

Reeves said he doesn't to keep the position. Describing himself as a lifetime resident of Gray County, Reeves said he is a retired federal law enforcement officer, a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Panhandle Mensa Society, and the Silver Haired Legislature.

"This job has no responsibilities,"

said Reeves. "When I saw that in the newspaper I knew I was qualified," he added as he addressed the crowd at the

position in the future.

Bill Reeves wants to abolish the

(Pampa News photo) John Radcliff wants to retain it as a historic remnant.

Top O' Texas Republican Women's candidate forum this week. "The fact that it has no salary is no

gone unfilled, necessitating constitutional amendments to abolish the offices

"They left some strings hanging out on some constable positions," he said, "and it cost them a lot of money. If you leave a string hanging out, someone is going to pull it."

(See **HIDES**, Page 3)

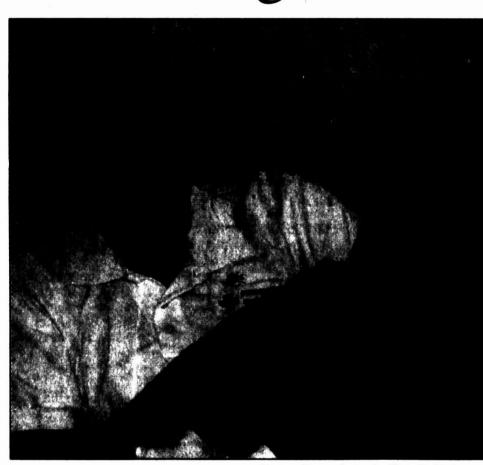
Granny's lifesaving skill saves baby

(Pampa News photo)

By KATE B. DICKSON ASSOCIATE PUBLISHER

Few people bond with a grandchild like Jana Gregory has bonded with grandson Braley Frank Long.

And that's a good thing because it was a life-threatening experience for the 4-day old baby and a harrowing one for all involved that brought the grandmother even closer to her special grandson. Braley, born Jan. 14, is the son of Gregory's daughter, Andrea Whaley, and Matt Long. Jana has three other daughters, Kelly Jo Whaley of Garland, a youth and children's minister; new mom Miranda Dawkins of Oklahoma City, an art teacher; and Taylen Gregory, a ninth-grader in Miami. While Grandmother gave Braley a bottle, Mom and Dad, Aunt Taylen and Jana's friend Ronnie Hill of Canadian settled in for an evening of television and "new baby watching." Then it happened. "I was feeding him a bottle when he kinda choked," Jana said. "I sat him up and patted his back. He was strangling. Formula was coming out his mouth and nose and he was not breathing." Fortunately, Jana knew what to do. After all, as executive director of the Gray County Chapter of the American Red Cross and a longtime Jana assisted when a man had a heart volunteer prior to taking the job, Jana knew, and had taught, infant rescue



CPR classes offered through Red Cross

After their ordeal, Jana Gregory and Andrea Whaley feel stronger than ever that everyone should learn CPR and rescue breathing for infants, children and adults.

Gregory, executive director of the United Way-supported Gray County Chapter of the American Red Cross, teaches classes in it as do volunteers. Gregory can even set up a day or night class at local business places for employees, she said. Also, another babysitting class, that includes CPR and rescue breathing, is coming up soon "I hope people will call me and take advantage of these classes," she said. Classes are offered for a nominal fee and are held at a variety of times in order to meet anyone's schedule.

Open to the public, the meeting will be in the Nona Payne Room in the **Community Building at 200** N. Ballard.

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LOCAL

City Commission to discuss capital

improvement plan

will meet at 9 a.m. Friday,

Feb. 22, to discuss a Capital

Improvement Plan (CIP)

designed to address city

needs for the next five

years.

Pampa City Commission

The CIP was compiled by City Manager Bob Eskridge who drew upon recommendations from department heads.

LOTTERY

No one wins Lotto jackpot

AUSTIN (AP) - Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 10-27-29-30-36-47. Estimated jackpot: \$4

million.

Number matching six of six: 0

Matching five of six: 32 Prize: \$3,262.

Matching four of six: 2,288. Prize: \$113.

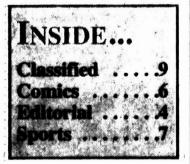
Matching three of six: 48,849. Prize: \$5.

Next Lotto Texas game: Saturday night.

Estimated jackpot: \$6 million.

DEATHS

Reba Delorice Alexander, 58, baker. Bobby Ray Duncan, 65, father of Pampan.



West Texas LANDSCAPE

Residential & Commercial 669-0158 mobile 663-1277

(Pampa News photos by Kate B. Dickson)

Jana Gregory. executive director of the Gray County Chapter of the American Red Cross, cradles grandson Braley as she talks about the night the infant stopped breathing.

citation (CPR).

Once before, about 18 years ago, attack. But she'd never really been tested in a real-life situation – much

breathing and cardio pulmonary resus- less one that involved a family mem-

Jana started rescue breathing on the unconscious baby by putting her mouth over his mouth and nose and giving soft breaths to him at the rate of

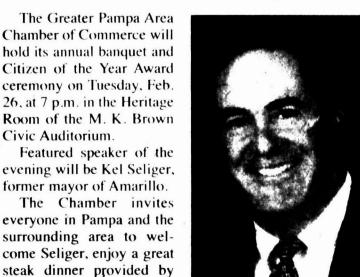
For information, call the Red Cross office in Pampa at 669-7121.

one every three seconds

Mom Andrea called 911 on a cell phone while Hill ran outside to start the pickup to get ready for the 20-mile drive on Texas Highway 152 to Pampa from Laketon.

Everyone jumped into the pickup and Hill sped toward Pampa. Andrea maintained contact with the 911 opera-(See **BABY**, Page 3)

Chamber banquet to feature former Amarillo mayor



Kel Seliger Past Amarillo mayor

Tickets are \$20 per per-200 N. Ballard. son and are available at the Tickets will be sold in Chamber of Commerce, advance only.

Constable stops speeder; gets \$55,000 cash seizure

By KATE B. DICKSON ASSOCIATE PUBLISHER

It's a first for a Gray County Constable – a seizure of suspected drug money.

In this case, it's \$55,000 in cash wrapped with rubber bands in \$1,000 increments. The money was seized by Constable Chris Lockridge Wednesday on Interstate 40 near Alanreed.

It was about 10:30 a.m. when Lockridge was heading back to Highway 70 after meeting with Judge Mary Ann Carpenter in McLean when he spied a speeding auto.

Lockridge pulled over the 2002 rented Mercury that was traveling westbound. A woman was behind the wheel accompanied by a male passenger.

After questioning the pair, Lockridge said "their stories didn't add up" - something that sends up a red flag to law enforcement officers.

Lockridge got permission to search the car and he found \$5,000 in the passenger compartment, he said this morning. But it was in the trunk where the majority of the money - an additional \$50,000 - was found.

Charged with money laundering and taken

to the Gray County Jail were Sylvia Ann Watts, 29, Indianapolis, Ind., and John D. Conway, 29, also of Indianapolis.

It's believed the two were traveling from Indianapolis to Phoenix. Lockridge said.

Judge Kurt Curfman set bonds at \$25,000 each and both remained behind bars at press time, a jail spokesman said.

Because the stop was made by a county law enforcement officer, 31st District Attorney Rick Roach said the seized money – unless the two can give a legitimate accounting of it will be divided differently than usual.

In this case, half the money will go to Gray County for law enforcement purposes and the other half will go to the district attorney's office for the same usage.

When DPS troopers make a seizure, 70 percent of the money goes to the state of Texas and 30 percent goes to the DA's office.

"I was pretty thrilled," Roach said about Lockridge's seizure. "I'd like to see all the commissioner's courts (in the district) get behind (drug interdiction.)"

From money previously seized, Roach said he's using part of it to send Lockridge to a spe-(See CASH, Page 3)

Civic Auditorium.

Dyer's Bar-B-Que, and be

on hand for the presentation

of the prestigious Citizen of

the Year Award.

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ON RECORD

AMBULANCE

Rural/Metro made the following calls durng the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today Wednesday, Feb. 20

6:57 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block of East Frederic and transported two to Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC) with possible injuries caused in a vehicle accident.

10:42 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 12 block of North Wells and transported one to PRMC.

11:25 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 300 block of North Wells and transported one to PRMC.

POLICE

The Pampa Police Department reported the ollowing incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Wednesday, Feb. 20 Telephone harassment was reported in the 2100 block of Mary Ellen.

A domestic incident with no injuries was reported in the 1000 block of Mary Ellen. Thursday, Feb. 21

An attempted burglary was reported a Gas-N-Stuff, 225 W. Brown.

FIRE Pampa Fire Department responded to the

following calls during the 24-hour period end-

Wednesday, Feb. 20

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Triad Hospitals .31.35

7:04 p.m. - Three units and seven firefight-

ing at 7 a.m. today.

Tignor and U.S. Highway 60.

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The following show prices for

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SHERIFF

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

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nal trespass. Sylvia Ann Watts, 29, Indianapolis, Ind. noney laundering over \$20,000.

John D. Conway, 29, Indianapolis, Ind. money laundering over \$20,000.

Thursday, Feb. 21

Shannon Kermit Phillips, Jr., 33, 1129 Huff, bond surrender/possession of a controlled substance, bond surrender/hindering apprehension.

Donald Johnson, 51, Star Motel No. 111 arrested on a warrant for disorderly conduct/language.

ACCIDENTS

The Pampa Police Department filed the following accident reports.

Tuesday, Feb. 19

A 1990 red and black Chevrolet Silverado pickup struck the rear of a 1994 Oldsmobile Achieva driven in the 100 block of East Brown by Loretta Hinds VanderLinden, 54, 1018 W. McCullough. VanderLinden reported a possible injury.

CORRECTION

In a front page photo caption Tuesday and in an accident report on Page 2 Wednesday, the circumstances of a motor vehicle collision were incorrectly reported by The Pampa News. According to a Pampa Police Department accident report, at 8:40 a.m., Feb. 19, a 1994 Chevrolet Cavalier driven by Donna McMinn Miller, 46, 508 Hazel, was traveling west at the 700 block of West Browning. A 2002 Pontiac Aztec driven by Michael W. Kirkpatrick, 39, 1529 Williston, was traveling south at the 400 block of North Ward. The Chevrolet driven by Miller failed to yield right of way at the yield sign. The Pontiac driven by Kirkpatrick struck the Chevrolet driven by Miller when she entered the intersection. Both vehicles received extensive damage.

Wednesday, Feb. 20

Two drivers suffered possible injuries in an accident at the intersection of East Frederic and South Tignor when a 1991 Chevrolet Suburban driven by W.C. Van Houten, 23, 216 Miami, collided with a 1994 Chevrolet pickup driven by Derrick Joseph Smith, 32, White Deer. The Suburban also hit an Energas vent line that was near a curb. No citations were noted on the report.

OBITUARIES

SERVICES TOMORROW

ALEXANDER, Reba Delorice — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Wheeler Cemetery, Wheeler.

HOOD, Sheila Catherine - 1 p.m., Risen Christ Parish, Kalispell, Mont. PARKER, Claudia "Pearl" Barber - 10 a.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

REBA DELORICE ALEXANDER 1943-2002

AMARILLO - Reba Delorice Alexander, Fort Pierce, Fla. She was a baker at Albertson's 58, died Sunday, Feb. 17, 2002. Graveside ser- and Frank's grocery stores. vices will be at 2 p.m., Friday at Wheeler Cemetery in Wheeler with the Rev. Kelly Alexander, of the home; two sons, Billy Barrow, of Freedom Roadhouse Church, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Borger; two sisters, Renaee Tackett of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Jackson, Tenn., and Kristi McDonald of Pampa.

Mrs. Alexander was born July 3, 1943, at grandchildren.

BOBBY RAY DUNCAN

1936-2002

VERNON — Bobby Ray Duncan, 65, father of a Pampa resident, died Tuesday, Feb. Nov. 5, 1974; his mother 19, 2002. Services were to be at 10 a.m., today on Dec. 25, 1993; and three sisters. in Bethel Baptist Church with the Rev. Jason and Survivors include four sons, James Duncan and Stidham officiating. Burial will be in Quanah. of Altus, Okla., and Bobby Duncan, Robert

Survivors include her husband, Charles

VanSickle of Pampa and Wesley Murrah of Pampa; 10 grandchildren; and four great-

He was preceded in death by his father on

Documents: Ken Lay offered Rubin a seat on Enron board

By MARCY GORDON AP BUSINESS WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) — On one day in 1999, former Enron chairman Kenneth Lay sent notes signed "Ken" to Robert Rubin, who was stepping down as treasury secretary, and to congratulate Rubin's successor, Lawrence Summers.

Lay lobbied Rubin, to whom he offered a seat on Enron's board, and Summers with the same easy cordiality on issues affecting Enron, documents obtained Wednesday show.

The notes and letters show that Lay pressed Enron's interests to Clinton administration officials. Last month, the Bush administration disclosed a series of telephone calls from Lay — one of President Bush's biggest campaign contributors - to members of the Bush Cabinet as the company slid toward bankruptcy last fall.

The new documents were provided by the Treasury Department under a Freedom of Information Act request by The Associated Press The Justice Department and the Securities and Exchange Commission are investigating Enron and its longtime auditor, the Arthur Andersen accounting firm, which has acknowledged widespread destruction by its employees of Enron-related documents. Andersen is offering \$700 million to \$800 million in a possible settlement of lawsuits by Enron employees, creditors and shareholders, The Wall Street Journal reported Thursday. The Washington Post mentioned a "starting point" of around \$250 million.

released by Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, show. Grassley, the senior Republican on the Senate Finance Committee, says the projects provided "tremendous benefit to Enron's. operation."

Eximbank and OPIC say their financial assistance is being repaid with revenue from the operating projects.

Enron's current chief executive officer said Wednesday that someone could end up in jail on charges stemming from the government's investigation of the company and the complex web of partnerships — used to hide more than \$1 billion in debt — that eventually brought it down.

"Given the enormity of the damage that's been created, I think it's going to be difficult to not hold one or more people accountable," said Stephen Cooper, who took the helm of Enron after Lay resigned last month as chairman.

Investors nationwide lost money, and thousands of Enron employees lost their retirement savings in accounts loaded with Enron stock as the energy-trading company collapsed. Rubin, who left the government in mid-1999, is chairman of the executive committee of Citigroup, one of the banks that lent hundreds of millions of dollars to Enron. Rubin called Treasury's undersecretary for domestic finance, Peter Fisher, last Nov. 8 to seek his intervention on Enron's behalf. At the time, rating agencies were poised to downgrade their opinions on the financial status of Houston-based Enron. On May 14, 1999, after Rubin announced he was leaving his post, Lay wrote him: "If you are considering joining any corporate boards, I would like very much to talk to you. Given the way Enron has evolved, not only do we badly need a person with your experience and insights ... but also I think you would find serving on our board intellectually and other-

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Memorial Park at Quanah under the direction of Price-Jackson Funeral Home of Quanah.

Mr. Duncan was born Aug. 14, 1936, at Clarksville, to Herman Talmage and Mary Elsie (Amos) Duncan. He lived in Quanah most of his life and was self-employed in construction.

He moved to Vernon 10 years ago.

Duncan and Danny Duncan, all of Quanah; two daughters, Peggy Whitley of Quanah and Ann Wade of Pampa; six sisters, Barbara Ligon of Flower Mound, Francis Griffith and June Duncan, both of Quanah, Joyce Lacik of Oklahoma City, Okla., Joan Kurkendauhl of Bowie and Inez Cambell of Vernell, Utah; and 13 grandchildren.

WEATHER FOCUS

PAMPA

Today, mostly cloudy and breezy. Highs around 56. North winds 15 to 25 mph with gusts to 35 mph. Caution advised on area lakes. Tonight, becoming mostly clear. Lows near 28. North winds 5 to 15 mph. becoming west. Friday, partly cloudy. Highs around 65. West to southwest winds 10 to 20 mph.

STATEWIDE

A mild cold front extended across North Texas early Thursday, along with mid- and high-level cloudiness from an upper-level system moving out of the southern Rocky Mountains.

Dry air at lower levels was preventing light precipitation from reaching the ground.

Local areas of fog developed along the Gulf coast

Early-morning temperatures were mostly in the mid-40s to mid 50s over the eastern half of the state and the Big Bend region, with 40s for the panhandle.

Junction and 59 at Brownsville.

Other readings included 56 at Fort Stockton. Winds were generally northerly at 5 to 15 mph in North Texas, with southerly breezes at 10 mph in the south and westerly conditions in the Big Bend area.

Skies were mostly cloudy from the Permian Basin northward into the panhandle and clear elsewhere.

A few light showers and thunderstorms were possible by late Thursday across the South Plains and Permian Basin as an upper-level disturbance moves across the region. Mostly cloudy skies across the northern half of the region will give way to clear skies, with clear to partly cloudy conditions expected through Friday.

A slight chance for light rain was also forecast over the northern half of North Texas.

Daytime highs were expected from the 50s across northern regions to 60s in the south, except for 40s in the mountains and 70s along the Big Bend of the Rio Grande.

Lows overnight should be in the 20s and 30s.

Warmer temperatures were expected for Temperature extremes were 34 degrees at Friday with highs from the 60s to mid-70s, with some 50s in the mountains.

Officials of Chicago-based Andersen did not confirm the reports. "Reaching out to the groups affected in this case is consistent with our commitment to address the issues raised by Enron's collapse in a straightforward and constructive manner," the accounting firm said in a statement. "We think it is in the best interests of all parties to deal expeditiously and responsibly with what has occurred."

With Congress' investigation of Enron's collapse widening to Wall Street, the House Energy and Commerce Committee planned Thursday to send letters seeking information to about a dozen big investment firms.

Committee investigators are trying to determine whether Enron officials pressured the firms — including Merrill Lynch & Co., First Union Corp., Citigroup Inc., J.P. Morgan Chase & Co. and Credit Suisse First Boston ---to invest in the partnerships or promised them special deals if they did so or raised money from other investors.

Enron's foreign projects received \$650 million in loans from the U.S. Export-Import Bank and around half a billion dollars from the Overseas Private Investment Corp. over a nine-year span beginning in 1992, documents meant to promote economic revival.

wise interesting.' Rubin did not join Enron's board of directors.

Leah Johnson, Rubin's spokeswoman at Citigroup's New York headquarters, noted that he received 30 to 40 offers to join corporate boards at that time. "Rubin had no interest" in the Enron board position, Johnson said. She did not comment further.

Also on May 14, Lay wrote a note to Summers, Rubin's successor, congratulating him on becoming Treasury chief and promising to be available "if there is anything at all I or Enron could do for you or the department." Lay's spokeswoman, Kelly Kimberly,

declined to comment on the documents. In another letter, dated Dec. 3, 1998, Lay

urged Rubin to approve Houston's application to be named an "empowerment zone," a status that brings tax breaks and other incentives

Kidnap victim heading home after ordeal

TYLER, Texas (AP) — A 22-year-old West Texas woman kidnapped and held hostage in a car by her estranged husband for four. days was released after authorities stopped the vehicle southeast of Dallas.

Laura Ornelas of Big Spring appeared emotional-



ly and physically exhausted Tuesday night after police in Canton arrested 22-year-old David Ornelas, said Canton Police Sgt. Charles Brown.

Brown said that police received a phone call Tuesday afternoon from the FBI telling them that Ornelas was in Canton, about 330 miles east of Big Spring.

A short time later, Ornelas was spotted and captured without incident, Brown said. Ornelas was denied bond on a charge of aggravated kidnapping. He remained early Thursday in the Van Zandt County jail awaiting transportation back to Howard County.

Big Spring Police Sgt. Roger Sweatt said detectives

left Wednesday about noon. Between the time Laura Ornelas was reported missing Friday night and her rescue, her husband called several people and made comments that indicated he intended to harm himself, Sweatt told the Tyler Morning Telegraph for its Thursday editions.

Ornelas told Brown he had kidnapped his wife from her Big Spring home and "just drove around," covering more than 600 miles.

Brown said he spotted Ornelas' car and followed him along with other officers for about two blocks before Ornelas stopped. Officers dragged Ornelas from the vehicle after he refused to get out, Brown said.

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(Courtesy photo) **At Northwest Texas** Hospital in Amarillo, Braley was placed on a steep incline to minimize the effects of his reflux problem which had brought him close to death.

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BABY

tor who was instructing them how to help Braley. Jana continued with the rescue breathing and 'heart compressions.

Just as they ran out the door. Braley took a breath then quit breathing again. He began to breath again only to stop and restart two more times during the trip.

Though Jana is hesitant to say just how fast her friend drove, she will confirm he may have set a "new landspeed record" in getting little Braley to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

"He was flying to the hospital," Jana said of Hill's driving. "Even so, it was the longest drive of my life."

During the drive, Jana said everyone, "except Andrea" remained calm.

It was near the Schwann's warehouse that Gray County deputies first picked up the truck to escort it to PRMC. In all, Andrea said deputies in three cars helped to expedite their trip to the emergency room.

"When we got there," Jana said, "they took over. Andrea and Matt were in the emergency room with him. That's when I just broke down ... and then realized I didn't even have on shoes or a coat."

Lifestar was called but Braley became "stable" and Mom and Dad rode with him in an ambulance to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

stomach contents to enter his esophagus and travel up into his throat, mouth and nose, thus choking him.

Jana said it's a condition he'll grow out of soon. Meanwhile, he's hooked to a monitor when he sleeps that will sound an alarm if he quits breathing. Also, Braley sleeps on an incline so the reflux condition is less likely to send stomach contents into his throat. Even his playpen is on an incline.

"He still strangles a little," Jana said, "but he can cough now."

Also helping Braley are two medications including the well-known Zantac given in liquid form.

Holding Braley in her arms, Jana doesn't like to think what may have happened to him had she not had the training to save his life.

"Talk about a bonding experience ... That's about as bonding as it can get," she said of the ordeal.

While Andrea knows rescue breathing she learned so she could be a lifeguard, the new mom isn't so sure she could have saved her little boy.

"I just panicked," she said. But the grandmother thinks differently.

Had she not been there, Jana believes Andrea would have been able to do the job.

"I always tell my students that they'll know what to do if they ever need to," she said.

"I figure Andrea would It was there that doctors have stepped in," Jana said. diagnosed the baby with a "But that's something we'll

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HIDES

Reeves said. "I'm not interested in money. I'm not interested in the bells and whistles that come with some of these jobs."

He said he wants the position eliminated.

"What I want to do is to use that high and mighty title of Hide Inspector. Why, it's a pinnacle of recognition, and people would know who I am," he said.

He told the crowd he would like to become an ombudsman for senior citizens in Gray County.

"I would try to get the seniors involved more and more into government and politics," he said. "This would sort of fit right into that."

He said if he is elected he will do his best to work through the county judge and county commissioners to do something for the senior citizens of Gray County.

A retired employee of IRI, Radcliffe said he also retired from the U.S. military as a first sergeant.

"This job (hides inspector) was created in 1876," he said. "It's a job that probably has more history than purpose."

He said the job was created because there was a need for someone to hold a gun and kind of be the law when early day residents had no law.

"It really put a damper on the cattle rustlers, and the horse thieves," he said. He said he and his wife looked at the election results from

1902, the year the county was formed, to 1950. "We couldn't find a place where the hide inspectors had

been listed," he said. "There was a county surveyor and county weighers, but no county hide inspectors."

Radcliffe said several counties have tried to take the position off the ballot. "But for the most part, it has failed," he said.

He said that in 1999 Rep. Jerry Madden offered a bill, but it failed. He said there have been several Attorney General's opinions issued on the subject.

One of the opinions, he said, was that the fee had been set for grading hides at 10 cents a hide.

He said he has researched and he has only been able to come up with four hide inspectors in the state.

"I only hope that the county commissioners don't ever decide to take it off the ballot. I really think we would lose a portion of our Texas history," he said.

"Some are seeking the position for a joke, while others say they do it for the title," he said. "I do it because I want it preserved. I'm just kind of a lover of old things."

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cial drug interdiction school coming up soon in Waco.

No doubt, Lockridge will have a story to tell his fellow classmates.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR Amendment 14: A bad deal all around

State of Texas Representative, Warren Chisum, is to be commended for assuming a leadership role in the process of eliminating Texas Constitutional Amendment 14. The amendment was poorly worded and extremely confusing. This amendment had the undesired and unfair effect of levying a tax on travel trailers, which by definition was inappropriate.

According to the Austin American Statesman, the daily newspaper of Austin, Texas, "red-faced state officials are trying to undo the blunder". Rep. Kino Flores, author of the amendment, is quoted as saying, "I don't know how it went astray."

Currently, in Texas, owners of motor homes and travel trailers, also known as recreational vehicles, are required to pay a state imposed sales tax. Purchasers of cars and other motor vehicles are also required to pay this tax. In addition, motor home and travel trailer owners, like car owners, must pay an annual vehicle registration tax. These types of taxes are levied for motor homes and travel trailers because they do have wheels, they are built on chassis, and they are mobile. These vehicle taxes do not make sense and are appropriately classed for taxation purposes with items of property such as cars which are by definition mobile. What does not make sense is Amendment 14 which would tax travel trailers like a permanent residence at a rate percentage of value. Permanent residence is defined as a residence, in which someone lives approximately 365 days per year, does not have wheels, is not built on a chassis, is not and cannot be mobile. Another problem with Amendment 14 is that it is discriminatory. It allows some taxing entities flexibility in their taxing decisions, yet imposes absolute inflexibility upon other taxing entities. It also taxes travel trailers and not motor homes. Both, of course, are used in the same ways. That's discrimination with a red flag. Texas residents are already paying two taxes on motor homes and travel trailers, a.k.a. recreational vehicles. Hats off to Warren and other legislators who are demonstrating the common sense to get this ill-written amendment "off the books". One really nice thing...It looks like everyone is on the same side of the issue on this one-Amendment 14 is a bad deal! It is great to have consensus rather than division.

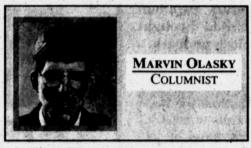
VIEWPOINTS

Three cheers for dull George

Some pundits and politicians are calling for the United States to re-establish Feb. 22 as a Washington's Birthday holiday, and to drop the generic President's Day. Only then, they say, will more Americans learn who the father of our country was. Not a bad idea, but here's something to keep in mind: The success of American Revolution was due more to what Washington wasn't than who he was.

He wasn't like his chief rival for the position of top American commander, Charles Lee. Lee had greater experience than Washington and was considered a "consummate general," even by one of Washington's supporters, Nathaniel Greene, but Lee was also, as Washington correctly surmised, "rather fickle, and violent, I fear, in his temper." Lee was also an adulterer, and that activity caught up to him in December 1776, when British cavalry nabbed him after he had gone three miles outside the American camp to cavort with a young woman.

Washington wasn't like British generals, who typically kept a mistress in whatever city was their temporary base. General Sir William Howe, who through much of the war commanded the British army that occupied New York City, did not aggressively pursue Washington's inferior army. Instead, he absorbed himself in the city with his mistress, Elizabeth Loring, wife of a British commissary officer who traded his spouse for a promotion. American Tories, worried that Howe was not paying attention to the war, circulated a ditty: "Arouse, Sir Billy/ There's forage on the plain./ Ah, leave



your little filly,/ And open the campaign."

Washington wasn't like the man in charge of the British Navy, the Earl of Sandwich (after whom our lunch food is named, since Sandwich - at the gambling tables and not wanting to leave - had his servants bring him meat and two slices of bread). Sandwich in his 40s fell in lust with a teenager, Martha Ray, and moved her into his house, but an ensign who was in love with the young woman shot and killed her. When Sandwich was informed of her death, as the British Navy was entering a critical part of the war, he flung himself on his bed and refused to pay attention to business, crying, "Leave me alone, I could have borne anything but this."

And Washington was not like the British cabinet minister in charge of the war effort on land, George Sackville, who as a major general in 1759 had been court-martialed for cowardice. By 1775, he had re-emerged as a favorite of King George III, and that year, the king appointed him secretary of state for the American colonies. But it was Sackville's other activity on land that untied the tongues of British gossips. The Earl of Sandwich was probably England's most notorious heterosexual adulterer at the

time, and it turned out that Sackville was England's most notorious homosexual.

Sackville's promotion and protection of young gay guys made Sandwich angry with him, because Sandwich believed that Sackville's chief aide was selling naval information to the French. But it was a Sackville mistake brought on by lust that allowed the Americans to gain. their biggest military victory before the final one at Yorktown. In 1777, he was so eager to get away for a weekend tryst that he never sent some crucial orders, and General Burgoyne's army - marching south from Canada and left without proper support - had to surrender.

Even after that debacle, Sackville hung on, on, though many talented leaders refused to work with or for him. His foolhardy military policies also made possible the British defeat that essentially ended the war: Sackville liked General Cornwallis and developed a southern strategy that would allow Cornwallis to become famous. Cornwallis succeeded by allowing his forces to be pinned in at Yorktown in 1781 by Washington's troops and the French navy: His surrender brought about American independence.

Washington was a great man, but what's crucial is that he was not Charles Lee, Howe, Sandwich or Sackville. He was boring. Instead of coming up with fine verbal concoctions, he sometimes mangled his sentences. He went to sleep early. He was faithful to his wife. Sounds like another George, the one in the White House now. And the "dullness" of both is worth celebrating.



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CIA director's testimony is scary

The public testimony of CIA Director George Tenet before a Senate committee recently was pretty scary. It was scary not because of the threats and alleged threats he talked about. It was scary because of what he revealed about himself.

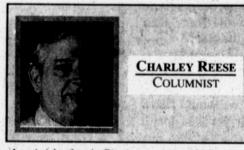
He gave me the impression of an oily insurance salesman trying to explain to a client why a company he had recommended had gone bust while also trying to assure the client that the new company he was recommending was, superduper OK. In other words, he did not inspire confidence.

For one thing, he repeated that ridiculous claim that in a few years, the United States will be threatened by ICBMs launched from North Korea, Iran or Iraq (by coincidence, the very countries the president called an "axis of evil"). Let me tell you why this is utter nonsense.

No one can launch an intercontinental ballistic missile without the United States instantly knowing its exact location. Therefore, any small country that launches a missile in our direction will know that it is committing national suicide. The warheads on just one of our submarines could cause these small countries literally to cease to exist.

Point Two: One or two missile hits on the United States, despite the loss of life, would strategically be nothing more than a pinprick. It would be like shooting an elephant with a .22 rifle. All you would do is make the elephant mad.

Therefore, it is extremely unlikely that any national leader of these three countries would arise who would trade nation-



al suicide for inflicting minimal damage on the United States. And building a force of ICBMs large enough to be real threat is beyond the economic capabilities of those three countries.

Americans ought to ask themselves: Why is our own government trying to deceive us? Why are government officials trying to deceive us about an antimissile system they justify on the basis of a nonexistent threat and which will be ineffective against a real threat? Any real threat would be from Russia or China, and both of those countries have the capability of building a force that could overwhelm an anti-missile system. Russia already has that capability, which is probably why its leaders weren't too upset when Bush announced we were abandoning the ABM treaty.

I'll tell you the truth: This latest agitation for an anti-missile system comes from Israel. Note that President Bush, when he talks about the threat of countries with weapons of mass destruction, always adds "and our allies." Iraq and Iran are not a threat to the United States or to Europe. They are a threat to Israel. North Korea is not a threat to the United States, but the Israelis greatly fear that

North Korea will sell missiles to Iran and Iraq. Hence, the Israelis figured, let's dupe the simpleminded Americans into building a system that we can't afford, but that they will surely share with us.

Whenever you are assessing Israel's attitude toward the United States, you should always remember the Yiddish proverb "Nothing thicker than a Christian's head." Of course, the Israelis are receiving the joyous support of our own military-industrial complex, which will make billions of dollars building this system.

And in the meantime, partly to justify this boondoggle, the United States is embarking on a reckless foreign policy that is more likely to produce war than peace. We should be talking to the Iraqis, the Iranians and the North Koreans rather than making reckless statements on global television that amount to a declaration of war. It can prove to be a deadly mistake to start believing your own deceptions and propaganda. We are not the Big Daddy Boss of the world, and just because others disagree with our policies or decline to jump when we tell them to jump doesn't mean they are our enemies. As for Tenet, the president ought to fire him. He's obviously more politically

correct and eager to please his political bosses than he is competent to run an intelligence agency. No one should ever tolerate an intelligence agency that tells people what they want to hear instead of the truth.

(Charley Reese can be contacted at briarl@earthlink.net.)

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(Courtesy photo)

Lisa Kirkpatrick from Pampa, a junior special education major at West Texas A&M University, recently participated in a special campus project called "Make Your Own Candle." Kirkpatrick is a candidate for All-University Queen at WT.

Pampan in running for university queen

CANYON - West Texas A&M University's All-University King and Queen, Prince and Princess will be crowned during the 16th annual All-University Formal to be to be held at 7 p.m. Friday, March 1 at the Alumni Banquet Facility.

Lisa Kirkpatrick, a junior generic special education major from Pampa, is a candidate for All-University Queen.

The event is being spon-' Student Center, with sales sored by WT's Student ending on Feb. 26.

Organizations' Roundtable. The formal will take on an "Oh the Places You'll Go" theme and will include dinner. A WTAMU-crested, All-University Formal champagne glass will be given to all in attendance.

A dance will follow the dinner and the presentation of royalty.

Tickets can be bought for \$12 each at the Information Desk in the Jack B. Kelley

DECA job shadowing program

Forty-two Pampa High School students recently participated in Groundhog Day. Groundhog Day is a national initiative where students from all over the United States are given the opportunity to shadow a workplace mentor. Groundhog Day is part of the school-to-careers partnership. The Pampa Chapter of

DECA initiated Pampa High School's Groundhog Day. The DECA organization wanted to students at PHS to be able to investigate careers they were interested in pursuing after High School. The initial plans for Groundhog Day began in early November. The chairmen of the project, Amanda Hilton and Luzann Garcia, and other DECA members spent many hours designing a program that would meet the needs of Pampa High School and the business community. The students that shad-

owed were Michael Frels, Charles Patrick, Amanda Brown, Sarah Fraser, Jonathan Kilhoffer, Terrel Jennings, Matthew Crow, Mary Alice Warner, Ryan Hughes, Tamara Henthron,



(Courtesy photo) Tabitha Harrison, a student at Pampa High School, helps with an automobile while job shadowing at Jewett's Auto.

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morning with their mentor observing and learning what actually happened at the business. To conclude the experience, the groundhogs and shadows were treated to a luncheon.

Donna Crow, DECA sponsor, plans to continue the program next year and have Leslee as "groundhogs" were Pampa more students involved.

Desk and Derrick announces meeting Matt

Dudley,

Pampa Desk and Derrick Club will meet at 6 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 26 at Zion Lutheran Church. The guest speaker will be Gary Willoughby, certified instructor in self-defense.

Gary's program, "Back Off," will be presented at 7 p.m., following dinner and the regular meeting.

"Back Off" is designed to give women of all ages the tools to effectively defend themselves in a variety of life-threatening situations. Any woman interested may attend the free program and demonstration.

For more information, call Linda Slaybaugh at 669-7884 or

Dog mauling trial gets under way

LOS ANGELES (AP) - The woman who raised the dogs that killed Diane Whipple says she warned their owners that the huge canines were dangerous and that one of the dogs "should have been shot."

Janet Coumbs, the first witness to testify in the trial of the San Francisco couple charged with Whipple's death, testified Wednesday she told Marjorie Knoller and Robert Noel that one dog, Hera, was so unpredictable it should have been put down, not taken to their apartment in San Francisco.

"I told them Hera should never have been taken off my property," she said. "I was very concerned about it.

Defense attorneys sought to portray the dogs as benign creatures, eliciting from Coumbs her fondness for the animals and her belief Bane, the other 120-pound dog accused of attacking Whipple, was "a big clown" so gentle that he had his own pet cat. But another witness, Donald Martin, a 49- San Francisco

year veterinarian who was called to Coumbs farm, testified that he was shocked when he first saw the collection of presa canario dogs being kept by Coumbs. He was called to her farm to inoculate the dogs for rabies.

"I looked in and saw eight dogs, massive, massive dogs. I thought this could be a serious problem," Martin testified. "I felt it would be unsafe to handle them very much. These dogs could do bodily damage.'

Martin, who had to inoculate the dogs through a cage, said he later wrote to Knoller telling her the dogs would be a liability in any household. Martin said he received a terse thank-you letter from Knoller.

Whipple, 33, a college lacrosse coach, was mauled in the hallway of her San Francisco apartment building on Jan. 26, 2001. The trial of her neighbors, Knoller and Noel, was moved to Los Angeles due to extensive publicity in

Boot camp counselor pleads guilty to negligent homicide

PHOENIX (AP) - A man who pleaded guilty in the death of a 14-year-old boy at a boot camp has agreed to help prosecutors in their case against the camp's director.

The teen-age boy, Anthony Haynes, died of complications of dehydration and near-drowning last summer after he collapsed in triple-digit heat and two counselors put him in a bathtub to cool down.

Prosecutors will recommend that one of the counselors, Troy A. Hutty, be sentenced to probation on a negligent homicide charge, as part of a plea agreement announced Wednesday. Hutty was originally indicted for manslaughter, which carries a maximum penalty of 12 1/2 years in jail.

Under the plea deal, Hutty will tell prosecutors what he knows about camp director Charles Long II, who was charged with second-degree murder last week in Haynes' death.

"We want the truth," said Maricopa County Attorney Rick Romley. Hutty's cooperation "allows us to get not just a clearer understanding but things we not might otherwise get without him."

Hutty's attorney, Gary Beren, did not return phone calls seeking comment.

Haynes died July 1 after being made to stand in the sun for up to five hours, then being left in the bathtub with the shower running, the medical examiner's office said.

Hutty called Long twice to say he was concerned about Haynes' condition and that the boy wasn't responding, according to sheriff's department documents. Long told Hutty to bring Haynes back to the camp because he thought the teen-ager was faking.

669-3225. To make reservations for the meeting and dinner, call Nancy Allen at 669-7229 or 669-8020.

ABC: War reality TV

LOS ANGELES (AP) The war on terrorism is becoming entertainment, in the form of an ABC reality series that will track the U.S. military in action. "Black Hawk Down" produc-

er Jerry Bruckheimer and Bertram van Munster, a former "Cops" producer, will serve as executive producers of "Profiles From the Front Line," a show about U.S. troops in Afghanistan, South America and other hot spots, ABC said Wednesday.

The Pentagon and Defense Department will cooperate with the project, the network said. Van Munster, who produces "The Amazing Race" with Bruckheimer, said Vice President Dick Cheney and Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld signed off on the project without reservation.

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only good thing that has come out of this mess. My husband is selfish and cares only about his own needs. His ex-wife still won't speak to me (not that I want her to), and their son barely acknowledges my existence. All I feel is guilt over breaking up their marriage and remorse for the mess I made of my life.

So, Abby, if any of your readers re dating a married man - give them this warning: Run for your life ow! He may seem sweet and caring, but that is only because he likes the chase. Once he gets you hooked, you will be treated the same way he treats his present

arrived the day after yours:

DEAR ABBY: This letter is for all the "other" women out there. I dated "Ray," who claimed his marriage was over. Ray did leave his wife, but he was dishonest with her. In fact, I have learned some pretty

hard lessons lately.

A married man (or woman) who pursues a new relationship before

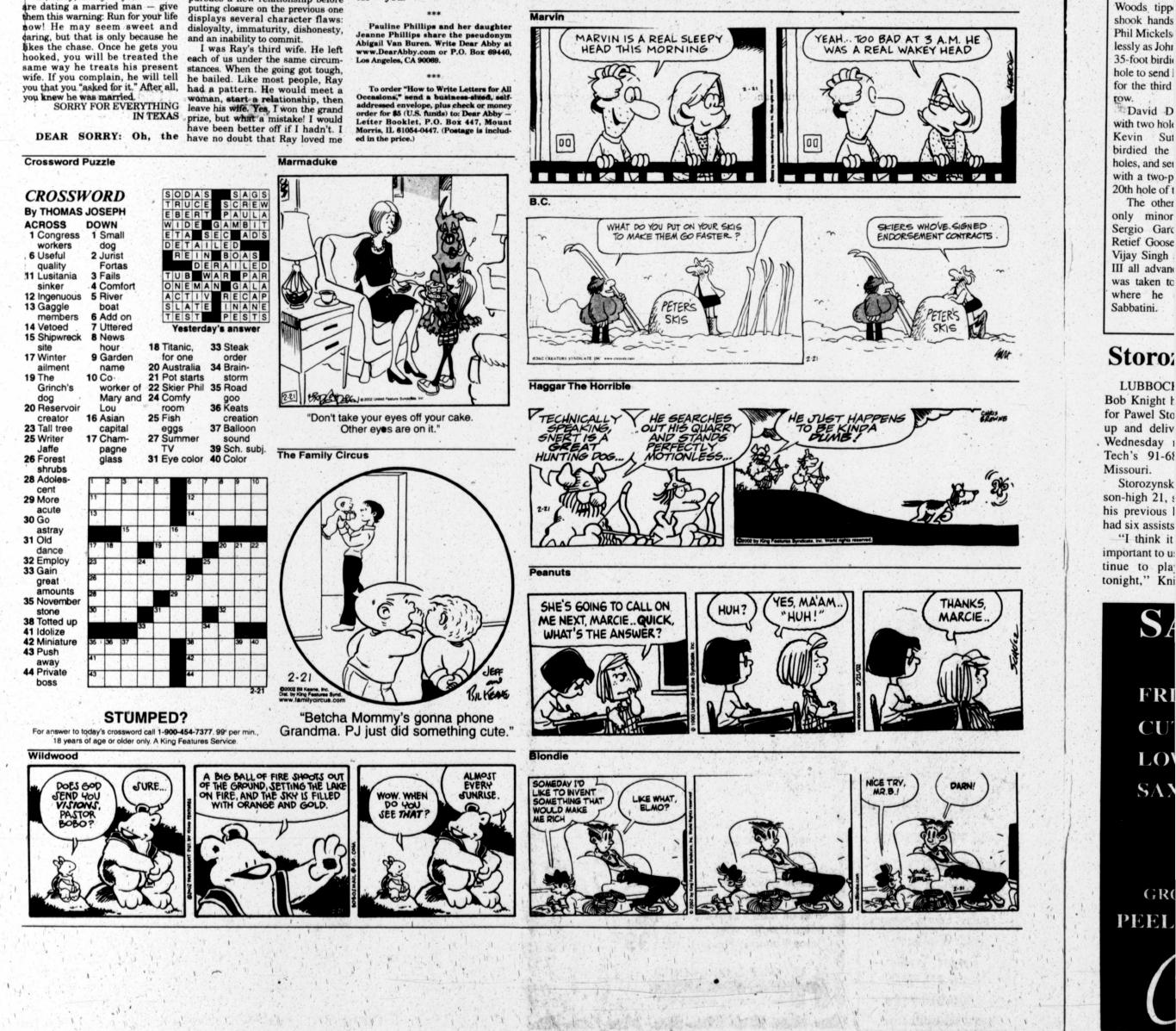
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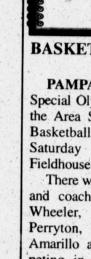
RAY'S THIRD WIFE

DEAR WIFE THREE: To quote a well-known advice columnist, "Oh, the lessons we learn too late." Yours was a painful one. But please don't place the blame entirely on Ray. After all, he had a co-conspirator - you.

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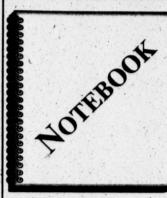


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PAMPA — Pampa Special Olympics is hosting the Area Special Olympics Basketball Tournament Saturday in McNeely Fieldhouse.

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.

GOLF

CARLSBAD, Calif. (AP)

- On a day of shockers in the opening round of the Match Play Championship, none was bigger than Tiger Woods heading to the clubhouse to clean out his locker after a stunning loss to Peter the pudgy O'Malley, Australian who wasn't even supposed to be here.

· About 15 minutes after Woods tipped his cap and shook hands with O'Malley, Phil Mickelson watched helplessly as John Cook rolled in a 35-foot birdie putt on the 16th hole to send Lefty home early for the third tournament in a

Sports

PHS sophomore prepares for state meet in Austin

PAMPA - Although Joe Johnson swims like a senior, he's actually just a sophomore. Johnson claimed first place in the 500 freestyle at regionals in Lubbock last weekend to qualify for the state meet.

"He's just been outstanding," said Pampa coach Amy Howard. "It's going to be great having him for two more years."

Preliminaries for the state meet will be held Friday. The top eight in each event advance to Saturday's finals.

"I'm looking forward to it, but I am a little nervous," Johnson said.

Johnson started his swimming career as an 8th grader on the middle school team. That was the same year Howard was hired as the high school head coach. "She's a good coach,"

Swimming

Johnson said. "She makes us work hard, and that's really helped me out."

Johnson's winning time of 5:19.59 at regionals was a personal best. He finished second to teammate Willie Griffin at the district meet, but his 5:24.12 time set a new district record.

Johnson has dedicated his high school athletic career to swimming. It's the only sports he competes in.

"I used to be in band, but I quit to focus on swimming," he added. "I won four or five meets this sea-

A year ago, Pampa qualified eight girls and nine boys for state. Johnson is the only one to make it that far this season.

and Judy Johnson.

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Troy Dumais of Texas easily captured his fifth career title at the Big 12 Swimming and Diving Championships as he scored 354.30 in the 1meter springboard competition Wednesday.

Dumais was awarded 20 points to win the event. Missouri's Jamie Sweeney edged out Texas A&M's Jesse Even for second place.

Texas has won each of the past five Big 12 championships

Meghan Zack won Texas A&M's first ever title in the women's 1-meter competition with a score of 272.65. Kansas diver Rebecca McFall edged out Texas favorite Ally Hartzell by a score of 270.65 Joe is the son of John to 270.60 for second place.



State qualifier Joe Johnson with coach Amy Howard.

Harvesters open baseball AUSTIN (AP) - No. 13

Oklahoma State didn't need much incentive to try to get head coach Eddie Sutton his 700th win, but Texas guard Fredie Williams gave the Cowboys some extra ammunition they needed.

Fueled by Williams' pregame comments questioning Oklahoma State's toughness, the Cowboys outrebounded, outshot and outhustled the Longhorns in a

85-80 win Wednesday night. 'We are tougher than them," Williams told reporters before the game. "We're mentally tougher on the court."

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Sutton made sure his Oklahoma State players were aware of the comments.

"Coach (Sutton) brought it up to us," Fredrik Jonzen said. "If you're going to say something, you have to back. it up."

Sutton gets win No. 700

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season in Bulldog Invite

PAMPA — Pampa opens However, our kids are ready the 2002 baseball season this to play," said Pampa coach weekend in the 10-team Dennis Doughty. "They're Bulldog Invitational in ready to get the season started.'

A win Friday morning would put the Harvester against the Plainview-River Road winner at 5 p.m. A loss means Pampa would play at 12:30.

The Harvesters return six starters, including shortstop Evan Miller, catcher Michael "I anticipate Estacado Galloway, center field Randy

Returning lettermen who will start tomorrow are Tyson Moree in right field, Ryan Zemanek at first base and Jared Snelgrooes at third base.

In Friday's other firstround games, river Road meets Dumas, Plainview plays Sanford-Fritch and and Borger hosts Childress. Games will be played at both Frank Phillips and Huber Park.

Pampa's first-regular sea-

David Duval was 2-up with two holes to play against Kevin Sutherland, who birdied the 17th and 18th holes, and sent Duval packing with a two-putt birdie on the 20th hole of the match.

The other top seeds had only minor difficulty as Sergio Garcia, Ernie Els, Retief Goosen, David Toms, Vijay Singh and Davis Love III all advanced. Only Toms was taken to the 18th hole. where he defeated Rory Sabbatini.

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Pampa's first game is at 10

a.m. Friday against Lubbock

Estacado with Adam Jones

scheduled to start on the

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That game will be played at

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being a little ahead of us Tice, left fielder Kyle Francis, because they didn't have to and second baseman Wes son game is Tuesday at 4 p.m. deal with two weeks of snow Martin. Jones also started at against Amarillo High in first base.

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French judge, federation chief testify in scandal

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - The judge at the center of the figure skating scandal calmly denied to investigators that she was part of any voteswapping deal and said she voted for the Russian pairs team on merit, her attorney told The Associated Press on

Thursday. In three hours of composed testimony Wednesday, Marie-Reine Le Gougne recanted the accusations that several witnesses reported hearing her make in an emotional outburst last week following the pairs competition, attorney Max Miller said. "She was under extreme

pressure, feeling emotionally assaulted and even physically

assaulted when she made those statements," Miller said.

Asked why she had named French skating chief Didier Gailhaguet as the one who had pressured her into voting for the Russians over a Canadian pair, Miller said, "She did it to escape further pressure, to deflect criticism."

Storozynski steps up and delivers for Tech

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) -Bob Knight has been waiting for Pawel Storozynski to step up and deliver. He did that Wednesday night in Texas Tech's 91-68 victory over Missouri.

Storozynski scored a season-high 21, seven more than his previous high of 14, and had six assists.

"I think it would be very important to us for him to continue to play like he did tonight," Knight said. "He

worked hard on defense. He got some rebounds, and he came up with two or three 3point plays that were important."

Andre Emmett scored 26 points and Andy Ellis had a double-double.

The victory pushed the Red Raiders (19-6, 8-5 Big 12) into a three-way tie for third place in the Big 12 with Texas and Oklahoma State. The Cowboys beat the Longhorns 85-80 in Austin on Wednesday

The Tigers (18-9, 7-6) are in sixth place. "I am OK with the aspects

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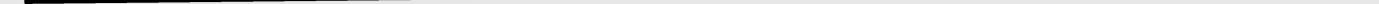
of the team's effort, but we haven't completely embraced what it takes to win," Missouri coach Quin Snyder said. "We need more of a basic level of toughness on this team."

Tech's win was sparked by a second-half surge led by Kasib Powell and Emmett, who combined for 28 points in the half.

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Slutskaya ready for the gold medal showdown at Olympics

When Irina Slutskaya takes the ice tonight in the women's figure skating finale, she will hear a lot of cheering.

the Russian. Michelle Kwan skates right before her in the free program to decide the gold medal. If the short program was any indication, the crowd will take a long time to quiet down.

Slutskaya knows it well.

The last time they met, at the Grand Prix Final in December, Slutskaya had to skate immediately after Kwan before a pro-Kwan crowd.

She won. In fact, Slutskaya has come out ahead six of the last eight times they have met - something she downplays. "I can win. I can lose. Life is always changing,' Slutskaya said. "It is sport."

If she hits a couple things she has been working on in practice, she could win the gold.

Two years ago, she became the first woman to do a triple lutz-triple loop combination. She landed one in practice Wednesday.

She also has flirted with a in the curling final.

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Jon

Gruden resisted taking any part-

ing shots at the Oakland

his future as coach of the Tampa

thin skin," he said Wednesday

when asked if he was looking

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"I'm not shy. I don't have

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SALT LAKE CITY (AP) triple salchow-triple loop-half loop-triple loop combination that would be a first in a figure skating competition, men or women.

"I am practicing a lot of But it won't be entirely for things," Slutskaya said. "I just want to do my best here. I will try to do my best."

The figure skating showdown isn't the only big event Thursday.

The U.S. and Canadian women's hockey teams meet for the gold medal in a rematch of the 1998 Olympic final won by the Americans.

"We've won everything except for the Olympics," Canadian forward Hayley Wickenheiser said. "That's the missing piece."

The Canadians and the Americans also meet on ice for the bronze medal in women's curling. The defending gold medalist Canadians were stunned by Britain in the semifinals: the Americans were happy just to make the final four.

"We came here as a very strong country in curling. And when you're from Canada, you expected to get gold,' Canadian Julie Skinner said.

Britain meets Switzerland

Slutskaya is on the verge of an Olympic medal just three years after nearly quitting the sport.

After placing fourth in the Russian championships in 1999, she was not named to the national team even though she had won the silver medal at the world championships in March 1998, behind Kwan.

She took some time off to regroup, lost weight, got married and came back better than ever, beating Kwan in the 2000 Grand Prix Final, unleashing two triple-triples that have forced Kwan to up the technical content in her own programs.

American Sasha Cohen has a chance at the gold if the others falter.

"Anything can happen," said Cohen, in third place following the short program. "And I'm just happy to be a part of it."

However the Kwan-Slutskaya matchup is the big event - and the Russian is ready for it.

"I think we'll both be skating well," she said. "Hopefully, the crowd will jump and scream.'

She will hear a lot of it even before she skates.

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(Courtesy photo)

welcome any input I can get from ownership.

The sons of Bucs owner Malcolm Glazer smiled. The Raiders. Instead, he focused on youngest coach in the NFL kept talking.

And while he didn't make any bold predictions about winning the Super Bowl right away, charismatic Gruden the promised to approach his new job with the fervor of a champion

Gruden said it was an easy 'I'm going to coach with the decision to return to the city where he spent part of his child

tion about whether it's up to him to restore some of the credibility the team lost during a long, sometimes comical search for Tony Dungy's replacement.

"There's always pressure. That's the great thing about being in the NFL. You either feel pressure or you apply pressure," Gruden said. "And, hopefully with the group of players that we have assembled here, we're going to be able to apply a lot of pressure to the other team."

The Glazers with," Gruden added, "and I hood. He shrugged off a ques- from the Raiders on Monday

with a five-year, \$17.5 million deal the owners put together just hours after making a pitch for San Francisco's Steve Mariucci.

Gruden went to bed Sunday night thinking Mariucci might be close to moving to Tampa Bay as coach and general manager.

But sensing the 49ers' coach was not going to accept their offer, the Glazers called Davis and quickly worked out a deal to obtain permission to negotiate with Gruden in the middle

Jump ball

of the night.

"I wasn't sure if it was a dream or reality," said Gruden, who was awakened at 2 a.m. "Honestly, it was a shocking turn of events ... a night I'll never forget."

The Glazers feel they got the perfect fit for the Bucs - an offensive coach for a team that thrives on defense but has had a sluggish offense. The job was especially attractive to Gruden because of family ties to Tampa.

Former Raiders' coach has high expectations for Buccaneers ence Wednesday, but did not answer questions.

One person who didn't attend was general manager Rich McKay, whose future with the team is uncertain.

The Glazers pursued Bill Parcells as Dungy's replacement without McKay's input, vetoed the GM's recommendation to hire Mavin Lewis two weeks ago and finished the search without McKay's help.

Malcolm, Joel and Bryan on his contract, interviewed last Glazer joined Gruden and his week for the Atlanta Falcons'

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style that I've always coached

wife, Cindy, at a news confer-GM job.

Injuries hit spring training camps

By The Associated Press

Tim Hudson hopes to be ready to pitch by the first week of the season. Dave Martinez will have to wait a lot longer to play.

Hudson was on crutches Wednesday because of a sprained ankle. He hurt himself a day earlier during fielding drills at Oakland's camp in Phoenix.

Martinez will miss the entire season with a knee injury. The Atlanta Braves had counted on him being a key reserve.

With every team trying to get through spring training healthy, the Chicago White Sox also had a minor setback when reliever Kelly Wunsch injured his hamstring.

Hudson will be out 2-to-3 weeks. X-rays showed a sec-

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ond-degree sprain of his left Kissimmee, Fla. "He said he ankle, and he's expected to be on crutches for several days.

"I feel it's not going to take that long to get ready," he said. "I'd need a good two weeks of throwing batting practice to live hitters and playing in game situations to get prepared."

Hudson was 18-9 with a 3.37 ERA last year. He was a 20-game winner in 2000. In the last three seasons, he's 49-17 with a 3.61 ERA.

Martinez will be sidelined all season because of an injured right knee. He was diagnosed with chronic tendinitis late last season.

The 37-year-old outfielder will undergo surgery March 1 in Tampa, Fla.

"I talked to him on the phone, and he told me it was worse," Braves manager Bobby · Cox said in

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couldn't play." Martinez hit .328 in the first

half of the 2001 season, but only .233 after that.

Wunsch's comeback from shoulder surgery was sidetracked when he hurt his right hamstring during drills in Tucson, Ariz.

"My first thought is, 'OK, it's not my arm,"' said Wunsch, who led the AL with 83 appearances two years ago as a rookie. "I don't want to get a reputation as a guy who gets hurt a lot. This is just a freakish thing."

Wunsch, who will undergo treatment and take anti-inflammatory drugs, hopes to miss just a couple of throwing sessions. The injury was described as a moderate strain and he'll be re-evaluated Thursday.

Last season, Wunsch appeared in 33 of Chicago's first 65 games before heading to the disabled list, his season ended by shoulder surgery July

Among the star players checking into camp for the first time were New York Mets second baseman Roberto. Alomar and Atlanta outfielder Gary Sheffield.

Sheffield pulled up early in his silver Mercedes, greeted his new teammates, grabbed a bat and got in the batting cage against Greg Maddux.

A couple of weak grounders later, the Braves' biggest offseason acquisition was still

"I'll try to stay even keel and not jump up and down, but I'm excited and feel at home,"

Alomar walked into the Mets' clubhouse in Port St. Lucie, Fla., for the first time and quickly found the new teammate most affected by his arrival.

As Alomar sat at his locker, the All-Star second baseman talked with Edgardo Alfonzo, who's been forced to move to third base.

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) - Melvin Watkins left his roots at North Carolina-Charlotte four years ago to resurrect basketball at Texas A&M.

ment.

Too bad he couldn't bring his old team with him.

"I know what I had there and if I could have brought that team out here, we could compete in the Big 12 for the championship,' Watkins said. "Unfortunately, we don't have that talent right now and I can't

lenge.' Watkins' teams have shown flashes of breaking out but

al difficulties have kept the Aggies at the bottom of the Big 12 standings this season.

After Wednesday night's 82-72 home loss to Nebraska, the Aggies (9-18, 3-10 Big 12) dropped into a tie with Iowa State for last place in the conference standings. The Cornhuskers

road all season.

A&M team tries to overcome obstacles tor Wally Groff wonder if Watkins might lose his resolve and look for a brighter job.

Reid Miller of Pampa goes up for a jump ball against Lefors in the champi-

onship game held in the Lefors tournament earlier this month, while teammates

Michael Roberts(23), Rance Schindler(8), Latigo Collins(32) and Kyler Allen

wait to start the game. 'The K-2nd grade team went undefeated in the tourna-

"Every athletic director worries about those things but Melvin has assured me he's here to get a job done," Groff said. "We will do all we can to be supportive of him. We know games are won on the recruiting trails and that's the way he's approached it.

"He's had some very unfortunate things happen. (Center) Andy Slocum got injured just when he was starting to come on and then he had those two defections."

Watkins went 42-20 in two seasons at his alma mater North Carolina-Charlotte, where he led the 1977 team to the NCAA Final Four as a player. He went into Wednesday night's game against Nebraska with an 81-92 career record.

Men's basketball has been an afterthought at A&M since the old Southwest Conference days when coach Shelby Metcalf created winning teams in the shad ow of the school's football pro-

"It's tough in terms of coming to a program that doesn't have a basketball tradition per se," Watkins said. "It's been a long time since there has been winning basketball on this campus.

"Kids on campus today don't identify with what happened when coach Metcalf was here. We are basically starting over."

Watkins thought this would be the year the Aggies separated themselves from the Big 12 bottom dwellers.

With 7-foot Slocum returning from a season of injury and two new prospects in junior college transfer Michael Gardener and freshman Daryl Mason, Watkins thought the program was about to become airborne.

But Slocum missed part of this season with a broken hand and Gardener and Mason both have left the basketball program after being suspended by Watkins. Another guard. Jesse King, left the team to face sexual charges assault Massachusetts, King was found mnocent Wednesday.

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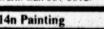
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sibilities. Let it all happen. Tonight: one or many. Others could smile with Whatever makes the moonchild happy! LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

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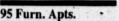
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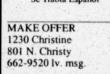
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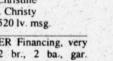
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