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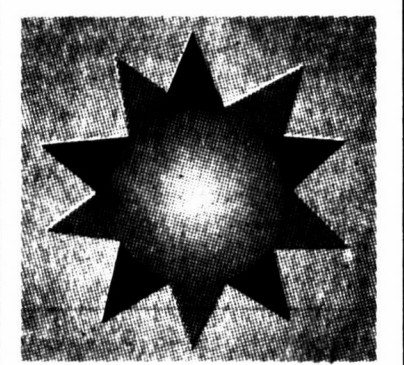
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## Woman charged in shooting, burning death

HOUSTON (AP) — A South Texas woman accused of shooting a Harris County man, burning his body and burying it in her back yard had her bond set at \$200,000 on Friday.

Barbara Jean Stanford, 33, of Porter was charged with murder Thursday and placed in the Montgomery County Jail after sheriff's investigators unearthed charred remains from her back yard, said Lt. David Moore.

The man, whose name was being withheld pending notification of relatives, had been missing since Aug. 3. Authorities, however, don't know the date he died.

Authorities detained Stanford on Wednesday as part of a missing-person investigation.

Stanford told authorities that she had killed the missing man at her mobile home and buried his body, officials said.

Montgomery County detectives gained consent from Stanford's husband to search the property, and found a shallow grave.

Moore said it appeared that the body had been burned in the grave and covered with earth.

- Jessie Keith, 99, longtime Pampian.
- Billy Joe Roden Jr., 53, retired analytical chemist.
- Thomas Oliver 'Tom' Trout, 89, retired Celanese employee.

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Ellen  
Account manager, watching movies.  
Birth date and place: Feb. 22, 1962.  
Family: Wife and son's two



(Pampa News photo by Kate B. Dickson)

**Pampa Firefighters Association vice president, equipment operator Jesse Hanes, center, and past president of the union, Capt. Doug Pritchett, listen to City Commissioners discuss a sales tax proposal last week. Left is Hidden Hills Golf Course pro David Teichmann and at front right is Public Works Director Richard Morris.**

## Registered sex offender list released Police comply with Texas sign-up law

The Pampa Police Department is getting in compliance with a state law requiring that a notice of sex offender registration be provided local media when convicted offenders move or return to a Texas community.

Det. David Conner said the law calls for the reporting of sex offenders who qualify under the assigned risk categories of Level 1 and Level 2.

The names and information about two sex offenders in Pampa were provided late last week.

Duane Curtis King, 22, 412 Jupiter, has been assigned a Level 1 risk, according to the press release. He was convicted on 12/10/2000 of indecency with a child/sexual contact.

The purpose for designating King as Level 1, according to the release is as follows: Subject had a designated level of points as determined by the sex offender screening tool and a basis for concern the person poses a serious danger to the community or will continue to engage in criminal sexual activity.

Michael Jack Cook, 45, 1315 N. Coffee, has been assigned a Level 2 risk, the release said. He was convicted on Aug. 13, 1999 of indecency with a child/sexual contact.

The purpose for designating King as Level 2, according to the release is as follows: Subject had

(See OFFENDERS, Page 5)

## Two World War II vets honored

Walter 'Don' Emmons and Marvin Leroy Gray were honored for their military service as the 2001 inductees to the Hall of Honor & Heroes at the 14th annual Freedom Museum USA honors banquet Friday at the Pampa VFW Hall.

Born in Enid, OK on Sept. 24, 1923, Marvin Leroy Gray moved with his family to Pampa in 1929 when his father took a job at the Dansiger Refinery. Gray attended Baker and Wilson elementary schools, finishing at Pampa High School in 1942.

After school he went to work for the Corps of Engineers where he helped build the Pampa Army Air Base. He was drafted into the Army in January 1943, serving in the 291st Combat Engineers Battalion in England and Europe until World War II

ended. The engineers of the 291st were in front of the infantry and artillery, clearing a path and bridging the gaps for the soldiers to get through.

Gray's favorite bridge, he says, spanned the Rhine. It was the first crossing in the history of Germany and the last main obstacle to winning the war. Many times the Germans bombed the bridge as fast as the 291st could build it, requiring them to start over again and again.

Gray, along with the battalion, built 23 timber bridges, 44 Bailey bridges and seven Treadway bridges. They cleared 7,000 mines, deactivated 15 bombs, blew up six bridges, took 8,500 prisoners and rescued 235 people. They did this in less than one year, often while under fire. In March



Walter 'Don' Emmons

1945, they built a 1,080-foot bridge in 32 hours, during which they were under constant shelling and bombing from the enemy.

Gray served in five major European campaigns, includ-



Marvin Leroy Gray

ing the Normandy Invasion, the Northern France Campaign, the Rhineland, The Battle of the Bulge and the Central Europe Campaign.

While in the military, he

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## Schools hold line on meal prices

By NANCY YOUNG  
Managing Editor

School bells began ringing at some area schools for the 2001-2002 school year as White Deer Independent School District begins classes last week.

Students at Grandview-Hopkins and Letors Independent School District start classes Monday. Pampa Independent School District and McLean Independent School District begin Tuesday.

Regular school lunch and breakfast prices at all the schools are remaining the same as the last school year. Assistance is available for students in obtaining lunch and breakfast while at school.

White Deer's lunch prices are: K-4, \$1.25;

grades 5-12, \$1.50; teachers, \$2; and visitors, \$2.25. All student breakfast prices are \$.65 cents.

Grandview-Hopkins student lunches for all grades are .35 cents each. Breakfast meals will cost .10 cents.

Students in the Letors ISD in grades K-5 will pay .85 cents for lunch while grades six through 12 students are charged \$1.10. Teachers are charged \$1.60 and visitors are charged \$3.25. Fee for breakfast for all students is .60 cents. Teachers are charged \$1 each.

Pampa students regular prices for lunch are: elementary, \$1.05; middle school, \$1.15; and high school, \$1.25. Adult visitors are charged \$2.50 for lunch. Breakfast prices are .65 cents.

McLean ISD lunch prices are K-5, \$1.75; grades six through 12, \$2; teachers, \$2.25; and visitors, \$2.50. All breakfast prices are 50 cents.

Free and reduced meals are available for children in the school district.

Application forms are distributed by the schools to all households with school-age children explaining the policy of the National School Lunch Program and the procedures implemented. Application forms are also available in each school principal's office.

In order for schools to determine eligibility for free and reduced-price benefits, any households which received food stamps or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (See SCHOOLS, Page 5)

## Sunday snapshot



Name: Gary Jackson Sr.  
Occupation/activities: Account manager, watching movies.  
Birth date and place: Feb. 22, 1962.  
Family: Wife and son's two

daughters.

If I had a different job, I'd be a: NBA All-Star.

My personal hero: Michael Jordan.

The best advice I ever got was: Don't give up when things get tough.

People who knew me in high school thought: I was lucky for leaving Dallas.

The best word or words to describe me: Hard worker.

People will remember me as being: A straight-up person.

The four guests at my fantasy dinner party would be: Michael Jordan, Charles Barkley and my two sons.

My hobbies are: Watching movies and football.

My favorite sports team is: San Francisco 49ers.

My favorite author is: James Patterson.

The last book I read was: "Along Came a Spider."

My favorite possession is: Our home.

The biggest honor I've ever received is: The birth of my kids and my wife.

My favorite performer is: Ice Cube.

I wish I knew how to: Operate a computer.

My trademark cliché or expression is: Never personal, always business.

My worst habit is: Smoking cigarettes.

I would never: Leave Pampa and give up on God.

The last good movie I saw was: "Sweet November."

I stay home to watch: Sports,

movies.

Nobody knows: The troubles I've seen.

Someday I want to drive a: Benz or BMW.

My favorite junk food is: M&Ms.

My favorite beverage: Diet Coke.

My favorite restaurant is: Amber's.

My favorite pet: My dog, 'Lil' bet.

My favorite meal is: T-Bone steak, fried squash, mashed potatoes.

I wish I could sing like: Gerald Lavert.

I'm happiest when I'm: With my family.

I regret: Trusting some people.

I'm tired of: This heat.

My biggest fear is: Snakes.

The electrical device I couldn't live without is: Air conditioner.

My most embarrassing moment: Falling down when someone was watching!

The biggest waste of time is: Grumbling and griping.

If I won the lottery, the most extravagant thing I would do is: Buy a big body Benz, a big house, help others, indoor pool at my house.

If I had three wishes they would be: 1) More money; 2) nicer car; 3) help the unfortunate people.

If I could change one thing about Pampa, it would be: To bring more work in the town of Pampa.

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# Daily Record

## Obituaries

### JESSIE KEITH

Jessie Keith, 99, of Pampa, died Friday, Aug. 17, 2001. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Monday in Fairview Cemetery with Dr. Randy White, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Born Jan. 27, 1902, at Moore, Okla., Mrs. Keith had been a Pampa resident most of her life. She married Arza Keith in Gray County.

She was a member of First Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Arza; a sister, Virga Tharp; and a brother, D.B. Jameson.

Survivors include a sister, Golda Saulsbury; and several nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be to First Baptist Church, 203 N. West, Pampa, TX 79065.

### BILLY JOE RODEN, JR.

Billy Joe Roden, Jr., 53, of Pampa, died Thursday, Aug. 16, 2001. The body was cremated and consequently will not be available for viewing. Memorial services will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday in Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Roden was born Feb. 1, 1948, at Pampa and was a 1966 Pampa High School graduate. He held a degree from Frank Phillips College in Borger and earned a bachelor of science degree in chemistry from West Texas State University in Canyon in 1975.

He married Monica Weinheimer on June 8, 1968, at Groom. He worked at Cabot Corporation from 1969-1975 and was a chemist for Texaco's Oil and Gas Laboratory from 1975 until retiring as senior analytical chemist in 1998.

He was a member of American Chemical Society and American Petroleum Institute. Survivors include his wife, Monica, of Pampa; two sons, Chris Roden of Pampa and Victor Roden of Amarillo; a daughter, Jennifer Roden of Pampa; his mother, Drama Lindsey of Pampa; a brother, Jerry Wright of Phoenix, Ariz.; a sister, Sandi Nickel of Aspen, Colo.; and a grandchild.

The family will be at 116 Walnut Drive in the Walnut Creek addition north of the city and requests memorials be to Pampa Sheltered Workshop, 1301 W. Somerville, Pampa, TX 79065.

### THOMAS OLIVER 'TOM' TROUT

Thomas Oliver "Tom" Trout, 89, of Pampa, died Friday, Aug. 17, 2001, at Pampa. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday in Central Baptist Church with Dr. Derrell Monday, pastor, and the Rev. Rick Parnell, associate pastor, officiating. Graveside services will be at 4 p.m. Monday in Riverside Cemetery at Mangum, Okla., under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Trout was born Jan. 26, 1912, in Dodson, Texas. He graduated from East View High School and attended Decatur Baptist College. He married Glendene Kirby on Jan. 5, 1946, in Wellington.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army during World War II, serving in the 341st Division of the Infantry in North Africa and Italy.

He was a farmer in Greer County, Okla., until moving to Pampa in 1952. Mr. Trout was an operator for Celanese Corporation, retiring after 25 years of service.

He was a member of Central Baptist Church. He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers; and two sisters.

Survivors include his wife, Glendene Kirby Trout, of the home; two daughters, Eileene Moss of Amarillo and Karon Ann Bonnell of Pampa; two grandsons, Charles Douglas Moss of Amarillo and William Thomas Moss of Abilene; a granddaughter, Jennifer Rene Bonnell of Stillwater, Okla.; and several nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be to American Heart Association or to American Diabetes Association.



## Services

### Services today

**FLOYD, J.B.** — Memorial services, 4 p.m., The Other Corner Bar, Pampa.

### Services tomorrow

**KEITH, Jessie** — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.

**RODEN, Billy Joe, Jr.** — Memorial services, 10:30 a.m., Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

**TROUT, Thomas Oliver "Tom" Trout** — 10:30 a.m., Central Baptist Church, Pampa. Graveside services, 4 p.m., Riverside Cemetery, Mangum, Okla.

## Ambulance

Rural/Metro made the following calls during the 48-hour period that ended at 7 a.m. Saturday.

### Thursday, Aug. 16

9:37 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to Baptist St. Anthony West in Amarillo.

11:50 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Northwest Texas Hospital and transported one to PRMC.

7:32 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of W. Kingsmill and transported one to PRMC.

10:29 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the Jordan Unit and transported one to PRMC.

### Friday, Aug. 17

4:59 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded Highway 60 on an accident; no transport.

### Saturday, Aug. 18

12:59 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Purviance and Francis; no transport.

## Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

### Friday, Aug. 17

4:59 p.m. - Two units and five firefighters responded three miles west on Highway 60 to an automobile accident.

### Saturday, Aug. 18

2:01 a.m. - Two units and six firefighters responded to the 1500 block of West Kentucky. The call was canceled due to a faulty alarm.

## Court report

The following divorces were granted from April 1 through July 31, according to District Clerk records.

Gerald M. Heard and Mary Iva Heard  
Kenneth Wayne Hopson and Renee Thornhill Hopson

Randy L. Mitchell and Teresa Gay Mitchell  
Lewis Dee Robinson and Desiree Lynnette Robinson

Alton Henry Watson and Juanita Sue Watson  
Felipe Michael Galviz and Lori Leigh Galaviz  
Scott Hahn and Nancy Hahn

Christine M. McDonald and Mark Wayne McDonald  
Sherrie Lee Nicolet and Dan Douglas Nicolet  
Matthew Lynn Schiffman and Alma Blanca Schiffman

Deborah Ann Skinner and Joe Don Skinner  
Richard Eugene Brookshire and Tami Brookshire

Barbara Ledbetter and Edward Ledbetter  
Ladawnetta Beth Rowell and Donald Dean Rowell

Toni L. Brown and George Andrew Brown III  
Heidi Lynn Gamble and Scotty Wayne Gamble  
James Lee McElroy and Sonya Mae McElroy  
Shelly Marie Robles and Christopher Robles  
John T. Starnes and Wendy T. Starnes  
Lynette M. Young and Brian David Young  
Betty Lee Killebrew and Wilburn, Newton Killebrew

Cheri L. Newman and Herschel G. Newman Jr.

Paul Ortega and Sharon Ann Poole  
Laura Jean Stark and Eli Samuel Stark  
Cynthia Norris and Timothy James Norris  
Rhonda Ely and Jared Brad Ely  
Cathy Jean Mullen and Jeffrey Martin Mullen  
Jeanne Lynn Lauderdale and Brantley Trey Lauderdale

Susan A. Hoelting and Neal A. Hoelting  
Jimmy Ray Stone and Deborah Gayle Stone  
John Edward Jenkins and Eula Mae Jenkins  
Rosa Ramos and Raul Ramos

## New Houston school policy puts paddling in past

HOUSTON (AP) — A whack on the backside with a paddle for running in the halls or throwing one too many erasers was once a sanctioned discipline practice at Houston schools, but not any more.

When classes start on Monday, administrators in the Houston Independent School District can scratch paddling off their list of worries. The school board recently voted to ban corporal punishment.

Educators who applaud the change say more positive approaches to discipline can work at home, too.

"I don't like beating kids," district Superintendent Kaye Stripling said. "I think we are a sophisticated society that can learn ways to discipline children other than hitting them."

Over the past 10 years, the use of corporal punishment in the district had diminished. For several years the district used a waiver system, which meant schools that wanted to paddle had to seek permission from the district. Campus administrators also had to have parental permission.

## Mother sees return of son missing in action for 32 years

ROSENBERG, Texas (AP) — A southeast Texas mother watched with mixed emotions as the flag-draped coffin of her son, who was declared missing in action for more than 30 years, arrived at Houston's Hobby Airport on Friday.

"For four years, I didn't want to leave the house. I just wanted to be home in case they called," said Geneva Martinex of Richmond.

Rudy Ray Becerra was 18 when he left home in March of 1969 to fight a war half a world away. Nearly one year later, his Army UH-1H Huey helicopter was shot down in the Dragon's Tail region of Ratanokiri Province, Cambodia, and he was never found.

The tragic accident happened on March 24, 1970. Becerra and fellow crew members had just performed an emergency mission to extract a Special Forces Long-Range Reconnaissance Patrol Operation when their helicopter was hit by enemy fire. The helicopter exploded, struck a hillside, crashed and burned.

An aerial search found no survivors, and no recovery mission was ordered because of the presence of enemy troops in the area. All on board the helicopter were declared MIA, or missing in action.

## Four sentenced in identity theft

DALLAS (AP) — Four Fort Worth area men who sometimes dressed as women while conducting an identity theft scam have been sentenced to prison terms, authorities said.

U.S. District Judge John McBryde of Fort Worth, citing monetary losses as well as mental anguish suffered by the victims, on Friday passed out higher sentences than recommended by U.S. sentencing guidelines.

One of the four, Vincent Mulanax, had filed a motion asking the judge to assess a sentence below the guideline recommendations. Mulanax, 23, claimed that, as a cross-dresser, he would have a difficult time in prison.

All four were charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury on Feb. 14 with conspiring to use fraudulent identification and related charges. In late March and early April, all four pleaded guilty to the conspiracy charge.

The four broke into vehicles and stole various identifications, according to a statement from the office of the U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Texas. The documents were then used to pur-

## People in the news ...

LOS ANGELES (AP) — After doing several back-to-back films, **Penelope Cruz** says she's "on holiday" until at least February.

"I'm taking time for other things that I want to do. I want to study photography, and I always wanted that since I was 15 and I haven't had the time to do it. I would like to start developing that for myself. It's a hobby that is becoming something more serious," the 27-year-old actress said.

Since she started acting at age 15 on Spanish television, Cruz has appeared in nearly 30 films, including "Belle Epoque," "All About My Mother" and "All the Pretty Horses" with **Matt Damon**.

Her new film, "Captain Corelli's Mandolin," also starring **Nicolas Cage**, opened Friday.

She co-stars with **Tom Cruise** in the upcoming "Vanilla Sky." Cruise and Cruz started dating after working together on Cameron Crowe's romantic thriller, which opens in December.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — TV producer **Aaron Spelling** has undergone radiation treatment for a throat lesion, his publicist said in a statement.

The 78-year-old producer has been working from home while recuperating and expects to return to a normal work schedule within a few weeks, according to the statement released Friday by Kevin Sasaki.

The statement didn't disclose whether the lesion was cancerous or when it was discovered, nor did it indicate when Spelling was treated.

Spelling's credits include "Beverly Hills 90210," "Hart to Hart," "Hotel" and "Melrose Place."

## Weather focus

Today, mostly sunny. Highs in the middle 90s. South to south-

west winds 5 to 15 mph. Tonight, mostly clear. Lows 65 to 70.

Monday, mostly sunny. Highs in

the middle 90s. Tuesday and Wednesday, partly cloudy with lows in the mid to upper 60s. Highs in the lower to mid 90s.

## VitaPro president says prison deal legal

HOUSTON (AP) — The president of the Canadian company who signed a \$33.7 million contract in 1995 to feed a soy-based meat substitute to Texas inmates said Friday he had no idea anyone had a problem with the deal until the former chairman of the state's corrections system told him as much the following January.

"It was a huge surprise," Yank Barry, president of Montreal-based VitaPro Foods Inc., testified regarding a phone call from Allan Polunsky, former chairman of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

Barry and former Texas prisons chief James A. "Andy" Collins are on trial in federal court in Houston for bribery, conspiracy, money laundering and fraud in what prosecutors call an illegal contract scheme between VitaPro and the Texas prison system.

Prosecutors say Collins pushed through the five-year contract to serve VitaPro to Texas inmates and market and distribute it in other states in exchange for \$20,000 in kickbacks from Barry.

Collins was forced to resign as executive director of the 140,000-inmate system after Polunsky learned that while Collins still held that post, he agreed to operate a private juvenile prison in Louisiana as a second career after retirement.

## Bridgestone/Firestone official testifies

McALLEN, Texas (AP) — Bridgestone/Firestone Inc. Chief Executive John Lampe said Friday that Ford Motor Co. shares the blame for a rollover accident that left a South Texas woman in a wheelchair.

"I'm not looking to fight with Ford. The issue is that we've got a problem here with people getting hurt," Lampe testified Friday in a \$1 billion lawsuit filed by the woman's family.

"We take responsibility for our tires, and tires are part of the issue, but doggone it, we have to look at the vehicles," he said.

But when Judge Filemon Vela asked Lampe if some defect in Ford Explorers caused tire treads to separate, Lampe said his company's research was inconclusive.

"One of the things that mystifies us is that so many of these accidents happen on the rear," Lampe said. "Could there be something on the vehicle that causes the tread to separate more on the rear and more on the left rear?"

## Arlington sues to keep councilwoman's e-mail private

AUSTIN (AP) — A legal fight is brewing over an Arlington councilwoman's city-related e-mails from her private computer that the attorney general's office says are public record.

City officials have filed a lawsuit claiming the e-mails aren't public records because council members conduct official business only during public meetings.

City officials also question whether the attorney general's ruling would harm any balance between the public's right to know and a right to privacy.

The city says the e-mails are not public record if they were written on a private computer and no city money was spent.

"This whole question of e-mail is evolving," said Arlington Assistant City Attorney Don King, Jr. "It's fairly new. Most of what used to go across telephone lines were voice conversations. What used to be an unofficial casual conversation is now recorded electronically."

without prior approval," said Bill Peck, director of community development in Sunriver.

Knight, the founder of the Beaverton-based athletic shoe and clothing company, owns a six-bedroom, four-bath home on the edge of a fairway at the resort. But pine trees were blocking views from the home, which county records value at \$800,000.

"A tree on private property or common ground cannot be cut

## City Briefs

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## Oil futures sharply lower

NEW YORK (Dow Jones News) — Crude and petroleum futures were sharply lower on Friday for a third straight session.

In other commodities trading, coffee and copper prices rose.

September crude finished the day at \$26.68 a barrel, down 72 cents, while the wholesale price of gasoline fell 3.5 cents to 73.95 cents a gallon. Heating oil for September delivery dropped 3.6 cents to 70.51 per gallon and natural gas dipped 6.4 cents to \$3.303 per 1,000 cubic feet.

The losses since Wednesday came despite government and industry data showing continued erosion in U.S. petroleum inventories. The Department of Energy reported Wednesday that U.S. crude oil stocks fell 2.3 million barrels to 306 million barrels last week.

Analysts pointed out, however, that despite last week's decline, the DOE data also put crude oil stocks about 8 percent above last year's levels.

"The inescapable fact is the inventory surplus, year-on-year," said Mike Fitzpatrick, an analyst at Fimat Futures.

Traders also worry that the economic slowdown may last longer than expected, eroding demand for oil, analysts said. That sentiment was heightened by the sharp sell-off in U.S. stock markets Friday.

"People are worried about the weakening econ-

omy and talk of economic problems and stock market declines reinforce the view that the economy is slowing, and therefore demand may not be there," said Tom Bentz, an analyst at BNP Paribas Futures.

But Bentz and other analysts noted that recent data call into question that theory. While demand has been generally soft this year, recent data from the DOE and the American Petroleum Institute indicate that consumption of gasoline and distillate fuels had risen sharply in recent weeks.

Longer term, analysts remain generally bullish on oil prices, as a surge in demand combines with a planned output cut of 1 million barrels a day by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries beginning Sept. 1 to send prices higher.

In London, the price of North Sea Brent crude was down 90 cents a barrel at \$24.73.

On the Coffee, Sugar & Cocoa Exchange, Arabica coffee futures charged higher Friday in a dramatic rally fueled by speculative buying. The most active December contract tacked on 9.5 percent to end 5 cents up at 57.85 cents a pound after a shopping spree the coffee pit hadn't seen since late April.

Copper futures rallied on the Comex division of Nymex as a technical breakout of copper prices in London prompted funds to cancel some of their bets on lower prices. The nearby September contract settled 1.80 cents higher at 68 cents a pound.



Dear Area Residents:

In late July 2001, NPD(USA)® Texas filed an application with the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) to build a swine genetics research facility on property located in Gray County about 11 miles east of Pampa.

Headquartered in Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina, NPD (USA)® is the leader in the development of breeding stock which is used to produce the leanest hog in large-scale commercial production in the United States. Over half the products produced in the United States using NPD genetics are certified for inclusion on a list of heart-healthy foods under the American Heart Association's Heart Check Program. The NPD breeding line provides the genetic foundation for Smithfield Lean Generation Pork™, the first national brand of fresh pork. Designed for the health-conscious consumer, these select cuts of lean, natural pork are the product of 25 years of selective breeding by NPD.



This facility we hope to locate in Gray County will supplement, but not replace, our North Carolina facility. Once completed, the new facility will house the most advanced swine genetics in the world. The 3700 sows located there will produce NPD's next generation of breeding stock.

We are excited about becoming part of the Pampa community and of the Panhandle's deep agricultural heritage. After a nationwide search, we selected Gray County because it gives us the rare combination of isolation (which is essential to protect the health of this special herd) and access to technical facilities and an educated and qualified workforce.

We know that you may have questions about this facility, and we welcome them. Indeed, prior to filing our application with TNRCC we hosted a public meeting at the M. K. Brown Public Auditorium where over 150 residents came and heard our plans. We've also met with nearby landowners and city and county officials. In the interest of gaining the insight of local officials, we submitted our technical plans to the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District for comment and we proceeded to address the points they raised.

We want to continue that spirit of open access. If you have questions about our proposed facility, please call me directly at (252) 537-9710. As we continue to work with the residents of Gray County and local and state officials on all aspects of the proposed facility, we look forward to becoming an active corporate citizen and an integral part of your community.

Sincerely,

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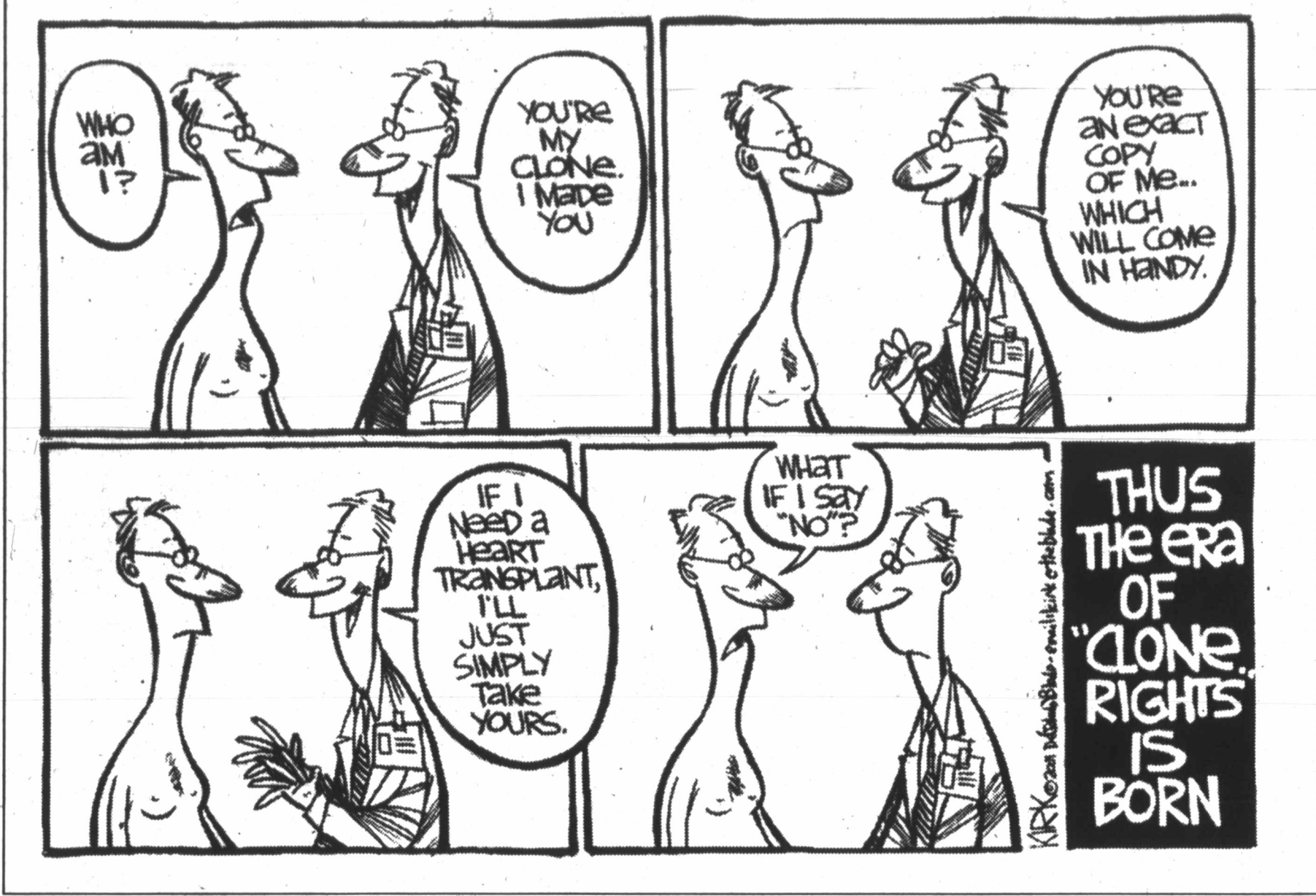
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Inside the Beltway  
 with  
 Rep. Mac Thornberry

**Energy crisis is not over yet**

Gas prices have started trickling down at the pump. California has not had a rolling blackout for several weeks. We no longer read stories about older Americans not being able to pay their utility bills. Has the storm created by the energy crisis passed?

Hardly. Refineries have been able to catch up somewhat in gasoline production, and natural gas consumption has decreased, as it does every summer. But the fundamental problems remain.

We still import nearly 60 percent of the oil we use. We still have not built a new refinery since 1976. We are still way behind in encouraging the production of new energy and in modernizing our energy infrastructure — even as we have been doing a good job in using energy more efficiently.

The House of Representatives recently passed major energy legislation that will help. It takes a broad, comprehensive approach aimed at encouraging conservation and research, building a greater national reliance on clean, renewable fuels, increasing our production of fuel here at home, and modernizing our national energy infrastructure.

Among other things, the bill includes measures that I have been pushing for quite some time now that will keep marginal oil and gas wells from being closed-in. Keeping these wells pumping is important because marginal wells account for about 100,000 of the total wells in Texas, and 25 percent of our state's total production.

We need to act now. The winds may have calmed momentarily, but there is still a storm out there.

**From our files**

**40 years ago**  
**SUNDAY, Aug. 20, 1961.** Pat Mann, manager of the Gainesville Chamber of Commerce, was elected president of the Chamber of Commerce Executives of West Texas at the group's concluding session of a two-day workshop and conference Saturday afternoon in Coronado Inn.

**MONDAY, Aug. 21, 1961.** Four Pampans left this morning for Oklahoma City where they will attend the North American Liturgical Conference, a Catholic-sponsored meeting concerned with religious worship which is being conducted this week in the Oklahoma City Municipal Auditorium.

**TUESDAY, Aug. 22, 1961.** School Superintendent Jack Edmondson announced today that the Pampa Independent School Board had approved the appointment of William C. Cooper, science teacher at Pampa High School for the past five years, as assistant principal at the school.

**25 years ago**  
**THURSDAY, Aug. 19, 1976.** Proceeds of a bake sale, \$76.47, will be given to the Senior Citizens Center by the CB Breakers Club today.

**FRIDAY, Aug. 20, 1976.** After listening, sometimes reluctantly, to several Pampa taxpayers questioning the need for a 35 percent tax increase, the board of trustees for the Pampa Independent School District Thursday adopted a record \$6.05 million budget and a tax rate to pay for it.

**SUNDAY, Aug. 22, 1976.** Cabot Corporation has announced that it will tender its 109,155 shares of common stock of Ventron Corporation to Thiokol Corporation, pursuant to Thiokol's offer dated Aug. 6, 1976, to purchase all of the outstanding shares of Ventron for cash at \$44 per share.

**10 years ago**  
**MONDAY, Aug. 19, 1991.** Officials with the Pampa Fire Department said today that they are not soliciting funds to purchase a new fire truck for the fire department.

**TUESDAY, Aug. 20, 1991.** Attendance in Pampa public schools appears to be on the rise and some elementary school campuses are again struggling to meet the state-mandated 22-1 student-teacher ratio.

**WEDNESDAY, Aug. 21, 1991.** Pampa public school trustees approved a preliminary budget during their Tuesday meeting that is \$100,000 higher than last year's proposed budget, but \$7,700 less than the final 1990-91 amended budget.

**Demagoguery will accomplish nothing**

The United Nations will open its "World Conference Against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance" (let's call it WCAR) on Aug. 31 in Durban, South Africa. Already there are threats to pull out by the United States unless agenda proposals that seek to condemn Israel by equating Zionism with racism are removed.

The United States, Britain and other former colonial powers also object to the "Declaration of Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade and Slavery as a Crime Against Humanity" document prepared by WCAR's African delegation, which seeks reparations for slavery. The WCAR will amount to nothing more than demagoguery, accusations and begging. President Bush shouldn't send U.S. representatives. Let's look at it.

According to Arnold Beichman, senior fellow at the Hoover Institution, while representatives of Arab nations demand that Zionism be equated to racism, they seek to bar from the conference agenda any references to anti-Semitism as examples of intolerance. For the conference to condemn anti-Semitism means condemning Arab media and school textbooks, which routinely publish and teach the kind of anti-Semitic libel Beichman says "would make Josef Goebbels proud."

The African delegation's "Declaration of Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade and Slavery as a Crime Against Humanity" and demands for reparations suggest more demagoguery. One might get the impression that black slave trade



Walter Williams  
 Syndicated columnist

was only transatlantic, but not so. It turns out that Arab countries pioneered in African slave trade before there was a United States. In fact, Arabs continue to trade in black slaves today in the Sudan and Mauritania.

The American Anti-Slavery Group documents this modern-day slavery at their website (www.abolish.com). The African delegation, while demanding reparations from European nations and the United States, will also be demanding apologies, as well. One wonders whether they will also demand apologies from the African countries who, along with the Arabs, sold slaves to Western slave traders — not to mention apologies from the Sudan and Mauritania.

Respect for human rights is something that should be cherished, and nowhere on earth are they fully respected — but some countries and cultures have a far better record than others. The Western world and its culture have a far superior record of human-rights protections than anywhere else.

Think about it. If you are a feminist, where would you prefer to live: Iran, Saudi Arabia, China or a country in Africa? If you are a criminal, where would you prefer to be tried and imprisoned: Turkey, Mexico, China or Russia? If you are a minority, where would you prefer to live: Burundi, Albania, Malaysia or Liberia? If you were an unborn spirit condemned to live a life of poverty, but permitted to choose a country for that life, what country would you choose: Chad, Romania, North Korea or Kenya?

A moment's reflection to any of these questions would yield an answer: You would prefer the United States or a European country. That's not to say that the United States and European countries are utopias, but by observing who's trying to flee to where suggests they are superior alternatives to other places.

History is one of those immutable facts of life — there is absolutely nothing any of us can do to change it. We can change the future. If the "World Conference Against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance" is going to yield any fruits at all, it must focus upon and try to change human-rights violations in the non-Western World.

The non-Western world must adopt some of the culturally superior characteristics of Europe and the United States. In the process, not only will greater human-rights protections be produced, but greater wealth as well. Liberty is a necessary ingredient for wealth.

**Today in history**

**By The Associated Press**  
 Today is Sunday, Aug. 19, the 231st day of 2001. There are 134 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:**  
 On Aug. 19, 1812, the USS Constitution defeated the British frigate "Guerriere" east of Nova Scotia during the War of 1812.

**On this date:**  
 In 1848, the New York Herald reported the discovery of gold in California.

In 1934, a plebiscite in Germany approved the vesting of sole executive power in Adolf Hitler.

In 1929, the comedy program "Amos and Andy," starring Freeman Gosden and Charles Correll, made its network radio debut on NBC.

In 1942, about 6,000 Canadian and British soldiers launched a disastrous raid against the Germans at Dieppe, France, suf-

fering about 50 percent casualties.

In 1951, the owner of the St. Louis Browns, Bill Veeck, sent in Eddie Gaedel, a 3-foot, 7-inch midget, to pinch-hit in a game against Detroit. Gaedel, whose function was to draw walks, was later barred from play by American League president Will Harridge.

In 1955, severe flooding in the

Northeast claimed some 200 lives.

In 1960, a tribunal in Moscow convicted American U-2 pilot Francis Gary Powers of espionage.

In 1976, President Ford won the Republican presidential nomination at the party's convention in Kansas City.

In 1977, comedian Groucho Marx died in Los Angeles at age 86.

**There is no 'let's pretend' for Palestinians**

Time for a game of "let's pretend." Let's pretend you live in a coastal county and are forced to evacuate to escape an oncoming storm.

After the storm passes, you drive back but are met by military roadblocks. "You can't come back," the soldiers say.

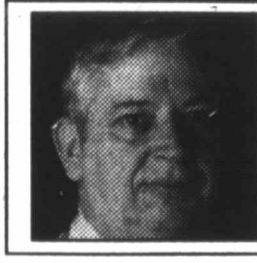
"What do you mean I can't come back?" you say. "I have a home and business there."

"Not anymore," the soldiers say. "All of your property and possessions have been declared abandoned property and now will be used by us. So turn around. You've got 49 other states you can live in, but you're never going to the home you left."

Now, let's pretend that after NATO's bombing of Yugoslavia, the Yugoslavian government had said to NATO, "We'll sign a cease-fire, but the Kosovo refugees cannot come back to Kosovo." Do you think the United States would have agreed to that? I don't think so. I think the United States would have said to Yugoslavia the right of refugees to return to their homes is non-negotiable.

Unfortunately, we didn't say that in 1947-48, when about 700,000 Palestinians were driven from their homes by what one journalist called a "psychological warfare campaign punctuated with some well-timed massacres." During that period, the Israelis drove these people out with little more than the clothes on their backs. The Palestinians left because they feared for their lives.

Then, at a peace conference, the Israelis said first off that no refugees would be allowed to return nor would they be compensated for any property lost. That was Israel's original sin. It



Charley Reese  
 Syndicated columnist

was also our original sin because the United States government did nothing and it should have insisted on the refugees' return.

The Zionists, however, were not acting in an arbitrary manner. The Zionist ideology, which is the basis of the modern state of Israel, demands a Jewish state defined as a state with a Jewish majority, a Jewish government and Jewish laws. Small, non-Jewish minorities can be tolerated, though in practice they have been treated as second-class citizens. A plural state, in which a non-Jewish group might gain a majority, is out of the question.

The problem the Zionists faced in 1947-48 was this: Despite their best efforts, they had not succeeded in persuading a sufficient number of Jews to immigrate to Palestine. Consequently, even in those areas allotted by the U.N. partition resolution to the Jews, there were so many Palestinian Arabs that the Zionists knew they would soon equal or exceed the number of Jews.

In 1919, there were 57,000 Jews and 533,000 Arabs in Palestine. The Jews owned about 2 percent of the land. In 1946, the imbalance remained. There were 608,000 Jews and 1.2 mil-

lion Arabs. In 1946, Jews owned only 7 percent of Palestine.

An Arab majority was unacceptable to Zionist ideology, so they practiced ethnic cleansing. They felt they had to reduce the number of Palestinian Arabs to prevent the difference in birthrate from eventually making Jews a minority.

So, for the same reason the Israelis drove the Palestinians out in the first place, they could not let them back in. The Arab governments said if the refugees could not return, then they would not sign a peace treaty. This original sin — the disposition of 700,000 Palestinians — bred the conflict which rages to this day and will continue to rage until the Palestinians get justice or everybody on both sides are dead.

I know it's difficult. The Israelis have done a superb job of creating a racist stereotype of Palestinians in the minds of most Americans. But try, for a moment, to put yourself in Palestinians' shoes back in 1947-48.

You had a family, a farm or a business or shop. You had friends and relatives in a village where your ancestors had lived for centuries. Then, in the blink of an eye, you are torn from your roots and cast into a foreign country with no possessions, no money and no state you can call your own. These people and their descendants are the ones Bill Clinton and the Israelis wanted the Palestinian National Authority to simply write off. But Yasser Arafat refused to sign away their rights. He refused to legitimize what has to be called one of the great robberies in human history. It was quite a bit of loot for the Israelis.



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## FIREFIIGHTERS

Closing station No. 2 will increase response times, something the firefighters say will jeopardize their safety as well as the safety of the structure's occupants. It also will mean higher fire damage, Pritchett and Waldie said.

Fire Chief Kim Powell recently prepared a list of examples for the Commission that details response time differences from some addresses with the No. 2 station open compared to response times with that fire house closed.

At 3023 Perryton Parkway, for example, a station No. 2 unit can get there in 2 minutes 10 seconds. The station No. 1 unit can get there in 5 minutes and 20 seconds. Without the No. 2 station open, the firefighters would reach that address 3 minutes and 10 seconds later than now.

Mayor Lonny Robbins' home at 1601 Charles can be reached

in 42 seconds from station No. 2 and in 4 minutes and 20 seconds from the main fire station, a difference of 3:38 minutes.

More examples can be seen in today's *Pampa News* in an ad paid for by the firefighter's association.

Both Waldie and Pritchett say the Commission "... has a tough decision to make" and believe Pampans should voice their opinion on what they call "a public safety issue."

The men point to national statistics that say a fire can double and redouble itself at the passing of one minute. That's something Waldie and Pritchett says puts firefighters and residents alike in more danger than exists with both stations open.

While safety, not the potential loss of six firefighter jobs, is "our issue," Pritchett said if those jobs are lost it will have a negative economic impact.

He said six families would have to move from Pampa and

the schools would lose more students "at a time when we're trying to build Pampa."

Both men say they are hearing a lot of comments from people who "want to know what's going on" and from those who don't want the station closed. Some stop by Station No. 2 to ask questions.

"We go to the grocery store and buy groceries for the station when we are on duty," Waldie said. "People ask what's going on. We don't go into great detail but we do give them the basic facts."

"I guess what we hear the most is that the majority of people wouldn't have a problem paying higher taxes to keep their fire services," Waldie said.

An Aug. 28 public hearing on the proposed tax increase from 65 cents per 100 valuation to 73.8 cents is scheduled for 6 p.m. in the Heritage Room at M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium.

## VETS

earned the rank of sergeant. His decorations include the Good Conduct Medal, The European Campaign Medal with Silver Star and Spearhead, The Victory Medal, The German Army of Occupation Medal, The French Croix de Guerre with Silver Star and the Presidential Unit Citation with Cluster.

After the war, Gray returned to Pampa. He began working for Cabot Carbon Company in 1946. He married Virginia Tillman of Lefors in December 1948. He has two sons, Everett and Ronald. He was active in scouting, Little League and Babe Ruth Baseball. He retired from Regal Oilfield Products in Corsicana where he now lives. His younger brother Donald Gray still lives in Pampa.

Walter "Don" Emmons was born May 25, 1930 in Iowa Park. He moved to Pampa in 1943, graduating from Pampa High in 1948.

Emmons enlisted in the Army in January 1949 and took his basic training at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas. After basic he was sent to Ft. Bliss where he was assigned to 82nd A.A. Bn. Sp., and was then shipped to Fort Lewis, Wash., to join the 2nd Infantry Division. Emmons was a half-track driver.

When the Korean War started at the end of June 1950, Emmons shipped out as part of the 9th Regimental Combat Team, 2nd Inf. Div. He arrived in Pusan, Korea on Aug. 1. He saw his first combat in just a few short days at Pohang-Emmons, where on Aug. 11, he volun-

teered to be part of an armored patrol to locate a company of infantry which was cut off.

He was awarded the Bronze Star with "V" Device for knocking out a machine gun nest with a carbine. The company was located and the patrol gave covering fire until they could withdraw to their own lines. He took part in the Nakdong River Breakthrough that drove the North Korean Army all the way to the Yalu River on the Manchuria Border. He also took part in Operation Indian Head, an armored column that drove through enemy lines and tried to get to a P.O.W. camp before they were moved — an extremely high priority mission. Unfortunately, the P.O.W.'s had already been moved.

When the Chinese entered the war in November 1950, Emmons was with the 2nd Division who covered the withdrawal of the 8th Army from North Korea. He was one of the few survivors of the battle of Kunuri, a battle withdrawal where U.S. dead soldiers were stacked in the middle of the road to stop the enemy column from moving forward.

In addition to the Bronze Star, Emmons also earned five battle stars, the Korean Presidential Unit Citation, and the United Nations and Korean Service Medal.

Emmons returned to the United States in June 1951 where he was stationed at Ft. Bliss as an instructor at the artillery school. He received an honorable discharge on June 17, 1953.

Emmons retired from the U.S. Postal Service after 27 years. He is a member of the Pampa VFW Post 1657, spending many volunteer hours working to develop the Veterans Memorial and the new VFW Post Home.

He is a member of his church, where he has served as Sunday School superintendent, assistant superintendent, assistant treasurer and past teacher of Men's Sr. Class as well as secretary for the Men's Fellowship. He and his wife, the former Minnie Ruth Atwood, celebrated their 50th anniversary this year. They have three children and seven grandchildren.

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## OFFENDERS

a designated level of points as determined by the sex offender screening tool or a basis for concern the person poses a serious danger to the community or will continue to engage in criminal sexual activity.

Asked the difference between Level 1 and 2, Conner said a Level 1 has positive findings on all the screening while a Level 2 does not have positive findings on every screening test.

Sex offenders are required to report any moves they make within the community or elsewhere in Texas, Conner explained. However, the news media is only notified when sex offenders initially register.

The most current photos of King and Cook can be found on the DPS web page at <http://records.txdps.state.tx.us>

If anyone has questions concerning this matter or information, contact Det. Conner at the police department at 669-5700.

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## SCHOOLS

(TANF) only have to list their child's name and case numbers from food stamps or TANF case number. An adult household member must sign the application.

The applications will be reviewed by the school district and eligibility will be determined.

Households that list a food stamp or TANF case number must report when the household no longer receives these benefits. Applications may also be submitted any time during the year.

All households approved for the free or reduced lunches must notify the the district of any increases in household income of over \$50 per month or

\$600 per year as well as decreases in household size.

Also, if a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size increases, the school should be contacted by the household, according to the requirements of the NSL Program.

The household size and income criteria will be used to determine eligibility for free or reduced-price benefits. Children from households whose income is at or below the levels of the school district are also eligible.

Foster children who are legal responsibility of a welfare agency or court may also be eligible for benefits regardless of the income of the household where they reside. The income is based on the child's income.

## Writer still in jail for withholding notes

HOUSTON (AP) — A novice crime writer jailed for withholding notes from a grand jury investigating a 1997 murder will continue her fight despite a federal appeals court's refusal to free her, her lawyer said.

Vanessa Leggett, 33, has spent nearly a month in jail for not handing over all of her research for a book about the shooting death of a Houston woman and ensuing jailhouse suicide of a suspect.

On Friday, the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans ruled that the district court "did not abuse its discretion in ordering Leggett incarcerated for contempt."

"We'll have to make the decision whether to seek a rehearing by the entire Fifth Circuit or go directly to the Supreme Court," attorney Mike DeGeurin said after talking with his client Friday night. "I read her the opinion... we took issues with some findings."

Leggett was found in contempt of court July 20 and could be held for up to 18 months.

DeGeurin says the government is harassing Leggett, through a subpoena requesting any and all

copies of her notes and interviews.

"This overly broad, I think oppressive, subpoena was a form of harassment and unnecessary," he said. "It was done with total disregard to the public and the First Amendment."

Federal prosecutors contend Leggett is not a journalist and therefore does not fall under the First Amendment's protection of the press. Leggett has not published a book or news articles.

Leggett was researching the death of Doris Angleton, who was found shot to death April 16, 1997. Her husband, Robert Angleton, and his brother, Roger, were charged with capital murder. Prosecutors alleged Robert Angleton, a millionaire former bookie, hired his brother to kill his wife to prevent her from getting millions in a divorce.

Roger Angleton spoke with Leggett before committing suicide in jail. He left behind notes confessing to the slaying, saying he planned the murder and framed his brother. Leggett has given investigators tapes of her interviews with him.



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- On \$100,000.00 house \$54.70-\$113.81 per year.
- On \$70,000.00 house \$44.40-\$87.90 per year.
- On \$50,000.00 house \$41.20-\$81.50 per year.

These costs are only residential and do not include the higher cost for businesses in Pampa. If the City Commissioners were to raise taxes so we can keep Fire Station 2 open it will cost.

- On the average home of \$30,560.00 only \$15.85 per year.
- On \$100,000.00 house \$51.88 per year.
- On \$70,000.00 house \$41.50 per year.
- On \$50,000.00 house \$25.50 per year.

As you can see it will cost less to raise taxes than to pay the higher insurance rates. This will also keep 12 jobs in Pampa and not send more money to insurance companies.

If we close Fire Station 2 our response times will increase dramatically. Look at these response times. Do you live near one of these locations?

Destination	From Station 2	From Station 1	Time Difference Delay
3023 Perryton Pkwy.	2:10	5:20	3:10
1901 Holly	2:01	5:08	3:07
1213 Kiowa	3:52	6:29	2:37
1801 Lea	2:40	4:42	2:02
1400 Lynn	3:40	5:08	1:28
1000 Deer Place	2:35	4:55	2:20
Chaumont Addition	3:40	6:04	2:24
2135 Charles	1:17	4:11	2:54
1601 Charles	0:42	4:20	3:38
2312 Christine	1:27	4:25	2:58
1100 Mary Ellen	1:34	2:53	1:19
1814 Hamilton	1:36	4:55	3:19

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# Summer temper tantrum provides much-needed respite

The lid finally blew off the high pressure cooker. Meteorologically speaking, rain washed away bad tempers and perked up lawns. The unrelenting summer turned sharply toward fall.

Hot days will return, no doubt. Somehow, though, summer's temper tantrum lost a bit of its liveliness. The days grow slowly shorter. An indefinable mellowness lingers in the evening air.

Summer ranks at the bottom on my list of seasons. It is too hot and buggy. Strangely enough, considering my love of gardening, spring is just one step above summer. Spring is too fickle.

The thin, cool days of fall tap an unknown internal energy source. Fall is the equivalent of preparing for a long winter's nap. Winter is essential for resting and dreaming.

Oh, I know I am too anxious for the crisp autumn days. Wishing for the future fritters away the present. Many chores lie dormant beyond my front door. These chores, shoved aside by unbearable heat, beckon me to pull on my work gloves.

Sitting on the back steps of the

courtyard, Lucky's head on my shoulder and Ashes' squatty body propped against my leg, I plotted new spots for my rocks. Content in the soft, cool breeze, we sat quietly, enveloped in evening magic. While I mentally arranged rock borders, the beasts,

I think, contemplated new digging grounds.

Spider mites are a particularly nasty problem in hot, dry weather. These teeny pests cause yellowish leaves which prematurely drop from the plant. Spider mites detest humid conditions.

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Spraying or misting the infected plant with water usually deters these bugs.

If the infestation is severe, harsher measures are required. An excellent organic (and easy) solution is an oil-detergent spray. Combine 1 cup of vegetable oil and 1 tablespoon of liquid detergent. Shake well. Add 1 tablespoon of this mixture to 1 cup of water. Spray well. An hour after spraying, wash off the plants with a spray of clear water. Spider mites are hardy little devils. They have become resistant to many of the commercial sprays.

While spider mites may be resistant to chemical sprays, they are not resistant to tobacco tea. Make this homemade mixture by soaking a whole cigarette or cigar butt overnight in a cup of water. Strain and add 1/4 teaspoon of olive oil. Mix thoroughly and spray. Repeat weekly until infestation is gone. Wear gloves and do not use on vegetables. Organic or chemical sprays should be applied in the early morning or late evening.

Do you have a special gardening interest or problem? E-mail me at [gardenwise@excite.com](mailto:gardenwise@excite.com).

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"To fight any enemy — human or insect — it is necessary, first, to know what it is." — M. G. Kains, 1945

## WT Business Services to offer new program

CANYON — West Texas A&M University's Office of Business Services will begin providing new business development assistance to rural communities in the Texas High Plains beginning Sept. 1. The help will come in the form of a unique agribusiness incubator concept that combines physical facilities and virtual links for the most effective and efficient use of resources.

The project is a joint effort between WTAMU's T. Boone Pickens College of Business, WTAMU's Division of Agriculture, the Texas Cooperative Extension and the State of Texas.

Because of their concern with the continuing economic decline of rural Texas and the ongoing erosion of basic income and jobs, the Texas Legislature committed \$1.5 million to the agribusiness incubator project, Don Taylor, executive director of the Office of Business Services and administrator of the incubator project, said.

"This is a great partnership that brings the resources from our University, The Texas A&M University System and the State of Texas together to focus on creating basic income and jobs," Taylor said. "We understand the problems that both business and agriculture face, and we know there are solutions. The funds will be used to leverage federal matching dollars that will further enhance the potential of the project."

The incubator project will provide business and management development counseling, administrative support services, on-line research and support, on-line training programs and specialized services. The program will be available to pre-venture businesses, startups and early-stage companies.

The incubator's office and technology support center will be located in Amarillo. Taylor said he expects to have at least six rural communities linked the first year and a total of 12 by 2003. Additional staff will be hired in 2002, he said.

For more information about the incubator project, contact Taylor at (806) 374-9777.

## Electric Motor joins EASA

Electric Motor and Equipment in Pampa was recently elected an active member of Electrical Apparatus Service Association, Inc. (EASA).

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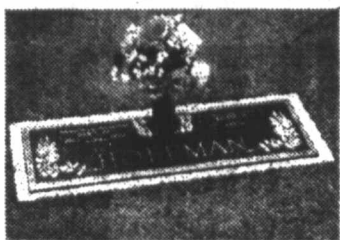
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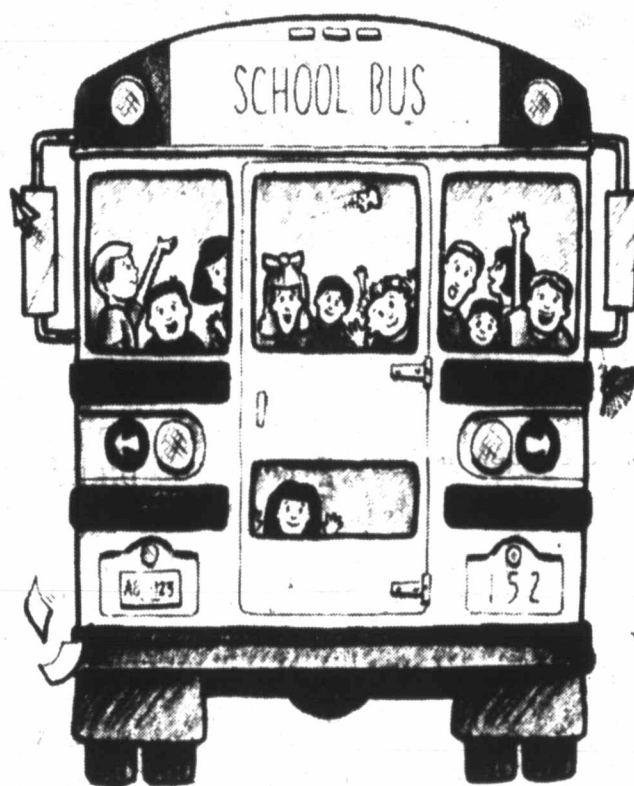
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**Letters to the editor**

**'Women's rights' and 'helping the poor' ...**

To the editor,  
Claudia Stravato, head of Planned Parenthood of Amarillo and the Texas Panhandle, states in her recent diatribe against the Knights of Columbus that Planned Parenthood doesn't lure children into sex. If you are an adult, please take a look at Teenwire.com, Planned Parenthood's website for teens, and decide for yourself.  
I spent some time viewing it this morning, and I am still reeling from the experience. The "Ask the Experts" tab gives graphic answers to such questions as: "I need to know how to give oral sex!" That is just the tip of the iceberg. Most of the other topics (around 100 of them) are far too graphic to even mention here. The "expert advice" on these pages is absolutely shocking.  
I am a 49-year-old mother of three, and I have never seen such language used anywhere other than magazines directed toward the exploitation of women and children. There are words and descriptions of sexual methodology that I have never heard of and certainly never needed to know. And this, they say, is honest, safe, age-appropriate information for teens! Information kids need to know!

I never dreamed that an adult would even think of talking to young people in this manner, and especially an organization that claims it has the expertise to lead our community in preventing teen pregnancy and educating children in matters of sexuality. You can bet there are plenty of preteens reading this website as well.

Respect Life Ministries of the Catholic Diocese of Amarillo has been encouraging peaceful prayer vigils outside of Planned Parenthood facilities in the Texas Panhandle for four years, without incident. On occasion, Ms. Stravato has come out of the facility shouting at those who are peacefully and quietly praying on the sidewalk. Our response has been to continue our prayers.

To suggest that praying on a public sidewalk for an end to abortion and the conversion of those at Planned Parenthood will incite someone to violence against Planned Parenthood is unfounded. We oppose all violence, including the violence committed against unborn children at abortion centers.

Ms. Stravato points out in her letter [ran recently in Letters to the editor] that most of the funding for Planned Parenthood is provided by the state and federal government, a point most of us are not aware of and need to take to heart. It is very disheartening to know that our hard-earned tax money is going into the pockets of Planned Parenthood.

And what of the benevolence of Planned Parenthood? Can a woman get free birth control? Wanting to know their policy, I called asking about free birth control pills. I was told that it was necessary to pay for the exam and the pills unless one could qualify for a government program. Maybe that's what Ms. Stravato means when she says Planned Parenthood is no different from any other medical office.

Planned Parenthood commits more abortions than any organization in the world, and the affiliates that don't commit abortion certainly embrace the abortion-on-demand philosophy. Planned Parenthood works tirelessly to defend the reprehensible killing of children by abortion.

In January of 2001, Planned Parenthood of Amarillo and the Texas Panhandle sponsored a celebration of Roe v. Wade, the Supreme Court decision that has resulted in the deaths of some 40 million innocent children since 1973. On this occasion, Claudia Stravato referred to ensuring the right to abortion as a "noble cause."

Planned Parenthood would like to wrap this desperate act called abortion in a beautiful package labeled "choice," tie it with a gorgeous ribbon labeled "women's rights" and put a lovely card on it that says "we are helping the poor." But when you open that package of "choice," what you will find inside are millions of mutilated, dead babies and shards of their mothers' broken hearts, mixed with the tears of their Creator.

Those of us who realize that every abortion results in the death of an innocent child will not be silenced. We will remain on the side-

walks around Planned Parenthood facilities, sending our petitions to heaven and offering real help, not abortion, to those in need, until no more babies die and no more mothers cry.

Rita Diller, Family Life director  
Catholic Diocese of Amarillo

**Citizens should look into proposed budget**

To the editor,  
As I write, the Gray County commissioners are working on our 2002 budget. I don't know all their budget plans, but I will write about what I have learned. I understand they will raise our taxes somewhat and I don't have any problem with that. Last year they had no raise for county employees. They should get one next year.

A few budget items I do have a problem with are the two airports, killing coyotes, the salary of county commissioners and expenses in the district attorney's office.

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(See, LETTERS, Page)

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## Horses at small Rhode Island farm making difference

By AMY FORLITI  
Associated Press Writer

HOPKINTON, R.I. (AP) — With his forehead creased in concentration and his hands tightly gripping the reins, Jon West stretches and works his muscles to steer his horse down a winding wooded trail.

His shoulder grows stiff as he sits in a wagon, an instructor beside him, and drives his horse Monty. West doesn't mind. The 26-year-old former Marine is having fun, practicing muscle control and rebuilding confidence — goals he's had to continuously strive for since a 1996 hiking accident left him near death.

"First, they said I wasn't going to live and then they said, 'Well, if he does live, he'll be like a vegetable,'" West said about the two months he spent in a coma. "I had to relearn how to speak and breathe. I'm still relearning how to walk."

And the walking has come easier since he learned how to ride.

West is one of 130 students taking weekly lessons at In Harmony Therapeutic Riding Inc., a nonprofit riding center that uses the movement of a horse to help improve motor skills, balance and confidence of people with physical, mental and emotional disabilities.

The riders have disabilities such as cerebral palsy, spina bifida and mental retardation. Some suffer from depression. Many participate in therapeutic riding, which uses a variety of techniques to improve strength, muscle control, hand-eye coordination and social skills.

West suffered a traumatic brain injury when he fell more than 115 feet while hiking down the Silver Cascades in New Hampshire. He hit his head on a rock and landed face first in a pool of water, where he was submerged for about 10 minutes.

After nine months in the hospital, he was afraid to try to walk.

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He remembered his experience as a new rider vividly.

"I held on with both hands like 'Oh shoot, oh shoot! I'm gonna fall!'" he recalled. "I held on for dear life."

"This gives you confidence and it gives you balance," he said. "This made me walk."

When West began riding, he participated in hippotherapy, a form of physical therapy that uses the natural gait of a horse to stimulate the rider's balance and postural responses. Hippotherapy requires the assistance of a physical therapist; therapeutic riding does not.

"When Jonathan first came here, he was in a wheelchair. Within six months, he came in with his cane," said Maria Blackstone, the center's executive director. "We have people that haven't spoken until they come here. A lot of children have taken their first steps as a result of strengthening their body from riding" on the horse.

More than 100 volunteers help with lessons and care for the stable's 20 or so horses — all of which are specially trained to handle riders who are often stiff, or may have outbursts while on horseback.

Instructors say therapeutic riding works partly because of an innate connection people have with horses.

"It's the horse, it's the magic of the horse," said Barbara Poulin, a driving instructor. "If the person is receptive to that horse, the motivation is there."

The bond is evident in the smile of Annie Grills, an 11-year-old girl who has a seizure disorder and developmental delays resulting from meningitis she contracted when she was just 8 days old.

Annie, who is blind, balances herself on her horse Windsor and leans forward to stroke his mane. With the help of an instructor and volunteers, Annie rides around the indoor ring, focused on sitting up straight.

"Hug!" she shouts in the middle of it all, and leans forward to wrap her arms around the horse's neck.

Annie is slowly learning to use a walker. Balancing upright and standing in the stirrups have helped her immensely, said Amy Maslyn, who works with Annie at her home and volunteers at the center.

"It made it easier for her to retrain the muscles. It's helped her socialization, definitely," Maslyn said. "She picks out the people she likes ... and all she can do is talk. Her speech has improved because she is learning new words."

Hippotherapy was developed in Europe in the 1950s and 1960s and made its way to the United States in the '70s and '80s, said Michael Kaufmann, spokesman for North American Riding for the Handicapped Association, a Denver-based accreditation organization.

The therapy works, he said, because as a horse walks, its gait causes the rider to react with movements at the trunk and hip that are very similar to the natural strides of humans.

"We don't have expectations that this is going to cure someone tomorrow," Kaufmann said. "It's a benefit actually that over time has really helped a lot of people, and everyone improves at their own pace."

About 30,000 people participate in the more

than 600 accredited therapeutic riding programs in North America, Kaufmann said. Some centers, like In Harmony, offer hippotherapy and therapeutic riding; others offer just one program. In Harmony is the only accredited center in Rhode Island, and it is one of 45 centers in New England.

A physical therapist at Hasbro Children's Hospital in Providence said hippotherapy is a legitimate form of treatment with tremendous physical and emotional benefits.

"We've seen improvements in head control, trunk balance and sitting balance," said Ellen Sturtevant, pediatric certified specialist in physical therapy. "Some of the more involved children don't actually even sit on the horse, they lay on the horse. It's the way that the horse moves."

Sturtevant said hippotherapy has emotional benefits because it is fun and it removes the stigma sometimes associated with therapy.

"Spirits are lifted, the parents see the child enjoying another activity that's fun," she said. "They see their children participating in another activity that they may not have thought they could."

Blackstone said most insurance companies do not cover hippotherapy.

"The tricky thing is, even though they may come in and they're working with a licensed physical therapist, the insurance companies are so reluctant to recognize it as therapy just because there's a horse involved and it might be fun," she said.

Representatives of Rhode Island Medicaid and the Health Insurance Association of America said coverage is approved on a case-by-case basis.

**On the Net:**  
In Harmony Therapeutic Riding:  
<http://www.riconnect.com/inharmony/index2.html>

The North American Riding for the Handicapped Association:  
<http://www.narha.org>

## Study: Enzyme replacement shown to be effective for treating rare disorder

By STEPHANIE NANO  
Associated Press Writer

Replacing a missing enzyme in people with Fabry's disease reverses the damage caused by the rare, inherited disorder, according to a study on the first-ever treatment for the disease.

Those with Fabry's disease are lacking an enzyme that breaks down a fatty substance in the body. Without the enzyme, the substance accumulates in blood vessels, leading to kidney failure, heart attack or stroke. Symptoms include pain in the feet and hands, a skin rash and the inability to sweat. The average life span for those with Fabry's (fabry) disease is about 40 years.

An estimated one in 40,000 men has the disease.

Researchers gave Fabry patients intravenous infusions of the enzyme, called alpha-galactosidase A, which had been genetically engineered. The treatment cleared deposits from the kidneys, heart and skin, the researchers reported in a recent New England Journal of Medicine.

"For the many, many years that I've seen these patients — and some I've followed for 30 years — I've only been able to give them hope," said Dr. Robert J. Desnick of Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York, who led the research. "I think we now have something to offer them, perhaps more than hope. And this is to me a major accomplishment."

Desnick said scientists thought the treatment would work but couldn't get enough of the enzyme before genetic engineering. The biotech company Genzyme Corp., which paid for the study, is seeking government approval to market the enzyme as Fabryzyme in the United States and Europe. Desnick is a consultant to Genzyme and has received grants from the company.

A second company, Transkaryotic Therapies Inc., also has applied for approval of its own enzyme replacement therapy, called Replagal.

Last year, Genzyme sued Transkaryotic Therapies, accusing it of patent infringements on the enzyme. Transkaryotic Therapies has denied the allegations and the lawsuit is still pending.

In the study reported Thursday, researchers enrolled 58 Fabry patients in medical centers in the United States and Europe in 1999. Half were given 11 infusions of the enzyme over 20 weeks. The other half was given a dummy solution.

Researchers focused on the treatment's effectiveness on the kidneys, since kidney failure is a frequent and serious complication of the disease. Deposits of the fatty substance — globotriaosylceramide — were cleared in 20 of the 29 patients or 69 percent, compared to none in the comparison group. Deposits also were reduced significantly in the skin and heart, the researchers reported.

After the initial study, all 58 patients were given the enzyme. The results after six months confirmed the earlier outcomes, Desnick said. He said the patients are continuing to receive the enzyme every other week, and would have to continue treatment for the rest of their lives.

"These are very, very important changes that are going to impact quality of life," Desnick said. "These people are going to be able to live much more normal lives and they are going to live longer."

Dr. William A. Gahl of the National Institutes of Health said research is needed to determine whether the treatment prevents some of the other complications such as the pain, skin rash and eye problems. He said the treatment is very promising, especially since there is precedent in effective enzyme-replacement therapy for Gaucher's disease, another enzyme-deficiency disorder.

"I'm almost certain that (enzyme replacement) will be the therapy of choice within a few years," said Gahl, who wrote an editorial accompanying the study.

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**Multiple Sclerosis Society sets new criteria for diagnosing MS**

NEW YORK (AP) — New guidelines were announced Tuesday to help doctors more quickly diagnose multiple sclerosis, the central nervous system disease affecting 350,000 Americans.

The criteria were recommended by an international panel of experts, organized by the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. They were published in this month's issue of Annals of Neurology.

The new criteria keep the traditional diagnostic test of requiring two separate attacks of the disease. But they also provide guidelines for using MRIs and other analyses to determine what is a second attack.

Decades can elapse before the second clear-cut "attack" of the disease. Experts said they hope the new guidelines will help doctors accurately diagnose MS in people who have had only one attack or in those who have had no attacks, but have had a steady progression of disability.

On the Net: National MS Society: <http://www.nmss.org>

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## LETTERS

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The McLean Airport originally was built for a natural gas plant nearby. Hardly anyone uses it, so it should be closed.

There is no cost for anyone to use our airports, except to rent a hanger for plane storage. There is no log kept (that I could locate) of the people who take off and land at our airport each year.

We subsidize all our city and county services. Hidden Hills Golf Course has a city subsidy, but it also serves approximately 3,000 people with 26,000 rounds of golf per year. Each of the 350 members pays approximately \$450 a year to play golf. Now compare this to the approximately 20 or 30 people who use our airport each year, but pay no fees.

• We spend \$21,600 a year to kill varmints/coyotes and such for a few ranchers. Our employees are more important than a service needed by a few people who could pay for it.

• The \$30,000-plus which we pay our four county commissioners for a part-time job is way too much. The last time I heard, we pay our Pampa city commissioners \$12 a meeting.

• I am totally against an increase in the funding of Mr. Roach's District Attorney's Office. We already are putting enough non-violent lawbreakers in jail without his over-zealous activities to add to our prison population.

Anyone with budget concerns, which I have not raised, should come forward with their information and make it public.

Calvin Lacy  
Pampa

### Don't throw out baby with bath water!

To the editor,

We Pampans have been bombarded by newspaper reports, meetings, petitions and discussions concerning the proposed Gray County Swine Research Center, which might be located East of our city. These comments for the most part are in opposition to the proposed Center. Comments on the swine project from a Pampa citizen who is not connected with the local government or other swine project-associated organization, should be appropriate.

Please consider these pieces of information.

—The proposed Pampa project is not similar to swine projects in other states or Texas counties. Why? Before any work can begin on the Center, a legal permit must be obtained from the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, abbreviated as TNRCC.

This permit is based on local conditions, as well as all appropriate state and federal rules and regulations. The public has the opportunity to review and comment on every aspect of this permit before it is granted by TNRCC.

—How can this project be opposed before a full, technical description is known? It cannot be compared to similar installations in Oklahoma or North Carolina because Texas' rules are different. The same is true for installations in other Texas counties, which were built under previous rules and in consideration of other local conditions.

Many local citizens believe that a swine research center will bring financial benefits to our community. Several have told me that they would sign a petition in favor of the Gray County Swine Center, if they were asked to sign it.

Pampans, please don't kill this

project because of rumors, suspicions, misinformation or false innuendo. Wait for the facts before you act.

Don't throw out the baby with the bath water!  
Curt Beck  
Pampa

### Youth being taught more than winning and losing

To the editor,

I am so proud to be a parent of a Pampa Harvester. So proud that I could not contain myself any longer.

My father, Carl Lawyer, recently passed away and was a religious Harvester fan. Daddy had watched his grandsons and many of their teammates play Optimist football, basketball and baseball grow up.

These fine young men came to honor him and support their teammates, Adam and Andrew. You fine young men know who you are. I am not mentioning your names because you did this from the bottom of your hearts.

I must say, I was overwhelmed with joy and Harvester pride to see all of you among the many friends and family members.

I just wanted Pampa to know that our young people are being taught more than winning or losing. They are being coached by men who practice what they preach. "Support the team and each other," "get to know each other," and "Team work": Team work meaning more than ball handling, football plays and scoring winning runs.

I know that on the day of my father's funeral my sons' learned what friendship, integrity and being a man truly means.

Coaches and players, you have truly touched my family's heart! I will always and forever be your number one fan. Win or lose.

Elizabeth Lawyer Smith and family  
Pampa

### Just say 'no' to corporate agriculture

To the editor,

Community leaders must answer to their community. Our citizens are speaking out.

Expressing an opinion against a city-sanctioned corporation does not warrant being labeled as "commies, hippies, dictators or

racists." To do so is a ploy to change the issue at hand. Slinging mud is easier than gathering facts.

Is there a single citizen in Pampa who is anti-job or anti-paycheck? Will the city employees who lose their jobs desire to work at the hog farm? Doubtful. They want the jobs they already have. Money badly spent on other economic development investments would have gone a long way towards paying these salaries.

Towns with hog factories have not witnessed the revenues and benefits promised. In Guymon, pro-hog enthusiasts claim that 142 new businesses opened. According to a Guymon Chamber of Commerce official, only 61 businesses were substantiated and 129 established businesses closed between January 1992 and January 1998. That is a total loss of 68 business. Seaboard began operation in 1993. We cannot trade 68 businesses for the 45 jobs at NPD. Will your job or business be one of those lost?

Hog factory profits are reaped by a select few. The primary profiteer is the corporate hog industry, businesses in direct involvement with hog operations, businesses paid by direct payroll deductions of factory workers, second-hand stores and food stores.

Most hog factories shift their profits out of state and out of the country. Texas Farms, in Perryton, is not owned by Texans. It is a Japanese-owned company. While NPD is a U.S. corporation, the greatest mass of their profits will not stay in Pampa, Texas.

I am pro-agriculture, but anti-agribusiness. An Iowa State University study shows that smaller hog farms have a greater positive fiscal impact on local communities. Smaller local operations, in total, create 24 percent more local revenue, produce 20 percent more net revenue for the state and 7 percent more property taxes than one large hog factory with equal animal output.

People opposing NPD are neighbors, average people with average lives who want a healthy community. We receive nothing but hard work and stress by voicing our opinions. We believe these operations destroy rural communities and put family farms out of business. Willie Nelson, president of Farm Aid, along with Arlo Guthrie, Johnny Cash, Emmylou Harris and Merle Haggard also agree.

Since 1986, national family hog operations declined by 72 percent. This is a loss of over 257,500 family farms. Of the remaining hog operations, 2 percent control nearly half of all hog inventory.

This USDA statistic is frightening and heartbreaking.

Please support our local farmers and ranchers. Say "no" to NPD.

K.J. Davis  
Pampa

### Proposed facility would be death knell for town

To the editor,

Though I haven't lived in Pampa for over 30 years, it still remains dear to my heart, and we visit often since my mother and my wife's parents and brother's family still live in the town.

Actually, I lived in Kings Mill and was referred to as the "Mayor of Kings Mill" by Warren Hasse when I played basketball for the Pampa Harvesters back in 1953, 1954 and 1955. Those were the "good ol' days." Pampa had the best basketball team in the State of Texas, the residents were excited and the city government and Chamber of Commerce worked hard to keep the economy strong.

My memories of Pampa and growing up there are all positive, and I consider it a privilege to have been raised in such a fine place and where the people were committed to their community.

Last week my wife and I were visiting, and to my great dismay, I learned that a hog farm was planning to locate east of town. My wife's grandfather, Harry A. Nelson, bought land east of Pampa around the year 1906. He raised his family there, and his daughter, Virginia Nelson Harvey, raised her family there.

Her son, Lloyd Harvey, still farms this family land. A feedlot was put in next to the home place in the 1970s (despite a trip to Austin courthouses) and virtually everyone in the surrounding area was forced to move because of the odor, dust, flies, etcetera.

It has been heartbreaking to my wife that the farmland where she grew up has become so smelly and polluted that they have even considered moving the family home. Now a hog farm is planning to locate three miles from the farm. That would be the complete ruination. In

essence, she feels she has lost her heritage.

Speaking of heritage, remember I grew up in Kings Mill. There is no more Kings Mill. My heritage is also gone. Why? The pollution of the Celanese Plant forced the complete elimination of that little town. We drive by, and it is still hard to believe that there is absolutely nothing standing — and to think I was the mayor!

At least the Celanese people did not intentionally allow the pollution to occur, and in fact, did everything they could to right the situation when it became evident that the environment was threatened. I believe this is a part of the commitment I saw when I was in school at Pampa.

From everything I have read and have learned, Pampa would be walking into an absolute nightmare to allow this hog farm facility to set up stakes. The regulations to protect the environment and the people are not what

they should be and what few regulations that are in place are not properly enforced.

If you really study the situation, Pampa would be committing suicide to allow the hog farm to enter. I mean that literally ... the natural water shed from the proposed site empties into the Red Deer Creek which flows into the Ogallala Aquifer and a recharge zone is close by.

Pampa citizens, please listen to the people who have experienced what it is like to have a hog farm on their borders. This would do absolutely nothing but fatten the pockets of the hog farm owners, nothing to help Pampa economically. Do everything to prevent this from happening. It would be the first step down a very unhappy — and smelly — road. Save the heritage of your children and grandchildren.

E. Jay McIlvain  
Victoria

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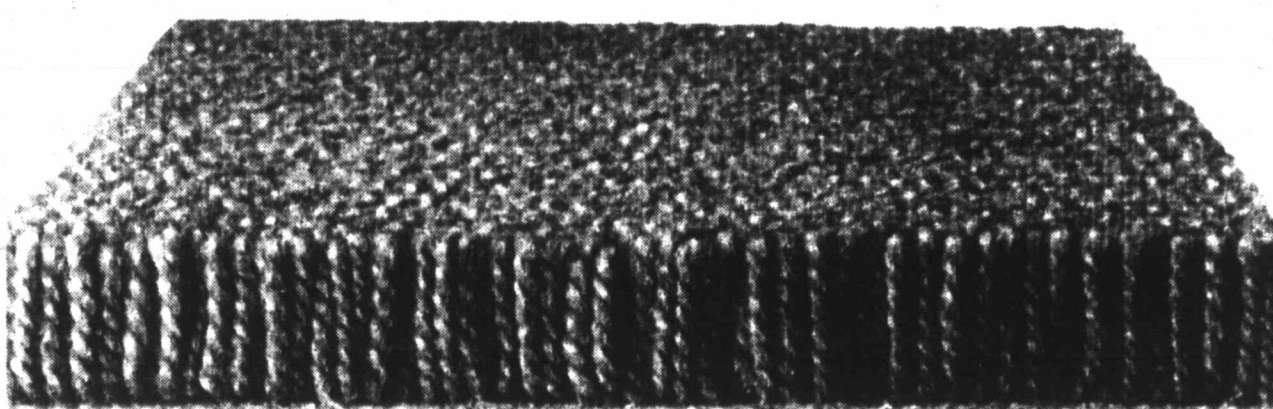
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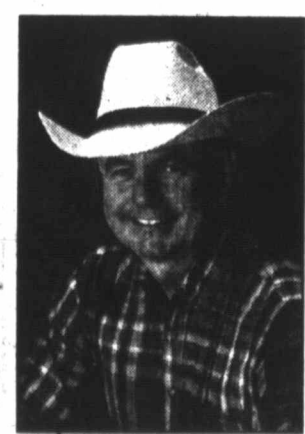
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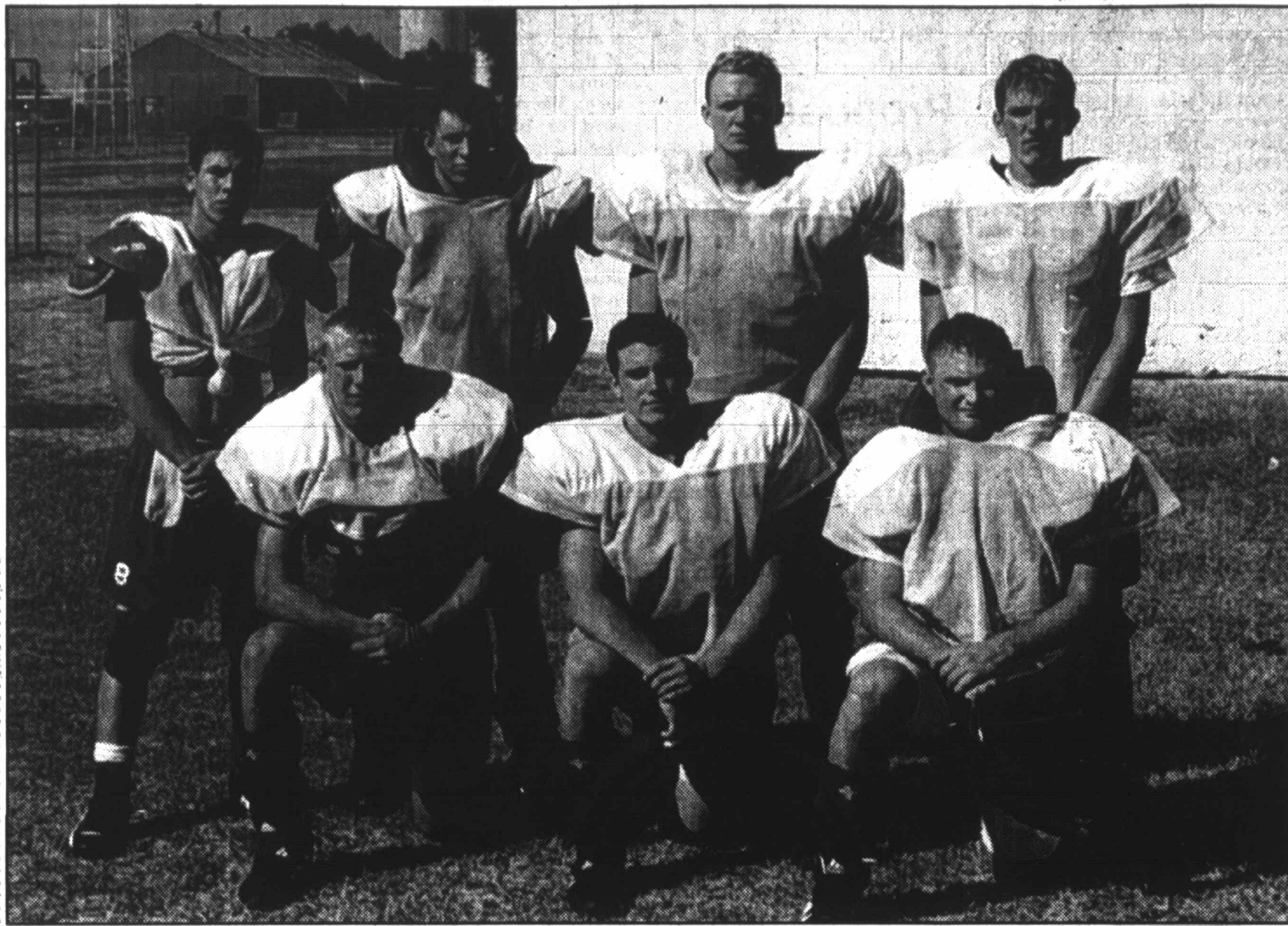
Rooster lives in Perryton, Texas with his wife and family. When he is not performing Hank programs, he is composing and recording his own music or cowboying on local ranches.



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# SPORTS



White Deer seniors are getting ready for the 2001 football opener. They are (front row, from left) Jeff Story, Aaron McKean and Dustin Harper; (back row, from left) Matt Henderson, Nick Ball, Michael Griffith and Isaac Reyes. The Bucks kick off the season Sept. 7 at Boys Ranch.

## Astros down Pirates in close 6-to-5 victory

HOUSTON (AP) — Richard Hidalgo might finally be breaking out of his season-long slump. Hidalgo went 3-for-4 with a home run to lead the Houston Astros to a 6-5 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates on Friday night. "He's starting to swing the bat again," Houston manager Larry Dierker said. "It's about time. We've been waiting for him a long time and I'm encouraged." Hidalgo had a breakout season last year, hitting .314 with 44 homers and 122 RBIs. But he's struggled this year after signing a \$32 million, four-year contract in the offseason. Friday night, Hidalgo pulled a double down the left-field line in the second inning, hit his 15th homer in the fourth and singled in the seventh to raise his batting average to .268. He also drove in the go-ahead run Thursday in a 4-3 win over Pittsburgh. "He's a great player and he's going to continue being a great player," teammate Jeff Bagwell said. "Everybody has their ups and downs, and he's been in a down cycle for a long time. But everybody on this team knows he's a great player and he'll come

out of it." Hidalgo doesn't think he was pressing, but admits he's feeling better at the plate now. "I don't try to put a lot of pressure on myself," he said. "I just try to do the best I can and not worry about it. I just got relaxed at the plate. When I'm more relaxed, I hit the ball." The Astros also got a strong game from Dave Mlicki (4-0), who pitched six innings and allowed three runs, two earned. Mlicki did not allow a hit through four innings and won his fourth straight decision. "He was just locating the ball real well," Dierker said. "He was changing speeds. To be honest, I was surprised he didn't have any strikeouts because he was pitching so well."

## Notebook

### GOLF

DULUTH, Ga. (AP) — Shingo Katayama shot a 6-under-par 64, and David Toms shot a 65 to share the second-round lead in the PGA Championship. Katayama and Toms are at 9-under 131 at Atlanta Athletic Club, tying the PGA record for 36 holes last set by Ernie Els at Riviera in 1995.

Tiger Woods, faced with missing the cut for only the second time in his pro career and the first time in a major championship, made back-to-back birdie putts en route to a 3-under 67 and a 140 finish. He beat the cut by one stroke and was nine strokes off the lead.

The long list of players ahead of him include Phil Mickelson, who had his second straight 66 and was one shot behind, along with Bob Estes (65). British Open champion David Duval (68) and Els (67) were only three out of the lead.

Even 44-year-old Mark O'Meara joined the act. He became the oldest of 20 players to tie the major championship record of 63 and was at 135, just four shots off the lead.

MARKHAM, Ontario (AP) — Rosie Jones and Kelly Robbins shot 3-under-par 69s at windswept Angus Glen to share the second-round lead in the Canadian Women's Open.

Jones and Robbins, who opened with 65s to share the first-round lead with South Korean star Se Ri Pak, finished at 10-under 134. Pak shot a 72 to drop into a tie for third with Sweden's Maria Hjorth (69) at 137.

PARK CITY, Utah (AP) — Mike Smith used soggy greens to his advantage, posting a first-round, record-tying 63 that left him 9-under-par and leading after the first day at the Utah Novell Showdown. John Jacobs was a shot back, with Bruce Lietzke and Bobby Walzel at 7-under.

CINCINNATI (AP) — Jose Rijo returned to the major leagues after six years on the sidelines and five elbow operations, pitching two scoreless innings for the Cincinnati Reds in a 5-1 loss to Milwaukee. He allowed two hits and walked two but pitched out of a bases loaded jam in the ninth, striking out two.

How long had it been since the 36-year-old Rijo pitched in the majors? The 1990 World Series MVP received a vote on a Hall of Fame ballot this year.

TORONTO (AP) — Jeff Frye became the second Toronto player to hit for the cycle as the Blue Jays beat Texas 11-3. Frye joined Kelly Gruber as the only Blue Jays to accomplish the feat. It was the fourth cycle in the majors this season.

## Texas state championship team player killed in traffic accident

LAFAYETTE, Louisiana (AP) — A Texas City, Texas teen-ager who was on the city's 1999 undefeated state high school championship team, has been killed in a traffic accident on Interstate 10 near Lafayette. Javier A. Flores, 18, died early Friday when he was hit by a pickup truck, the Louisiana State Police reported. He was a three-

year varsity player for the Texas City Stingarees and graduated in 2000.

Louisiana State Police, who responded to the scene at 4:46 a.m., reported Flores was not in his vehicle when the accident occurred, but they did not know why.

The pickup truck, which was driven by a 47-year-old male, was traveling westbound on the outside lane of I-10, police said. As it approached the exit ramp to Louisiana Route 13 in Acadia Parish, the driver saw Flores in the middle of the outside lane, reports said.

The driver steered to the left, applied his brakes, but struck

Flores, who was thrown onto the north shoulder and outside lane of the interstate, police reported. He was pronounced dead at the scene and was taken to a nearby funeral home.

Neither the driver nor his 19-year-old passenger suffered injuries. Both were wearing seat belts, police said.

The truck came to a stop on the shoulder of the interstate. The driver was given a field alcohol test, which showed he had not been drinking, police said.

Police did not file charges. There are no details concerning where Flores was driving at the time of the accident.

## High school player dies after practice

LULING, Texas (AP) — A 15-year-old football player at Luling High School died Friday after returning home from a morning workout.

An autopsy was ordered in the death of Steven Taylor, but officials said they don't believe it was heat-related.

The team's morning practice consisted of noncontact walk-throughs in shorts and pads. Temperatures were in the 80s.

"If I find out that something that occurred at practice caused this, I would be really surprised," said David Creed, the city's deputy police chief.

Taylor was unconscious and not breathing when authorities went to his home Friday morning after receiving a 911 call from his mother. He was taken to Seton Edgar B. Davis Hospital, where he was pronounced dead.

Creed said he was told Taylor did not behave unusually at practice or after arriving home, where he told his mother he was tired. After hearing a noise from his room, she found him on the floor. Luling is 50 miles northeast of San Antonio.

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FOR the proposal:	Jeff Andrews	Faustina Curry
	Mayor Lonny Robbins	
AGAINST the proposal:	Jeff McCormick	Robert Dixon
PRESENT and not voting:	None	
ABSENT:	None	

The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

	Last Year	This Year
Average residence homestead value	\$29,657	\$30,560
General exemptions available (amount available on the average homestead, not including senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	\$0	\$0
Average taxable value	\$29,657	\$30,560
Tax rate (per \$100)	0.650000	0.738000
Tax	\$192.77	\$225.53

Under this proposal, taxes on the average homestead would increase by \$32.76 or 16.99 percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would increase by \$0.088 per \$100 of taxable value or 13.54 percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

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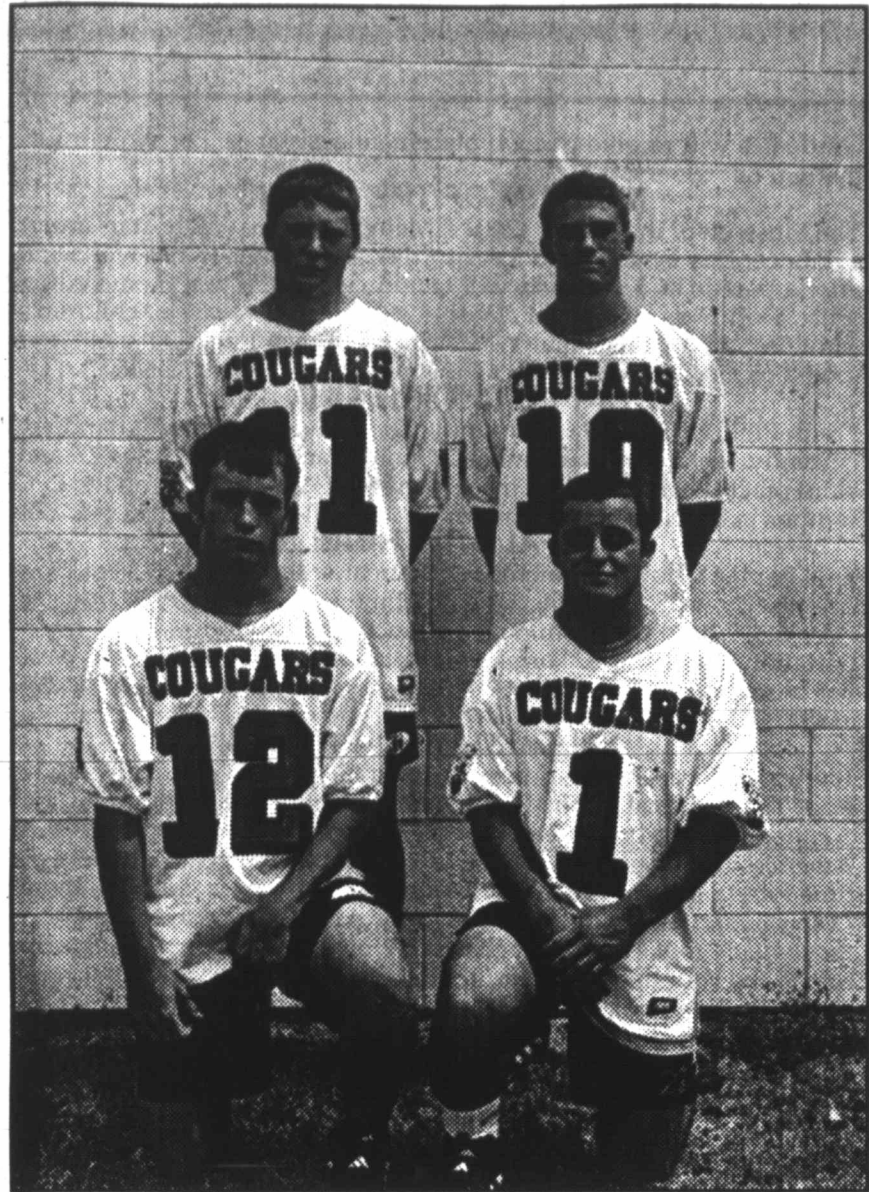
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Fort Elliott returns four starters to the offensive side of the ball this football season. They are (front, from left) Junior Newman and C.J. Bryant; (back, from left) Jason Hathaway and Seth Meadows. The Cougars open the season at home Sept. 7 against Hedley.

## Sports transactions ...

**CLEVELAND INDIANS**—Agreed to terms with RHP T.J. Burton, CF Jose Cruz and C David Wallace.

**MINNESOTA TWINS**—Activated SS Cristian Guzman from the 15-day disabled list. Optioned OF Bobby Kielty to Edmonton of the PCL.

**National League**  
**ARIZONA DIAMOND-BACKS**—Activated 1B Greg Colbrunn. Placed 1B Erubiel Durazo on the 15-day disabled list.

**CINCINNATI REDS**—Bought the contract of RHP Jose Rijo from Louisville of the International League. Agreed to terms with RHP Joey Hamilton on a minor league contract and assigned him to Louisville.

**HOUSTON ASTROS**—Placed C Scott Servais on the 15-day disabled list, retroactive to August 12. Recalled OF Glen Barker from New Orleans of the PCL.

**National Football League**  
**JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS**—Placed S Erik Olson, WR Emanuel Smith and CB Kory Blackwell on injured reserve. Waived WR Antonio Stanley. Signed WR Micah Ross. Claimed G Justin Amman off waivers from San Diego.

**NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS**—Waived QB Michael Bishop.

**TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS**—Reached injury settlements with DE John McLaughlin and CB Terrance Parrish.

**National Hockey League**  
**ANAHEIM MIGHTY DUCKS**—Signed G Jean-Sebastien Giguere on a two-year contract.

**CALGARY FLAMES**—Signed F Dean McAmmond to a multi-year contract and D Mike Martin. **EDMONTON OILERS**—Named Geoff Ward assistant coach for Hamilton of the AHL.

**MINNESOTA WILD**—Announced a secondary affiliation agreement with Louisiana of the ECHL. **PHOENIX COYOTES**—Signed D Jay Leach to a multi-year contract.

**SAN JOSE SHARKS**—Signed D Shawn Heins to a one-year contract.

**VANCOUVER CANUCKS**—Signed C Brandon Reid. **COLLEGE**

**DANIEL WEBSTER**—Named Cori Hughes women's soccer and basketball coach and Jay Fogg men's soccer coach.

**KING'S, PA.**—Named Kathy Kerr women's lacrosse coach. **OLIVET**—Named Matt Wait men's soccer coach.

**PACIFIC**—Named Scott Howard women's tennis coach.

**WESTERN KENTUCKY**—Signed Jack Harbaugh, football coach, to a four-year contract extension.

## Briefly ...

**TENNIS**  
**WASHINGTON (AP)**—Andre Agassi beat Greg Rusedski 3-6, 7-6 (6), 7-6 (8) to advance to the semifinals of the Legg Mason Tennis Classic.

The top-seeded Agassi draws No. 10 seed Sjeng Schalken, who defeated 16th-seeded Jerome Gotfard 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.

Ninth-seeded Andy Roddick advanced with a 6-3, 6-4 victory over Marcelo Rios. The 18-year-old American will face Michael Chang in a rematch of the second round of this year's French Open. Chang beat fourth-seeded Fabrice Santoro 6-2, 6-4 to advance to his first semifinal of the year.

**BOXING**  
**SAN BERNARDINO, Calif. (AP)**—Prosecutors declined to file rape charges against former heavyweight champ Mike Tyson, saying the case could not be proved.

The San Bernardino County district attorney's office reviewed the case and conducted a follow-up investigation before reaching a decision.

A 50-year-old woman maintains she was sexually assaulted by Tyson on July 16 at a home he rented while training.

## Scoreboard

**National League**  
**At A Glance**  
**By The Associated Press**  
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**East Division**

W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	67	.54	.554
Philadelphia	67	.54	
Florida	59	.62	.488
New York	54	.68	
Montreal	426	13 1/2	52
	426	15 1/2	70

**Central Division**

W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	68	.52	
Houston	69	.53	
St. Louis	66	.55	
Milwaukee	51	.68	
Cincinnati	48	.73	
Pittsburgh	45	.76	
Colorado	421	23 1/2	51
	421	19	70.

**West Division**

W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	70	.51	.578
San Francisco	69	.53	
Los Angeles	67	.55	
San Diego	60	.61	
Colorado	51	.70.	

**Saturday's Games**

Pittsburgh (J.Anderson 6-13) at Houston (Reynolds 11-10), 1:15 p.m.

Atlanta (Marquis 2-4) at San Francisco (Rueter 12-7), 4:05 p.m.

Milwaukee (Haynes 7-15) at Cincinnati (Dessens 8-9), 7:05 p.m.

Florida (Clement 7-8) at Colorado (Neagle 6-6), 8:05 p.m.

Philadelphia (Duckworth 2-0) at St. Louis (Smith 3-1), 8:10 p.m.

Montreal (Thurman 6-8) at San Diego (Jones 7-14), 10:05 p.m.

Chicago Cubs (Bere 8-6) at Arizona (Johnson 16-5), 10:05 p.m.

N.Y. Mets (Chen 5-6) at Los Angeles (Baldwin 1-1), 10:10 p.m.

**Sunday's Games**

Milwaukee (Neugebauer 0-0) at Cincinnati (Reyes 1-3), 1:15 p.m.

Philadelphia (Coggin 4-1) at St. Louis (Morris 15-7), 2:10 p.m.

Pittsburgh (Ritchie 9-10) at Houston (Oswalt 9-2), 2:35 p.m.

Florida (Sanchez 2-2) at Colorado (Thomson 0-5), 3:05 p.m.

N.Y. Mets (Trachsel 6-11) at Los Angeles (Park 11-8), 4:10 p.m.

Chicago Cubs (Tavarez 8-8) at Arizona (B.Anderson 3-8), 4:35 p.m.

Montreal (Armas Jr. 8-11) at San Diego (Herndon 1-1), 5 p.m.

Atlanta (Glavine 11-5) at San Francisco (Schmidt 8-7), 8:08 p.m.

**Kansas City** 49 73

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**West Division**

W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	87	.35	.713
Oakland	70	.52	
Anaheim	65	.57	
Texas	52	.70	.426

Anaheim (Rapp 5-9) at Cleveland (Sabathia 12-4), 1:15 p.m.

Oakland (Mulder 15-6) at Chicago White Sox (Glover 3-1), 1:15 p.m.

Texas (Bell 4-7) at Toronto (Halladay 1-1), 4:05 p.m.

Seattle (Pineiro 2-0) at N.Y. Yankees (Lilly 3-5), 4:05 p.m.

Baltimore (Johnson 10-7) at Boston (Fossum 1-0), 5:05 p.m.

Kansas City (Suppan 6-10) at Detroit (Pettyjohn 0-5), 5:05 p.m.

Tampa Bay (Bierbrodt 3-4) at Minnesota (Lohse 3-5), 7:05 p.m.

**Thursday's Games**

Oakland 8, Toronto 4

Kansas City 9, Baltimore 2

Anaheim 4, Detroit 2

N.Y. Yankees 12, Tampa Bay 5

Boston 6, Seattle 4

Cleveland 6, Minnesota 1

Chicago White Sox 7, Texas 5

**Friday's Games**

Toronto 11, Texas 3

Baltimore 11, Boston 5

Anaheim 7, Cleveland 2

N.Y. Yankees 4, Seattle 0

Detroit 4, Kansas City 2

Tampa Bay 9, Minnesota 4

Oakland 9, Chicago White Sox 2

**Saturday's Games**

**Sunday's Games**

Texas (Myette 1-2) at Toronto (Carpenter 7-10), 1:05 p.m.

Baltimore (Maduro 2-3) at Boston (Nomo 11-5), 1:05 p.m.

Anaheim (Washburn 10-6) at Cleveland (Colon 10-8), 1:05 p.m.

Seattle (Moyer 13-5) at N.Y. Yankees (Petitite 14-6), 1:05 p.m.

Kansas City (Durbin 7-11) at Detroit (Cornejo 0-1), 1:05 p.m.

Tampa Bay (Kennedy 3-8) at Minnesota (Milton 11-4), 2:05 p.m.

Oakland (Hudson 14-6) at Chicago White Sox (Buehrle 11-6), 2:05 p.m.

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## Young Riders 4-hers TRCA rodeo Aug. 24-24

**PERRYTON**—Young Riders 4-H Club will sponsor the third annual Texas Cowboys Rodeo Association (TCRA) Rodeo Aug. 24-25 at the Ochiltree County Arena. The rodeo will be held in conjunction with the Wheatheart of the Nation Celebration. Each performance starts at 7:30 night-ly.

The events will include bare-back riding, calf roping, break-away roping, saddle bronc, steer wrestling, team roping, barrel racing and bull riding. The specialty act this year will be rodeo clown Texas Bill Thorpe. The Dumas native has over 30 years of experience as a professional rodeo clown and has performed coast to coast from California to Massachusetts.

Youngsters can participate in the calf scramble and boot scramble each night.

Admission for the rodeo will be five dollars with children under 6 free.

Along with the Aug. 24 activities at the Museum of the Plains, there will be the fifth annual

WRCA Junior Ranch Rodeo featuring Pokey the Clown. The junior rodeo is for youngsters ages 3 to 16.

As an added attraction this year, the Young Riders will have an adult division.

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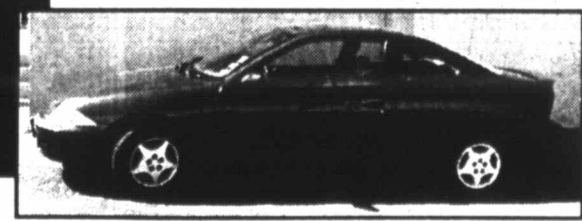
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# Calendar of events

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

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

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

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

**OUTREACH HEALTH SERVICES/WIC**  
Outreach Health Services/WIC Nutrition education classes. Open to the public. For more information, call 665-1182.

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

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

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

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

**CLASS OF 1961**  
Pampa High School Class of 1961 will hold its 40th class reunion this year. Anyone interested in helping plan and organize the event should contact Zip Swaney at 665-5532.

**BEEF AMBASSADOR CONTEST**  
Top O' Texas CattleWomen is seeking youth between the ages of 15-19 to compete for the Beef Ambassador Award. For more information, contact Amy Brainard at (806) 323-6397.

**AMERICAN RED CROSS**  
Gray County Chapter of the American Red Cross is seeking volunteers from the community to respond during times of crisis in Pampa and other parts of the county. As well as personal satisfaction, volunteers learn how to protect themselves and cope with disaster by planning ahead, particularly essential during tornado season. In addition, ARC is willing to deliver informational discussions on disaster preparedness to area church or community organizations. For more information, call (806) 669-7121.

**CCPC OTC PROGRAM**  
Enrollment for Clarendon College's Office Technology Certificate (OTC) Program and Machining Technology Program (MTP) is currently under way at Clarendon College-Pampa Center. Both programs can be completed in nine-months. OTC classes begin Aug. 13 and MTP classes Aug. 30. Scholarships, loans and pell grants are available.

Graduates will receive free job placement assistance. For more information, call 665-8801.

**MUSEUM OF THE PLAINS**  
The Museum of the Plains, 1200 N. Main, Perryton, will host its annual Pioneer Day is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 25. Activities will begin after a parade at 5 p.m. and will include entertainment by recording artist, Don Eves with local "People Who Care" vocalists, children's activities, the Fifth Annual WRCA Junior Ranch Rodeo (1 p.m.) and food. For more information, call the museum at (806) 435-6400.

**FPC CHOIR/BAND**  
Frank Phillips College Community Choir and Community Band are currently seeking new members. Choir practice starts Aug. 27 and band practice Aug. 28. Both meet in the Fine Arts Building on the FPC campus in Borger. For more information, call 1-800-6878-2056, ext. 728.

**FALL RETREAT**  
First Baptist Church Women's Fall Retreat will be Sept. 28-30 at New Beginnings near Channing. The deadline for registration is Aug. 31. Cost is \$97 (two per room) and will include food, lodging and transportation from Pampa. Forms are available at the church, 203 N. West. For more information, call 669-1155 or contact Kathryn Green at 669-0148.

**ARBOR DAY FOUNDATION**  
Ten free Colorado blue spruce trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation throughout the month of August. The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's Trees for America campaign. The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between Oct. 15 and Dec. 10 with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge. Members also receive a subscription to the Foundation's colorful bimonthly publication, "Arbor Day" and "The Tree Book" with information about tree planting and care. To receive the free trees, send a \$10 membership contribution to Ten Blue Spruces, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410, by Aug. 31, 2001.

**CHAUTAQUA**  
The annual Chautauqua, sponsored each year by Pampa Fine Arts Association, will be held Sept. 3 in Central Park.

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## LETTERS

### Let your voice be heard in city government

To the editor,  
I'll never forget the fall of 1992 when my husband announced that it looked like we'd be leaving Houston to move to Pampa. Like most, I asked "where?" I quickly ran to our branch of the Houston Public Library and checked out every travel guide of Texas that I could find, trying to learn more about the small town of 19,000-plus that Brad said would now be home.

What a comfort to read about the downtown brick streets, the White Deer Land Museum, the low humidity and the abundance of city parks. With an active 5-year-old, much of my life already revolved around parks, playgrounds and swimming pools. Pampa sounded just right for our city-weary family.

Little did I know how much of my life in Pampa would revolve around the city park system. Within a year of our arrival, I volunteered for a position on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. The staff had been very responsive any time I reported a problem in the parks (broken board on a foot bridge, the need for more trash receptacles along the walking trail, etcetera) and I wanted to help keep the parks in Pampa a vital part of our community.

During my six years on the board, the Board helped write two Texas Parks and Wildlife Department grant applications that provided funding for the resurfacing of the hike-and-bike trails in town and at Recreation Park. We conducted a community-wide survey to give citizens a voice in the direction of the P&R Departments. The Board and staff worked hand-in-hand with the Rotary Club and hundreds of citizens in creating the Super Playground. This influential and very involved board managed to keep the needs of the parks in the forefront.

However, there is only so much that a volunteer board of seven can accomplish. In the last two years, the parks superintendent position was eliminated and the parks are now under the direction of the streets department. Now there is discussion of eliminating two parks maintenance workers' positions to help balance the city's budget. In my opinion, the Parks Department has done its share of "belt tightening." If it weren't for this summer's drought, we would have already seen a reduction of services in the parks.

Are those two workers part of the team responsible for mowing the parks in your neighborhood? Or are they part of the staff that inspects playground equipment each month to be sure that everything is safe for your child and mine? Maybe they help with the day-to-day upkeep of Super Playground. Maybe we depend on them to provide labor when there are citizen donations for new playground equipment or grant money to make improvements on existing facilities.

In most park improvements that you've seen in the last decade, the city's contribution has been labor not cash. Eliminate more positions in the Parks Department and development in the city parks will come to a screeching halt.

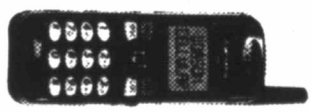
If parks are important to your family's quality of life and your pride in this community, please make your voice heard. Pick up the phone and call the Mayor Lonnie Robbins, City Manager Bob Eskridge and City Commissioners Jeff Andrews, Faustina Curry, Robert Dixon and Jeff McCormick. They need to know that you're opposed to further cuts in the Parks Department.

Judy Elliott  
Pampa

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# Children get a 'Head Start'

## Teachers ready for first day of school

By NANCY YOUNG  
Managing Editor

Head Start. Local children who are in the federally funded community-based Head Start are getting just that as they begin classes on Tuesday.

Students who qualify for the preschool classes will be entering an exciting world as they will have many new and fun experiences. This program is available for children who will be age four on or before Sept. 4.

All Pampa Independent School District students enrolled in Head Start class will attend the classes at Lamar Elementary.

Head Start staff joined with other teachers throughout the district the past week to prepare for the opening day of classes on Tuesday. Teachers have been busy getting their rooms ready for the first day of school, planning the curriculum for the students as well as reviewing school policies.

Many of the teachers in the district have spent their summer attending classes and seminars to enhance their teaching skills and abilities for the students.

The Head Start Program is designed to help all children succeed in school and life. It recognizes that the parent is the child's first and most important teacher, and welcomes family involvement in program activities, said Diana Watson, a teacher in the Head Start program. The teaching staff wants to work with families as a partner in the child's development.

Children who attend Head Start participate in a variety of educational and social activities. Medical and dental screenings are provided for children in the program and they receive healthy meals and snacks. The students will be enjoying indoor and outdoor educational activities in a safe environment.

The children are offered screenings for vision, hearing, dental, medical, nutrition mental health observation, speech and language development and motor coordination. Self-help skills such as dressing themselves, toileting, hygiene and eating are also taught.

The program emphasizes the importance of early identification of health problems. Head Start will arrange for all children in the program to receive, if needed, comprehensive health care. The staff encourages the support and assistance of the parents of these students.

Family involvement is a priority in the program. All family members are invited to participate in self-development activities such as continuing their education by obtaining the GED, making English a second language, training for a job, or participating in the Parent Committee and the Policy Council.

The family is invited to be involved with their child's education and care by participating in the Family Reading program, observing in the child's classroom, and volunteering in the classroom to work with all the children, said Watson.

All family members are encouraged to participate in the care of their child by attending medical/dental sessions and learn the basics of raising a healthy child.

Through staff home visits the families also participate in the prevention and detection of physical, emotional and developmental concerns.

Many opportunities for parents to attend training sessions with the teachers are also available. Possible topics include CPR and Basic First Aid, defensive driving, crisis prevention intervention, parent leadership, a personal safety program for children and parenting classes.

Head Start helps each family build on their own individual strengths and learn to meet their own needs. The Head Start family services staff will help the families complete the Family Partnership Agreement which helps them find the family's strengths and set goals for their future.

Family Service Assistants provide emergency assistance or crisis intervention, furnish information about available community services and how to use them, serve as an advocate or spokesman for Head Start families, identify the needs of the family and assist the family in finding a community resource to help meet those needs, provide a community resource list for Head Start families and staff, and provide assistance with adult education: GED, ESL and college information.

Photos by Nancy Young



Head Start Team Members Hilda Tinajero, Sylvia Flores and Rosie Martinez discuss the Head Start Program and curriculum as they begin a new year with the incoming students in the Head Start program.



Renell Cloud, a teacher's assistant and Debbie Lee, a teacher, are getting ready for the first day of school on Tuesday as Pampa students begin Head Start.



Teachers Diana Watson and Carrie Hubbard discuss policies during a teaching staff meeting Thursday.

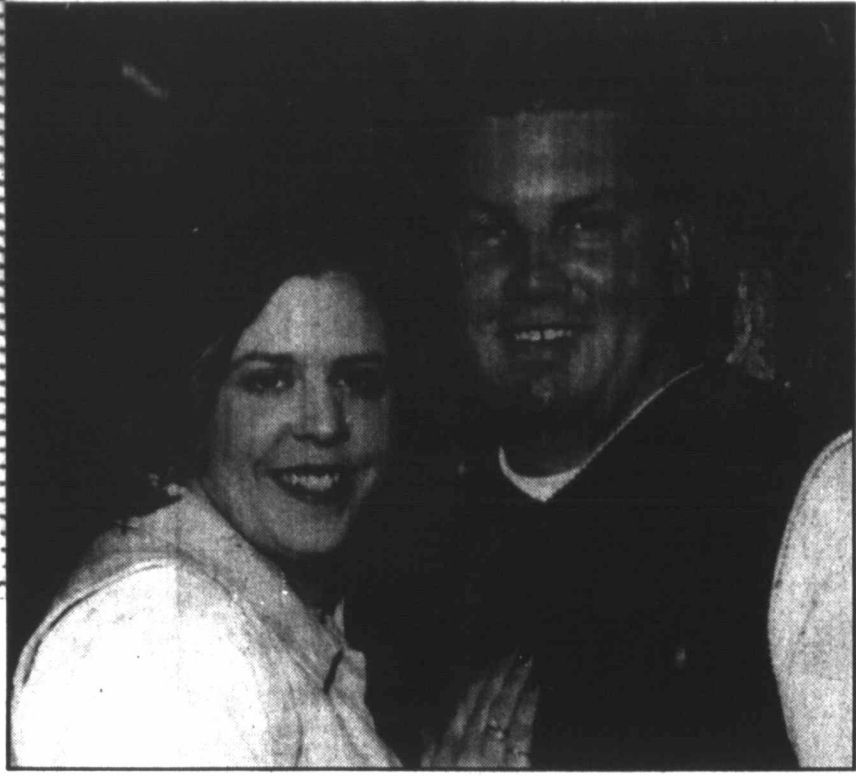


Sherry Raines and Abbie Reyes, teachers, go over the curriculum that will be offered for the incoming four year olds.

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# LIFESTYLE



Toni Pate and Ross Johnson

## Pate-Johnson

Toni Pate and Ross Johnson plan to wed Sept. 1, 2001, at Paramount Terrace Christian Church in Amarillo. The bride-elect is the daughter of Tony and JoElla Pate of Memphis, Texas, and is the granddaughter of Elvoy and Betty Dunn of Amarillo and Tom and the late Faye Posey of Memphis. The prospective groom is the son of Chris and Rose Johnson of Pampa.

## Menus

August 20-24

<p><b>Pampa Schools</b> <b>MONDAY</b> No school.</p> <p><b>TUESDAY</b> Breakfast: Waffle sticks. Lunch: Pizza dippers or burritos, green beans, corn, pears.</p> <p><b>WEDNESDAY</b> Breakfast: Toast. Lunch: Soft beef taco or chicken nuggets, refried beans, Spanish rice, spiced apples.</p> <p><b>THURSDAY</b> Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, sausage, flour tortillas. Lunch: Bologna sandwiches or cheese nachos, western beans, lettuce and tomatoes, fresh fruit.</p> <p><b>FRIDAY</b> Breakfast: Cereal, toast. Lunch: Corndogs or hamburgers, French fries, salad, cookies.</p> <p><b>Lefors Schools</b> <b>MONDAY</b> Breakfast: French toast sticks or toast, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Hamburger patties or corndogs, potatoes, green beans, brown gravy, tater tots, rolls, salad, fruit, milk.</p> <p><b>TUESDAY</b> Breakfast: Biscuits and gravy or cereal, juice, milk.</p>	<p>Lunch: Beef and cheese nachos or beans and cornbread, jello, salad, fruit, milk.</p> <p><b>WEDNESDAY</b> Breakfast: Muffins or toast, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken and rice or mini burritos, peas and carrots, brownies, rolls, fruit, milk.</p> <p><b>THURSDAY</b> Breakfast: Pancake on a stick or toast, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Pizza or chicken patty, corn, fruit or cobbler, salad, fruit, milk.</p> <p><b>FRIDAY</b> Breakfast: Breakfast casserole or toast, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Stromboli, ham and cheese or bologna and cheese sandwiches, fries, tomatoes, fruit, milk.</p> <p><b>Senior Citizens</b> <b>MONDAY</b> Turkey and dressing or meatloaf, boiled potatoes, yams, spinach, beans, black forest cake or coconut cream pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p><b>TUESDAY</b> Turkey and dressing or meatloaf, boiled potatoes, yams, spinach, beans, black forest cake or coconut cream pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p><b>WEDNESDAY</b> Roast beef brisket, brown gravy, or</p>	<p>cook's choice, mashed potatoes, California blend, beets, beans, pineapple cake or apple/raisin cobbler, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p><b>THURSDAY</b> Chicken strips or fiesta bake, tater tots, succotash, cheese grits, pinto beans, dump cake or butterscotch pudding cups, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p><b>FRIDAY</b> Catfish and hushpuppies or mock filet mignon, potato wedges, brussels sprouts, beans, brownies or tapioca cups, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls, garlic toast or cornbread.</p> <p><b>Meals On Wheels</b> <b>MONDAY</b> Salmon loaf, macaroni and cheese, hardvard beets, pears.</p> <p><b>TUESDAY</b> Chopped sirloin, rice pilaf, green beans, plum cobbler.</p> <p><b>WEDNESDAY</b> Stew, cornbread, pineapple.</p> <p><b>THURSDAY</b> Chicken patties, peas and carrots, squash casserole, pudding.</p> <p><b>FRIDAY</b> Roast, cream corn, baked apples, graham crackers.</p>
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Sarah Shuman and Jason Lee

## Shuman-Lee

Sarah Shuman and Jason Lee were wed Aug. 18, 2001, in Las Vegas, Nev. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Richardson of Pampa and Morlan C. Shuman Jr. of Savannah, Ga. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Lee of Hinesville, Ga.



## Bridal Registry...

- Callie Babcock ~ Greg Winter
- Alason Dyess ~ Clint Curtis
- Mandy Parks ~ Bryan Waldrip
- Jennifer Ward ~ Shawn Whiddon
- April Marburger ~ Brooks Gentry
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Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Cochran

## Cochran anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Cochran of Pampa will observe their 30th wedding anniversary Aug. 20, 2001. Darrell Cochran and Denia Herring were married Aug. 20, 1971, in First Baptist Church at Clarendon. The couple have been Pampa residents for the past 30 years and belong to First Baptist Church of Pampa. Mr. Cochran is currently employed at Celanese. Mrs. Cochran works for Jeff Welborn at State Farm Insurance. Children of the couple are Tracy Harris of North Pole, Alaska, and Chris Cochran of Amarillo. They have two grandchildren.

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JoLynn Till and Brian Brauchi

## Till-Brauchi

JoLynn Till and Brian Brauchi, both of Midland, plan to wed Sept. 15, 2001, at Midland. The bride-elect is the daughter of Jane Houston of Imperial and Sonny Till of Lampassas. She graduated from Buena Vista High School and is currently attending Midland College. The prospective groom is the son of Ronnie and Donna Brauchi of Pampa. He graduated from Pampa High School and Western Texas College. He is currently employed as assistant golf course superintendent at The Club at Mission Dorado in Odessa.

## Newsmakers

New York Life's (NYL) West Texas General Office recently announced the appointment of David Hutto as an agent with NYL. Mr. Hutto has 30 years of experience in the insurance business. In addition, he coaches Tiger League football and serves on the Optimist Club of Pampa Board of Directors.

ABILENE — Steven Browning

II of Miami recently received a degree from Abilene Christian University. Browning is a Miami High School graduate.

WAYNESVILLE, Mo. — Army Reserve Private Cody Merrick recently graduated from basic military training at Fort Leonard Wood, Waynesville. During the training, Merrick received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid and Army history and traditions. Merrick is the son of Londa Grover of Chetopa, Kan., and Bill Merrick of Pampa. In 2001, he graduated from Chetopa High School.

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- The release must accompany the photo to the newspaper or the photo will not be accepted.





Mary Lee Adamson and Chad A. Clardy

## Adamson-Clardy

Mary Lee Adamson and Chad A. Clardy, both of Pampa, were wed July 28, 2001, in First Baptist Church of Pampa with the Rev. John Glover, minister of the church, officiating.

The maid of honor was Talyia Lane of Amarillo. The bridesmaids were Amber Hathcoat of Pampa and Rishona Hatcher, cousin of the bride of Colorado Springs, Colo. The flower girl was Ashton Duke of Pampa.

The best man was Chris Teakell of Pampa. The groomsmen were Micah Adamson, cousin of the bride of Fritch, and Chi Brack and Clint Thomas, both of Pampa. The ring bearers were Jonathan Polasek of Pampa and Megan Hatcher, cousin of the bride of New Braunfels.

The ushers were Andrew Hatcher, cousin of the bride of Colorado Springs, and Micah Adamson. The candlelighters were Sara Albracht of Pampa and Andrew Hatcher.

Registering the guests was Carrie Duke of Pampa.

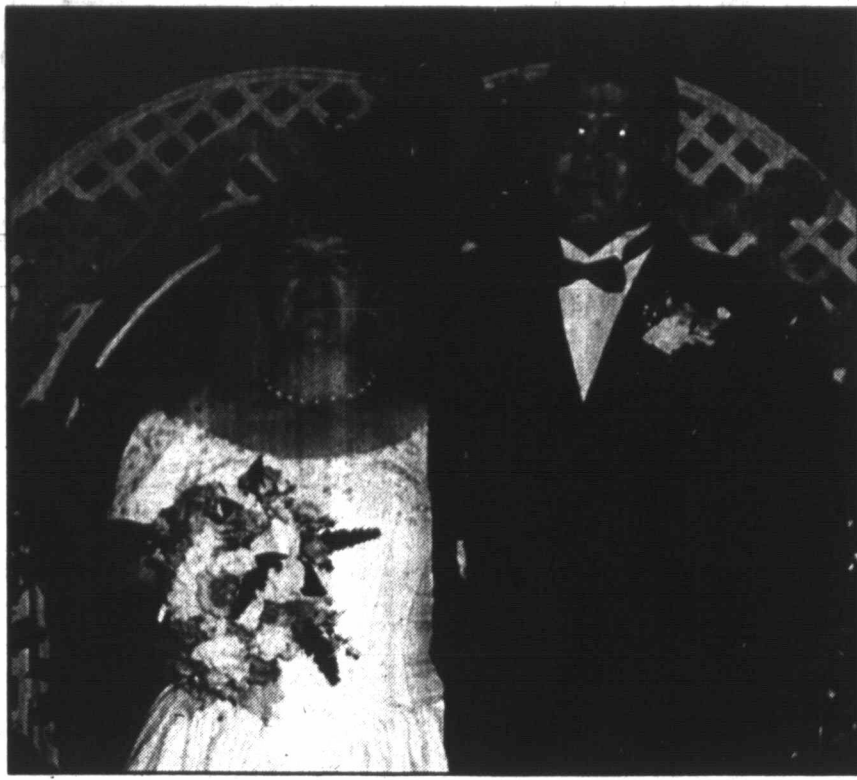
Music was provided by pianist Becky Craddock and vocalists Chris and Cindy Hatcher, cousins of the bride of Abilene, performing "If You Could See What I See" and "From This Moment On," and John Glover, performing "The Lord's Prayer."

A reception was held following the service in the parlor of the church with Brenda Condo, Janice Tucker, Betty Taylor, Deanna Polasek and Nita Aderholt, all of Pampa, serving the guests.

The bride is the daughter of Bill and Roxanne Giles and Ray and Jeannetta Adamson, all of Pampa, and is the granddaughter of Lyndelle Hatcher of Pampa and the late Floyd (Red Dog) Hatcher, Howard and Mattie Adamson of Pampa, Bill and Dorothy Giles of Snyder, Gene and Betty DuBois of Satanta, Kan., and the late Bobbie Carter. She graduated from Pampa High School and is currently employed as a chiropractic assistant at Albracht Chiropractic of Pampa.

The groom is the son of Dwayne and Lea Nan Sparks of Pampa and is the grandson of Kenneth and Jane Purvis of Lefors and Clyde and Vera Davis of Pampa. He graduated from Pampa High School and is currently employed at HB Zachry Construction in Borger.

The couple planned a honeymoon trip to Amarillo and to Carlsbad, N.M., and intend to make their home in Pampa.



Tammy Denise Parsley and Dewayne Keith Damron

## Parsley-Damron

Tammy Denise Parsley and Dewayne Keith Damron, both of Pampa, were wed Aug. 4, 2001, in Fellowship Baptist Church of Pampa with Charles Lowry, of the church, officiating.

The matron of honor was Deanna McGill, sister of the bride of Pampa. The flower girls were Dacie McGill and McKinley Hancox, both nieces of the bride of Pampa.

The best man was Ryan Damron, son of the groom of Pampa.

The ushers were David McGill, Chad Imani and Micheal Dickinson, all of Pampa.

Registering the guests were Vangie Hancox of Pampa and JoNell Parker of Amarillo.

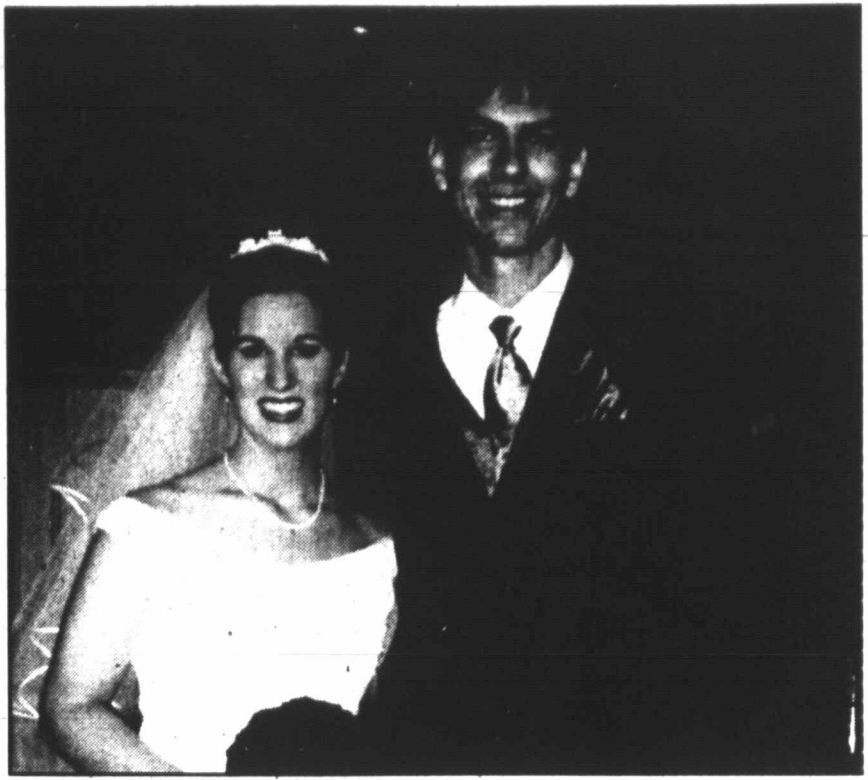
Music was provided by organist Ellen Malone and vocalist Tonja Hanlon, both of Pampa.

A reception was held following the service in fellowship hall of the church with JoNell Parker and Angie Scoggins, both of Amarillo, and Tonja Hanlon, Valerie Dickinson and Stormy McCullar, all of Pampa, serving the guests.

The bride is the daughter of Ronnie and Betty Parsley of Pampa. She graduated from Pampa High School and West Texas A&M University and is currently employed with White Deer Independent School District.

The groom is the son of Bertha Gonzales of Pierceton, Ind., and the late Dewey Damron. He graduated from Childress High School and is currently employed at National Oil Well.

The couple planned a honeymoon trip to Santa Fe, N.M., and intend to make their home in Pampa.



Hattie Michelle Epperson and Mark Thomas Fowler

## Epperson-Fowler

Hattie Michelle Epperson and Mark Thomas Fowler, both of Austin, were wed Aug. 4, 2001, in University Avenue Church of Christ in Austin with Brian Starr of Austin officiating.

The matron of honor was Jessica Dennington, sister of the bride of Austin. The bridesmaids were Joy Conford of Buda, Lindsey Vicars of Bowie and Shevin White of McKinney. The flower girl was Sarah Waldron, cousin of the bride of Phillipsburg, N.J.

The best man was Clay Fowler, brother of the groom of Memphis, Tenn. The groomsmen were Steven Shaw of Fort Worth, Jeremy Epperson, brother of the bride of Addison and Aaron Dennington of Austin. The ring bearer was Blayse Donalson, cousin of the bride of Mesquite.

The ushers were Jason Bielinski, Kevin Dawson and Brian McKee and Silas Orbison, both cousins of the groom.

Registering the guests was Megan McKenzie.

A reception was held following the service at Texas Federation of Women's Clubs Mansion in Austin with Cassie Epperson, Kaley Ihfe, Leslie Ferguson, Emily Dunagan, Natalia Cox and Nina Lee serving the guests.

The bride is the daughter of Scott and Donna Epperson of Buda and is the granddaughter of W.C. and Betty Epperson, former long-time Pampa residents. She graduated from Jack C Hays High School and currently attends the University of Texas at Austin.

The groom is the son of Tom and Nancy Fowler of Plano. He graduated from Plano Senior High School and currently attends the University of Texas at Austin.

The couple planned a honeymoon trip to Fredericksburg and intend to make their home in Austin.



Jaryn Michelle Gipson and Dwyane Short Jr.

## Gipson-Short

Jaryn Michelle Gipson and Dwyane Short Jr., plan to wed Oct. 11, 2001, in Riverview Baptist Church at Borger.

The bride-elect is the daughter of James and Julie Gipson of Borger. She graduated from West Texas High School in Stinnett in 1998 and attended Frank Phillips College in Borger.

The prospective groom is the son of Dwyane and Debra Short of Borger. He graduated from White Deer High School in 1999.

The couple plan to make their home in Borger.



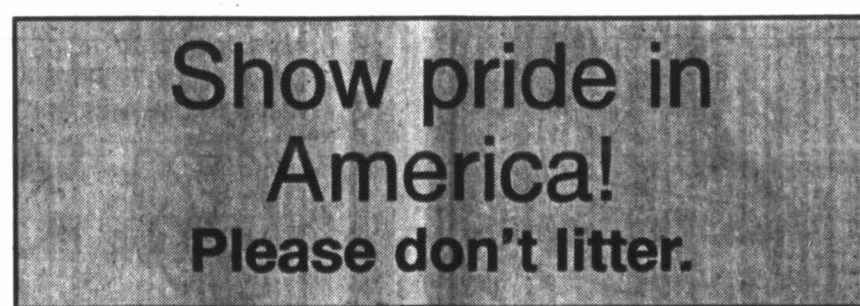
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith

## Smith anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith of Pampa celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary June 28, 2001, in Cozumel, Mexico, with their children.

Robert Smith and Doris Spoonemore were married June 28, 1951, in Central Baptist Church. They have been residents of Pampa for 47 years.

Children of the couple are Brenda and Jim Booth and Kristen and Brent Smith, all of Lakeway, Texas. They have two grandchildren.



**Our Bridal Registry**  
 Callie Babcock ~ Greg Winter  
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 Mandy Parks ~ Bryan Waldrip  
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 Mary Lee Adamson ~ Chad Clardy  
 Deborah Grunhkey ~ Ryan Davis  
 Emily Monday ~ Michael Smedley  
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## Club news

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

### CattleWomen

Top O' Texas CattleWomen met Aug. 13 at Cattle Exchange Restaurant in Canadian with President Kay Stiles presiding.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

—Minutes were skipped and will be read at the next meeting.

—Plans for the annual Style Show were discussed. This year's fund-raiser is slated Sept. 8 at Pampa Country Club and will include brunch and door prizes. Area stores partici-

pating in the event are: Dunlaps, Images, VJ's and Jiffy Cleaners in Pampa; Betty's, Cavendar's and Maternally Yours in Amarillo; Vernell's in Shamrock; and Canadian River Originals in Canadian. Tickets will go on sale soon. For more information, contact a member in your town.

(See, CLUB, Page 24)

**ATTENTION K MART SHOPPERS**  
 The Kmart August 19, 2001 weekly ad circular, on page 23 features the Mariah Carey "Glitter" CD. This item will not be available at this time due to the recording studio's change of release date.

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## Whistling Pro Has Tale of Woe Concerning His Disappearing Art

DEAR ABBY: I am a professional whistler and bird caller. Whenever people ask what I do for a living, my reply is often met with the question, "What is that?" About the best I can respond with is, "Someone who whistles."

My art is not at the height of its popularity, as it was in the early part of the last century. Whistlers are no longer featured with big bands as they once were; the late, great whistler Fred Lowery no longer headlines at Carnegie Hall or whistles the national anthem at Yankee Stadium; Elmo Tanner is not whistling "Heartaches" with Perry Como and the Ted Weems orchestra; and Muzzy Marcellino isn't whistling the sweet and plaintive theme song to "Lassie" that we all remember.

Abby, it's hard to deal with the fact that the art of whistling has become so far removed from the public. Could you kindly print my letter as a reminder to your readers that whistling is a beautiful art form with a rich heritage in America and elsewhere? (No name, please. This one's for the art.)

THE WHISTLER,  
 JENKS, OKLA.

DEAR WHISTLER: I'm pleased to do so. It's the truth. And I'm not whistling "Dixie."

DEAR ABBY: I read the letter from "Lifeguarding Mom" who had a "close call" with a near-drowning accident she will never forget.

My child had a close call I will never forget, either. He also survived, but he is not fine. Media coverage is extensive with drowning

### Dear Abby

Is written by  
 Pauline Phillips and  
 daughter Jeanne Phillips

accidents, but you do not always hear the follow-up stories of the results of the accident. Many people hear that a child survived and went home from the hospital. What they do not realize is that many children go home with severe disabilities.

My child survived a near-drowning accident 13 years ago. He cannot walk or talk. He is fed using a tube in his stomach, needs oxygen, has seizures daily and requires 24-hour care. In less than five minutes not only did his life change, but so did many other lives as well. These past years have been an unending emotional roller-coaster ride. I would not wish this on anyone.

Do not think this cannot happen to you. I have spoken to many parents of children who have survived a near-drowning experience. Their stories are not all the same. The common link is small children and a water source. It takes only 2 inches of water for a child to drown. It hap-

pens in buckets, fountains, toilets, pools, canals, streams, lakes, etc. And it often happens when the adults are distracted for any of a thousand reasons.

Most parents have temporarily lost track of a child at one time or another, especially if there is more than one child. Most of the time the child is safe. Of course, drowning is not the only danger from which we need to shield our children. Accidents will happen, but if you are careful this may not happen to you.

ONE PHOENIX SURVIVOR

**DEAR SURVIVOR: Your letter is a chilling reminder to parents of small children. I hope they will take heed. And now I have a question: Parents, where is your child right now?**

Dear Abby is written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips.

Good advice for everyone — teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$6 (U.S. funds only) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61064-0447. (Postage is included.)

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### Wildwood

MR. LENNY, WHAT IS "TALENT"?  
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"TALENT IS ONLY THE ABILITY TO KEEP DOING SOMETHING UNTIL YOU GET IT RIGHT."

YOU THINK I HAVE TALENT?  
 LET'S SEE -- GO GET ANOTHER DOLLAR.

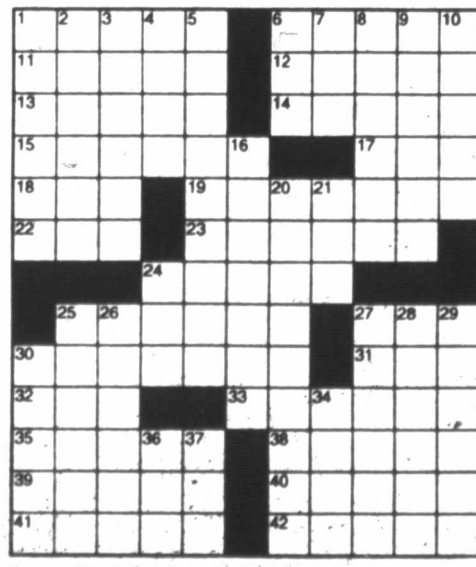
### Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
- Genoese explorer
  - Reporter Zahn
  - Foe
  - Admit
  - Tussle
  - Small sounds
  - Denis Leary film
  - See 1-Down
  - Park place
  - Gets ready for market
  - Part of MGM's motto
  - Whatever person View
  - Ovum, e.g.
  - Damage Loggins & Messina song
  - Tough wood
  - Exist
  - Type of fabric
  - Desert flora
  - Fixed shoes
  - Hawke on film
  - Binding need
  - Appears
  - Transmits
- DOWN**
- With 17-
  - Across, "That's life!"
  - News
  - bigwig
  - French toppers
  - Actor Epps
  - Designers' choices
  - Some music
  - Reverence
  - Crooked
  - Wolffish
  - Church parts
  - Extremist
  - Gives obvious roles to
  - Climb
  - Boot part
  - Eric Dicker-son's sch.
  - Spin
  - "Cocoon" Oscar winner
  - Submit, as a contest entry
  - Climb
  - Aegean island
  - Spiked clubs
  - Rob of "The West Wing"
  - Scottish topper
  - Ones with power

**Yesterday's answer**

JAWED HASTE  
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### Marmaduke

"I don't think I'll make it to dinner... maybe breakfast."

### The Family Circus

"Isn't that the guy we saw at the start of the Olympics?"

### For Better or For Worse

YOU BOUGHT THE CAR! NOT YET GORD LET ME BORROW IT FOR A WEEK - JUST TO MAKE SURE.

WHO! CHECK IT OUT! CAN WE GO FOR A DRIVE, DAD? COMING?

THIS IS SOOO COOL!!! YES SIR, THE FOLKS WHO DRIVE THESE CARS ARE DIFFERENT! THEY'RE A BREED APART! RIGHT! A PART!

...THEY ALL LOOK LIKE THIS!

### Zits

A First-Year Favorite

WHAT I DON'T UNDERSTAND IS HOW FINGERPRINTS GET ON A TRY-ROCK CEILING IN THE FIRST PLACE!

### Garfield

WE GOT A POSTCARD FROM DOC BOY!

HE'S VACATIONING IN LOOGIEVILLE, INDIANA

...SAYS HE HAD HIS PICTURE TAKEN WITH THE WORLD'S LARGEST CORN COB

EIFFEL TOWER, EAT YOUR HEART OUT

### Beetle Bailey

SEE YOU LATER, SARGE

IT'S NATIONAL BALLOONS AND FUNNY HATS DAY!

OH...I HADN'T HEARD

NOW THAT WE HAVE THE DAY OFF, WHAT DO WE DO?

FIRST, GET RID OF THE BALLOONS AND FUNNY HATS

### Marvin

I GUESS I CAN UNDERSTAND WHY DAD FEELS HE MUST SPRAY WEED KILLER ON THE LAWN

... BUT I AM A LITTLE WORRIED ABOUT THE LEVEL OF PERSONAL ENJOYMENT HE SEEMS TO DERIVE FROM IT

NYAA! TAKE THAT! HAR HAR HAR HAR!!

### B.C.

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### Haggar The Horrible

DID YOU CHECK OUT MY BOAT?

YES, AND UNFORTUNATELY YOU'RE GOING TO NEED A NEW HULL...

BUT THE GOOD NEWS IS YOU CAN PROBABLY USE YOUR OLD MAST AND SAIL!

### Peanuts

IT SAYS HERE THAT TWICE AS MANY KIDS GET THEIR SECURITY FROM A STUFFED ANIMAL THAN FROM A BLANKET...

YOU LIKE TO REMIND ME OF THINGS LIKE THAT, DON'T YOU?

I LOVE IT!!

### Blondie

ALL RIGHT, MEN, MOVE OUT!

HI YOH, FORWARD... ON TO FT. APACHE!

HIS LAST OWNER WATCHED LOTS OF JOHN WAYNE MOVIES

THAT'S FOR SURE

THINGS ARE DIFFERENT OUT HERE, PILGRIM!

### Mallard Fillmore

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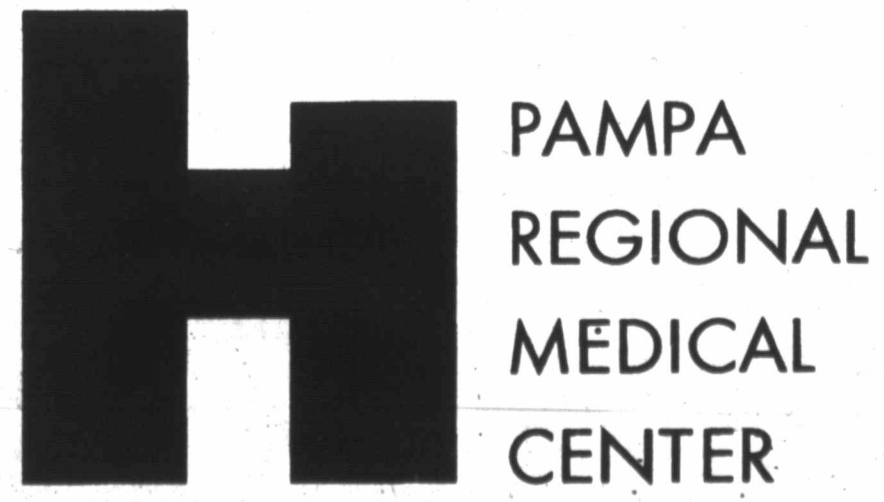
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40-49	40-49	16-19	40-49
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# ENTERTAINMENT

## Billboard music charts

By The Associated Press

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

### Billboard Hot 100: Top 10

- (Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan; radio playlists; and monitored radio by Broadcast Data Systems)
1. "Fallin'," Alicia Keys. J.
  2. "I'm Real," Jennifer Lopez (feat. Ja Rule). Epic.
  3. "Let Me Blow Ya Mind," Eve (feat. Gwen Stefani). Ruff Ryders.
  4. "Hit 'Em Up Style (Oops!)," Blu Cantrell. RedZone.
  5. "U Remind Me," Usher. Arista.
  6. "Where The Party At," Jagged Edge With Nelly. So So Def.
  7. "It's Been Awhile," Staind. Flip/Elektra.
  8. "All or Nothing," O-Town. J.
  9. "Drops Of Jupiter (Tell Me)," Train. Columbia.

10. "Hanging By A Moment," Lifehouse. DreamWorks. Copyright 2001, BPI Communications Inc. and SoundScan Inc.

### The Billboard 200 Top Albums: Top 10

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)

1. "Now 7," Various Artists. EMI/Universal/Sony/Zomba/Virgin.
2. "Celebrity," 'N Sync. Jive.
3. "Eternal," The Isley Brothers (feat. Ronald Isley AKA Mr. Biggs). DreamWorks.
4. "8701," Usher. Arista.
5. Kiss Tha Game Goodbye," Judakiss. Ruff Ryders/Interscope.
6. "Songs In A Minor," Alicia Keys. J. (Platinum — certified sales of 1 million units)
7. "Oh Aaron," Aaron Carter. Jive/Zomba.
8. "Break The Cycle," Staind. Flip/Elektra. (Platinum)
9. "(Hybrid Theory)," Linkin Park. Warner Bros. (Platinum)
10. "Devil's Night," D-12. Shady. Copyright 2001, BPI Communications Inc. and SoundScan Inc.

### Hot Adult Contemporary

(Compiled from a national sample of airplay supplied by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "There You'll Be," Faith Hill. Warner Bros.
2. "Thank-You," Dido. Arista.
3. "If You're Gone," matchbox twenty. Lava.
4. "I Hope You Dance," Lee Ann Womack With Sons Of The Desert. MCA Nashville.
5. "Only Time," Enya. Warner Sunset.
6. "More Than That," Backstreet Boys. Jive.
7. "One More Day," Diamond Rio. Arista Nashville.
8. "Follow Me," Uncle Kracker. Top Dog/Lava/Atlantic.
9. "Ghost Of You And Me," BBMak. Hollywood.
10. "This I Promise You," 'N Sync. Jive.

### Top Gospel Albums

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)

1. "Live In London And More..." Donnie McClurkin. Verity. (Gold)
2. "CeCe Winans," CeCe Winans. Wellspring Gospel.
3. "Persuaded — Live in D.C.," Richard Smallwood With Vision. Verity/Zomba.
4. "Thankful," Mary Mary. C2/Columbia. (Gold)
5. "WoW Gospel 2001: The Year's 30 Top Gospel Artists And Songs," Various Artists. EMI/Ward. (Gold)
6. "Still Tramaine," Tramaine Hawkins. Gospo Centric.
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9. "Sing For Me," Dez. Destiny.
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### Mainstream Rock Tracks

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1. "It's Been Awhile," Staind. Flip/Elektra.
2. "Schism," Tool. Tool Dissectional.
3. "How You Remind Me," Nickelback. Roadrunner.
4. "Crawling," Linkin Park. Warner Bros.
5. "Control," Puddle Of Mudd. Flawless/Geffen/Interscope.
6. "Bodies," Drowning Pool. Wind-up.
7. "Greed," Godsmack. Republic.
8. "Astounded," Tantric. Maverick.
9. "Down With the Sickness," Disturbed. Giant/Reprise.
10. "Your Disease," Saliva. Island.

### Modern Rock Tracks

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1. "Smooth Criminal," Alien Ant Farm. New Noise/DreamWorks.
2. "Fat Lip," Sum 41. Island.
3. "Schism," Tool. Tool Dissectional.
4. "It's Been Awhile," Staind. Flip/Elektra.
5. "Clint Eastwood," Gorillaz. Virgin.
6. "Hash Pipe," Weezer. Geffen.
7. "Short Skirt/Long Jacket," Cake. Columbia.
8. "The Rock Show," Blink-182. MCA.
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10. "How You Remind Me," Nickelback. Roadrunner.

### Hot Country Singles and Tracks

(Compiled from a national sample of monitored country radio by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "Austin," Blake Shelton. Giant.
2. "I'm Just Talkin' About Tonight," Toby Keith. DreamWorks.
3. "Where The Blacktop Ends," Keith Urban. Capitol.
4. "When I Think About Angels," Jamie O'Neal. Mercury.
5. "What I Really Meant To Say," Cyndi Thomson. Capitol.
6. "Downtime," Jo Dee Messina. Curb.
7. "While You Loved Me," Rascal Flatts. Lyric Street.
8. "I'm Already There," Lonestar. BNA.
9. "Laredo," Chris Cagle. Virgin/Capitol.
10. "Only In America," Brooks & Dunn. Arista

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### Top Country Albums

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1. Soundtrack: "O Brother, Where Art Thou?" Mercury. (Platinum)
2. Soundtrack: "Coyote Ugly," Curb. (Platinum)
3. "I Hope You Dance," Lee Ann Womack. MCA Nashville. (Platinum)
4. "I'm Already There," Lonestar. BNA. (Gold)
5. "Set This Circus Down," Tim McGraw. Curb. (Platinum)
6. "Blake Shelton," Blake Shelton. Warner Bros./WRN.
7. "Greatest Hits," Kenny Chesney. BNA. (Platinum)
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1. "Eternal," The Isley Brothers (feat. Ronald Isley AKA Mr. Biggs). DreamWorks.
2. "Kiss Tha Game Goodbye," Judakiss. Ruff Ryders/Interscope.
3. "8701," Usher. Arista.
4. "Songs In A Minor," Alicia Keys. J. (Platinum)
5. "Duces 'N Trayz — The Old Fashioned Way," Snoopy Dogg Presents Tha Eastsidaz. Doggy Style/TVT.
6. "The Saga Continues," P. Diddy & The Bad Boy Family. Bad Boy/Arista.
7. "Broken Silence," Foxy Brown. Def Jam/DJMG.
8. "Aaliyah," Aaliyah. Blackground. (Gold)
9. "Now 7," Various Artists. EMI/Universal/Sony/Zomba/Virgin.
10. "So Blu," Blu Cantrell. RedZone/Arista. Copyright 2001, BPI Communications Inc. and SoundScan Inc.

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1. "My Projects," Coo Coo Cal. Infinite/Tommy Boy.
2. "Raise Up," Petey Pablo. Jive.
3. "Purple Hills," D-12. Shady.
4. "Big Poppa/Warning," The Notorious B.I.G. Bad Boy/Arista. (Platinum)
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3. "We Come 1," Faithless. Cheeky/Arista.
4. "Thank You," Dido. Arista.
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7. "Romeo," Basement Jaxx. XL/Astelwerks.
8. "Inside Your Secret," Celeste Price. Java/Capitol.
9. "Tell Me Who," Tamia. Elektra/EEG.
10. "I Got My Pride," Barry Harris (feat. Pepper Mashay). Tommy Boy Silver Label.

### Hot Latin Tracks

(Compiled from national Latin radio airplay reports)

1. "Azul," Cristian Ariola.
2. "Como Se Cura Una Herida," Jaci Velasquez. Sony Discos.
3. "O Me Voy O Te Vas," Marco Antonio Solis. Fonovisa.
4. "Como Olvidar," Olga Tanon. WEA Latina.
5. "Me Vas A Extranar," Pepe Aguilar. Musart.
6. "Con Cada Beso," Huey Dunbar. Sony Discos.
7. "No Me Conoces Aun," Palomo. Disa.
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### The Billboard Latin 50: Top 10 Albums

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1. "Historia Musical Romantica," Grupo Bryndis. Disa.
2. "Historia Musical," Los Angeles Azules. Disa.
3. "Mas Con El Numero Uno," Vicente Fernandez. Sony Discos.
4. "Paulina," Paulina Rubio. Universal Latino. (Gold)
5. "Shhh!" A.B. Quintanilla Y Los Kumbia Kings. EMI Latin.
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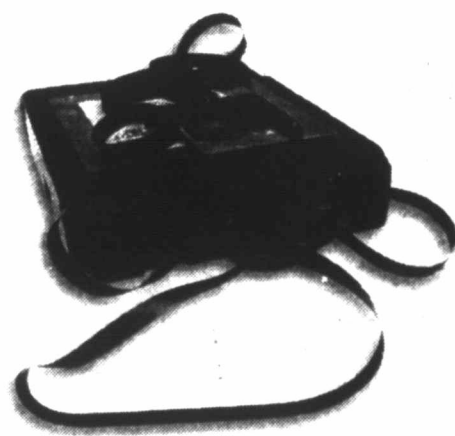
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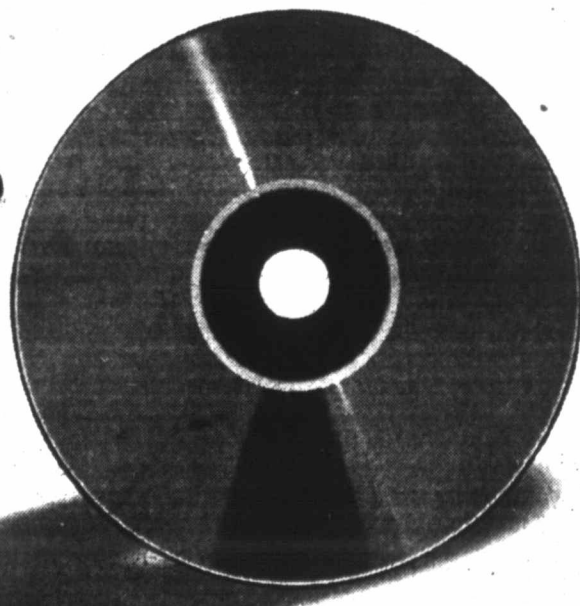
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# AGRICULTURE

## Crop report: soybean yields weak this year

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Late planting and a severe lack of moisture have caused an extremely short soybean crop, Texas Cooperative Extension reports.

Dr. Travis Miller, extension agronomist in College Station, said harvest began around the first of August and will continue through October, but yields are not promising so far because rainfall stopped too early in the growing season.

"The early beans are gone, and no amount of rain would help now," Miller said. "However, rain could still help the crop in the High Plains."

Miller said the Gulf Coast has made a relatively good crop so far.

"A lot of the North Texas crop got planted late and then ran into dry weather," Miller said. "So, that crop looks pretty marginal."

Soybeans growth is scattered throughout most of the state starting in the Gulf Coast and ranging to the Red River and the northern High Plains. The crop is planted from the middle of March to early June.

"Most of the beans throughout the state are what we call early beans," Miller said. "This means they are planted from mid-March to mid-April. The High Plains producers plant in May and early June."

Dry conditions have been the main concern of farmers this season because disease and insect

problems have been present, but extremely light.

Miller said Texas producers planted approximately 330,000 acres of soybeans this year.

"It's a relatively small crop compared to many of the other crops grown in Texas like cotton, corn, wheat and sorghum," Miller said. "It's important in the areas of the state it is grown, though."

Soybeans have become increasingly popular among consumers and are used in a variety of industries.

"Lots of soybeans are widely used in cooking oil and margarine products," Miller said. "They are also becoming popular in dietary supplements. Soy supplements are advertised to be good for the heart. They are also widely used in adhesives, paints and the colored inks used by newspapers."

Randy Upshaw, district extension director in Dallas, reported most soybean fields were planted late then were hit by the drought and are not doing well this year.

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by district extension directors:

**PANHANDLE:** soil moisture is short to very short. All dryland crops are moisture-stressed, and irrigation is being stretched to the maximum. Corn is mostly fair to good but spider mites continue to be a problem. Irrigated sorghum is 50 percent headed and rated poor to fair.

**SOUTH PLAINS:** soil moisture is very short. Cotton is in fair condition. Peanuts are in good condition. Sorghum is in fair to good condition. Most replant sorghum is in boot to early heading stage. Sunflower harvest has started in some areas.

**ROLLING PLAINS:** soil moisture is very short. Cotton farmers plowing fields that have been declared a disaster. Karnal bunt is still of importance to wheat farmers. Some producers are having to haul water to their cattle herds where stock tanks are low.

**NORTH TEXAS:** soil moisture is very short to short. Soybeans have not done well this year. Oats will be planted in September and October if there is adequate soil moisture. Wheat ground is being prepared. Planting will start soon if rain is received.

**EAST TEXAS:** soil moisture is short to very short. Pastures are in fair condition. Hay harvests are nearing the end. Very little garden activity due to extreme heat and low moisture. High temperatures continue with little rainfall.

**FAR WEST TEXAS:** soil moisture is very short to short. Pecan crop looks good. White grape harvest completed. Red grape harvest is beginning. Heavy irrigation continues on cotton row crops. Potato harvest is complete.

**WEST CENTRAL TEXAS:** soil moisture is very short to short. Most cotton showing blooms in the tops of the plants. Wheat harvest is complete.

Sorghum remains in poor condition due to drought. Pecan drop has been noted due to high heat and stress on trees.

**CENTRAL TEXAS:** soil moisture is very short. Fruit and vegetable production has come to a standstill for homeowners. Grasshoppers continue to infest pastures. Dry weather will affect pecan yields. Corn yields vary from field to field.

**SOUTHEAST TEXAS:** soil moisture is short to adequate. Corn harvest continues. Cotton irrigation continues. Rice farmers trying to get crops harvested. Soybean harvest continues. Peanuts need moisture to put on poundage. Watermelons continue to be harvested.

**SOUTHWEST TEXAS:** soil moisture is very short. Corn harvest is about complete. The cotton harvest is gaining momentum. Peanut and sesame crops are making good progress under heavy irrigation. Forage availability is below average.

**COASTAL BEND:** soil moisture is mostly short. Corn yields are fair to excellent depending on the planting date. The rice harvest is progressing with a limited second crop expected. Pastures showing stress from heat and lack of moisture.

**SOUTH TEXAS:** soil moisture is short. Corn harvest complete. Cotton harvest should wrap up in the next few weeks. Hot, dry conditions have caused pastures to dry up rapidly. Sugarcane is in good condition.

## In horse country, West Nile virus means more worry for animals than people

CHERRY LAKE, Fla. (AP) — Jim and Judy Haddon, like many of their neighbors in the rolling hills along the Florida-Georgia border, are worried about the West Nile virus.

They live just up the road from a man who has symptoms of the potentially fatal disease caused by a mosquito-carried virus first detected in Florida in July.

But the Haddons aren't concerned much for their own health.

They and others in this area of hilly pastures and swampy bottomland are far more worried about the horses they raise here, a community northeast of Tallahassee. For one thing, horses are bitten far more often.

"The thing that's scary is the babies and the older horses," said Judy Haddon, walking a sturdy bay into a corral. "Just like the people."

Last week the Agriculture Department conditionally approved a vaccine to prevent horses from getting West Nile,

though data is still being gathered to prove the vaccine's effectiveness.

The last national agricultural census showed 78 farms with horses on them in Madison County. Most are small, probably about 1,500 horses in a county of 18,000 people. There are no big thoroughbred horse farms.

For a lot of people here, the horses — mostly quarterhorses — are just a hobby. But for many, like the Haddons, who own the Sandy Bottom Quarterhorse farm, it's a business.

"It's not like they are just pets in the backyard," said Ginger Hutchings, whose family has 11 quarterhorses at a nearby farm.

West Nile first showed up in the United States a few years ago and nine people have died from the virus, all in New York and New Jersey. Scientists say it kills only a tiny percentage of the people who are exposed to it — many don't even get sick.

With several north Florida counties under a health alert,

some officials have worried about a panic, especially after a Madison County man was hospitalized in Tallahassee for several weeks after being infected.

But in the sleepy Spanish Moss-draped towns between Tallahassee and Jacksonville, most of the calls for information have not been about humans, said Tom Moffses, city manager in Madison.

"Most of the people are concerned about their livestock," he said. "They've got a lot of money tied up in it."

There is no evidence that West Nile can spread from horses to other animals or people, according to USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

Owners here are used to inoculating horses against a different mosquito-borne killer, Eastern equine encephalitis. They've dealt with that for years.

But this is already a bad year for mosquitoes, the first wet summer after several dry ones, and horses need more inoculations

than normal. EEE, as it's known, is killing far more horses this year. State agriculture officials are calling it an epidemic.

But there is no vaccine for the West Nile virus, although one is being developed in a laboratory in Iowa and may be available late this summer.

"There's nothing you can do," said Judy Haddon. "Except spray them with repellent."

There are no vaccines for people either. But in areas where the virus is present, fewer than 1 percent of mosquitoes are carrying it, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta. And fewer than one percent of the tiny number of people bitten by a carrier mosquito will get severely ill.

For state and local officials, however, protecting people is the primary concern.

Spraying in Madison County has targeted only the most populated areas. It's too expensive to drop heavy amounts of pesticide on sparsely populated areas.

But that's where the horses are. And horse owners say that's where the mosquitoes are, too.

"All the hills are pasture with livestock on them and all the bottoms are wet," said Jim Haddon.

"They need to do something for the horse owners," said Hutchings. "If it means bringing in big B-52s to spray, they need to get it done."

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## Cattle inventory up, Texas first in numbers

AUSTIN — The inventory of Texas cattle and calves totaled 15.0 million head on July 1, 2001, up 1 percent from July 1, 2000.

Texas continued to rank first in the nation in total number of cattle and calves with 14.2 percent of the total United States inventory. Beef cow inventory, at 5.68 million head, was down 1 percent from last year's total of 5.75 million head. Milk cow inventory, at 325,000 head, was down 7 percent from the 2000 total of 350,000 head.

Total inventory of all cows that had calved was 6.0 million head, down 2 percent from last year's total of 6.1 million head.

The preliminary estimate for the 2001 calf crop was 5.1 million head, unchanged from the 2000 calf crop.

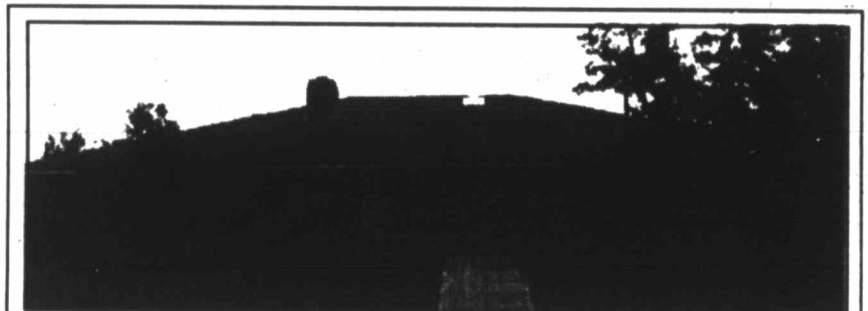
The United States inventory of all cattle and calves totaled 105.8 million head on July 1, slightly below the 106.3 million on July 1, 2000, and 1 percent below the 107.0 million two years ago.

All cows and heifers that have calved totaled 43.0 million head, slightly below the 43.2 million on July 1, 2000, and 1 percent below the 43.3 million on July 1, 1999.

Beef cows totaled 33.9 million head, down slightly from a year ago, while milk cows were down 1 percent, at 9.15 million head.

Beef replacement heifers, at 4.6 million head, were down 2 percent from the previous year. Milk replacement heifers totaled 3.6 million, down 3 percent from last year.

The 2001 calf crop is expected to be 38.4 million head, down 1 percent from 2000. Calves born during the first half of the year were estimated at 28.2 million, down 1 percent from 2000.



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## Organic farming acres used on rise as farmland shrinks

COLUMBIA, Md. (AP) — When Mexican bean beetles launch an assault on Dave Shaw's bean plants, he reaches for parasitic wasps instead of insecticide.

As one of the growing number of certified organic farmers in Maryland, Shaw avoids pesticides, herbicides or commercial fertilizers. He relies on natural pest controls, and that's where the wasps come in.

The tiny wasps lay their eggs in the beetle's yellow larvae, then the eggs hatch and the baby wasps feast on the beetle.

Shaw's 6-acre farm is one of 70 farming operations certified as organic by the Maryland Department of Agriculture. The number of acres in certified farms more than doubled from 1,670 in 1997 to 3,449 last year, said state program director Valerie Frances.

With the state's 2 million acres of farmland decreasing by about 20,000 acres a year, Frances said organic farming is a bright spot because more consumers — including herself — want to buy food that has not been exposed to chemicals.

"Everything in my lunch is organic. Organic bread with organic jelly and organic peanut butter. Organic yogurt. Organic soy milk," she said, pulling out her lunch.

Before the state certifies a farm as organic, farmers must prove that no prohibited pesticides or herbicides have been used on fields for at least three years. And they have to agree to comply with 27 pages of rules.

It's up to Frances, with the help of a contract employee, to make sure certified farms follow organic practices.

Lisa Farley, a mother of two daughters who lives near Shaw's farm, buys organic produce, meat and packaged foods whenever possible.

"It's a commitment we have both to the health of our family and to the health of the earth," said Farley, who belongs to a food

cooperative that provides much of her organic produce and grains.

Like most Maryland organic farmers, Shaw doesn't grow enough produce to sell vegetables and herbs at a profit to supermarket chains, which have been slowly increasing their offerings of organic foods. He relies heavily on sales at farmers markets.

Shaw also sells produce to a nearby restaurant and gets income through what is called Community Supported Agriculture. Customers sign an

agreement with the farmer and come on designated days to pick up bags of whatever produce is in season.

Shaw, who has a degree in horticulture from the University of Maryland, believes organic farming is important for the health of people and the environment.

Parasitic wasps are an exotic weapon in his endless battle against pests and weeds. They are delivered to him from New Hampshire — a shipment of 10,000 on a recent morning, each no bigger than the point of a pencil.

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Hutchinson County Hospital District is accepting bids for the sale of one (1) used Xerox Copier Model 5065 with dry ink, toner/developer, (1) used Xerox Copier Model 5028, and (1) used Xerox Copier Model 5052 with toner. For more information call Richard Sandoval, Materials management Director at (806)273-1225 or mail to Golden Plains Community Hospital District, Attention: Richard Sandoval, 200 South McGee, Borger, Texas 79007. All bids welcome. J-75 Aug. 15 thru 22, 2001

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BEAUTICONTROL Cosmetics sales, service, makeovers. Lynn Allison 1304 Christine, 669-3848

**ABORTION? WHY? CONSIDER ADOPTION**  
Warm, secure, loving home available for newborn baby. Please call Attorney at 1-800-606-4411. A-74.

**5 Special Notices**  
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**10 Lost/Found**  
LOST "Gizmo," white, male Pekingese, since Aug. 9th, black collar. 665-4805, 886-8894.

ORANGE tiger kitten, male, 4 mos. old, missing since Sun. 8-12-01, from 200 bl. Tignor. 669-7352.

FOUND 6 mo. old female Tabby cat, around NBC Plaza. Please call 662-1121 or 662-1524.

Signed,  
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**HAPPINESS IS**  
Good Operating Appliances. Call William's Appliances, 665-8894.

### 14d Carpentry

CUSTOM homes, additions, remodeling, residential / commercial. Deaver Construction, 665-0447.

**OVERHEAD DOOR REPAIR** Kidwell Construction, Call 669-6347.

ADDITIONS, remodeling, roofing, cabinets, painting, all types repairs. Mike Albus, 665-4774.

ADDITIONS, remodeling, all types of home repairs. 25 years local experience. Jerry Reagan 669-3943

### 14e Carpet Serv.

NU-WAY Cleaning service, carpets, upholstery, walls, ceilings. Quality doesn't cost...it pays! No steam used. Bob Marx owner-operator. 665-3541, or from out of town, 800-536-5341.

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COX Fence Company. Repair old fence or build new. Free estimates. Call 669-7769.

IS your House or Foundation Settling? Cracks in bricks or walls? Door won't close? Call Childers Brothers Stabilizing & Foundation Leveling. 1-800-299-9563 or 806-352-9563 Amarillo, TX.

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**ATTENTION** we need help. \$500-1500 pt. \$2000-6000 fl. Fr training. 1-877-509-6325 toll free.

**CALDWELL Prod.** needs Sho Mechanic. Ins. + 6 paid holidays, 1 week paid vacation per yr., steady work. 665-8888 Hwy. 60 W. Pampa

**C&C CATTLE CO.**  
"Pampa's Newest Restaurant" is now accepting applications for all positions. Apply with Wade Dorsey at the Best Western Northgate Inn weekdays 9am to 11am and 2pm and 4pm or by appointment if you can not apply at these times.

No phone calls please other than to make after hours appointment. 2831 Perryton Parkway.

**Therapist Technician IV** Texas Panhandle Mental Health Retardation Pampa, TX.

The TT IV acts as an Employment Specialist in the Supported Employment area of the Pampa sheltered workshop. Responsible for assisting persons with mental retardation find, obtain and keep gainful employment. Duties incl. supervision, job coaching / training, acting as liaison between the consumer and the employer and providing direct care to the consumers. A high school diploma / GED plus one year experience assisting in therapeutic activities is required. This position offers a salary of \$8.01/hr. plus a generous benefit package. Apply at the AS-CI Workshop, 1301 Somerville, Pampa, TX. 79066. EEO / Affirmative Action Employer.

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**EVERGREEN OPERATING CO.**  
has immediate openings for  
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Evergreen Operating Co. is a subsidiary of Evergreen Resources Inc., an integrated coal gas producer based in the Rocky Mountains. If interested, please fax a resume to Evergreen Resources, Inc. at: 503-294-1249 or e-mail to: Mech@Evergreen-Res.com

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**DRAFTING Designer:**  
To qualify you must possess an associate degree of applied science in drafting design with CAD-CAM experience. Extensive refinery drafting and surveying is preferred.

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LOSE 2-8 lbs every week. www.uryti.net, call 888-217-8369.

ST. Ann's Nursing Home in Panhandle has the following positions open: FT 3-11 LVN charge nurse, FT 11pm-7am CNA's PRN for LVN's & CNA's. New competitive rates for all nursing. Apply in person or call Wanda @ 537-3194.

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NURSES Unlimited Inc. needs attendants to assist with personal care, meal preparation and light housekeeping. Part time basis. Please call 1-888-859-0631 Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. EOE.

CNA's needed for day, evening, and night shift. Certification classes offered. Salary for 6-2 shifts \$7.00 not certified, \$7.50 certified. Salary for 2-10 shifts \$7.75 not certified, \$8.25 certified. All salaries are with differential and are negotiable with experience. Palo Duro Nursing Home, Claude TX. 226-5121.

LVN needed for 2-10 shift. FT or PT \$12.50 with differential. Call Palo Duro Nursing Home, Claude TX. 226-5121.

NEEDED - presser (silk finisher). Experience preferred but not necessary. Paid holiday and vacation. Neal or Mary Fulton, Bob Clements, 1437 N. Hobart.

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RN'S, LVN's, CNA's. All shifts. Pampa Nursing Center, 1321 W. Kentucky, EOE.

IMMEDIATE opening for Janitor-Maintenance position. 40-45 hours per week. Call 665-2667.

OWN A Computer? Put it to work! \$25-\$75/hr. PT/FT. Free booklet. 877-320-7790

HAVE the joy of teaching the whole child. 1st grade teaching position. Community Christian School, 665-3393, 220 N. Ballard, Pampa.

F/T Job for dependable hard-worker to do floor service at local supermarket from midnight-6 a.m. daily. 888-535-9319 M-F 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

### SHUTDOWN

Mundy Companies, a leader in the industrial service field, is now accepting applications for the following positions for an upcoming shutdown in the Pampa, TX area.

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Nice and attractive home in Austin School District with three bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, detached garage plus carport, two storage buildings, central heat and air, ready to move into. MLS 5433.

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Nice two bedroom home with living room and den, carport, neutral carpet throughout. Price has been reduced to \$15,000. MLS 5484.

Jim Ward... 665-1990  
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### AUCTION

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RESTAURANT EQUIP., TIRE SHOP, & REAL ESTATE  
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LOCATED: Shamrock, TX - From Jct. of I-40 & Hwy 83 (Exit 163) Take I-40 East 4.7 Miles to Exit 167 (Dabery Rd.-Longhorn Restaurant) North Side of I-40.

**REAL ESTATE WILL SELL AT 1:00 P.M.**  
TRACT 1 LEGAL: Sec. 52 Bk. 13 H & GN 1 AC SW/4 Wheeler County, TX. Store & Residence - Star 50 X 100 Metal Building & Tire Shop - Star 24 X 40 Metal Building. TRACT 2 LEGAL: Sec. 52 Bk. 13 H & GN 8.73 AC Tract SW/4 Wheeler County, TX. Restaurant - Star 50 X 82 Metal Building. Area For RV Hookups, Large Paved Parking Area For Both Tracts - Water Well Plus City Water - 130 AC Minerals & Free Natural Gas - Will Be Sold As One Or Divided.

**SHAMROCK REALTY - Brok.:** Pete Denney #0380403  
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is L O N G F E L L O W

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's; X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

8-18 CRYPTOQUOTE

I G N P Q A W S I V J H F I G N  
S T Q N - I K N N H P I G N O G S K Z H I  
U G N N Q S F C W S Z C, "U G S I S  
C V W I Z K S Z W N." - S N W H J

Yesterday's Cryptquote: I DO NOT BELIEVE IN THAT WORD FATE. IT IS THE REFUGE OF EVERY SELF-CONFESSED FAILURE. - ANDREW SOUTAR

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RN-(2) 7a-7p Shifts and (1) 7p-7a Shift - ACLS required.
- MED/SURG  
RN-80 hrs
- PRN (RN) Position Available
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RN-(2) 7a-7p Shifts and (1) 7p-7a Shift-ACLS required.
- OPERATING ROOM  
RN-FT days, plus call, OR experience preferred  
RN-FT Nurse Manager, OR experience preferred. Excellent organizational/clinical skills
- HOUSE SUPERVISOR  
RN-FT 7p-7a Fri., Sat. & Sun. 1-year minimum supervisor/charge nurse experience. Strong communication, organizational & clinical skills. ACLS preferred.
- LAB  
MT or MLT - FT evenings Sunday through Thursday
- PHARMACY  
Director of Pharmacy - FT Rhp. State of Texas license. Hospital pharmacy experience preferred. Management experience is plus.
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FT-4 days per week - FNP with OB & Pediatric experience
- MEDICAL PLAZA  
Physician's Office Manager. Billing, scheduling, CPT, & ICD9 Coding, MC/MC, PPO Ins. Previous Managerial experience necessary.
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NOW accepting applications for mature, responsible individual with proven parenting skills to supervise adolescent home as a relief houseparent. Must be able to live-in home 24 hrs. per day for 4 to 5 days per week and requires the desire to work with young people. Good salary & benefit pkg. References and criminal background check required. Must be able to pass pre-employment drug screen. Interested persons call 806-665-7123, Mon.-Fri. 9-5, or 806-665-0235 aft. hrs. & weekends. EOE.

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**50 Building Suppl.**

**White House Lumber**  
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420 W. Foster  
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**58a Hunting**

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**60 Household**

**JOHNSON HOME FURNISHINGS**  
Rent 1 piece or house full Washer-Dryer-Ranges Bedroom-Dining Room Livingroom  
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PAMPA, TEXAS  
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**MILLER BOBCAT WELDER** with cover, 11 hrs. \$2050. 665-5524.

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RAINED out trying again. 4 Family Yard Sale. 800 E. Foster. Sat. & Sun. 9-5. Everything must go!

**HUGE Yard Sale:** Lots of clothes, antiques, dishes, glassware. Sat. & Sun. 8 a.m.-? No early birds. 501 N. Zimmers.

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**ASPEN** - Elegant 4 bedroom home on corner lot. Some hardwood floors. Beautiful back yard with brick patio, large utility room, office. 2 living areas, lots of room for the money, double garage. MLS 5415.

**CHESTNUT** - Two bedroom home with great deck, beautiful den and dining with island bar. Built-in hutch in living room, skylights, large master, above ground pool & hot tub, large utility, single garage. MLS 5501.

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**PAULKNER** - Nice three bedroom home with free standing fireplace, central heat and air, large living area, 1 3/4 baths, dining area, single garage. MLS 0E.

**N. NELSON** - Nice four bedroom home with large rooms. Dining area has built-in hutch and new dishwasher. Master bath has been enlarged and up-dated. One bedroom has built-in and could be used as office. Lots of room for the money. MLS 5490.

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**N. SOMERVILLE** - Three bedroom home with central heat and air. Garage has been rewired, water softener in basement. Covered patio, 1 3/4 baths, mock fireplace, detached double garage. MLS 5471.

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## Lutherans Branch 4049 donations



Local Aid Association for Lutherans Branch 4049 recently made a contribution to High Plains Public Radio Capital campaign and to Pampa's Worth the Wait. Both checks were presented by Ted Dickman, chair. Left: Loralee



(Community Camera photos by Ted Dickman)

Coolley accepting a check from Dickman on behalf of HPPR. Right: Stacey Ladd, director of Worth the Wait, receiving the contribution for the local organization.

## Seaweed hailed as lawn food by some gardening enthusiasts

By JASON MA  
Corpus Christi Caller-Times

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas — Beachgoers don't need to see seaweed to know it has washed ashore.

The salty, rotten smell hits them before they spot the mounds of decaying algae. As soon as beach

crews remove seaweed from popular spots, it piles up again just as quickly.

Tourists gripe, anglers curse and sunbathers hold their noses. But some gardening enthusiasts can't get enough seaweed, which they use to fertilize their lawns.

A month and a half ago, Jesse Suarez had a dying lawn and fig-

ured he had nothing to lose by loading his truck with seaweed and putting it on his grass. Suarez, a construction foreman with the county parks department, watered it, rinsing off some of the salt, and ground it up to turn it into mulch.

Days later, his lawn was green again.

"Cow manure comes from the bottom of a cow. Seaweed comes from the bottom of the sea. Why don't you try that?" Suarez recalls telling skittish co-workers after his successful experiment.

Now his lawn smells like the beach, and because his children like the smell, he leaves the windows open.

**Rich in nutrients**  
The seaweed, actually brown algae sargassum, is rich in nitrogen and minerals that are present in commonly used fertilizers, said Kim Withers, a research scientist with the Center for Coastal Studies at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi. It is also edible, but probably wouldn't be a popular dish, she said.

Its texture is tough, and it cannot be dried the way kelp is. As a

result, the brown algae sargassum would have to be eaten fresh. And potential commercial uses are unlikely.

Using the seaweed as a fertilizer is too expensive for farmers, said Michael Potter, a demonstration assistant with the county agricultural extension service office, though he uses it on his own lawn sometimes.

Collecting it in large quantities would be too time-consuming and any machines that might process it could get clogged easily, he said. But he noted that farmers in the United Kingdom use a seaweed extract that is sold in 40-gallon barrels.

**No good for cattle feed**  
Cows, which have sensitive stomachs, may not react well to seaweed as feed, said Harold Kane of Sam

Kane Beef Processors. Cattle eat a carefully formulated mix of grain that has been proven to fatten them up, he said. Seaweed is an unknown.

"The probability of someone trying it is so far-fetched, because what they're doing now works so well," Kane said.

During the spring months when most of the seaweed washes up, beach crews pick up hundreds of tons of it each week, said Nueces County Parks Director Chris Lawrence. It costs \$190,000 to \$200,000 a month in state, county and city money to clean up the seaweed, he said.

**Come and get it**  
Lawrence invites anyone who is interested to take some seaweed with them and off his hands.

"Come get as much as you want," he said. "I would wash it first before I put it on my lawn."

But he and Withers point out that the seaweed is an important nutrient for creatures at the beach and shouldn't disappear completely. For example, once it washes ashore, bacteria help break it down and the particles enter the sand. There, worms eat it, and eventually birds, fish and crabs eat the worms.


By the time seaweed stops coming this year, Suarez said, he wants to find a way to store a seaweed extract to dilute and spray on plants. But that may be difficult.

"My wife won't let me use the blender," he said.


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### CLUB

—Members present at the meeting were: Kay Stiles and guest Makenzi Stiles, Tara Roden, Mary Mitchell, Anita Brown, Glenda Adcock, Julie Cooke, Julie Watkins, Sena Brainard, Lilith Brainard, Amy and Edy Brainard, Berklee Clements, Sally, Rachel and Reza Wicker, Dianne Buckingham, Carolyn Buckingham, Margaret Tolbert and Sandra Christner.

**Magic Plains ABWA**  
Magic Plains Chapter of American Business Women's Association met Aug. 13 at The Coffee Shop in Pampa with President Pat Winkleblack presiding. Ten members and four guests were present.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

- Minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved as printed in the bulletin.
- Scholarships were awarded to Melody Seely and Charity Natchigall.
- Linda Winkleblack was installed as a new member.
- Audit reports were approved and the pecan sale fund-raiser was discussed along with plans for ABWA Day and membership campaign coming up next month.
- Serving as hostesses were LaNella Hensley and Pat Winkleblack.
- The next meeting will be at 7 p.m., Sept. 10 at The Coffee Shop.

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