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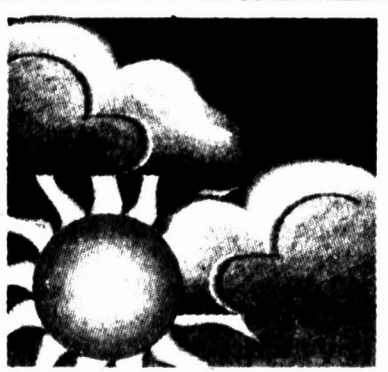
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Aggie Mother's Club to meet in Amarillo

At its monthly meeting on Monday, Nov. 12, the Amarillo Aggie Mother's Club will be stuffing Christmas stockings for their Texas A&M students with goodies that will help them get through the pressure of studying for the upcoming final exams. The meeting will be held at St. Thomas the Apostle Church located at 4100 S. Coulter in Amarillo and will begin at 7:00 p.m. Each Aggie Mom is asked to bring 125-150 small, non-perishable items that can be placed in the stockings. Extra stockings will be available for your student's friends and room mates for a small fee. If you have questions, contact Linda Schrib at 655-1009 or Vicky Baker at 352-5212.

Dallas-Fort Worth air cleaner; future's hazy

DALLAS (AP) — Smog appeared to take a blow in 2001, but experts say long-term trends for air pollution in the Dallas-Fort Worth area are discouraging.

Pollution in the region violated the federal health standard for ozone two days this year, the fewest in any annual warm-weather ozone season since record keeping began in the early 1980s.

But the federal government is phasing out that standard in favor of a tougher one that experts say better protects children's health.

- **Robert W. 'Bob' Johnson**, 78, former truck driver, concrete foreman.
- **Corene Musgrave**, 76, former receptionist at Carmichael-Whitely Funeral Directors.
- **Perry Dean Pearce**, 45, formerly of Spearman.

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Pro, anti-PEDC forces await Tuesday

By NANCY YOUNG
 Managing Editor

Pampans may not agree on whether or not to retain the Pampa Economic Development Corporation, but all agree they want the best future possible for the community.

Voters will go to the polls from 7 a.m.-7 p.m. Tuesday at M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium to decide the future of the PEDC.

Over 1,700 signatures were on a petition requesting an election to vote on dissolving the PEDC. The petition was presented to City Secretary Phyllis Jeffers on Sept. 17, and the following day she and City Manager Bob Eskridge verified 1,260

signatures as registered voters of the needed 1,241 before stopping the verification process.

Jeffers reported early voting on the issue has been the heaviest of any election in the history of Pampa. Jeffers said 961 local voters cast early ballots through Thursday.

She also reported a large number of voters throughout Friday, the last day to vote early.

According to people who sought the election to dissolve the PEDC, they are concerned about the financial condition of the entity.

Dalton Lewis said, "The PEDC has done a lot of things people are upset about. My biggest concern is unstable

loans by the PEDC and no consideration for people out in the county."

He said little thought was given to people who live out in the county who don't want dairies and pigs located next to them.

"You didn't see the executive director put a hog farm and dairy next to her place," he said.

Kathleen Greene said, "I began going to PEDC meetings in July trying to find out how the PEDC got \$2.8 million in debt."

"I asked for and received copies of PEDC bank statements for July, August and September," said Greene. "I was shocked to find out the PEDC has written over \$4,000 in checks to Pampa Country Club. I don't think the country club is

necessary."
 She said that during the past few months she has been attending PEDC meetings, she has only seen two of the 26 people listed as supporters of retaining the PEDC at meetings.

"I don't think many of these people realize what is going on," she said, "because these are very good people. I just don't think it's the same PEDC we started out with," she said.

"People are saying 'don't throw out the baby with the bath water,'" she said. "Well, my baby is Pampa and maybe we could start over by cleaning the water by paying off the debt and get a 4B economic development corporation."
 (See PEDC, Page 3)

New Sears store coming to Pampa February opening in plans

There's good news for the Pampa economy and local shoppers - Benny and Kerrick Horton will open a Sears Authorized Dealer Store here in February.

The store, at 1623 N. Hobart, will carry a complete line of washers, dryers, refrigerators and freezers, water heaters and water softeners. Also included in the line will be televisions, stereos, vacuums, electric and gas rangers, lawn and garden equipment, batteries, snow blowers, table saws, drills and an assortment of hardware and tools, the Horton's news release said.

Brand names featured will include Whirlpool, Hitachi, Die Hard, General Electric, RCA, Kenmore, Craftsman, Maytag and many more. All products sold through the store will have manufacturer warranties and service contracts available for extended warranties. All items sold will carry the Sears customer satisfaction motto, "Satisfaction guaranteed or your money back." Repair service will be available through the Sears network of authorized service and repair facilities.

(See SEARS, Page 3)

Livestock Show, Sale seeks animal buyers

While the Gray County Livestock Show and Sale is still over two months away, letters are going out seeking buyer's for the animals raised by 4-H and FFA youth.

The show dates are Jan. 18-19 and the sale will be Monday, Jan. 21 at M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium, according to Mike Price, stock show board president. There will be a buyer's appreciation meal beginning at 6 p.m. and the sale will start at 7 p.m. The meal will be free to buyers and their guests.

The move to M.K. Brown is a switch from year's past and was changed due to the buyers' requests for a cleaner, warmer and more comfortable atmosphere, Price said.

(See LIVESTOCK, Page 3)

Dates set for Quick TASP

Clarendon College will offer two Quick TASP tests at both their Clarendon and Pampa campuses. On Monday, December 3 the test will be at the Clarendon campus and on Tuesday, December 4 it will be at the Pampa campus. Testing begins at both campuses at 8 a.m. and check-in begins at 7:30 a.m.

Total cost for the TASP test is \$39 and should be made in the form of checks or money orders to NIS in the amount of \$29 and Clarendon College for \$10. Persons should also bring picture identification and two number-two pencils to the test.

The TASP test is required for students prior to taking academic courses at any public college or university in Texas. Admission to Clarendon College is not based on a student's performance on the test, but students are required to have taken the test prior to registration.

For more information or to sign up, persons can call the Pampa office at (806) 665-8801 or Clarendon at (806) 874-3571.

Fall colors ...



(Pampa News photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

Cottonwood trees lining Red Deer Creek in central Pampa reflect the greens and golds of the Pampa Harvester. A drier-than-normal autumn heightened the colors of much of the fall foliage this year. Comfortable fall weather is predicted for the next few days when highs should be in the 70-75 degree range.

Sunday snapshot

1990, Pampa.
Family: Mom, Dad and two brothers.
When I grow up I want to be: An artist.
My personal hero: My mom and dad.
The best advice I ever got was: Not to smoke.
My classmates think of me as: A good friend.
The best word or words to describe me: Loving, funny.
People will remember me as being: Honest, loyal.
The four guests at my fantasy dinner party would be: Dayla N., Alex H., Saylen N., Terri E.
My hobbies are: Soccer, basketball.

ketball.
My favorite sports team is: Dallas Cowboys.
My favorite author is: Bill Wallace.
The last book I read was: "Measuring Penny."
My favorite possession is: My family and Bear-Bear.
The biggest honor I've ever received is: Winning all of my coloring contests.
My favorite performer is: Lorie Morgan.
My worst habit is: Talking when someone else is talking.
I would never: Do drugs.
The last good movie I saw was: "Bring It On."

I stay home to watch: "Rugrats."
Som day I want to drive a: Red Corvette with yellow flames.
My favorite junk food is: Cheese.
My favorite beverage: Mom's tea.
My favorite restaurant is: El Mejor.
My favorite pet: Dogs and cats.
My favorite meal is: Mexican food.
I wish I could sing like: Lorie Morgan.
I'm happiest when I'm: With my mom and dad.

I'm tired of: My brother Eugene.
My biggest fear is: Thunderstorms.
The electrical device I couldn't live without is: Lights.
The biggest waste of time is: Fighting with my brother Eugene.
If I won the lottery, the most extravagant thing I would do is: I would have a party.
If I had three wishes they would be: 1) go to Las Vegas; 2) go to Hawaii; 3) buy a house.
If I could change one thing about Pampa, it would be: A million more things to do in Pampa for kids.

Chamber of Commerce Parade ... Thursday, November 29th, 6:30 P.M.
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Daily Record

Obituaries

ROBERT W. 'BOB' JOHNSON

Robert W. "Bob" Johnson, 78, of Pampa, died Friday, Nov. 2, 2001. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Johnson was born Aug. 17, 1923, at Wyckertown, N.J. He married Pauline Glover on Feb. 5, 1949, at Bennington, Vt. He was a truck driver for Treadways Trucking in Booton, N.J., and came to Pampa in 1973 where he worked as a concrete foreman at Arthur Brothers Construction.

He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving during World War II from 1943-46, and was a Jehovah Witness.

He was preceded in death by three sons, Robert Johnson, Jr., in 1950, Gary Johnson in 1952 and James Johnson in 1994.

Survivors include a son, Timothy Johnson of Pampa; a daughter, Vicki Andrade of Euphrata, Wash.; a brother, Richard Johnson of Friendship, Tenn.; 16 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

CORENE MUSGRAVE

Corene Musgrave, 76, of Pampa, passed away Friday, Nov. 2, 2001, at Pampa. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Musgrave was born to James Sr. and Effie Howell on July 8, 1925, at Stroud, Okla. She married Howard Musgrave on Oct. 4, 1962, at Childress, Texas. She was a resident of Pampa since 1946, where she had worked for Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Home as a receptionist for 17 years.

She was a member of St. Paul Methodist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Howard Musgrave, of the home; a daughter, Brenda J. Punched of Oklahoma City, Okla.; three sisters, Martella Leland and Dorthia Oakes, both of Amarillo, Texas, and Lucille Schaffer of Pampa, Texas; a brother, Hoover Howell of Stroud, Okla.; two granddaughters, Kelly J. Spears of Austin, Texas, and Tony L. Harvey of Fort Worth, Texas; three great-grandsons; and two great-granddaughters; she was preceded in death by several brothers and sisters.

PERRY DEAN PEARCE

Perry Dean Pearce, 45, of Pampa, died Friday, Nov. 2, 2001. The body was cremated, and no services are planned. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Pearce was born June 23, 1956, at Paris, Texas. He moved to Pampa in October and was formerly of Spearman. He worked for Attebury Grain Elevator at Burnstien, Texas, for 11 years and was a Baptist.

He was preceded by a twin brother, Jerry Pearce, in 2000.

Survivors include a sister-in-law, Sharon Pearce of Pampa.

Services

Services today

GUTHRIE, Myrtle Alice Lane - 11:30 a.m., Church of Christ, Lassila Funeral Chapels, Lincoln, Calif.

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following arrests and incidents in the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

Wednesday, Oct. 31

A forgery was reported in the 900 block of N. Hobart.

Thursday, Nov. 1

Burglary of a building was reported at Southside Senior Citizens, 438 W. Crawford. A camera valued at \$50 was taken. The method of entry was not specified.

Albertson's, 1233 N. Hobart, reported a forgery. An assault with no injuries was reported in the 700 block of North Wells.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 1200 block of North Hobart. A cell phone valued at \$159.00 was taken.

A home in the 1100 block of South Prairie Drive was burglarized. Entry was gained by force through the back door. Boots valued at \$300 were taken.

Friday, Nov. 2

Possession of a controlled substance was reported in the 400 block of West Brown.

Christopher Ballinger, 30, 721 N. Wells, was charged with interfering with an emergency call.

Sandra S. Bowers, 49, 415 Duncan, DWI/third offense.

Saturday, Nov. 3

Daniel Bedoya, 18, 413 Starkweather, public intoxication.

Walter Johnson, 29, homeless, public intoxication.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Department reported the following arrests during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

Friday, Nov. 2

James Glen Horton, 35, Amarillo, motion to revoke bond, possession of marijuana.

Aaron Ace Avevedo, 18, 1406 Coronado Drive, arrested on warrants for non-payment of fines.

Saturday, Nov. 3

Ronald Clark Wollums, 54, 533 N. Roberta, arrested by the DPS for DWI/second offense.

Emergency numbers

- Ambulance.....911
Crime Stoppers.....669-2222
Energas.....1-888-Energas
Fire.....911

Business highlights ...

Energy markets make flip-flop

NEW YORK (AP) - Energy markets have done a complete flip-flop from a year ago, with a gallon of regular gas selling for under a \$1 in many parts of the country and home-heating prices expected to drop by a third this winter.

With ample crude inventories but reduced demand for gasoline, jet fuel and the distillates that power manufacturing plants, traders have sent the price of oil to \$20.18 a barrel, its lowest level since July 1999.

Tom Kloza, director of the Oil Price Information Service, said members of the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries are not in compliance with existing quotas and that the cartel is widely assumed to be pumping 1 million barrels per day more than the official output target of 23.2 million barrels a day.

Regulators sue high-profile advisor

WASHINGTON (AP) - Federal securities regulators have sued Donald Lukens, an investment adviser catering to professional athletes and other wealthy clients, for allegedly defrauding more than 100 investors of at least \$12.5 million in a series of schemes in the late 1990s.

Among Lukens' swindled clients were NFL players Simeon Rice of Tampa Bay and Sean Gilbert of the Carolina Panthers, NBA players Kurt Thomas of the New York Knicks and Bryon Russell of the Utah Jazz and former boxing champion Terry Norris, the Securities and Exchange Commission said in a civil lawsuit filed Thursday in federal court in Los Angeles.

Lukens, 50, of Camarillo did not return a telephone call seeking comment.

UPS announces shipping rate hike

ATLANTA (AP) - United Parcel Service Inc. said Friday it will raise its ground shipping rate 3.5 percent effective Jan. 7.

Overnight and two-day express services will jump 4 percent, while international shipping will increase 3.9 percent.

The Atlanta-based package delivery giant also is increasing the fee for residential deliveries a nickel, to \$1.10. The fee for air express deliveries to homes will be \$1.10 higher than the charge for taking those

packages to businesses. UPS also said it is retaining a 1.25 percent temporary fuel surcharge it began charging in August 2000 because of "continued fuel price volatility."

UPS still considers the surcharge temporary because it has not rolled the fee into regular rates and will eliminate it "when we're covering our costs," spokesman Steve Holmes said.

Prudential PLC slashing 2,100 jobs

LONDON (AP) - Insurance giant Prudential PLC plans to slash 2,100 jobs, or 22 percent of its work force, and to sell its general insurance business to Winterthur of Switzerland, the British company announced Friday.

The job cuts, which include 1,000 compulsory layoffs from Prudential's work force of 9,500, are part of a plan to restructure the company and boost profitability.

The cuts are to be completed by 2003 and come on top of a 2,000-job reduction in Prudential's sales force earlier this year. All the jobs to be eliminated will be in Britain. Prudential is unrelated to the U.S. company Prudential Insurance Co. of America.

Prudential valued its deal with Winterthur, the insurance arm of the Credit Suisse group, at 810 million pounds (\$1.18 billion.)

Unilever PLC announces earnings drop

LONDON (AP) - Unilever PLC - maker of Pepsodent toothpaste, Dove soap and Ben & Jerry's ice cream - said third-quarter earnings dropped 44 percent due mostly to the costs of a major acquisition.

The Anglo-Dutch consumer products group earned a net profit for the three months ending Sept. 30 of 476 million euros (\$428 million), calculated at constant exchange rates, compared to 855 million euros during the same period of 2000.

However, operating profit before exceptional, one-time gains and losses increased by 25 percent, to 2.13 billion euros (\$1.92 billion) from 1.70 billion euros.

Sales grew to 13.6 billion euros (\$12.2 billion) from 12.0 billion euros, up 13 percent, with Ready-to-Drink Tea and European Ice Cream turning in stronger results in Europe and SlimFast diet products selling better in the United States.

People in the news ...

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) - Johnny Cash has left Baptist Hospital after his second stay for bronchitis since October.

Cash, 69, checked out Thursday afternoon, said hospital spokeswoman Jessica Eitz.

Cash, who has scored dozens of hits including "I Walk the Line" and "A Boy Named Sue," suffers from autonomic neuropathy, a disease of the nervous system that makes him susceptible to pneumonia.

PHILADELPHIA (AP) - "Me and Mrs. Jones," a new musical based on the smooth "Philly sound" of the 1970s, is the brainchild of Lou Rawls, who stars in the show.

The musical, which brings back such hits as "Love Train," "If You Don't Know Me by Now" and "Back Stabbers," opened Saturday at the Prince Music Theater.

"At the time, that was the music that was happening," said Rawls, a three-time Grammy winner. "They were doing it three ways from Sunday."

Rawls got the idea for the show when he was performing in "Smokey Joe's Cafe" on Broadway several years ago.

The 65-year-old singer said he knew the songs would reach people.

Rawls sought Charles Randolph Wright, who directed and co-wrote the show that features funky dance numbers, soulful singers and seductive songs.

"Lou told me he had the 'sound of Philadelphia' catalog and I went insane," said Wright. "This is the music I grew up with. I had an immediate reaction

to all those songs." "Me and Mrs. Jones" tells the story of a judge who is having an affair with a woman named Mrs. Jones, but the plot only serves to facilitate transitions from one ballad to the next.

The show will run for through Dec. 9.

On the Net: http://www.pricemusicaltheater.org.

LAS VEGAS (AP) - Carmen Electra might one day headline on the Las Vegas Strip, but it appears her new show is no longer wanted by the financially struggling Aladdin hotel-casino.

The bankrupt \$1.2 billion resort has filed a request with a U.S. Bankruptcy Court judge as part of its Chapter 11 bankruptcy to reject a 30-year lease held by Showclubs of America.

Showclubs had hoped to open a \$12 million to \$14 million combination nightclub and 1,200-seat showroom at the Aladdin early next year. Construction was supposed to have started last month.

Electra, a former "Baywatch" star and Playboy model, signed a two-year deal in July to be the star of the show housed in the showroom. The 29-year-old was to perform 12 times a week for an undisclosed sum.

But with the delays, it is undecided whether Electra still will be a part of the "Lumiere" production, said David Tumaroff, the show's executive producer.

"Carmen Electra is saying to us, 'What's the deal? Where is the show going to be? When could it open?'" Tumaroff said.

'Publisher's Weekly' best seller list

- HARDCOVER FICTION
1. "The Kiss" by Danielle Steel (Delacorte)
2. "The Corrections" by Jonathan Franzen (Farrar, Straus & Giroux)
3. "Blood and Gold" by Anne Rice (Knopf)
4. "Isle of Dogs" by Patricia Cornwell (Putnam)
5. "A Bend in the Road" by Nicholas Sparks (Warner)
6. "Midnight Bayou" by Nora Roberts (Putnam)
7. "The Best-Loved Poems of Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis" ed. Caroline Kennedy (Hyperion)
8. "Black House" by Stephen King, Peter Straub (Random House)
9. "Separation of Power" by Vince Flynn (Pocket)
10. "The Mitford Snowmen" by Jan Karon (Viking Penguin)
NONFICTION/GENERAL
1. "The No Spin Zone" by Bill O'Reilly (Broadway Books)
2. "The Final Days" by Barbara Olson (Regnery)
3. "How I Play Golf" by Tiger Woods (Warner)
4. "Germs: Biological Weapons and America's Secret War" by Judith Miller, Stephen Engelberg & William Broad (Simon & Schuster)
5. "Jack: Straight from the Gut" by Jack Welch with John A. Byrne (Warner)
6. "Back to the Table" by Art Smith (Hyperion)
7. "The Prayer of Jabez" by Bruce H. Wilkinson (Multnomah)
8. "John Adams" by David McCullough (Simon & Schuster)
9. "Who Moved My Cheese?" by Spencer Johnson (Putnam)
10. "Fire" by Sebastian Junger (Norton)
MASS MARKET PAPERBACKS
1. "Roses Are Red" by James Patterson (Warner)
2. "The Prometheus Deception" by Robert Ludlum (St. Martin's)
3. "Journey" by Danielle Steel (Dell)
4. "The Hobbit" by J.R.R. Tolkien (Del Rey)
5. "The Devil's Code" by John Sandford (Berkley)
6. "Impulse" by Catherine Coulter (Signet)
7. "Black Hawk Down" by Mark Bowden (Signet)
8. "In My Wildest Dreams" by Christina Dodd (Morrow)
9. "Blue Gold" by Clive Cussler (Pocket)
10. "Deck the Halls" by Mary Higgins Clark and Carol Higgins Clark (Pocket)
TRADE PAPERBACKS
1. "Band of Brothers" by Stephen E. Ambrose (Touchstone) (NF-P)
2. "Taliban: Militant Islam, Oil and Fundamentalism in Central Asia" by Ahmed Rashid. (Yale University Press)
3. "Prodigal Summer" by Barbara Kingsolver (HarperTrade) (F-P)
4. "The Four Agreements" by Don Miguel Ruiz (Amber-Allen)
5. "The Red Tent" by Anita Diamant (Picador)
6. "Girl with a Pearl Earring" by Tracy Chavalier (Dutton/Plume)
7. "Bin Laden: The Man Who Declared War on America" by Yossef Bodansky (Random House)
8. "Personal History" by Katherine Graham (Vintage)
9. "The Blind Assassin" by Margaret Atwood (Anchor)
10. "Life Strategies" by Phillip C. McGraw (Hyperion)



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Officials endorse Jan. 1 deregulation

AUSTIN (AP) - The chairman of the Public Utility Commission said Friday he was confident that electric deregulation will start on schedule Jan. 1, and a key lawmaker added his qualified endorsement.

State Rep. Steve Wolens, one of the authors of the 1999 deregulation law, opened a legislative hearing Friday by saying he wasn't prepared to declare the state ready for competition among electric companies.

Legislators will feel political heat if there are service or billing problems after Jan. 1, he said.

By the end of the hearing, however, Wolens said he was confident deregulation would start on time - but the Dallas Democrat added that he wants to hold one more hearing before then.

PUC Chairman Max Yzaguirre showed no such uncertainty.

"I am highly confident that we will be there to open the market on time Jan. 1," Yzaguirre told the panel, called the Electric Utility Restructuring Legislative Oversight Committee. He noted the PUC has not made a final determination.

Only the Public Utility Commission has the authority to delay deregulation, but lawmakers are likely to influence any decision.

State Sen. David Sibley, R-Waco, who helped write

the deregulation law, also pushed for the Jan. 1 start. He said a firm date was important to businesses and consumers.

"Hundreds of millions of dollars have been spent preparing this state for Jan. 1, 2002. The Legislature made promises. We should keep our promises," he said.

Sibley said anyone wanting to delay deregulation should find a "fatal flaw," a reason to stop.

Under the law written by Sibley and Wolens, consumers and businesses in most of Texas will pick their electric provider much the way they choose their long-distance phone company.

But delays and glitches have plagued a pilot program designed to test the deregulated power system.

About 90,000 people signed up for the test run, but only 51,000 are receiving power from their new company, according to the Electric Reliability Council of Texas, or ERCOT, which operates the state's main power grid. Another 22,000 will soon receive power from their new company, ERCOT said.

Consumers Union, AARP and other groups asked the PUC last month to delay the start of deregulation, saying the pilot program has experienced computer problems, delays, billing snafus and spikes in wholesale electric prices.

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Weather focus

Today, morning low clouds and fog with partial late afternoon clearing. Highs in the mid 60s. East winds 5 to 15 mph. Tonight, mostly cloudy. Lows around 50.

Monday, mostly cloudy, becoming partly cloudy in the afternoon. Highs 70 to 75.

Tuesday, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers. Lows in the mid 30s. Highs in the lower 60s.

Wednesday, partly cloudy.

Lows in the mid 40s. Highs around 70.

Thursday, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers. Lows in the mid 30s. Highs in the lower 60s.

Friday, partly cloudy. Lows 30 to 35. Highs 60 to 65.

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Dr. Louis Haydon said, "The PEDC has received \$7,032,394 in taxpayers' money, and is now in debt for approximately \$2.5 million dollars. It will take at least four years or more to pay off this debt."

"If we keep the PEDC, how much further in debt will the PEDC be in four years? If we dissolve the PEDC and pay off the debt, we can then establish a 4B economic development corporation which can be more responsive to Pampa's needs," said Haydon.

"The PEDC has stated there are 24 small communities in the Panhandle with which Pampa would have to compete with bribes to get new employers and jobs. We can't outbid Amarillo, so what will we be going after? The only businesses these other Panhandle cities can bid for are more hog factories and feed lots. Is this what Pampa wants?" he said.

"The PEDC states that they are responsible for 260 jobs in Pampa. I believe these numbers are inflated. No one can obtain the exact number except through the PEDC. We know this: In most dairies it takes one worker for 100 cows. The PEDC states that there are 40 workers at our two dairies. For the 2,500 cows that our two dairies have, 25 workers would be a more realistic number," he concluded.

Pampans wanting to keep the PEDC in place are

concerned about the future growth of the community without a PEDC to promote the community.

"I think we need to keep the PEDC to be competitive," said Bill Bridges, a former Chamber of Commerce president. "I don't think we can be competitive without the vehicle other area towns have. I absolutely urge people to vote to keep the PEDC."

Curt Beck said, "If we lose the PEDC there will be nothing to bring new business into Pampa. It will be a sad day for Pampa."

He said Pampa would be like Follett, Lefors and Lelia if they don't have an EDC.

"All those who support Pampa's growth should support the PEDC," he said. "A lot of the opposition is misinformed. There is no link between the PEDC and NPD."

He was making reference to National Pig Development (USA) which has an application pending with the state to place a 50,000-capacity hog farm about 11 miles east of Pampa.

John Curry said, "We need PEDC. I would recommend that everyone vote against the dissolution of PEDC. The State of Texas has set up economic development corporations to be the focus of economic leads in the state. If we do not have PEDC we will no longer be in the ball game, for economic development and new business, while every other city in West Texas will still be competing."

SEARS

The Hortons currently operate Warner-Horton Supply at 900 Duncan and the Putt-A-Round mini golf course and Hawaiian Shave Ice. The couple will continue to operate those businesses.

The manager of the new Sears store will be Jason Bagwell of Amarillo who is currently manager of Sight 'N Sound in Amarillo. Bagwell is a graduate of Amarillo High School and attended South Western and West Texas A&M Universities. His wife, Meredith, is a graduate of Texas Tech and West Texas A&M and is currently teaching third grade at Western Plateau Elementary School in Amarillo.

"I would like to thank the Pampa Economic Development Corporation for providing the demographic and community information that helped make this store a reality for Pampa," said Benny Horton. "It was extremely helpful to have someone to go to for the information I needed."

The Sears nationwide network offers consistent pricing of all products offered for sale in any Sears store. For instance, said Horton, "If you buy a refrigerator for \$895 in the Pampa store you will pay the same price for the same refrigerator in San Francisco, St. Louis, or Washington D.C."

"We're looking forward to this new endeavor and we are excited about the opportunity to bring another business into Pampa which will help our local economy," said Horton.

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LIVESTOCK

For those who can't attend the sale, there is still a way to support the youth by donating to the stock show pool. This pool of money is used to set a floor on animals at the sale and is given exclusively to the youth. The floor establishes equity to all youth involved in the sale. Operational expenses for the show are paid for through family fund-raising activities conducted throughout the year.

Those who want to donate to the the pool car send a check to Gray County Stock Show, P.O. Box 853, Pampa, TX 79066-0853.

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"Days of Wine and Roses" screenplay writer J.P. Miller dies at 81

STOCKTON, N.J. (AP) — J.P. Miller, who wrote the screenplay for the movie "Days of Wine and Roses," died Thursday of pneumonia. He was 81.

Miller's credits include episodes of the series "The Philco Television Playhouse" (1948-55) and

"The Goodyear Television Playhouse" (1951-57). He also wrote TV movies "The Lindbergh Kidnapping Case" (1976) and "I Know My First Name is Steven" (1989), a true story about a kidnapped boy.

Man posing as firefighter to get freebies taken into custody

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Police in eight states are investigating a man accused of posing as a firefighter to get gifts, free meals, and a place as an honored guest at a pro football game.

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Decent shoes chiropractor's dream

Beverly wore decent shoes to work on Wednesday. It was Halloween and we had a costume contest among ourselves. She wore high-heeled shoes and was also very dressed up. It went past "church clothes" nice.

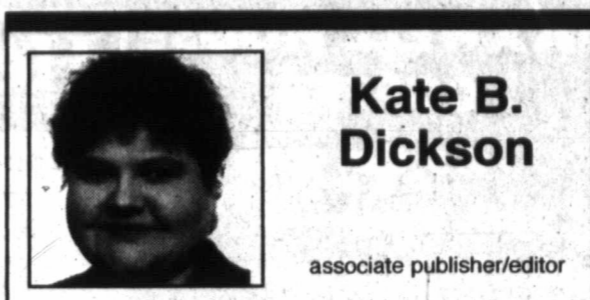
What I mean by decent is the way people of my mother's generation would describe shoes. Decent shoes don't include most sandals and certainly not tennis shoes, sneakers, cross-trainers or whatever you want to call them.

And, I know my Birkenstock sandals aren't decent. My mother told me so. But she did concede the fact they are "fine" footwear. Just not decent.

I do think that decent shoes can include some open-toed varieties with a heel — or at least that was the case when my mother was young. I've seen pictures of her all dressed up and wearing those kind of shoes.

But heels, pretty high ones at that, are particularly decent in my mother's thinking.

If you ever wore them much, you know what I'm talking about. The kind of shoes that squeeze your toes, throw you off balance, make your back hurt, etc. They are also a chiropractor's dream ... kinda like water skiing season was to my chiropractor when I lived in a lake



Kate B. Dickson
 associate publisher/editor

area.

As a little girl, I remember my mother wearing high heels all the time. And when we'd go shopping in downtown Memphis, Tenn., she had to walk around those grates in the sidewalk because she could catch her heel in one of the spaces.

Anyway, back where I started. Beverly won the costume contest. The vote was held in the morning.

On another subject. If you didn't vote early in the PEDC election you can vote Tuesday from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. at M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium. It's been a hard-fought campaign on both sides and no-matter the outcome I

think there's one thing everyone will agree on — happy that it's over.

In yesterday's paper, I made one of those mistakes that turns out to be embarrassing. I have no idea why I typed Meels instead of Meals in a headline. It happens sometimes. All of us do it. When Nancy held the newspaper in front of me while I was on the phone I had that sinking feeling that something was wrong. I kept looking but couldn't see it ... I was "thinking" the word apparently. Anyway, she finally pointed to Meels.

After initially feeling sick, I laughed. We all did. What else was there to do? And it was Friday afternoon and the end of a pretty stressful week.

Then Saturday morning when I got to work I checked the editorial department voice mail. One message was from a man who called to tell us about the mistake and to say how stupid we are. He used cuss words to get his message across. I'm sure he felt like a big man when he hung up.

I know it's said that "it takes all kinds ..." but sometimes I get tired of hearing from them. (Kate Dickson can be reached at kbd@pan-tex.net)

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Texas Editorials

By The Associated Press

A sampling of editorial opinion around Texas: Houston Chronicle on looking beyond terrorist news: The country is at war with terrorists. The Bush administration is executing a delicate balance between trying to route out Osama bin Laden, chief suspect in the attacks on New York and the Pentagon, and his Taliban protectors and sparking a larger conflict with sympathetic Muslims elsewhere in the Middle East. Meanwhile, national and local authorities are endeavoring to keep a lid on panic associated with a number of anthrax attacks. That's enough to keep a nation almost completely distracted from any other news on the planet.

But issues of concern around the globe did not go away after the terrorists' Sept. 11 murderous spree. Indeed, it is important for Americans not to lose sight of other serious matters abroad, especially those that also have the potential to negatively affect the United States.

This past month in Nigeria, for example, at least 200 people may have died in two days' of anti-American rioting in Kano, the country's largest northern city. The protests involved Muslims angry at U.S.-led bombing of Afghanistan. Nigeria has a population of 120 million people and is West Africa's most populous country and a crucial supplier of oil to the United States.

Meanwhile in Colombia, soldiers have been busy trying to capture rightist paramilitary fighters suspected in massacres on villages in the country's southwestern sector and leftist fighters in the north. This wave of bloodshed has claimed dozens of lives in the most recent escalation of the country's 37-year civil war. It's an ugly development in a country in which the United States has a huge stake in working to control drug trafficking that threatens millions of lives at home.

Meanwhile, in Argentina, Latin America's third largest economy, is in the midst of a three-year recession with no end in sight. In Brazil, the region's largest economy, the economy is being buffeted by Argentina's woes. Such woes have the power to harm many U.S. and Texas financial interests.

It's tempting to focus exclusively on the massive problem of terrorists in our midst. But the American people must not ignore other major global concerns, watching their flanks for trouble in corners of the world they now are ignoring.

From our files ...

40 years
SUNDAY, Nov. 5, 1961. Pampa's United Fund Campaign is still more than 50 percent short of its goal, George Newman, general chairman, said Saturday in emphasizing the importance of the workers report meeting to be held Monday evening.

MONDAY, Nov. 6, 1961. James J. O'Connor, 33, managerial associate of the American Hotel Corp. for the past 10 years, today took over duties as manager of Coronado Inn, it was announced by Frank Culberson, president of the Pampa Community Hotel Corp.

TUESDAY, Nov. 7, 1961. Delinquent taxpayers owe the City of Pampa \$169,625.39 and the City Commission today decided to attempt to work out a plan to help the city tax department collect as much of it as possible.

25 years ago
THURSDAY, Nov. 4, 1976. Pampa High School seniors during 1975-76 outscored their national counterparts on two major college entrance examinations, according to John English, high school counselor.

FRIDAY, Nov. 5, 1976. The first public swine flu vaccines in Pampa were given this morning at the Salvation Army headquarters of the public health nurse where 20 stood in a line as early as 8 a.m.

SUNDAY, Nov. 7, 1976. Alco Discount Store is scheduled to open at the Coronado Center in Pampa in the spring of 1977 as the first phase of a \$900,000 expansion and modernization program for the center.

10 years ago
WEDNESDAY, Nov. 6, 1991. In one of the largest voter turnouts in recent history, Pampans rejected Sunday beer sales inside the city limits.

THURSDAY, Nov. 7, 1991. Officers for the 1991-1992 year of Gray County Association for Retarded Citizens are Debra Gikas, treasurer, Sherry Carlson, secretary, Jim Brown, vice president, and David Swires, president.

FRIDAY, Nov. 8, 1991. Hoechst Celanese was recognized Thursday at the final United Way check-in with the employees and company's generous donation to this year's campaign of \$94,943.76.



Today in history

By The Associated Press
 Today is Sunday, Nov. 4, the 308th day of 2001. There are 57 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
 On Nov. 4, 1979, the Iranian hostage crisis began as militants stormed the U.S. Embassy in Tehran. For some of the hostages, it was the start of 444 days of captivity.

On this date:
 In 1842, Abraham Lincoln married Mary Todd in Springfield, Ill.
 In 1880, the first cash register was patented by James and John Ritty of Dayton, Ohio.
 In 1884, Democrat Grover Cleveland was elected to his first term as president, defeating Republican James G. Blaine.
 In 1922, the entrance to King Tutankhamen's tomb was discovered in Egypt.
 In 1939, the United States modified its neutrality stance in World War II, allowing "cash and carry" purchases of arms by belligerents, a policy favoring Britain and France.

Exactly, what is wrong with education?

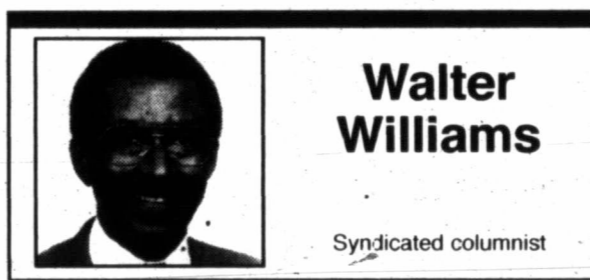
Here are some test questions.

Question 1: Which of the following is equal to a quarter of a million? (a) 40,000 (b) 250,000 (c) 2,500,000 (d) 1/4,000,000 or (e) 4/1,000,000?
 Question 2: Martin Luther King Jr. (insert the correct choice) for the poor of all races. (a) spoke out passionately (b) spoke out passionate (c) did spoke out passionately (d) has spoke out passionately or (e) had spoken out passionate.
 Question 3: What would you do if your student sprained an ankle? (a) Put a Band-Aid on it (b) Ice it (c) Rinse it with water.

Having reviewed the questions, guess which school grade gets these kind of test questions: sixth grade, ninth grade or 12th grade. I'm betting that the average reader guesses: sixth grade. You'd be wrong. How about ninth grade? You'd still be wrong. You say, "OK, Williams, I can't believe they're 12th grade test questions!" Wrong again. According to a recent School Reform News article "Who Tells Teachers They Can Teach?" those test questions came from tests for prospective teachers. The first two questions are samples from Praxis I test for teachers, and the third is from the 1999 teacher certification test in Illinois. And guess what. Thirty-one percent of New York City public school teachers fail teacher certification tests.

According to the Chicago Sun-Times, 5,243 Illinois teachers failed their teacher certification tests. The Chicago Sun-Times also reported, "One teacher failed 24 of 25 teacher tests — including 11 of 12 Basic Skills tests and all 12 tests on teaching learning-disabled children. Yet, that teacher was assigned to teach learning-disabled children in Chicago. That's classic: the blind leading the blind.

Most of these inept teachers are graduates of the nation's schools of education. Unfortunately, for the most part, schools of education, either graduate or undergraduate, are home to students who have the lowest academic achievement test scores when they enter college, and they score the lowest among college graduates taking tests, such as GRE, MCAT or LSAT, to enter professional schools. If we're really serious about improving public education, we'd shut down schools of education. There is absolutely no relationship between teacher quality and having graduated from a teacher's college and being teacher certified. There may even be a negative relationship as suggested by the fact that students who are home-schooled by parents who have had no teacher training have achieve-



Walter Williams
 Syndicated columnist

ment scores higher than 85 percent of all other students.

Another serious education problem is the fact that many teachers have little or no training in the subjects they teach. According to the U.S. Department of Education, 36 percent of public school teachers — 972,000 teachers out of 2.7 million nationwide — didn't major or minor in the core subjects they teach. In other words, there are teachers teaching math and science who might not have taken a single class in those subjects.

The long-term solution to our education problem is to break the education monopoly by introducing the kind of competition that can come from school vouchers, tuition tax credits and other school choice programs. Of course, the powerful education establishment fights tooth and nail against anything that even smacks of competition. There are some shorter-term measures that can help stem the decline in education quality. State legislators and school boards have it in their power to eliminate standard certification requirements. As it stands now, a Nobel Laureate in physics wouldn't meet teacher qualifications in most school districts.

Finally, my education question to the NAACP, Urban League, the Congressional Black Caucus, black mayors and city councilmen who walk lock step with the teaching establishment and do their bidding: In which schools do you think you'll find the absolutely worst teacher quality?

Summer of 2001 now just a memory ...

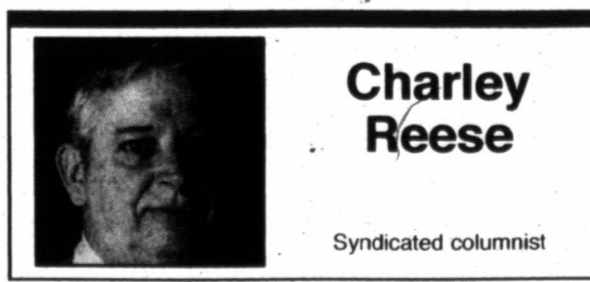
When we weren't looking, the summer of 2001 slipped away. It's gone forever. I'm sorry I didn't pay it more attention.

It's hard to keep in mind in our urban environment that all of us have only a finite number of summers, autumns, winters and springs to enjoy. Most of us will not know the number until it's too late to do anything about it.

I wish that, when I was young, I had had a Japanese abbot to knock me upside the head and wake me up to the life around me. Instead, I had a lot of hard-bitten companions who taught me how to drink, smoke, shoot, fight, chase women and waste the hours by telling endless anecdotes. In retrospect, I would have been better off trying to find the meaning of the sound of one hand clapping. (That's a Zen koan.)

The building I worked in for the past 30 years was largely windowless. Without a watch and a calendar, you couldn't tell either the hour of the day or the day of the year. I got so busy working, hopping from one meeting to another, researching issues, writing columns and preparing to retire, I hardly noticed the season. I regret that, but I will not make that mistake again.

The arrival and departure of the season will henceforth be celebrated, if by nothing else, by



Charley Reese
 Syndicated columnist

drinking a toast to the occasion on my patio. Out there the Chinese tallow, the Japanese plum and elm are already dropping their leaves, just a few at a time. I intend to take note of them. I intend to relish this autumn.

All of us have the same problem. We all have so many roles to play. We are what we do for a living; we are parents, husbands or wives; we are members of various organizations. Our lives can get very busy. Yet, at the core, there is that person who once as a child gazed upon a new world, beautiful and full of unlimited possibilities. One thinker has said that we can measure our lives as, decision by decision, we turn possibilities into actualities.

Unfortunately, the old joke is true: too soon old, too late smart.

I tried in a commencement speech once to alert students to how urgent it is to enjoy life and to

get about doing whatever it is you want to do. They were no more receptive than I was at their age. Part of the charm of youth is innocence.

But those of us who have survived our youth are at least a little wiser about the value of time. What we spend our time on is what we value. That's a far better indicator than what we spend our money on. Right now, I'd rather take a walk with my grandson and watch him see his very first earthworm than anything else I can think of. Politics and war have become boring after so many years of both — neither of which, I think in retrospect, accomplished a heck of a lot.

Umberto Eco, in a new book of essays called "Five Moral Pieces," concludes that war is no longer practical. None of the participants, he says, can control it anymore, and it almost never accomplishes what the people who start wars want it to.

Trouble is, not a lot of politicians around the world have figured that out yet. They still call it a success when a \$100 million worth of bombs and missiles destroy only 85 percent of the targets that collectively probably cost less than \$10 million.

They probably think the change of seasons is not important at all. Too bad for them.

Letters to the editor

Pampa band is truly 'Pride of Pampa'

To the editor,
On Saturday, Oct. 27, 2001, I attended the 2001 Area A, UIL Marching Contest in Odessa. I went to watch my grandson's band, Plainview High School, and was pleased to find out that Pampa is in the same area. There were 19 bands participating in the Class AAAA contest.

Pampa marched next to the last in the line-up to determine which bands would participate in the State Band Contest to be held in Waco on Nov. 5, 2001.

When the Pampa band finished its program, it marched into the grandstands, stood until everyone was in place and then sat down. They were most courteous and could not have represented Pampa better. Their music program was very good and so was their marching.

Only three bands could go to State and they were Plainview, Big Spring and Frenship. Needless to say, I was pleased that Plainview is going to State but so proud of the showing the Pampa band made. They are truly the "Pride of Pampa."

Judy Chase Butler
Pampa

Criminals are scared of armed citizenry ...

To the editor,
Texas, and perhaps 20 other states, have enacted "Right To Carry" laws that allow adults of good character and who have appropriate knowledge of firearms, to carry a concealed pistol. The value of these laws to the general public doesn't get anywhere near enough publicity.

FBI crime records show clearly that when such laws are adopted, violent crime, especially armed

robbery, murder, and rape, are at once measurably reduced. Two states — Idaho and Vermont — have never forbidden their citizens to carry a concealed weapon, and their crime rates have always been among the lowest in the nation.

Think about the tragedy at a cafeteria in Killeen, Texas, about 10 years ago where 30-odd defenseless people were killed one after another by a crazy person. If even two or three of the ordinary customers had been armed, the death toll would have been much reduced.

The Texas law has some things wrong with it that should be corrected. It can be overridden (for its own space) by any business or any minor government entity, and perhaps by others, by the simple posting of a notice, and permits are far too expensive and too short-lived.

Good people should be encouraged to arm themselves, especially now that our terrorist enemies are becoming more active. Criminals are scared of an armed public.

G.W. Dingus
Pampa

I love America, but I told you so!

To the editor,
Are you like I am ... about moved to tears when you hear Ray Charles sing and play "America The Beautiful"?

Was I un-American in the past, when I did about all one person alone could do to try to reform our immigration policy? I don't think so!

With 287 million Americans in this country, do you think we needed 7 million Muslims — almost all of which came here within the past 10 years? I don't think so!

I've never been one to say, "I told you so!" However, the most difficult thing in my mind is to know how to do something and to watch someone

Prescribed fire in offing at Lake Meredith

FRITCH — Superintendent John C. Benjamin has announced Lake Meredith National Recreation Area (NRA) will be conducting a prescribed burn at Lake Meredith Harbor/Harbor Bay. Firefighters plan to start the burn during the week of Nov. 5 or the week of Nov. 12, depending on weather conditions. The burn should be completed in a four-day period.

The Lake Meredith Harbor/Harbor Bay unit extends along the recreation area boundary from Fritch Fortress Road to Lakeview Drive and to the Harbor Bay picnic area.

This fire is being conducted to reduce the buildup of grassy fuels that typically feed a wildfire and to return the mesquite grasslands to a natural cycle of growth.

The re-introduction of fire will also help traditional plant distribution and reduce the danger associated with wildfires.

Fire crews have spent several months removing brush and other fuels from the perimeter of the burn units. The burns will be a cooperative effort sponsored by the National Park Service with assistance from local and federal fire departments. Extensive plans have been creat-

ed to guide the strategic placement of fire crews and engines based on weather and expected fire behavior.

During the controlled burns, some of the areas will be closed to the public. People traveling in the area should use caution by reducing vehicle speed and turning on their headlights when smoke is present. The burns are designed so the majority of smoke will move toward the waters of the lake; consequently, boating activities near the burn units may be affected.

For more information, contact park headquarters at (806) 857-3151.

Hunt for Miss Amarillo Area USA, Teen USA under way

AMARILLO — A search is under way for the next Miss Amarillo Area USA and the Miss Amarillo Area Teen USA 2002. The pageant is scheduled to be staged Saturday, March 9 and Sunday, March 10, 2002, in Amarillo's Austin Middle School Auditorium.

Winning entrants will represent Amarillo at the Miss Texas USA and the Miss Texas Teen USA pageants, preliminaries to the Miss USA/Miss Universe and Miss Teen USA.

Miss Texas USA will air from Lubbock in July 2002 on CBS.

Competition is based on three categories: Interview, Swimsuit and Evening Gown. Additional awards will go to Miss Photogenic, Swimsuit winner and Miss Congeniality. No tal-

ent portion is included in the contest and no experience is required.

To be eligible for the pageant, entrants must be female, single, between the ages of 15-26, a U.S. resident and a six-month resident of the Lone Star State.

Contestants must also certify they have never been married or had a marriage annulled. Residence at a local college or university is acceptable. For more information, contact Kay Saied, KS Productions, (806) 374-8536.

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John D. Seaman
Perryton

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Extension Service to offer water well screening

Roberts County and Gray County Texas Cooperative Extension offices will sponsor a water well screening Tuesday, Nov. 6 for area residents with private water wells.

The screening is designed to help private water well owners and users determine the condition of their well water. The water will be tested for contamination of fecal coliform and nitrates.

The presence of fecal coliforms in water indicates that feces (bodily waste from humans or animals) may have contaminated the water. Water contaminated with feces have microorganisms present that can cause a number of "water-borne" diseases such as cholera, typhoid and dysentery.

Nitrates in ground water at levels of 10 milligrams per liter (part per million) is considered unsafe for human consumption. Nitrate levels above 10 mg/L can disrupt the blood's ability to carry oxygen throughout the body.

Nitrate is converted to nitrite which combines with hemoglobin, the chemical that carries oxygen in the blood, to form

methemoglobin. Oxygen cannot bind with methemoglobin; therefore, oxygen is not carried throughout the body.

As a result, oxygen starvation occurs. This condition is called methemoglobinemia. If left untreated, death may result. Infants less than six months in age and young livestock are most susceptible.

The water screening will cost \$5 per sample. Approved water sampling bags and instructions for taking your water sample are available at the Extension office.

Samples must be turned into

The screening is designed to help private water well owners and users determine the condition of their well water.

the office by 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 6. The result will be available by Wednesday. If you have any questions or need sampling bags, contact the Roberts County Extension office (806) 868-3191 or the Gray County Extension office at 669-8033.

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This election to do away with the Pampa Economic Development Corporation, Inc. has NOTHING to do with whether or not a hog research center locates in Gray County.

Pampa's population has declined. This affects our businesses, school system and the city's services. We MUST stay in the battle to keep local businesses and to attract new businesses to our city.

Please, vote AGAINST the dissolution of the Pampa Economic Development Corporation, Inc.

PROPOSITION (PROPUESTA)

Dissolution of the Pampa Economic Development Corporation (Disolucion de la Corporacion de Desarrollo Economico de Pampa)

FOR (EN FAVOR DE)

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Remember, a Vote Against the Dissolution is a Vote for Pampa. Vote NO to Say Yes to Pampa.

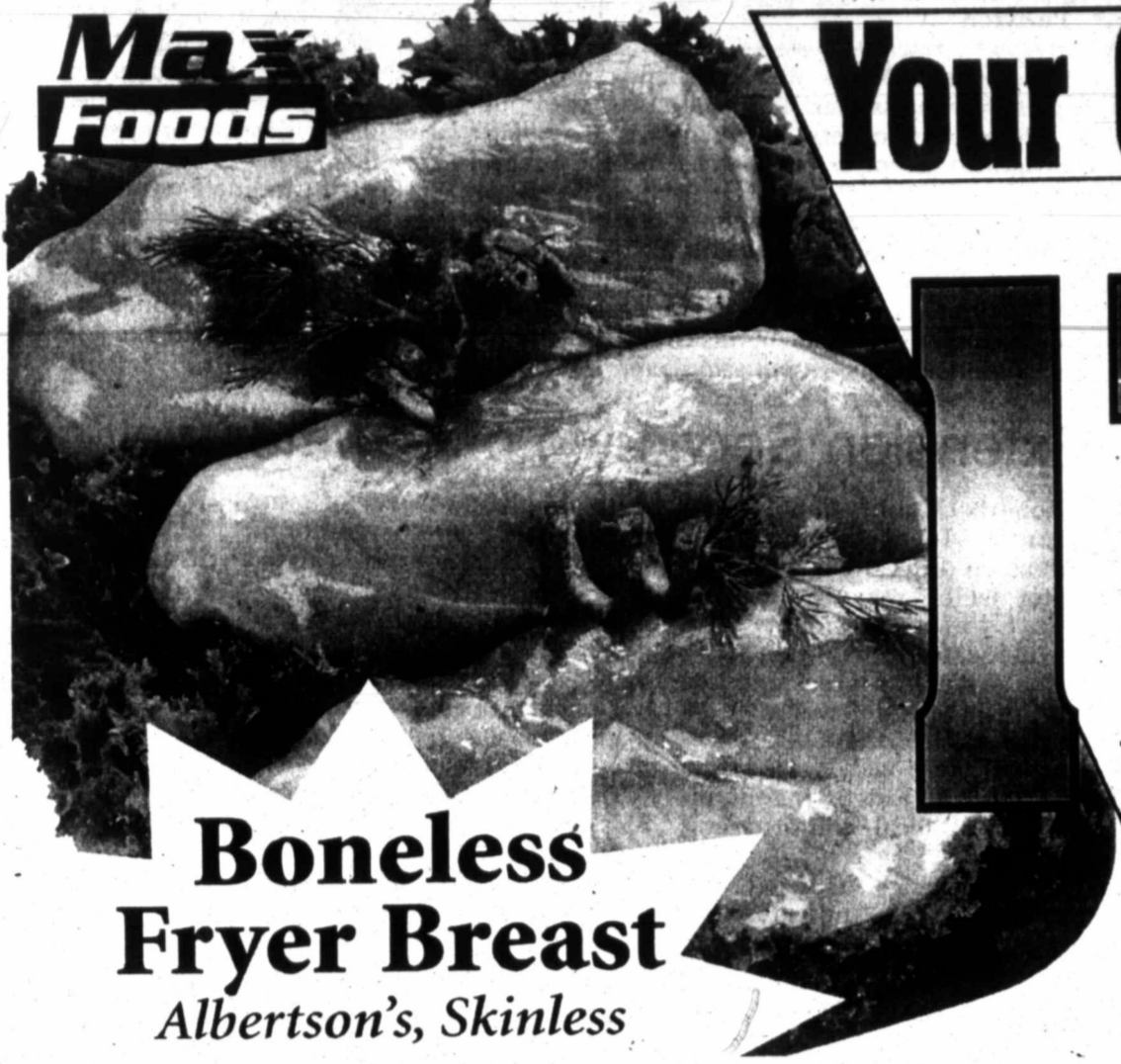
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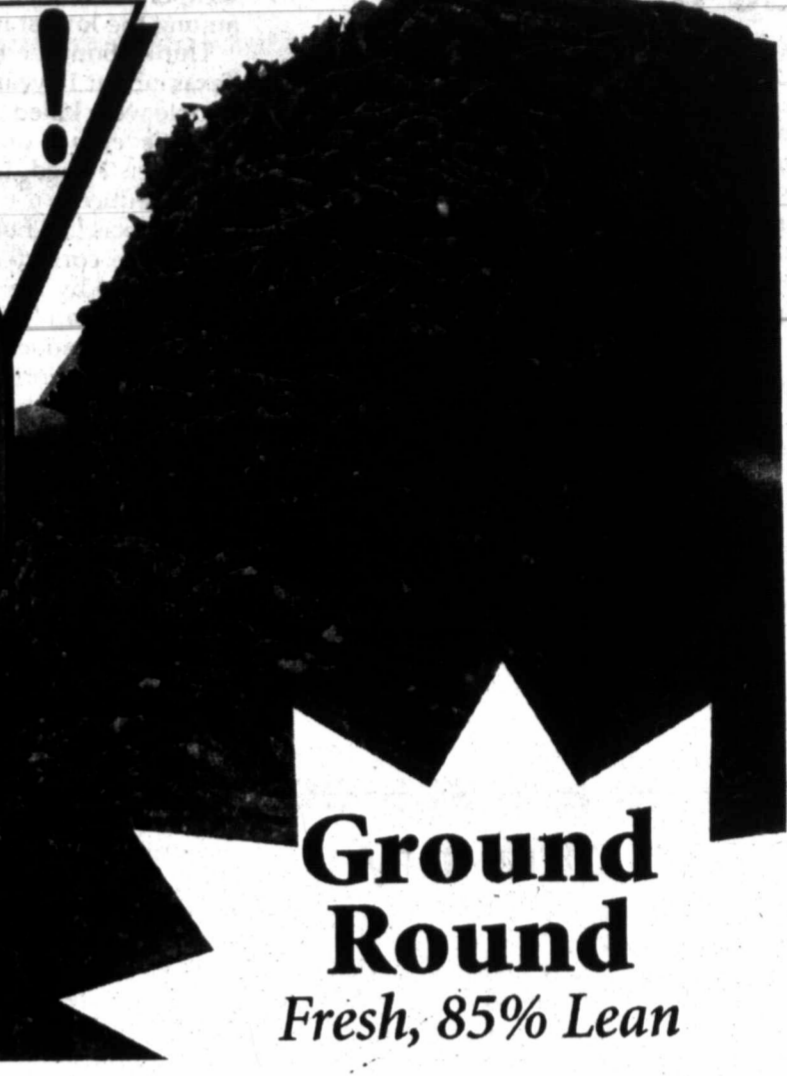
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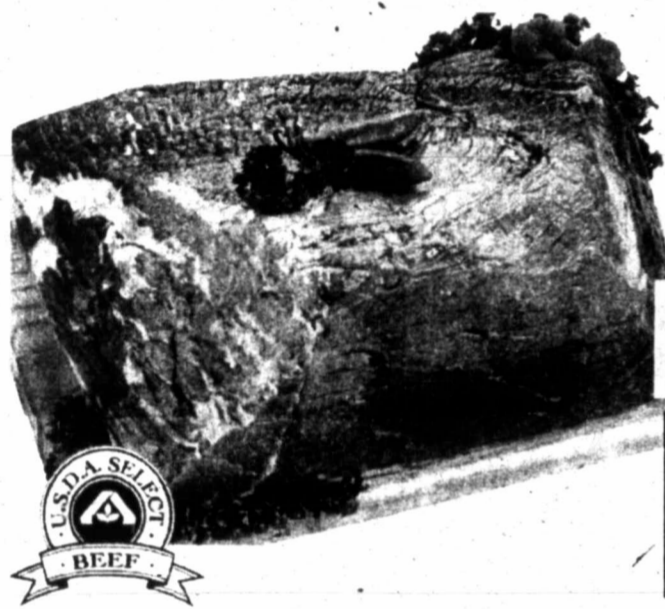


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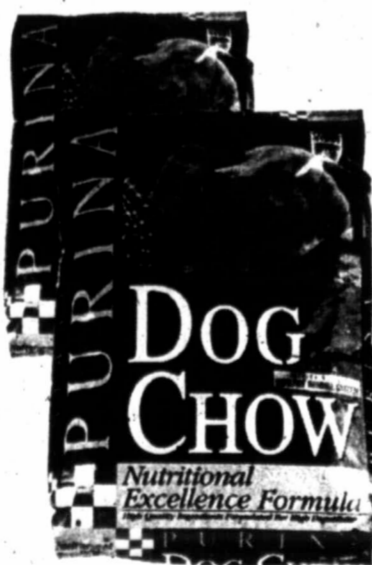
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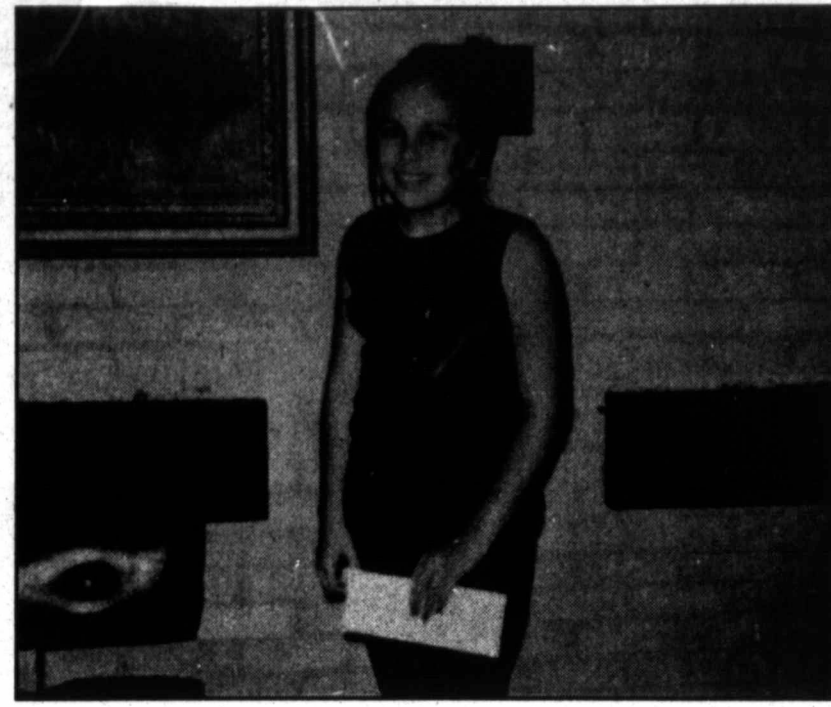


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Halloween prize-winners



(Courtesy photos)

The City of Pampa's Recreation Department recently held its annual Children's Halloween Party. Over 260 children in full costume were present. Above: (Left) Among the various raffle prize winners was 8-year-old Nicole Mairaez who came as

a "witch"; (middle) 8-year-old Rodee Barr who came as a "Skully"; and (right) 11-year-old Kayla Mendoza who came as a "Rock Star." Each winner received a \$50 Savings Bond.

USS Lexington aircraft carrier remains a symbol of military might

By LYNN BREZOSKY
Associated Press Writer

— On quiet days on board the USS Lexington, 54-year-old senior volunteer Mike Carrico walks the skid-proofed steel of the hangar deck,

certain he can feel the lingering presence of World War II aviators.

It's as if their spirit, camaraderie and will to win the war lives on, he explained, maybe because so much of their lives were spent on her 16 decks.

"They had three spaces and that's all they knew: work, eat and that bunk," he said, adding, "I've taken guys back to their bunks and they just sit there and cry."

Sept. 11 returned many Americans to memories of Pearl Harbor, when the nation was caught off guard and the enormity of the casualties warranted nothing less than war.

The comparisons between Sept. 11 and Pearl Harbor weren't lost on J.C. Schanen, an 18-year-old volunteer, or his friends.

"But Pearl Harbor, the government was debating it, talking about

whether to go in or not. This, they just started a war," he said.

The Lexington became an important player in World War II, participating in nearly every major operation in the Pacific Theater and spending 21 months in combat. Her planes shot down 372 enemy aircraft and destroyed another 475 on the ground. Japanese media reported her sunk no less than four times, and her reappearance earned her the nickname "The Blue Ghost."

When decommissioned in 1991, she was the Navy's oldest working aircraft carrier.

Now sunk 22 feet into the sand of Corpus Christi Bay, the 33,000-ton carrier got new attention when Hollywood used it to as a stage for last summer's movie, "Pearl Harbor."

The ship was painted to resemble the Agaki, a Japanese aircraft that helped launch the attack; then repainted to resemble the Hornet, which launched a retaliatory bombing of Tokyo in 1942. Filmmakers digitally erased the Corpus Christi skyline from scenes depicting aircraft launchings over the South Pacific (though the observant may notice the dot of a distant oil rig).

As a military city — its Naval Air Station is the nation's largest training facility for Navy pilots — Corpus Christi was a natural fit for the ship's retirement.

Seventy-five veterans and others fluent in Naval warfare eagerly volunteered at what in October 1992 became the USS Lexington Museum on the Bay. The 55 full-time staffers are paid from admission fees and donations; the non-profit museum receives from visitors and members.

While some groups have canceled tours in the wake of the terrorist strikes, workers at the museum say a mix of patriotism and newfound military curiosity has compelled plenty more to make the trip.

Visitors on a recent Saturday included two reservists from San Antonio, who were leading their church's Cub Scout pack on the popular 24-hour "live aboard" program. Participants eat off military-issue plates, sleep in the ship's berthing compartments and learn about the ship and its engagements.

"Hopefully, we can turn some of this tour into a positive twist of citizenship and service to country and each other," said Pre Ball, one of the reservists.

That same Saturday the ship hosted at least a half dozen veterans' groups from around the nation.

Of the 175 members of the Hoggart Bay group, "not one guy backed down" from making the trip, 76-year-old Rudy Amouroux of Oakland, Calif., said proudly from the bridge of the carrier, where he and another veteran rocked back on captain's chairs. They reminisced about past battles and theorized about the current.

Recalling President Franklin D. Roosevelt famous "nothing to fear but fear itself" speech, Amouroux said he thought the worst decision would be to stay home out of fear.

"It's like worrying about losing a finger when you're in the bush and your whole body could get blown off," he said.

Recent events have rallied Americans' sense of patriotism, Carrico said, but many are too young to understand what happened after Pearl Harbor.

"It's still not as personal as what happened Dec. 7, 1944," Carrico said. "A nation turned from a bunch of farmers into an industrial powerhouse literally overnight. You don't see that same camaraderie now that you did then. You see the flags flying in the car ... but you don't see people lining up around the corner like you did then."

He then shared a story his grandmother had told him, about a kid the recruiter turned away for being underweight. He entered her Tomball drugstore and bought bananas.

"He sat there on the corner and ate the whole stalk of bananas so he could make weight. You don't see people doing that today," he said.

But Schanen has seen eight people sign up for the service since Sept. 11, and he plans to join a Navy ROTC program.

"I feel somebody has to pay for everyone's freedom," he said.

On The Net:
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Caregivers Round-up slated

AMARILLO — All family caregivers are invited to attend the first annual Family Caregivers Round-Up slated from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Nov. 14 at the Civic Center Grand Plaza in Amarillo.

A panel discussion, hosted by Ellen Robertson Neal and consisting of representation from the Area Agency on Aging, the BSA Foundation, the medical and mental health fields, caregivers, and spiritual and legal communities is expected to promote interesting and educational discussion.

There will also be a complimentary catered barbecue lunch, door prizes, and booths from 10-11:30 a.m., representing various health care fields including home health care, hospice, nursing homes, durable medical equipment companies, and assisted living facilities in the top 26 counties of the panhandle.

This will be a tremendous opportunity for family caregivers throughout the area to receive recognition, support and education on community services available.

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WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

FACT - Since the passage of the petition to dissolve the PEDC, the City Commissioners say that they have finally seen the light of the PEDC's goof-ups.

FACT - At a recent City Commissioners' meeting, Commissioner Jeff Andrews said that a 4A Economic Development Corporation was a legalized way for businesses to extort money from communities.

FACT - The PEDC has received \$7,032,394.00 in taxpayers' money and is now in debt for approximately 2.5 million dollars. It will take at least 3 or 4 years to pay off this debt.

FACT - The PEDC has paid a total of \$484,902.94 to banks in interest for their clients in the past 4 years. Most businesses should be able to stand alone after 1 or 2 years. Should the PEDC continue to prop up failing businesses with the taxpayers' money?

FACT - Several established and proven Pampa business men and women have approached the PEDC, a 4A Corporation, for loans or grants to start new additional business ventures in Pampa. They were told "No, our PEDC is a 4A Corporation, and we can't help you." Why yes to some small businesses, no to others?

FACT - In the last 9 years, over 500 jobs have been created or retained in businesses in Pampa that have not received PEDC money. The current PEDC, City Commission, and other city entities would have you believe that Pampa will "dry up and blow away" if we don't have the PEDC, a 4A Corporation. THIS IS SIMPLY NOT TRUE!!!

FACT - Borger has a 4B Economic Development Corporation. The city of Borger has not lost its mall and other businesses.

FACT - Pampa has a 4A Economic Development Corporation, and the city of Pampa has lost its mall and other businesses.

FACT - The current PEDC has actively encouraged at least one business which has the potential to pollute air, water and surrounding properties. (Source - Motel Receipts paid by the PEDC for the National Pig development employees.)

FACT - The PEDC gave Top O' Texas Dairy a \$500,000.00 grant and \$250,000.00 forgivable loan to come to Gray County. It has now given \$15,000.00 for a study to restructure the business.

FACT - The PEDC borrowed 1 million dollars to give to the Moody Dairy Inc. as an incentive to come to Gray County.

FACT - In 1999, Moody Dairy Inc. built a new 3,492 sq. ft. house with a 942 sq. ft. garage and a 2100 sq. ft. barn on a 2 acre homestead.

FACT - Our tax supported PEDC has given away 1.5 million dollars to bring in 2 dairies with 2,500 milk cows.

FACT - Roswell, New Mexico has no tax-supported Economic Development Corporation, yet its Chamber of Commerce (with private donations and no land or money grants) has brought in 35 dairies with 45,000 milk cows.

FACT - The PEDC was sued by Bill Ready. The PEDC settled for \$42,000.00. Thank goodness for liability insurance.

FACT - Lawyer fees and travel expenses for the PEDC Board Members to make depositions in Austin, Texas may be forthcoming expenses for the Pampa taxpayers.

FACT - There has never been a woman on the Board of Directors of the PEDC; although, half of Pampa's citizens are women.

FACT - The PEDC, a 4A Corporation, is not working in Pampa, as shown by the 2.5 million dollar debt and the \$170,447.11 in interest paid on this debt by the Pampa taxpayers during the fiscal year ending on 9/30/01.

ABOLISH THE PEDC

VOTE:
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Service award

(Community Camera photo)

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Chairman Ken Strickland recently presented out-going board member Eileen Kludt with a flower arrangement in recognition of her years of service to the board.

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El Paso family 'G.I. Joe' clan

By LOUIE GILOT
El Paso Times

EL PASO, Texas — People sometimes call the Cuellars the "G.I. Joe family."

It might be because of the 2 1/2-ton Army truck in their driveway, or the camouflage net over their back yard. Either way, it's a tribute to their patriotism.

Meet the dad: Richard Cuellar, a 51-year-old retired firefighter who went to work security at El Paso International Airport after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. Just to be helpful, he said.

His two oldest sons in the Army Reserve were called to duty. His youngest son, Matthew Cuellar, a year out of high school, joined the Marines.

And the mother: Rachel Cuellar volunteered to go to Virginia to set up programs to counsel victims of the Pentagon attack and their families.

"I'm packed and ready to go," the 51-year-old social worker said. She specializes in domestic violence counseling with Family Service of El Paso, a nonprofit organization affiliated with a Virginia charity. Rachel Cuellar was scheduled to leave Oct. 24 for 45 days.

"There is a tremendous need (on the East Coast). People will have been attempting to go back to normal life and find they cannot. I'm expecting to see a lot of grief and stress," she said.

Her 19-year-old son, Matthew, said, "I'm proud of my mom. I knew she was going to help in some way."

The Cuellars' only daughter, Amanda Sanchez, a 25-year-old UTEP student, contributed to the family effort, too.

"She didn't know what to do, so she wrote a sonnet. It was beautiful," Rachel Cuellar said.

It reads like this:
Angry winds tear at my skin, and you're lost,
Amid empty faces and shattered lives.

Your love for your work is not without cost —
We'll roam the desert until you arrive.

A kind heart sees farther than it can go —
It'll warm souls in eighteen inches of snow.

I love you, mom.
Richard and Rachel Cuellar have been married 15 years. Their children, all from previous marriages, are close-knit and proud Americans.

It probably came from one man's undying love for all things military, they agree. That started with Richard Cuellar's grandfather, who served in World War I.

Richard had the grandfather's helmet, and his interest grew.

"Dad's a big fan," said Nathan Cuellar, 24, a military police officer in the reserves.

One summer when money was tight, the family built a fort in the back yard in lieu of a going away on vacation.

(See, CLAN, Page 11)

Beth Williams' latest work bids adieu to regrets

Williams credits acupuncturist Jamie Wu with helping open a passageway for her creativity to flow. She said most of the 12 songs on the compact disk were written after she began visiting Wu, an instructor and co-owner of the Academy of Oriental Medicine in Austin.

By BOBBI EASLER
Killeen Daily Herald

KILLEEN, Texas — A life awash with feelings of regret is like having a ball and chain tied around you those feelings weigh you down, said singer Beth Williams.

Casting aside those shackles of regret and learning to "be happy where you are at" is the message found in Williams' latest release, "In This Old House."

"I was constantly delving into the past," said Williams, whose work is heard at Austin night spots like the Waterloo Ice-house. "I moped around looking back at all the should haves. Then one day I realized that I needed to move on."

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"After three or four visits I felt something shifting in me," she said of the mental angst that lifted from her mind. "Before I started seeing Jamie I couldn't do what I was supposed to do. I could not make myself sit down to write music, to sing to practice."

Williams said Wu's application of dozens of tiny needles coupled with his positive attitude helped her find a sense of freedom and relaxation akin to

clouds gently floating through the air.

She was so pleased with Wu's help that she asked him to record a bonus track on the CD dubbed "Freedom."

"He has a beautiful voice," she said. "And his singing is like a blessing on the CD."

She was soon composing myriad of songs. Williams performed some of her new repertoire at a songwriters workshop, which led to her next break.

She had sent a copy of her first, self-produced CD along with other demo songs to Lloyd Maines and Terri Hendrix, musicians and producers, but they did not show an interest in her work. But after hearing her perform live, their opinion changed dramatically.

"Besides the obvious a great singer and guitar player Beth bares her soul in her songs and her performance," said Maines. "This is a brave and good thing."

The collaboration has resulted in a CD Williams said she is proud of and one she hopes will help others to say goodbye to the past and move forward.

"It is a very upbeat CD. The overall message is to stop beating yourself up," she said. "Stop listening to the voices in your head that tell you that you aren't good enough."

Williams describes her music as being a "folk-eclectic mix," an apt portrayal that becomes evident to listeners as "In This Old House" strolls through slices of the artists' life described through different music venues folk, country and blues among them.

A folksy feel can be found in the story told in "Ruby and John" which Williams wrote for her dying grandmother Ruby.

"When the song came to me I only took 30 minutes to write and the whole time I was weeping. I could hardly see the paper to write," she said thoughtfully. "I will always believe it was a message from my grandfather to grandmother to assure her that he was waiting on the other side for her. It was as if I was a channel."

The mood is not always soft and contemplative, switching to an upbeat tune on track No. 5 titled "O-D-I." The yodeled refrain teamed with a bongo-like drumbeat and a ring reminiscent of castanets brings an image of Irish performers or even a Middle East setting to mind as it breaks into a lively mantra beseeching listeners to "let worry go."

The very next cut, "Mason Sunset," inspired by the love she feels for her husband and the beauty found as nightfall settles over their ranch in Mason, is complemented with a blend of traditional country music that would be at home on any country radio station.

Her eclectic tastes could well be traced to the varied settings she grew up. Williams was born in Puerto Rico at Ramey Air Force Base where her father was stationed. The family made their home at several bases including sites in Pakistan, Okinawa, the Philippines and stateside in Georgia before settling in San Antonio where her father retired from the service.

Williams was just 12 years old when what would become her life's passion hit her like a thunderclap.

"We were stationed at Peshawar Air Force Base in Pakistan. One day I was passing a baseball field where a GI was sitting alone on a bench playing his guitar," she said. "It was like a bolt lightning struck. I just stood there listening to him. From then on I knew music was my calling."

She begged her parents for a guitar, but the post exchange in Pakistan did not carry them, so

she had to wait until they arrived at their next assignment in Okinawa before they presented her with a \$10 instrument.

"They said that if I learned to play well they would buy me a good guitar," she said laughing about their initial investment. "I started out taking lessons from a Filipino man who wanted me to learn the classics but I just wanted to play popular music like Beatles tunes."

"He helped me learn to finger pick," she said. "In fact, that's my finger-picking you hear at the start of In This Old House and Mason Sunset. I can thank him for that."

Music soon became a constant in a life where change in duty stations, schools and friends had been the only constant.

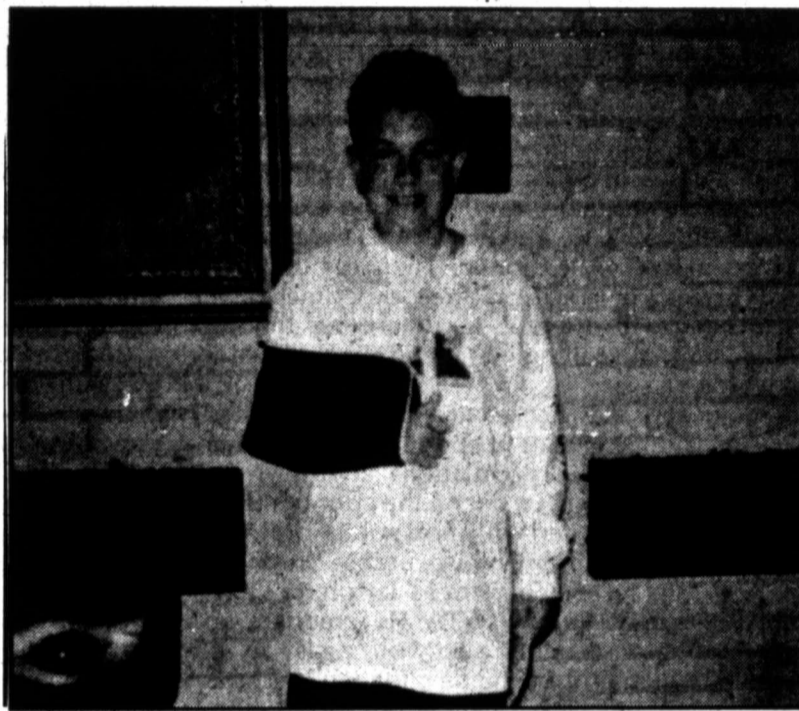
"I guess seeing how that GI was comforted by his music is what drew me to music," she said. "And there's always been something about folk songs that I've liked."

After high school she toured Central Texas, military bases and overseas before returning to the Lone Star State. She and her husband, Laird Palmer, found a ranch in Mason after daily life in Austin turned too hectic.

"I work in Austin and tour throughout Central Texas," said Williams, who was scheduled to appear in Austin in October. "But the peacefulness of Mason is great. We converted the attic of our 1937 farmhouse into a studio loft. I feel creative in that space."

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Halloween prize-winners



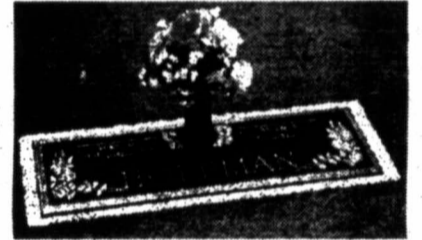
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The City of Pampa's Recreation Department recently held its annual Children's Halloween Party. Over 260 children in full costume were present. Above: (Top) Among the various raffle prize winners was 12-year-old Ryan Braswell who came as a "Skate Boarder"; and (bottom) 8-year-old Alex Housden who came as a "devil." Each winner received a \$50 Savings Bond.

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To My Fellow Taxpaying Citizens

I was born and raised in Pampa, Texas, graduated from PHS in 1969, and after a ten year absence, returned to this fair city in 1980. Pampa was a booming place in 1980; there were thriving businesses downtown as well as two malls crowded with Pampa shoppers. New homes were being built, there were virtually no houses on the market to rent, and very few to buy. At that time unemployment was extremely low or almost non-existent, and it was tough to find a job or a place to live.

BUT... this was BEFORE the PEDC!! This was a time when new business didn't have to be bought; a time when people invested their own savings to start a new business and if a loan was "unbankable" you didn't get one!

In the Wednesday October 24th edition of The Pampa News, Faustina Curry was quoted as saying "This city depends on sales and property taxes... we need someone out selling Pampa." Would someone please tell me just what exactly are the responsibilities of our Chamber of Commerce? Even though I do agree with Ms. Curry's statement, it is my point of view that all those businesses and property owners that pay these taxes are diminishing! All these county, road, water, Pampa ISD, and City of Pampa property taxes are breaking the backs of the remaining property owners and local businesses in this town!

Most local businesses (that I know of) are trying to get people to shop Pampa first, but believe me it's a hard decision to make on purchasing plenty of goods to sell when you have to plan ahead for the inventory tax that amounts to roughly 3% of your inventory on hand at the end of the year. Inventory tax is a "hidden" property tax that a lot of people don't know about, but 3% means that for every \$100,000 of inventory a business has on hand to sell, they pay \$3,000 or better in property taxes alone! That inventory has not been sold yet, so no money has been collected for the potential sale of that merchandise, but the business owner pays the taxes on that inventory simply because he/she has purchased those goods in anticipation of selling them. Does this seem like a very good incentive to keep local business?

I have no personal vendetta against any member of the PEDC board, past or present. We just need to get rid of the entire organization. They take our tax dollar and give it away as "incentives" for new business, with disregard for the businesses who are paying all the bills. With the exception of a limited few, those "new" businesses have already taken our money and flown the coop, leaving us little chickens to fight for our own lives.

The PEDC has not only spent it's income from our tax money, but another \$2.5 million on top of that!! Why would our young people ever want to return to Pampa to start a family or a new business when we have nothing but debt to offer as stability??

When we DO abolish the PEDC, the most important message we will be sending out is that 'Our Tax \$\$\$ will no longer subsidize other states' rejects! If you need money to start a new business in Pampa, Texas please apply for a "bankable" loan at any one of our fine local banking establishments!

Let's get OUT of debt FIRST. If and when we do get our debt paid, some five to ten years down the road, then would be the time to decide whether or not we need to vote in another EDC.

I just wonder how many local goods and services we could have purchased with that \$8,253,368.00 that has been spent??

Please vote FOR the dissolution of the PEDC.

Sincerely, *Alnet L. Eldredge*

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Vets to enforce humane laws at meat plants, track violations

By PHILIP BRASHER
AP Farm Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government is hiring veterinarians around the country to make sure slaughterhouses are treating livestock humanely, following accusations from the fast-food industry and animal rights groups.

The Agriculture Department is creating an electronic database to track violations but denies there are widespread violations.

This summer, Burger King accused the department of lax enforcement of a 1978 law that requires livestock to be rendered unconscious before they are bled and skinned.

Both the Senate and House have passed resolutions urging tougher enforcement and put \$1 million in a supplemental spending bill earlier this year to pay for it.

"We still believe it's being enforced," said Carol Blake, a spokeswoman for USDA's Food Safety and Inspection Service. Hiring new veterinarians to oversee the plants "will provide extra insurance."

The 17 veterinarians, who will be based out of the food agency's district offices, also will help oversee monitoring for animal diseases, such as mad cow. There are 2,000 plants nationwide that slaughter cattle, hogs and other livestock.

"I'm glad to see there's some movement. It's something we wanted to see for an awful long time," said Wayne Pacelle, senior vice president of the Humane Society of the United States.

But critics of the department, including its inspectors union, say more inspectors are needed to look for violations at plants.

"What they did instead was to hire a bunch of bureaucrats," said Arthur Hughes, president of the

Northeast Council of Food Inspection Locals.

Surveys of slaughterhouses have shown marked improvement in the past couple of years, but animal welfare specialists say that's largely due to the fast-food industry, not the Agriculture Department. Led by McDonald's, restaurant chains are now performing their own inspections. Slaughterhouses that fail are dropped as suppliers.

Burger King, which had been the target of protests by animal rights activists, announced in June that it would start an inspection program of its own but simultaneously petitioned USDA to improve its own enforcement.

Earlier, the inspectors union alleged the meat industry ignores the federal humane-slaughter law "with virtual impunity" because of lax enforcement. The union wants inspectors stationed full-time in areas of the plants where animals are stunned and bled.

The new database is an improvement, because it will give inspectors a way to report violations, said Bruce Friedrich, a spokesman for People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals.

Records of violations are now kept on paper inside plants and aren't tracked by the department.

USDA "should be enforcing the humane slaughter act with unannounced inspections by a force of inspectors whose sole duty is to enforce the act, like the fast food outlets do with their monitoring programs," Friedrich said.

On the Net:
Food Safety and Inspection Service: <http://www.fsis.usda.gov>
Humane Society: <http://www.hsus.org>
American Meat Institute: <http://www.meatami.com>

Seeding's first year in review, further investment supported

ABILENE, Texas (AP) — West Texas farmers and ranchers have been putting some away for a rainy day.

In the first year of a cloud-seeding program designed to generate rain, the West Central Texas Council of Governments doesn't know yet whether an eight-county area benefited from efforts this summer.

But Tom Mann, the council's economic development director, said the Texas A&M University Extension Service determined that a single inch of extra rainfall distributed over Taylor County would add \$1.1 million to county agriculture producers' income.

With income from processing and transporting the agricultural products added, he said, the extra dividend grows to \$1.7 million.

The city of Abilene and

Taylor County both contributed \$135,000 to the weather modification project's cost this year, said Mann. He said if the project produced an extra inch of rain, the return would have been \$12.60 for every \$1 invested.

Earlier this summer, a meteorologist for the West Central Texas Weather Modification Association who oversaw about a dozen flights to inject silver iodide into lingering clouds said pilots were reporting that the seeding yielded immediate rain.

Although results are more anecdotal than scientific, association officials have said the program is fueling heavier and more prolonged showers from existing storm systems.

The association doesn't yet have a network of rain gauges. But it is working to put in

place the equipment it needs to accurately assess rainfall over the entire target area, officials told the Abilene Reporter-News in Friday's editions.

Mann gave the Abilene City Council a report on the abbreviated first season of the cloud-seeding program associated with the COG.

The association was awarded its weather modification permit from the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission on June 28 for the period through Oct. 31.

Mann said the association hopes to operate from April 15 through Sept. 30 of next year, the prime rainfall season for West Central Texas.

Executives of Fargo, N.D.-based Weather Modification Inc. served as the contractor on this year's project.

Grants enable WTAMU researchers to address feedyard flies, odor, waste

CANYON — The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board has approved two grants that will enable researchers at West Texas A&M University to study methods to reduce odor emissions, control fly populations and improve waste management techniques at cattle feedlots.

The grants were awarded under the Coordinating Board's Advanced Technology Program.

Dr. Greta Schuster, assistant professor of integrated pest management, and Dr. David Parker, assistant professor of environmental science, will be the principal investigators for "Reducing Odors and Flies at Texas Cattle Feedyards." They asked for and received \$148,369 for the two-year undertaking. Through a series of three experiments, the researchers will attempt to determine the best methods for controlling odors and flies at outdoor feedyards.

"Odors and flies are related in several ways," Schuster said. "We want to find out how odor management affects fly populations and how pest management can help us out on the odor problem."

Parker and Schuster will incorporate pest-management and environmental expertise from elsewhere within Texas and from as far off as Kansas State University. Several WTAMU graduate and undergraduate students also will assist in the research, which will include evaluation of current management practices such as moisture control, manure scraping, pesticide spraying and use of parasitic wasps for controlling flies.

"This is especially exciting because this is a multi-

agency, multi-state project," Schuster said. "Flies at feedlots are not just a problem in Texas; it's everywhere that feedlots are located."

In another feedyard-related project, Parker will join forces with Dr. L. Wayne Greene, professor of animal science and ruminant nutrition at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station at Bushland, on a two-year project, "Conservation of Nitrogen and Phosphorus in Open-Lot Cattle Feedyards." Greene, who has a joint appointment at WTAMU, received \$71,780 to conduct the nutritional studies, while Parker was awarded \$27,720 to study the environmental issues.

Parker said the project was conceived with the expectation of future tightening of government regulations on the level of nitrogen and phosphorus concentrations permitted in disposed manure.

"If new environmental regulations that we are expecting are realized, what do we do with the manure?" Parker said. "Most is used for fertilizer now, but with new regulations it's likely that we might not be able to apply manure to the land at the rate we have been. If you have to put down less, then you're going to have to take it farther to dispose of it, and that adds greater cost to the feedyard."

The three-phase research project will include two feeding trials and a laboratory study measuring emissions on simulated feedyard surfaces, all aimed at developing a feeding-management plan that minimizes nitrogen and phosphorus excretions in fed cattle. Some WTAMU graduate students will assist.

More milk checks going electronic

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Disruptions to the U.S. mail system caused by the Sept. 11 attack on America and the recent anthrax-filled letters have dairy farmers electing to have their milk checks electronically wired

directly into their bank accounts. In past weeks, hundreds of the 27,000 total members of the national dairy cooperative, Dairy Farmers of America, have requested electronic direct deposit of their semi-monthly

milk checks, according to Joel Clark, DFA's vice president of accounting and information systems.

"We have offered the service of direct deposit free of charge to our members for several years, but now we see the program becoming very popular in the last several months," Clark said, adding the funds are deposited to farmers' bank accounts within 24 hours from the time checks normally would be mailed.

"There's no more waiting for the mail carrier and rushing to the bank to beat the deposit cut-off. Now with the U.S. Postal Service having to give the mail closer inspections, our members will save several days of waiting for their checks," Clark said.

According to Clark, members on the direct deposit program continue to receive, by mail, a printed copy of their milk checks.

TFB leaders to meet Nov. 5-7

WACO — With full blown debate occurring in Washington, D.C. over a new farm bill, farm policy is likely to be a hot topic as Texas Farm Bureau leaders from across the state convene Nov. 5-7 at the TFB headquarters in Waco to review proposed resolutions from County Farm Bureaus. The resolutions that eventually become Texas Farm Bureau policy will guide the activities of the state's largest farm organization during 2002.

"The U.S. House recently passed their version of a new farm bill, which Texas Farm Bureau supports," said TFB Vice President Kenneth Dierschke, who will chair the committee.

"The Senate version of the bill is currently being debated, and the Bush administration is urging a delay of the farm bill until next year. I expect farm policy will be discussed thoroughly at this year's session."

State-wide, financing public schools will likely captivate the attention of the farm leaders.

"We expect the 2003 Texas legislature to take a hard look at school financing," Dierschke said. "We expect the legislature to examine what sources other than property tax will fund it. We want to make sure agriculture gets a fair shake."

The committee chairman said resolutions will also be considered on international trade, regulations, property taxes, animal health and numerous other issues affecting agriculture.

Donald Patman, president of the Texas Farm Bureau, said the organization devotes a great deal of time and resources to policy development.

"The Resolutions Committee is a vital link in that process," he said.

The committee is comprised of three farmers and ranchers from each of Texas Farm Bureau's 13 districts.

In addition, Brian Jones, chairman of the TFB Young Farmer & Rancher Committee, will serve on the committee. The other Resolutions Committee members by Farm Bureau Districts are:

District 1 — State Director Ralph Detten, Hereford (Dea. Smith County); Karlyle Haaland Dalhart (Dallam County); and Kevin McGarraugh, Perrytor (Ochiltree County).

District 2 — Terry Rowland Morton (Cochran County); Tir Addison, Plains (Yoakum County); and Steve Stark, Kress (Swisher County).

District 3 — Steve Cochran Aspermont (Stonewall-Ken County); Leonard Schaffner Henrietta (Clay County); and Larry Burnet, Seymour (Baylo County).

District 4 — Harvey L. Parker Jr., Wilmer (Dallas County); Jack Sparkman, Ennis (Ellis County); and W. Taylor Vestal, Gainesville (Cooke County).

District 5 — State Director James Maxton, Omaha (Titus County); Harold Stone, Long (Gregg County); and Dan Gose, Brookston (Lamar County).

District 6 — Donald Vogler, Lamesa (Dawson County); Perry Lewis, Midland (Midland County); and Morris Light, Snyder (Scurry County).

District 7 — State Director Regan Kirk, San Saba (San Saba County); Darren Turley, Dublin (Erath County); and Keith McIlvain, DeLeon (Comanche County).

District 8 — Marcus Greaves, Calvert (Robertson County); Jay Beckhussen, Buckholts (Milam County); and Bud Maines, Florence (Williamson County).

District 9 — State Director Jim Smith, Beaumont (Jefferson County); Dwayne Sisk, Liberty (Liberty County); and J. T. Davis, Palestine (Anderson County).

District 10 — Martha Soyars, San Marcos (Hays County); Jay Rogers, Castroville (Medina County); and Adolph Poensich, Jourdanton (Atascosa County).

District 11 — Bob Reed, Bay City (Matagorda County); G. A. Chudleigh, Hockley (Harris County); and Larry Winkelmann, Burton (Washington County).

District 12 — James Blackburn, Beeville (Bee County); Kathy Riske, Port Lavaca (Calhoun County); and Lance Benes, Gonzales (Gonzales County).

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Stephen B. Oates makes history 'graspable'

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Stephen B. Oates, a native Pampan, is an award-winning biographer, historian and retired university professor with an international reputation. He is listed in "Who's Who in America" for 1997 and is now a professor emeritus at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst.

Stephen Baery Oates was born on Jan. 5, 1936, in Worley Hospital at Pampa, Texas. His father was Stephen T. Oates and his mother was Florence Baer, daughter of Chris and Freida (Schroeder) Baer.

Stephen T. Oates worked for Phillips Petroleum Co. before he moved his family to Oklahoma for three more years with the company. The family lived in Missouri during World War II and came back to Pampa in 1944. Stephen T. worked for Thompson Parts and Supply, and Florence was a receptionist in the office of Dr. Marvin C. Overton, Jr. for 18 years. Stephen T. Oates died in 1990. Florence has recently moved from Pampa to live near one of her three sons.

Stephen B. Oates was known as Baery Oates when he attended school in Pampa. He and his two younger brothers, Anthony "Tony" Brent and Michael Kent, were students at Sam Houston Elementary School. Each of the three boys believes that he received an excellent education in the Pampa schools. All three played in the school bands and Stephen B. and Michael played "Taps" at funerals. Stephen B. was greatly impressed by English teacher Aubra Nooncaster and history teacher W.H. Drowze.

Stephen B. began to deliver Amarillo papers

when he was in elementary school and continued to do so until he was a freshman or sophomore in high school. He always devoted himself to everything he did and worked diligently at any assigned task. Playing the cornet, he was very active in the school bands and received an award for his outstanding work when he graduated from Pampa High School in 1954.

Stephen B. loved to read and was especially interested in books about World War II which he borrowed from a friend of his mother. When he entered the University of Texas, he began to buy books of his own and soon acquired an extensive library.

At first, he intended to major in business. Then, influenced by a friend, he became interested in the forest service and studied for a year at the University of Montana at Missoula. In the summer, he spent two months, almost entirely by himself, at a look-out post high in the mountains. Then he knew what he wanted to do. Returning to Pampa, he worked in the post office for several months, and in January he re-entered the University of Texas to prepare for a career of teaching and writing.

He completed work on his bachelor's degree (Magna Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa) and also earned his M.A. and Ph.D. at UT Austin. Before joining the faculty of the University of Massachusetts at Amherst in 1968, he had taught at his alma mater and at UT Arlington, Texas Christian University and the University of Houston.

Of all the teaching honors Oates has won, his most cherished is a "Distinguished Certificate" awarded in 1981 by students of the University of Massachusetts. A description of his teaching style and his ability to make history come alive for students is the subject of an article in the magazine section of the Daily Hampshire Gazette in March 1997.

Word of mouth on the UM campus was that any class taught by Oates was a "must take," and the author of the article in the Gazette was told that she should get to Oates' classroom early to get a good seat. By the time class began,

the classroom and hall were jammed with more than 200 bodies, scores of baseball caps and backpacks and notebooks.

Almost hidden by the podium at stage left, Oates, seated in a metal folding chair, waited by himself. At the scheduled time for class to begin, he stood and began to walk — first up one side, deep into the hall, then up and down the other aisle. A film about the struggles of integration was shown, and at times he stopped the film to supplement it with his own narration, occasionally stabbing the air to make his point.

Oates frequently used films to enhance his presentation of historical persons and events. One of the most popular courses at UM was History 471A — "The Kennedys and the Kennedy Era." The film begins with Marilyn Monroe, in a slinky beaded dress, singing "Happy Birthday" to the handsome young president, John F. Kennedy. Meanwhile students think "This is history?"

One student said that Oates has a gift making history live because he makes it "graspable." Most often the various explanations for his appeal to generations of students boil down to one: "He's not boring."

Oates' books were written for "the educated general reader who is interested in American history." His longtime editor at HarperCollins says that Oates' books have a broad appeal because "he is able to make his subject as interesting and inviting as possible ... His sense of history and drama is acute. He gets involved with the people he's written about ... he gets under their skins and into their minds."

Oates' love of history began as he listened to Franklin Roosevelt's fireside chats and to his uncle when he came back from the Second World War. At UT Austin, Oates first read Bruce Catton's Civil War histories and says "nothing was ever the same after that." Oates was a consultant for Ken Burns' Civil War documentary and appeared as one of the "talking heads" in the acclaimed series.

Oates' 16th book, "The Approaching Fury: Voices of the Storm 1820-1861," tells the story of

Books by Stephen B. Oates

- "The Whirlwind of War: Voices of the Storm 1861-1865" (c1998)
- "The Approaching Fury: Voices of the Storm 1820-1861" (1997)
- "A Woman of Valor: Clara Barton and the Civil War" (1994)
- "Portrait of America" (two volumes, sixth edition 1994)
- "Biography as History" (1991)
- "William Faulkner, The Man and the Artist: A Biography" (1987)
- "Biography as High Adventure: Life-Writers Speak on Their Art" (1986)
- "Abraham Lincoln: The Man Behind the Myths" (1984)
- "Let the Trumpet Sound: A Life of Martin Luther King, Jr." (1982)
- "Our Fiery Trial: Abraham Lincoln, John Brown, and the Civil War Era" (1979)
- "With Malice Toward None: A Life of Abraham Lincoln" (1977)
- "The Fires of Jubilee: Nat Turner's Fierce Rebellion" (1975)
- "To Purge this Land with Blood: A Biography of John Brown" (1970)
- "Visions of Glory: Texans on the Southwestern Frontier" (1970)
- "The Republic of Texas" (1968)
- "Rip Ford's Texas" (1963)
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the coming of the Civil War through the viewpoints of 13 principal players in the drama. A sequel, "The Whirlwind of War: Voices of the Storm 1861-1865," tells the story of the Civil War through the viewpoints of 11 principal players in the drama.

Music Career Day at WTAMU campus in Canyon offers fun and opportunity

CANYON — West Texas A&M University Department of Music and Dance will sponsor its annual Music Career Day beginning at 9:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 16 in Mary Moody Northern Hall (MMNH). The event is an opportunity for prospective music students to

learn more about WTAMU, the music program and college.

The opening session will begin at 10 a.m. with comments from Dr. Russell Long, University president, Dr. Sue Park, dean of Sybil B. Harrington College of Fine Arts and Humanities, and Dr. Ted

Dubois, head of the Department of Music and Dance.

Representatives from admissions, financial services and student activities will talk about their offices and the services available for incoming freshmen. Amarillo-area professionals will also be on hand to

provide career information about music business, music education and music therapy.

At noon WTAMU's wind ensemble, jazz band, orchestra and choir will perform a concert. After the concert, students will join WTAMU faculty for lunch in the MMNH Atrium.

At 1:30 p.m. Dr. Robert Krause, professor of music, will present "What It's Like to be a College Music Student" in

MMNH, Room 225.

Beginning at 2:15 p.m. students will have the opportunity to meet with professors in their individual offices, or to attend a music therapy lab in MMNH Room 224.

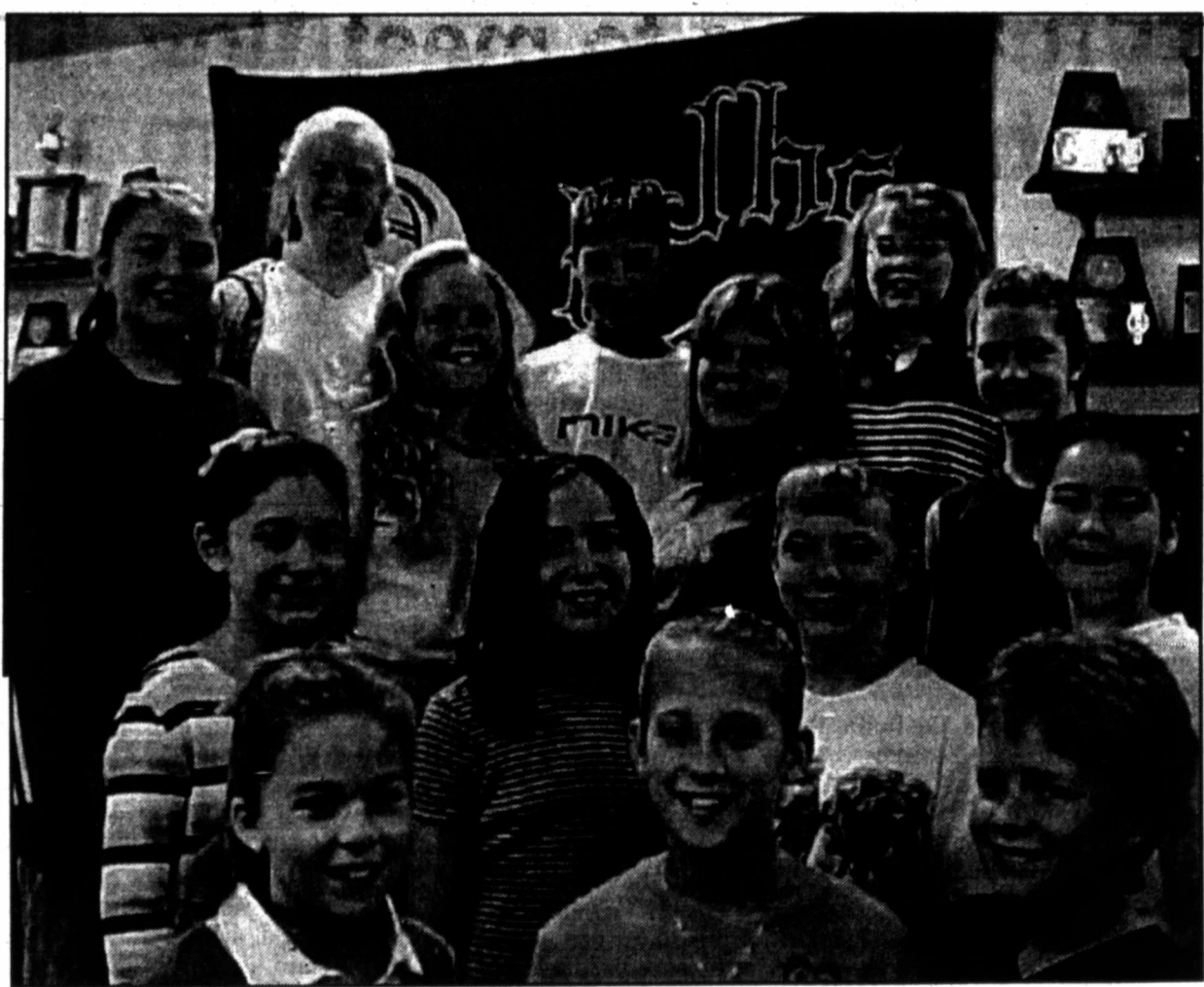
The Department will conduct scholarship auditions by appointment beginning at 3 p.m. Campus tours will also be available.

"Music Career Day is a chance

for students to get to meet the faculty and hear the ensembles. It means more to them because it's an experience as compared to just getting a letter in the mail from us," Kim Cooley, WTAMU recruiting assistant, said.

Registration is available at the door or on-line at www.wtamu.edu/academic/feh/mus/careerday.htm. For more information, call (806) 651-2841.

Sixth Grade Honor Choir



(Courtesy photo)

Pampa Middle School's Sixth Grade Honor Choir recently performed during an All-Region concert at the Amarillo Civic Center in Amarillo. Above: (bottom row) Annie Day, Kailee Intemann, Solomon Cruz; (second row) JaCee Villarreal, Morgan Reagan, Anna Hillman, Stephanie Jasso; (third row) Kenzi Pigg, Layce Beesley, LaTeasa Wheat, Jordan Dodge; (top row) Chelsea Cain, Justin Cottrell and Chelsie Kyle.

CLAN

Fort Tila, named after a pet hamster that died, was a 20-foot-high structure covered with camouflage netting and surrounded by sandbags. It had a voice-activated Army phone wired to the parents' room for sleepovers spent acting out horror movies. Each member of the Cuellar family has a set of fatigues, Rachel Cuellar said.

"We have a very patriotic family. It just happened that way," she said.

Sept. 11 accelerated things. Still in shock the day after the attacks, Richard and his son Matthew left home around noon.

"He was doing his own thing. I was doing mine," Matthew said.

Richard went to El Paso International Airport and applied for a security job. Matthew went to the Marine Corps station and joined.

Father and son met up at home.

"It was like, 'I have something to tell you.' 'Well, I have something to tell you, too,'" Matthew said. "I didn't want to

be the only one sitting at home doing nothing."

Neither parent was surprised. Richard said that though parents fear for their children's safety, at the same time they are proud of their endeavors. Matthew will start training Nov. 26 and will be eligible to be sent overseas in 4 1/2 months.

His brother Nathan teased him. "I tried to persuade him to join the Army, but he was stuck on Marines. He's got Marine

videos," he said.

Nathan and his brother Adrian Cuellar, 27, a first lieutenant in the National Guard have been called to active duty and are on standby.

The Cuellars have two older children who live out of state. The family's involvement doesn't faze Richard Cuellar.

"We didn't do anything that most Americans aren't doing in one shape or another," he said. "I think there are a lot of stories like ours."

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PAMPA — Harvester Soccer Booster Club will meet at 7:30 Monday night at the Pampa High athletic building.

All parents of prospective players are urged to attend.

GENERAL

PAMPA — The Pampa Optimist Club will have an installation of officers banquet at 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 5 at the Optimist Club. All club members and their spouses are invited to attend the banquet.

A steak dinner with all the trimmings will be served at six dollars per person.

Officers and board members will be installed by Lieutenant Governor George Benson.

Pleade R.S.V.P. by 12 noon Friday by calling Jeff Skinner at 665-8120 and leaving a message.

OLYMPICS

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) — Acknowledging his lack of experience in sports management, the new chief of the U.S. Olympic Committee plans to lead by "intuition and reason."

Lloyd Ward met with his staff at USOC headquarters for the first time, and refused to detail his vision for the agency's future. He said he would rely on those around him to create a common vision.

The 52-year old Ward is a former Maytag CEO with no former sports management experience. He is the third CEO in the last year, replacing USOC lawyer Scott Blackmun, who served in an interim basis.

Harvesters edge Randall, 20-19

CANYON — Pampa moves closer to a playoff berth, and possibly a District 3-4A championship, after a nail-biting 20-19 win over Randall on Friday night in Kimbrough Stadium.

In a game filled with big plays, Pampa cornerback Michael Galloway made the biggest one when he intercepted a pass in the end zone with 45 seconds remaining to preserve the one-point victory.

Things got very scary for the Harvesters in the final three minutes when the Raiders were trailing by 20-19. Backed up deep in their own territory, the Harvesters elected to take a safety when quarterback Randy Tice ran out of the back of the end zone. That gave the Harvesters the option of kicking the ball from their own 20 instead of punting from near or beyond their own goal line.

Randall still had good field position from the Pampa 48 on the kickoff and the Raiders drove to the 22-yard line as the clock started winding down. After Pampa linebacker Orlando Madrid stopped tailback B.J. Young for no gain, Randall quarterback Jacob Felton opted to try for the touchdown pass on the next play.

Felton, forced to scramble, threw for the corner of the end zone to receiver J.R. Hensley. However, Galloway stepped in front to pick off the pass.

Randall struck first for a 7-0 lead as Felton tossed a 30-yard TD pass to Hensley in the first quarter. Pampa closed the gap to one (7-6) in the second quarter when Tice found a wide-open Adam Rodgers down the middle for a 75-yard TD strike. When the extra-point attempt was blocked, Randall took a one-point lead into halftime.

With 3:15 remaining in the third quarter, Pampa went on top 14-7 and would never trail again. Tailback Johnny Moore broke loose on a 42-yard TD run on Pampa's second possession of the second half. Moore then would pass to Jon East for the two-point conversion to give the Harvesters the lead.

Randall would draw within 14-10 on Felton's 29-yard field goal.

Tice and Rodgers would hook up again on the passing route to pad Pampa's lead late in the fourth quarter on a 55-yard touchdown.

Randall wasn't quite through, however. With the Harvesters forced to punt, Jesse Tarango made a good recovery after the center snap sailed over his head deep in Pampa territory. Tarango got the punt off and Randall would take over near midfield. Two plays later, Randall's B.J. Young went 43 yards for the score.

The outcome was still very much doubt until Galloway's heroics near the end.

That interception would be the second of the night for Galloway, who picked off a Felton pass in the second quarter.

Individual Statistics

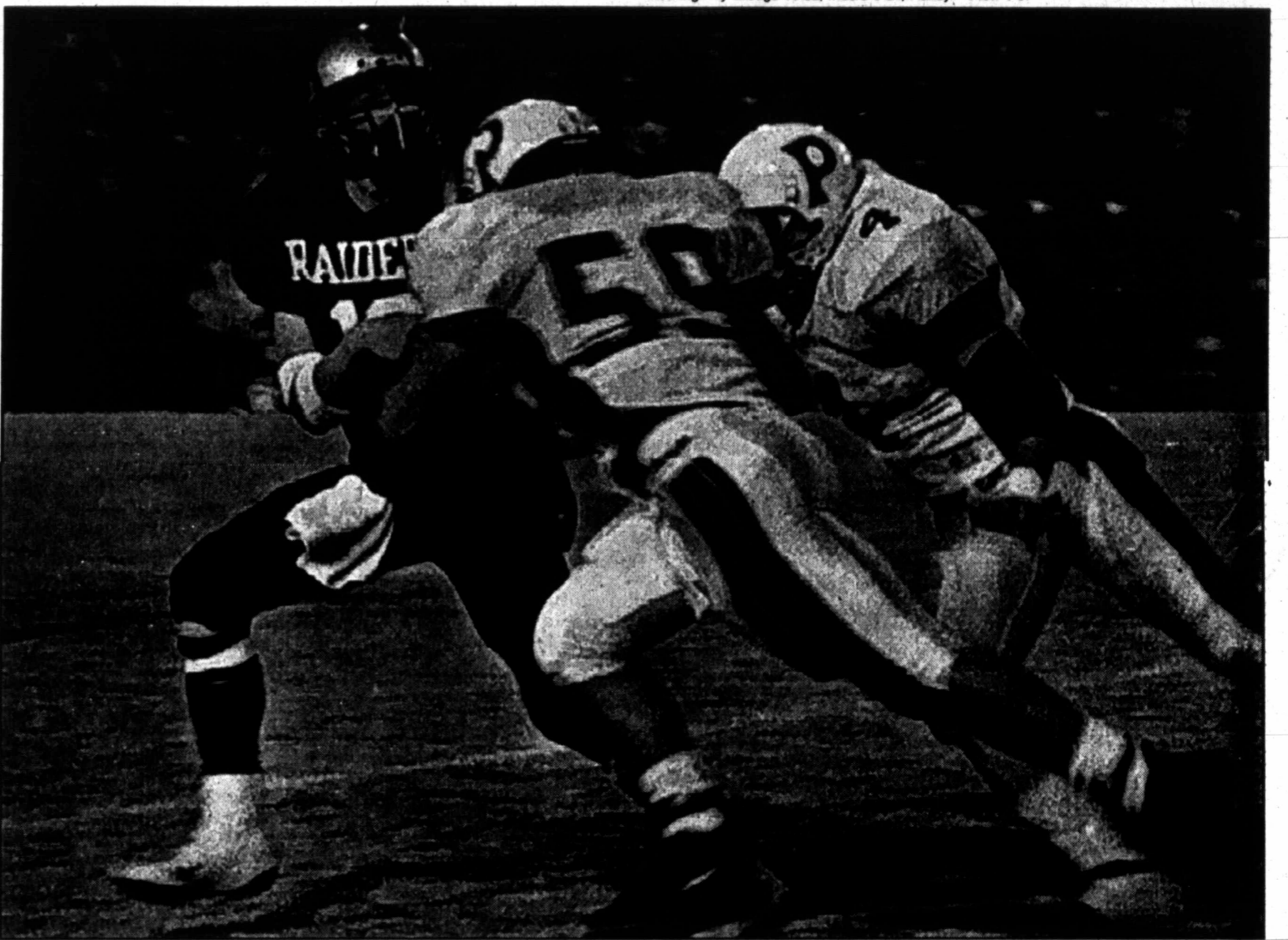
Rushing: Ty Elledge 19-82, Moore 6-54, Randy

R - J.R. Hensley 30 pass from Jacob Felton (Felton kick)
P - Adam Rodgers 75 pass from Randy Tice (kick failed)
P - Johnny Moore 42 run (Jon East pass from Moore)
R - Felton 29 field goal
P - Rodgers 55 pass from Tice (kick failed)
R - B. J. Young 43 run (Felton kick)
R - safety.

Tice 16-19.
Passing: Randy Tice 4-9-1-161, Jered Snelgroves 0-1-0-0.
Receiving: Adam Rodgers 2-130, Jon East 1-20, Jesse Tarango 1-11.

Randall
Rushing: B.J. Young 15-111, Jacob Felton 19-80, Chris Hileary 5-14, Dustin Brooks 4-7.
Passing: Jacob Felton 10-22-2-122; Dustin Brooks 0-1-0-0.
Receiving: J.R. Hensley 4-59, B.J. Young 1-24, Dustin Brooks 2-16, Tanner Williams 2-14; Cory Flow 1-9.

Pampa	20	Randall	19
Randall	0	6	8
	7	0	0
			6-20
			12-19



Pampa defenders Chris Tice (59) and Chris Lewis are in hot pursuit of Randall quarterback Jacob Felton in Friday night's District 3-4A clash at Kimbrough Stadium in Canyon.

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Sept. 11 victims' loved ones run NYC Marathon in their memory

NEW YORK (AP) — Ralph Maerz is a 56-year-old ex-smoker who until a month ago hadn't gone for a serious run since high school.

Yet today, he'll be among 30,000 runners in the New York City Marathon. He'll be there because his son Noell can't.

Noell Maerz, 29 and a father-to-be, was killed in the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center. A bond trader with Euro Brokers on the 84th floor of Tower 2, he had been training for his first marathon in his adopted city.

Ralph Maerz was persuaded by another son, 27-year-old Erich, to join him in running for Noell.

They are among about 10 people who have signed up for the marathon in the past six weeks to take the places of loved ones lost on Sept. 11.

"It's a way of doing something my son was going to do, and this way all three of us can compete together," said Maerz, of Lansdale, Pa. "The three of us — Erich and myself and my son Noell. Not in body, but in spirit, he will be there."

Organizers are dedicating Sunday's 26.2-mile race to the victims of the terrorist attacks, and they are collecting donations from runners and sponsors in hopes of raising \$1 million.

The race's new motto is "United We Run," and red, white and blue will be everywhere,

including flags printed on the official shirts for entrants. Temporary tattoos and pins reading "I (Heart) NY" will be offered to runners.

Doves will be released at the starting line.

"This is going to be a major celebration of life for the city," said Allan Steinfeld, president of the New York Road Runners Club and the marathon's director. "It's not just about the sport, it's all about New York."

Steinfeld expects a larger turnout than the usual 2 million spectators lining the route through the city's five boroughs.

Somewhere in that crowd will be about 15 friends and relatives of Ralph and Erich Maerz, cheering them on as they pass by wearing T-shirts silk-screened with a photo of Noell and "8334" — the number Noell was assigned for Sunday's race.

Stephen Comber will wear "18416," the race number assigned to his nephew, Robert Peraza, who was a broker at Cantor Fitzgerald in the World Trade Center. Peraza, 30, was training for his first marathon and sought advice from Comber, a more experienced runner.

Now Comber will compete instead.

"I almost feel like I'm not even doing it. This is Rob's race," Comber said. "Running a marathon, the actual race day is sort of the easy part. You train for three or four months to get ready

— this is the fun day. As far as I'm concerned, he did the hard work, he trained and was ready to go. I'm just stepping in and running the last leg for him."

"This is all about Robby. Start to finish, this is his race."

Comber had been helping Peraza prepare for the grueling event, putting together a training schedule and giving advice on everything from what to eat to which sneakers to wear.

A few days after the terrorist attacks, Comber traveled from his home in Clifton, Va., to New York, to comfort Peraza's parents. They went to Peraza's home, just a few blocks from the marathon's finish line in Central Park.

"There were his running shoes, and above the bed was his training schedule with little checks on it, and it just sort of hit me," Comber said.

Pampa school system revives mat program

PAMPA — Pampa has revived its wrestling program this year at both the high school and middle school level.

Justin Turner, a Dumas native, will be coaching both the high school and middle school teams.

Pampa's first meet is Nov. 17 at the Dumas Takedown Tournament. Two duals are scheduled for Nov. 19 at Palo Duro and Nov. 20 in Pampa when the Harvesters meet Hereford in varsity and junior varsity matches.

Two more duals will be held in Pampa — Nov. 4 against Boys Ranch and Jan. 22 with Borger.

Other tournament are scheduled in Ulysses, Kan. (Dec. 7-8), Randall (Dec. 15), Liberal, Kan. (Jan. 4-5), Hereford (Jan. 12) and

Azle (Jan. 19). The district meet is Feb. 1 at Boys Ranch.

"Most of our meets will be high school meets," coach Turner said. "The middle school team won't have any meets until later on in the year, and they've have five or six meets on their schedule."

The wrestling program will get into full swing once football season is over.

"We'll have more out for the team then," Turner said.

Pampa will be a district that includes River Road, Dumas, Boys Ranch and Borger.

Turner wrestled at the collegiate level at Oklahoma State University in Stillwater. He took up the sport as a high school sophomore when Dumas started a wrestling program.

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White Deer rolls past Wheeler

WHITE DEER — White Deer rolled to a 58-7 victory over Wheeler in a District 1-1A tilt Friday night.

Quarterback Matt Henderson led a Bucks' offense that yielded 496 total yards. Henderson threw six touchdown passes and finished the night with 279 yards through the air. Three of those touchdown passes went to Dustin Harper while the other three went to Byron Norton, Brian Knocke and Aaron McKean. Harper had five receptions for the game, totaling 132 yards.

By halftime, the Bucks had built a 27-7 advantage.

McKean, who had 183 yards rushing on 16 attempts, also scored on a 3-yard run.

Nick Ball added a 5-yard TD run.

White Deer's defense got into the scoring act when Brian Knocke had a 72-yard interception return. It was the final touchdown of the night.

Wheeler's only TD came on a 1-yard run by Gavin McQueen in the second half. The Mustangs' leading rusher was Chris Gallagher, who 71 yards on 22 carries.

The Bucks clinched a playoff berth with the win and improved their record to 8-1 for the season. Wheeler is 4-5 overall.

White Deer hosts Claude on Thursday to close the regular season.



White Deer's Nick Ball (4) picks up eight yards in second half action against Wheeler. (Pampa News photo)

Raptors hand Mavs 119-92 setback

TORONTO (AP) — Vince Carter wasn't about to let the Toronto Raptors' season-opening losing streak reach three games.

Carter scored 25 points and Morris Peterson added 23, leading Toronto to a 109-92 victory over the Dallas Mavericks.

Carter, who shot 8-for-32 in losses to Orlando and Miami, finished 11-for-23 with seven assists and five rebounds in the Raptors' home opener.

"It's just nice to get a win, period," said Carter, who had two emphatic dunks in the first half. "It's unfortunate that we didn't get off to the start that we wanted, but what are you going to do about it? You can't get frustrated. If you do, you'll be 0-5."

Peterson added seven rebounds and a career-high eight assists for the Raptors, who expect to contend for the Eastern Conference championship.

"It was a must win," Toronto coach Lenny Wilkens said. "You don't want to start the season 0-3, and we were upset."

The Raptors, who shot 51 percent, began the game with a 16-2 run that included six points from Peterson and a spectacular, reverse dunk by Carter. Carter attacked the rim from the baseline, leapt from under one side of the basket to the other and jammed with his right hand.

Carter later made a windmill dunk, giving Toronto a 33-18 lead with 50 seconds left in the first quarter.

"It was their home opener and it was hard to match their

energy," Juwan Howard said. "They ran us out of the building."

Tim Hardaway and Michael Finley each had 17 points for the Mavericks, who trailed by as many as 25 points in the first half.

"Everybody, from the start to the finish, had a statement to make," Toronto's Jerome Williams said. "We got off to a bad start this season, but we weren't going to lay down."

Dallas' Dirk Nowitzki was forced to leave the game seven minutes into the first quarter with a sprained left ankle, sustained in a collision with Antonio Davis. Davis was called for a foul, but Nowitzki went to the bench because he was too hurt to shoot the free throws. NBA rules state that once a player attempts free throws for an injured player, the injured player can't return.

Nowitzki, the Mavericks' leading scorer last season, had 30 points and 13 rebounds in a victory over Philadelphia on Thursday night. He went 0-for-2 in seven minutes Friday.

"Even without Dirk going down, it would have been tough to win," Dallas coach Don Nelson said.

Finley made two 3-pointers and a jumper during a 10-1 run in the third quarter, but Toronto pulled away as Carter made two straight short jumpers.

Carter's layup after an offensive rebound gave Toronto a 95-75 lead with 9:39 remaining in the fourth, and a 3-pointer by Chris Childs made it 102-78 with just over seven minutes left.

"We came out emotionally charged. We were back home and coming off two disappointing losses," Peterson said.

Notes: Carter and Howard had to be restrained from going after each other in the third quarter after Howard shoved Carter. Carter held Howard as

he was setting a screen. ... Toronto outscored Dallas 46-25 in the paint. ... Dallas guard Greg Buckner missed the game with a sprained right ankle. ... Toronto's Jerome Williams played despite spraining his ankle in Wednesday's loss to Miami.

Stars shut out Predators

DALLAS (AP) — The Nashville Predators gave the Dallas Stars an opportunity to improve their confidence.

Mike Modano broke a seven-game scoring drought with two goals, and Ed Belfour made 16 saves for his 58th career shutout as the Stars beat the Predators 3-0 on Friday night. Dallas had been 1-4-1 in a six-game span, and the teams meet again Saturday night in Nashville.

"That's what we have to do, beat the teams we're supposed to beat," said Modano, who has 12 goals in 14 career games against Nashville.

Modano was back on top of his game after a bruised knee caused him to be scratched from a game on Oct. 20, and limited his mobility.

"I feel good now and I'm getting my legs after the injury," Modano said. "My game is coming around. We played well as a unit tonight, skated well, and put it all together. When we're skating and pressing the way we were tonight, teams don't get second or third opportunities at the net."

Donald Audette had a first-period goal and assisted on both of Modano's scores to help the Stars improve to 8-1 in their last

nine games against the Predators. Dallas snapped a three-game losing streak.

"We were stronger on the puck than they were, and Mo really took control of the game," Audette said.

Ed Belfour had a relatively easy night, making 16 saves for his 58th career shutout. Belfour registered his first shutout of the season, and 143rd career win for the Stars. He's second in franchise wins, two short of matching Minnesota/Dallas leader Cesare Maniago.

"I want to be the difference in every game," said Belfour, who had lost his two previous starts. "I haven't been as good as I can be and I want to be better."

Stars coach Ken Hitchcock was pleased to see his team return to its defensive style that helped produce the franchise's first Stanley Cup in 1999.

"We need points and the way to do that is to play defensively," Hitchcock said. "We built this team around defense and goaltending and that's how we win."

Dallas took a 1-0 lead on the power play 3:13 after the opening faceoff when Audette backhanded a rebound past Tomas Vokoun, Audette's third of the season.

Scoreboard

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AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PPFA
Miami	4	2	0	.667	130131
N.Y. Jets	4	3	0	.571	141166
Indianapolis	3	3	0	.500	170183
New England	3	4	0	.429	161150
Buffalo	1	5	0	.167	108165

Central

W	L	T	Pct	PPFA	
Pittsburgh	5	1	0	.833	11065
Cleveland	4	2	0	.667	11191
Baltimore	4	3	0	.571	128119
Cincinnati	4	3	0	.571	120136
Jacksonville	2	4	0	.333	9087
Tennessee	2	4	0	.333	101156

West

W	L	T	Pct	PPFA	
Oakland	5	1	0	.833	151105
San Diego	5	2	0	.714	186121
Denver	4	3	0	.571	164144
Seattle	3	3	0	.500	104131
Kansas City	1	6	0	.143	139152

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PPFA
Philadelphia	3	3	0	.500	12491
N.Y. Giants	3	4	0	.429	11116
Arizona	2	4	0	.333	92145
Dallas	2	4	0	.333	92120
Washington	2	5	0	.286	84179

Central

W	L	T	Pct	PPFA	
Chicago	5	1	0	.833	13574
Green Bay	4	2	0	.667	14785
Tampa Bay	3	3	0	.500	11998
Minnesota	3	4	0	.429	138165
Detroit	0	6	0	.000	97176

West

W	L	T	Pct	PPFA	
St. Louis	6	1	0	.857	207115
New Orleans	4	2	0	.667	139118
San Francisco	2	0	6	.667	153142
Atlanta	3	3	0	.500	125127
Carolina	1	6	0	.143	112146

Sunday's Games
Dallas at N.Y. Giants, 1 p.m.
Carolina at Miami, 1 p.m.
New England at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
Baltimore at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Green Bay, 1 p.m.
Jacksonville at Tennessee, 1 p.m.
Indianapolis at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Detroit at San Francisco, 4:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at Arizona, 4:05 p.m.
Cleveland at Chicago, 4:15 p.m.
Seattle at Washington, 4:15 p.m.
Kansas City at San Diego, 4:15 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at New Orleans, 8:30 p.m.
Open: Cincinnati, Minnesota, St. Louis

Monday's Game
Denver at Oakland, 9 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 11
Buffalo at New England, 1 p.m.
Carolina at St. Louis, 1 p.m.
Cincinnati at Jacksonville, 1 p.m.
Dallas at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
Green Bay at Chicago, 1 p.m.
Kansas City at New York Jets, 1 p.m.
Miami at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Detroit, 1 p.m.
San Diego at Denver, 4:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Philadelphia, 4:15 p.m.
New Orleans at San Francisco, 4:15 p.m.

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DIVISION SERIES
American League
Seattle 3, Cleveland 2
Cleveland 5, Seattle 0
Seattle 5, Cleveland 1
Cleveland 17, Seattle 2
Seattle 6, Cleveland 2
Seattle 3, Cleveland 1
New York 3, Oakland 2
Oakland 5, New York 3
Oakland 2, New York 0
New York 1, Oakland 0
New York 9, Oakland 2
New York 5, Oakland 3

National League
Arizona 3, St. Louis 2
Arizona 1, St. Louis 0
St. Louis 4, Arizona 1
Arizona 5, St. Louis 3
St. Louis 4, Arizona 1
Arizona 2, St. Louis 1
Atlanta 3, Houston 0
Atlanta 7, Houston 4
Atlanta 1, Houston 0
Atlanta 6, Houston 2

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES
American League
New York 4, Seattle 1
New York 4, Seattle 2
New York 3, Seattle 2
Seattle 14, New York 3
New York 3, Seattle 1
New York 12, Seattle 3

National League
Arizona 4, Atlanta 1
Arizona 2, Atlanta 0
Atlanta 8, Arizona 1
Arizona 5, Atlanta 1
Arizona 11, Atlanta 4
Arizona 3, Atlanta 2

WORLD SERIES
Saturday, Oct. 27
Arizona 9, New York 1
Sunday, Oct. 28
Arizona 4, New York 0
Tuesday, Oct. 30
New York 2, Arizona 1
Wednesday, Oct. 31
New York 4, Arizona 3, 10 innings
Thursday, Nov. 1
New York 3, Arizona 2, 12 innings, New York leads series 3-2
Saturday, Nov. 3
New York (Petitte 15-10) at Arizona (Johnson 21-6), 7:53 p.m.
Sunday, Nov. 4
New York (Clemens 20-3) at Arizona (Schilling 22-6), if necessary, 7:55 p.m.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL
Friday's Scores
East
Cent Connecticut St. 12, St. John's, NY 7
Ursinus 31, FDU-Madison 14

Verplank takes one stroke lead in Tour Championship

HOUSTON (AP) — When the PGA Tour season ends Sunday, Scott Verplank will finally take some time to reflect on what has been his best year.

Maybe it will include a victory in the Tour Championship.

Verplank established himself as the man to catch going into the weekend at Champions Golf Club with a bogey-free round of 65, giving him a one-stroke lead over two-time Masters champion Bernhard Langer.

But his satisfaction doesn't depend on winning this week, nor is he about to get ahead of himself. A dozen players, including Tiger Woods on the mend, were within five shots.

"I'm playing in a huge tournament against the best players in the world, and all that doesn't mean that much to me until Sunday," said Verplank, who was at 10-under 132. "Hopefully, I'll have a chance to win. And if I do, I'll probably be excited about it. Up until that point, I'm just looking forward to playing."

Verplank wasn't the only one thankful to be playing.

Woods endured one of the most painful rounds of golf he has ever experienced in the first round, when he winced and grit his teeth with just about every swing because of an injury to his lower right back.

It turned out to be a false alarm.

Woods described the injury, suffered Wednesday while he was in the fitness trailer, as something akin to a bruise that will heal with time.

"Good enough," he said when asked about the condition of his back upon arriving at Champions on Friday.

So was his game:

Woods said his back was a little sore by the end of the round, a 4-under 67, but that wasn't the only pain he felt. He was steamed when he three-putted from 40 feet on the final hole to drop back to 137. At the time, he was only two strokes back.

"Not the way you want to cap off your round," Woods said.

Still, he's right in the middle of a 36-hole sprint to the end of the season.

Langer, one of eight players in the field of top 30 money-winners who has not won on the PGA Tour this year, had a 68 and will be paired with Verplank on Saturday.

Mike Weir played the three par 5s in 4 under for a 66 and was at 134. He's not the defending champion, but he won the final event of the 2000 season at Valderrama in the American Express Championship and would like to end this year on the same note.

Nobody knows what the future will bring after November 6, but you can be assured if you vote to dissolve the PEDC, people who move out of town will not pay taxes that support the school, fire department and county. Results will be the people who are left in Pampa will pay higher taxes, our fire department will probably go to volunteer, more county layoffs, more city layoffs and our golf course will probably be sold or closed. PISD has already announced big layoffs! Look at our mall. Pampa has lost approximately 10,000 people in the last fifteen years and they're not coming back. We must have Economic Development to bring more tax paying citizens to Pampa! Other towns in the Panhandle are laughing at us! Some people in another town remarked just the other day that Pampa was so negative, they fight amongst themselves all the time. If they would spend that time trying to improve their attitudes they would be much better off. If we vote to dissolve PEDC, it will be like trying to put out a forest fire with a Water Pic. We can not compete without PEDC. Please vote **NO** to dissolve PEDC. Pampa's future depends on it!

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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. For more information, call 665-6898.

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.

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.

4-H PECAN SALE
Gray County 4-Hers are conducting their annual pecan sale. Thanksgiving orders are due Tuesday, Oct. 16. Christmas orders are due Nov. 16. On sale are: pecan halves, pecan pieces, chocolate pecans, raw peanuts, chocolate covered peanuts, Hot and Spicy Peanuts, Redskins peanuts, cashews, walnuts, Deluxe Nut Mix, Hunter's Mix, California Fruit Mix and Trash mix. For more information or to place an order, call 669-8033. Prices are the same as last year.

PEACE FARM
The Peace Farm in Amarillo will host several upcoming events beginning with a presentation by Peaceful Way of Women at 11 a.m. in Amarillo Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Church. Other activities include: Another World is Possible, and the Art in Action Southwest Road Show, at 1 p.m., Nov. 1; and School of Americas protest of Fort

Benning potluck supper on Nov. 6. For more information, call (806) 335-1715.

AMARILLO BOTANICAL GARDENS
Amarillo Botanical Gardens is accepting orders to purchase holiday treats and gourmet entrees through Nov. 5. For more information, call (806) 352-6513. Proceeds will benefit the organization's educational programs. Entree include: Penne chicken di Genoa, hot chicken salad, green chili chicken enchilada, Santa Fe taco soup, beef enchiladas with red sauce, chili plus breads (herb, apple/nut, cranberry/orange, pumpkin spice) and cakes (pound, Kahlua, rum, Banana/walnut).

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The Rev. Dr. Doug Skinner will present a program entitled "Grieving America: Tools for Coping" at 6 p.m., Nov. 6 in Central Church of Christ Chapel, 1401 S. Monroe, Amarillo. Fellowship and refreshments will follow the program at Crown of Texas Hospice, 1000 S. Jefferson. The presentation honors National Hospice Month and marks the 10th Anniversary of Crown of Texas Hospice. For more information, call (806) 372-7696 or 1-800-572-6365.

WACKY TACKY GALA
"Wacky Tacky Gala," a women's fellowship ministry event, will be held at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 8 in Fellowship Hall of First Baptist Church, 203 N. West. Activities will include: a tackiest outfit contest, tackiest table contest, program, salad supper and personal testimony of Karen Williams. **Participants must RSVP by Tuesday, Nov. 6.** To make reservations or for more information, call 669-1155 or stop by the church.

GRIEF AND THE HOLIDAYS
BSA Hospice will present a "Grief and the Holidays" workshop from 7-8:30 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 8 at the Pampa hospice, 800 N. Sumner. The workshop - designed to help individuals dealing with grief cope with the holidays - is free and open to the public. For more information or to register, call 665-6677.

PAMPA BOOK CLUB
Pampa Book Club will meet at 10 a.m., Wednesday, Nov. 14 at Lovett Memorial Library. The group will discuss "The Prayer of Jabez" and "Secrets of the Vine" by Bruce H. Wilkinson. Visitors are welcome.

WINTER WONDERLAND
Amarillo Botanical Gardens will hold its 37th annual Grand Re-opening of Festival of Trees Winter Wonderland at 12 noon, Thursday, Nov. 15 with guest speaker Steve Amend. Luncheon will be served. A cocktail buffet is scheduled the following day, Friday, Nov. 16 at 7 p.m. Open House will be held from 1-5 p.m., Nov. 17-18. For more information, call (806) 352-6513. RSVP by Nov. 9.

WRITERS' LEAGUE OF TEXAS
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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 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.

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

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LIFESTYLE



Mr. and Mrs. Jene Jennings

Jennings anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Jene Jennings will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Nov. 5, 2001. Family and friends of the couple recently celebrated the special occasion at the Cattle Exchange Restaurant in Canadian.

Jene and Sherry Jennings have four children, Gary, Rick, Pam and Tracy; three daughters-in-law, Cinda, Janie and Pam; seven grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Menus

November 5-9

Pampa Schools		Senior Citizens	
MONDAY Breakfast: Pancakes. Lunch: Chicken fried steak or pizza, whipped potatoes, English peas, peaches, rolls.		MONDAY Chicken fried steak or chicken chow mein/rice, mashed potatoes, winter blend, beets, northern beans, German chocolate cake or vanilla pudding cups, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.	
TUESDAY Breakfast: Oatmeal, toast. Lunch: Fish strips or burrito, corn, salad, pineapple.		TUESDAY Pork chops/stuffing or taco salad, tater tots, hominy, spinach, pinto beans, Boston cream pie or cherry cream pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.	
WEDNESDAY Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy. Lunch: Stew/grilled cheese sandwiches or steak fingers, celery sticks, salad, fruit.		WEDNESDAY Breakfast: Yogurt, toast, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Pizza, chicken nuggets, corn, fruit, milk.	
THURSDAY Breakfast: Scrambled egg, toast. Lunch: Polish sausage on a stick or cheese nachos, potato wedges, western beans, strawberry short cookie, cornbread.		THURSDAY Breakfast: Pancakes, toast, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken fry, steak fingers, potatoes, mixed vegetables, fruit, milk.	
FRIDAY Breakfast: Cereal, toast. Lunch: Chicken fajitas or hot dogs/chili, refried beans, Spinach rice, flour tortilla, applesauce.		FRIDAY Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, toast, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Stew, grilled cheese sandwiches, beans, fruit, milk.	
Lefors Schools		Meals On Wheels	
MONDAY Breakfast: Hot cereal, toast, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken fajitas, mini burritos, beans, salad, fruit, milk.		MONDAY Salmon loaf, macaroni and cheese, Harvard beets, pears.	
TUESDAY Breakfast: Biscuits, sausage, toast,		TUESDAY Chopped sirloin, rice pilaf, green beans, plum cobbler.	
		WEDNESDAY Stew, cornbread, pineapple.	
		THURSDAY Chicken patties, peas/carrots, squash casserole, pudding.	
		FRIDAY Roast, cream corn, baked apples, graham crackers.	

Newsmakers

Jimmy Scott Hoke, a graduate of Pampa High School, was recently awarded a trip to Las Vegas, Nev., courtesy of Regis Corp. of Minneapolis, Minn., for outstanding sales performance and highest color service sales. He was one of 105 hairstylists throughout North America to receive the all expense-paid trip. He and other winners were treated to accommodations at

Caesars Palace and saw entertainer of the year, comedian Danny Gans at the Mirage Hotel and Casino.

Hoke was also recognized earlier in the year as ranking 21st out of more than 40,000 employees at Regis Corp. in highest average money gross for the year.

He recently attended a two-day training program in hair

extensions at Hairlocks House of Hair International of Hollywood, Calif.

Hoke, currently of Oklahoma, holds a degree from Pampa College of Hairdressing (1983) and is the son of Connie of Yukon, Okla., and Johnny of Pampa.

OKMULGEE, Okla. — Austin Smith of Pampa and Jerry Evans and Nicholas Ruth, both of Skellytown, are among 2,336 students enrolled this fall at Oklahoma State University at Okmulgee.

Smith, Evans and Ruth are enrolled in natural gas compression service technology.

Monica Johnson, daughter of Dwayne and Mozetta Johnson of Pampa, has been selected as an entrant in the 2002 Miss Texas Teen All American Pageant to be staged this weekend in the Grand Ballroom of the DFW Lakes Hilton in Grapevine.

Each contestant will be judged in Evening Gown, Swimsuit and Personal Interview. Contestants compete for a wide array of prizes including \$1,000 in cash, jewelry, luggage, a \$500 shoe wardrobe and more.

This event will select Texas' representatives to the 24th Annual Miss Teen All American Pageant to be held next August at the Hilton Miami Airport and Towers in Miami, Fla.

Monica will be competing with young women from all over the state for the title of Miss Teen All American 2002. Her honors, activities and accomplishments include: Eighth grade treble choir; Encore; middle school basketball; middle school track; church choir and worship team; top female student-fifth grade graduating class; voice lessons; piano lessons; dance lessons

(ballet/jazz); and reading.

CANYON — Candi Terry, a senior theatre major from Pampa, will be amongst cast members of the West Texas A&M University's Branding Iron Theatre presentation, "The Trojan Women," to be staged at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 14-17 and at 3 p.m. Nov. 18.

"The Trojan Women," a Greek play by Euripides, is a tragedy about the survivors of the Trojan war. The story takes a look at the day after the war and how the women of Troy must face life with the loss of their husbands and sons.

"This is a desperate situation for the women of Troy. They are all dealing with death and now must face the Greek soldiers, who will decide their fate," Royal Brantley, director and professor of theatre, said.

The play will have an ever-present chorus, a popular element in Greek plays. The members of the chorus will act, sing, listen and talk throughout the play. The main character is Hecuba, played by Lori Gregory, a senior musical theatre major from Odessa. Hecuba, the queen of Troy, now must struggle with the loss of her husband and her sons. Another principal figure in the play is Helen of Troy, played by Casey Adkins, a senior theatre major from Canyon.

"Helen has to deal with a lot in the play because most of the Trojan women want to blame her for the war. Her husband comes back for her, and she is in trouble with him, too. She has to explain to him what happened," Brantley said.

Helen's husband is Menelaus, played by Dallas Pollei Martinez, a senior theatre major from Stryder.

The tragic theme of the play will make it the shortest of the season with no intermission.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Crocker

Crocker anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Crocker celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary Oct. 30, 2001, at home with their family. Ernest and Veta Crocker were married Oct. 30, 1938, at Wheeler. The couple have resided in Pampa since 1950. Mr. Crocker is retired from the City of Pampa. Mrs. Crocker is a retired nurse. Children of the couple are Sherry Garmon of Pampa and Bobby Crocker of Houston. They have three grandchildren.

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Keys to weight loss still exercise, balanced diet

Fad diets are sweeping the nation and nutrition experts are concerned. Nutrition specialist Jenna Anding says fad diets set people up for failure. These diets are not healthy and go against what long-term research has shown about weight loss.

Some fad diets are based on the idea that by reducing carbohydrates, the body is forced to burn fat reserves for energy. However, when you run out of carbohydrate stores, the body breaks down muscle.

Without carbohydrates, the body cannot use the fats that are broken down, and these fats then turn into ketone bodies. When ketone bodies build up, it can cause ketosis, which leads to unpleasant and potentially serious side-effects.

Anding says for weight loss to be long-term, people need to adopt permanent behaviors that promote healthy lifestyles. For successful long-lasting weight loss, people need to adopt a lifestyle that includes a healthy diet and regular physical activity.

Individuals should set realistic goals, commit to eating a healthy diet and get regular physical activity.

The evening progressed smoothly, in spite of a full moon and Halloween. Sophie, the parrot, dressed in her finest parrot suit and I arrived at Mother's house begging for candy.

Sophie does not eat candy. She wanted to show off her bright green and blue costume. I, on the other hand, never miss a chance to paw through a nice bowl of chocolates. (They were really fine this year!)

The parrot is a portable bird. Like carting a baby around, there is a bit of paraphernalia required for traveling. Sophie travels in a mesh lingerie bag, loosely wrapped in a big green towel. Motoring about requires a little bowl filled with a nice assortment of seeds and fruit. And a perch.

The perch is a recycled bronze candleholder. A thin glass dish that held the candles fell victim to a tragic cleaning accident. Oh, how Sophie loves that perch. It



Kathy Davis
GARDEN WISE

is just the right height to scramble onto, beaking her way up the curved legs and onto the rim.

Mother and I made a pot of tea, sampled the chocolates and settled in for a visit. The door-

bell rang. We flung open the door. To our surprise, a bumblebee stared back at us — at knee level. She carried a big round pumpkin. Her antennae bounced in the wind. The bee timidly held out the pumpkin ... and began to cry.

A bit of coaxing later, the bumblebee hesitantly entered the house. She knew these really tall people, but did not quite understand the fuss they made. Until she discovered the candy and the bird. Her tears evaporated and a smile dimpled her mouth. My great-niece softly petted her first parrot. Sophie cooed and flapped her iridescent blue wings.

The evening waned. I tucked the bird in the bag, wrapped her

in the towel and scurried home. The fallen leaves swirled in the street. The full moon wore a silver halo, hopefully a sign of wetter weather. The wind rushed hurriedly to Kansas, unsettling all in its path.

Getting out of my car, I thought of all the chores I hoped to finish by Halloween. New tulips beds. A new sidewalk. The rock fountain. Mulch on the roses. New grass. The sidewalk and fountain will wait until next spring. It is time to be quiet, still, warm and dreamy.

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MEDICAL

Today's gym classes focus on fitness, healthy lifestyles

By RICHARD A. MARINI
San Antonio Express-News

SAN ANTONIO — As the pumping theme from the TV show "Hawaii Five-O" blasts from a portable CD player, the fourth-graders march single file into the brightly lit gym at Watts Elementary School. But instead of forming rows and sitting quietly on the floor, the kids continue walking briskly, some jogging, around the perimeter of the gym.

"They're warming up, getting their blood pumping," explains Melissa Reichenau, who, like gym teachers everywhere, is called "Coach" by her students.

After a few minutes of gentle stretching, the kids form a large circle and, to the accompaniment of more music, follow the motions to the lyrics of the song, "Tony Chestnut Knows I Love You" (Toe, knee, chest, etc.).

Later, they'll demonstrate movements from the lines of a book Reichenau reads aloud: Loud as a lion, sad as a basset, wild as a chimp.

Finally, they play "Coach Says," a version of the classic "Simon Says" that has them placing a small beanbag on a specified body part. ("Coach says, put the beanbag on your Achilles tendon.") The kids move quick as crickets from activity to activity, and they play each game with enthusiasm. Not once does the PE teacher have to stop what she's doing to discipline the several dozen students and, by the end of the 50-minute class, the kids appear happy, energized and more than just a little bit sweaty.

For anyone who hasn't been in

school since the Chuck Taylor high-top was the height of athletic fashion, today's PE class will seem unrecognizable. While dodge ball and calisthenics still dominate at some schools, the days when kids would choose up teams and head outside for a rough-and-tumble game of kick-ball are quickly disappearing.

"In the old days, gym class was supposed to entertain kids and keep them active," says Dolly Lambdin, a lecturer in the department of kinesiology and health education at the University of Texas at Austin. "Today, we still want kids to have fun, but we also want to teach them to be physically active and lead a healthy lifestyle."

Reichenau succinctly describes the way things used to be with an anecdote from her husband.

"He says his clearest memory of gym class is that everybody wanted to be the one picked to carry the gym teacher's chair out to the playground."

Then there was the classic Woody Allen gibe, "Those who can, do. Those who can't, teach. Those who can't teach, teach physical education."

Today, the gym teacher is as responsible as anyone in the school for preparing students to learn. They use their lesson plans as much as their whistles. The beanbag game of Coach Says? It was a sneaky way of teaching kids the names of body parts.

While perhaps half the students knew immediately where their Achilles tendon is located, those who mistakenly put the beanbag elsewhere (the shoulder was the otherwise favorite spot) are likely to have learned the new vocabulary word, almost as if by

osmosis.

Indeed, when one student recently broke his arm, his doctor was surprised to hear the boy refer to his broken ulna.

"Where'd you learn that word?" the doctor asked. "In gym class," the boy answered matter-of-factly.

The new PE also preaches almost constant motion. No more standing around in right field while the pitcher tries unsuccessfully to lob the ball over home plate. Instead, activities are designed to involve every child almost all the time.

"We want the kids to be moving for 35 minutes out of every 45-minute class," says Ron Tatsch, the PE teacher at Hull Elementary School.

Unfortunately, all that most people know about the new PE is that it seeks to eliminate dodge ball from the curriculum. While it's true that the game has been banned by school districts in several states, the outcry from newspaper and TV columnists has been totally out of proportion to the effect.

For example, an almost 6,000-word piece in the Weekly Standard carried the subhead "The New Phys Ed and the Wussification of America."

Meanwhile, John Leo, writing in U.S. News and World Report, denigrated proposed alternatives to dodge ball, asking, "doesn't it seem like these games were dreamed up by wusses left over from the 1960s, the kind of people who put words like 'winner' and 'loser' in quotes, just to show how much they hate competition?"

What these writers have most in common is the unsupported belief that because they played dodge ball in school, today's kids would be better off if they played it, too.

So, what's wrong with the game? It fails to meet the fun-while-teaching criteria, according to Jim DeLine, regional coordinator of Coordinated Approach to Child Health, a school-based program that promotes physical activity and good nutrition.

"Dodge ball doesn't promote physical fitness or cooperation," DeLine explains during a recent visit to Hull, one of more than 100 schools in Bexar County that participate in the program. "There are no skills developed while playing it, and the more athletic kids tend to nail the weaker, less coordinated ones first, knocking them out of the game. But these are the kids who need to work on their skills the most."

For better or worse, this new PE philosophy, at least in Texas, has developed as part of the "teaching to the TAAS," the often-criticized emphasis teachers and administrators put on preparing students for the end-of-the-year, statewide academic skills test.

For example, in one game called Pass and Switch, six students standing in a rectangle are told to pass the ball to their left while switching places with the person across from them diagonally.

nally. It's a complex set of commands and the result looks less like a synchronized Busby Berkeley musical than a chaotic battle scene from "Braveheart."

But the kids seem to enjoy themselves and they also may be learning concepts such as diagonal, which will help when it comes time to learn geometry.

In elementary school, at least, students don't necessarily play baseball, basketball, soccer or other team sports. That's because many of these youngsters don't have the skill levels to compete against the few who do. Instead, they'll practice dribbling, kicking and hitting balls, often through cooperative games.

"Everyone's involved," says Reichenau. "No one's left out." And when they do compete, it's usually against the clock or themselves.

They may, for example, see how many times in a minute they can dribble a basketball with one hand. Next, they'll switch to the other hand.

This isn't to say that the new PE is anti-team sports. Several students said their favorite part of PE is crab soccer, in which teams of children (chosen by Reichenau and her assistant, Lisa Kelley, not by the kids themselves) scoot along the floor, belly up like crabs, trying to kick a large ball across the other team's goal line.

Other times the rules are changed to involve more students. At Hull, pairs of students stand seven or eight feet apart tossing beanbags back and forth until they miss, eliminating them from the game. Instead of continuing to the very last, however, PE teacher Tatsch stops the game while about a half dozen pairs remain, declaring them all winners. The new champs preen and prance enthusiastically, pumping their arms in the air, whooping and shouting with delight.

No one seems to mind sharing the glory. Or that they're not playing dodge ball instead.

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Life expectancy hits all-time high

ATLANTA (AP) — Life expectancy in the United States has climbed to an all-time high of nearly 77 years, while infant mortality has dropped to the lowest level on record, the government reported recently.

A government study of death certificates nationwide put U.S. life expectancy at 76.9 years for someone born in 2000, up from 76.7 in 1999, the National Center for Health Statistics said. Infant mortality dropped last year to 6.9 deaths for every 1,000 live births.

Life expectancy has been rising steadily for years. Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson credited advances in fighting disease, and urged Americans to eat right and exercise regularly to stay healthy.

Even as life expectancy creeps up, surveys continually show Americans getting less active and more obese, putting them at risk for heart disease and diabetes, among other illnesses.

Among whites, life expectancy was put at 77.4 last year, compared with 71.8 among blacks. Both races had higher life expectancies than they did in 1999, with blacks narrowing the gap by about four months.

The gender gap for life expectancy also narrowed, but women continue to live considerably longer than men — 79.5 years versus 74.1.

Cardiac hormone level may signal progression of heart failure

DALLAS — Researchers at University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas have found that elevated levels of a cardiac hormone is predictive of an increased risk of death or heart failure in patients with complications of coronary artery disease.

The findings, which are in a recent issue of The New England Journal of Medicine, provide physicians with a new method of assessing adverse outcomes in patients with acute coronary syndromes, said Dr. James de Lemos, lead author of the study and assistant professor of internal medicine at UT Southwestern.

"We've identified a test that is associated with prognosis and seems to be very important for risk stratification. A single measurement of this hormone gives important information about how likely a patient is to die or develop heart failure," he said. De Lemos, who now works in the Donald W. Reynolds Cardiovascular Clinical Research Center at UT Southwestern, collaborated on the research with Dr. Eugene Braunwald, senior author of the paper, at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston.

Researchers also found that the level of the hormone, termed brain natriuretic peptide, or BNP, was better at predicting adverse outcomes compared to traditional ways of prognosticating after a heart attack, de Lemos said.

Of the 2,525 patients who participated in the study, approximately half were enrolled after the onset of a heart attack and half after an episode of unstable angina, or chest pains. The researchers obtained a single measurement of BNP from the study participants shortly after admission to the hospital for acute coronary syndromes.

These participants were originally part of the multicenter Orbifoban in Patients with Unstable Coronary Syndromes-Thrombolysis in Myocardial Infarction 16 study.

After a 30-day analysis, the researchers found that levels of BNP were higher among patients who died, and patients with a higher BNP were more likely to have a new or recurrent heart attack or develop heart failure or progression of heart failure. Similar findings were reported after a 10-month analysis.

"Even in the patients who had no detectable heart damage from their episode of chest pain, elevated BNP levels identified them as being at high risk of dying or developing heart failure," de Lemos said.

In contrast, patients with lower levels of BNP were less likely to die or develop heart failure.

BNP is a neurohormone synthesized in the muscular wall of the left ventricle of the heart. It is released into the circulation in response to ventricular dilation and pressure overload.

"We know that this is a hormone that normally has very beneficial effects in the body," de Lemos said. "It promotes excretion of salt by the kidneys, and it dilates blood vessels. It is referred to as a counter-regulatory hormone. It is not well understood why BNP is higher in patients who later go on to die or develop heart failure, but it is possible that the body becomes desensitized to its effects."

Further research is needed to determine medical therapies that might benefit individuals with high BNP levels, de Lemos said. UT Southwestern physicians will begin using the BNP assay in November.

"The first use of the assay is likely to be in the emergency department, where BNP also appears to help doctors determine which patients with shortness of breath have congestive heart failure as opposed to other causes of shortness of breath, such as lung disease."

Other study investigators included researchers from Nottingham Clinical Research Group in Nottingham, England, and the Research Institute for Internal Medicine, National Hospital, University of Oslo in Norway.

The study was supported by grants from Searle and Biosite Inc.

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Study finds no evidence estrogen prevents strokes

BOSTON (AP) — Estrogen pills fail to ward off new strokes in older women who have already suffered them, a study finds.

Estrogen is rarely given solely to prevent strokes, though some earlier reports suggested that it might help do this. However, the latest study found no evidence that it does any good in those at high risk because of earlier strokes.

The hormone is used mostly to prevent brittle bones and ease hot flashes and other symptoms of menopause. It has also been prescribed to keep the heart healthy.

Recent studies suggest that estrogen is ineffective at preventing heart disease, which has many of the same underlying causes as strokes. Because of that, the American Heart Association recommended in July against prescribing estrogen solely to prevent heart disease and strokes.

The latest study, conducted by Catherine M. Viscoli and others from Yale University, was published in Thursday's New England Journal of Medicine.

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"But doctors need to weigh that heavily and not give into the knee-jerk reaction, 'Oh, they're older. Let's not give them chemotherapy,'" he said. In addition, he said, "patients need to ask their doctors if they are not receiving it, and if not, why not."

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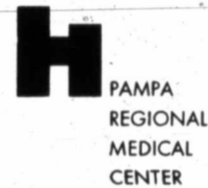
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Billboard music charts

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 radio monitored by Broadcast Data Systems)

1. "Family Affair," Mary J. Blige. MCA.
 2. "I'm Real," Jennifer Lopez (feat. Ja Rule). Epic.
 3. "Fallin'," Alicia Keys. J.
 4. "Hero," Enrique Iglesias. Interscope.
 5. "Turn Off The Light," Nelly Furtado. DreamWorks.
 6. "U Got It Bad," Usher. Arista.
 7. "Differences," Ginuwine. Epic.
 8. "Livin' It Up," Ja Rule (feat. Case). Murder Inc.
 9. "It's Been Awhile," Staind. Flip/Elektra.
 10. "Only Time," Enya. Reprise.
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The Billboard 200 Top Albums: Top 10

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

1. "The Great Depression," DMX. Ruff Ryders.
 2. "Morning View," Incubus. Immortal.
 3. "A Day Without Rain," Enya. Reprise. (Platinum)
 4. "God Bless America," Various Artists. Columbia.
 5. "Pain Is Love," Ja Rule. Murder Inc.
 6. "Live In Chicago 12.19.98," Dave Matthews Band. Bama Rags.
 7. "Silver Side Up," Nickelback. Roadrunner. (Platinum)
 8. "(Hybrid Theory)," Linkin Park. Warner Bros. (Platinum)
 9. "8701," Usher. Arista.
 10. "Totally Hits 2001," Various Artists. Warner Bros./Elektra/Atlantic/Arista.
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Hot Adult Contemporary

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

1. "Only Time," Enya. Warner Sunset.
2. "If You're Gone," matchbox twenty. Lava.
3. "Thank You," Dido. Arista.
4. "There You'll Be," Faith Hill. Warner Bros.
5. "I Hope You Dance," Lee Ann Womack With Sons Of The Desert. MCA Nashville.
6. "All Or Nothing," O-Town. J.
7. "I Want Love," Elton John. Rocket.
8. "I'm Already There," Lonestar. BNA.
9. "One More Day," Diamond Rio. Arista Nashville.
10. "Follow Me," Uncle Kracker. Top Dog.

Mainstream Rock Tracks

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

1. "How You Remind Me," Nickelback. Roadrunner.
2. "My Sacrifice," Creed. Wind-up.
3. "Gets Me Through," Ozzy Osbourne. Epic.
4. "Fade," Staind. Flip.
5. "Control," Puddle Of Mudd. Flawless/Geffen/Interscope.
6. "I Wish You Were Here," Incubus. Immortal/Epic.
7. "Down With The Sickness," Disturbed. Giant/Reprise.
8. "Alive," P.O.D. Atlantic.
9. "Schism," Tool. Tool Dissectional.
10. "It's Been Awhile," Staind. Flip/Elektra.

Modern Rock Tracks

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

1. "How You Remind Me," Nickelback. Roadrunner.
2. "I Wish You Were Here," Incubus. Immortal/Epic.
3. "Alive," P.O.D. Atlantic.
4. "In The End," Linkin Park. Warner Bros.
5. "My Sacrifice," Creed. Wind-up.
6. "Fade," Staind. Flip.
7. "Control," Puddle Of Mudd. Flawless/Geffen/Interscope.
8. "Stay Together For The Kids," blink-182. MCA.
9. "Down With The Sickness," Disturbed. Giant/Reprise.
10. "Smooth Criminal," Alien Ant Farm. New Noise/DreamWorks.

Hot Country Singles and Tracks

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

1. "Angry All The Time," Tim McGraw. Curb.
 2. "Only In America," Brooks & Dunn. Arista Nashville.
 3. "Where I Come From," Alan Jackson. Arista Nashville.
 4. "On A Night Like This," Trick Pony. Warner Bros.
 5. "Love Of A Woman," Travis Tritt. Columbia.
 6. "I Wanna Talk About Me," Toby Keith. DreamWorks.
 7. "I'm A Survivor," Reba. MCA Nashville.
 8. "Riding With Private Malone," David Ball. Dualtone.
 9. "Run," George Strait. MCA Nashville.
 10. "Complicated," Carolyn Dawn Johnson. Arista Nashville.
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Top Country Albums

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

1. "Greatest Hits Volume III — I'm A Survivor," Reba McEntire. MCA Nashville.
 2. Soundtrack: "O Brother, Where Art Thou?" Mercury. (Platinum)
 3. "Pull My Chain," Toby Keith. DreamWorks. (Gold)
 4. "Greatest Hits," Martina McBride. RCA (Nashville). (Gold)
 5. "Set This Circus Down," Tim McGraw. Curb. (Platinum)
 6. Soundtrack: "Coyote Ugly," Curb. (Platinum)
 7. "Greatest Hits," Kenny Chesney. BNA. (Platinum)
 8. "The Rock: Stone Cold Country 2001," George Jones. Bandit.
 9. "I'm Already There," Lonestar. BNA.
 10. "Greatest Hits," Tim McGraw. Curb.
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Hot R&B/Hip-Hop Singles and Tracks

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports and radio playlists)

1. "Family Affair," Mary J. Blige. MCA.
 2. "U Got It Bad," Usher. Arista.
 3. "Differences," Ginuwine. Epic.
 4. "Rock The Boat," Aaliyah. Blackground.
 5. "Lifetime," Maxwell. Columbia.
 6. "Living It Up," Ja Rule (feat. Case). Murder Inc.
 7. "Ugly," Bubba Sparxxx. Beat Club.
 8. "Girls, Girls, Girls," Jay-Z. Roc-A-Fella.
 9. "Raise Up," Petey Pablo. Jive.
 10. "You Gets No Love," Faith Evans. Bad Boy.
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Top R&B/Hip-Hop Albums

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1. "The Great Depression," DMX. Ruff Ryders.
 2. "Pain Is Love," Ja Rule. Murder Inc.
 3. "The Blueprint," Jay-Z. Roc-A-Fella. (Platinum)
 4. "8701," Usher. Arista.
 5. "John P. Kelly," Mr. Cheeks. Universal.
 6. "No More Drama," Mary J. Blige. MCA. (Platinum)
 7. "The Dark Days, Bright Nights Of Bubba Sparxxx," Bubba Sparxxx. Beat Club.
 8. "Expansion Team," Dilated Peoples. ABB.
 9. "Aaliyah," Aaliyah. Blackground. (Platinum)
 10. "C-P-3.com," C-Murder. TRU.
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Hot Rap Singles

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1. "Raise Up," Petey Pablo. Jive.
 2. "I'm Your Girl," Dena Cali. ES3.
 3. "Nothing's Wrong," Won-G (feat. DJ Quick). TNO.
 4. "Get Mo," Sherm (feat. Bigga Figgas). Dean's List.
 5. "Buster," Dennis Da Menace. 1st Avenue.
 6. "Jump Up In The Air," Original P Introducing Hyped Up Westbound Soljaz. Westbound.
 7. "How We Do," Big Low BKA Popeye Reds (feat. Nonchalant). Col-Beast.
 8. "My Life," Kool G Rap (feat. G Wise). Rawkus.
 9. "Po' Punch," Po' White Trash & The Trailer Park Symphony. Pocket Change.
 10. "Gotta Have It," Chocolate Bandit. Countryboy.
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Hot Dance Music— Club Play

(Compiled from a national sample of dance club playlists)

1. "Break 4 Love," Peter Rauhofer + Pet Shop Boys + The Collaboration. Star 69.
2. "Rapture (Tastes So Sweet)," Iio. Made.
3. "It Began In Afrika," The Chemical Brothers. Freestyle Dust.
4. "Impressive Instant," Madonna. Maverick.
5. "Imagination," Cevox. Star 69.
6. "Lettin' Ya Mind Go," Desert. Future Groove.
7. "Muhammad Ali," Faithless. Cheeky.
8. "Sandstorm (The Remixes)," Darude. Groovilicious.
9. "And I Am Telling You I'm Not Going," Rosabel With Jennifer Holiday. Tommy Boy Silver Label.
10. "So Strong," Ben Shaw (feat. Adele Holness). Groovilicious.

Hot Latin Tracks

(Compiled from national Latin radio airplay reports)

1. "Heroe," Enrique Iglesias. Interscope.
 2. "Suerte," Shakira. Epic.
 3. "Tantita Pena," Alejandro Fernandez. Sony Discos.
 4. "No Me Conoces Aun," Palomo. Disa.
 5. "Usted Se Me Llevo La Vida," Alexandre Pires. Ariola.
 6. "Dejame Entrar," Carlos Vives. EMI Latin.
 7. "Pueden Decir," Gilberto Santa Rosa. Sony Discos.
 8. "O Me Voy O Te Vas," Marco Antonio Solis. Fonovisa.
 9. "Me Vas A Extranar," Pepe Aguilar. Musart.
 10. "Cada Vez Te Extranamos," Banda El Recodo. Fonovisa.
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Top Contemporary Jazz Albums

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1. "Ride," Boney James. Warner Bros.
 2. "Hidden Beach Recordings Presents: Unwrapped Vol. 1," Various Artists. Hidden Beach.
 3. "Glow," Peter White. Columbia.
 4. "A Art," Acoustic Alchemy. Higher Octave.
 5. "Crush," Richard Elliot. Verve.
 6. "Urban Knights IV," Urban Knights. Narada Jazz.
 7. "Hypnotic," Paul Taylor. Peak.
 8. "Future 2 Future," Herbie Hancock. Transparent.
 9. "In Modern Times," Spyro Gyra. Heads Up.
 10. "A Twist of Marley — A Tribute," Various Artists. GRP.
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Top Classical Albums

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

1. "Billy Joel: Fantasies & Delusions," Richard Joo. Columbia.
 2. "Classic Yo-Yo," Yo-Yo Ma. Sony Classical.
 3. "Sacred Arias," Andrea Bocelli. Philips. (Platinum)
 4. "Verdi," Andrea Bocelli. Philips. (Gold)
 5. "Mythodea," Vangelis. Sony Classical.
 6. "Dreams & Fables," Cecilia Bartoli. Decca.
 7. "American Seasons," Mark O'Connor. Sony Classical.
 8. "Appalachian Journey," Ma/Meyer/O'Connor. Sony Classical.
 9. "Essential Puccini," Various Artists. Decca.
 10. "Bach: Morimur," Ensemble/Christoph Poppen. ECM.
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Billboard video charts

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Top Kids Video Sales

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports)

1. "Barbie In The Nutcracker," Artisan Home Entertainment.
 2. "Scooby Doo & The Cyber Chase," Turner Home Entertainment.
 3. "It's The Great Pumpkin Charlie Brown," Paramount Home Video.
 4. "A Spookie Ookie Halloween," Walt Disney Home Video.
 5. "Winnie The Pooh: Boo To You Too," Walt Disney Home Video.
 6. "Scooby Doo: Spookiest Tales," Turner Home Entertainment.
 7. "Bob The Builder: Bob's White Christmas," Lyric Studios.
 8. "Peanuts: Holiday Collection," Paramount Home Video.
 9. "Rugrats: All Growned Up," Nickelodeon Video.
 10. "Frankenpooh," Walt Disney Home Video.
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Top Video Rentals

(Compiled from a national sample of rental reports)

1. "Cats & Dogs," Warner Family Entertainment.
2. "The Mummy Returns," Universal Studios Home Video.
3. "Along Came A Spider,"

Paramount Home Video.

4. "A Knight's Tale," Columbia TriStar Home Video.
5. "Bridget Jones's Diary," Miramax Home Entertainment.
6. "Heartbreakers," MGM Home Entertainment.
7. "Blow," New Line Home Video.
8. "Spy Kids," Dimension Home Video.
9. "Exit Wounds," Warner Home Video.
10. "One Night At McCool's," USA Home Entertainment.

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1. "Cats & Dogs," Warner Family Entertainment.
2. "The Mummy Returns," Universal Studios Home Video.
3. "Barbie In The Nutcracker," Artisan Home Entertainment.
4. "Spy Kids (Pan & Scan)," Walt Disney Home Video.
5. "Scooby-Doo & The Cyber Chase," Warner Home Video.
6. "What Women Want," Paramount Home Video.
7. "It's The Great Pumpkin Charlie Brown," Paramount Home Video.
8. "A Spookie Ookie Halloween," Walt Disney Home Video.
9. "Winnie The Pooh: Boo To You Too," Walt Disney Home Video.
10. "Scooby-Doo: Spookiest Tales," Warner Home Video.

Top DVD Sales

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports)

1. "Star Wars: Episode I — The Phantom Menace," FoxVideo.
2. "Snow White And The Seven Dwarves," Walt Disney Home Video.
3. "Cats & Dogs," Warner Family Entertainment.
4. "The Mummy Returns (Full Frame)," Universal Studios Home Video.
5. "The Mummy Returns (Widescreen)," Universal Studios Home Video.
6. "The Godfather DVD Collection," Paramount Home Video.
7. "Bridget Jones's Diary," Miramax Home Entertainment.
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Texas exotic feline sanctuary houses mistreated animals

By ANGELA K. BROWN
Associated Press Writer

BOYD, Texas (AP) — Shaking his enormous mane, Samson moans a friendly greeting and saunters to the gate as it opens.

The 500-pound lion affectionately rubs against Louis Dorfman, who croons "How's my baby?" and "Good boy." Then, inside the enclosure at the International Exotic Feline Sanctuary, Samson lies down and closes his eyes as Dorfman continues scratching his head.

"Our mission is to give them the best quality of life while in captivity, and we go the next step in taking care of their emotional needs," said Dorfman, an animal behaviorist at the 20-acre refuge in rural Wise County, some 30 miles northwest of Fort Worth. "They're happy cats, and that's our job."

The nonprofit sanctuary founded in 1988 is home to 68 creatures of 16 species — bobcats, cougars, jaguars, leopards, lions and tigers, as well as a jungle cat, lynx and caracal. Most were mistreated before arriving.

Shauna, a lion, still doesn't trust people after her previous owner shot off one of her toes. Another lion, Nala, has trouble walking because of bone problems caused by malnutrition.

Three Bengal tigers were abandoned on a ship in 1998 by a now-defunct Spanish circus. The animals were brought ashore in South Texas, where they lived in a cramped trailer for a month until the Boyd sanctuary discovered them. People across the country sent

donations for the sanctuary to feed and house the tigers.

Two lions were about to be killed at a Mexico zoo that didn't want them anymore. El Canelo and Rocky had never seen the sun or grass, but for the past seven years they have enjoyed snoozing and strolling in their outdoor Texas haven.

"This is their last chance to live," said Richard Gilbreth, the sanctuary's executive director. "Where are they going to go? Some have been declawed. Not more than two of them here could live in the wild because of what humans have done."

Gilbreth was brought in to help the sanctuary in late 1996, after the state attorney general's office filed a civil suit against the former director.

In 1997 Gene Reitnauer was ordered to pay more than \$2.2 million in damages for defrauding financial backers of the Boyd refuge, then known as the Texas Exotic Feline Foundation.

The sanctuary has made great strides since then.

Earlier this year, it became the first animal sanctuary to be certified by the American Zoo and Aquarium Association. The organization recognizes animal facilities that apply for the status and meet requirements on financial stability, animal care and living environments.

The International Exotic Feline Sanctuary operates on a \$462,000 annual budget. Lions and tigers are the most expensive, each costing up to \$500 a month for care.

Because of dwindling donations the past few months, the sanctuary is hosting a \$200-per-patron fund-raiser Thursday in Dallas

where someone will win a two-year lease on a Jaguar.

"It costs money to give these cats a good quality of life, and many of them will live 20 years," Gilbreth said.

On the no-frills grounds, gravel paths wind between fenced enclosures, which feature small pools or waterfalls, perches, trees, grass and toys — from tire swings to large balls.

Most animals are housed alone. When two of different genders live in the same enclosure, at least one is sterilized to prevent breeding.

The seven employees and dozens of volunteers know the cats by name and celebrate their birthdays. They hold emotional memorial services at the sanctuary's cemetery when an animal dies.

The refuge has four guided tours on weekends; other visits must be scheduled. Children under age 7 are not allowed.

Dorfman, who has worked at the sanctuary six years, is the only person allowed inside the pens.

Although he spends hours alone with almost every animal, including the nearly 800-pound lion Rhino, Dorfman said he has never been scratched or bitten.

"My safety with these animals lies in knowing what they're thinking and feeling," Dorfman said. "What I do with these cats isn't rocket science. It is just respecting them as beings. And if I did the wrong thing, they could kill me."

Gilbreth cannot afford to house more animals but has received more offers recently.

A state law enacted Sept. 1 requires counties to either regulate or ban ownership of wild dangerous animals, including lions and tigers. Exemptions include people with state and federal wildlife permits, animal sanctuaries and traveling circuses.

Last year, a caged tiger tore off a 4-year-old boy's arm in Channelview, near Houston. A 3-year-old boy was dragged to his death last month by one of three tigers on his relative's Lee County farm.

Gilbreth said owners have good intentions but seem to forget that exotic felines, growing to several hundred pounds, are unsuitable as pets.

"Many people say they bought a tiger to save the tigers of the world ... but it just creates a market for breeders," Gilbreth said. "People don't need to own these exotic cats."

On the Net:

International Exotic Feline Sanctuary: <http://www.bigcat.org>
American Zoo and Aquarium Association: <http://www.aza.org>

Economy: Taxes, government spending still at issue

By JOHN CUNNIFF
AP Business Analyst

NEW YORK (AP) — Again, as so often before, the country is facing the question of whether it is wiser for government itself to try spending the economy up from recession or turn the task over to the private sector.

The issues this time aren't cleanly split along political lines, but the dispute is still there: Is it best to induce the economy into heightened activity by means of tax cuts for business and households, or instead directly earmark subsidies for industries, health insurance and jobless benefits?

Inherent in the tax-cut argument is a belief that the less government involvement, the

more bountiful are the economic benefits, while advocates of direct spending believe their approach can better focus on needs.

Alas, the arguments aren't as philosophically pure as they might seem.

Business executives who rail against government's growth may also lobby for government favors. Supporters of direct government spending may waste public money on pet projects offering minimal economic benefits.

Now there's a new consideration: With consumer confidence at a low ebb and business spending plans on hold, what assurance is there that the private sector will spend rather than save the benefits of tax cuts?

Terrorism is the new factor, manifested by inaction in the marketplace. Nine interest-rate cuts by the Federal Reserve and billions of dollars in tax rebates have done little to date to stir up action.

The question now is whether additional financial stimuli will induce consumers to board airplanes and congregate at malls, and businesses to believe sufficiently in the future that they will plan and spend for it.

Conservatives nevertheless contend that financial inducements such as low interest rates and tax cuts are the only way to go. They offer as examples the economic growth after cuts by Presidents Kennedy and Reagan.

Economist Ronald Utt of the Heritage Foundation maintains

on the other hand that direct government spending inevitably fails. The massive government pump-priming of the 1930s, he says, produced only a 2 percent economic gain from 1929 to 1938.

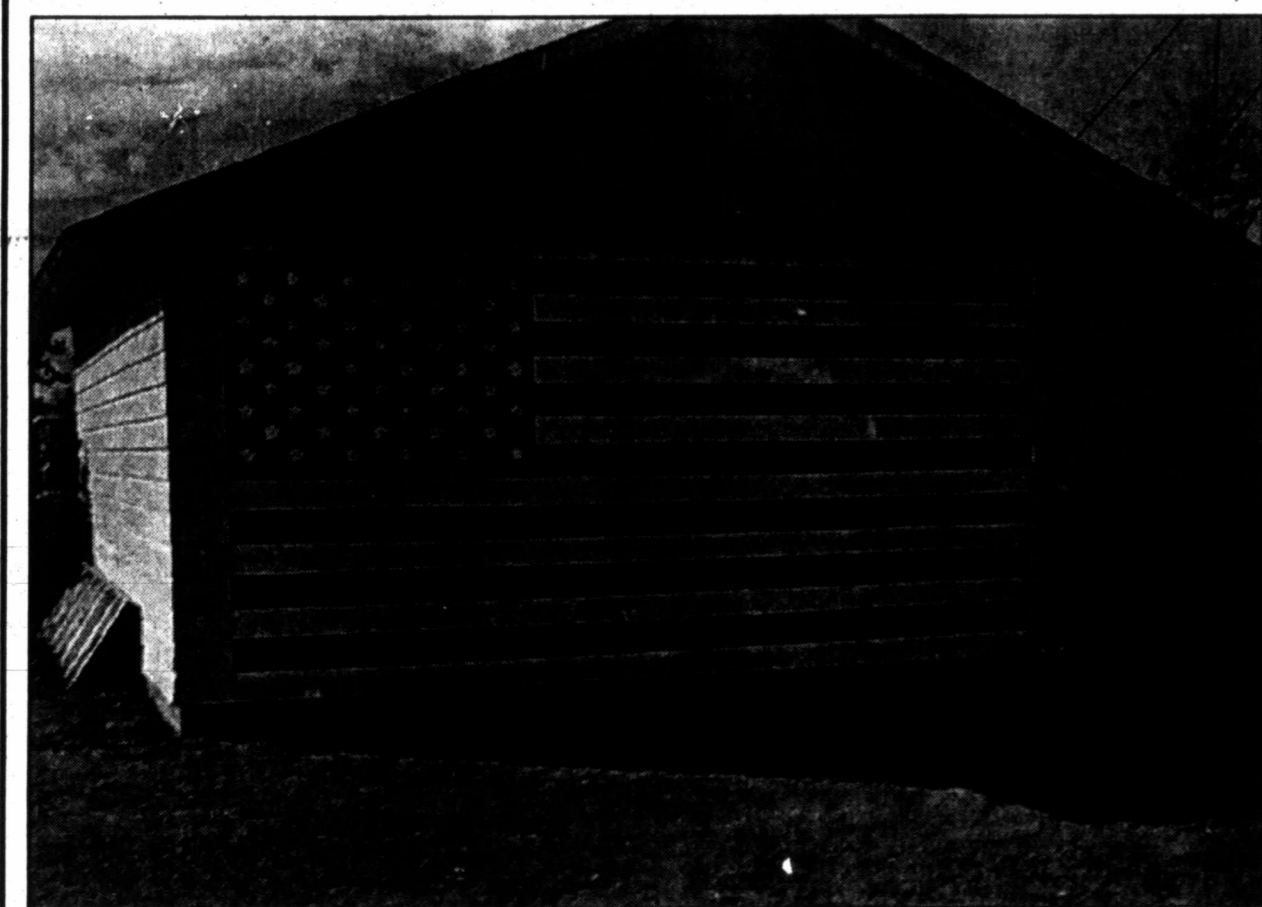
For American workers, he writes, "the failure of this spending spree to do anything more than expand the deficit and bureaucracy was devastating." Among other results, Commerce Department figures show the jobless more than doubled from 2.8 million in 1930 to 6.9 million in 1940.

Whatever comes out of Congress this time is likely to be a hybrid of compromise, but the economic evidence indicates something has to be produced, and soon, or the economic downturn is likely to deepen.

In fact, whether or not the U.S. economy is already in recession is only a matter of concern for semanticists and statisticians. Effectively, the economy has stalled and the conditions stalling it haven't budged.

It means the arguments, pro and con, for tax cuts or against them, for direct government spending or against it, can't remain deadlocked in Congress while the economy falls into a deep chill.

Old Glory in all its glory ...



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Kelle Staus and Helen Crain painted this rendition of the American flag which is on display in the vicinity of Hobart House.

Pecos pupfish no longer candidate for endangered list

By SCOTT FREEMAN
Odessa American

ODESSA, Texas — There's some good news and some bad news for the embattled Pecos pupfish.

First, the good news. The famous, or infamous, minnow is not considered a candidate for the endangered species list.

In fact, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service withdrew its petition earlier this year to list the Pecos pupfish as an endangered species.

"I'd still classify it as a threatened species," said Stacey Johnson, an expert on the pupfish who works for the Fort Worth Zoo.

The fish, according to information supplied by the Fish and Wildlife Service, exists along some stretches of the Pecos River in New Mexico. The only place in Texas the fish exists as a genetically pure strain is in the upper reaches of Salt Creek in Reeves and Cullbertson counties.

Increased water flow these days along the Pecos in the vicinity of Salt Creek has helped shore up the water supply on Salt Creek, stabilizing the environment for pupfish, said Charles Hart of the Texas A&M Extension Service.

Hart said a state program to eradicate salt cedars along the river is helping increase the water flow. Salt cedars are known to sap a water system, and also add salt to local aquifers.

The bad news, according to

Johnson, is that the pupfish have been breeding with sheepshead minnows, producing a hybrid minnow.

"Female pupfish prefer male sheepshead minnows," Johnson explained. "They find them more attractive than pupfish males."

Johnson said that because the pupfish don't live in the Pecos River, where most of the sheepshead minnows are, the problem hasn't reached a critical level — yet.

"The Salt Creek watershed is elevated to the point the sheepsheads can't get to the pupfish," Johnson said. "This isolation protects them."

To further isolate the pupfish population in the Salt Creek area, Johnson suggests that concrete barriers be placed in the waterways leading to the Pecos River.

He said the barriers would allow

water flow but block the sheepshead minnows from entering Salt Creek waters where the pupfish live.

Johnson said he has been working with pupfish at the Fort Worth Zoo for two years. The zoo maintains a stable population of its own Pecos pupfish, which Johnson said could be used to repopulate the native supply in the springs and marshes of Salt Creek if a fish kill were to occur.

Johnson said the Pecos pupfish looks like a silvery minnow, about an inch in length. The fish has a lifespan of two to three years.

Johnson and Hart traveled to the Mentone and Orla area recently as part of a tour of the Pecos River Ecosystem Project, hosted by the Texas Section of the Society for Range Management.

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Husband's Gender Confusion Leaves Wife In State Of Flux

DEAR ABBY: I am nearly 60 years old and have been married to "Peter" for more than 30 years. I am attractive and well-educated. I abandoned my career to raise our children, who are now grown. I also care for a young grandchild. Things have not always been great, but I figured you just work it out.

Peter recently confided to me that all his life he has secretly felt he should be a woman. He has become so troubled by this that he now sees a therapist who specializes in gender issues. He has also attended some support group meetings. I was devastated when he told me. I have also been seeing a therapist because I couldn't confide this to anyone. Peter is still looking for answers and does not know where this "feeling" will take him.

We are trying to be nice to each other, but that's about all there is left to our relationship. I have asked myself the proverbial question, "Would I be better off with or without him?" I cannot answer that. I am trying to function as normally as possible. But I feel like a zombie living from day to day, and I must decide soon how to deal with this.

Have you any ideas or information for me to consider?

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DEAR MISERABLE: Your feelings are understandable. While your husband is exploring his feminine side, you have been abandoned. Until he decides where this path will lead him, your wisest course of action would be to make no hasty decision.

Continue your own counseling. Access the Internet and

Dear Abby

Is written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips.

find a support group for women married to men who are transgendered. Visit the library. Books are available on the subject. The only thing you should not do is isolate yourself in the belief you are the only woman with this problem, because nothing could be further from the truth.

DEAR ABBY: Am I old-fashioned to expect a phone call in response to RSVPs on invitations I have sent? Whether it's a dinner party or backyard barbecue, I always accept or decline promptly.

In these modern times, does RSVP now mean: Call if you feel like it? Abby, would it be rude of me to call those who haven't replied and ask if they are coming?

DEAR TIRED: It's unfortunate that today many people interpret RSVP as meaning, "Call if you're going to come," rather than its correct meaning.

which is, "Please respond to this invitation with an acceptance or a refusal."

By all means call those who haven't replied to your invitation. It's the only way you will know how many guests to provide for.

DEAR ABBY: Here's another one you can add to your "You know you're getting older when..." file:

My 79-year-old mother has lived with my husband and me for 27 years. Yesterday a copy of AARP's Modern Maturity magazine arrived. I was preparing to put it in my mother's mail slot in the kitchen when I realized — it was addressed to me! Bummer!

TINA IN HARRISONBURG, VA.

DEAR TINA: Console yourself that it doesn't mean we're over the hill. We're just headed in that general direction.

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

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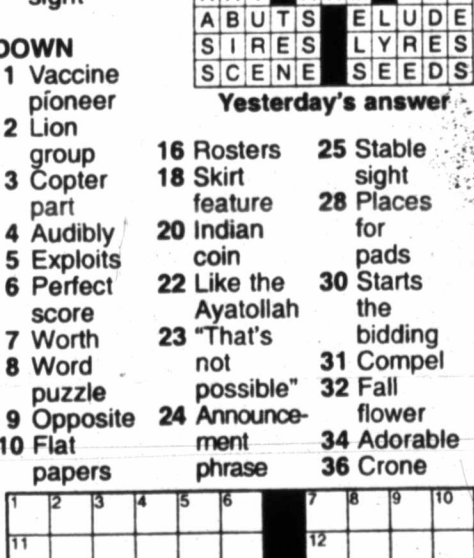
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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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YOU GAVE UP?

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SO WHERE DO WE KEEP THE TRASH BAGS?

PROBABLY IN THE TRASH BAGS.

Garfield

HAVEN'T WE MET SOMEWHERE BEFORE?

YES.

I WONDER IF THAT'S GOOD OR BAD.

SHE'S PICKING UP A ROCK!

Beetle Bailey

THIS ISN'T A VERY CHALLENGING COURSE, SIR.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

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OK, JOHNNY, DEFINE HISTORY.

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I'M WAITING...

IT KEEPS REPEATING ITSELF.

Hagar The Horrible

I WORRY ABOUT YOU WORKING SO HARD OUT THERE IN THE FIELD, HELGA...

WHY DON'T YOU TAKE A BREAK AND COME IN AND MAKE ME LUNCH?

Blondie

HEY, CHUCK, WHAT'S THIS ABOUT YOU QUITTING SCHOOL SO YOU CAN DEVOTE YOUR LIFE TO MAKING YOUR DOG HAPPY?

ASK HIM IF HE STILL LOVES ME.

MARCIE WANTS TO KNOW WHY YOU DON'T DEVOTE YOUR LIFE TO MAKING HER HAPPY?

THAT'S NOT WHAT I SAID, SIR!

YEAH, WELL, SHE'S WEIRD, CHUCK..

Mailard Filmore

Dear Mailard, why are you making fun of Berkeley in your comic strip?..

It is no different, politically, from lots of other elite universities. Sincerely, an angry alum

Dear Angry, that's exactly what I'm afraid of. Sincerely, Mailard

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Three Wallace brothers in top NASCAR rides

By JENNA FRYER
AP Sports Writer

ROCKINGHAM, N.C. (AP) — For most of their adult lives, Mike and Kenny Wallace watched with envy as their oldest brother became a NASCAR star.

They usually shared in his joy, but never his success. While Rusty Wallace became one of the top stock car drivers, his two siblings struggled in bad rides with low-budget teams.

Not anymore. For the first time, all the Wallace brothers are driving for top Winston Cup teams with an equal shot at victory Sunday in the Pop Secret Microwave 400.

"It's pretty neat because for a long time people have been saying my brothers couldn't drive," said 45-year-old Rusty. "Well, here they are in strong rides and they're proving they can drive the heck out of a car. It makes Sunday a little bit more special for us."

It wasn't how anyone planned it, but unusual circumstance have turned what started as miserable years for two of the Wallace brothers into the biggest chances of their careers.

Mike, 42, started the season driving for a low-level team that struggled to make races. When the results weren't there early, he was temporarily replaced in the car.

Kenny, meanwhile, went to the season-opening Daytona 500 in February without a sponsor, driving for a first-year team operating on a race-to-race basis. The sponsor finally came but the dollars only temporarily kept the shop doors open. It wasn't long before the team folded and 38-year-old Kenny was out of a job.

Just when things looked the worst, they got better.

Steve Park was injured in September in a crash during a Busch series race and Dale Earnhardt Inc. needed a fill-in driver while Park healed from his injuries. Kenny got the call and the chance to drive the No. 1 Chevrolet for the rest of the season.

Jeremy Mayfield was fired by Penske Racing at the beginning of October, and Mike didn't hesitate to leave his struggling team to take over Roger Penske's No. 12 Ford as a teammate to Rusty.

The fill-in jobs put Rusty's brothers in top-notch equipment and gave them the chance to run up front with him.

"It's unbelievable what a difference a strong team is," Mike said. "For the first time in a long time, when I give the car some gas, it moves. When I turn the steering wheel, it goes in the right direction. All of a sudden, I can prove I can drive a race car."

Mike did that last week, finishing a career-best second.

Kenny, meanwhile, has run well for DEI — all three of his top-10 finishes this season have come while he's been in Park's car.

After years of being considered the two Wallace brothers who couldn't drive, Kenny and Mike are suddenly proving their critics wrong.

"I think we've upset the apple cart," Kenny said. "People always want to say it's the driver, but the fact of the matter is that Jeremy Mayfield got out of that car and my brother is doing five times as good as Jeremy."

"It's really neat for drivers like Mike and myself who have never gotten in good race cars. When you get in a bad race car, people question your ability."

For years people were questioning the ability of the younger two brothers as Rusty won a Winston Cup championship and 54 races.

But they never got the chance Rusty was given. As the eldest son, most of the family resources went into his career as he started out on Midwest tracks. There was little money left over for Mike and none at all for Kenny, the youngest.

So Mike was on his own trying to make it and Kenny was forced to work on Rusty's cars, never even getting a chance to drive.

"We weren't wealthy, so I was encouraged to help Rusty with his career," Kenny said. "That was great and that was fine with me. I got to hang around Rusty and share in his success."

"But that wasn't good enough for Mike. He and Rusty were never that close, so Mike sort of went his separate way as he tried to find his ground."

Mike has finally found it, and as luck would have it, he's found it alongside Rusty. The relationship between Mike and Rusty is closer than it has ever been, enabling Rusty to finally find the teammate he never had in Mayfield.

"I really enjoy working with Mike and alongside him," Rusty said. "But it means more to me to just see him in a position to prove he has the talent I always knew he did."

Even though things couldn't be better right now for the three brothers, they are sure to be short-lived.

Kenny will be out of the DEI car when Park comes back and there's no guarantee Penske will continue to field the No. 12 next season. But if he does, Mike has as good a shot as anyone to land the full-time ride.

So there is little time for the Wallaces to enjoy the heady times right now. Mike and Kenny are instead keeping their foot on the gas and hoping for the best.

"Gosh, I'd like for things to work out for them," Rusty said. "Both their deals are temporary right now, but they've been driving the wheels off the last few weeks and that should open a bunch of doors for them."

On the net:
NASCAR: <http://www.nascar.com>

San Antonio hotels miffed at drained, muddy condition of River Walk

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Part of the charm of the 87-year-old Havana Riverwalk Inn lies in its location along the city's famed River Walk, but guests on the hotel's patio now see a drained, muddy canal and hear the clatter of construction crews.

For managers of the Havana and other hotels, construction along a stretch of the River Walk is another setback on top of a decline in tourism due to the slowing economy and fear of terrorism.

From Convent Street to Lexington Avenue, crews are making structural improvements to the walls that channel the San Antonio River through the downtown section of hotels, cafes and shops.

The \$10.8 million project is designed to reduce the threat of floods and make the riverside walk more attractive for tourists.

But hoteliers say the work is

annoying guests and driving business away. At the Havana, hotel employees responding to guest complaints have asked construction crews several times to quiet down for a few hours.

"We were hurt by that because we have so many outdoor events scheduled far in advance," said Theresa Greer, a spokeswoman for the Havana. "We were turning down business and the events could have been here."

Some meeting planners have scratched the nearby Adam's Mark hotel from their lists for events because of the work, said Sandy Montalvo, the hotel's sales director.

Steve Graham, the San Antonio River Authority's technical and projects manager, said the river channel was in dire need of repairs. Major work was last done in the 1940s, and the current repairs should last 50 years, he said.

Grand opening!



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Terrorist attacks could influence debate over Mexican trucks in U.S.

By SUZANNE GAMBOA
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush wants to open more U.S. highways to Mexican trucks in January, but that could be a tougher sell now that law enforcement wants to tighten security on the border.

The Teamsters union, which represents American truckers, said the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks reinforce the need to ensure vehicles are thoroughly checked at the border and meet U.S. safety requirements.

"We believe that senators and members of Congress and the president will be more in tune with some of the concerns that we've been stating since 1993, and that the tragic events just bring greater attention onto letting trucks cross the border without anybody looking at them," Teamsters spokesman Bret Caldwell said.

Even before Sept. 11, Bush faced opposition on the issue,

which Mexican President Vicente Fox has said is key to U.S.-Mexican relations. The House passed an outright ban on Mexican trucks, citing safety concerns, while the Senate in August passed a measure calling for strict safety regulations and more truck inspectors at the border. Bush opposed both bills.

The House and Senate soon will begin work on a compromise. Bush has threatened a veto if the final version delays opening more roads to the trucks.

The 1993 North American Free Trade Agreement among the United States, Mexico and Canada called for allowing Mexican trucks to travel throughout the United States by Jan. 1, 2000, but opposition from unions and safety groups kept that from happening. Currently trucks from Mexico are restricted to a commercial zone along the border.

The Bush administration's plan would permit Mexican companies that say they comply with U.S. safety standards to operate

in the country for 18 months while their claims are verified.

"In light of what happened Sept. 11, it seems even more foolhardy to do that," said Jackie Gillan, vice president of Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety.

About 5,000 people die each year in truck accidents, she said, noting the figure is about the same as the number of victims of the terrorist attacks.

Sen. Patty Murray, D-Wash., sponsored the Senate bill with Sen. Richard Shelby, R-Ala. Murray said the terrorist attacks have increased Americans' concerns about border safety, and that puts her and her allies in the driver's seat for negotiations.

"Immigration and customs are now conducting more aggressive checks of everyone crossing the border," she said. Tighter restrictions on Mexican "will be a companion to that."

Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, favors Bush's plan. He doesn't believe the terrorist attacks should have any influence on the issue.

"This has nothing to do with security," Gramm said. "Anyone who tries to tie these two together is engaged in piracy, and is profiting from misery."

Government investigators have said for years that Mexican trucks are less safe than American trucks. About 36 percent of Mexican trucks inspected last year were taken out of service, compared to about 25 percent of

U.S. trucks.

Those who favor opening more U.S. highways to the trucks say the failure rates are based on vehicles that operate only in the commercial border zone. They say carriers will have to use safer and better trucks for longer trips.

Since the attacks, the federal government has intensified inspections at the Mexican and Canadian borders. Lines are longer and traffic has slowed as inspectors check vehicles more closely.

However, Customs Service inspectors are not trained to look for safety problems. In Texas, where most of the Mexican truck traffic occurs, safety inspections continue to be random, said Tom Vinger, Department of Public Safety spokesman.

Gillan said the attacks should inspire Congress not only to pass the Murray-Shelby proposals, but to tighten regulations for Mexican truck drivers who will be entering the country with hazardous materials. At least one of the witnesses being sought in the terrorist attacks was licensed to haul hazardous materials, officials say.

On the Net:
American Trucking Associations: <http://www.truckingline.com/>
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Nation's jobless rate goes up to 5.4 percent

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's unemployment rate shot up to 5.4 percent in October and job losses surged to the highest level in more than two decades as the full brunt of the terrorist attacks hit an already weak economy.

Economists said there was no longer any doubt that the country was in recession and warned that it could be deep and long.

"We are clearly in the throes of a nasty recession," said Bill Cheney, chief economist with John Hancock Financial Services.

Job losses touched every part of the economy, not just airlines, hotels, restaurants and other travel-dependent industries, the Labor Department reported.

The surprise? "The magnitude of the declines and how broad-based they were," said Mark Zandi of Economy.com. "It was pretty clear the report was going to be bad, but this was beyond bad in every way."

Businesses slashed 415,000 jobs in October, the worst monthly cut in payrolls since May 1980. Those widespread job losses catapulted the unemployment rate from 4.9 percent in September to 5.4 percent last month — the highest since December 1996.

"It's not good news for America," President Bush said, urging the Senate to quickly pass an economic revival package. He said the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks had not only taken thousands of lives but had also "threatened the livelihoods of thousands of American workers."

On Capitol Hill, Republicans and Democrats both seized on the new jobless figures to push their own plans to jump-start the economy. Despite Bush's demand for a stimulus plan by Nov. 30, it remains unclear how both sides will resolve their differences over tax cuts versus increased spending to help

unemployed workers.

Since October 2000, businesses have cut 2.2 million jobs and the unemployment rate has risen 1.5 percentage points.

Economists still hope for a recovery in the first part of next year and anticipate a 10th interest rate cut this year when the Federal Reserve meets Tuesday. Christmas may not bring good cheer to the economy. Retailers, who typically start adding jobs for the holidays in October, instead cut 81,000 jobs, marking their third-straight month of layoffs.

"Christmas could be a complete washout, and that would be very hard on the economy headed into next year," Zandi said. Consumer spending accounts for two-thirds of the nation's economic activity and has been keeping the economy afloat.

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Straight-talking psychologist's son advising teens

By MARTHA IRVINE
AP National Writer

DALLAS (AP) — Jay McGraw is the first to admit that, as a teen-ager, he drove his parents nuts.

"I was a horrible student," he says. "I loved playing basketball, and I focused on that — religiously."

Turns out, all those years as a jock and a slacker were the perfect training for something after all. At age 22, he is a best-selling author who writes about the pitfalls of teen life and how to get past them. His second book, "Closing the Gap: A Strategy for Reconnecting Parents and Teens," is set for release the week of Nov. 12.

More honest peer than high-handed guru, McGraw knows something about success. He graduated from the University of Texas with honors in just three years and is now a first-year law student at Southern Methodist University in Dallas.

Not that it's been as easy as simply sitting down and banging out a book or two about life.

The young author also has connections — and a mentor. His father is Phil McGraw, a psychologist and best-selling author who dishes out "tell-it-like-it-is" advice on "The Oprah Winfrey Show." The brash Texan, known to his fans as "Dr. Phil," broke into publishing with his book of "Life Strategies," a no-nonsense guide to life for adults.

But when the elder McGraw's publisher suggested he retool the book for teens, Jay had a few blunt words of his own.

"The old boy hasn't seen hair in 30 years!" he exclaimed at his father's brainstorming meeting with Simon & Schuster two years ago. Eventually, he convinced them that he would have a better chance of holding teens' attention than his balding father would.

"Many parents mistakenly believe that they have to run their households like a bootcamp for delinquent teens," he writes. "It didn't work for the Great Santini and it won't work for you. When you become Master Sgts. Dad and Mom, you destroy any emotional connection. Teens need that connection, even when they don't admit they need it. And so do you."

He may have been right. His first book, "Life Strategies for Teens," now has more than 485,000 copies in print, according to Chris Lloreda, vice president and associate publisher of Simon & Schuster trade paperbacks. It also spent a combined 13 weeks on The New York Times children's best-seller list this year and last and, at its highest point, hit No. 4.

"The appeal of a young author is that someone ... close in age better understands ... and can communicate more effectively," Lloreda says.

Jay says the ideas in both his books are not "rocket science."

"We're not trying to kid anyone here. It's all commonsense stuff," he says, shrugging.

Nor are they all his own. The key, he says, has been taking his father's advice for adults — including the overarching idea that "you create your own experience" — and presenting it with an edge that avoids "the same old Brady Bunch, Beaver Cleaver, goody-two-shoes" stuff.

Consider his take on sex from the first book.

"A friend of mine has a T-shirt that says: 'Love is fickle, it goes away; But HERPES is here to stay!' On the back it says: 'And AIDS will ... kill you!'" Jay writes in "Life Strategies for Teens."

Bottom line: You can't wash that stuff off! There's no pill you can take and no 'oops!' or 'do-overs' here.

The straightforward style earned him praise from young people, including reviewers at Kidsday, part of the Newsday newspaper based on Long Island in Melville, N.Y.

"As a kid, it is your duty to own the book," the young reviewers wrote in a joint column.

In his second book, Jay zeros in on the teen-parent relationship, offering as much advice for parents as he does teens.

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While the second book also borrows from his father's work, Jay says that this time he did more of his own research, spending time on the road interviewing teens and parents to gain his own fresh insights.

He also drew on his relationship with his own father, who agrees that Jay wasn't the most motivated of teens.

"If he couldn't eat it, date it or bounce it, he wasn't interested," says the elder McGraw, who can now chuckle about his son's teen years.

Even now, a basketball can sometimes be heard bouncing on the concrete floor in Jay's Dallas apartment, just minutes from the home where he grew up. But more often than drib-

bling, he is cracking a book these days.

"You screw up college, you screw up your life," says Jay, who is getting his law degree with an eye on joining his father's litigation consulting firm, Courtroom Sciences Inc.

Besides law school — and writing books during his summers off — Jay also manages a full schedule of speaking engagements with his father and tapings with TV talk show host Montel Williams. He also has appeared on such shows as "Politically Incorrect" and MTV's "Loveline." And he writes a monthly column for CosmoGIRL! magazine.

The schedule can take its toll, evidenced by his tired eyes and raspy voice after attending week-end speaking engagements in Des Moines and Wichita, Kan.

"I am seriously hurting," he says as his 14-year-old brother, Jordan, tosses him a bottle of water to help him clear his throat.

Though his father helped him open doors, Jay stresses that he wants to be his own person — hence his decision, for example, to "earn my own way on Montel" instead of "Oprah." His father, whose own TV show is scheduled to debut next fall, also notes that his sometimes "hardheaded" eldest son doesn't take every suggestion he makes for changes in his books.

Jay also hasn't let up on the comments about his dad's lack of hair.

"Out in the world I'm 'tell-it-like-it-is' Phil," the elder McGraw says. "At home, I'm 'hear-how-it-is' Phil. I get no respect around here."

Jay says it's all in good fun and part of a tight-knit relationship that is stronger than it ever was.

"These days, we get along better than you would believe," Jay says. "People say, 'Yeah, right.' But it's true."

On the Net: <http://www.jaymcgraw.com>

West Texas A&M Old Main Society to induct seven new members

CANYON — Membership in West Texas A&M University's donor-recognition society will increase by seven during a formal induction ceremony Saturday, Nov. 10 on the WTAMU campus.

The Old Main Society was established in 1998 to recognize individuals, organizations and corporations that have given lifetime contributions of \$50,000 or more to support the students and mission of West Texas A&M.

The ceremony will begin with an unveiling of portraits and plaques at 7 p.m. in the foyer of Old Main. Dinner for invited guests will follow.

"The Old Main Society serves as a way for the University and the WTAMU Foundation to recognize the generosity of this special group of donors and their continued impact on WTAMU and its students," Pat Hill Cathcart, executive director of development, said. "The permanent display honoring them in the foyer of Old Main provides a visible reminder of their gifts through scholarships, facilities and programs at the University."

In a time of growing needs, private donors are crucial to the vitality of the University, Cathcart said. Contributions from Old Main Society donors endow scholarships and provide financial assistance to students, enhance instructional programs, provide faculty development opportunities and awards for outstanding teaching, and assist in the construction and enhancement of campus facilities.

New members whose contributions have reached the Bronze Level (\$50,000-\$250,000) are:

- The Amarillo Globe-News—The Globe-News has been a longtime provider of unrestricted gifts to WTAMU's Buffalo Club, an athletic support organization, and the President's Circle, a fund designated to meet the most urgent needs of the University and its students.

- The Amos N. Molyneux Trust—The late Amos N. Molyneux worked in farming, real estate and insurance businesses, mostly in Randall and Sherman counties. The Trust in his name has benefited the

University in many ways, including matching funds for undergraduate scholarships and for establishment of the annual-fund call center on campus. The Trust also established the Molyneux Leadership Scholarship to benefit promising freshmen from the Panhandle area.

- Bill and Joyce Attebury—The Amarillo couple established the Arnold Gentry Attebury and Vivian Dunn Attebury Scholarship in Education in honor and memory of Bill's parents. They have also extended financial support to scholarships in journalism, fine arts and speech. Additionally, the Atteburys have been generous with unrestricted gifts that help meet pressing needs of the University.

- HealthSouth Rehabilitation Centers of Amarillo—A longtime contributor to WTAMU athletic booster clubs, HealthSouth each year sponsors two graduate assistant athletic trainers who provide athletic training services to WTAMU student athletes and to local and area high schools that do not have licensed athletic trainers.

- Dr. C. Travis McBride—Named Professor Emeriti in 1992 after a long and distinguished career in WTAMU's political science department (1957-1991), Dr. McBride continues to support the University today. Before his retirement, he established the Travis McBride Political Science Scholarship, an endowment to which he still contributes.

- Panhandle Sports Medicine Institute—Since the 1980s, Panhandle Sports Medicine Institute has provided team physicians for all WTAMU sports and scholarship funding for one WTAMU graduate assistant athletic trainer each year.

For more information about the WTAMU Foundation or the Old Main Society, contact Cathcart at 806-651-2066.

One contributor will be inducted into the Silver Level (\$251,000-\$500,000).

- The Mary E. Bivins Foundation—The Bivins Foundation in 1994 established the Mary E. Bivins Memorial Scholarship in Nursing at WTAMU, and in 2000 they continued their commitment to nursing and

WTAMU by endowing the Division of Nursing's Bivins Nursing Learning Center on campus. Income from the endowment will ensure that equipment and facilities at the Center remain "state-of-the-art."

For more information about the WTAMU Foundation or the Old Main Society, contact Cathcart at 806-651-2066.

Former Harvester rising star in world of high finance

Even in these days of a roller coaster stock market, a Pampa High School alumnus remains a rising star in the world of high finance.

Alvin Murgai, a 1986 PHS graduate and son of Pampans Mike and V.J. Murgai, continues to receive national recognition for his innovative investment strategies.

Currently serving as assistant vice president and resident manager of the U.S. and Private Client Group for Merrill Lynch's North Houston office, Murgai has consistently been ranked among the top-producing financial consultants for both Merrill Lynch, the number one investment firm in the world, and his former employer, Fidelity Investments.

He was recently honored by the Texas Tech University College of Human Sciences as "New Achiever" for 2001 and also serves on Tech's Deans Advisory Council.

Murgai graduated from Texas Tech University in Lubbock in 1990 with a bachelor's degree in family financial planning.

As a Merrill Lynch manager, he supervises 25 other financial consultants while maintaining his own clientele. His strategies have proven so successful that he was asked to develop a series of teaching videos used to train other Merrill Lynch financial planners.

He and his wife Dalal were married in Santorini, Greece in 1999. Their first child, Braison, was born in June.

Murgai volunteers with a philanthropic group that works



Alvin Murgai

with child victims of fire and "Challenge Air," a Houston organization that organizes airplane rides for disabled children. He is also a member of the Houston chapter of the CEO Network and the American Association of Individual Investors. His wife is manager of quality assurance and regulatory affairs with Aggenix Inc. in Houston, a pharmaceutical company.

In addition to the "New Achiever Award," Murgai's most recent professional awards include the Merrill Lynch Winners Circle Award 2000, the Charles E. Merrill Club Award 2000, the Merrill Lynch Financial Planning Award 1999, and was designated as Merrill Lynch 5th ranked Financial Consultant in Masters Points 1999.



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