff Hanley, lead space station flight director.

The crews will be together about 25 hours until Endeavour pulls away on Saturday in preparation for a Monday return to Earth.

During their third spacewalk on Thursday, Tanner and Noriega used a hook and their gloved hands to relocate two tension cables on a slack solar wing.

"Our goal was to get it on the first try. I was overjoyed to reach that goal," Tanner said.

The \$600 million electricity-generating wings — 240 feet from tip to tip — were installed Sunday by Endeavour astronauts.

The right wing was extended Sunday in one quick release, causing its tension cables to pop off their pulleys and reels. The left wing was unfolded Monday more slowly, and was properly taut.


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Austin Elementary honor roll

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Cory Anderson, Stephanie Hasskarl, Kenny Hightower, Monica Schepp, Krista Shults, Brittany Tomaschik, Gregory Wariner.

Let's Talk Real Estate



by Jim Davidson
Realtor
NETTING INFORMATION
One factor that home sellers and their agents use to set asking prices is the prices at which "comparables" were recently sold in their area. A "comp," as it is called, is a house of similar style, size, and amenities in the immediate (or near) neighborhood. This information can now be easily accessed by checking out a number of sites on the Internet. Aside from providing prices at which homes have sold within four to six weeks after the deals closed, these sites may also include details taken from property-tax records. This information includes lot size, square footage of the house, the number of bedrooms and bathrooms, as well as the assessed value and current tax bill.

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SOCCER

PAMPA — Pampa High School Soccer Booster Club will meet at 7 Tuesday night in the Ready Room at Val Hall. All interested persons are urged to attend.

BASKETBALL

SAMNORWOOD — Fort Elliott girls opened the Samnorwood Tournament with a 59-21 win Thursday over McLean.

Tamera Hartline had 16 points and Ashley Estes 11 to lead the Fort Elliott scoring attack.

For McLean, Randi Riley had 6 points and Nikki Hefley 5.

In the boys division, Fort Elliott won over Lefors 59-14.

Aaron Hartline and Richard Rowe each had 14 points for Fort Elliott. Rickey Vaughn and Andrew Johnson each had 6 for Lefors.

DUMAS — Pampa defeated Clovis Gattis 48-43 in the first round of the Dumas Freshmen Girls Basketball Tournament Thursday.

Jennie Waggoner had 23 points to lead Pampa in scoring. Denise Solis and Stacey Johnson had 8 each while Abbi Covalt had 6, Tara Jordan 2 and K'Lei Ratzlaff 1.

AUTO RACING

NEW YORK (AP) — NASCAR president Mike Helton isn't likely to forget what transformed stock car racing from a regional obsession in the South to a major national sport in the last decade.

Now, the goal is to maintain the kind of success that resulted in multimillion-dollar sponsorship that has turned sleek race cars into traveling billboards. Street & Smith Sports Business Journal has rated NASCAR tops among sports leagues in several advertiser-friendly categories, including fan loyalty.

"That we were able to be rated that way in 1999 and come back and repeat that in 2000 is certainly an honor," Helton said Thursday. "The difficulty comes in keeping that up."

"That's why we have to never sit back and get overconfident that we're always going to be as successful as we are today. We want to make it better now so we can be prepared for the future."

Part of that has to do with history. In 1947, Bill France Sr. regulated stock car racing by founding NASCAR as an alternative to race promoters who ran away with the receipts even as the cars were turning laps on the track.

Those lessons and others from the pioneer of the sport were well absorbed, and some of them still stand today as examples of sound management, Helton believes.

"You can still use them," he said. "Buy there has to be a certain amount of evaluation put up against how the world has changed around you."

"It isn't fair to say this is the way we used to do it so this is the way it's supposed to work from now on. You want to understand how you got to where you are and apply the differences that might make it work today for the future."

Helton, who moved last month to the presidency of NASCAR when Bill France Jr. became board chairman, spoke about Bill France Sr.'s "vision for success."

It was built on competition, something Helton says was at its best this year. The first 10 of 34 races produced 10 different winners, a record-tying 14 different drivers wound up in Victory Lane, there were four first-time winners and 47 drivers led a lap.

Three-time champion Jeff Gordon, who will watch from the head table at the Waldorf Astoria when Bobby Labonte accepts the Winston Cup trophy for the first time Friday night, says Helton makes a strong case.

"There's so much competition now that you just don't know what to expect anymore," said Gordon.



Lacie Thompson (top) of Canadian and Brittany Wasmanski of White Deer will be competing in the Texas State Championships this weekend in Arlington. Both girls will be competing at Level 5.

Lacie went through several qualifications and finished in the top percent of the 11 year old age group at the North State Semi-Finals to qualify for the Arlington meet.

Brittany, age 11, was the District Champion on the beam, floor and bars, and was second in vault. She also won the district's All-Around title.

Brittany is making her first trip to the state meet. She qualified for the state meet by placing sixth in All-Around at the North State Semi-Finals with a 36.075 score.

Both Lacie and Brittany train under coaches Kristi Patheree and Kathey Rice at Gymnastics of Pampa.



Players make big decision prior to winter meetings

NEW YORK (AP) — Tony Gwynn stayed. Mark Grace and David Cone were among those who went.

On the eve of the start of the winter meetings, a lot of players made big decisions Thursday.

Twenty-eight free agents, headed by Alex Rodriguez, Manny Ramirez and Mike Hampton, were offered salary arbitration by their former teams, and 11 other free agents re-signed with their former clubs before Thursday's midnight EST deadline.

Seventy-seven parted ways when the deadline passed, becoming ineligible to re-sign with their previous clubs until May 1.

Grace's 13-year tenure with the Chicago Cubs ended, setting up a deal with Arizona. Andres Galarraga and the Atlanta Braves also parted ways, as did John Wetteland and the Texas Rangers.

Pitcher Frank Castillo found a new home with Boston, agreeing to a \$4.5 million, two-year contract. The Red Sox also re-signed knuckleballer Tim Lincecum to a \$6.5 million, two-year contract and agreed to a minor league deal with Pete Schourek that would pay him \$1 million if he makes the team.

Free agents offered arbitration have until Dec. 19 to accept or reject. In the meantime, they can continue to negotiate with their former teams through Jan. 8.

Among those offered arbitration were Rodriguez by Seattle; Juan Gonzalez by Detroit; Hampton and Bobby J. Jones by the New York Mets; Kevin Appier by Oakland; Darren Dreifort by Los Angeles; and Ramirez, Sandy Alomar and David Segui by Cleveland.

Others offered were Mark Petkovsek by Anaheim; Tom Gordon by Boston; Charles Johnson and Harold Baines by the Chicago White Sox; Tom Lampkin by Seattle; Mike Munoz and Ruben Sierra by

Texas; Alex Gonzalez and Craig Grebeck by Toronto; Bobby Bonilla, John Burkett, Wally Joyner, Scott Kamieniecki and Terry Mulholland by Atlanta; Mark Wohlers by Cincinnati; Shawon Dunston and Scott Radinsky by St. Louis; and Dave Magadan by San Diego.

The Braves offered arbitration to pitcher Andy Ashby, whose \$22.5 million, three-year contract with Los Angeles has not been finalized.

Grace's deal with the Diamondbacks could be announced as soon as Friday.

"This is a business, and when your employer doesn't want you back, you have to find work elsewhere," the first baseman said. "Now, I'm a Diamondback."

Cubs president and general manager Andy MacPhail said it was tough call "because Mark meant so much to the franchise."

"When you boil it down to its most basic level, Mark expects to play three or four more years," MacPhail said. "Sooner or later, we're going to have to introduce younger players."

Cone, coming off a 4-14 season, could have stayed with the World Series champions for about \$500,000 guaranteed, with a chance to earn more in performance bonuses, a sharp cut from his \$12 million salary this year.

He had been with the Yankees since 1995, winning the World Series four times. But he would have been fifth in the rotation — behind Roger Clemens, Andy Pettitte, Orlando Hernandez and newly signed Mike Mussina.

"It seemed best for both sides to go their separate ways," said Cone's agent, Steve Fehr. "I know David once said he wanted to remain a Yankee for the rest of his career, but sometimes circumstances change in ways you cannot quite foresee."

Gwynn, who has spent 19 seasons with the Padres and won eight NL batting titles,

agreed to a \$2 million, one-year contract that gives him the chance to earn \$3.7 million more in performance bonuses.

"I wanted an opportunity to play my whole career here," Gwynn said. "When you think about all the options that you have, that was foremost in my mind. I'm glad that it worked out. Ultimately, the thing that kept me here was the fact that I'm happy here. I really like it here. I'm really comfortable here."

Gwynn has a career .338 average, 3,108 hits and eight NL batting titles.

"It's good to have this behind us," Padres general manager Kevin Tower said. "From a baseball standpoint, if Tony's as healthy as he says he is right now, our ballclub will be a much better ballclub with him in the middle of our lineup once again. He's going to be out there every day unless he says he can't," he said.

The Red Sox, having missed out on signing Mussina, wanted to bolster their rotation and hoped they did it in adding Castillo. The 32-year-old right-hander went 10-5 with a 3.59 ERA for Toronto last season.

In addition to the Red Sox moves and Gwynn's return to San Diego, eight players re-signed before the deadline: San Francisco pitcher Mark Gardner (\$2 million), Seattle outfielder Jay Buhner (\$1.85 million), Chicago White Sox pitcher Cal Eldred (\$1 million), Anaheim pitcher Tim Belcher (a minor league contract that pays him \$750,000 if he makes the team); San Diego infielder Ed Sprague (a minor league contract that pays him \$575,000 if he makes the team); Yankees infielder Luis Sojo (\$500,000); Yankees right-hander Dwight Gooden (a minor league contract that pays him \$500,000 if he makes the team); and Milwaukee outfielder James Mouton (a minor league contract that pays him \$300,000 if he makes the team).

PHS cagers claim tournament wins

ALTUS, Okla. — Pampa scheduled to play again today (38-34) at halftime and outscored Vernon 17-6 in the third quarter to take a commanding lead.

Gary Alexander scored 21 points and Victor Brooks had 12 to lead Pampa's attack. Zach Lamp had 10 points for Vernon.

Other Harvesters who scored were Adam Rogers with 10, Kirk George 8, Jon East 6, Tanner Hucks 4, Kyle Francis 4, Max Simon 4, Jeff Lofton 2 and Sedrick Drew 2.

Pampa (7-4) plays Sherman at 5:30 today.

The Lady Harvesters are scheduled to play again today at 6:30.

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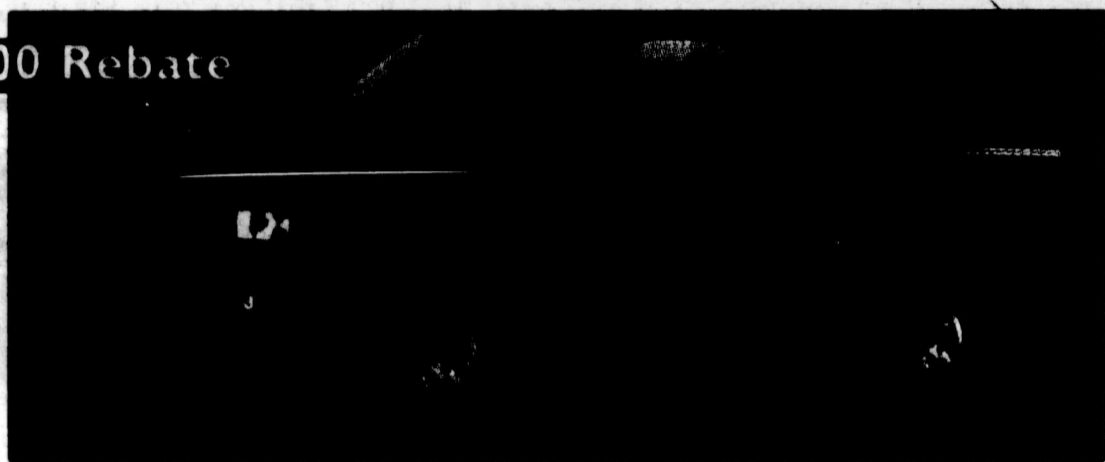
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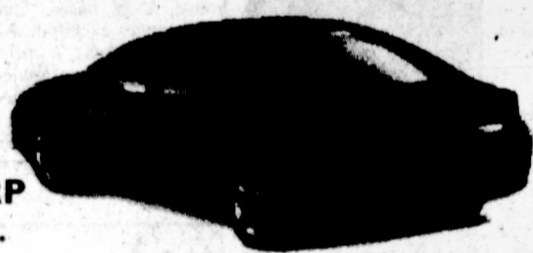


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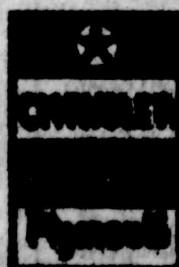


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