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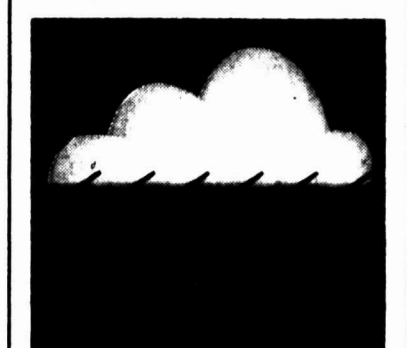
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Lotto jackpot continues to grow

No ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.
 The ticket was worth an estimated \$20 (M) million.
 The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 54 were: 9, 16, 20, 33, 35, 50.
 Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$26 (M) million.

- Viola Henderson Carver, 84, homemaker.
- Alvin James Dauer, 63, supervisor of Big Tex Trailers in Mount Pleasant.
- John P. Hazle, Sr., 57, minister, employee Dallas County Schools.
- Robert Neal 'Bonehead' Hilton, 40, pipeline operator.
- John Jones McMordie, 72, cattle buyer, rancher.
- Tex Pearson, 56, retired auto body worker.
- Vernon 'Al' Williams, 85, World War II veteran.

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Tax property bidders may pay earnest money

By KATE B. DICKSON
 Associate Publisher

City Commissioners will consider a policy Tuesday to require earnest money be put down when individuals bid on delinquent tax property.
 The topic will be discussed during the 5 p.m. work session at City Hall. That public session will be followed by the regular meeting at 6 p.m.
 City Attorney Don Lane will make suggestions as to how the commission might be sure that individuals are serious about buying the property when they submit a bid, said City Manager Bob Eskridge in his agenda memo.
 There have been several incidents in which individuals have bid on property then not followed through on the purchases, Eskridge said.
 Each bid received takes a lot of time and effort to process, Eskridge said, adding that the city, county and school district all have to take action on each purchase.

Also in the work session, commissioners will review cost information with regard to possibly upgrading the city's computer hardware and software.
 During the regular session the commission will:

- Authorize the demolition of various tax properties
- Consider award of bid for property at 401 Yeager
- Consider on second and final reading Ordinance No. 1360 authorizing an extension on the cable franchise
- Adopt a resolution authorizing the submission of an application for Texas Parks & Wildlife small grants program
- Consider authorizing the city manager to sign a ground lease agreement for \$500 with Carson and Barnes Circus. The circus wants to use the Recreation Park area to hold a circus.

A closed session is also scheduled to discuss the appointment of someone to fill the unexpired PUDC board term of Riley Kothmann.

Middle, high school students to hear Worth the Wait speaker

By NANCY YOUNG
 Managing Editor

Encouraging wise choices among teens: that will be the topic emphasized by Doug Herman when he speaks to Pampa High School and middle school students Wednesday.
 Herman will discuss dating, healthy relationships and the consequences of premarital sex, including pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases with the students.
 He will also tell of his own personal experience in the deaths of both his wife and infant daughter in 1991. His wife contracted AIDS while pregnant after receiving infected blood from a blood transfusion. The deadly disease was passed to the baby.
 The Pampa program is sponsored by Worth the Wait, said Stacey Ladd, RNC, director of the WTW program locally. She encourages parents to attend any of the programs scheduled at the schools on Tuesday.

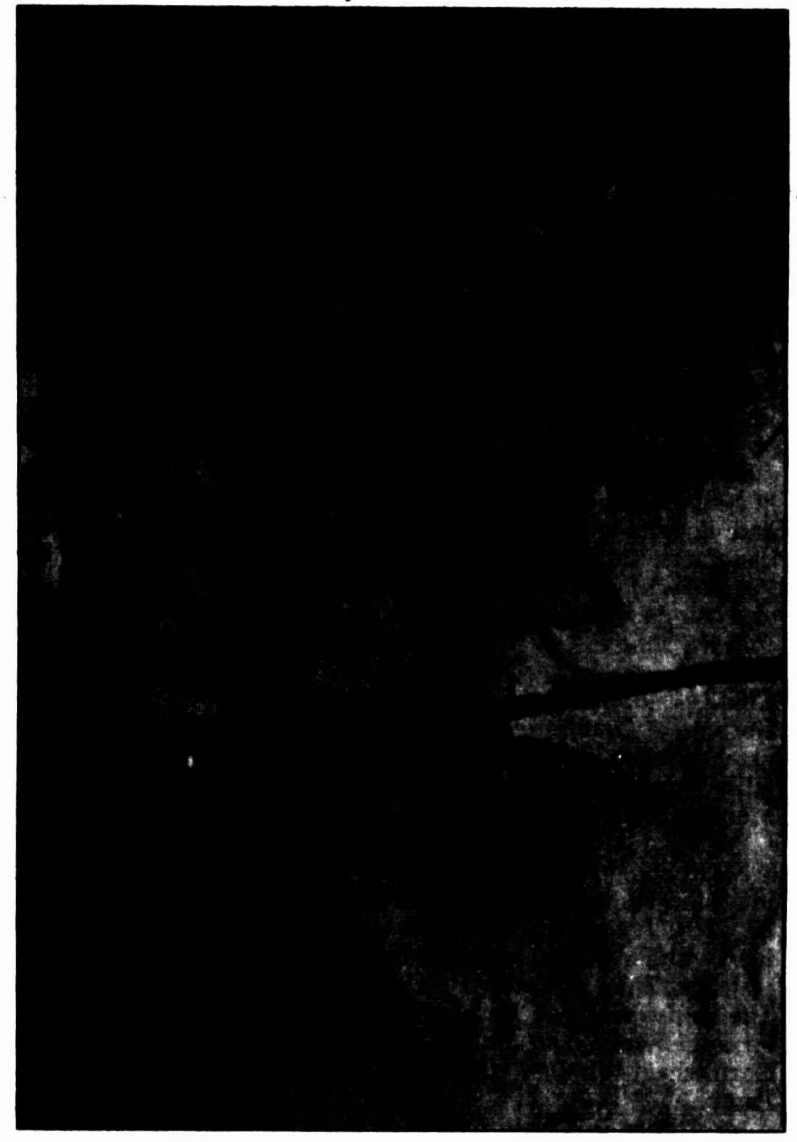
The first program will be from 9-9:55 a.m. at the Pampa High School Field House, 111 E. Harvester. Additional programs will be at 10:45-11:40 a.m. at Pampa Learning Center, 212 E. Cook, and 1:20-2:15 p.m. at Pampa Middle School Auditorium, 2401 Charles.
 Ladd said the WTW program began in the Pampa schools in Feb. 1998. It was fully implemented in the school system at the beginning of the 1998-1999 school year.
 Recent results of a survey of Pampa High students was released regarding their attitudes regarding premarital sex were released. The survey was sponsored by Baylor University and WTW.
 In some respects, the high school results are similar to the middle school results. Attitudes toward abstinence, a strong predictor of behavior, are lower than we would like to see, said Ladd.
 She said the good news is that sexual activity (See WORTH THE WAIT, Page 2)

Arrest made in shooting case; second gun incident probed

Pampa police investigated two incidents involving semi-automatic handguns Friday, leading to one arrest.
 Shortly before 2 p.m., police were called to the 500 block of North Dwight on a report of gunshots being fired. Radio transmissions indicated the suspect remained at the scene and a woman and children were in the residence where the shots were believed to have originated.
 Officer Shawn Waters, arriving on the scene, ordered the suspect from the house. The man came out with his hands up and was taken into custody without incident.
 Trevor Len Slater, 20, 505 N. Dwight, was arrested and charged with deadly conduct.

According to police reports, the charges stem from an argument between the suspect and his wife. The man left and then returned with a .380 semi-automatic weapon, police said, which he then fired one time. Police did not know if he shot the gun into the air or into the ground. The man then went into the residence and sat down on the sofa, according to the police report.
 No one was injured in the incident.
 Police continue to investigate a report of someone unlawfully carrying a weapon into the Minute Mart at 1106 W. Alcock Friday night.
 A clerk for the convenience store told police that a man came into the store and when he paid for (See SHOOTING, Page 3)

Mixed message



(Pampa News photo by Dee Dee Laramore)
 Golden daffodils bow beneath the weight of a spring snow that covered Pampa and the surrounding area with approximately an inch of snow early today. Weather forecasters predict a mix of rain and snow will continue to bring moisture to the area today and tomorrow with temperatures ranging from the low 30s to low 50s.

Write-in candidate files in Skellytown

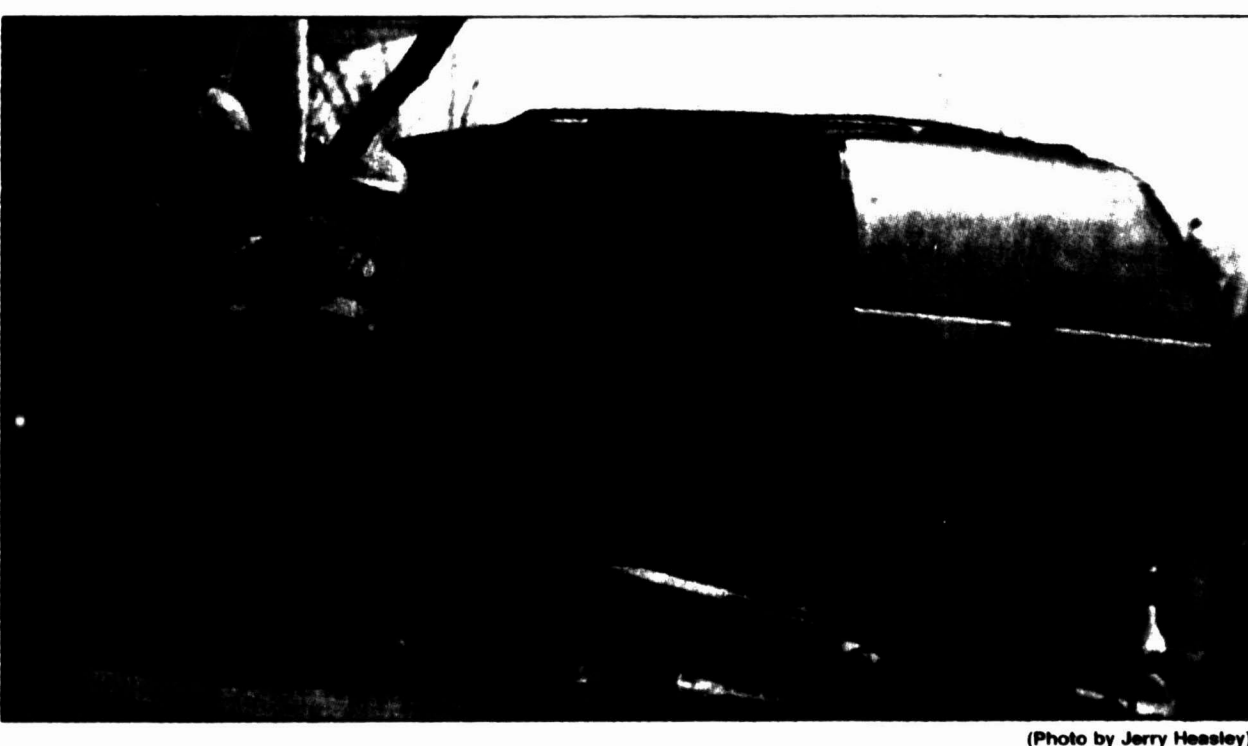
SKELLYTOWN — A contested mayoral race in Skellytown is drawing more interest in the May 5th election. Even though three candidates filed before the filing deadline Wednesday afternoon, another local resident has filed the necessary paperwork to be a declared write-in candidate for the office.
 Dustin Larkin declared his candidacy as a write-in Friday morning. Other candidates who filed before the Wednesday deadline are Jerry Parmer, Christy Maher, and Lucille Laurence.
 Skellytown's mayoral post is currently held by Mike Chaney. He did not seek re-election.
 The two incumbents, Jerry Tice and Marey Ruth, did not receive any opposition in the council member races.
 Although the filing deadline for the race was Wednesday, anyone wishing to be a write-in candidate have until 5 p.m. today to file as a declared write-in.

Staff tops PISD agenda

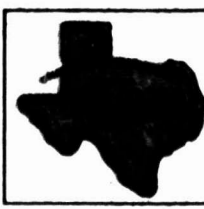
A closed session on personnel will highlight the Pampa Independent School District Board of Trustees meeting at 6 p.m. Tuesday.
 Following that trustees will consider and take possible action on proposed renewal of teacher and other professional contracts, proposed non-renewal of teacher contracts and on teacher resignations.
 Also to be considered at the meeting are the facilities improvement plan, priority performance goals for 2001-2002 and bids for computer cabling at the Horace Mann facility, Pampa High School library and PMS library.
 An administrative report will be given on the balanced literacy program.
 The meeting will be in the Carver Center Board Conference Room, 321 W. Albert.

Teen crashes SUV

Emergency personnel worked almost an hour to remove the injured 16-year-old driver from a Chevrolet SUV after it crashed into a tree on 17th Street at lunchtime Saturday.
 Firefighters from the Pampa Fire Department used the Jaws of Life to open the crumpled 1994 Blazer so that the driver, identified by police as Jordan Philip Klaus of 1207 Christine, could be taken by Rural Metro Ambulance for medical treatment.
 Terry Barnes of the Pampa Regional Medical Center said Klaus was treated and released from the hospital emergency room.
 According to police reports, the one-vehicle accident occurred at 11:57 a.m. Saturday. Police said the eastbound Blazer was weaving from lane to lane in the 600 block of East 17th when the driver apparently lost control of the vehicle. The SUV jumped the curb and struck a tree in a residential yard on the north side of the street.
 A passenger in the Blazer, John Christopher Knipp, 18, of 820 N. Christy, did not report injuries at the scene.
 Klaus was cited by police for reckless driving and minor in possession of alcohol.



(Photo by Jerry Hessler)
 Pampa firefighters work to extricate the 16-year-old driver from a Blazer that slammed into a tree Saturday in the 600 block of East 17th. The driver, Jordan Philip Klaus of Pampa, was treated and released for his injuries at Pampa Regional Medical Center. A passenger, John Christopher Knipp, 18, also of Pampa, was not injured in the noontime accident.

 72nd Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet And Citizen Of The Year Award April 10th 7:00 PM In The MK Brown Auditorium - Tickets \$20 Per Person - Guest Speaker: Marsha Sharp, Lady Raiders Head Coach

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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

CARVER, Viola Henderson — 10 a.m., Northridge Church of Christ, Amarillo. Graveside services, 3 p.m., Shamrock Cemetery, Shamrock.

PEARSON, Tex — Memorial services, 10 a.m., Southside Baptist Church, Perryton.

Obituaries

VIOLA HENDERSON CARVER
AMARILLO — Viola Henderson Carver, 84, died Saturday, March 24, 2001. Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Northridge Church of Christ with Mr. Hal Smith, minister of the church, and Mr. Eddie Messer, minister of Central Church of Christ, officiating. Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. in Shamrock Cemetery at Shamrock under the direction of Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors of Amarillo.

Mrs. Carver had lived in Amarillo since 1964, moving from Grand Junction, Colo. She married Donald H. Henderson in October of 1932 at Hollis, Okla.; he died Sept. 30, 1963. She married R.Q. Carver in October of 1965; he died Aug. 30, 1986. She was a member of Northridge Church of Christ.

She was also preceded in death by two sons, Jimmy and Bill Henderson; a sister, and three brothers.

Survivors include three sons, Norman Carver of New Harmony, Utah, and Eugene Henderson and Roger Henderson, both of Amarillo; five daughters, Shirley McLasky of Grand Junction, Peggy Sechrist of Yukon, Okla., Sandra Johnson and Linda Rodgers, both of Amarillo, and Cynthia Pollock of Kileen; four brothers, B.F. Dorman and Jerry Dorman, both of Pampa, Charles Dorman of Palisade, Colo., and Don Dorman of Granbury; 29 grandchildren; and 49 great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends from 6-8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

ALVIN JAMES DAUER
NAPLES — Alvin James Dauer, 63, a former longtime Pampa resident, died Sunday, March 25, 2001. Private graveside services are scheduled with First Counselor Neil Brooks, of Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, officiating. The body will not be available for viewing. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Dauer was born Oct. 24, 1937, at Pampa and graduated from Pampa High School. He married Carlah Thomas on Oct. 21, 1983, at Miami. He moved from Pampa to East Texas five years ago and was supervisor of Big Tex Trailers in Mount Pleasant.

He was a member of Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

He was preceded in death by a son, Ronald Dauer, in 1986.

Survivors include his wife, Carlah, of the home; a daughter, Cynthia Harper of Pampa; a stepdaughter, Patricia Hall of Morgantown, N.C.; a sister, Johnnie Mae Whitehead of White Deer, and several grandchildren.

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

JOHN P. HAZLE, SR.
PALMER — John P. Hazle, Sr., 57, died Friday, March 23, 2001, at Ennis Regional Medical Center in Ennis. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Calvary Baptist Church at Pampa with the Rev. John Glover officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery at Pampa. Arrangements are under the direction of J.E. Keever Mortuary, Inc., of Ennis.

Mr. Hazle was born Sept. 28, 1943, at Pampa, the son of John H. and Mildred Kratzer Hazle. He was reared in Pampa and was a graduate of Pampa High School. He attended Okmulgee Tech in Okmulgee, Okla., where he received his auto mechanic certificate. He was then employed by Culberson-Stowers Chevy in Pampa for five years. He then worked for Transwestern Pipeline as a field mechanic in Dumas and later worked for Cabot Oil and Gas in Pampa for 19 years.

On April 8, 1985, he married Johnnie Holt of Pampa. After their marriage, the couple lived in Pampa for 10 years before moving to Fort Worth where he attended Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. They then moved to Palmer where he was pastor of Victory Baptist Church. He became an ordained minister while at Victory Baptist. At the time of his death, he was also working for Dallas County Schools as a bus mechanic.

He was a member of First Baptist Church in Waxahachie.

Survivors include his wife, Johnnie of Palmer; four sons, John Hazle of Borger, Chris Hazle of Pampa, Daven Holt of Ringo, Ga., and Shawn Holt of Fort Worth; a daughter, Dawn Holt of Palmer; his mother, Mildred Pierce of Pampa; three sisters, Mary Jean Pierce of Chicago, Ill., Carol Williamson of Pampa and Lynn Dawson of Hereford; and seven grandchildren.

The family will be at 1049 Cinderella in Pampa and requests memorials be to First Baptist Church, Waxahachie, TX 75165.

The body will lie-in-state today at Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors in Pampa.

ROBERT NEAL 'BONEHEAD' HILTON
Robert Neal "Bonehead" Hilton, 40, of Pampa, died Saturday, March 24, 2001, at Cushing, Okla. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Hilton was born Aug. 26, 1960, at Tulsa, Okla. He graduated from Weatherford High School and moved from Weatherford to Pampa in 1979.

He was a Catholic and, for the past 23 years, a pipeline operator.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Ashley Hilton, in 1991.

Survivors include three daughters, Desarae Hilton, Amanda Hilton and Destiny Hilton, all of Pampa; a sister, Debbie Hilton McCormack of Tulsa, Okla.; and two brothers, Raymond Hilton

of Tulsa and Michael Hilton of Branson, Mo. The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

JOHN JONES MCMORDIE
AMARILLO — John Jones McMordie, 72, died Saturday, March 24, 2001. Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. today in Brentwood Chapel at Schooler Funeral Home with Bill Shultz officiating.

Mr. McMordie, a lifelong Canadian resident, attended New Mexico Military Institute and Texas A&M University. He was a longtime cattle buyer and rancher, holding membership in Texas Cattle Feeders and National Cattlemen's Associations.

He was a member of Canadian Presbyterian Church and was also a pilot, golfer and roper. He was preceded in death by a brother, Frank F. McMordie, in 1996.

Survivors include two daughters, Anna McMordie Henry and Joni Middleton, both of Dallas; a brother, Hobart B. McMordie of Amarillo; and two grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite children's charity or to Canadian Public Library.

TEX PEARSON
PERRYTON — Tex Pearson, 56, died Friday, March 23, 2001, at Amarillo. Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Southside Baptist Church with the Rev. Bobby Rogers, of San Angelo, and the Rev. Rick Pearson, of Calvary Baptist Church in Pampa, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Melton Funeral Home of Breckenridge.

Mr. Pearson was born May 17, 1944, in Ochiltree County, Texas, to Opal and Harland Pearson. He married Connie Bryan on Oct. 16, 1961. A retired auto body worker, he was a Perryton resident for more than 40 years and belonged to Southside Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and two brothers, Max Pearson and Tim Pearson.

Survivors include his wife, Connie, of Perryton; a son, Rick Pearson of Pampa; a daughter, Terri Wyant of Pampa; a sister, Joyce Statuki of Onalaska; and six grandchildren.

The family will be at 909 S. Eton in Perryton.

VERNON WILLIAMS
AMARILLO — Vernon "Al" Williams, 85, died Saturday, March 24, 2001. Private services will be held by the family. Arrangements are under the direction of Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors of Amarillo.

Mr. Williams was born at Ranger and had been an Amarillo resident since 1997.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force, serving in England during World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Vivian Williams; a stepson, Tommy Weldon Green of Lubbock; two stepdaughters, Peggy Joyce Sheffield and Judi Gayle Kelley, both of Amarillo; a brother, Jim A. Williams of Portales, N.M.; two sisters, Florene Ford of McLean and Estelle Burrell of Hereford; 12 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

The family will be at 909 S. Eton in Perryton.

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

Friday, March 23
 Police received a report of a person carrying an unauthorized weapon into the Minute Mart, 1106 W. Alcock.

A juvenile was reported missing from the 1200 block of Charles. The juvenile returned later that night.

Burglary of a building was reported in the 2200 block of North Summer. Someone entered the garage of a vacant house and stole two fishing rods and reels valued at \$50. Two vintage vehicles had also been damaged, a 1941 Ford and a 1962 Mercury.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1000 block of Prairie Drive. A screen door, valued at \$50, was damaged.

An attempted suicide was reported in the 300 block of Wynne.

A representative of Taylor Mart, 600 E. Frederic, reported theft of \$15 of gasoline.

A runaway was reported in the 200 block of West Brown. The juvenile returned home later.

Deadly conduct was reported in the 500 block of North Dwight.

Saturday, March 24
 Criminal trespass was reported in the 1400 block of East Browning. A picture frame and glass items, valued at \$30, were damaged.

An attempted burglary was reported in the 500 block of Lefors.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 600 block of Short.

A representative of Allsup's, 1025 W. Wilks, reported theft of \$14 of gasoline.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 1600 block of North Zimmers. No injuries were reported.

Sunday, March 25
 Reports of a runaway and harboring a runaway were made in the 1600 block of North Hamilton.

An assault with minor injuries was reported in the 2200 block of North Wells.

A representative of Allsup's, 1900 N. Hobart, reported theft of \$35.01 of gasoline.

Monday, March 26
 A dog valued at \$75 was reported stolen from the 1100 block of South Christy.

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WORTH THE WAIT

among PHS students is below the national average for the second year in a row.

According to survey results sexual activity for freshmen is 20 percent; sophomores, 36 percent; juniors, 40 percent; and seniors, 52 percent.

Sexual activity increases most rapidly in the tenth grade at PHS, according to Dr. Jeff Tanner, Ph.D. Baylor University. The reason for such an increase is partly attributed to the freedom students receive when they receive their drivers license, and it is most often during the sophomore year, he said.

The tenth grade is identified as a critical year, as is the senior year. Of those who are sexually active, most (57 percent) have had several partners.

The reason given by most students for engaging in sex is because they are "in love." That percentage ranges from six percent of ninth graders to 25 percent for seniors. Another main reason given is they don't see anything wrong with premarital sex (10 to 12 percent).

When the students were asked how they plan to deal with sex, 68

percent of ninth graders reported that they plan to wait until marriage. Of the sophomores responding, 60 percent agreed, while 69 percent of the juniors agreed. There were 57 percent of seniors who also said that they plan to wait for marriage.

Tanner said apparently many regret their earlier sexual activity and are now planning to wait until marriage.

"Waiting for love" can mean serial monogamy, or engaging in sex only with whom one is in love at any given time, he said.

Serial monogamy is regarded as a serious problem, and the results in the post-tests in other districts indicate that abstinence programs do positively influence this. However, the tests only ask about intentions.

According to Tanner, the school district and parents must continue to support an abstinence-until-marriage lifestyle to help the students follow through.

For those abstaining from sex, he said the most frequent reasons were religious beliefs (35 percent to 25 percent, 9th through 12th graders) and morals (13 percent). These reasons are the most enduring reasons.

Other reasons are fear of AIDS or another STD, 12 percent, and fear of pregnancy, 10 to 17 percent, were frequent responses.

Ladd said date rape drugs are being mentioned more by local students, and said she thinks the drugs are in the local area.

She said the program has been successful in Pampa the past three years. Other schools who have implemented WTW are Canadian High School, Wheeler High School, McLean Schools and Shamrock Schools. She said she has worked with Borger as they are putting the program in place in their school district.

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

Saturday, March 24
 12:06 p.m. — Two units and six firefighters responded to a motor vehicle collision in the 600 block of East 17th. Firefighters helped remove the victim from the vehicle which had struck a tree.

6:15 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a carbon monoxide alarm in the 2200 block of Aspen. An elevated level of carbon monoxide was found coming from a faulty heater.

6:22 p.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a grass fire at Gray 6 and Gray 1. Firefighters extinguished a small grass fire believed to have been caused by a downed power line.

Correction
 Due to a headline writing error Bobby Knight's last name was misspelled on Sunday's Page 4.

Weather focus
PAMPA — Today, cloudy with occasional light rain. Rain may mix with light snow at times. Highs in the lower 40s. Southeast winds 10 to 20 mph. Tonight, cloudy. A 40 percent chance of rain showers. Lows 30 to 35. Southeast winds 5 to 15 mph. Tuesday, cloudy with showers likely. Chance of rain 60 percent. Highs around 50. Southeast winds 10 to 20 mph.

STATEWIDE — Another week of rain is shaping up across much of the state this week, with an upper-level storm system approaching from the west.

A high-pressure ridge lingering across the Lone Star State kept most rain away Monday.

But light fog developed in the South Plains, with sprinkles along the Rio Grande. Light snow fell at Lubbock, with light freezing rainfall in Amarillo.

Early-morning temperatures fell into the upper 20s in the northern Panhandle southward into the South Plains. Elsewhere in the state, readings ranged from the 30s and 40s in the Hill Country and East Texas to near 60 in the far south.

Readings ranged from 43 degrees at Burnet, Conroe and Houston Intercontinental Airport to 63 at McAllen and Port Isabel.

Winds across the eastern half of the state were north at 5 to 10 mph. Southeasterly winds of 5

Stocks

The following gain questions are provided by Advisory Clubs of Pampa:

Wheat	2.52	up 0.78
Milo	3.07	up 1.25
Corn	3.43	up 0.66
Soybeans	3.52	up 1.73
Canola	46.72	up 1.01
Light Oil	15.31	up 0.85
Mid-Continent	24.89	up 0.29
Strip Oil	28.11	up 1.21
New Alcoa	22.10	up 0.14
XCEL	27.74	up 0.43
NOI	39.10	up 0.85
OCB	39.49	up 1.17
Priddy's	15.65	up 0.20
Phillips	54.40	up 1.49
Pioneer Nat.	16.80	up 1.06
SLB	64.30	up 1.49
Tenneco	3.48	up 0.02
Tronox	65.75	up 0.55
Ultramar	35.36	up 0.76
Wal-Mart	49.10	up 1.53
Williams	41.00	up 0.61

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

Occidental	24.27	up 0.55
Fidelity Magell	102.42	up 1.73
Putnam	17.73	up 0.65

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

BP Amoco	47.75	up 1.11
Colgate	18.55	up 0.55
Cabot O&G	30.29	up 0.43
Cabot O&G	27.95	up 0.15
Chesapeake	57.71	up 1.01
Coca-Cola	44.85	up 0.65

New York Gold	262.35
Silver	4.35
West Texas Crude	27.01

Ambulance
 Rural/Metro made the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, March 24
 11 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 2700 block of North Hobart and transported one to PRMC.

Noon — A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of East 17th and transported one to PRMC.

4:08 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 200 block of North Russell; no transport.

8:36 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block of Neel Road and transported one to PRMC.

Sunday, March 25
 6:31 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1300 block of Kentucky and transported one to PRMC.

10:13 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of East Kingsmill and transported one to PRMC.

6:31 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1300 block of Garland and transported one to PRMC.

Monday, March 26
 12:57 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 200 block of North Wells and transported one to PRMC.

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

Saturday, March 24
 Lance Allan Herr, 38, Burkett, was arrested on a parole violation for driving while intoxicated - third offense.

Sunday, March 25
 Melissa Dendy, 19, El Paso, was arrested by the Texas Department of Public Safety for possession of marijuana, over 50 lbs. and under 2000 lbs.

Jessica Ann Lawyer, 23, El Paso, was arrested by the Texas Department of Public Safety for possession of marijuana, over 50 lbs. and under 2000 lbs.

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

Friday, March 23
 10:04 p.m. — A 1995 Pontiac Sunfire driven by Leonard Dale Lock, 19, 1601 W. Somerville #412, and a 1983 Oldsmobile Cutlass driven by Santiago Bocanegra Silva, 16; 641 N. Faulkner, collided at the intersection of Sumner and Somerville streets. Lock was cited for disregarding a stop sign and Silva was cited for no proof of insurance. No injuries were reported at the scene.

Saturday, March 24
 2:35 a.m. — A 1994 Ford F-150 pickup driven by Ubaldo Vargas-Rosa, 26, 409 Graham, was southbound in the 500 block of Russell when the driver turned west into a driveway at 515 Russell. The right mirror of the pickup struck the left front of the corner of the building. No injuries were reported at the scene. Vargas-Rosa was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

11:57 a.m. — A 1994 Chevrolet Blazer driven by Jordan Philip Klaus, 16, 1207 Christine, collided with a tree in the 600 block of East 17th. Pampa Fire Department personnel extricated Jordan from the vehicle and he was taken to Pampa Regional Medical Center for treatment by Rural Metro Ambulance for treatment of non-incapacitating injuries. Hospital officials said he was treated and released. A passenger in the vehicle reported no injuries at the scene. Klaus was cited for reckless driving and minor in possession of alcohol.

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Weather focus
 The leading edge of the next rainfall may move into the western areas of North Texas by afternoon, with central areas expecting precipitation by early Tuesday.

A few showers and thunderstorms should spread to eastern areas by later Tuesday, with regionwide rainfall. The Hill Country forecast was for light rain or drizzle.

Daytime highs were expected from the upper 40s to lower 60s, with mid-60s along the lower Gulf coast and 70s in the deep south.

Lows overnight should range from the upper 30s in the northwest to mid-50s in the south.

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'Gladiator' wins best picture Oscar; Roberts, Crowe win top acting awards

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LOS ANGELES (AP) — "Gladiator" won five Academy Awards on Sunday, including best picture and actor—Russell Crowe—and Julia Roberts won the best actress trophy for her portrayal of the law assistant who takes on a polluting power company in "Erin Brockovich."

"It takes a lot of people to make a Colosseum, but it only takes one or two to mess it up. To all the wizards who brought to life the sights, sounds and citizens of a faraway world, we should take a chisel to this statue and give you your fair share," said Douglas Wick, a producer of "Gladiator," which also won for sound, costume design and visual effects.

Steven Soderbergh did what observers deemed impossible: He won best director for "Traffic" even though people felt he would split the vote by being nominated for "Erin Brockovich."

Following "Gladiator" was "Traffic" with four awards, including Soderbergh's, supporting actor for Benicio Del Toro, adapted screenplay by Stephen Gaghan and film editing.

"Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon" also scored four Oscars — foreign language film, art direction, cinematography and original score.

When she won, a giddy Roberts ascended the auditorium stage and warned that she would be speaking for a long time "because I may never be here again."

She clutched her first Oscar and said, "This is quite pretty."

The audience was amused by her glee.

"I love the world. I'm so happy," Roberts squealed.

Crowe, who seemed distracted earlier in the program, responded exuberantly.

"Really folks, I owe this to one bloke, and his name is Ridley Scott," Crowe said of his director.

"If you grow up ... in the suburbs of anywhere, a dream like this seems kind of vaguely ludicrous and completely unattainable," he went on. "This moment is directly connected to those childhood imaginings. And for anybody who's on the downside of advantage, and relying purely on courage, it's possible."

Marcia Gay Harden, who played the long-suffering wife of artist Jackson Pollock in "Pollock," won best supporting actress.

Del Toro, who portrayed an honest Tijuana detective, thanked Soderbergh and others connected with his movie, while Harden noted that few people had seen "Pollock," since it opened in theaters the same week as

the Oscar nominations, and thanked the voters for taking the time to review the videotapes made available to them.

"Ed Harris, thank you for inviting me to share your passion," she said to her director, who also played the title role.

Because "Pollock" had little theater exposure, Harden was considered a longshot. Judi Dench of "Chocolat" and Kate Hudson of "Almost Famous" were thought to be more likely.

Cameron Crowe won original screenplay for "Almost Famous."

"The movie was a love letter to music and to my family so I dedicate this to all the musicians who inspire us and my show," he said.

The show began from orbit as astronaut Susan Helms, with fellow crew members of the International Space Station floating by her side, introduced first-time host Steve Martin.

"By the way that introduction cost the government \$1 trillion," Martin quipped to the glittering Shrine Auditorium throng.

Martin showed off some of his old standup silliness from the '70s, and with a mock unctuousness offered a good-natured skewering of Hollywood.

He joked that movie trailers these days give away too much.

"I saw the trailer for 'Dude, Where's My Car?' and it ruined it for me," he said, drawing big laughs. "Maybe that's not fair because I had read the book."

He said that hosting the Oscars is "like making love to a beautiful woman. It's something I only get to do when Billy Crystal's out of town."

Among other winners, "U-571" won for sound editing and "Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas" for makeup.

In the documentary categories, "Into the Arms of Strangers: Stories of the Kindertransport" won the feature Oscar and "Big Mama" received the short subject honor.

The animated short film Oscar went to "Father and Daughter," and the live-action short film honor to "Quiero Ser (I Want to Be)."

Bob Dylan won the best-song Oscar for the rollicking "Things Have Changed," the tune he wrote for the quirky campus drama "Wonder Boys."

"Oh good God, this is amazing," Dylan said.

Oscar ballots were mailed to the roughly 5,700

Academy members, who nominate in their own categories — such as actors voting for actors. All can nominate for best picture.

Most of the final awards are voted on by all members. The exceptions: members can vote for the short, documentary and foreign language films only if they can certify that they have seen all the nominees.

Sunday night marked a farewell to the venerable Shrine Auditorium. Next year, the Academy Awards will move to the 3,300-seat Kodak Theater in the heart of Hollywood.

Final list of 73rd annual Academy Awards winners

Complete list of 73rd annual Academy Awards presented Sunday evening at the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles:

- Picture: "Gladiator."
- Director: Steven Soderbergh, "Traffic."
- Actor: Russell Crowe, "Gladiator."
- Actress: Julia Roberts, "Erin Brockovich."
- Supporting Actor: Benicio Del Toro, "Traffic."
- Supporting Actress: Marcia Gay Harden, "Pollock."
- Screenplay Adaptation: Stephen Gaghan, "Traffic."
- Original Screenplay: Cameron Crowe, "Almost Famous."
- Foreign Language Film: "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon."
- Original Score: "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon."
- Original Song: "Things Have Changed" from "Wonder Boys," Bob Dylan.
- Art Direction: "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon."
- Film Editing: "Traffic."
- Live Action Short Subject: "Quiero Ser (I want to be)."
- Animated Short Subject: "Father and Daughter."
- Costume Design: "Gladiator."
- Sound: "Gladiator."
- Sound Editing: "U-571."
- Cinematography: "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon."
- Make-up: "Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas."
- Documentary Short: "Big Mama."
- Documentary Feature: "Into the Arms of Strangers: Stories of the Kindertransport."
- Visual Effects: "Gladiator."

some candy he bought, he purposely showed her a weapon concealed in his coat. Police said the man did not threaten the woman or make an attempt to rob the store.

The suspect was identified as a white male with short straight hair, about 5-feet, nine inches tall and weighing about 200 lbs. She said the man was wearing a black baseball cap with a "Nike" logo and a white shirt under a black flannel jacket. He had dark eyes and a dark complexion and a long scar on his right hand. She said he smelled strongly of alcohol.

The weapon in the man's coat was described by the clerk as being a large black semi-automatic.

Anyone with information regarding the incident can contact police at 669-5700.

Protection for wrongly accused aim of proposal

AUSTIN (AP) — A drug bust in the Panhandle town of Tulia that resulted in the arrests of 43 people, all but three of them black, has prompted two lawmakers to file legislation to protect people "wrongly accused of a crime."

The bills would: — Mandate that a person could not be convicted of a crime based solely on the testimony of an undercover police officer.

— Prohibit a judge from excluding evidence from trial that proves or tends to prove the accused is innocent.

— Require the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education to make public the reason why an officer was fired or the officer resigned, if it involves a crime or abuse of power.

"It's not just about the residents of that town," said bill sponsor Sen. Leticia Van de Putte, D-San Antonio. "It's about what happens to citizens of our state when our statutes may not accurately protect them when they are unjustly or wrongly accused of a crime."

The bills stem from a 1999 drug bust that followed an 18-month investigation by undercover officer Tom Coleman, who claimed he had bought drugs from the targets of the raid.

Coleman worked alone and used no surveillance equipment. The Justice Department in investigating questions about Coleman's background, including a charge of theft and a charge of abuse of power that later was dismissed.

Extension Service announces sunflower meetings, cotton workshop

LUBBOCK — Sunflowers and cotton will be the focus of some upcoming meetings and workshops sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, the Lubbock Extension office has announced.

High irrigation costs and low commodity prices have some High Plains crop producers scratching their heads and rethinking their 2001 crop production strategies.

"We will see a substantial increase in sunflower acreage here," said Calvin Trostle, Texas Agricultural Extension Service agronomist based at Lubbock. "High irrigation costs, especially

for thirsty crops such as corn, could lead many producers to consider planting sunflowers instead."

"These producers need to remember that sunflowers have very distinct production needs. Even so, confectionery and oilseed sunflowers can be a profitable crop if they are managed correctly."

Helping producers manage sunflowers properly and profitably is the goal of two production meetings slated at the following times and locations:

■ March 28. Bailey-Parmer County Alternative Crops Conference, Bailey County

Coliseum in Muleshoe, from 9-11:30 a.m. Agronomists will discuss sunflower and grain sorghum production as well as sesame. Continuing Education Units will be offered. For more information, contact Bailey at (806) 272-4583 or Parmer Co. Extension offices at (806) 481-3619.

■ March 28. Castro County Sunflower Production Meeting, Castro Co. Extension office in Dimmitt, begins at 1:30 p.m. Trestle will discuss production practices for confectionery and oilseed sunflowers. Johnna Patterson, former Castro-Lamb Co. Extension IPM agent, will discuss control strategies for the sunflower moth and other insects. Participants can earn one general CEU. For more information, call Castro Co. Extension office at (806) 647-4115.

"Contractors, processors and seed representatives will also be on hand at these meetings to discuss pricing for 2001, delivery points and the latest hybrids available," Trestle concluded.

Cotton producers can learn how pricing strategies affect profitability and get help in developing pricing strategies tailored to fit their own operation at a cotton marketing workshop scheduled from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. in the Swisher Co. Extension meeting room at Tulia, said a Texas A&M agricultural economist.

"Farmers can't control prices, but they can control how the crop is priced and when to take a price," said Dr. Jackie Smith, Texas Agricultural Extension Service ag economist-marketing

specialist based in Lubbock. "Producers who know how to evaluate pricing alternatives can formulate pricing strategies that will help them maximize profit."

"This workshop will focus on evaluating price alternatives and developing pricing strategies. All pricing alternatives are directly or indirectly linked to the futures market. So, we will be closely studying the basics of futures and options."

The fee includes a noon meal and an extensive set of materials. "If possible, spouses should also attend. Couples can register for \$30, too, if they share a set of course materials," Smith added.

Producers can register and reserve a seat, or get more information on this workshop by calling Smith at (806) 746-6101; Michael Clawson, Swisher Co. Extension agent, at (806) 995-3726; or Dirk Aaron, Hale Co. Extension agent, at (806) 291-5267.

High court rejects appeal

LIVINGSTON, Texas (AP) — The U.S. Supreme Court today rejected appeals from three Texas death row inmates, including one man set to die later this week.

Michael Moore, 37, faces lethal injection Wednesday evening for the 1994 stabbing death of a Copperas Cove woman, Christa Bentley, at her home.

Authorities believed Moore was a stalker infatuated with high school girls. Bentley, 35, was fatally stabbed when she surprised Moore, who she discovered inside her home. Her daughter was among the girls Moore was accused of stalking.

The high court Monday also refused appeals of Alva Curry and Coy Westbrook.

Curry was condemned for the 1991 slaying of an Austin convenience store clerk. Westbrook was condemned for killing five people in November 1997 at a party.

PHS competes in UIL One Act Play

At 1 p.m., March 27, Pampa High School's UIL One Act Play advances to district competition at Amarillo College in Amarillo. PHS comes to district straight from zone competition also held at AC recently.

The Play, "Arsenic and Old Lace," was one of two advancing plays. Palo Duro High School was the other winning play. Pampa's other competition at the district contest will be Canyon High School and Caprock High School.

Directed by Dean Birkes, the play is the story of two eccentric older ladies who take it upon themselves to "ease the suffering" of elderly gentlemen. The comedy is set in the 1940's.

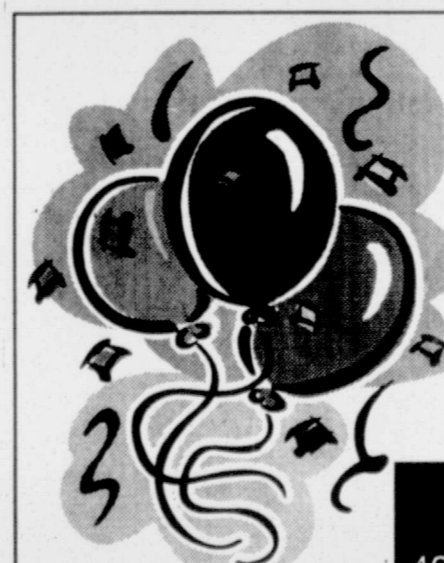
Cast members include Rhianna Anglin (Abby Brewster), Jessica Blandford (Martha Brewster), A.J. Swope (Dr. Harper, Witherspoon),

Chris Johnson (Teddy Brewster), Jason Griffith (Officer Klien), Kasey Presson (Officer Brophy), Richard Conner (Mortimer Brewster), Zach Rogers (Dr. Einstein), Derrick Cummings (Jonathan Brewster), Eric Chavez (Officer Rooney) and Lori Stephens (Elaine Harper).

The light technician is Kelly Tripplehorn, the sound technician is April Anderson and the backstage crew consists of Dirk Archer and JoAnna Wheeler.

The cast received several individual awards at the zone competition including: Conner, Best Actor award; Anglin and Johnson, All-Star Cast Awards; and Blandford and Rogers, Honorable Mention All-Star Cast Awards.

The public is invited and encouraged to attend the 27th. Admission is free.



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Hip Replacement Recall

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Vets at Emergency Pet Clinics Know Time Is of the Essence

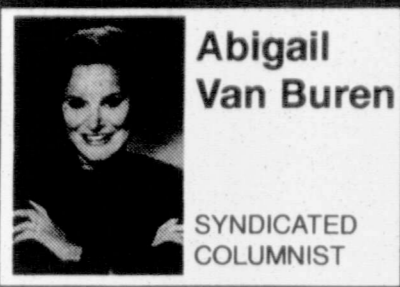
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In her letter, Kelly said that for two or three days her dog wouldn't eat or drink, was lethargic and vomiting. Abby, if a dog vomits once and returns to normal, that's OK. However, if it vomits and is lethargic and anorexic, or vomits multiple times, the situation becomes an emergency.

Do not wait until it is convenient to see your family vet. Prompt medical care can be lifesaving, and also cost-effective. In almost every area of the country, there are qualified emergency veterinary hospitals to help your pet at night and on weekends, or even when your vet is booked up during the day.

Emergency vets work with your family vet — we do not compete. If your pet is stable and can wait to be seen by your family vet, you will be given that option. Consider the emergency examination fee a small price to pay for your peace of mind.

Emergency facilities can be found in the yellow pages of the phone book or by calling your family vet's office at any time. Most will have an after-hours answering machine with instructions and referrals to the nearest emergency hospital that they recommend. All emergency hospitals are happy to



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DEAR ABBY: I am engaged to be married in August. My fiancée, "Dexter," wants a simple courthouse wedding. I want a traditional wedding. I have compromised and am trying to keep it as cheap as

possible — under \$2,000.

Dexter will have nothing to do with the planning because he thinks it is a waste of money. How can I make him understand that a nice wedding is important to me? This is supposed to be the biggest and best event of our lives.

LORRAINE IN MISSOURI

DEAR LORRAINE: Your fiancée's values are very different from yours. You have compromised for him, and he should be willing to do the same for you. Before making any more wedding plans, please consider this: If you can't reach a "happy" compromise about your wedding, what will your future be like with this man?

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Horoscope

TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2001

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)

Financial upsurgings add additional sparkle to your day. Your efforts come back in multiples. Be more aware of what another wants and expects from you. A friend has a way of messing up even the simplest of matters. Tune in to the basics. Tonight: In the limelight.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Your intuition, mixed with your exemplary money sense, helps you enhance a financial opportunity. Keep your thoughts to yourself, because someone in charge might only muddy the waters. Use your dynamic charm and high energy to win another over. Tonight: Whatever you want.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

You have reason to celebrate, but you might not want to tell others. In fact, it would be a wise move to keep information to yourself for several days. Check facts involving an office matter. Verify travel plans. Not everything is as you see it. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

Your instincts guide you in your dealings with a higher-up. Make it more important to find solutions than to

be right. Success comes through groups and others. Diplomacy wins the moment. Return calls. An associate or friend needs clearer explanations. Tonight: Do exactly what you want to do.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Others seek you out. Your unusual vision guides you and others in a chosen direction. Good news comes in doubles right now. Claim your power. A lot of people depend on you. Tonight: Start talking vacation.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Your research and questioning pave the way to unusual success. You could be confused about a work-related matter, or a co-worker might inadvertently mess up a key project. Your ability to work with others gains you recognition and acknowledgment. Tonight: Rent a movie.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Work as a team. Don't get into an "us and them" mentality. As a result, you'll gain. Your sense of humor helps bring perspective to an intense person in your life. You understand much more than you are aware of. Think in terms of financial gain. Tonight: Togetherness works.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Another takes a strong action that you feel you must respond to. Work with confusion. Discuss uncertainty, with an eye to clearing the air. A partner or friend enriches your day-to-day life. Say thank you with a card or flowers. Tonight: Accept an invitation. You need to be with people.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Get into work. You might need to screen calls. Your social life takes on a

new energy that you might relish and think about for a long time. Juggling your personal and public lives takes unusual skill. Ask for what you want from another. Review a recent decision. Tonight: Be constructive. Run errands.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

A risk could cause upheaval in business and love. Walk a careful line, knowing what it is that you want. Your ingenuity adds a new dimension to a relationship. Allow more lightness in. Add to the quality of your domestic life through your natural talents and high energy. Tonight: Play the night away.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

You could feel as if you are in a haze, since so much is happening so quickly. Kick back and think before you make a major decision involving your security. Brainstorming proves to be dynamic. A child or loved one comes forward. A new relationship could also be budding. Tonight: Your home is your castle.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

How you handle a situation could dynamically change because of a conversation. You might not be sure where another is coming from. Keep questioning and asking. Reach your own conclusions. Tonight: Visit with a friend.

BORN TODAY

Singer Mariah Carey (1970), director Quentin Tarantino (1963), entertainer Xuxa (1963)

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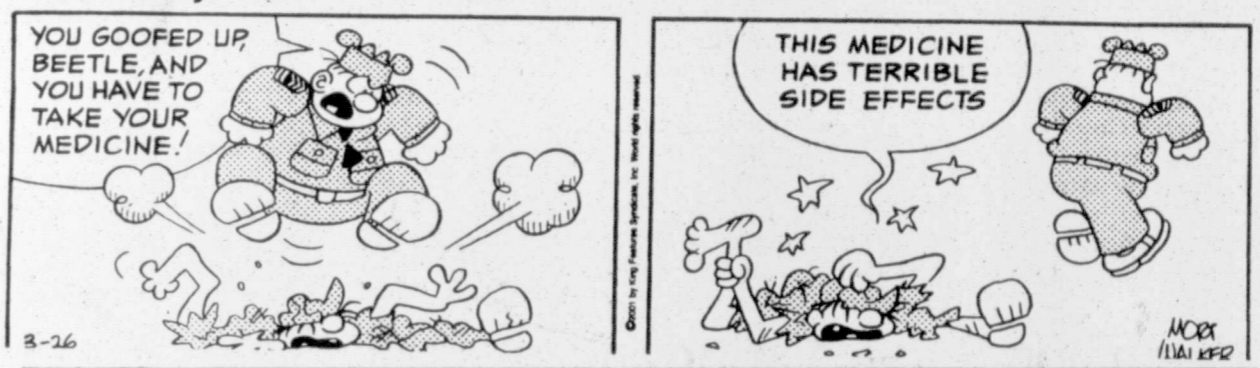
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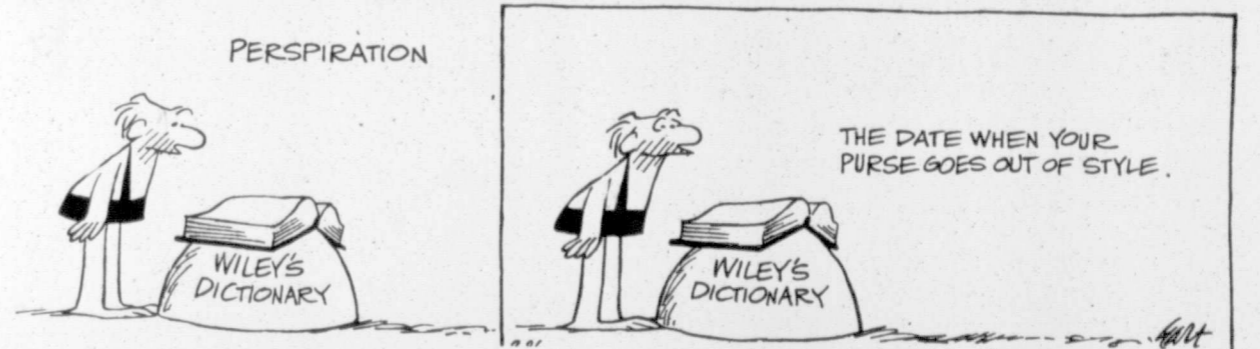
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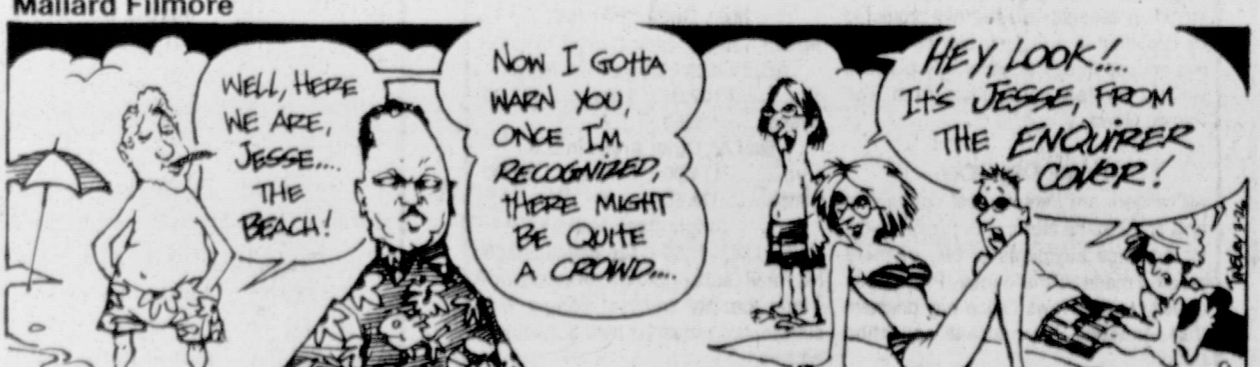
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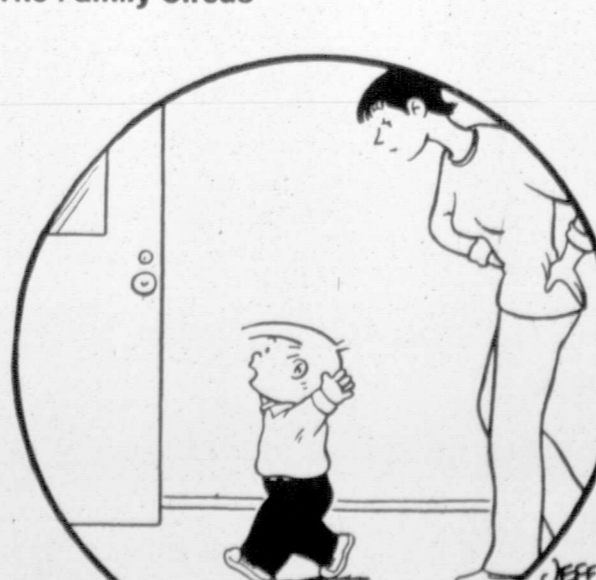
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PAMPA — Mike Podraza of Pampa made a hole-in-one on the 185-yard, par 12 hole at Hidden Hills. He used a 3-wood.

Witnesses were Jason Marlar, Pat Montoya, Aaron Hill and Steve Williams, all of Pampa.

BASEBALL

PAMPA — Pampa Kids & Youth Club will be having baseball signups at the Baker Elementary gymnasium today through Wednesday from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

For further information, contact Peter Rodriguez at 669-6023 or Robert Siaz at 669-1740.

HEREFORD — Hereford shut out Pampa 12-0 in a District 3-4A baseball game Saturday.

The game was called after five innings because of the 10-run rule.

Adam Wright's single was the only hit for the Harvesters.

Kyle Francis and Kyle Keith pitched for Pampa with Francis taking the loss.

SOFTBALL

PAMPA — Pampa lost a pair of District 3-4A girls' softball games last week.

Dumas won by a score of 12-0 and Hereford came away with a 6-4 win over the Lady Harvesters.

In other district games, Caprock slipped by Hereford 5-4, Canyon edged Palo Duro 6-5 and Borger nipped Randall 5-4.

AUTO RACING

BRISTOL, Tenn. (AP) — Elliott Sadler earned his first career victory and returned the Wood Brothers to the winner's circle for the first time in eight years by outracing John Andretti at Bristol Motor Speedway.

Sadler, in his second season driving for one of NASCAR's pioneer teams, beat Andretti by almost three-car lengths in the Food City 500.

Flashback

1955: Gary Griffin scored 27 points to lead Pampa to a 62-45 victory over Fort Worth Birdwell in the finals of the Top O' Texas Tournament at Harvester Fieldhouse.

E. Jay McIlvain added 14 points for Pampa. All of his points came in the second half.

PHS tennis team impressive in Lubbock meet

LUBBOCK — The Pampa Harvester tennis team competed in the Lubbock Invitational last weekend. Other teams entered in the 16-team draw were Dumas, Hobbs, Wichita Falls High, Wichita Falls Rider, Lubbock High, Coronado, Monterey, Amarillo High, Tascosa, Canyon, Hereford, Burkburnett, Sweetwater and Frenship.

The tournament had defending Class 5A singles champion Avery Ticer of Amarillo Tascosa and 4A singles title favorite Brad Prigmore of Wichita Falls High. The boys' doubles had 5A state title contenders Anderson and Lindsey of Lubbock Coronado, Flack and Murdock of Wichita Falls Rider and Jordan and Cornelison of Pampa. Girls' doubles featured defending 4A state champs Bolin and Bolin of Wichita Falls High. The singles division featured state title contenders Bethany Griffin of Amarillo High and Paige Brown of Tascosa.

Pampa seniors Bryce Jordan and Michael Cornelison finished second in the tournament, winning four of five matches, and came away with the biggest victory of their careers by defeating Flack-Murdock of Wichita Falls Rider in the semi-finals 6-4, 7-5. They lost in the finals to Anderson-Lindsey of Lubbock Coronado 6-2, 6-2.

Sophomores Jay Gerber and David Thacker also won four of five matches in boys' doubles. Sophomore Abby Bradley and freshman Tara Jordan each won three of five matches in girls' singles.

Junior A.J. Smith was 2-3 and junior Jared Spearman was 2-2 in boys' singles.

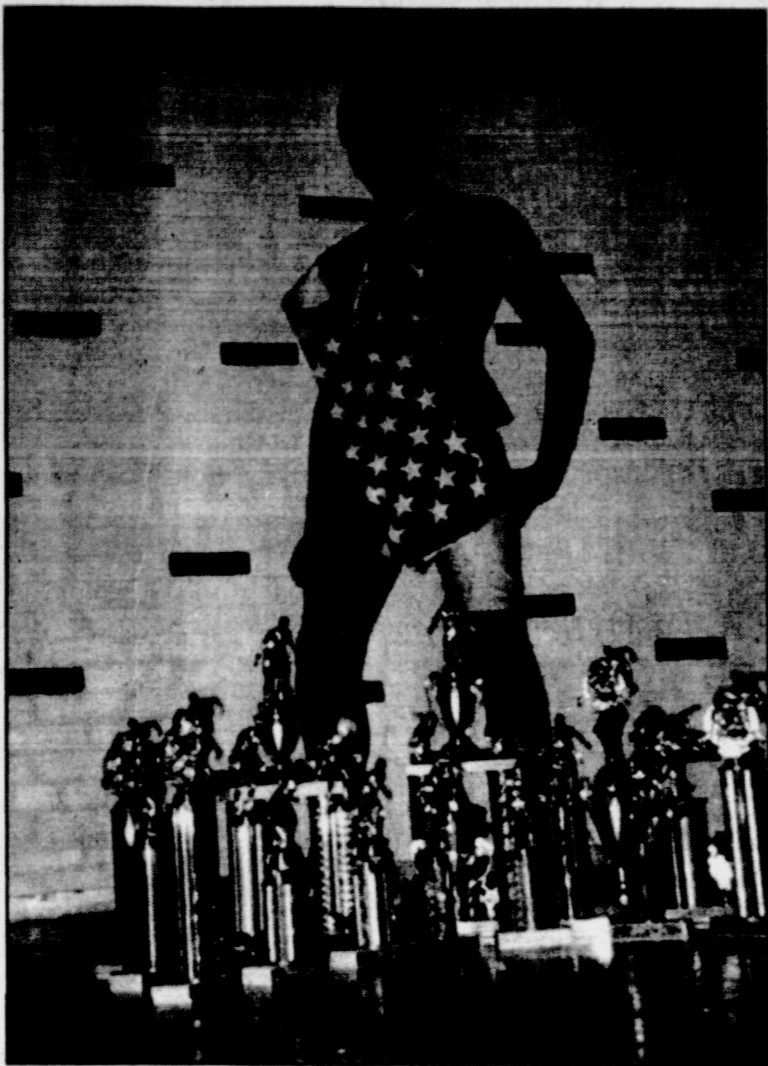
In girls' doubles, juniors Ashlei Jordan-Michelle Lee and junior Brittany Kindle and sophomore Helen Brooks each won two and lost three.

"It was our best effort of the spring," said coach Carolyn Quarles. "Our goal in the spring season is to get better each week and be playing our best tennis at our District Tournament. Our philosophy has been to play the toughest people we can play and to learn from the challenge and adversity only tough opponents can create. Michael and Bryce had probably the biggest individual win our program has had since I've been the coach. The win over Flack and Murdock solidified them as state contenders. We enjoyed that win on Friday too much, however. We didn't come back with the same intensity on Saturday morning."

I was proud of A.J.," coach Quarles said. He avenged an earlier loss to Carmichael of Lubbock Coronado. Jared, Tara, Abby, Helen, Brittany, Ashlei and Michelle all are improving each week."

Jay Gerber and David Thacker had a big win over Mehta and Herrington of Wichita Falls High 6-4, 5-7, 6-4, in the finals of the consolation division, Quarles said.

Going to Germany



Dusty Langley of the Pampa Takedown Club has been chosen to compete for America in a European wrestling tournament this summer in Germany. Dusty, who is 14, needs help with his expenses for the trip. To help, contact Sharon Strickland at FirstBank Southwest for more information. Dusty will be a member of the People to People wrestling team.

Knight will be on King

LUBBOCK — New Texas Tech basketball coach Bob Knight is scheduled to be the guest on "Larry King Live" at 8 tonight on CNN, cable channel 54 locally.

The show will be repeated at 11 tonight.

Knight was announced as the new coach by Tech athletic director Gerald Myers before a pep rally-news conference last Friday that included dozens of media members and about 7,500 fans.

The rally and conference was held at United Spirit Arena.

"Knight was fired last year at Indiana University for violating a "zero-tolerance" policy and for what university President Miles Brand called a pattern of "unacceptable behavior."

Maryland makes history with Final Four appearance

By JIM O'CONNELL
AP Basketball Writer

Maryland made school history with its first Final Four appearance.

The three teams joining the Terrapins in Minneapolis this weekend are all chasing history on different levels.

Duke, which will play Maryland in an all-Atlantic Coast Conference semifinal, is in the Final Four for the 13th time, nine under coach Mike Krzyzewski.

Only John Wooden's 12 trips with UCLA and Dean Smith's 11 with North Carolina are above Krzyzewski on the coaching list, and a national championship would be his third and tie him with Bob Knight, behind only Wooden (10) and Adolph Rupp (4).

The last time Duke was in a Final Four in Minneapolis was 1992, the second of the school's back-to-back titles.

Michigan State, which will play Arizona in the other semifinal, will be trying to become the first repeat champion since then.

The Spartans are in the Final Four for the third straight season, the longest run since Duke went five years in a row, ending with the consecutive titles.

Arizona is in the Final Four for the fourth time, all under coach Lute Olson, who led the Wildcats to the national championship in 1997.

If the 66-year-old Olson were to do the same this year, he would be the oldest coach to win the title, beating Phog Allen of Kansas in 1952 by two months.

Duke and Maryland will be meeting for the fourth time this season, with the top-ranked Blue Devils winning the first and third.

In the first game, Duke rallied from a 10-point deficit with one minute to play for a 98-96 over-

time victory. Maryland matched the road win with a 91-80 victory at Duke, and the Blue Devils won the ACC tournament semifinal 84-82 on a tip-in by Nate James with 1.3 seconds to play.

"The game we had in Atlanta was truly one of the remarkable games played this year," Krzyzewski said of the most recent meeting. "I thought the brotherhood and camaraderie that was displayed between the coaches and teams after that game was amazing. I think some of the kids even said to each other 'We'll see you at the Final Four,' because I think they know we're good and we know they're good."

Saturday's 79-68 victory over sixth-seeded Southern California gave Krzyzewski a 9-1 record in regional finals, and his 6-2 mark in national semifinals is almost as impressive.

Olson's sixth Final Four appearance — he took Iowa there in 1980 — will be his first without his wife of 47 years, Bobbi. A big part of the Arizona program, she died Jan. 1 of ovarian cancer.

"It's difficult," said Olson, whose family sat in the first few rows behind the second-seeded Wildcats' bench in Sunday's 87-81 regional final win over top-seeded Illinois. "Part of the emotion is that I'm so pleased for our guys to have to go through what they've gone through to achieve their season's goal."

Izzo made it clear the pressure isn't off just because the top-seeded Spartans returned to the Final Four with Sunday's 69-62 win over 11th-seeded Temple.

"I was always told by coaches like Jud Heathcote that if you are a good coach, the biggest pressures come from within and the pressures that you put on yourself," he said. "So with that, there is no pressure off because what I want to do is win another national championship."

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

NCAA Basketball Tournament
At A Glance
 By The Associated Press
All Times EST
OPENING ROUND
 Tuesday, March 13
 At University of Dayton Arena
 Dayton, Ohio
 Northwestern State 71, Wintrop 67

EAST REGIONAL
First Round
 Thursday, March 15
 At Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum
 Uniondale, N.Y.

Kentucky 72, Holy Cross 68
 Iowa 69, Creighton 58
 Boston College 68, Southern Utah 65
 Southern California 69, Oklahoma State 54
At Greensboro Coliseum
Greensboro, N.C.
 Utah State 77, Ohio State 68, OT
 UCLA 61, Hofstra 48

Duke 95, Monmouth, N.J. 52
 Missouri 70, Georgia 68
Second Round
 Saturday, March 17

At Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum
 Uniondale, N.Y.
 Southern California 74, Boston College 71
 Kentucky 92, Iowa 79
At Greensboro Coliseum
Greensboro, N.C.
 Duke 94, Missouri 81
 UCLA 75, Utah State 50

At First Union Center
Philadelphia
Regional Semifinals
 Thursday, March 22
 Southern California 80, Kentucky 76
 Duke 76, UCLA 63

Regional Championship
 Saturday, March 24
 Duke 79, Southern California 69

SOUTH REGIONAL
First Round
 Friday, March 16

At The Pyramid
Memphis, Tenn.
 Gonzaga 86, Virginia 85
 Indiana State 70, Oklahoma 68
 Michigan State 69, Alabama State 35
 Fresno State 82, California 70

At The Louisiana Superdome
New Orleans
 Temple 79, Texas 65
 Florida 69, Western Kentucky 56
 Penn State 69, Providence 59

North Carolina 70, Princeton 48
Second Round
 Sunday, March 18

At The Pyramid
Memphis, Tenn.
 Gonzaga 85, Indiana State 68
 Michigan State 81, Fresno State 65

At The Louisiana Superdome
New Orleans
 Temple 75, Florida 54
 Penn State 82, North Carolina 74

At The Georgia Dome
Atlanta
Regional Semifinals
 Friday, March 23
 Michigan State 77, Gonzaga 62
 Temple 84, Penn State 72

Regional Championship
 Sunday, March 25
 Michigan State 69, Temple 62

MIDWEST REGIONAL

First Round
 Friday, March 16
 At University of Dayton Arena
 Dayton, Ohio
 Illinois 96, Northwestern State 54
 Charlotte 70, Tennessee 63

At Kemper Arena
Kansas City, Mo.
 Butler 79, Wake Forest 63
 Arizona 101, Eastern Illinois 76

Mississippi 72, Iowa 70
 Notre Dame 83, Xavier 71
Second Round
 Sunday, March 18

At University of Dayton Arena
 Dayton, Ohio
 Kansas 87, Syracuse 58
 Illinois 79, Charlotte 61

At Kemper Arena
Kansas City, Mo.
 Arizona 73, Butler 52
 Mississippi 59, Notre Dame 56

At The Alamodome
San Antonio
Regional Semifinals
 Friday, March 23

Arizona 66, Mississippi 56
 Illinois 80, Kansas 64
Regional Championship
 Sunday, March 25

Arizona 87, Illinois 81

WEST REGIONAL
First Round
 Thursday, March 15

At Cox Arena at Aztec Bowl
San Diego
 St. Joseph's 66, Georgia Tech 62
 Stanford 89, North Carolina-Greensboro 60

Kent State 77, Indiana 73
 Cincinnati 84, Brigham Young 59
At BSU Pavilion
Boise, Idaho

Georgia State 50, Wisconsin 49
 Maryland 83, George Mason 80
 Georgetown 63, Arkansas 61
 Hampton 58, Iowa State 57

Second Round
 Saturday, March 17

At Cox Arena at Aztec Bowl
San Diego
 Cincinnati 66, Kent State 43
 Stanford 90, St. Joseph's 83

At BSU Pavilion
Boise, Idaho
 Maryland 79, Georgia State 60
 Georgetown 76, Hampton 57

At Arrowhead Pond
Anaheim, Calif.
Regional Semifinals
 Thursday, March 22

Maryland 76, Georgetown 66
 Stanford 78, Cincinnati 65
Regional Championship
 Saturday, March 24

Maryland 87, Stanford 73

THE FINAL FOUR
At The Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome
Minneapolis
National Semifinals
 Saturday, March 31

Michigan State (28-4) vs. Arizona (27-7), 5:42 p.m.
 Duke (33-4) vs. Maryland (25-10), following
 first game National Championship
Monday, April 2
 Semifinal winners, 9:18 p.m.

HOCKEY

Western Professional Hockey

By The Associated Press
Eastern Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
x-Tupelo	46	20	5	97	287	208
x-B-Shreveport	45	21	5	95	265	172
x-Austin	42	22	7	91	247	188
x-Corp. Christi	37	28	4	78	223	244
Monroe	34	27	9	77	220	241
Lake Charles	29	35	5	63	221	272
Fort Worth	20	44	6	46	202	282
z-Central Texas	14	18	5	33	104	128

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
x-Odessa	40	22	9	89	252	206
x-Lubbock	40	23	8	88	272	225
x-El Paso	29	32	8	66	204	231
x-San Angelo	29	32	8	66	223	280
Amarillo	27	35	8	62	227	286
y-New Mexico	43	23	4	56	271	253

Western Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
x-cinched division title	46	20	5	97	287	208
x-cinched playoff berth	45	21	5	95	265	172
y-penalized 34 points for rules violations.	42	22	7	91	247	188
z-ceased operations	37	28	4	78	223	244
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Saturday's Games
 Tupelo 6, Monroe 3
 Amarillo 7, Odessa 4

Sunday's Games
 Austin 3, Lake Charles 1
 San Angelo 5, El Paso 3
 Lubbock 5, New Mexico 3
 Bossier-Shreveport 5, Fort Worth 2

Monday's Games
 No games scheduled
Tuesday's Game
 New Mexico at El Paso

End of Regular Season
FOOTBALL
XFL At A Glance
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All Times EST

EAST CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Pct	PF	PA
x-Orlando	7	1	.875	178	138
Chicago	3	5	.375	140	160
NY/NJ	3	5	.375	92	122
Birmingham	2	6	.250	107	188

WEST CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Pct	PF	PA
x-Los Angeles	6	2	.750	199	139
Las Vegas	4	4	.500	157	113
San Francisco	4	4	.500	142	128
Memphis	3	5	.375	124	151

x-cinched playoff berth
Saturday's Games
 Los Angeles 35, Las Vegas 26
 San Francisco 21, Memphis 12

Sunday's Games
 Orlando 17, New York-New Jersey 12
 Chicago 13, Birmingham 0

Saturday, March 31
 Chicago at New York-New Jersey, 8 p.m.
 Orlando at Birmingham, 8 p.m.

Sunday, April 1
 Los Angeles at Memphis, 4 p.m.
 San Francisco at Las Vegas, 7 p.m.

Pampa youth wins calf scramble at the Houston Livestock Show

HOUSTON — Chance Bowers of Pampa took the Reliant Astrodome spotlight as one of 14 winners in the calf scramble earlier this month at the Houston Livestock Show.

Bowers, a Gray County 4-H student at Pampa High School, was one of 28 contestants who attempted to catch one of only 14 calves, halter it and bring it into the winner's square in the middle of the 1.86-acre arena.

In exchange for capturing one of the calves, Bowers will receive a \$1,000 calf purchase

certificate donated by Elmax Oil & Gas Corporation. The certificate will be used for the purchase of a registered beef heifer, which he will raise under the supervision of Danny Nusser, his county extension agent.

"Each calf scramble participant has worked hard to earn his or her place on the arena floor and each is a winner before the scramble even starts," said Tom Baker, chairman of the Calf Scramble Committee. "Those like Chance who are successful in the scramble have a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. For

him, this is the beginning of a year full of challenge, hard work and excitement. Many times the scrambler and his or her donor become lifelong friends because of the bond they have formed during the scramble year."

Once the Show is over, the heifer becomes the basis of a year-long project in which the scrambler must personally raise the heifer, groom, fit, feed and care for her.

Next year, the scrambler will bring the heifer back to the Houston Livestock Show to participate in a special competition.



Chance Bowers (left) with Gary Neslony, calf scramble representative.

Lakers dominate Kings, move into tie for first in division

By The Associated Press

Los Angeles forged a tie with Sacramento for first place in the Pacific Division. In actuality, the teams are far from equal.

The Lakers proved that Shaquille O'Neal had 23 points and 15 rebounds as Los Angeles scored 18 straight points in the fourth quarter and beat the Kings 84-72 in a Pacific Division showdown that dissolved into a rout.

The Lakers, playing without the injured Kobe Bryant, earned their sixth straight regular-season victory over Sacramento, moved into a tie for first in the division and earned the tiebreaker edge if the teams finish tied for the division lead. Sacramento (46-22), 28-6 at home, has two games in hand on the Lakers (47-23).

"They couldn't find a rhythm," said Lakers coach Phil Jackson. "They played the game we wanted, and without Webber having a really hot night, that was a big problem."

Sacramento shot 24-for-84 from the field. Chris Webber and Doug Christie each scored 15 points as the Kings had their seven-game home winning streak snapped.

The Lakers limited Sacramento to season-lows in total points, shooting percentage (32 percent) and field goals (27) and left the Kings searching for answers.

"I think everybody knows that's not indicative of how we play," Christie said. "I don't know what happened, but we've got to recover from it. We can't let a game like this get us down."

In other games, it was Toronto 102, Vancouver 92; Orlando 84, Indiana 82; Miami 88, San Antonio 83; Milwaukee 105,

Atlanta 98; Boston 102, Chicago 98; and Minnesota 105, New Jersey 91.

Sacramento had a 62-53 lead with 11:28 left in the fourth quarter Sunday, but went nearly eight minutes without a point before Vlade Divac hit a pair of free throws with 3:32 left. The Kings made just two of their first 20 shots in the fourth, and missed 15 shots during the scoring drought.

O'Neal, slowed by foul trouble early, was the difference down the stretch. He had a sequence in which he hit two free throws, intercepted a pass at the other end and outran Webber for a breakaway dunk that gave the Lakers an 11-point lead with 2:37 left. He hit five straight free throws in the final minutes.

"We didn't tear it up on offense," said Brian Shaw, who scored 14 points. "They got their open shots, and Webber and (Predrag) Stojakovic got their opportunities, but they weren't falling. It was a combination of our offense and them not making a whole lot of shots."

Rick Fox added 17 points for the Lakers.

The Kings played under assistant coach John Wetzel after Rick Adelman was sent home with the flu.

Celtics 102, Bulls 98
 Paul Pierce scored 13 of his 36 points in the last 31/2 minutes as host Boston moved into a tie for the final playoff spot in the Eastern Conference.

The Celtics and Indiana Pacers each have a 31-38 record with 13 games remaining.

Ron Mercer scored 29 and **Elton Brand** had 20 points and nine rebounds for the Bulls.

Bucks 105, Hawks 98
 Ray Allen had 25 points and 11

rebounds, and Sam Cassell added 22 points and 11 assists as host Milwaukee rallied to win its fifth straight.

The Bucks, who trailed by 17 points late in the third quarter, increased their lead to 4 1/2 games over idle Charlotte in the Central Division.

Tim Thomas scored 17 points and Glenn Robinson had 14 for the Bucks, who made 24 of 27 free throws.

Atlanta's Toni Kukoc scored a season-high 31 points, including 19 in the first quarter. Alan Henderson had 18 points and 12 rebounds for the Hawks.

Timberwolves 105, Nets 91
 In Minneapolis, Terrell Brandon scored a career-high 34 points against Stephon Marbury, the player he replaced as Minnesota's point guard.

Brandon shot 15-of-25 from the field and added six assists as the Timberwolves led throughout.

Marbury scored 32 points for New Jersey against his former team, including 20 in the second half. Johnny Newman added 24 for the Nets.

The Timberwolves traded Marbury to the Nets on March 11, 1999, in the same deal that brought Brandon to Minnesota from Milwaukee.

Raptors 102, Grizzlies 92
 Vince Carter scored 24 points as Toronto dealt visiting Vancouver its ninth straight loss in what might have been the final meeting between the Canadian teams.

Vancouver owner Michael Heisley has until Monday to inform the NBA where he wants to move the team. Memphis, Tenn., is the front-runner, with Louisville, Ky., New Orleans and Anaheim, Calif., also possibili-

ties.

Shareef Abdur-Rahim had 26 points for the Grizzlies, who went 0-8 on their road trip.

Toronto's Morris Peterson scored 20 points, Dell Curry had 16 points, and Antonio Davis had 13 points and 14 rebounds.

Heat 88, Spurs 83
 Tim Hardaway scored 20 of his 25 points in the second half as Miami won its fourth straight game.

Hardaway's 3-pointer with 20.7 seconds left gave Miami an 86-81 lead. The Heat point guard, who was 5-for-8 from 3-point range, sealed the victory with a pair of free throws with 10.3 seconds left.

Tim Duncan had 26 points and 14 rebounds for the visiting Spurs, whose three-game winning streak ended. San Antonio, 26-6 since late January, has won nine of 11.

David Robinson added 18 points for San Antonio, which failed to top 90 points for the first time in 14 games.

Magic 84, Pacers 82
 Orlando's Tracy McGrady had 28 points and eight rebounds, and Indiana's Reggie Miller missed a 3-pointer with 7.3 seconds left.

Orlando and Indiana split four meetings this season with the home team winning each game.

Jermaine O'Neal had 26 points, 12 rebounds and four blocked shots for Indiana.

Grizzlies could be going to Memphis

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — The city that once featured the Memphis Tams in the ABA could be in line to become the new home of the Vancouver Grizzlies.

The NBA was to announce Monday the Grizzlies' relocation choice for next season. The financially struggling team is owned by Michael Heisley.

A five-member committee would then study the selection for up to four months before making a recommendation. Final approval must come from the Board of Governors.

The New York Times reported Sunday that, barring a last-minute change of heart, Heisley has decided to move his team to Memphis.

Louisville, Ky., New Orleans and Anaheim, Calif., are the other finalists. However, the Orange County (Calif.) Register on Saturday said the Grizzlies had told Anaheim officials they were out of the running.

"Even though we're optimistic Memphis will be the selected city, we continue to have the business issues, the municipal

issues and the corporate sponsorship issues," said Marty Regan, attorney for a group seeking the team. "This is an ongoing process," he said Sunday. "Given the complexity of the entire deal, there are large challenges, and those type challenges are going to continue through the next several months."

Memphis, with a metro population of slightly more than 1 million and a TV market ranked 40th nationally, would be the smallest city in the NBA. However, a SportsBusiness Journal survey rated it ahead of Louisville and New Orleans as a location for the team.

In addition to the Tams, the city featured the Memphis Pros and the Memphis Sounds in the old ABA in the 1970s.

Regan wouldn't discuss details of unresolved issues Sunday but said, "Things are continuing to go smoothly."

AutoZone founder J.R. "Pitt" Hyde III leads the local investor group seeking a large minority share of the team. Heisley has said that share could approach

50 percent.

The Memphis bid also features a proposal from Memphis-based FedEx Corp. to buy team and arena naming rights from Heisley.

The city apparently would need a new arena. During arena construction, the Grizzlies would play a projected two seasons in The Pyramid, the city's current arena. Opened in 1991, it seats about 20,000 for basketball.

Gov. Don Sundquist, formerly of Memphis, had pledged state support for an arena comparable to what the state gave Nashville to help build Adelphia Coliseum for the Tennessee Titans five years ago.

Memphis has a reputation for producing NBA players. Among them are Anfernee Hardaway, Lorenzen Wright and Vincent Askew.

The city has a minor league basketball team, an XFL team and a minor league baseball team. It sought an NFL team for 30 years, but lost out to Nashville although the franchise played for one season in Memphis.

It's that time of year to start hunting the giant bass

BEAUMONT, Texas — Although it's been about 69 years since Georgia angler George Perry caught the 22.25 pound world record bass, the thought of breaking that mark always comes up in conversation about this time of year.

Call it March Madness. Call it spring fever. Whatever, the fact is that right about this time of year, bass anglers are out in force looking for wall-class largemouth bass, with hopes of maybe sticking a world record that would be worth millions of dollars.

The reason for so much trophy bass fishing activity centers on the spawn. During the spawn, the chance of catching a double-digit bass is enhanced considerably. Reason why is simple.

Bass spawn in the shallows. And when that's the situation, they are most vulnerable. It's kind of like when bucks are chasing does during the rut. The urge to mate is too much to resist. Caution is put on a back burner.

Although Texas ranks No. 3 on the nations big bass list, Georgia is first, with California ranking a close second with a 21.75-pounder. The heaviest bass ever caught in Texas weighed a healthy 18.18 pounds. Mississippi is fourth with an 18.15-pounder, and Florida is fifth with a 17.27-pounder.

A true trophy bass can weigh anywhere from 10-pounds and up. Here in Texas it'll take a bass weighing more than 15 pounds just to make the Top 50 list.

It wasn't so long ago that a 5-

pounder was a big bass. Or at least that was the case when I was a kid. In my teens, a big bass was an 8-plus. But as the introduction of Florida-strain bass multiplied many times over in Texas lakes, the margin of trophy-class was upped by many pounds.

Drilling Intentions

Intentions to Drill
 HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & ALPAR Tonkawa) Unit Petroleum Co., #1 Cleveland, 660' from South & 1100' from East line, Sec. 88,41,H&TC, PD 8400'
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 WHEELER (WILDCAT & STILES RANCH Granite Wash) EEX E&P Co., L.P., #3 Britt Ranch 'G' 44, 1500' from South & 1200' from West line, Sec. 44,A-3,H&GN, PD 13500'

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 HEMPHILL (S.E. CANADIAN Douglas) EnerVest Operating, L.L.C., #8047-U Flowers 'B', Sec. 47,1,I&GN, spud 5-18-00, drlg. compl 8-6-00, tested 8-19-00, TD 11250', PBTD 11126' — Dual Completion (G-1 was previously submitted 11-2-00, but was not received) HEMPHILL HEMPHILL (HEMPHILL Douglas) Bracken Operating, L.L.C., #1-11 Walker, Sec. 11,41,H&TC, spud 9-11-00, drlg. compl 9-26-00, tested 1-17-01, TD 8250' —
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 ROBERTS (R.D. MILLS Atoka) Bracken Operating, L.L.C., #1211 Payne Ranch, Sec. 211,42,H&TC, spud 11-8-00, drlg. compl 12-1-00, tested 2-23-01, TD 9200' —
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Healthbeat: Ankle sprains

By LAURAN NEERGAARD
AP Medical Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Call a sprained ankle the injury that gets little respect. Some ice, elevate the foot, and it'll be fine, right? Actually, millions of sufferers have weak ankles at risk of repeated sprains, chronic pain or other injury because they improperly treated that first sprain.

Now specialists are starting a campaign to help Americans properly treat a sprained ankle with at-home strengthening exercises that can work as well as formal physical therapy — and to help particularly vulnerable teen-age athletes prevent this common injury in the first place.

Orthopedists estimate an astounding 27,000 Americans a day sprain an ankle. It's the top orthopedic complaint and most common sports injury, among regular athletes and weekend warriors alike.

"People try to play through it, work through it," laments Dr. Glenn Pfeiffer of the University of California, San Francisco, who sees half a dozen patients daily who improperly treated a sprain and thus months later remain in pain.

Why? Because "no one's ever said to us, 'If you don't take care of your ankle sprain, you can run into trouble.'"

A sprain is a stretching or tearing of the elastic ligaments that connect bones in the ankle, caused when your ankle sharply turns inward or outward.

Studies show up to 40 percent of sprained ankles lead to recurring sprains, unstable joints, arthritis-like pain or other complications. And the earlier in life that first sprain, the higher the risk for repeat problems.

So the American Orthopedic Foot and Ankle Society this month is mailing all high schools a video explaining how young athletes can prevent sprains by wearing ankle braces — and joint specialists are advocating at-home exercises to help many sprain sufferers prevent future injury.

For initial sprain treatment, think RICE: rest, ice, compression with an elastic ankle wrap, and elevation.

But significant sprains need more — a brace to protect the recovering joint, range-of-motion exercises to prevent stiffness, and muscle strengthening and balance-restoration exercises to prevent future injuries, says Dr. Michael Bowman, a Pittsburgh orthopedist who also helps treat the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Can you do that at home? Bowman studied 64 patients with moderate to severe sprains. Everyone got a brace. Half got physical therapy three times a week; the rest got an at-home kit Bowman designed with day-by-day exercise instructions. It also included such equipment as elastic bands, sold in sporting-good stores, to put around chair legs and stretch the ankle inward or outward, and rocking boards to stretch and flex.

Both groups recovered equally well, Bowman will tell a meeting of the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons this week. But at-home treatment cost about \$120, versus \$650 for physical therapy.

Pfeiffer stresses that anyone with a severe sprain or continuing pain should see a specialist. But he says many sprain sufferers can buy a drugstore brace for \$25 to \$50 and then — once swelling diminishes enough to walk normally — try three even simpler versions of Bowman's exercises without buying special equipment.

Put the front of your foot through the handles of a plastic grocery bag containing a can or two of soup and lift your toes toward the ceiling. Hold it for 3 seconds; repeat 10 times twice a day.

Stand on a stair and stretch the heel downward over the edge, keeping the knee straight, until you feel a pull in the calf and bottom of the foot. Stretch for 30 seconds, four to six times a day.

For balance, stand on just the injured leg with your eyes closed, building up to 30 seconds and repeating three times twice a day.

But preventing that first sprain is best — and Dr. Carol Frey of Los Angeles' West Coast Sports Performance says wearing a brace during sports, especially sprain-prone ones like volleyball or tennis, can help.

Many athletes tape their ankles, but tape begins loosening after just 10 minutes of exercise. So Frey studied bracing among 402 Southern California high school volleyball players. Seven of the 140 male players suffered a sprain in a season, none of whom wore the brace. Fifteen of the 262 female players sprained ankles, only five while wearing the brace.

Frey's study is continuing to follow more than 3,000 additional players to see if other factors like weight or pre-season conditioning play a role, and if girls' ankles truly are more vulnerable.

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

Age, pre-existing health problems impact treatment for older breast cancer patients

Older women who had other health problems when they were first diagnosed with breast tumors received less aggressive cancer treatment and pretreatment assessments than women who were younger and healthier, according to a new study by the National Institute on Aging (NIA) and the National Cancer Institute (NCI). The study characterizes the health problems that postmenopausal women may have concurrent with breast cancer.

"There is a major gap in knowledge about diseases that are associated with age and their impact on the cancer trajectory, prognosis, and treatment," said lead author Rosemary Yancik, PhD, chief of the cancer section of the NIA's Geriatrics Program. "We want to improve the knowledge base of health conditions that women have in addition to newly diagnosed breast cancer because these could affect the care, treatment, and outcome of the malignancy." Yancik conducted the study with Margaret Wesley, PhD (Information Management Services in Silver Spring, MD), Lynn Ries, MS (NCI), Richard Havlick, MD, MPH (NIA), Brenda Edwards, PhD (NCI), and Jerome Yates, MD, MPH (Roswell Park Cancer Institute in Buffalo, NY). The study is published in the *Journal of the American Medical Association*.

The NIA/NCI study included 1800 postmenopausal patients to ascertain the other health problems they had when they were first diagnosed with breast cancer. This information was merged with other medical record data

Women 70 years and older who had diabetes requiring insulin, stroke, gastrointestinal tract problems, mental health problems, and previous cancers were "significantly less likely" to receive axillary lymph node dissections (AxLND) compared to the youngest age group, according to the study.

on the patients' tumors collected from six regional NCI Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results (SEER) cancer registries.

This study included women with breast cancer in three age groups: 55 to 64 years, 65 to 74 years, and 75 years and older. In all age groups, hypertension was the most prevalent condition followed by arthritis. Severe heart disease affected less than 6 percent of patients 55 to 59 years but increased to second or third among conditions affecting the oldest age groups. Overall, 13 percent of the group had a previous cancer. Other diseases that become more prevalent with age were eye problems, low-severity heart disease, anemia, depression, fractures, hearing problems, osteoporosis, Parkinson's disease, renal failure, and low-severity urinary tract problems. Almost half (49 percent) had 4 to 6 comorbidities, and 9 percent had 7 to 13 comorbidities. Seven percent had no comorbidities recorded.

"For many older women, cancer occurs in individuals who already may be coping with other physical illnesses. An older woman is likely to have age-related health conditions. We wanted to know what are those other conditions and how they interact with the breast cancer. We now know, thanks to the study," Yancik said.

Women 70 years and older who had diabetes requiring insulin, stroke, gastrointestinal tract problems, mental health problems, and previous cancers were "significantly less likely" to receive axillary lymph node dissections (AxLND) compared to the youngest age group, according to the study. AxLND, a procedure with its own risks, is used to establish the prognosis or stage of the breast cancer. The stage of the disease is a strong indicator of survival for breast cancer patients. Reasons the older women did not receive this staging procedure as frequently were undefined but the absence of adequate staging is likely to lead to substandard treatment and poorer survival.

Women in the older age groups with preexisting diseases also tended to receive less aggressive cancer treatment, according to the study. The preferred treatment for breast cancer is a partial mastectomy (also known as a lumpectomy) and radiation or a modified radical mastectomy, according to the 1990 NIH Consensus Statement for Treatment of Early Stage Breast Cancer. Of those who received partial mastectomies, older patients received radiation therapy less frequently.

Among those who had early stage disease and an AxLND, the older women were less likely to also receive breast-conserving surgery (9 percent vs. 41 percent). Poor health status may interact with the breast cancer and its treatment, increasing the severity of other conditions and the risk of death from causes other than breast cancer, according to the study.

In the 30-month postdiagnosis period, 15 percent of all the patients had died, with 51 percent of those deaths due to breast cancer. Approximately 10 percent of patients 55 to 64 years and 65 to 74 years died in the first 30 months after diagnosis. In the older age groups (75-84 years and 85 years and older), the percentages of patients who died shortly after diagnosis were much higher: 20 percent and 46 percent, respectively. Other cancers and health problems accounted for a greater proportion of deaths in patients 75 and older. With advancing age, heart and cerebrovascular disease became increasingly important as causes of death.

More research is crucial to determine if treatment should differ according to age and health status, say the authors. In addition, Yancik advocated research and development of an assessment tool — a comorbidity index — that clinicians can use to communicate with each other about the influence of age-related diseases on the cancer. Breast cancer is second only to lung cancer as the most common cause of cancer death in women. Two-thirds of breast cancer cases occur in women over 55, with the highest rates of breast cancer occurring in women aged 70 to 84 years. Breast cancer could become an even greater public health concern as the proportion of women over 65 increases from the current 14.5 percent to 21.3 percent in 2030.

The study is part of a series of collaborative investigations by the NIA's Epidemiology, Demography, and Biometry Program and the NCI SEER Program to determine the impact of preexisting diseases on treatment of various types of cancer. In 1997, Yancik and her colleagues published a similar study on colon cancer.

The NIA and the NCI are two of the 26 institutes and centers at the National Institutes of Health. NIA (www.nia.nih.gov) fight cancer by supporting and conducting research in cancer biology, causation, prevention, detection, treatment, and survivorship.

Pharmaceutical researchers discover new way to manufacture drugs

WASHINGTON (AP) — Genes extracted from soil bacteria and slipped into a laboratory microbe have given pharmaceutical scientists a new source of a group of natural compounds that are used to make several major drugs.

The compounds — polyketides — used in drug production are usually made by certain bacteria families. Manipulating the genes in these bacteria to cause them to form particular types of the compounds has led to development of drugs that now account for about \$10 billion in annual sales.

Many of the drug compounds

are difficult to synthesize, so pharmaceutical companies use natural organisms, such as soil bacteria, to make the drugs in huge, industrial-sized vats.

But some key polyketide-making bacteria are hard and slow to grow, and they also resist the genetic manipulation necessary to make the drugs. This makes industrial production of drug compounds from these organisms difficult and more expensive.

That problem may be solved, according to a study appearing in the journal *Science*.

Researchers at Stanford

University of California and at Brown University in Providence, R.I., have found a way to use a common bacteria, *E. coli*, to do the work of the more finicky soil bacteria.

The scientists put into *E. coli* genes from three different soil

microorganisms, changed some of the natural genes in *E. coli* and produced a laboratory culture that churns out polyketides at a high rate.

The work means that *E. coli*, an easily manipulated bacteria well-known to researchers, could be

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Heinz Floss, a bioorganic chemist at the University of Washington, Seattle, said in *Science* that the discovery is "a real breakthrough."

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