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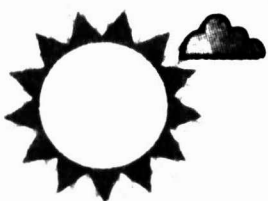
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Grand jury meets in special session
Today marks the second of a two-day session of the Gray County Grand Jury being held to expedite a number of cases in the hands of the office of 31st District Attorney Rick Roach. The grand jury is meeting in the Hughes Building.
Roach said recently the additional meeting of the grand jury was required due to the volume of routine cases that needed to be addressed. For the same reason, he said another grand jury session may be held soon.

Tax office closes for reception Feb. 21
Gray County Tax Assessor's office, located in the Hughes Building, will close at noon on Thursday, Feb. 21.
A retirement reception will be held from 2-5 p.m. Thursday to honor longtime tax office employee in the temporary Gray County Courtroom located at 315 N. Ballard. Heil, a 42 year employee in the county tax office, is retiring.
Tax Assessor Sammie Morris said the tax office will be closed all afternoon to allow the employees to be at the reception.
The public is encouraged to attend the come-and-go reception.

DEATHS
Thomas N. Bates, 77, services pending.
Claudia 'Pearl' Barber Parker, 87, homemaker.
Grace Jane Wiens, 85, school teacher.

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Two retire after four decades



Alicia Heil, 42 years
Gray County Tax Office

By NANCY YOUNG
MANAGING EDITOR
Not many people stay in the same job 40 years or more, but two women in Pampa have. Ironically, both are retiring this week but from different offices.
Alicia Heil is retiring from the Gray County Tax Assessor/Collector's Office after 42 years while Berdena Richardson is completing 40 years of service at Duncan, Fraser & Bridges Insurance Agency.
Heil has seen many changes since she first went to work as a part time employee in the Gray County Tax Office on Feb. 10, 1960. She said she had been laid off at her previous job at the former Tom Rose Motors after working there a year.
One of her neighbors was working

in the tax office and told her boss, then tax assessor Jack Back, that Heil was looking for a job. She said he called her and told her he had a part time position if she wanted it.
Her part time job was to write out poll tax receipts. A poll tax was the charge assessed people to register to vote.
"It was \$1.75 fee per voter," said Heil. The U.S. Supreme Court struck down the poll tax fee in 1964, ruling that people could not be required to pay a fee to vote in elections.
After about six months, she said Back offered her a permanent position and she has been there since then.
During her first years in the tax office, Heil said all the employees performed all the tasks.
"In those days, we all did every-



Berdena Richardson, 40 years
Duncan, Fraser, Bridges

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Pampa teachers do most of grading

By KATE B. DICKSON
ASSOCIATE PUBLISHER
Pampa teachers are expected to continue to grade the majority of their students' work, say two PISD principals, even though the U.S. Supreme court ruled that students may grade one another's papers in class without violating a 1974 privacy law.
In a 9-0 ruling Tuesday, the high court upheld the common schoolroom practice of having students swap homework, quizzes or other schoolwork and then correct one another's

'We really believe the student has a right to privacy ... a right not to be embarrassed.'
- Cay Warner, Lamar Elementary principal
work as the teacher goes over it aloud. In some cases, the teacher then has students call out the results and the teacher records them.
Both Lamar Elementary principal Cay Warner and Pampa Middle School principal Tim Powers say while students may assist in checking daily mat-

embarrassed. If it's related to grades, we believe it is the teacher's professional duty" to grade the papers.
The 9-0 ruling came in the case of a learning-disabled Owasso, Okla., boy whose classmates ridiculed his scores by calling him a "dummy" when the grades were read aloud, the boy's mother, Kristja Falvo, said in her suit.
The suit challenged the practice as embarrassing and a violation of a federal law protecting the privacy of student education records, such as a transcript.
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JP candidates relate abilities

By NANCY YOUNG
MANAGING EDITOR
Justice of the Peace positions are on the ballot in the Republican primary March 12. Two of the three positions are contested.
Precinct 1 and 3 Justice of the Peace Joe Martinez is currently holding that position.
Appointed by the Gray County Commission a year ago to fill the unexpired term of longtime JP Bob Muns, he is seeking the position at the polls for the first time.
He is being challenged by Rusty Horton.
Martinez told the group at the Top O' Texas Republic Women's political forum this week that he wants to continue in the JP position.

"Just about a year ago I recognized an opportunity to participate in county government," said Martinez. "Since then I have come to learn that this endeavor has become for me a vocation."
Citing his past work experience as a banker, he said he targeted his energy to taking care of people in the marketplace.
"The law, which I have always admired despite its shortcomings, is necessary if we as people are to attempt achieving justice," he said.
Martinez was selected by the county commission from a field of eight applicants, he said.
He said the Pampa City Commission selected him in
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An example of Jean Weeks' watercolor paintings.

Renowned watercolorist to present workshop here

By NANCY YOUNG
MANAGING EDITOR
Experienced and beginning artists will have the opportunity to study watercolors under a well-known award winning artist in Pampa next week.
There are still a few openings available for local painters for the workshop sponsored by the Pampa Fine Arts Association.
Jean Weeks of Bay City will be holding a three-day watercolor workshop Feb. 25-27 at Lovett Memorial Library in Pampa.
Wife of a former Pampa resident, Preston Weeks, Jean Weeks was born and raised on a remote West Texas ranch. She began her art studies at an early age.
Over the last 20 years, she has won many awards, including the Texas Fine Arts Association Award, the Texas Region 10 Best of Show, the Annual State Citation and the Grumbacher Award.
She was also granted permission by the French conservators of Claude Monet's home, to paint in the master impressionist's now famous water garden—an honor reserved for artists of only the highest order.
Weeks is recognized as a prolific painter. She paints in the studio her husband built for

her at their home in the Gulf Coast area of Texas.
She also is recognized for her watercolors with their subtle interplay of color and tone which gives them her trademark dreamlike qualities as well as her oils with their bolder, rich and vibrant colors.
"I begin with an idea, sometimes a drawing," said Weeks. "I begin abstractly, letting the colors flow as they will, trying for a beautiful wash of color. As I paint, I bring the painting up a little more realistically, but usually stopping just short of that to leave the viewer with a little bit of mystery. My colors and paintings are usually light, airy, impressionistic and just a bit unreal."
Color selection creates much of the effect Weeks achieves on the canvas. She chooses vibrant and full colors.
Extensive world travel has given her many ideas for her painting. In one painting she may recall the vibrant activity of a street scene she saw in Venice, flowers from an English garden in the next, children at play in a French schoolyard, or colorfully dressed women in the Caribbean.
"People and places from these travels are always turning up unexpectedly," she said.
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OBITUARIES

SERVICES TOMORROW

WIENS, Grace Jane — 2 p.m., First United Methodist Church, Pampa.

GRACE JANE WIENS
1916-2002

Grace Jane Wiens, 85, of Pampa, died Tuesday, Feb. 19, 2002. Services will be at 2 p.m., Thursday in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Todd Dyess officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Wiens was born Aug. 9, 1916, at Independence, Kan. She received a bachelor of science degree in education from Southwestern College in Winfield, Kan. She married Edward K. Wiens on Dec. 6, 1941, at Bartlesville, Okla. She had been a Pampa resident since 1958, moving from Ulysses, Kan.

She taught Latin and English through Pampa Independent School District for 25 years.

She was a member of First United Methodist Church, United Methodist Women, Pampa Classroom Teachers Association, Pampa Retired Teacher Association, AARP, Friends of the Library and formerly belonged to Delta Kappa Gamma Sorority.

Survivors include her husband, Edward K. Wiens, of the home; two daughters, Sue Bell of Amarillo and Virginia Dewey of Pampa; a brother, George Roth of Oklahoma City, Okla.; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1981, Pampa, TX 79066-1981; or to Alzheimer's Association, Panhandle chapter, 2200 W. 7th, Amarillo, TX 79106.



THOMAS N. BATES

Thomas N. Bates, 77, of Pampa, died Monday, Feb. 18, 2002. Services are pending with Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors of Amarillo.

CLAUDIA 'PEARL' BARBER PARKER
1914-2002

Claudia "Pearl" Barber Parker, 87, of Pampa, died Monday, Feb. 18, 2002, at Round Rock, Texas. Services will be at 10 a.m., Friday at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Rick Parnell, associate pastor of the Central Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Parker was born on March 7, 1914, on the Spade Ranch in Colorado City, Texas, to James Sanders Barber and Ella Browne Barber. She had been a resident of Pampa since the early 1940s before moving in May 1999, to reside at "The Pointe at Cedar Park" for the remainder of her life, making lots of additional friends and extended family whom were dearly loved by her and her family.

She married Manuel Forest Parker on

June 1, 1948, in Pampa. He preceded her in death on Nov. 24, 1993.

She was a homemaker and a member of the Central Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents; seven brothers; and a sister.

Survivors include four children, Richard Laphon Chance and wife Rose Marie of Ardmore, Okla., Cheryl Chance Patrick and husband Phillip Dale of Cedar Park, Joan Chance Terrell and husband Merle, formerly of Pampa, now of Whitney, and Rosella Chance Stout and husband, Hollis, formerly of Pampa, now of Poolville; a close friend, Jackie Cain of Pampa; 12 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews and other friends.

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

ON RECORD

ACCIDENTS

The Pampa Police Department filed the following accident reports.

Tuesday, Feb. 19

No charges were filed and no injuries reported in an accident in the 2700 block of North Cherokee when a 2000 Ford pickup driven by Stuart Wayne Stoffle, 41, 2412 Navajo, backed up and into a 2000 Chevrolet Camero driven by Haley Nichole Rex, 20, 2611 Dogwood.

Donna McMinn Miller, 47, 508 Hazel, was cited for failure to yield the right of way and no insurance when the 1994 Chevrolet Cavalier she was driving at the intersection of West Browning and North Ward stuck a 2002 Pontiac Aztec driven by Michael W. Kirkpatrick, 39, 1529 Williston. A passenger in the Miller auto, Shelby Miller, 3, 508 Hazel, was taken to Pampa Regional Medical Center where he was treated and released.

AMBULANCE

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

Monday, Feb. 19

7:12 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing center and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC).

8:20 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 700 block of North Dwight and transported one to PRMC.

8:33 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Browning and Ward on a motor vehicle accident and transported one to PRMC.

9:34 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 2100 block of North Faulkner; no transport.

2:14 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of East Kingsmill and transported one to PRMC.

FIRE

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

Tuesday, Feb. 19

7:18 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 1500 block of West Kentucky.

8:26 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 700 block of North Dwight.

8:40 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a motor vehicle collision at Browning and Ward streets. Two injuries were reported at the scene.

11:40 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a hazardous material spill at Taylor Mart, U.S. Highway 60 West. Approximately 20-25 gallons of diesel fuel was spilled. A City of Pampa sand truck was called to spread approximately two yards of sand over the spill.

5:29 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a report of a natural gas leak in the 1000 block of South Banks. No leak was found.

8:06 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a request for lifting assistance in the 400 block of Pitts.

10:11 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center on a request for lifting assistance.

SHERIFF

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

Tuesday, Feb. 19

Robert Wallace, 57, Oklahoma City, was arrested by the DPS for driving while intoxicated and an open container.

Benito Rodriguez, 23, Canadian, arrested on Hemphill County warrants for theft by check and issuance of a bad check.

STOCKS

The following grain quotations are provided by Anebury Grain of Pampa:

Wheat	2.39	VLO	43.79	-0.27
Milo	3.28	Halliburton	15.76	-0.14
Corn	3.50	Trad Hospitals	19.43	+0.37
Soybeans	3.54	NOI	19.43	+0.37
Limited	17.80	KMI	49.55	-0.08
Williams	16.70	XCEL	22.71	-0.54
McDonald's	26.50	Kerr McGee	53.14	-0.07
Exxon Mobil	38.65	Atmos	22.17	+0.10
Occidental	25.19	Phonex Nat.	18.41	+0.38
Fidelity Mageln	97.06	Penney's	22.17	+0.46
Puritan	17.26	Phillips	56.21	-0.16
BP	48.07	SLB	54.67	-0.42
Celanese	19.04	Tenneco	2.02	-0.05
Cabot Corp.	33.27	CVX	80.95	-0.70
Cabot Oil Gas	18.99	Wal-Mart	59.30	+0.01
Coca Cola	45.91	OKE	18.00	-0.05
		New York Gold	293.00	
		Silver	4.53	
		West Texas Crude	20.88	

The following stock prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:

POLICE

Pampa Police Department made the following arrest and reported the following incidents in the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Monday, Feb. 18

Indecency with a 10-year-old child was reported in the 1100 block of South Nelson.

A puppy valued at \$1,000 was reported stolen in the 700 block of North Sloan.

Tuesday, Feb. 19

An assault was reported at Big Country Tire, 2225 N. Hobart.

An assault was reported in the 2100 block of

North Faulkner in which the victim suffered bruises.

Indecency with a 14-year-old child was reported. Location of the crime was not released. A lost wallet was reported.

A missing 18-year-old woman was reported. Police do not suspect foul play.

Cruelty to animals was reported in the 2200 block of North Nelson where a dog was shot with a pellet gun.

Melody Ann Feil, 2116 N. Zimmers, was arrested on a warrant for issuance of a bad check.

WEATHER FOCUS

PAMPA

Today, mostly sunny. Highs around 62. West to northwest winds 5 to 15 mph. Tonight, mostly clear. Lows near 32. North winds 10 to 20 mph with gusts to 25 mph. Thursday, sunny and breezy. Highs around 55. North winds 15 to 25 mph with gusts to 35 mph. Thursday night, mostly clear. Lows near 26. Friday, mostly sunny. Highs around 64. Friday evening, partly cloudy. Saturday, partly cloudy. Lows in the middle 30s. Highs in the lower 70s. Sunday, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 20s. Highs in the lower 60s. Monday, mostly cloudy and colder. Lows in the upper 20s. Highs around 50. Tuesday, cloudy. Lows in the middle 20s. Highs in the lower 40s.

STATEWIDE

Fog and low cloudiness developed along the Texas Gulf coast early Wednesday in the wake of a cold front, while mostly clear skies prevailed elsewhere.

Mid- to high-level cloudiness lingered in

Southeast Texas just behind the retreating cold front.

Winds across the state were generally westerly and southwesterly at 5 to 15 mph under the influence of a weak high-pressure system.

Early-morning temperatures ranged from upper 20s in the panhandle to mid-60s in the far south.

Extremes were 27 degrees at Marfa and 65 in Brownsville.

Other readings included 44 at Fort Stockton and Dryden.

With the high pressure settling in, mostly clear skies were expected through Thursday with breezy winds.

Daytime highs should range from the 60s and 70s, with some 50s in the extreme north and mountains.

Lows overnight were expected in the 30s with a few 20s and 40s.

Slightly cooler temperatures were forecast for Thursday. Highs should range from near 50 degrees in the extreme north to the 60s across much of the region, and the upper 70s along the Big Bend and Rio Grande.

Bush hopes for better life for North Koreans

By SANDRA SOBIERAJ
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

PANMUJOM, Korea (AP) — President Bush saw the unfulfilled hope of a trans-Korean railway that dead ends in dirt and said his wish is to see the "evil" communist North give its people a better life by reuniting with the free South.

Bush also said the United States has "no intention of attacking North Korea," as he tried Wednesday to assuage the anxiety many peace-seeking South Koreans felt when, in his State of the Union address last month, he provocatively labeled North Korea, Iran and Iraq "an axis of evil."

At a gleaming train station just 200 yards from the hostile Demilitarized Zone separating North and South Korea, Bush expressed a peaceful vision:

"I see a peninsula that is one day united in commerce and cooperation, instead of divided by barbed wire and fear."

As South Korean President Kim Dae-jung showed Bush the dormant Dorasan Station, they could hear the North's propaganda music blaring from unseen guard posts opposite a fence of curled razor wire.

Bush condemned the repression that music symbolized. "Korean children should never starve while a massive army is fed. No nation should be a prison for its own people," he said.

Bush had just come from Observation Post Ouellette, where he peered across razor wire and land mine fields into the North and reiterated his belief that it is "evil."

North Korea fired back, accusing Bush of war mongering. Korean Central Radio, a North Korean government

mouthpiece, said the president's address "exposed a reckless plot trying to attack militarily on our side."

About 13 hours before Bush arrived at the hilltop post jointly manned by U.S. and South Korean troops, a North Korean soldier walked into the southern sector of the DMZ under cover of darkness and defected.

In South Korea, hundreds of anti-U.S. activists fought riot police in downtown Seoul after police tried to stop them from burning an American flag. Ambulances took away several injured activists.

The Dorasan Station and railway, a \$150 million project completed by the South just this month, goes nowhere because the North's government has not begun construction on its end. The rival states agreed at a June 2000 summit to reconnect their people by rail and highway.

Bush called on North

Korean leader Kim Jong Il to hold up his end of the bargain.

If Koreans could freely cross into the South, Bush said, they "would see not a threat, but a miracle of peaceful development... They would see a great and hopeful alternative to stagnation and starvation."

The North has steadily escalated military spending — deploying more than 1 million troops and tens of thousands of artillery systems and rocket launchers to the "no man's land" of the DMZ — at the expense of nutrition, health, housing, transportation and other badly needed domestic programs.

Heading into this two-day visit, his first ever to the peninsula, Bush hoped to square his "axis of evil" doctrine with the "sunshine policy" of Kim, who has tried reaching out to North Korea in hopes of easing tensions.

City Briefs

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MEALS ON Wheels Gar. Sale. Collections begin Mon. Feb. 25th, 2-4 p.m. Corner of Frost & Cook St. Sale begins Mon. March 4th, 2-5 p.m.

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thing," she said.

In today's office, employees are specialized in the area they handle.

Collecting property taxes, voter registration, and car registration are the primary functions of the tax office. She has been working in the property taxes area for many years.

In past years, said Heil the tax office employees also collected the liquor license.

"Years ago all the car registrations became due on April 1," said Heil. "License plates were issued to all car owners, and there would be long lines for people to get their license plates which had to be changed each year."

At that time receipts had the number of the license plate pre-printed and attached to the license plates. She said when the state changed their procedure going to just the stickers it was much easier. Now, the plates are only replaced in seven year intervals.

Computers have caused many changes in the office. Manually typing delinquent tax rolls on large paper was common then before the advent of computers.

Lists of all qualified county voters were manually typed, and copies mimeographed.

Heil recalled some exciting times such as when a bomb threat several years ago caused the courthouse to be evacuated and in 1995 when local residents raced to the historical building for shelter when the tornado struck Pampa.

Heil said the tax office was always located on the bottom floor of the Gray County Courthouse until the employees were moved out to temporary quarters during the restoration of the facility.

She is looking forward to retirement. She has many projects planned, but she wants to fish and travel to locations she has never seen.

"I need to do some things around the house, but the fishing comes first," she said.

She said she will miss all the women she works with and seeing the friends she has made at the office through the years. "I've made many friends with the public," she said. "You get to know them real well through the years."

A reception honoring her will be held from 2-5 p.m. Thursday at the temporary Gray County Courtroom located at 315 N. Ballard. The public is invited.

Richardson is being honored at an open house on Friday, Feb. 22, from 2-4 p.m. at Duncan, Fraser & Bridges Insurance Agency, Inc., 117 E. Kingsmill.

She has been involved in the insurance business for 40 years. She currently serves as assistant vice president for the agency, head of the accounting department, and personnel manager.

Richardson was previously with Pampa Insurance Agency as vice president and agency manager prior to a merger with Duncan Insurance Agency and Fraser Insurance Agency.

She began her career in 1958 as an underwriter trainee.

Over the years she worked her way up in the organization and its successors to be the agency manager. She took time off to raise two children, Angie and Todd. Angie lives in Pampa and Todd lives in Austin.

She is married to James Richardson who recently retired from Celanese. He is co-director of the Good Samaritan House while Berdena is active in the Opti-Mrs. Club. The couple are active members of the First United Methodist Church.

In retirement, they plan to travel and be more involved in their four grandchildren's activities.

One granddaughter, Payton, is a freshman at Pampa High School. Jake, 9, Will, 7, and Kristen, 2, all live in Austin.

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WORKSHOP

"For instance, two women I once saw strolling under their umbrellas in Jamaica have popped up in several paintings."

She said she strives for a blend of realism and mystery to suggest memories of places people have been, or wish they have been.

"Having always been a dreamer myself, I like to convey that," she said.

Weeks conducts classes in her studio and is a popular workshop instructor.

Her paintings and fine art reproductions are marketed across the United States and fourteen

foreign countries.

"What's really exciting for me," she says, "is to run across one of my prints in a shop in London or Paris!"

Weeks will be the guest of Joe and Sandra Mullenax during her stay in Pampa.

Her paintings will be on display in the classroom at the Lovett Memorial Library for the public to enjoy.

Anyone interested in taking the class, Feb. 25-27, may go by the Pampa Fine Arts Association office in the Pampa Community Building on Ballard or call 665-0343 between 9 a.m. and 12 noon through Friday.

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GRADING

Teachers' and administrators' groups welcomed the ruling, saying it keeps such decisions local, as they should be, the Associated Press said.

"Schools and teachers and families can work these issues out," said David Strom, counsel for the American Federation of Teachers. "There's a way for a parent to request special handling for their children."

The National PTA didn't take a position on the topic.

At PMS, "it isn't the normal rule for students to grade papers but I won't say it isn't being done in some instances," Powers said.

He used math homework "which has 28 problems a day" as an example of some daily work that may be checked by students who swap papers with one another.

"In some cases teachers have allowed students to check his or her own work ... but you don't want to give a student the opportunity to make a bad decision," Powers said.

There have been a few instances in which a PMS student has complained about his papers being checked by other students and in those cases the practice was stopped, Powers said.

"We make arrangements" he said. "We don't want to do something the student feels is demeaning."

Powers lamented the fact the Oklahoma case originated in the first place saying "common sense" should have come into play in the matter.

"Our teachers are very sensible about such things," he said. "It's unfortunate you get one situation (of bad judgment) that ends up in the media spotlight."

Powers said "so many teachers make good decisions every day ... then something like this (case) gets blown out of proportion."

The middle school principal said studies show that teachers make from 700 to 1,100 decisions daily that affect students.

"I'm very comfortable with the middle school teachers and their grading practices," he said.

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ABILITIES

January to fill the municipal judge duties.

"Duties of these office compliment each other," he said. "Should I continue in these roles, neither office will suffer in their effectiveness."

Martinez said participating in the prescribed training required by law as well as the experience he has gained during the last year in the duties, procedures and leadership have developed his skills.

"My second language, Spanish, is at my command to assist our Hispanic brethren who access the Justice Court (in which I preside)," said Martinez. My people skills acquired in my many years in the banking industry, I am confident are with me, to treat our citizens regardless of which side of the issue they are on, with dignity."

Horton was unable to attend the forum Monday night because of his work schedule, but a prepared statement by Horton was read by Shelia Winton.

Horton cited his two years experience as a reserve deputy in the Pampa Police Department and Gray County Sheriff's Department as a qualification for the office. A former Pampa Fire Department captain, he retired in October 2001. He is currently employed as a correction officer.

"I believe that my choice to be a candidate for Justice of the Peace will greatly serve the residents of Gray County," said Horton. "I will always be within ears reach. My goal is to keep the integrity that this office is known for intact. If elected by the residents of Gray County, I will

put my full dedication to my job as I have always done in the past."

Justice of the Peace Precinct Two incumbent Kurt Curfman is seeking his second term to the office.

Curfman said he has an associate degree in applied science and has completed several courses required for the JP position.

"During the last three years, I have worked hard trying to make this a respected office and servant for the citizens of Pampa," he said. "In the last four years we have gone from hard-bound docket books to the computer age."

"I have worked with law enforcement agencies trying to curtail crime and drug use in the city," said Curfman. "We have touched the surface, but we need to continue to strive to make a drastic change in our community. We want outsiders to have a desirable city and county to come to— to bring their children. We need to have high standards and excellence in education and to work with our school officials to help educate all citizens."

This election year she is hoping to return to her former position as JP. Prestidge asked for the group's support. She said her former secretary, who is now deceased, worked for her for 12 years.

"I had told her at one time 'If I get too old for this job, will you please tell me,' and she has not said a word to me," said Prestidge as the crowd burst into laughter.

Prestidge said she has worked in the juvenile probation office and is currently working at the Tralee Resale Shop.

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Berdena began her career in insurance with Panhandle Insurance agency in 1958 as an underwriter trainee. Over the years she worked her way up in the organization and its successors to be the agency manager. She took time off to raise two children, Angie and Todd. Angie is married to Jimmy Baird, and they have one daughter, Payton, who is a freshman at Pampa High School. Todd is married to Angela (West) and lives in Austin. They have two sons, Jake, age 9, Will, age 7 and a daughter, Kristen, age 2.

Berdena is married to James Richardson who recently retired from Celanese. James is the Co-Director of the Good Samaritan House. Berdena is active in the Opti-Mrs. Club and currently serves as Treasurer. Berdena and James are members of the First United Methodist Church and are active in various activities there. In retirement, they plan on traveling and being involved in their grandchildren's activities.

Berdena has been a great asset to our agency, and we hate to see her leave. We will miss her. We want to thank you, Berdena, for these great years of service.

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HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Samson Lone Star Ltd., Partnership, Francis, Sec. 58, M-1, H&GN, PD 12000', for the following wells:

#7-58, 2400' from South & 467' from West line of Sec.

#8-58, 2200' from North & 1400' from East line of Sec.

HUTCHINSON (WEST PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., Herring, Wm. Cole Survey, PD 3350', for the following wells:

#202, 4447' from North & 4190' from West Survey line. Replacement for E-1 Herring

#204, 4000' from South & 4190' from East Survey line. Replacement for #10-A Herring

ROBERTS (WILDCAT above 5500') J.M. Huber Corp., #3-61 Stroud, 2000' from South & 2430' from West line, Sec. 61, M-2, H&GN, PD 5500'.

Application to Plug-Back

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & FELDMAN Douglas) Apache

Corp., #2 Wainscott-McClure, 1650' from North & 2310' from East line, Sec. 44, 42, H&TC, PD 7822'. Rule 37

Application to Re-Enter

HEMPHILL (BRISCOE 14000') Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, #4 Zubach, 1320' from South & West line, Sec. 66, M-1, H&GN, PD 5400'. (Salt Water Disposal Well)

Amended Intention to Drill

CARSON (WEST PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #A3 Bivins, 655' from South & 681' from East line, Sec. 43, M-20, G&M (BHL: 2084' from North & 1939' from East Sec. line) PD 2700'. Horizontal Sidetrack

Gas Well Completions

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Samson Lone Star Ltd. Partnership, #3054 Meek, Sec. 54, M-1, H&GN, spud 9-23-01, drlg. compl 10-9-01, tested 11-23-01, TD 12000', PBTD 11905' —

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PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #201 Herring, Sec. 7, J, H&GN, spud 10-17-01, drlg. compl 10-21-01, tested 1-17-02, TD 3428', PBTD 3102'

HUTCHINSON (WEST PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #203 Herring, Wm. Cole Survey, spud 10-26-01, drlg. compl 10-31-01, tested 1-17-02, TD 3510', PBTD 3170'

WHEELER (WEST PARK Upper Morrow) BP America Production Co., #1020

Fowlston Estate 'A', Sec. 20, 3, CSL, spud 12-4-98, drlg. compl 12-7-99, tested 6-22-01, TD 16330', PBTD 16279'.

Plugged Wells

CARSON (PANHANDLE) Sargeco, Inc., #1 Burnett, Sec. 105, S, I&GN, spud 12-18-71, plugged 8-9-01, TD 3255' (oil)

CARSON (PANHANDLE) Sargeco, Inc., #6 Burnett 'RC', Sec. 104, S, I&GN, spud 7-14-76, plugged 8-15-01, TD 3351' (oil) — Form 1 in J.M. Huber

CARSON (WEST PANHANDLE) Rio Petroleum, Inc., #2 Buckshot, Sec. 19, 7, I&GN, spud 1-13-85, plugged 1-11-01, TD 2884' (gas) — Form 1 in Bryan Exploration

GRAY (PANHANDLE) Bradley Operating Co., Getting WF Tr-2, Sec. 15, A-9, H&GN, for the following wells:

#4, spud unknown, plugged 1-4-02, TD 2685' (oil) —

#10W, spud unknown, plugged 1-23-01, TD 2879' (inj) —

#11W, spud unknown,

plugged 1-4-02, TD 2621' (inj)

GRAY (PANHANDLE) Bradley Operating Co., #83 West Morse WF, Sec. 15, A-9, H&GN, spud unknown, plugged 1-26-02, TD 2725' (oil) —

GRAY (PANHANDLE) Snappy Services, Inc., #8G Bender, Sec. 164, 3, I&GN, spud 10-25-35, plugged 11-12-01, TD 3237' (oil)

HEMPHILL (S.E. CANADIAN Douglas) Amoco Production Co., #2 Hoover 'A', G.L. Tennison Survey, spud 4-18-76, plugged 11-8-01, TD 11151' (gas) — Form 1 in HNG Oil Co.

HEMPHILL (S.E. CANADIAN Douglas) Amoco Production Co., #4 Dan B. Hoover, et al 'A', J. Hood Survey, spud 8-11-81, plugged 11-15-01, TD 7850' (gas) — Form 1 in Diamond Shamrock

HEMPHILL (S.E. CANADIAN Douglas) Amoco Production Co., #2217 Billy Jarvis & Sons 'A', Sec. 217, C, G&MMB&A, spud 9-

16-75, plugged 11-5-01, TD

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HEMPHILL (S.E. CANADIAN Douglas) Amoco Production Co., #1 Studer, Sec. 170, 41, H&TC, spud 4-17-73, plugged 10-29-01, TD 7028' (gas) — Form 1 in Gulf Oil Co.

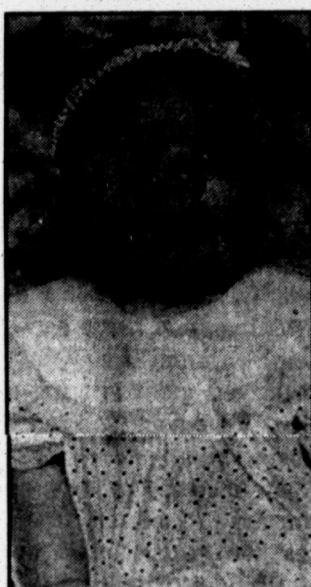
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HEMPHILL (MATHERS RANCH Tonkawa) Bracken Operating, L.L.C., #1160' Conatser, Sec. 160, 41, H&TC, spud 1-27-88, p lugged 1-22-02, TD 8007' (gas) —

HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) Sand Springs Oil & Gas Co., #6W Belle Wisdom NCT-1, Sec. 19, M-23, TCRR, spud 11-14-69, plugged 1-12-02, TD 3190' (oil-inj) — Form 1 in Texaco, Inc.

ROBERTS (WILDCAT) Sidwell Oil & Gas, Inc., #1028 Holland, Sec. 28, M-2, H&GN, spud 5-2-01, plugged 7-11-01, TD 4700' (dry) —

Pageant winner



(Courtesy photo)

Seven-month-old Miracle Anastasia Salinas won Cinderella Beauty in the 0-11 months age division of the Greater Panhandle Cinderella Baby Pageant held recently in White Deer. Sydney Lee Jordan Ritter placed second and Baby Marshall placed third. Salinas is eligible to compete at state in June. Her parents are Pete and Sharissa Salinas.

Kiss-O-Grams



(Courtesy photo)

Pampa High School FCCLA members made and delivered Kiss-O-Grams to residents of Meredith House recently in celebration of Valentine's Day. Angela Phillips and Edson Miranda are show delivering a Kiss-O-Gram to Vernon Stuckey. Suckey was celebrating his 95th birthday.

Scientists: Food bacteria not going away

WASHINGTON (AP) — Consumers beware: Scientists say the bacteria that cause food poisonings aren't going away, despite the efforts of the food industry to eliminate them.

New germs arrive in imported foods and bacteria already here develop in new forms, according to a report for the Institute of Food Technologists. The bacteria *Listeria monocytogenes* are so common in the environment, it's "practically impossible" to keep food entirely free of them.

"Zero risk is not a reality," said the report released Wednesday.

The scientists also say the increasing use of manure as fertilizer poses the risk of spreading harmful bacteria to food, either by contaminating irrigation water or by coming into contact with crops.

Manure, which harbors

bacteria such as *E. coli* O157:H7, campylobacter and salmonella, substitutes for chemical fertilizer on both organic and conventional crops. In some foreign countries, chicken manure is fed to farm-raised shrimp.

The report also warns against overuse of antibiotics in livestock, saying there is growing evidence that it's causing bacteria to become resistant to drugs.

"The job of assuring microbiological food safety is unending," said Morris Potter, a top Food and Drug Administration epidemiologist who chaired the study by government and university scientists.

Consumers "should take heart, however, because of the progress that has been made."

The report also raises concern about the regulation of imported fruits and vegetables and the potential for new pathogens getting into the country. The bacteria, *Cyclospora cayentanensis*, came to the United States through imported produce, and rare forms of salmonella also have been

appearing in the country.

"Certainly, you can grow produce that is free of pathogens in developing countries. It's just a matter of sanitary practices and the quality of water that is used for irrigation," said Michael Doyle, a University of Georgia microbiologist who assisted in the study.

FDA inspects less than 2 percent of imported fruits and vegetables. Major supermarket chains, worried about new outbreaks of salmonella and other bacteria, have recently started requiring domestic and foreign produce suppliers to be inspected by private firms.

The report says better monitoring of foodborne illnesses is needed to spot trends and identify causes. For example, doctors too often treat patients for food poisonings without reporting the illnesses to public health authorities or ordering tests to determine the exact causes.

That lack of reporting means that government agencies and food companies may not be aware of new pathogens or dangerous products.

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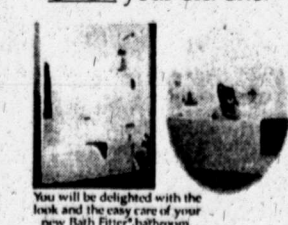
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Jerry Bemos, Borger Refinery and NGL Center Plant manager, presents an annual gift of \$2,500 to BSA Hospice Nurse Manager Jackie Burklow, CHPN. Also attending (left-right) from BSA Hospice were Pam Crain, RN, Volunteer coordinator Janet McCracken, and BSA Hospice Volunteers Jim Bridwell and Billy Dunham.

Passenger train catches fire in Egypt, kills 372

REQA AL-GHARBIYA, Egypt (AP) — A train crowded with Egyptians leaving the capital for a holiday weekend caught fire and sped on in flames for miles Wednesday, killing 372 people, including some who died as they jumped from the burning cars, police said.

The death toll from the train accident, which officials called the worst in decades, was expected to climb to more than 400 as police and recovery workers searched through charred train cars, said civil defense official Lt. Amin Karam.

"There has been nothing in the recent or distant past like this," Ahmed al-Sherif, director of the state-owned Egyptian Railway Authority, said at the scene. "I've been with the railway for 32 years and never seen or heard of an event of this size."

Egypt's Middle East New Agency said the cause of the fire was a burst gas cylinder used for cooking in the dining car. But al-Sherif said the cause had not yet been determined. He said the third-class train had no dining car, but that passengers often brought gas cylinders and small stoves aboard despite regulations forbidding it.

A team of investigators that reached the scene Wednesday afternoon declined comment.

Each car designed to hold about 150 passengers was crammed with twice that number, police said, which

would have put more than 3,000 people aboard. Survivors said the train was so full that they were sitting on the floor. Al-Sherif put the number aboard lower, at about 1,200, but acknowledged even that figure meant the train was overcrowded.

Al-Sherif said the train left Cairo on its 300-mile journey to Luxor about 11:30 p.m. Tuesday and the fire broke out about 1 a.m. Wednesday. The train traveled in flames for 2 1/2 miles before finally stopping at Reqa al-Gharbiya, a village 60 miles south of Cairo. Al-Sherif it was not clear why the emergency brakes were not applied immediately.

The flames were put out hours later.

Wednesday afternoon, a warning siren blared repeatedly in Reqa al-Gharbiya as workers wearing gloves and masks placed bodies charred and twisted by fire, many burned beyond recognition, into ambulances. A firefighter said some of the corpses were under seats as if people had retreated there in hopes of finding safety.

Corpses had melded together in piles on the train. Among charred luggage collected nearby, a Bible, children's clothing and what appeared to be a wedding dress could be seen.

Police said 65 people were being treated for injuries, most in the hospital in the nearest town, Ayyat, 12 miles to the north.

Special Forces to complete deployment to Basilian

ZAMBOANGA, Philippines (AP) — The U.S. military is wrapping up deployment of 160 special forces troops to a southern Philippine island, where they will train local soldiers fighting a Muslim extremist group, a spokeswoman said Tuesday.

U.S. Army Maj. Cynthia Teramae said that about 80 special forces soldiers already are on Basilan, where the Abu Sayyaf group is holding missionaries Martin and Gracia Burnham of Wichita, Kan., and Filipino nurse Deborah Yap.

Teramae said the rest of the special forces contingent is expected "in a day or two."

The joint Philippine-U.S. exercise, called Balikatan, or "shoulder to shoulder," will involve 660 U.S. troops. Only the 160 from the special forces — armed only for self-defense — will be allowed to visit combat zones on Basilan to observe Filipino soldiers pursuing the Abu Sayyaf.

Teramae said U.S. trainers also will learn from Filipino soldiers, who have long experience in guerrilla warfare.

"They are really excited about learning how to work in the jungle atmosphere down there," she said.

She said some of the trainers are new to "this kind of jungle" on Basilan, where Filipino soldiers say the vegetation is so dense that they often cannot see beyond five yards.

She said the Americans on Basilan are assessing the

Filipino soldiers alongside their commanders "to determine what their strengths are, the areas in which they want to kind of focus on" for the training.

Later, the Americans will formulate training modules tailor-made for each military unit they are assisting.

The special forces will be deployed in 12-man teams to each of the five Philippine army and three marine battalions on the island.

She said U.S. soldiers will provide training in modern equipment.

"That's the whole point of coming here — to share some newer technology, perhaps to

give soldiers the edge to counterterrorism," Teramae said.

At the Tabiawan army camp on Basilan, about 20 special forces soldiers mingled with their Filipino counterparts Tuesday.

The Americans showed the Filipinos their M-4 assault rifles, similar to the M-16 that is standard issue for Philippine troops.

Filipino Sgt. Agustin Sulleza showed off his canyas bandolier to U.S. Staff Sgt. Neal Estrada, who admired the M-16 ammunition belt.

"I like it," said Estrada, who was surprised to learn it was locally made and bought by Sulleza out of his own pocket.

In Zamboanga, 10 miles across a narrow strait from Basilan, Teramae and other U.S. officers helped deliver about \$20,000 worth of medicine, infant formula and vitamins to a shelter for orphaned and abandoned children.

The activity was part of the humanitarian component of the joint exercise, said Tony Lambino, spokesman for the program.

Kay Hiramane, executive director of the U.S.-based Humanitarian International Services Group, which collected the donation from U.S. businessmen, said they recently delivered winter coats and medicines in Afghanistan.

He said his group is focused on aiding children, including those in areas of conflict.


Valentine King and Queen



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written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Pregnancy Is No Obstacle To Couple's Wedding Plans

DEAR ABBY: After a two-year courtship, my 33-year-old son and his 26-year-old girlfriend became engaged and moved in together last August. They announced an April wedding date and began planning a formal out-of-town wedding for 50 guests.

Two months into their engagement, my son's fiancée became pregnant. Her mother and I advised them to marry right away and celebrate their marriage with the planned out-of-town reception. Abby, they refuse to alter the plans, even though the invitations have not yet been sent.

Is it proper for a bride who is six months pregnant to walk down the aisle in a white wedding gown? We two mothers are aghast, but are being told we're just plain old-fashioned. Please respond as soon as possible. Time is of the essence, and my future daughter-in-law is getting bigger by the day.

EMBARRASSED MOM

DEAR EMBARRASSED: I understand your feelings, but things have changed a lot during the last 25 years. While the idea of an obviously pregnant bride walking down the aisle may shock someone raised during the 1950s, it is more accepted today.

A white gown and veil no longer symbolize virginity; they signify that it is a bride's first

wedding. Count your blessings. Some couples wait so long to marry that their children are old enough to be ring bearers and flower girls.

DEAR ABBY: I don't know how to solve a problem between my husband, "Earl," and our teen-age son, "Matt." For medical reasons Matt is unable to participate in basketball this season. He confided in me that he's glad and may never go back to it. He said he played the last few years only to make his dad happy.

Earl cannot accept the fact that Matt is not participating. He has told Matt that he should go to the practices and watch, and sit with the team at the games. He objects whenever Matt wants to do something with his friends instead of going to the games.

I am sick of the conflict, but don't know how to stop it. Matt is a good kid. He's never been in any trouble, works part-time and is an excellent student.

At sporting events, Earl yells at the referees and in general acts like a jerk. He carries on and makes nasty comments about what the players should have done, etc. His behavior has embarrassed our son, but shushing him at the games only makes Earl madder.

Other than this, Earl is a good husband, a fine father and fairly laid-back. Sports just bring out the

absolute worst in him. I feel tied up in knots and physically ill when we come home from a game.

Earl participated in sports for only a few years when he was in school, and he was far from "MVP" (most valuable player) material. I just can't understand this, but if it doesn't stop soon, it's going to ruin the father-son relationship Earl has with our son. Please help.

FED-UP MOM, ANYWHERE, U.S.A.

DEAR FED UP: It doesn't take a degree in psychology to figure out what's wrong with your husband. A failed athlete with dreams of glory in his youth, he is attempting to live out those dreams through his son. I suspect Earl's overbearing behavior is at the root of Matt's not wanting to return to sports — and who can blame him? His father has taken the joy out of competition. Perhaps with the help of family counseling, someone can get through to him, because the longer your husband's obsession with the boy's athletic achievements persists, the further away he'll drive his son.

Pauline Phillips and her daughter Jeanne Phillips share the pseudonym Abigail Van Buren. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

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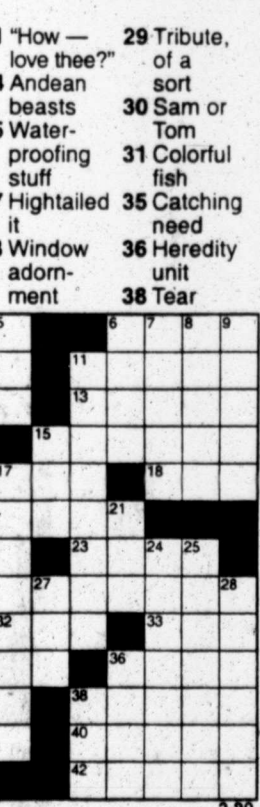
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Yesterday's answer



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"Should we ignore it, walk around it or fling it?"

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SPORTS

White Deer, Fort Elliott win bi-district tilts

PERRYTON — White Deer rolled to a 70-57 win over Booker in a boys bi-district game Tuesday night.

Four players, led by Matt Henderson's 17 points, finished in double-figure scoring. A White Deer press forced Booker into numerous turnovers, helping the Bucks get off to a 21-6 lead in the first quarter.

Travis Rogers was Booker's top scorer with 28 points. Dustin Harper had 14 points, Nick Ball 14 and Brian Knocke 10 for the Bucks.

Dakota Cena and Blake Tregellas added 9 points each for the Kiowas.

HIGHLAND PARK — In other bi-district action, Fort Elliott routed Channing 52-29 Tuesday night.

Larry Lee Horn led the Cougars in scoring with 16 points. Kade Zybach and Monty Hand added 10 each.

The Cougars broke away to a 40-15 advantage in the third quarter.

Layne Grant had 9 points for Channing. Wade Grant followed with 8.

AMARILLO — Abernathy outlasted Canadian 46-44 in a Class 2A regional girls contest Tuesday night at the Palo Duro Activity Center.

Abernathy's Jennifer Brock led her team in scoring with 14 points.

Sandra Reyes was high-point girl for Canadian with 13. Brooke Wilson followed with 9.

Meredith Tullis chipped in 9

points for Abernathy. Abernathy led by seven (24-17) at halftime. Canadian rallied and went ahead by one (32-31) going into the fourth

quarter. Jana Francis, Canadian's 6-3 post player and the leading scorer throughout the season, spent much of the game on the

bench in foul trouble. The Lady Wildcats finished the season with a 24-9 record. Abernathy advances with a 22-8 record.



White Deer's Brian Knocke (25), Dustin Harper (10) and Nick Ball have their eye on a rebound in bi-district action Tuesday night against Booker in the Perryton High School gym.

(Pampa News photo by L.D. Strate)

NOTEBOOK

BASKETBALL

PAMPA — Pampa Special Olympics is hosting the Area Special Olympics Basketball Tournament Saturday in McNeely Fieldhouse.

There will be 275 athletes and coaches from Borger, Wheeler, White Deer, Perryton, Friona, Canyon, Amarillo and Pampa competing in the tournament, which starts at 8:30 a.m. with the Opening Ceremonies.

"There will be many special guests to help with the ceremony," said Special Olympics official Cindy Cooper. "Everyone is invited to come out and cheer on some of the best athletes there are in the Texas Panhandle."

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Tanisha Ellison had 19 points and 14 rebounds, and No. 17 Texas Tech beat Texas A&M 95-64 Tuesday night.

Ellison was one of six players in double figures for the Lady Raiders (16-9, 7-7 Big 12 Conference), who matched a season high in points and ended a two-game conference losing streak.

It was the 475th career victory for Texas Tech coach Marsha Sharp.

Jolee Ayers also had a double-double for the Lady Raiders, scoring 14 points and pulling down 13 rebounds.

BOXING

WASHINGTON (AP) — Mike Tyson took the first round in what figures to be a long battle to fight Lennox Lewis in Washington.

The D.C. Boxing and Wrestling Commission voted 3-0 to take the first step toward granting Tyson a boxing license, setting the stage for a possible June 8 bout at the MCI Center.

BASEBALL

CLEARWATER, Fla. (AP) — Outfielder Bobby Abreu signed the richest contract in Philadelphia Phillies history, agreeing Wednesday to a \$64 million, five-year extension with a team option that could make the deal worth \$78 million.

The contract was announced five days after third baseman Scott Rolen publicly criticized Phillies management for what he called a lack of commitment to winning.

Rolen rejected a \$140 million, 10-year offer and says he will become a free agent after the season. He said he feared the club would lose Abreu and other players such as Doug Glanville, Pat Burrell and Mike Lieberthal.

General manager Ed Wade brushed aside those criticisms.

"Our stated objective has been to keep the core of this club together for a long time. Signing Bobby is a clear indication that what we say is what we mean," Wade said. "Phillies fans should clearly view this as a statement as to how committed we are to our core players."

Abreu, 27, is getting \$6 million in 2002, the final season of a \$14.25 million, three-year contract, and was eligible for free agency after the 2003 season.

Long shifts, but there's lots of enthusiasm

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Bill Young never thought he'd spend the Olympics rifling through women's purses.

"I don't even go through my wife's purse," the Olympic volunteer said as he searched yet another handbag at a downtown security checkpoint.

The work is repetitive and can be a

strain: Security tables are low, meaning volunteers must bend, over and over, to inspect bags.

But like the other 19,500 Olympic volunteers assigned to do everything from chauffeuring to medical assistance, the 49-year-old Young is fired up. He and his wife plan to volunteer for several weeks, through the Paralympics

next month.

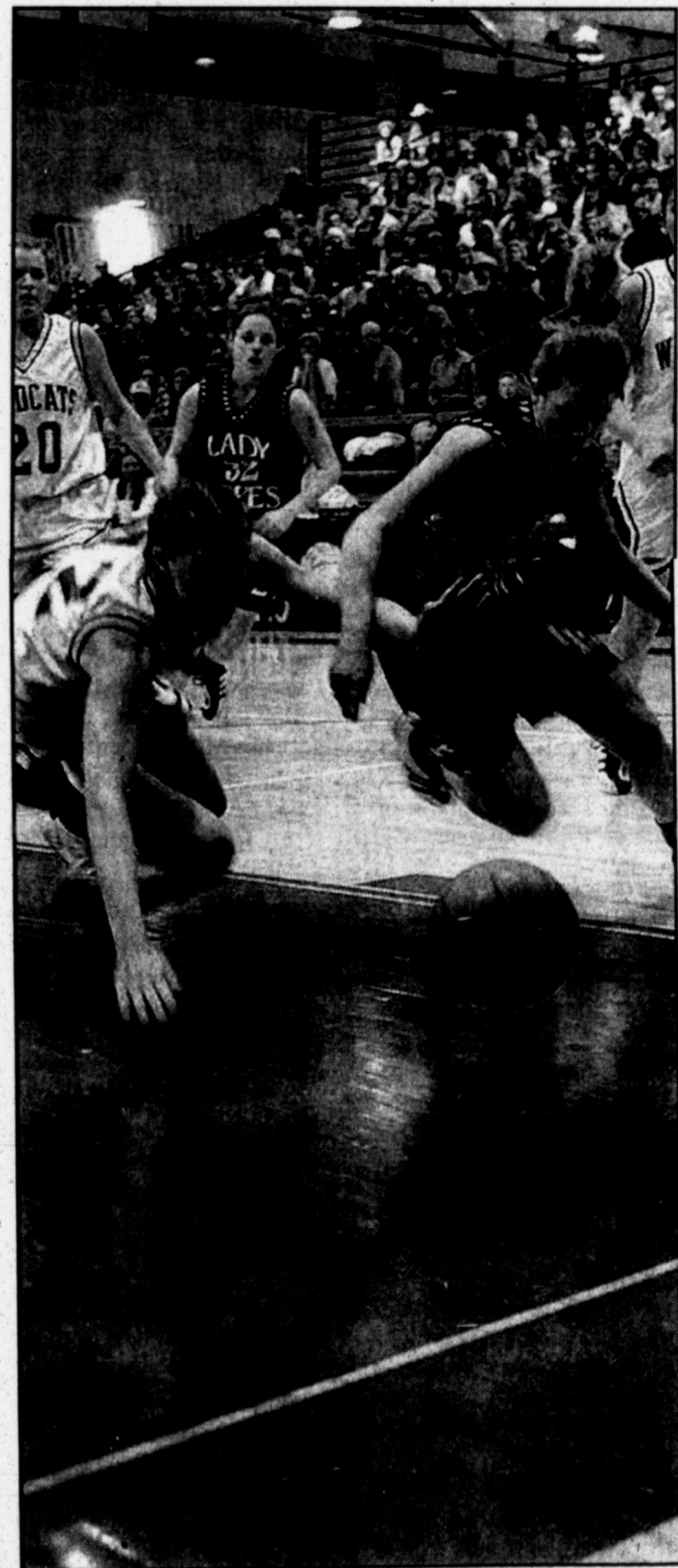
Volunteers are everywhere at the Winter Games. They blanket Olympic venues and downtown Salt Lake City, offering endless good cheer and a helpful hand. They brave cold weather, long shifts, miles of walking and sometimes cranky spectators. At the end of day, the only compensation is a feeling they're

doing a small part to help the Olympics.

The games' success hinges on the volunteers, Olympic organizers say. It would cost too much to pay thousands of workers.


Most of the volunteers are Utah residents with specific skills — bus driving, medicine, interpreting — as well as a general knowledge of the area.

Loose ball



(Photo by Jerry Heasley)

Canadian's Jana Francis (left) and an Abernathy player go for a loose ball Tuesday night in a regional quarterfinals girls game at Palo Duro Activity Center. Abernathy won 46-44 to advance and face Wall in the regional quarterfinals. Canadian closes the season with a 24-9 record.



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Americans Flowers, Parra cap memorable, historic day at Winter Olympic Games

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Or, arguably the greatest day for Americans at the 2002 Winter Olympics, Vonetta Flowers made it historic, too.

She became the first black athlete ever to win a gold medal at a Winter Games when she and Jill Bakken won the inaugural women's bobsled event Tuesday. Their dramatic victory also ended the United States' 46-year medal drought in the sport.

"Hopefully this will encourage other African-American boys and girls to give winter sports a try," said Flowers, a 28-year-old former college track star from Birmingham, Ala.

The bobsled gold, combined with speedskater Derek Parra's gold in the 1,500 meters and skier Joe Pack's silver in freestyle aerials, gave the host country 21 medals. That surpasses the goal of 20 that was ridiculed when the U.S. Olympic Committee suggested it nearly a year ago.

With five days left, Americans could double their previous record haul of 13.

Some prime contenders to add to the collection: The women's hockey team, which advanced to the championship game against rival Canada, and figure skater Michelle Kwan, who got a head start toward gold by winning the short program. Those events conclude Thursday.

There were seven gold medals up for grabs Wednesday, starting with men's and women's skeleton, the headfirst, luge-like sledding event. The other finals were the men's biathlon relay, women's slalom, women's 1,500-meter speedskating, men's 1,500-meter short-track speedskating and women's short-track relay.

The men's and women's tournament also heated up with quarterfinals, curling moved into the semifinals and the figure skaters yielded the ice for an exhibition.

— WOMEN'S BOBSLED: There was no controversy surrounding Bakken's choice of Flowers as a partner, as there was when fellow American Jean Racine dumped best friend Jen Davidson for Gea Johnson as her brakewoman.

Despite all the focus on the Racine-Johnson tandem known as USA-1, it was USA-2 that stole the show.

A record start led to a victory over two

German squads that had won every World Cup race of the 2001-02 season. USA-1 wound up fifth, undone in part by Johnson's hamstring injury.

"It's amazing," Bakken said.

Flowers is a former track star at the University of Alabama-Birmingham whose Summer Olympics dream ended with two knee operations and an ankle surgery. A December invitation to try out for the bobsled team led to her rapid rise to the top of a new sport, in a new season.

"I have truly been blessed," she said.

The United States had not won an Olympic bobsled medal since Arthur Tyler took the four-man bronze in 1956 in Cortina, Italy, and had not won gold since his brother, Francis, took the four-man in 1948 at St. Moritz.

— FIGURE SKATING: Kwan was so relaxed, it looked like she was going through another practice on the ice where she'd been training for a week.

Only this time, it was the real deal. And she nailed it.

Kwan, a four-time world champion and six-time U.S. title winner, edged Russian rival Irina Slutskaya to win the short program, which counts for one-third of the overall score. The rest comes in the free skate Thursday.

"I am well prepared, in good shape, healthy," said Kwan, who won a silver medal four years ago and regretted not spending more time in Nagano, a mistake she avoided here. "What I have done, no regrets. Just go out and have fun."

American Sasha Cohen was third and teammate Sarah Hughes fourth.

— AERIALS: Eric Bergoust knew his last jump would be memorable and it was.

Bergoust, the reigning gold medalist, went for a spectacular finish and landed on his back, dropping him from first to last.

"I'm glad I didn't go out there and go conservative and finish fourth," he said. "I wanted to get the gold or last, and I got last."

The gold went to Ales Valenta of the Czech Republic, while Pack, who grew up in Park City, used the energy from his hometown crowd to pull out a silver medal. Alexei Grichin of Belarus won bronze.

SCOREBOARD

OLYMPICS

Winter Olympic Medals Table
By The Associated Press
At Salt Lake City
(Through Tuesday, Feb. 19)
(53 total medal events)

Nation	G	S	B	Tot
Germany	8	13	7	28
United States	6	8	7	21
Norway	9	6	2	17
Russia	5	5	3	13
Austria	1	3	9	13
Italy	3	2	4	9
France	3	3	1	7
Canada	2	1	4	7
Finland	3	2	1	6
Switzerland	3	1	2	6
Netherlands	2	3	0	5
China	1	0	2	3
Bulgaria	0	1	2	3
Sweden	0	1	2	3
Australia	2	0	0	2
Spain	2	0	0	2
Croatia	1	1	0	2
South Korea	1	1	0	2
Czech Republic	1	0	1	2
Estonia	1	0	1	2
Japan	0	1	1	2
Poland	0	1	1	2
Belarus	0	0	1	1
Slovenia	0	0	1	1

Cleveland	18	34	.346	11 1/2
Chicago	12	40	.231	17 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Dallas	37	17	.685	—
Minnesota	36	17	.679	1/2
San Antonio	34	18	.654	2
Utah	30	24	.556	7
Houston	18	34	.346	18
Denver	16	34	.320	19
Memphis	15	38	.283	21 1/2

Pacific Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Sacramento	40	13	.755	—
L.A. Lakers	35	16	.686	4
Portland	28	24	.539	11 1/2
Seattle	28	25	.528	12
L.A. Clippers	26	28	.481	14 1/2
Phoenix	25	28	.472	15
Golden State	15	35	.300	23 1/2

Monday's Games
Houston 102, Washington 89
Utah 103, Cleveland 92
Philadelphia 110, Denver 83
Miami 102, Chicago 80
Detroit 89, Toronto 76
Charlotte 101, Milwaukee 92
Portland 80, L.A. Clippers 79

Tuesday's Games
New Jersey 123, Golden State 115
Minnesota 117, Dallas 100
San Antonio 99, Memphis 93, OT
Seattle 103, Phoenix 91
Sacramento 99, Atlanta 79
Boston 109, L.A. Lakers 108

Wednesday's Games
Golden State at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Houston at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
Charlotte at Toronto, 8 p.m.
New York at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Utah at Denver, 9 p.m.
Portland at Seattle, 10 p.m.

Thursday's Games
New Jersey at Washington, 7 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Cleveland, 7 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Memphis, 8 p.m.
Boston at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Sacramento at San Antonio, 9 p.m.
Atlanta at Portland, 10 p.m.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association
At A Glance

By The Associated Press

All Times EST

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
New Jersey	35	17	.673	—
Boston	31	23	.574	5
Washington	27	24	.529	7 1/2
Orlando	26	25	.519	8
Philadelphia	26	26	.500	9
Miami	21	30	.412	13 1/2
New York	20	31	.392	14 1/2

Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	29	22	.569	—
Milwaukee	29	22	.569	—
Toronto	29	26	.527	2
Charlotte	26	26	.500	3 1/2
Indiana	26	27	.491	4
Atlanta	19	34	.359	11

Spurs defeat Grizzlies in overtime, 99-93

Win puts San Antonio two games behind Mavericks in Midwest Division race

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Tim Duncan didn't believe San Antonio was lucky to beat the Grizzlies for the 17th straight time after going scoreless for nearly 6 1/2 minutes. Coach Gregg Popovich didn't care if the Spurs were lucky or not.

"We don't feel fortunate at all," Duncan said after the 99-93 overtime victory over Memphis. "We won the game fair and square. It was a hard-fought battle from the start until the end and we played hard until the end. There are no moral victories anymore."

Duncan had 23 points and 12 rebounds, and Antonio Daniels scored 19 points for San Antonio. David Robinson added 14 points and 14 rebounds.

"Sometimes you just have to say 'thank you,'" Popovich said. "We were just lucky. Memphis did a great job of executing. All I can say is 'a win is a win' and I'm not giving it back."

With the win, San Antonio improved to 34-18 this season, two games behind the Dallas Mavericks in the Midwest.

Pau Gasol and Shane Battier each scored 26 points for Memphis, which has lost

four of five and fell to 15-38 overall.

"There's not much to say about this one other than it was a great game," Memphis coach Sidney Lowe said. "It was a great one to watch. Both teams played hard. I thought we showed a lot of guts and played with a lot of pride. I told our guys to walk out of here with their heads held high because they gave a great effort against a great team."

The teams went into overtime tied at 87. Duncan's bank shot with 36.3 seconds remaining gave the Spurs a 95-93 lead.

Lorenzen Wright missed a shot for Memphis, and Duncan made two free throws with 26.4 seconds left to make it 97-93.

Terry Porter closed the scoring with two free throws with 16.9 seconds remaining. In the fourth quarter, San Antonio went on an 8-0 run, led by consecutive 3-pointers by Daniels and Danny Ferry, to take an 87-79 lead with 6:20 left, but Memphis closed to 87-85 on consecutive baskets by Wright, the last a dunk with 2:26 remaining.

After missing on three straight possessions, Memphis tied it at 87 on

Battier's 15-foot jumper with 24.5 seconds remaining. Robinson misfired on a jumper from the free-throw line as time expired in regulation.

San Antonio went scoreless in the final 6:20 of regulation.

"We had a lot of opportunities," said Robinson, who also blocked three shots. "When things kind of break down and you lose your rhythm a little bit, it's nice to know that you can grind it out. We got to get wins like this. There's been a couple that we've lost like this, so this is a good one."

San Antonio won despite connecting on only 35 of 80 field-goal attempts.

Notes: Grizzlies point guard Jason Williams, held to five points in the first half, did not play in the second half after re-aggravating a right big toe injury. ... With the win, San Antonio improved to 22-3 against the Memphis-Vancouver franchise. ... The Spurs are 2-0 this season against Memphis, with a 83-79 win on Dec. 30 in Tennessee. ... Duncan had his 43rd double-double of the season and 263rd of his career.

... The Spurs have held 38 of the last 42 opponents under 100 points. ... San Antonio is 18-8 at the Alamodome this season, while Memphis is 6-22 on the road.

City of Pampa softball leagues start play week of April 1

PAMPA — The City of Pampa Recreational Department will be offering the following leagues for spring softball: Men's Open, Women's Open, Mixed Open, Men's Church (Competitive and Recreational), and Mixed League.

Entry fee or sponsor's fees for teams are \$200 per team. Player's fee is \$15 per player with a minimum of 11 persons for Men's Open, Women's Open, and Men's Church, and 12 persons for Mixed Open and Mixed Church.

Entry deadline is March 20

at 5 p.m. There will be no teams added after this date.

Schedules will be available after 1 p.m. on March 27 at the Recreation Office. Play begins the week of April 1.

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

For questions or more information on the Spring Softball Leagues, please contact the Recreation Department at 669-5770 during business hours.

Doubles champs



(Courtesy photo)

Pampa juniors Jay Gerber (left) and David Thacker are pictured with the first-place trophies they won in the doubles division at the Vernon Tournament last weekend. The Pampa tennis team will be in action this weekend at home against Amarillo High, Tascosa, and Altus, Okla. Starting time is 9 a.m. on the PHS courts.

Sooners put together late run to defeat stubborn Baylor, 65-54

WACO, Texas (AP) — Oklahoma finally responded to coach Kelvin Sampson's simple message.

"I told our guys that this team's not going to give it to you," Sampson said. "Baylor's not an easy team to play because they're one of the few teams we play that don't beat themselves. You have to beat Baylor."

So after going back and forth with Baylor for most of the game, the sixth-ranked Sooners finally put together a late 10-0 run to beat the Bears 65-54, their 16th straight victory over Baylor.

Oklahoma (21-4, 10-3 Big 12) led 51-50 then Quannas White hit a 3-pointer with 5:35 left to start the run

that lasted two minutes and saw four players score.

By time Ebi Ere followed a missed 3-pointer by Hollis Price, Baylor (14-12, 4-9) trailed 61-50.

"The last five minutes was good in every area we played... shot selection, defense and rebounding," Sampson said. "It was a good road win."

Price, Ere and Aaron McGhee each scored 15 points for the Sooners. Price added two free throws and McGhee had a 3-pointer in the deciding run.

Baylor's last win in the series was 75-67 on Dec. 6, 1977 — when current Bears coach Dave Bliss was the Sooners' coach. Oklahoma has a 21-

5 lead in the series and has won nine straight games in Waco.

"This game was similar to lots of games we have played. We have a chance but we don't make the plays when we have to," Bliss said. "The tempo was good. We just didn't take advantage of the opportunities when we had them."

Before the Sooners blew the game open, the teams traded the lead six times in a two-minute span without a missed shot. McGhee's 3-pointer put the Sooners ahead to stay at 48-47.

John Lucas then missed a 3-pointer for the Bears to end the furious stretch, and Price hit another 3-pointer for the Sooners.

"We have got to stop trading bas-

kets with teams. We can't let that happen down the stretch," Price said. "Late in the game, we didn't let them get back."

Price, the Sooners' leading scorer at 16.4 per game, had scored just 35 points the previous four games. McGhee, who had three 3-pointers, also had 10 rebounds.

It was a basket by Lucas that got Baylor within 51-50 before White started the game-deciding run.

Lucas led Baylor with 19 points on 9-of-18 shooting, but missed all three of his 3-pointers. Lawrence Roberts, like Lucas a freshman, had 13 points and eight rebounds.

The Bears, second in the Big 12 with nine 3-pointers a game, were

just 3-of-22 from long range to match a season low.

"We were anxious on offense and weren't getting set," Roberts said. "It was a combination of bad shots and good defense."

Lucas sparked Baylor with seven points in the opening five minutes of the second half, including a three-point play that tied the game at 37. All three baskets in that stretch by the 5-foot-10 freshman were inside.

Jason Detrick's 3-pointer gave Oklahoma a 31-24 lead, but the Sooners didn't score over the final three minutes of the half. Baylor managed just two free throws and a dunk by Roberts in the same stretch.


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THURSDAY, FEB. 21, 2002
BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
 **** Avoid pressure and stay away from a confrontation if possible. You don't need the aggravation, and it won't get you anywhere. Communication isn't anyone's strong suit right now. Do what you need to complete work. Tonight: Swap war stories with your friends.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
 *** Expenses go way overboard. You cannot be surprised at someone's reaction or flack. You can't change what is happening. Stay even-tempered with those you care about. Remember, this too will pass. Tonight: Your treat.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
 **** Your sense of what is going on with an associate or partner could be way off. Stay secure, making inroads with a boss or supervisor. You might want more acknowledgment from others. Don't kid yourself. You're going to have to work hard. Tonight: Make yourself happy.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
 ** Step back from others, especially at work. You might need to rearrange your work in order to make your day more productive. Don't balk at the inevitable, and work within an established pattern or framework. You can't break any rules right now. Tonight: Early to bed.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
 **** Others seem to be on the warpath. You might want to seek out a spot where you can observe but not be found. You could see someone reveal his or her worst side. Be more self-aware in your dealings. Avoid triggering others just now. Tonight: Hang with a trusted friend.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
 **** Your vision of what might work could be sorely tested by someone. Rather than toss your hands in the air in frustration, assume the middle road. Negotiate rather than create an uproar. Give others time to see things your way. Tonight: Clear out some paperwork.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
 **** The best intentions run amok right now. Know that someone is bound and determined to rebel against your ideas or thoughts. Be level and easy with this person. Your feelings won't be respected right now. Look at the long term and detach. Tonight: Relax to a good movie.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
 **** Your sense of humor comes through with a loved one or a dear friend. At the present time, eye your assets with care, but realize that your personality and talents are also assets. Don't underestimate how much you have to offer others. Tonight: Go along with someone's ideas.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
 *** You could be the source of your own problems. Don't be surprised by

others' reactions right now. You might not think of yourself as difficult. Take another look. You want to eliminate problems in your life, don't you? Tonight: Do more listening and less talking.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
 **** You could be having an adverse reaction to what is going on. Stop and think through a decision. If you can put it off until you feel more prepared, all the better. Trust a loved one's gesture. This person rarely fails you. Also listen to him or her! Tonight: Put up your feet and relax.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
 **** A power struggle emerges in a meeting. You might opt to pull back and not get involved. Any suggestion you make will be "wrong." Do your own thing, even if it means going out for cards at lunch or buying something you want. Tonight: Smile away.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
 *** Laugh and make it easy for someone to back off of his or her position. You don't need to inform this person that his or her ideas are preposterous. Soon enough someone will figure it out, especially if you make light of a suggestion. Tonight: Buy a special item on the way home.

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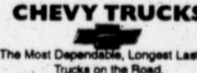
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