

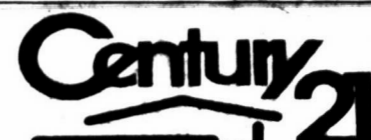
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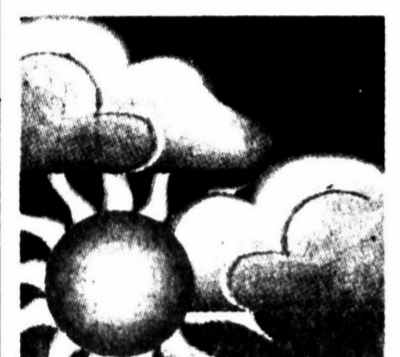
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PEDC meeting Thursday at 4 p.m.

The Pampa Economic Development Commission will meet at 4 p.m. Thursday at the PEDC office at 105 E. Foster, Suite 200. The meeting is open to the public. Consideration and possible action regarding a loan guaranty to Promised Land Park Model Homes is on the agenda as are two closed session items.

Agriculture Secretary in Pampa Thursday

Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs will be at the Chamber of Commerce Building at 200 N. Ballard in Pampa Thursday morning from 8:30-10. The town meeting is designed for Combs to meet with farmers, ranchers, rural economic development and community leaders and rural citizens to discuss issues affecting the agricultural industry and rural Texas. The meeting is free and open to the public.

County Commission special meeting Friday

County Commissioners will consider the proposed tax rate for 2002 budget year when they meet in special session at 9 a.m. Friday, Aug. 24.

The commission will also discuss the 2002 budget which goes into effect Jan. 1.

The special meeting will be in the Gray County Courtroom, 315 N. Ballard.

- Earl Alexander, 82, retired machinist at Pantex
- Mary Jo Hawthorne, 90, tailor, kindergarten teacher.

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Chautauqua celebration to have something for all

By DARLENE BIRKES
For The Pampa News

Water polo, face painting, gyrosphere rides, games and balloon sculptures will be part of the children's activities at the 20th annual Chautauqua in Central Park on Labor Day, Sept. 3.

From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. that day, 20 acts - free to the public - can be seen on the park's stage. Gospel singers and bands, the Fiesta Dancers, Tae Kwon Do martial arts demonstrations and Pampa Gymnastics, are scheduled to perform in the morning.

The new American Field Service exchange students are to be introduced at the stage at noon, followed by the Pampa High School Show Choir. At 3:30

p.m., Celtic musicians from Amarillo will sing Irish and Scottish ballads, as well as perform traditional and modern dances, such as the reel and jig, and play the vodhran (Irish war drum), viola, banjo and guitar.

Jackie Harper, local vocalist, will perform selections from her recent CD "The Wind Beneath My Wings and other favorites" at 11:45 a.m. Harper has sung with the First Christian Church choir for 20 years and was also a member of the Pampa High School choir.

Pampa newcomer, Daylene Wheat, will sing country western songs at 11 a.m. and again at 3:05 p.m. Wheat opened for a Tracy Lawrence show with 11 songs. She has sung at the Five-State Fair in Liberal, Kan., for numer-

ous charities and wedding receptions, and at the Big Texan Restaurant in Amarillo and the Oklahoma City Opry. She and her husband Gary own The Drifters restaurant here.

In the opening ceremony, Joe Martinez will sing "The Blessing" and perform at 9:15 a.m. He is both a soloist and stage emcee at this year's Chautauqua. Martinez sings at the St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church and at numerous community events. Rick Scott, singer and writer, will return to the Chautauqua stage with his Christian music at 12:45 p.m.

Calvary Baptist Church's Shekinah Glory - a vocal ensemble of eight - was organized four years ago. They will perform at 11:15 a.m. Calvary Praise Band



(Courtesy photo)

A cool treat for Labor Day is the water tournament sponsored by Pampa's firefighters at Chautauqua in Central Park. "We really enjoy doing it every year, said Deputy Fire Chief Randy Dunham.

which performs during church services will present a concert of contemporary Christian music at 1 p.m.

New to the stage is Primera Iglesia Bautista Mexicana Band of four - a drummer, two guitarists.

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It's back to school day...



(Pampa News photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

Cheyenné Meyer, 10, second from left, gets a reassuring hug from her mom Tina Castleberry as they enter Wilson Elementary School this morning. Michelle Dechant, far right, also provides moral support for her children, Jana Williams, 10, and Heather Nelson, 6, on the first day of school, also. Not pictured is Dechant's son, Darryl Arenas, 8.

July jobless rate dips in city, county

The July unemployment rate dipped in Pampa and Gray County to 3.3 and 3.4 percent respectively, according to a report from the Texas Workforce Commission.

In June, Pampa's jobless rate was 3.7 percent which reflected 279 people out of work. The July percentage dropped that number of 246.

Gray County's June jobless rate was 3.8 percent reflecting 344 people who were out of work. That

figure was down to 303 in July.

The most unemployment in the area during July was Borger with 5.2 percent, down from 5.6 percent in June.

Coming in at a tie for the lowest number of jobless were Lipscomb County and Sherman, both with a 1.7 percent rate.

Carson County's jobless rate was 3.1 percent down from 3.5 percent in June.

Animal Control staff cut would reduce service

By NANCY YOUNG
Managing Editor

The elimination of one of the three current animal control officer positions will cut the services to the residents of Pampa.

"There is no way we can provide 100 percent of the same level of services we have been providing if one of the positions is eliminated," said Director of Community Services Bill Hildebrandt.

Hildebrandt responded to the possible cutting of one of the staff members which is being considered by the Pampa City Commission to balance the city budget. A tax increase is being considered to maintain several of the services in the community.

"We are still discussing the specifics of how the operation of the department will be if we have to eliminate a position," said Hildebrandt. "If we reduce the department by one person, we would not be providing 365-day-a-year, seven-day-a-week service."

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Hoover firefighters achieve certification

Eleven Hoover Volunteer Fire Department firefighters have completed basic certification, officials announced.

The 11 volunteer firefighters received basic certification through the Firemen's and Fire Marshal's Association of Texas Certification Board, said Joe Millican of the Hoover VFD.

Hoover Volunteer Firefighters earning certification included Kyle Boles, Paul Budd, John Chesher, Kevin Chesher, Darrin Clendennan, Neal Gardner, Wayne Hinds, Danny Holman, Gary James, Dean Linder, and Joe Millican.

To earn the certification, local firefighters attended classes and underwent live-fire training in Canyon, Dumas, Floydada, Higgins, Matador and at the Municipal Texas Fire Training School at College Station, in addition to in-house training at Hoover and in conjunction with area fire departments, Millican said.

The firefighters received a minimum 167 hours training on 31 subjects. Subjects studied by the group included fire department organizations, forcible entry, ladder practices, hose practices, salvage and overhaul, fire streams, apparatus familiarization, ventilation practices, rescue operations, first aid, inspection practices, water

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Quite frankly... Do you believe in prayer?



"Yes, when I was 5 years old, five doctors told my parents I had a brain tumor and after my parents went to God in prayer, they couldn't find the tumor."
- Robin Nelson



"This past summer I went on a mission trip to O'Fallon, Ill., and I saw over 200 people accept Jesus Christ as their savior."
- Lisa Gibson



"Yes, because of my family's prayers, my Grandpa Harvey gave his life to God prior to passing away and God used this to help my Grandmother accept him also."
- Angie Edmondson



"Yes, I asked God to please help me survive the first week of tennis and he did."
- Stephanie Nelson



"Yes, I've had several prayers answered and he still answers my prayers daily."
- Jim Davidson

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Veterans inducted into the Hall of Honor & Heroes

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 11th 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 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, including the Normandy Invasion, the Northern France Campaign, the Rhineland, The Battle of the Bulge and the Central Europe Campaign.

While in the military, he 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



Walter 'Don' Emmons

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 Pohangdong, where on Aug. 11, he volunteered 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 Naktong 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 his 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



Marvin Leroy Gray

Post Home.

He is a member of Highland Baptist 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, seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

EDITOR'S NOTE — This article originally was printed on Page 1 Sunday, Aug. 19. We have re-run the article today because of factual errors in the original.

Officer appeals firing following fatal shooting

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — The policeman who fatally shot a fellow officer during training two months ago has filed an appeal contesting his firing.

Officer Blane Shaw, a six-year veteran, appealed Monday to the deputy city manager. Police Chief Theron Bowman recommended Friday that Shaw be terminated.

Cpl. Joey Cushman, 27, was an instructor during the June 7 training exercise at a local school. He volunteered to demonstrate that a plastic safety helmet he was wearing would deflect a fake bullet.

But Shaw pulled his loaded 9 mm semiautomatic weapon from his holster instead of picking up a handgun loaded with fake ammunition, and he shot Cushman in the head, authorities said.

A sergeant who was demoted to patrol officer has already filed an appeal. Two other police supervisors — one demoted from deputy chief to lieutenant and the other who received a written reprimand — had not appealed as of Monday.

Richard Carter, Shaw's attorney, said the city "shouldn't just throw him away" because Shaw still has value to the Arlington police force.

"I believe that he (Bowman) is sincere in his belief that I should be terminated; and that an attempt to change his mind would be fruitless," Shaw wrote in his appeal to Deputy City Manager Bill Studer.

Police and city officials declined to comment on Shaw's appeal. If the deputy city manager upholds the chief's recommendation, Shaw can appeal to the city's human resources director and ultimately to the city manager.

Carter said Shaw has returned from an out-of-state treatment facility where he received therapy for post-traumatic stress. He was put on paid leave but is now receiving worker's compensation instead.

Meanwhile, Sgt. Mark Garber and his attorney, Mike Rickman, met with the police chief for about 30 minutes Monday after filing a request to have the demotion overturned.

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The 'ones that got away' ...



Dee Dee Laramore
Staff writer

I'm joining the ranks of all the fishermen who tell their story of the "one that got away." My story, though, doesn't center on the record-sized fish that slipped from the hook. I'm talking about once-in-a-lifetime circumstances that I let slip through my fingers.

Last week, I arrived at work an hour earlier than usual so that I could write a long, complicated story before the business of the day began and while the newsroom remained quiet.

"Have you been to the wreck?" asked Skylia, a fellow employee who always goes to work early. "No. What wreck?" I replied.

"There's one on the Borger highway. They've called LifeStar out there," she explained.

Instead of sitting down to the computer, I grabbed a camera and headed back out the front door.

I decided a long time ago that I wasn't going to break the speed limit going to a fire or an accident scene. In my opinion, no news story or picture is worth endangering myself or someone else. Therefore, you will probably never see my name on the Pulitzer list.

So at a safe speed, I maneuvered through morning traffic to the wreck scene, about four miles west of Pampa.

I arrived just in time to see "the one that got away."

As I drove up, locked in by other traffic slowed for the wreck, I watched, helpless, as an award-winning photographic opportunity unfolded before me.

Unable to pull over, stop my truck, get the camera, focus it and snap the photograph, I sat in the seat of my truck as the LifeStar helicopter rose and hovered for a few seconds about three feet above the wrecked vehicles on the highway.

I lost my religion as I tried keep from having a wreck of my own and get my camera out to take the photo before the dark blue lifesaving aircraft left the scene.

By the time I had done all that, the helicopter was a tiny speck in the sky, on its way to transport the accident victims to a hospital in Amarillo.

It had gotten away. That dramatic moment was lost forever. I'm glad I saw it. Those few seconds will be embedded in my mind forever, but I deeply regret that I didn't capture it for everyone else to see.

There's another photograph "that got away" that stays in my mind. This time, I didn't have a camera with me at all and by the time I got one and returned, the subject had disappeared.

Several years ago, I was headed for home during the lunch hour on a hot summer day. I had stopped at the four-way stop at Browning and Starkweather.

My "photo" would have been the perfect subject for a Norman Rockwell painting - a perfect example of modern Americana.

A big mail box used as a storage place for the postmen to pick up their mail deliveries stood on the corner. On this day, the door to the box stood open and a mailman, wearing uniform shorts, sat inside the box, surrounded by letters and boxes to be delivered.

This was cute, but what made the picture hilarious, was the fact that the mailman's whole attention riveted on his bare toes. He had his foot - sans shoes - pulled into his lap and he was busily inspecting his toes.

The mailman is probably quite thankful I didn't have my camera to capture the picture for future generations to enjoy, but I regret it to this day.

Not all my "ones that got away" have to do with pictures, however.

There's another one that taught me a valuable life lesson.

My husband Vic and I had gone to a swap meet in Chickasha, Okla. The swap meet is really intended for car enthusiasts to trade, buy or sell old, rusty car parts. Oops! I mean, rare and valuable antique and classic vehicle items.

Sometimes, though, one can find other things at a swap meet. I love horses and I've always had an interest in the U.S. Cavalry. I'm not a true collector of Cavalry memorabilia, but I do have a few things like an officer's bridle bit, a collection of snaffle bits and a chain, all stamped with the official "U.S."

At this swap meet, I stumbled upon an officer's McClelland saddle, circa 1917, in near-perfect condition. The leather was soft and supple; the brass shone. This beautiful saddle had obviously been well-cared for and the seller only wanted \$250. Judging from the wear on the saddle and its overall appearance, it was probably authentic. I'm not an appraiser, but I wouldn't be surprised if it was worth closer to \$1,250.

I didn't feel I had \$250 to spend on a saddle. I didn't even have a horse back then. I still have the half-dozen pictures I took of the saddle. I've never stopped regretting the fact that I didn't beg, borrow or steal (maybe not steal, but definitely beg or borrow) the money I needed to buy the saddle.

The operative word in this column is "regret." I've learned three things from my "ones that got away." First, the really early bird gets the worm. Second, keep a loaded camera with you at all times. And finally, "Carpe diem", seize the day. If at all possible, don't let those once-in-a-lifetime opportunities pass you by.

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Texas Editorials

By The Associated Press

A sampling of editorial opinion around Texas: Corpus Christi Caller-Times on Mideast strife seems inevitable:

Americans have for years watched, at once hopefully and fearfully, as Israel and its Palestinian neighbors have maneuvered, blundered and lashed out - often at a terrible cost - in the so-called Mideast peace process.

In this process, we and the rest of the world have been treated to one devastating object lesson after another in the depth of the distrust, and the primal power of the emotions, that have kept two peoples at one another's throats for more than half a century. There has been only the occasional show of courage and vision - most notably by the late Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, who for his daring attempts to reach out to the Palestinians was assassinated by an Israeli fanatic.

Now, however, more, and perhaps much worse, may await. The rot set in last summer, when Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat rejected unprecedented concessions offered by then Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak. They would for the first time have provided the basis for genuine Palestinian statehood.

However, they would also have required Arafat to stop short of getting everything he wanted. So, he bolted - ensuring that leadership of Israel would pass from the discredited Barak to Israel's ultimate hawk, Ariel Sharon.

The blame game has gained in poisonous rancor with each successive enormity, each act of violence and counter-violence.

Most recently, the region has been convulsed by Israel's decision to launch an aerial rocket attack on an apartment building in Nablus on the West Bank that was known to house an office of the terrorist group Hamas. Some Hamas officials were killed - along with two boys outside the targeted building.

Arafat, who blandly refuses to acknowledge any obligation to rein in Palestinian terrorism, is once again trying to whip up international outrage. Israel, meanwhile, is insisting it informed Palestinian authorities of the terrorists' presence in the building - implying that Arafat's inaction gave Israeli forces something like a free pass.

Rightly, the Bush administration has deplored the Israeli attack. But the larger issue - whether the peace process, or anything like it, can ever be revived with hard-liners in charge on either side - is very much in question. Arafat demands international monitors. Sharon defends his government's harsh new line.

The Mideast is a land of passion and pain, steeped in deep faith and religious fervor. Tragically, it begins to look as though a miracle will be required to restore anything like calm, let alone lasting peace, in the region.

Some oft-asked queries get answered

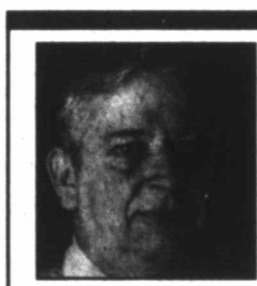
I thought I might answer a few questions that I am often asked. People wonder how a columnist as conservative as I am can be published.

Well, there are two reasons for that. One is that my column usually has very high readership numbers, as measured by market studies or responses from readers. The other is that there are still editors and publishers who resist the pressure from the politically correct police to silence dissenting voices. If you like my column, you should thank the editor and publisher of your newspaper. Often they have resisted a lot of pressure to drop it from people on whom's toes I have stepped.

Another frequent question is why I changed my position on the Palestinian and Israeli issue. The answer is simple. Initially, I believed the Israeli version of their history. A new generation of Israeli historians, however, has published works that show the official version to be composed of lies and half-truths. They show that the Palestinians really were the victims in the conflict.

As a result, I sought out some Palestinians in my area, and they generously gave of their time and insights so that I could learn their side of the story. They all admit that the Palestinian leaders in the past did a poor job of telling their side, though the obstacles were formidable.

It's not easy to admit to yourself that you were wrong, both about the facts and about a people, but I've always tried to track the truth, even when it



Charley Reese
Syndicated columnist

tracks into very unpopular territory. I don't mind admitting mistakes when I make them, and I certainly made a mistake in believing the Israeli version of events. If you believe it, you're making the same mistake.

By the way, since I have retired from my home newspaper, the Orlando Sentinel, my new e-mail address is brian@earthlink.net. The postal address is P.O. Box 2446, Orlando, FL 32802. I have to tell you, though, that the one regret I have as a columnist is that the volume of mail, both snail and electronic, has grown so great, I cannot answer every letter. I read them, but being a lone-wolf working guy, I haven't figured out a way to answer them all without having all my time consumed by mail. I'm sorry.

Sometimes I'm asked to investigate a particular instance of abuse by some aspect of government. I'm not equipped to do that. In most of these cases,

people need a lawyer, not a journalist. To investigate a particular case involves locating and interviewing witnesses on both sides of the dispute and checking public records. You can't do that from one location with the duty of writing three columns a week. Unfortunately, in the age of television, writing for print doesn't pay enough for me to fly about the country or to hire a staff of investigators.

In fact, most newspapers don't do much investigative reporting. It's very time-consuming, and like a police investigation, you might invest weeks of work only to find that there's no story you can print, just as police officers sometimes find that they don't have enough evidence to get an arrest warrant. Bad things happen to good people, and sometimes the bad guys get away with it.

People have occasionally accused me of being too pessimistic, but I think rather that I am a realist. I've seen too much violence, death, injustice, cowardice, dishonesty and hypocrisy to be a happy optimist. On the other hand, I've seen too much goodness, bravery, integrity and generosity to be a pessimist.

I think the Taoists have it right. Life is never one thing or the other, but a mix of good and bad, joy and sadness, hope and despair, victory and defeat. We just have to be strong enough to accept that. The traditional Christian view of mankind as flawed is far more realistic than the humanist idea of man as God.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Aug. 21, the 233rd day of 2001. There are 132 days left in the year.
 Today's Highlight in History:
 On Aug. 21, 1959, President

Eisenhower signed an executive order proclaiming Hawaii the 50th state of the union.

On this date:
 In 1680, Pueblo Indians took possession of Santa Fe, N.M., after driving out the Spanish.

In 1831, former slave Nat Turner led a violent insurrection in Virginia. (He was later executed.)

In 1858, the famous debates between senatorial contenders

Abraham Lincoln and Stephen Douglas began.

In 1878, the American Bar Association was founded in Saratoga, N.Y.
 In 1940, exiled Communist revo-

Fairness overlooked in partisan greed

Molly Beth Malcolm
Guest columnist

When legislative and Congressional districts are reshaped to reflect the state's growth every 10 years, the overriding consideration should be what's best for Texas. Communities of interest should be preserved. Hispanics and African-Americans must be given opportunities to elect candidates of their choice. New maps should be drawn in full view of the public. A fair redistricting plan respects all the citizens of Texas.

Attorney General John Cornyn, Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander and Land Commissioner David Dewhurst failed to meet a single one of those standards when approving plans for new Texas House and Senate districts as members of the Legislative Redistricting Board. The Republican triumvirate was more interested in punishing Democrats and protecting Republican incumbents while maximizing overall GOP gain.

Cornyn's legal consultant shrugged off the GOP's thinly veiled motives, saying that partisan gerrymandering is not prohibited, even though racial gerrymandering is not allowed. The quote was meant to be self-serving, but it cut right to the heart of the most serious problem with the new redistricting plans.

A large majority of Hispanics are Democrats. An even higher percentage of African-Americans are Democrats. Therefore, minority voters are likely to suffer when Democrats are packed in the process of redistricting. The Republican redistricting plans dilute the voting strength of minorities by packing them into fewer minority opportunity districts. The remaining minority voters are denied a fair opportunity to elect a candidate of their choice because they are scattered among districts represented by Republicans whose views run contrary to their own. That is one important reason why the Republican redistricting plans will likely be found legally flawed by the courts.

The LRB plans were approved over the protests of House Speaker Pete Laney and Republican Lt. Governor Bill Ratliff, both of whom are widely respected as fair, bipartisan leaders. Several

Republican senators also objected to last-minute LRB amendments that made unnecessary and dramatic changes to the redistricting plans.

Democrats sought a fair, bipartisan resolution to redistricting during the legislative session. Public hearings were held, public testimony was taken. The House passed a plan that was sponsored by a Republican and supported by most Democrats, even though it would have given the GOP a fair chance at winning a House majority by 2003.

But for greedy Republicans that was not enough. Independent analysts look to the 1998 races to analyze the most recent Texas voting trends. Even with George W. Bush's landslide coattails, Republicans barely won the lieutenant governor's race with 50.04 percent and the Comptroller's race with 49.54 percent of the total vote.

In 2000, Bush's support in Texas fell to 59 percent from 68 percent in 1998. I didn't matter to Republicans that statewide vote totals in district races are not meaningful measures of partisan affiliation because so many races are uncontested and voter turnout varies dramatically across the state.

But even by that standard, with Bush at the top of the 2000 ticket, GOP candidates received only 56 percent of the total votes in Texas House races and 49 percent of all votes in Texas Congressional races. Obviously, election results don't justify the number of seats the Republicans wanted as they rammed through plans that all but guarantee the GOP almost two-thirds of the seats in the state House and Senate. It was an act of unprecedented partisan greed, aimed at accomplishing through redistricting what Republicans have failed to achieve at the ballot box.

Cornyn's House plan was not drafted with minorities or communities of interest in mind. It

was clearly designed to bring about a wholesale elimination of Democratic incumbents. Cornyn paired 26 Democratic incumbents and only nine Republican incumbents - and seven of those are paired against Democrats in districts drawn to favor the Republicans.

The plan paired only two of the House's 72 Republicans - both targeted for punishment for supporting the House plan this spring. Three Democratic incumbents are squeezed into a single district in Travis County. Two Democrats are lumped into a heavily Republican district. Of the House's 78 Democrats, 32 are paired or shuffled into districts where they are vulnerable for defeat.

Cornyn's plan clearly diluted Hispanic voting strength. The House-passed HB150 plan created five districts in Harris County in which Hispanics make up more than 50 percent of the voting age population. Cornyn's new map reduced that to four.

In South Texas, Cornyn paired a Hispanic incumbent with an Anglo incumbent while creating an adjacent open district that is heavily Hispanic. In San Antonio, Cornyn eliminated a Hispanic opportunity district while pairing two Hispanic incumbents. In the Senate plan, Port Arthur and Jefferson County are glaring examples of the GOP's attempts to cripple African-American voting strength by splitting cities and communities of interest.

During a recent discussion on senior citizens' issues in Orange, Texas, Cornyn refused to answer questions from the public on redistricting and slipped out a back door to avoid more grilling on the subject. As the Republican ringleader and chair of the LRB, Cornyn knew his actions were indefensible.

It is a sad day in Texas when political leaders back out of the kitchen the moment they feel the heat. The good news is, the fight is not over - and Democrats are ready to go the distance for fair and equitable redistricting plans.

-Molly Beth Malcolm is currently a chairwoman of the Texas Democratic Party.

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Calendar of events

PAMPA PRISON MINISTRY

The Pampa Prison Ministry meets the first Tuesday of every month at Central Baptist Church located at Francis and Starkweather at 7 p.m. sharp. For further information call or J.B Walker at 669-2266.

PANHANDLE ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL

A support group for the mentally ill and family members meet the second Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at 218 N. Russell. There is no charge. For more information or if you need a ride all Sharon King, 665-2818.

TOP O' TEXAS RODEO ASSOCIATION
Top O' Texas Rodeo Association meets at 7:30 p.m. the first Monday of every month in the Nona S. Payne Room of Pampa Community Building.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

Pampa Chapter No. 65, Order of the Eastern Star meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. Meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. at 420 West Kingsmill.

MACEDONIA BAPTIST

Macedonia Baptist Church, 441 Elm, conducts prayer services at 7:30 a.m., 12 p.m. and 6 p.m. daily for the citizens of Pampa — the churches, the schools, etc. All are cordially invited to come and pray. For more information, call 665-4926.

OPEN DOOR AA

Open Door Alcoholics Anonymous at 910 Kentucky (across from Albertson's) meeting schedule - seven days a week - two meetings a day - noon till 1 p.m. no smoking, and Tuesday and Thursday 8-9 p.m. call 665-9702 for information.

BOY SCOUTS

Pampa Boy Scouts meet at 6:30 p.m. the first Thursday of each month at Caprock Apartments Clubhouse.

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER

Women's Support Group for Child Management offers parenting skills to assist parents and children in dealing with anger and behavioral issues resulting from peer pressure, sibling rivalry, family violence and/or sexual abuse from 7-8 p.m. Thursdays. For more information, call Tralee Crisis Center, 669-1131.

PAMPA ROTARY CLUB

Pampa Rotary Club meets at 12 noon every Wednesday at Pampa Country Club.

PAMPA CITIZENS PATROL ASSOCIATION

Pampa Citizens Patrol Association meets at 8 p.m. the second Saturday of each month at 1224 E. Francis.

MIRACLE EAR

Miracle-Ear Children's Foundation, a non-profit organization, works in cooperation with Miracle-Ear Centers nationwide to provide free hearing aids and services to children 16 and under whose families do not qualify for public assistance, yet cannot afford the expense of hearing aids for their children. For more information, contact the local Miracle-Ear Center at (806) 795-0188 or 1-800-808-0188.

NOTICE TO ALL VETERANS

To recognize the contributions Texas veterans have made to the liberty we enjoy, Memory Gardens Cemetery is assigning grave spaces to honorably discharged veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces. If you are a veteran, you may be qualified for free burial space. However, you must register to obtain the free plot and you must show proof of honorable discharge. A number of veterans' spaces are available. Certificates will be issued on a first come, first serve basis. For more information, call (806) 665-8921.

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.

SCIENCE SPECTRUM

The Science Spectrum and Omnimax Theatre in Lubbock have announced upcoming events throughout the month of August. Omnimax Theater will offer the following presentations: "Journey into Amazing Caves," featuring spelunkers Nancy Aulenbach and Dr. Hazel Barton; "Island of Sharks," featuring underwater shots of the Cocos and surrounding islands; and "3-D Mania! Adventures in the Third Dimension," featuring 3-D art, animation and filmmaking. For more information, call (806) 745-2525.

PACS DANCE

A Pampa Area Christians Singles dance is slated from 8-11 p.m., Aug. 25 at M.K. Brown

Auditorium. Renegade will be performing. Bring snacks. For more information, call 665-7059.

FRANK PHILLIPS

Fall registration at Frank Phillips College in Borger is scheduled from 8 a.m.-6 p.m., Aug. 22-23 on campus and from 5-7 p.m., Aug. 14 at Canadian.

CHAUTAUQUA

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

SAYRE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION
Sayre Centennial Celebration will be held Friday and Saturday, Sept. 14-15, at Sayre, Okla. Festivities will kick-off at 7 p.m. Friday with a camp cook out at Ranch West west of Sayre. Saturday activities will begin at 9:30 a.m. with a parade and cattle drive to be followed by a gunfight at Old Hotel and Saloon; Oklahoma Opry and other bands at the courthouse; Joe Merrick Band concert; a quail hunt and more.

HCC DIALOGUE

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will hold "Dialogue," a patient/family education support group sponsored by the cancer center and the

American Cancer Society, Thursdays from 12 noon-1:30 p.m. this month. For more information, call Gerry Kelly at (806) 359-4673, ext. 235 or Stan McKeever at (806) 359-4673, ext. 141 or toll-free at 1-800-274-4673.

HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center has announced the following upcoming breast cancer screening clinics: Aug. 13, First United Methodist Church Educational Building, 201 E. Foster, and Aug. 28, Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, 916 N. Crest, Pampa; Aug. 1 and 15, Hemphill County Hospital, Canadian; Aug. 2, Lovett Memorial Library, McLean; Aug. 23, Family Care Clinic, Shamrock; Aug. 13, Parkview Hospital, Wheeler. Participants will receive a low-cost self-exam mammogram and a breast health appraisal along with individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are by appointment only. For more information, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

MDA Telethon to air for 36th year

TUCSON, Ariz. — The Labor Day weekend is fast approaching and to most Americans that can only mean one thing: the annual Jerry Lewis Telethon to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Now in its 36th year, the Telethon will once again feature the unique combination of national and local segments that has helped it evolve from a television variety show into an institution of American culture.

For the seventh consecutive year, the national broadcast will originate from CBS Television City in Hollywood and will be carried by some 200 television stations, the MDA "Love Network." The national broadcast will air for 21 1/2 hours starting at 9 p.m. EDT on Sunday, Sept. 2. Check local listings for stations and start times.

"Love Network" stations will augment the Hollywood show with information, interviews and events of interest in their areas.

Lewis, MDA's national chairman, has starred in the national broadcast that bears his name every year since the program's inception, including the first-ever MDA Telethon, broadcast in 1952 in New York — with then partner Dean Martin. Since 1950, he's dedicated much of his life to MDA's mission to defeat progressive and often fatal neuromuscular illnesses through research and health care services.

"The goals for this year's show are the same as they've always been," Lewis says. "We want to educate the public about these diseases and the people they affect, we want to entertain viewers, and we want to raise one dollar more than last year's total of \$54.6 million."

Education takes the form of profiles of families affected by neuromuscular diseases, inter-

persed with interviews featuring the world's leading medical and scientific experts.

The entertainment lineup makes the Telethon a great American variety show.

Lewis will be joined on-stage by his longtime mentee and Telethon anchor Ed McMahon. Helping Lewis and McMahon will be co-hosts Jann Carl of "Entertainment Tonight," TV personality Cynthia Garrett and comedian Norm Crosby.

Musical guests will represent a wide spectrum of genres, and will include such diverse performers as Big Bad Voodoo Daddy, Eden's Crush, Gloria Gaynor, the Oak Ridge Boys, Charley Pride, John Tesh, Jaci Velasquez, CeCe Winans and Dwight Yoakam. In addition to performing live via remote from Boston, singer Maureen McGovern will debut her new music video, "A Small Star," recorded with inspirational vocalist Jana Stanfield.

With Lewis at the helm, the world of comedy will be represented from "A" (Max Alexander) to "Z" (Bob Zany).

Other entertainers lined up at press time include: Bear from the popular children's television show "Bear in the Big Blue House," all-around performer and flamenco guitarist Charo, and tap dancer

extraordinaire Savion Glover.

Entertainment appearing on the Hollywood stage will be supplemented by live remote broadcasts from Branson, Mo., Nashville, Tenn., New York and Las Vegas. Other celebrities who will appear via videotaped appeals include Leeza Gibbons, Ray Romano, Angela Lansbury, Bob Costas, Cristina Saralegui, Don Francisco and Dennis Franz.

As in years past, the entertainment lineup will expand daily between now and airtime.

"Every year I ask, and people respond," says Lewis. "From our sponsors and the showbiz people who generously donate their talents, to our million-strong volunteer army and the wonderful American public — everybody pulls together to make this happen every year for 'my kids.' That's why we're calling this year's show 'A Labor of Love.'"

In addition to being seen on the 200-station "Love Network," this year's Telethon will be available for viewing at www.mdausa.org.

MDA is a voluntary health agency working to defeat neuromuscular diseases through programs of worldwide research, comprehensive services and far-reaching professional and public health education. The Association's programs are funded almost entirely by individual private contributors.

First hair cut ...



(Community Camera photo by Julie Lewis)

Tammy Pickering gives 17-month-old Julianthony Lancen Lewis his first hair cut recently. Julianthony is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy E. Lewis of Pampa.

Frank Phillips College

Fall 2001 Registration

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FPC is an equal opportunity community college.

The Frank Phillips College Community Choir and Community Band are looking for new members.

Community Choir Monday, August 27, 2001
Community Band Tuesday, August 28, 2001

6:30-9:30 p.m.

Fine arts Building, Room FA-28.

For more information, please contact Dr. Judy Strecker, at ext. 728.

CHAUTAUQUA 2001

Fun Run/Walk 5K Run

Where: Central Park • Pampa, Texas
(corner of Georgia & Mary Ellen)

When: September 3, 2001

- Registration Day of Race beginning at 6:45 am
- Fun Run/Walk (one mile) begins at 8:00 am
- 5K Run begins at 8:20 am

Entry Fees: Register By Mail Before August 29

•Fun Run/Walk \$4.00 & 5K \$9.00

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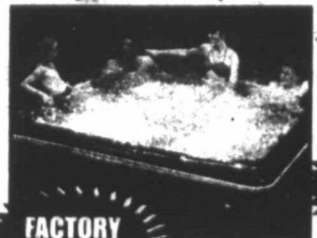
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Fair Warning of Hot Tub Party Prevents Neighbors' Cry of Foul

DEAR ABBY: While I don't disagree with your response to "Doin' What Comes Naturally," whose new neighbors objected to group nudity in their hot tub, the hostess could have handled the situation with more sensitivity.

Reading between the lines, I suspect that the hot tub dress/undress issues were raised for the first time at the gathering, which put the newcomers on the spot. Good hosts should never do that to their guests.

When the invitation was extended the hostess should have said, "By the way..." and explained the situation. That way, the new neighbors could have expressed their discomfort privately, and the problem could have been avoided by keeping the hot tub covered on that occasion.

In my experience, people who are uncomfortable displaying their bodies in public are also uncomfortable with others being exposed.

BASHFUL IN ORADELL, N.J.

DEAR BASHFUL: You're right. For some people, it's a moral issue; with others, it's simply insecurity about how they look. Also, a sizable number of people would rather leave to their imaginations that which they would prefer not to view in the light of harsh reality. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I was shocked and disappointed by your position regarding the "straightlaced" hot tub neighbors who didn't want to soak in the nude with the neighbors. What is this world coming to when a person of your stature condones nude hot-tubbing with neighbors? Enjoying the "therapeutic benefits" of soaking together in the nude —

Dear Abby

Is written by
Pauline Phillips and
daughter Jeanne Phillips

unless it's husband and wife alone — is a new low in moral behavior.
HORRIFIED IN HARRISBURG

DEAR HORRIFIED: It's neither new nor necessarily low. I have never condemned nudity — as long as it's on the up-and-up. And while I might hesitate to grin and bare it (all), scores of wholesome people from many cultures enjoy the naturalist way of life. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: My sister's pool parties (hot tub included) traditionally resulted in discarded bathing suits. Guests who were uninhibited frolicked in the waves. Those who were shy frolicked, too — but with less exposure. The swimming usually started after dinner, after the barbecue, after sundown. When the first suit came off, those who were uncomfortable with the turn of events — including our parents — would call it a day. No one ever complained.

Unfortunately, my fiance is too

shy, so I don't get to do what comes naturally anymore. Sign me...
ALL DRESSED UP,
NOWHERE TO GO

DEAR ALL DRESSED UP: Different strokes for different folks! Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I am a 15-year-old reader who usually disagrees with your answers because I am a lifelong conservative.

After reading the letters in your column from "Sleep-Deprived in Schenectady" (who complained about the noisy upstairs neighbors' love-making) and "Doin' What Comes Naturally" about the naked hot tub parties, I discussed them with my family. We have a practical solution for "Sleep-Deprived": Buy a fan to cover the noise, then send the couple from upstairs to the hot tub party!

CONSERVATIVE TEEN
IN WASHINGTON

DEAR TEEN: I'm pleased that your conservatism hasn't curtailed your "liberal" sense of humor. You are a wit.

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

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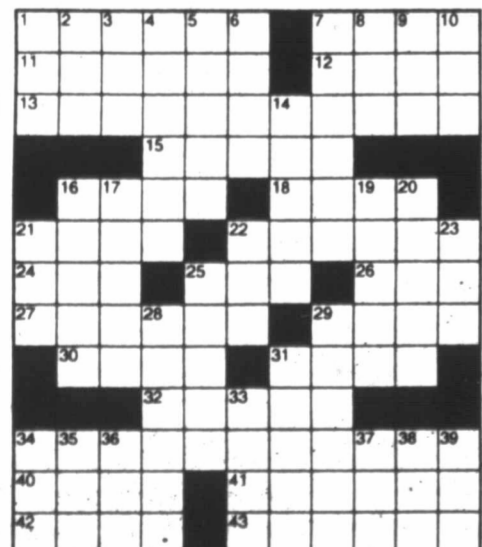
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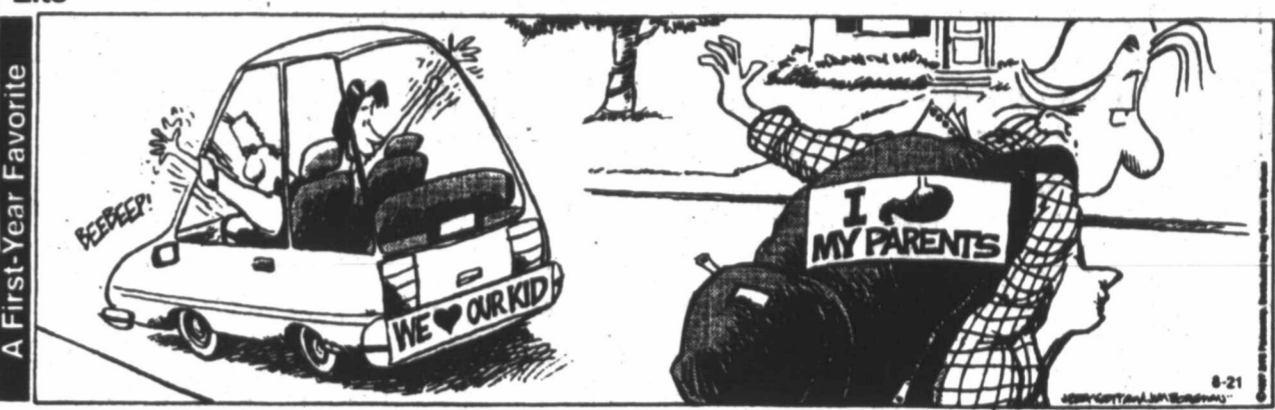
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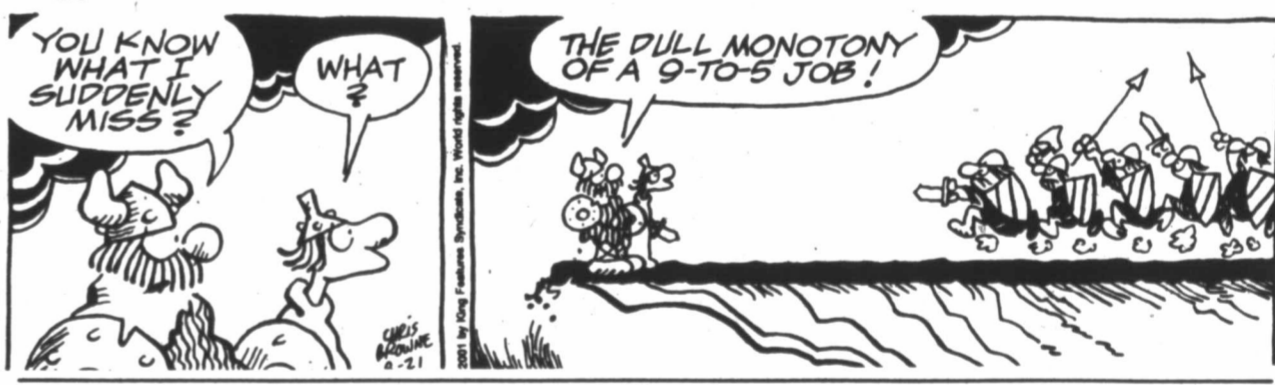
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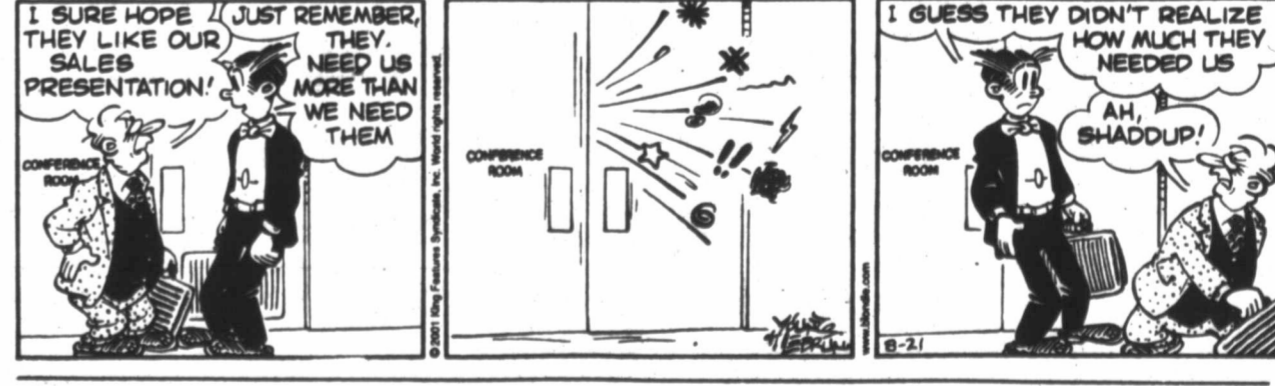
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VOLLEYBALL

PAMPA — Jennifer Lindsey of Pampa was named to the all-tournament team at the Pampa Volleyball Tournament last weekend. Lindsey is a senior.

Other all-tournament picks were Stephanie Robinson, Randall; Jacquelin Doss, Dumas; Angie Fraley, Borger; Sarah Griffin, Hereford; Collanne Bramblett, Clint, N.M.; Kara Cornelius, Randall; Michelle Bernhardt, Hereford; Erin Hale, Perryton; Britney Hix, Canyon.

Dumas won the tournament championship with a 15-12, 15-9 win over Randall. The Lady Harvesters finished seventh.

BASKETBALL

LOS ANGELES (AP) — When Tina Thompson went down, screaming in pain, she took the Houston Comets with her.

Thompson tore her left calf muscle in the second half, and with Janeth Arcain hobbled by tendinitis, the Comets could no longer compete against the Los Angeles Sparks.

The Sparks knocked the Comets out of the playoffs for the first time in WNBA history with a 70-58 victory Monday night that gave Los Angeles a sweep of the best-of-three first-round series.

"They're a big thorn because they were the champions," Sparks coach Michael Cooper said. "This proves that we have arrived and we're a team to be reckoned with."

SOFTBALL

PAMPA — The City of Pampa Recreation Department will be offering Men's Open and Mixed Open Divisions in fall softball.

The entry fee or sponsor's fees for teams are \$200 per team (\$185 if team is already sanctioned). The player's fee is \$12 per player with a minimum of 11 persons for Men's Open and 12 persons for Mixed Open.

Entry deadline is Wednesday, Aug. 29 at 5 p.m. There will be no teams added after this date.

Schedules will be available after 1 p.m. on Sept. 3 at the Recreation Office. Play begins the week of Sept. 3.

Roster forms, fact sheets and by-laws are available at the Recreation Office, 816 S. Hobart between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

If you have any questions or would like more information on the fall softball leagues, please contact the Recreation Office at 669-5770 during business hours.

PHS beats Andrews in tennis opener

PLAINVIEW — The Pampa Harvester tennis team opened the fall season with a decisive 22-2 win over a tough Andrews team last weekend.

The Harvesters started out by winning six of seven doubles matches and closed out by winning 16 of 17 singles matches.

"I was really concerned opening with Andrews because they have a strong program and are favored along with Big Spring to win their district," said Pampa coach Carolyn Quarles. "Our kids really came out focused and mentally sharp. I was really pleased with the play of Zach Hucks, Tyler Howard, Kevin Turner, Stephanie Nelson, Vanessa Orr and Stephen Nelson.

These six players were playing their first varsity matches and all of them came away with wins.

The Harvesters travel to Plano next weekend to compete in the Plano Invitational.

Pampa 22, Andrews 2

Boys Singles
A.J. Smith (P) def. Charlie Griffen, 6-4, 6-0.

Jay Gerber (P) def. Augel Granados, 6-4, 6-1.
Jared Spearman (P) def. Dustin Ipson, 6-1, 6-2.

David Thacker (P) def. Tyler Guthrie, 6-0, 6-0.
Zach Hucks (P) def. Brady Frazier, 6-2, 6-3.

Tyler Howard (P) def. Chad Cheshire, 7-5, 6-0.
Stephen Nelson (P) won, 7-6, 6-1.

Britton White (P) won, 6-0, 6-1.

Girls Singles

Brittany Kindle (P) def. Laci Lawrence, 6-3, 6-3.
Ashlei Jordan (P) def. Marcy Devin, 6-2, 6-2.

Tara Jordan (P) def. Kendall Neighbors, 6-2, 6-1.
Michelle Lee (P) def. Melissa Pollard, 6-2, 6-2.

Tricia Dolloff (A) def. Helen Brooks, 4-6, 6-3, 6-1.
Vanessa Orr (P) def. Jessica Delacruz, 6-3, 6-2.

Stephanie Nelson (P) def. Marci Granados, 6-3, 6-4.
Shelley Smith (P) def. Brandy Chesser, 6-1, 6-1.

Boys Doubles

Smith-Spearman (P) def. Ipson-Granados, 6-4, 3-6, 6-3.
Gerber-Thacker (P) won, 6-0, 6-2.

Hucks-Turner (P) def. Cheshire-Frazier, 6-2, 6-0.

Girls Doubles

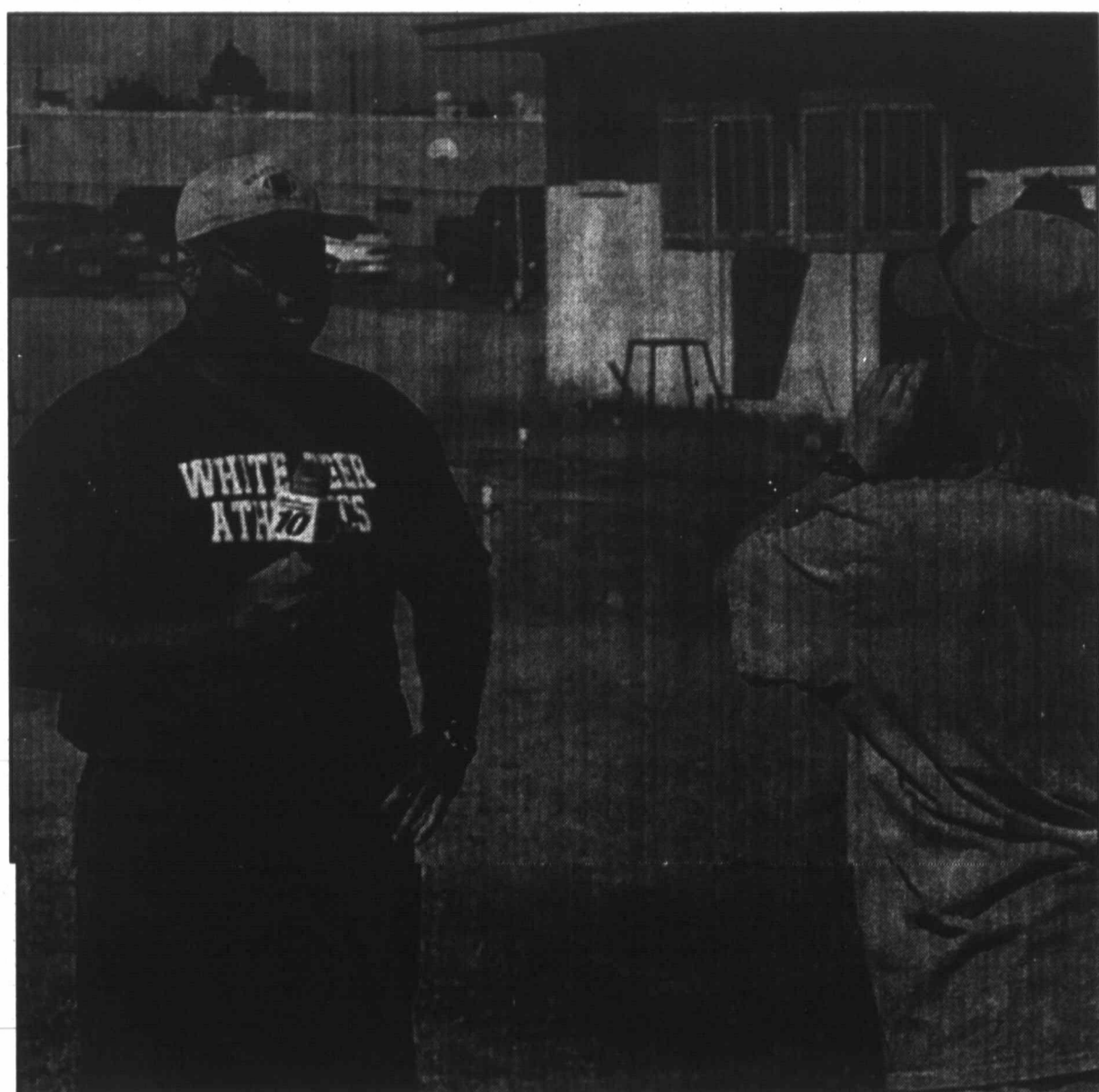
A. Jordan-Lee (P) def. Lawrence-Neighbors, 6-1, 6-0.
Kindle-Brooks (P) def. Dolloff-Devin, 6-0, 6-0.

Orr-Nelson (P) def. Pollard-Chesser, 6-4, 7-6.

Mixed Doubles

Guthrie-Devin (A) def. White-Tara Jordan, 6-2, 7-5, 3-6.
Howard-Smith (P) def. Delacruz-Tobia, 6-2, 6-0.

TV interview



(Pampa News photo)

White Deer coach Ruben Guerrero is interviewed by an Amarillo television reporter following a football workout. The Bucks open the 2001 season Sept. 7 at Boys Ranch. Guerrero begins his second season as the Bucks' head coach.

Cowboys Carter tries to rebound from starting flop

By JOEL ANDERSON
Associated Press Writer

OXNARD, Calif. (AP) — There were no fumbled snaps, no interceptions and no frustrated looks from the sidelines.

There was just Quincy Carter flipping tight spirals through the chilly air of Oxnard, Calif., on Monday, trying to make amends for his woeful starting debut against New Orleans.

The Dallas Cowboys' rookie quarterback handled himself with the poise of a grizzled veteran during the team's first practice since their 16-10 loss to the Saints on Saturday.

"He was about as sharp today as I've ever seen him," said Cowboys owner and general manager Jerry Jones. "He understands the ups and downs that come at this position. Quincy's going to be able to handle anything that comes his way."

Carter looked confident and patient during the team's drills on Monday, completing touch passes to his secondary receivers and occasionally zipping bullets through tight coverage.

It was exactly the kind of performance Carter expected of himself.

"I'm just going to stick in there and respond to the adversity," Carter said. "I've just got to relax, go out there and play football like I know how to."

And not play football like he did on Saturday.

Carter spent most of Saturday's preseason contest against the Saints scrambling away from defensive pressure, then tossing the ball away. He finished 5-of-17 for 27 yards, including two fumbled snaps and an interception that was returned for a touchdown.

With Carter at the helm of the offense, the Cowboys picked up only two first downs and 53 yards. They also failed to convert any third downs.

But Cowboys coach Dave Campo insisted Monday that Carter was not solely responsible for the Cowboys' offensive inefficiency.

"Other guys have to pick up the tempo, not just the quarterback," Campo said. "We've gone into New Orleans a number of times with a number of people at quarterback who've struggled."

Campo said he also saw a few — and just a few — highlights amid Carter's disastrous starting debut.

"I think Quincy got better as the game went on," Campo

said. "I just felt he was getting more aware of some things as the game went on. I don't think that game bothered him a lick."

If it did, it didn't show on Monday.

During scrimmage-type drills, Carter even flashed some of the scrambling skills that has Jones drawing comparisons of him to Philadelphia's Donovan McNabb and Minnesota's Daunte Culpepper.

Carter, the Cowboys' first draft pick and the 53rd overall in the NFL draft, reminded everyone that he's just going through the typical rookie struggles.

"The season hasn't even started yet," Carter said. "People are making too many judgments. At first people wanted to know why I wasn't starting, now they don't want me to start. I just need to keep focused on the job."

Even veteran receiver Joey Galloway, who didn't make a single catch in his first preseason game of the year, said he's confident the Cowboys can win with Carter at quarterback.

"I've been conditioned to go with whoever is under center and just play," said Galloway, who worked on some pass routes with Carter after prac-

tics. "I don't think Quincy's going to have any problems. He's done a great job."

Major League standings

National League					American League				
By The Associated Press					By The Associated Press				
All Times EDT					At A Glance				
East Division					East Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	W	L	Pct	GB		
Atlanta	68	55	.563	—	New York	74	51	.592	
Philadelphia	67	56	.545	1	Boston	68	55	.553	
Florida	59	64	.480	9	Toronto	59	66	.472	
New York	56	68	.452	12 1/2	Baltimore	53	71	.427	
Montreal	53	71	.427	15 1/2	Tampa Bay	44	81	.352	
Central Division					Central Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	W	L	Pct	GB		
Houston	71	53	.573	—	Cleveland	69	55	.557	
Chicago	69	55	.556	2	Minnesota	65	60	.520	
St. Louis	68	56	.548	3	Chicago	60	63	.488	
Milwaukee	54	69	.439	16 1/2	Detroit	52	71	.423	
Cincinnati	49	75	.395	22	Kansas City	51	74	.408	
Pittsburgh	45	78	.366	25 1/2	West Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	W	L	Pct	GB		
Arizona	72	51	.585	—	Seattle	89	36	.712	
San Francisco	70	54	.564	2 1/2	Oakland	73	52	.584	
Los Angeles	67	57	.540	5 1/2	Anaheim	66	59	.528	
San Diego	61	62	.496	11	Texas	54	71	.432	
Colorado	53	70	.431	19					

Sunday's Games				
Milwaukee 6, Cincinnati 4	Baltimore 13, Boston 7			
St. Louis 9, Philadelphia 0	Anaheim 4, Cleveland 1			
Houston 12, Pittsburgh 2	Seattle 10, N.Y. Yankees 2			
Colorado 6, Florida 5	Detroit 4, Kansas City 3			
N.Y. Mets 6, Los Angeles 5	Tampa Bay 5, Minnesota 1			
Arizona 13, Chicago Cubs 6	Oakland 8, Chicago White Sox 7			
Montreal 2, San Diego 1	Monday's Games			
San Francisco 4, Atlanta 1	Toronto 3, Minnesota 2			
Monday's Games	N.Y. Yankees 9, Texas 5			
Chicago Cubs 7, Milwaukee 4, 1st game	Kansas City 10, Chicago White Sox 1			
Milwaukee 10, Chicago Cubs 2, 2nd game	Boston 6, Anaheim 1			
Cincinnati 5, St. Louis 4, 11 innings	Detroit 4, Seattle 1			
	Oakland 9, Cleveland 0			

Cardinals win streak comes to an end

CINCINNATI (AP) — The St. Louis Cardinals' 11-game winning streak finally hit a wall.

The Cardinals blew leads in the ninth and 10th innings Monday night, then watched in disbelief as Ken Griffey Jr. circled the bases with an inside-the-park homer in the 11th, giving the Cincinnati Reds a 5-4 victory.

All in all, it was a bizarre ending to the Cardinals' longest winning streak in 19 years.

"Well, let's see: Nobody got ejected and there wasn't a fight," Griffey said, summarizing the only missing elements. "We're just happy to be on top. That's the first one of those we've won at home."

At home or on the road, the Cardinals have been winning, period. Stranded eight games out of first in the NL Central on Aug. 3, they've pulled themselves back into contention — three games out — by pulling off their longest winning streak since 1982.

In the only other NL games, Milwaukee and Chicago split a doubleheader, with the Cubs winning the opener 7-4 and the Brewers taking the nightcap 10-2.

It looked like St. Louis would

make it an even dozen when Mike Timlin took a 2-1 lead into the ninth. Albert Pujols homered over the 40-foot wall in center, becoming the first to clear the majors' tallest wall, and J.D. Drew hit a solo shot in the eighth for the one-run lead.

Over? It was just getting interesting.

Timlin gave up a single to Pokey Reese with one out in the ninth, then threw off-target to first on Wilton Guerrero's comebacker, moving the tying run to third.

Griffey hit a high-hop grounder to second baseman Fernando Vina — the guy that Albert Belle ran over in a famous 1994 encounter in the baseline. This time, he got bowled over by Guerrero.

The Cardinals insisted it was interference on the runner. The umpires ruled that the ball was past Vina when he was run over, making it obstruction on the second baseman and leaving everyone safe and the game tied.

"How is that possible?" said manager Tony La Russa, who bowled the game under protest. Vina didn't know exactly what happened.

"I was going to get the ball and all of a sudden, I got hit,"

Vina said. "I didn't see him. He got me good."

It seemed a moot protest when the Cardinals scored twice in the 10th off Danny Graves, a rally set up by first baseman Sean Casey's error. Benes (7-7) couldn't hold the lead, giving up consecutive homers to Todd Walker and Kelly Stinnett in the bottom of the inning.

After John Riedling (1-1) pitched the 11th, Griffey ended it with his first inside-the-park homer in 11 years.

His drive caromed off the wall in center, hit Jim Edmonds' foot and bounced past left fielder Kerry Robinson as Griffey pushed his bothersome left hamstring to the limit.

By the time Robinson got to the ball, he had no chance to get Griffey, who slid into home with a flourish.

"The track is rubber, so the ball was bouncing off it like a golf ball," Robinson said. "What can you do?"

Only three of Griffey's 454 homers have been inside-the-park hits. He hadn't gotten one since June 20, 1990, against Kansas City.

"I was just happy to score so I could go home," Griffey said. "It didn't matter what happened."

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Sparks stymies Seattle again in Detroit's 4-1 victory

By JOSH DUBOW
AP Sports Writer

The Seattle Mariners should feel fortunate that they won't have to face Steve Sparks in the postseason.

Sparks beat the Mariners for the third straight time, pitching a five-hitter Monday night to lead the Detroit Tigers to a 4-1 victory.

"It's tough," said Mike Cameron, who hit two homers and tied Seattle's team record with eight RBIs against the New York Yankees on Sunday. "It's like trying to hit a Wiffle ball in the wind."

Sparks (9-7) walked none and struck out seven. He beat the Mariners 9-0 on a five-hitter at Safeco Field on Aug. 15, 2000.

"For whatever reason, both times I've pitched here I've had a good knuckleball," Sparks said. "I don't know if it's the climate or what."

The Tigers, mired in fourth place in the AL Central, have split four games with the major league-leading Mariners (89-36) — the best mark of any team that has played Seattle.

In other AL games, it was Oakland 9,

Cleveland 0; Boston 6, Anaheim 1; Toronto 3, Minnesota 2; New York 9, Texas 5; and Kansas City 10, Chicago 1.

Sparks is tied with Oakland's Mark Mulder and Minnesota's Brad Radke for the most complete games in the AL this season.

He stymied the highest scoring team in the majors. The Mariners scored 17 runs in winning the past two games against the Yankees.

"It was dancing all over the place," Seattle's Bret Boone said. "The key was he didn't miss with it. A knuckleballer who doesn't walk anybody is going to make it a long day."

Mariners manager Lou Piniella said the Mariners were hurt by their lack of experience facing a knuckleballer. He noted that Boston's Tim Wakefield and Sparks are the only two knuckleballers in the AL.

"A knuckleball pitcher is either on or he's off," he said. "He was on tonight."

Shane Halter hit a two-run homer off Freddy Garcia (14-5) for the Tigers.

Athletics 9, Indians 0

Barry Zito pitched a four-hitter for his second shutout in three starts to lead

Oakland past visiting Cleveland.

Olmedo Saenz hit a bases-loaded triple off Chuck Finley (5-6), and Jermaine Dye added a two-run homer as Oakland won for the 16th time in 18 games to remain four games ahead of Boston in the AL wild card race.

Zito (9-8) struck out a career-high 11 and walked two.

Red Sox 6, Angels 1

Frank Castillo (8-7) allowed five hits in seven scoreless innings, and Shea Hillenbrand homered as Boston won at Anaheim.

The Red Sox built a 6-0 lead through the first five innings against Ismael Valdes (8-7), who had not allowed more than three earned runs in eight consecutive outings since June 14.

Blue Jays 3, Twins 2

Kelvim Escobar (5-5) came within two outs of his second career shutout, and Brad Fullmer hit a three-run homer as Toronto handed host Minnesota its 10th loss in 11 games.

Twins starter Joe Mays (12-12) pitched a five-hitter to lose his fifth consecutive start.

Yankees 9, Rangers 5

Paul O'Neill and Tino Martinez homered in a five-run eighth inning as New York rallied to win at Texas.

The Rangers led 5-4 before O'Neill and Martinez both hit long blasts off Juan Moreno (3-3), snapping the Yankees' two-game losing streak.

Martinez later strained his left groin and will miss three or four games.

Mike Stanton (8-3) pitched one inning for the win.

Royals 10, White Sox 1

Jose Valentin committed errors on two consecutive bases-loaded grounders, opening the way for Kansas City's five-run third inning.

Raul Ibanez and Dave McCarty each homered and drove in three runs as the Royals handed visiting Chicago its fourth straight loss.

Kansas City right-hander Blake Stein (5-6) went six innings in his first start since June 17.

Ryder Cup team picks captains

DULUTH, Ga. (AP) — Paul Azinger and Scott Verplank were captain's picks for the U.S. Ryder Cup team.

Azinger returns to the Ryder Cup for the first time in eight years, the last big event he played before discovering he had cancer.

Verplank, who has had diabetes since he was 9 and three elbow surgeries during the 1990s that forced him to go back to Q-school, also was

picked by Curtis Strange. Verplank was the first rookie who didn't earn his way onto the Ryder Cup team.

The selections completed a U.S. team that will face Europe on Sept. 28-30 at The Belfry in England.

Tiger Woods, Phil Mickelson, David Duval and Davis Love III highlight a team that also features David Toms, who played his way onto his first Ryder Cup by winning the PGA Championship on Sunday.

Packers defeat Broncos in exhibition contest

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — The Green Bay Packers were counting on a healthier lineup after enduring their worst injury epidemic in franchise history last year.

But a dozen front-line players sat out Monday night, and Antonio Freeman joined them on the sideline with a concussion in the Packers' 22-7 preseason victory over Denver.

Just before halftime, Freeman was running full speed over the middle and had just caught a Brett Favre pass when cornerback Eric Brown's helmet-to-jaw hit sent Freeman plunging to the grass head first.

"I was surprised because I thought it was a good hit," said Brown, who was high-fiving Ian Gold as Freeman was prone on the ground. The crowd booed and the flag came down.

Brown's coach, Mike Shanahan, said he's have to see the film. Don't bother, said Packers coach Mike Sherman.

"It was a hit that obviously is not encouraged by the NFL," Sherman said. "But they happen and you move on. But hopefully, Freeman will be OK."

It's unlikely Freeman will play Saturday against Miami.

"His head was still pounding him in the locker room a few minutes ago," Sherman said.

The NFL is cracking down on such hits this season and is threatening players with a one-game suspension.

"You have to go out and hit and deal with the consequences, at least that's what the league tells you," Brown said. "But on the screen, it looked like I got him more on the shoulder. I didn't really see helmet to helmet."

The Packers played without their top two tailbacks — Ahman Green (groin) and Dorsey Levens (hand), which played a role in a sputtering offensive attack, although Sherman said he wouldn't use that as an excuse.

Favre and the Packers were held out of

the end zone in the first half thanks to a heavy blitz package by Broncos defensive coordinator Ray Rhodes, who made his first trip to Lambeau Field since his firing 20 months ago after just one season as head coach of the Packers.

"They played the coverages we were expecting but not the fronts," receiver Billy Schroeder said. "That kind of threw us for a loop a little bit, but I think our line did a real good job of picking it up."

Favre, however, was struck in the facemask by a linebacker once.

"I think he's OK," Sherman said. "He certainly was shaken up, though."

The Packers trailed 7-3 at halftime, but quickly took the lead in the third quarter behind Doug Pederson, who led Green Bay to scores on all four of its third-quarter possessions, including field goals of 31, 39 and 49 yards by Ryan Longwell.

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Horoscope

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 22, 2001 BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
***** Your fiery energy directs you. Unusual results stem from your fast thinking. Emphasize work in the next few months. Self-expression and caring come from others. Tonight: Accept an invitation.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
***** Someone spurs you on to action. Use your business strengths to firm up a money agreement. Be creative with work and allow others to give you feedback. You might be startled by another's point of view. Understand that your energy is not endless. Take your vitamins. Tonight: Allow more distractions.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
***** Maintain an open-door policy with those around you. What someone else sees as a problem, you don't. Commiserate, but also help this person see other perspectives. A surprise message recharges your energy and leads you to revise your plans. Your spontaneous response is right on. Tonight: Pretend it's Friday night.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
***** Take a brisk walk this morning if you can. You clear out your thoughts and invigorate both your mind and body. Your ability to communicate comes forward.

ward. Venus in your sign adds to your magnetism. It is hard for others to say no to you. Tonight: How 'bout a family night?

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
***** Don't stand on ceremony with others. Has someone you care about not returned your call? Pick up the phone and dial. Another's reception delights you. Indulge a loved one as only you can. Tonight: Happiness surrounds you. Leos, if you choose to be vulnerable.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
***** Your precision strengthens your financial picture. (Others can deal with vagueness, but you certainly have a problem with it.) Your need for details creates the strength and dynamics to excel. Perhaps you could be a business partner with an idea person. Tonight: Indulge a friend.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
***** Put your best foot forward at work or at home. You accomplish an enormous amount in a little time. Accept another's praise. You deserve the acknowledgment. Still, you might want to keep a secret just that for now. Rest assured that others will find out soon enough. Tonight: Celebrate good news.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
***** What is clear to you might not be to another, especially around a financial decision. You don't need to get another's permission or even opinion. It is time to establish your presence at an important meeting. Tonight: Plan a getaway.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
***** You might not question what you are doing, yet you bowl over others with your energy and precision. No one gets a job done like you when you're on a tear. Unpredictable reactions allow you to flex in another direction. Focus on your public image. Tonight: Let another make the first move.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
***** Your take-charge attitude forces others to step back, allowing you to lead. Understand your competitive streak. Might it stem from some anger, especially with a parent? You always outthink others with resources and information, but you also work hard. Tonight: Allow someone to distract you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
***** Reach out for someone at a distance. It is your nature to want more information. Be a star at a meeting. Willingly seek out responsibility. Co-workers and bosses follow your ideas and feel comfortable with your leadership. Deal with someone, but be sure you do it one-on-one. Tonight: Check out a travel brochure.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
***** By now, you are used to another's assertive approach, which borders on aggressive. Deal with this person in a manner that you find successful. Allow time for an intense discussion. Others will speak their minds more frequently. Tonight: Steam up your love life.

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Moore displays her creative talents

An exceedingly talented woman, Lynne Moore displays her creativity in her two businesses. Expressively Yours is a catering business while Lynne Moore Interiors concentrates on interior design.

A Pampa native, Moore graduated from Texas Tech in May, 1985, with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Interior Design. She was one of the first designers to be licensed by the state in February, 1993.

She moved back to her

hometown in 1988. While one of her first projects in the local community was to redesign Dos Caballeros when it was remodeled in 1993, she works extensively in home design.

"Good design never goes out of style," said Moore, "and the home should be a reflection of the owners, not the designer. It's not just a house—it's a home."

She has a background of space planning, lighting and construction.

Among the classes she took during her formal training are art history, floor plans, lighting, construction and space planning. She also has a background of training in meeting the requirements of the American Disabilities Act for handicapped people.

Moore completes eight hours continuous education studies each year to maintain her license while also keeping up to date on the latest changes in the industry.

She welcomes new clients.

Expressively Yours is a catering business which specializes in finger foods. She has been involved in the catering business since 1988.

Weddings and anniversaries are a specialty of the young woman.

"It is a blessing to me to be involved with couples on such a special day," said Moore. "I want the day to be special for the couple."

Moore is always willing

to do special concoctions for the occasions. A special talent of hers is food carvings and unique creations for the special times.

"We have catered many, many weddings in Pampa and in area towns," she said.

Her creative talent is revealed in the unique, unusual cakes she creates for weddings, anniversaries and other special occasions. She also has unique table settings, which include brass and

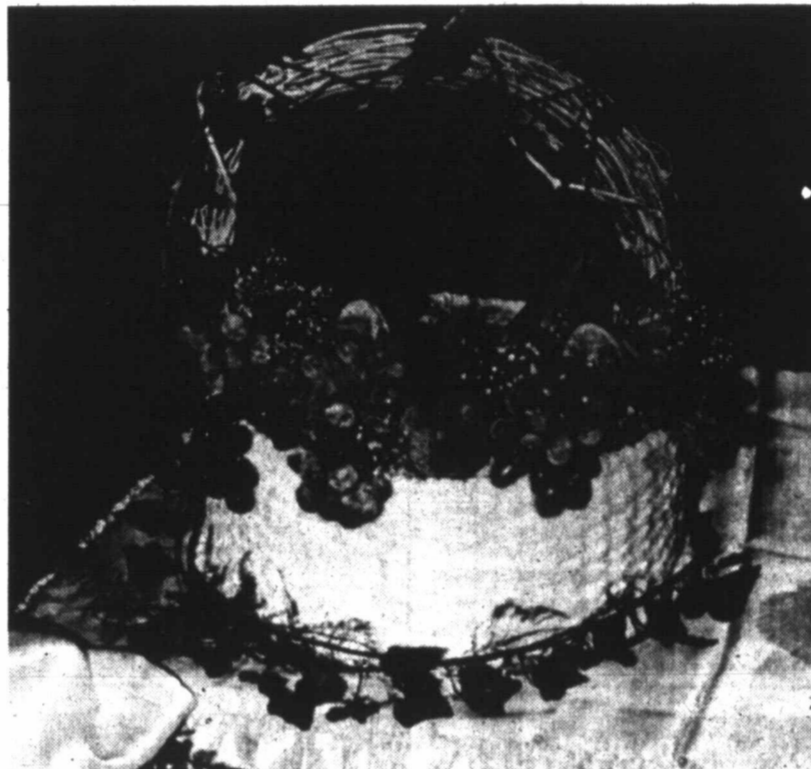
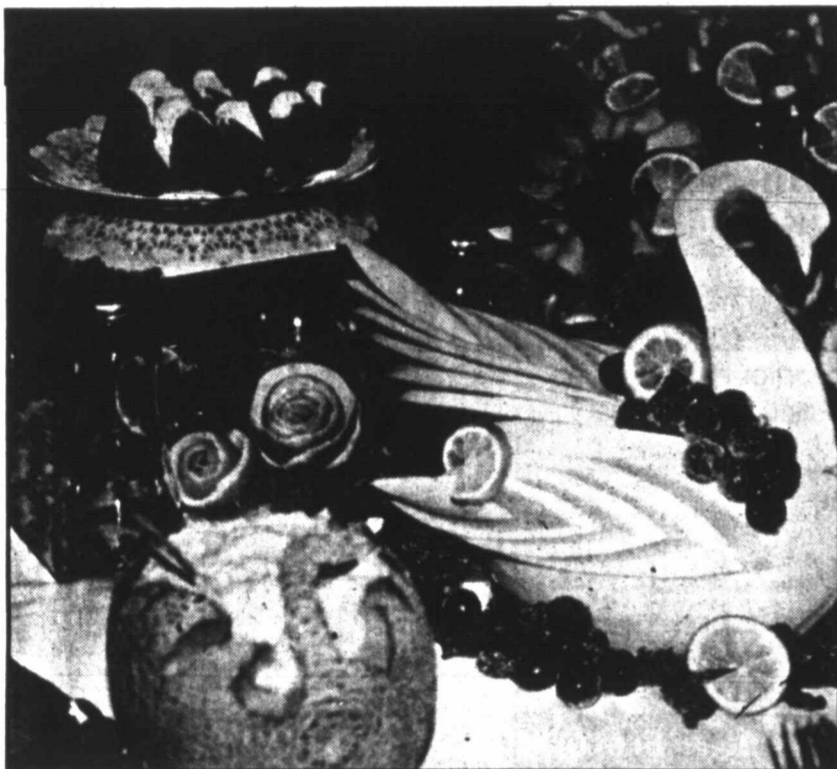
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"We try to make the couples day as perfect as possible, and to make their reception as unique as they are," she said.

She said some people just rent the equipment while others want her to cater the entire occasion.

Moore said her catering does not include sit-down affairs.

Additional information regarding Expressively Yours and Lynne Moore Interiors may be obtained by calling 669-1466.



Honey dew melons and cantaloupes carved as swans and a cake with fresh fruit and fresh ivy highlight a recent wedding catered by Expressively Yours. At right, Lynne Moore is working at her desk to design and decorate the interior of a local client's home.



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