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Aggie Mothers Club to meet Nov. 10

AMARILLO – Amarillo Aggie Mothers' Club will be holding their monthly meeting on Monday, Nov. 10. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 4100 S. Coulter, (North Entrance - Green Canopy). Any mom from the Amarillo area who has a student attending Texas A&M University in College Station is invited to attend. Club members will be filling stockings for students with helpful items for finals in December. Each mother is asked to bring 150 non-perishable items for stuffing the stockings. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call Cindy Skypala at 806-354-0182.

DEATHS
Jack W. Davis, 78, retired insurance agent.
William Hugh Russell, 33, services pending.

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Lefors resident dies in truck rollover

By MARILYN POWERS
 STAFF WRITER

A 33-year-old Lefors man was killed Tuesday evening in a one-vehicle accident south of Pampa on Texas Highway 273 between Pampa and Lefors.

William Hugh Russell was southbound in a 2001 Dodge Ram 2500

pickup at about 7:30 p.m. when the vehicle drifted to the right, striking a guardrail on an overpass. The pickup then skidded across the roadway to the east, striking a bridge abutment. The vehicle spun and tipped over on its left side, landing on top of a bridge rail and facing west, according to Texas Department of Public Safety troopers

who worked the scene.

Cause of the fatal accident is still under investigation by DPS Cpl. Ron Shank of Pampa. No adverse weather or road conditions existed at the time of the wreck, officials said.

Gray County Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Joe Martinez was called and pronounced the driver dead at the

scene. No passengers were found.

The body was taken to Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa, where services are pending.

Judge Martinez was conducting bond hearings and was unavailable for comment as of press time today concerning the accident and possible autopsy.

City, PFD honor eight-year-old heroine

By DAVID BOWSER
 STAFF WRITER

A Lamar Elementary third grader wore a big smile Tuesday night after being presented a medal from the Pampa Fire Department and a resolution from the Pampa City Commission recognizing her for saving her great-grandfather's life.

On Oct. 10, eight-year-old Abigail "Abby" Jones saw her beagle puppy scratching at the door. When she went to the door, she saw the house where her grandfather lived in flames. Abby told her grandmother, who told Abby to dial 911. The grandmother then went running to the blazing house and was then joined by Abby to help her great-grandfather to safety.

Pampa Fire Chief Kim Powell said during the award ceremonies Tuesday night at the city commission meeting that only two days before Abby had gone through a training exercise that had almost duplicated her heroic efforts as part of the fire department's annual fire prevention week.

Powell said that National Fire Prevention Week, established in 1922, is held each year during the week that includes Oct. 9, the date on which Mrs. O'Leary's cow is reported to have kicked over a lantern in 1871 and started the Chicago fire which killed some 250 people.

The fire department targets third graders for training during Fire Prevention Week, Powell said. This time it paid off well.

"We see her as a hero," Powell said of Abby.

The city commission during their meeting Tuesday night also approved the 2003 tax roll.

City Manager Mitch Grant said the taxable value of Pampa property after exemptions is \$403,401,081, the same value that was used for the 2003-2004 budget.

Richard Morris, public works director for the city, reported on zoning changes for a proposed Wal-Mart Super Center.

Wal-Mart is proposing to build a new store behind doctor's offices on

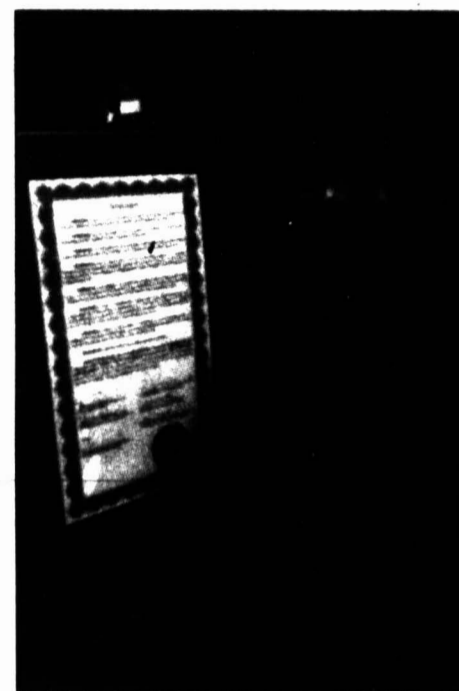
Perryton Parkway with access from Hobart. They have requested a change in zoning from agriculture to commercial.

Morris said notices of the request have been published and sent to nearby landowners. A public hearing before the Planning and Zoning Commission is scheduled for 5 p.m., Nov. 10, in the city commission chambers. A second public hearing, this one before the city commission, is set for 6 p.m., Nov. 25, in the city commission chambers of city hall.

The first reading of the ordinance changing the zoning is expected to be during the regular city commission meeting on Dec. 9. A second and final reading of the ordinance is planned for a special session of the city commission on Dec. 16.

Morris said Wal-Mart officials indicated they would begin construction in the spring.

Grant reported to the commission that he had spoken to West Texas A&M University about starting a business (See CITY, Page 3)



(Pampa News photo by David Bowser)
Abigail Jones, 8, displays a resolution honoring her for heroism from the Pampa City Commission, and wears the medal she received from the Pampa Fire Department.

Early voting ends Friday; light turn-out so far

By MARILYN POWERS
 STAFF WRITER

Pampa voters have until Friday to cast their ballots in early voting for the Nov. 4 election.

The only item on the ballot concerns Pampa Fire Department. Pampa Fire Fighters Association Local 3293 mailed letters earlier this month to city residents asking for a vote of

"yes" on the ballot.

The proposition on the ballot reads: "Adoption of the state law applicable to fire fighters that establishes collective bargaining if a majority of the affected employees favor representation by an employees association, preserves the prohibition against strikes and lockouts, and provides penalties for strikes and lockouts."

The letter mailed by the Fire

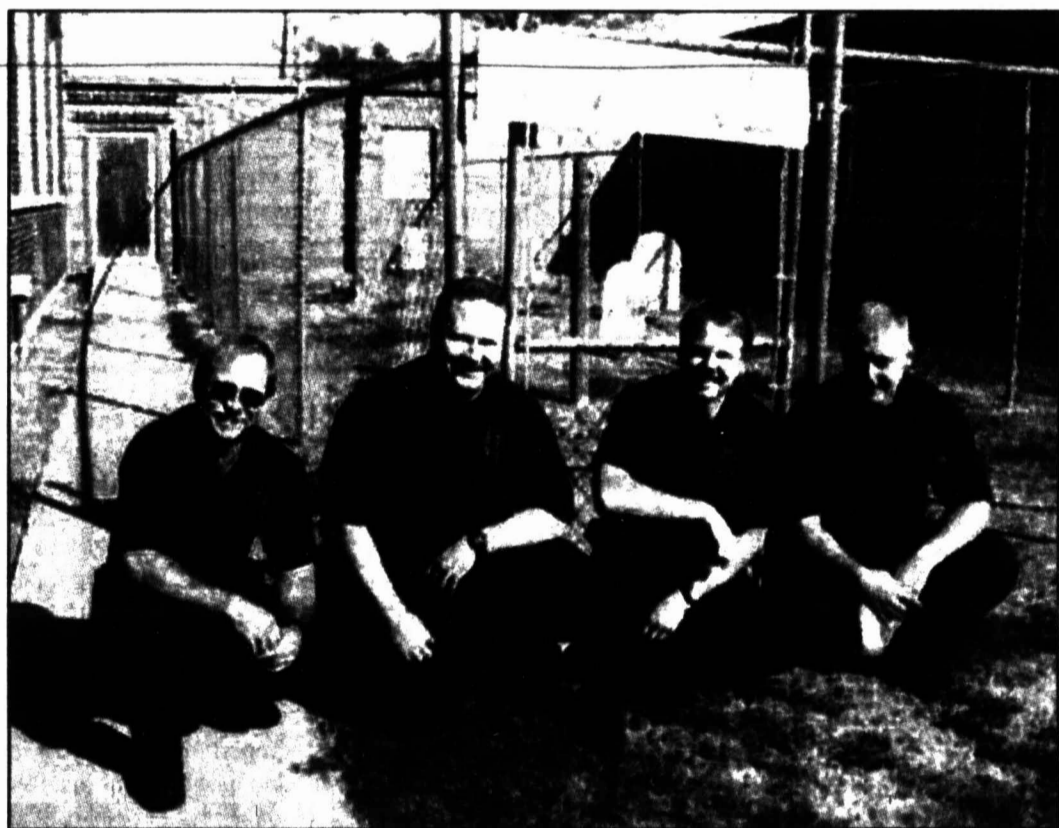
Fighters Association said, "A vote of 'yes' will create negotiations between our Association and the City to come up with an overall plan to provide Fire service to the Citizens of Pampa. Many Texas Cities have already adopted Chapter 174."

The polling place for early voting is Room 205 on the second floor of City Hall, 200 W. Foster. Voters can cast their ballots between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

each day through Friday. City Secretary Phyllis Jeffers reports a light early turnout of 55 ballots as of this morning.

Anyone interested in reading Chapter 174 may pick up a copy of the state statute at the City Secretary's office on the second floor of City Hall, or may go to the Internet website www.capitol.state.tx.us and click on "Texas statutes", then click on "local government codes".

Ready for a good scare?



(Pampa News photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

LeRoy Cox, Jim Sirmans, Capt. Jesse Hanes, and Tim Gabel of the Pampa Firefighters Association pose in front of this year's "new and improved" Haunted House inside the old Baker Elementary School at Tuke and Gillespie streets. Local firefighters have been working for almost a month creating all new fright scenarios for the PFA's annual Halloween fundraiser. Also new this year will be a big screen TV projecting classic scary movies for those waiting to go through the Haunted House. Last year, more than 200 local elementary-age youngsters received shoes as a result of the PFA's efforts, officials said. The Haunted House will be open tonight, Thursday, and Friday, from 7 p.m., until ? Tickets are \$4 per person.



Halloween safety tips

Detective Connie Lockridge of Pampa Police Department offers the following safety tips for trick-or-treaters this Halloween:

- Wear light-colored clothing, short enough to prevent tripping, and add reflective tape if possible.

- Make sure children can see well through face masks, or use makeup instead of a mask.

- Adults should accompany children trick-or-treating.

- Go out in daylight when possible, and carry a flashlight for trick-or-treating after dark.

- Stay within your neighborhood or visit only homes you know when trick-or-treating.

- Watch for traffic. Don't assume they are watching for you or your children.

- Only accept and give wrapped or packaged candy.
- Examine all candy before allowing children to eat it.

- Keep costumed children away from pets. The pet may not recognize the child in costume and become frightened.

- Avoid hard plastic or wood props such as daggers or swords. Substitute with foam rubber, which is soft and flexible.

The United States Food and Drug Administration is warning consumers about the dangers of using decorative contact lenses, which change the appearance of the eye, without supervision by an eye care professional.

The lenses, which may be used as part of a Halloween costume, are being marketed and distributed directly to consumers through flea markets, convenience stores, the Internet and other sources.

Wearing the lenses without having them properly fitted and/or in excess of the recommended wearing period can cause corneal ulcers, eye infections, corneal scarring, vision impairment and even blindness and eye loss.

Other problems include corneal swelling, allergic reaction, corneal abrasion, and interference with sight.

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ON RECORD

POLICE

Pampa Police Department today reported the following arrests and incidents.

Monday, Oct. 27

A report of kidnapping was made to the Police Department in the 800 block of North Hobart.

Criminal mischief was reported at the city landfill. A hasp and lock were broken off of a storage building. According to the report, nothing was taken. Estimated damage was \$15.

A report of possession of drug paraphernalia was taken in the 300 block of North Sumner.

Culberson-Stowers, 805 N. Hobart, reported a burglary of a building. An amp and PlayStation were taken from a vehicle in a garage. Estimated loss is \$450.

A false report was made concerning a kidnapping to the PD in the 200 block of West Kingsmill.

Tuesday, Oct. 28

A report of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was made by Culberson-Stowers, 805 N. Hobart.

Criminal trespass of a habitation was reported in the 1100 block of Vamon.

Jesus Valasquez, 56, 901 Gordon, was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia.

A resisting arrest and assault report was filed in the 2400 block of North Charles.

A report of domestic violence that occurred in the 2200 block of Nelson was made at the PD. Minor injuries were reported.

Ricky Allen Basden Jr., 24, 1601 W. Somerville, was arrested for tampering with physical evidence.

A report of theft that occurred in the 200 block of Tignor was made at the PD. Reported stolen were two PlayStation 2 games. Estimated loss is \$97.

A report of burglary of a habitation was taken in the 1400 block of North Russell. Approximately \$1,500 in jewelry and coins were stolen. A back door was kicked in to gain entry.

Erik Mendoza, 29, no address given, was arrested for no valid driver's license, no insurance and on an instanter warrant.

A report of criminal trespass was taken in the 1400 block of North Hobart.

Found property - a bag of miscellaneous jewelry, was reported in the 1300 block of North Coffee.

Domestic assault with minor injuries was reported in the 1100 block of North Starkweather.

SHERIFF

Gray County Sheriff's Office today reported the following arrests.

Tuesday, Oct. 28

Arturo Say Chanax, 34, 205 N. Sumner, was arrested for speeding and for an unrestrained child.

Lloyd Wayne Swanson, 48, Midland, was arrested by Department of Public Safety on a blue warrant.

Jason Paul Allen, 31, 419 N. Dwight, was arrested for evading arrest, defective equipment and open container.

Aaron Hayden, 24, 1221 Finley, was arrested for public intoxication.

AMBULANCE

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

Tuesday, Oct. 28

1:46 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing center and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

7:44 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded south of Pampa on Highway 273. The call was disregarded prior to arrival on scene.

FIRE

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

Tuesday, Oct. 27

8:03 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 1000 block of Prairie Drive.

STOCKS

The following grain quotations are provided by Acrebay Grain of Pampa.

Wheat	3.30	KMI	53.14	+0.04
Milo	4.02	XCEL	16.23	+0.23
Corn	4.50	Kerr McGee	43.24	+0.38
Soybeans	7.17	Limited	17.10	-0.29
		Williams	9.95	-0.09
		MCD	24.29	-0.31
		XOM	37.90	-0.10
		Atmos	24.92	+0.15
		Pioneer Nat	26.08	+0.32

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa.

OXY	36.03	+0.36	CVX	73.27	-0.12
BP	41.98	-0.25	Wal-Mart	58.49	-0.27
Celanese	32.46	+1.33	OKE	20.14	+0.01
Cabot Corp.	27.47	-0.02	NS Grp	7.04	-0.05
Cabot Oil Gas	26.36	+0.36			
Coca Cola	45.65	+0.27			
VLO	39.15	-0.10			
HAL	24.15	+0.07	New York Gold	382.85	
Triad	29.68	-0.17	Silver	5.08	
NOI	18.96	+0.57	West Texas Crude	29.56	

WEATHER FOCUS

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The forecast today is calling for sunny skies with highs in the lower 80s and southwest winds 20 to 30 mph. Caution is advised on area lakes. Tonight should fall on mostly clear skies in the evening, becoming partly cloudy later on with lows in the lower 50s and southwest winds 15 to 25 mph. Thursday should see partly cloudy skies in the morning then clearing. Highs in the lower 80s. Southwest winds 10 to 15 mph with higher gusts. Thursday night, mostly clear. Lows in the upper 40s. West winds 5 to 15 mph. Friday, partly cloudy.

Highs in the lower 70s. Northwest winds 10 to 15 mph shifting to the northeast in the afternoon. Gusts up to 20 mph. Friday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 40s. Saturday, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 70s. Saturday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 40s. Sunday, partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 60s. Sunday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 40s. Monday, partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 60s. Monday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 40s. Election day, partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 60s.

STATEWIDE

By The Associated Press

Unseasonably warm weather will continue this week in Texas, with highs in the 80s.

Windy conditions are forecast today in West Texas. On Thursday, winds will be stiff across west and north Texas, with favorable conditions for rapid fire growth.

Austin and Waco recorded 86 degrees Tuesday to lead the state. The overnight low was 39 degrees at Marfa. No precipitation was recorded in Texas cities on Tuesday.

The West Texas forecast calls for clear skies, with partly cloudy skies by Friday. Highs today will be in the mid to upper 80s, with some 90 degree temperatures in the Permian Basin and Trans Pecos. Thursday it will be slightly cooler in the north. Cooler temperatures overall

are in the offing, with 70 degree highs in the north beginning Friday, and highs in the lower 80s south and west beginning Saturday.

It will be windy over the region today, especially in the far west, where gusts to 35 mph are forecast. Thursday will be quite windy over all of West Texas, with 15-25 mph sustained southwest winds and 30-35 mph gusts. The winds combined with low humidities and warm temperatures will make for rapid growth of any fires, especially in the mountains, Trans Pecos, and eastern West Texas.

The South Texas forecast calls for more warm weather, highs in the low to mid 80s through the weekend. Skies will be partly to mostly cloudy. South Central Texas will see fog Thursday morn-

ing, some locally dense. Also Thursday, small craft advisories may be issued on the Coastal Bend. On Saturday a slight chance of rain is forecast in all but Southeast Texas. On Sunday the entire region will see a slight chance of rain.

In North Texas, weekend rain is out of the forecast. Skies will be mostly sunny today, partly cloudy beginning Thursday. Highs will be in the 80s through Sunday, with some northern areas seeing highs only in the 70s this weekend. The region will see 10-20 mph south winds today and 15-25 mph winds Thursday. Western North Texas will see good conditions for rapid spread of any wildfires, especially on Thursday. The gusty winds will continue on and off into the weekend.

Court throws out former CIA officer's conviction in strongly worded opinion

HOUSTON (AP) — A federal judge threw out the conviction of a former CIA operative who has spent 20 years in prison for selling arms to Libya, saying the government knowingly used false evidence against him.

Edwin P. Wilson, 75, was convicted in 1983 of shipping 20 tons of C-4 plastic explosives to Libya — something he said he did to ingratiate himself with the Libyan government at the CIA's request.

In a scathing opinion released Tuesday, U.S. Judge Lynn N. Hughes said the federal government failed to correct information about Wilson's service to the CIA that it admitted internally was false.

"Confronted with its own internal memoranda, the government now says that, well, it might have misstated the truth, but that it was Wilson's fault, it did not really matter, and it did not know what it was doing," the judge wrote in a 24-page ruling.

Defense attorney David Adler said the judge's decision ultimately could free Wilson from prison. However, the ruling's immediate effect was not clear because Wilson received prison time for three separate convictions — including one for attempted murder.

At his 1983 trial in Texas, prosecutors introduced a sworn statement from a top-ranking official that Wilson didn't do anything for the CIA after his retirement in 1971.

"It was just a flat-out lie. He did a lot," said Adler, a former CIA agent appointed to represent Wilson in 1999.

Adler said the Reagan-era officials who pushed the case had been embarrassed by revelations they were trading arms for information and made Wilson a scapegoat.

"For over 20 years he's been claiming he was not some kind of rogue CIA officer and he did not get a fair trial and, of course, it turns out he was right," Adler said.

Days after his conviction, but before his sentencing, the CIA forwarded a memo to the U.S. attorney's office saying at least five projects Wilson had worked on for the CIA after 1971 had surfaced — including a planned trip to Iran with the CIA's deputy director.

Hughes said officials failed to inform Wilson's attorneys of the memo and that in his appeal, the government failed to acknowledge that the affidavit was false and suppressed other evidence that might have helped him.

The memo and documents about later discussions were obtained by Wilson's defense under the Freedom of Information Act and through court discovery for his 1999 appeal.

Prosecutors have the option of appealing the judge's ruling or retrying Wilson. Adler said he didn't expect prosecutors to appeal, but U.S. Attorney Michael Shelby of the Southern District of Texas said his office had not made a decision.

OBITUARIES

WILLIAM HUGH RUSSELL

LEFORS — William Hugh Russell, 33, died Tuesday, Oct. 28, 2003. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-

Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa. —Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

JACK W. DAVIS

BEAUMONT — Jack W. Davis, 78, died Saturday, Oct. 25, 2003, at Beaumont Health Care Center. Services were Tuesday in Broussard's Chapel followed by military graveside services at Resthaven Cemetery at Silsbee. Arrangements were under the direction of Broussard's Funeral Directors of Beaumont.

A native of Tom, Okla., and a Beaumont resident since 1983, Mr. Davis was an agent with American National Life Insurance Company. After retiring, he enjoyed time spent volunteering at various nursing homes.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps, serving during World War II.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Judy Lynn Davis Hacker.

Survivors include his wife of 59 years, Naomi Davis of Beaumont; a son, Jack Davis of Beaumont; a daughter, Genevieve Wright of Sweeny; two half-sisters, Betty Golden and Bobbie McLaughlin, both of Texas City; 11 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Breast Cancer Research, Suite 1209, 654 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10021.

City Briefs

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House cats and ferrets found vulnerable to SARS

By CHRIS KAHN ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

House cats and ferrets can get the SARS virus and pass it to other animals, a new study shows, raising the obvious question: Can they give it to people?

"You might want to quarantine the pets as well as the people," suggested Dr. Robert Shope, an expert on emerging diseases at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston. "If it's been shown that the virus can transmit from cat to cat, it doesn't take much of a leap of faith that it will transmit to humans."

Other scientists who have studied SARS say pet owners shouldn't overreact, however.

"These animals in all likelihood did not play a significant role in spread of (SARS) to humans," said Dr. Klaus Stohr, the World Health Organization's chief SARS scientist.

Besides, said Dr. Jeffrey Koplan, the former head of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, "we still don't know if they can

pass the virus to people." Researchers discovered the vulnerability of cats and ferrets to SARS while searching for animals to test potential vaccines.

Their study, which will appear in Thursday's issue of the journal Nature, also notes a separate report that cats were found infected with the virus in a Hong Kong apartment complex where residents contracted SARS last year.

Cats and ferrets are the first pets included on an exotic list of animals scientists think may be able to harbor the virus. However, the virus seems to be so versatile that it could have jumped to humans from a variety of animals, co-author Albert D.M.E. Osterhaus said.

"Cats and ferrets are only distantly related," he said. "So this demonstrates the promiscuous nature of the virus."

The origin of the virus that killed 774 people remains unknown. Scientists believe people may have gotten the virus from animals that were infected by another source.

In China, where SARS fes-

tered for months before it grew into a worldwide menace this year, exotic raccoon-dogs, ferret badgers and civets imported into markets have been found harboring a germ that's almost identical to the SARS virus.

The exotic animals were taken off the market for several months, but some markets have begun selling them again, said Dr. Henk Bekeedam, the WHO's representative in Beijing.

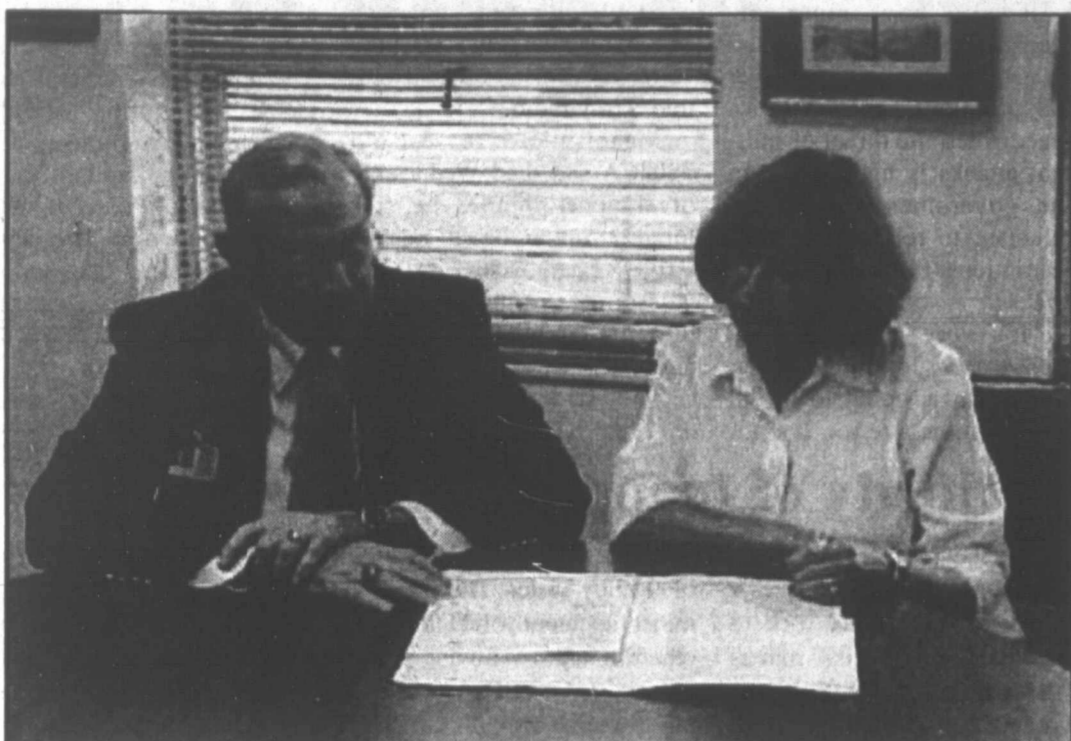
Because of the possibility that animals can spread the respiratory virus, WHO has suggested that animals in China and elsewhere be tested for SARS and other diseases before they are eaten.

"We should stay away from animals who are known or likely to transmit the SARS coronavirus," Stohr said.

A SARS infection can cause flu-like symptoms, including a high fever, head and body aches, congestion and breathing trouble. About 8,100 people are thought to have been sickened by the virus between November 2002 and July, according to the WHO.

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Community meetings



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Barry Haenisch, Pampa school superintendent, and Elisa Zamudio, parent liaison and translator at Lamar Elementary, make plans for the school district's upcoming Community Meetings. These meetings will be held on Monday, Nov. 3, and Thursday, Nov. 6. The purpose of the meetings, school officials said, is to give the new superintendent the opportunity to meet the people of Pampa. The meetings will include an informal discussion of the strengths of Pampa schools and challenges Pampa parents and citizens would like to see addressed in the future. Watch the Pampa News City Briefs, Page 2, for exact times and places of the "Community Meetings" or call 669-4700 for more information.

Two die as U.S. Abrams tank blown up; ambush wounds 7 Ukrainian soldiers

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Two American soldiers were killed when their Abrams battle tank was damaged by resistance fighters, as the number of attacks on coalition forces jumped to 33 a day in the past week, U.S. officials said Wednesday.

The latest deaths bring to 117 the number of American soldiers killed in combat in Iraq since President Bush declared an end to major fighting on May 1, according to Department of Defense figures. A total of 114 U.S. soldiers died in the active combat phase, which began March 20.

Meanwhile, seven Ukrainian troops were wounded in the first ambush of a multinational unit in the Polish sector south of Baghdad, coalition officials said.

In Baghdad, Col. William Darley said the average number of anti-U.S. attacks had reached 33 a day in the past week. This

is more than a 50 percent increase over levels of early September. By mid-October that number, reported by the U.S. command here, had reached about 26 a day.

The Abrams tank was disabled when it was struck by a land mine or a roadside bomb Tuesday night during a patrol near Balad, 45 miles north of Baghdad, said Maj. Josslyn Aberle, a spokeswoman for the 4th Infantry Division. A third crewman was evacuated to a U.S. hospital in Germany, she said.

It was the first M1 Abrams main battle tank destroyed since the end of major combat May 1, military officials said. During the active combat phase, several of the 68-ton vehicles — the mainstay of the U.S. Army's armored forces — were disabled in combat.

The latest attacks, including a nighttime mortar barrage in Baghdad, followed a day of

violence in which insurgents targeted American forces and Iraqis who work with the occupation authorities. U.S. officials also announced that Baghdad's Deputy Mayor Faris Abdul Razzaq al-Assam was killed Sunday in a drive-by shooting.

On Wednesday, Baghdad police commander Maj. Gen. Hassan al-Obeidi announced new measures, including additional 24-hour checkpoints and special patrols, to heighten security in the capital, according to coalition-run Iraqi television.

The proliferation of attacks on Iraqis allied with the occupation bodes ill for attempts by the U.S.-led authorities to persuade more Iraqis to join in administering the country and play a greater role in providing security. Resistance forces have targeted several prominent figures, including Aquila al-Hashimi, a member of the Governing Council.

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CITY

incubator in Pampa. Grant said such an enterprise could be put in the office section of the old U.S. Bus building, 822 E. Foster. McCarty-Hull has leased part of the building for warehousing, but not the office space.

Grant said he had also met with the Optimists, cemetery and soccer associations concerning water usage.

In other business, the city commission passed on second reading ordinances that

will increase water and sewer rates effective Nov. 1.

They also changed their meeting time to 4 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month and repealed the city ordinance dealing with work sessions.

The commission also approved paying \$498,445.22 in bills, designated The Pampa News as the official newspaper for the city and approved an application by the police department for a Governor's Criminal Justice grant.

California wildfires threaten mountain communities now

RIMFOREST, Calif. (AP) — The hot Santa Ana wind that has been driving California's most destructive wildfires on record was giving way to cooler, more humid conditions Wednesday, but that did little to tame the blazing tide as crews fought to save more homes.

Dense morning fog mixed with the heavy smoke hanging over San Diego as Pacific air moved in, but an expected change in wind direction was likely to push fires in new, dangerous directions.

Gusts of up to 35 mph were forecast in San Diego County, where firefighters were warned to be careful as they prepared to make a stand Wednesday to save Julian, a Cuyamaca Mountains town of 3,500 famous for its apple crop.

"There are so many hazards out there, we can't identify them all for you," state safety officer John Simons told crews.

The San Bernardino range east of Los Angeles and the mountains of eastern San Diego County were the focal points in the long arc of wildfires that officials said Wednesday had roared across more than 608,000 acres — about 950 square miles, nearly the area of Rhode Island.

At least 16 people have died since Oct. 21, and more than 1,600 homes have been destroyed. Glenn Wagner, San Diego County chief medical examiner, said he expects the death toll to rise as crews inspect hundreds of charred homes.

"I'm sure we're going to find folks who simply never had a chance to get out of their houses," Wagner said.

Tens of thousands of people had fled their homes. The state's biggest blaze, the 210,000-acre Cedar Fire in San Diego County, had already destroyed 200 to 300 homes on the south side of Julian.

Making a stand at Julian was the No. 1 priority in San Diego County, said Rick Hinson of the state Division of Forestry. "They are vowing to save it," sheriff's spokesman Chris Saunders said.

At a morning briefing, a state Department of Forestry commander, John Hawkins, told the exhausted firefighters not to give up.

"We hear losses," he said. "But the bottom line is we don't hear how many were saved, how many of you put your name, your body, your heart on the line to save the houses."

The Cedar Fire, with a 45-mile-long front, was just miles from merging with a 40,000-acre fire near Escondido, west of Julian. That fire had grown from 37,000 acres late Tuesday but was 20 percent contained, said Kathleen Schori, a Forestry Department spokeswoman.

Ten miles south of Julian, about 90 percent of the homes had been destroyed in Cuyamaca, a lakeside town of about 160 residents, said Chief Bill Clayton of the state Department of Forestry.

"I'm sad to say the community of Cuyamaca was destroyed this afternoon," Clayton told reporters Tuesday.

Outside Los Angeles, flames along the south face of the San Bernardino range threatened resort communities from Lake Arrowhead east to Big Bear Lake. Some 80,000 full-time residents had evacuated since the weekend, including thousands who jammed the highway out of Big Bear with bumper-to-bumper traffic Tuesday.

A 36,780-acre fire with flames shooting 40 feet high jumped a highway early Wednesday to reach a commu-

nity of scattered homes called Running Springs between the resort towns of Lake Arrowhead and Big Bear Lake. Officials said they were not optimistic they would be able to push it back.

New mandatory evacuations had been ordered during the night for residents of the Summit Valley area northwest of Lake Arrowhead, fire officials said.

Changing weather offered both problems and promise. Cooler, moist air off the ocean was expected to replace the vanished hot and dry Santa Ana winds that whipped blazes into firestorms over the weekend. Highs only in the 60s were forecast for parts of the San Bernardino Mountains, while downtown Los Angeles was expecting highs in the 70s.

Wind off the ocean could push fires east instead of south and west, said Brandt Maxwell, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in San Diego. It will take until Thursday or even Friday, Maxwell said, before the moist wind raises humidity in the bone-dry mountain areas where the fires were fiercest.

"It really could become catastrophic if the winds continue," fire information officer Carol Beckley said.

Some crews exhausted by three days of battle in San Diego County were pulled back Tuesday.

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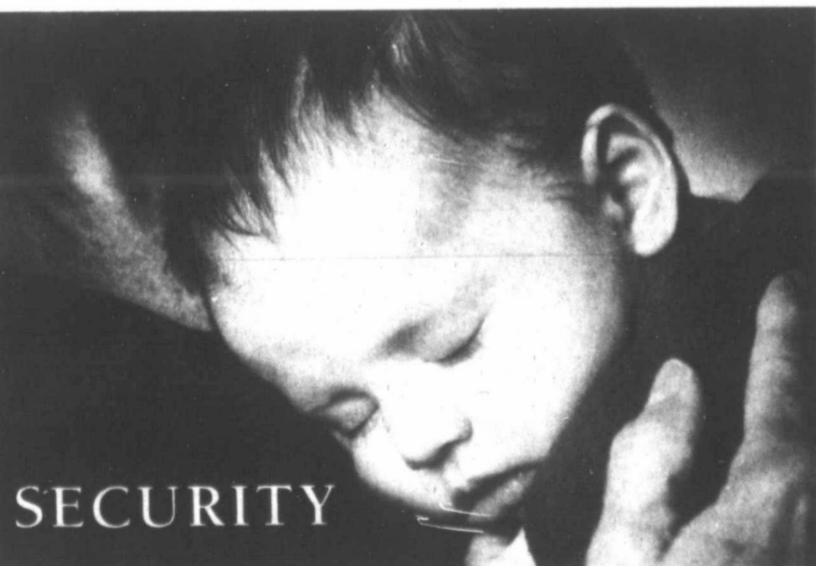
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Israelis kill Palestinian approaching Gaza fence, restricted area

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israeli soldiers shot and killed a Palestinian man and injured another Wednesday after the pair crossed into a restricted area around the fence that separates Gaza from Israel, military sources said.

Israeli officials said they were considering slightly easing month-old closures that have kept millions of Palestinians out of Israel and confined many to their West Bank communities.

Two people approached the fence from the Gaza side near Nahal Oz on Wednesday morning, entering the 150-yard-wide restricted zone, before troops opened fire, the army said.

One man was killed and the other injured. The men had no weapons, but were carrying cellular phones, maps of the

area and intelligence about army patrols there, the military said. They were apparently collecting information for a future attack, the military said.

The dead man's family identified him as Mohammed Awad, 26, a supporter of the Islamic Jihad militant group.

The army said militants often planned attacks in the area and three soldiers were injured during an attack there last month.

Army officials have expressed concern that continuing restrictions on Palestinians are fostering hatred of Israel, strengthening militant groups and creating the kind of atmosphere that leads to more attacks, according to media reports.

Army officials were trying to persuade the government to

lift the closures placed on Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza Strip before the Jewish New Year holiday last month because of increased concerns about attacks. The closure, which had been extended through a series of Jewish holidays over the past month, preventing nearly 3 million Palestinians from traveling to Israel and leaving their communities.

The restrictions have also kept many Palestinian farmers from their fields, badly damaging the annual olive harvest.

Officials were considering letting 3,000 West Bank merchants enter Israel and allowing 1,500 Palestinians to enter the Israeli-controlled Atarot industrial park in the West Bank, but cities would remain surrounded, according to Army radio.

Israeli has repeatedly clamped tight closures around Palestinian communities over the past three years of violence when the threat of militant attacks is high. Some in the government have been reluctant to relax the current restrictions for fear of more attacks.

"It's very clear that any pressure on the Palestinian population is going to in the end create new terror. It's not

a simple dilemma, how we should deal with this," Deputy Defense Minister Zeev Boim told Army radio.

Meanwhile, 16-year-old Salah Assad died Wednesday of shrapnel injuries he suffered during an Israeli missile strike last week in the Nusseirat refugee camp, bringing the number killed in the attack to 12.

The strike was part of ongoing violence on both

sides that has stalled the U.S.-back road map peace plan. The plan is also on hold amid efforts to form a stable Palestinian government.

Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat asked Prime Minister Ahmed Qureia on Tuesday to stay on as prime minister and form a new government, officials said, but their bitter dispute over control of the Palestinian security forces remained unresolved.

Majority of trapped miners found alive

NOVOSHAKHTINSK, Russia (AP) — Search crews blasted through solid rock to rescue 11 of 13 coal miners who emerged covered in soot Wednesday after six days trapped in a deep shaft in southern Russia. One miner died underground and another remained missing, emergency officials said.

Rescuers working around the clock reached the men Wednesday morning after drillers punched through to the pit face where the miners had sought refuge following a flood.

"The guys looked fine for people who have been trapped in a mine for six days. They came out themselves," said Alexander Smetalin, one of the rescuers. "They were found in the northern part of the mine. They were lying there all together."

Smetalin said that the miners had climbed an incline in the shaft in the Zapadnaya mine

that kept them above the level of the icy water. The missing miner apparently had left the others in hopes of finding a way out, and rescuers were continuing to search for him, officials said.

Most of the miners walked out of the shaft on their own. Black dust coated their faces and thick blankets were draped over their shoulders.

Relatives who had kept vigil outside the mine in the Rostov-on-Don region, about 600 miles south of Moscow, cried out their names as a crowd of doctors, policemen and rescue workers surrounded the men and hustled them into waiting ambulances.

The last live miner was carried out of the shaft on a stretcher shortly after noon. Rescue workers said he apparently was suffering from exposure but was conscious and responsive.

The Interfax news agency

said that the director of the mine, Vasily Avdeyev, who was among those trapped, had survived. Rescuers carried up the body of the dead miner last.

As the rescue operation unfolded in southern Russia early Wednesday, five miners were killed in a mine explosion in the Primorye region of the Russian Far East. Sixty-six other miners were rescued after the blast in the town of Partizansk, said Viktor Beltsov, a spokesman for the Russian Emergency Situations Ministry. The blast was due to a buildup of methane and was blamed on lax safety practices, the ITAR-Tass news agency reported.

After learning of the rescue and the Far East blast, President Vladimir Putin told a Kremlin meeting that to his regret, mine accidents in Russia "were taking on a systematic character."

The men who were rescued from the Zapadnaya mine were among 71 working some 2,625 feet below ground on Thursday when water from a subterranean lake leaked into a shaft above them, blocking their way to the surface. Twenty-five managed to escape, and 33 other miners who had been trapped by the flood were rescued Saturday.

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PAMPA ISD RED RIBBON ACTIVITIES

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Monday (fifth grade only). Decorated school fence with red ribbons. Released red and white balloons in front of the banner. "United We Stand For a Drug Free Land".

Tuesday. Displayed banners and posters with the theme "Heroes Stand Against Drugs." The banners/posters, designed by each class, are displayed in the hallway.

Wednesday. Wear "red" day. Hand out ribbons.

Thursday. "Hugs not drugs" day. Children to bring favorite stuffed animal to school.

Friday. Drug Free Assembly to be staged. Children to wear a T-shirt or sweat-shirt with their favorite hero.

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Monday. A Red Ribbon Challenge conducted during PE. Students were given strips of red ribbons to tie around the elementary school.

Tuesday. Students participated in a Drug Free Flag Activity. They created a hand-print "flag" during PE and music.

Wednesday. Sock it to Drugs Day: Students will wear bright colorful socks to say "Sock-it-to-Drugs"

Thursday. Thursday will be "Put a Lid on Drugs Day." Students will wear hats or caps to show support for Red Ribbon Week

Friday. Students will be treated to a skit by the high school students during morning assembly for Red Ribbon Week.

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Monday. Ribbons distributed and additional red ribbons tied outside. Door decorating contest (shut the door on drugs coloring contest and poster contest) set to begin.

Tuesday. "Give drugs the slip" day. On this day, students wore slippers to school and made red, white and blue hands to hang around school (hands-off drugs).

Wednesday. Students to wear neckties to bring home the message to "tie one on against drugs."

Thursday. "Shade out drugs" - wear sunglasses.

Friday. Friday will be "united we stand for a drug free land." Students are encouraged to wear red, white and blue. A Health Fair for third through fifth grades is also planned along with a presentation by Safety Pup who will talk Halloween safety to kindergarten through second grade. Contest winners will be announced. A drawing for door prizes will be held each morning throughout the week.

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Monday: "Color Me Red" Day: Students wore red. PE and K hung ribbons. PACK members painted everyone's thumb with red polish.

Tuesday: "Put a Cap on Drugs" Day: Students wore hats.

Wednesday: "Heroes Stand Up to Drugs" Day: Dress as a hero.

Thursday: "Team Up Against Drugs" Day: Wear favorite team shirt. "Reach for the Stars" handouts.

Friday: "Drugs are Scary" Day. Dress in Halloween costume. Stickers handed out.

Special Dress Up Day awards will be presented.

Red Ribbon Week promotes healthy living

Pampa Independent School District is joining with the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse to promote healthy, drug-free lifestyles during Red Ribbon Week 2003.

"Red Ribbon Week is about encouraging kids to be drug-free and marking the progress we've made. Many teens are choosing not to use drugs," said TCADA Executive Director Dr. Dave Wanser. "This campaign provides communities with a forum to bring together parents, school, and businesses as we look for new and innovative ways to keep kids drug free."

The commission is sponsoring the statewide celebration from Oct. 23-31. Students from across the state began the celebration early during a kickoff rally on the steps of the state capitol in Austin on Oct. 17.

Each PISD campus will celebrate red ribbon week with daily activities, dress up days and contests.

About 238,000 Texas students in grades 4-12 partici-

pated in the commission's 2002 Texas School Survey of Substance Use, the largest of its kind in the nation. The agency has been conducting the statewide survey every two years since 1988. Among the findings:

The percentage of 7-12 graders reporting they had used tobacco in the month before the survey fell 19 percent since 2000 and 31 percent since 1998.

Alcohol continues to be the most widely used substance among Texas students in grades 7-12 with 71 percent of students reporting they had used alcohol at some point in their lives.

This percentage has remained relatively steady in recent years; past-month use dropped 4.4 percent since 2000.

Since 2000, ecstasy use has increased by 63 percent among 7-12 grade students.

Marijuana remained the most commonly used substance among students after alcohol and tobacco.

Thirty-two percent of all 7-12 graders in 2002 reported

having smoked marijuana at some point in their lives, the same as in 2000. Past-month use of marijuana was 14.4 percent in 2002, compared to 13.7 percent in 2000.

The percentage of 7-12 graders reporting they had ever used any illicit drug remained stable in 2002.

Among 7-12 graders, inhalants declined for lifetime use but remained steady for past-month use. The overall rate for lifetime in 2002 was 18 percent and the past month use was 7 percent.

Use by students in grades 4-6 decreased for all substances.

The first Red Ribbon Celebration was organized in 1986 by a grassroots organization of parents concerned about the destruction caused by alcohol and drug abuse.

The red ribbon was adopted as a symbol of the movement in honor of Enrique "Kiki" Camarena, an agent with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration who was kidnapped and killed while investigating drug traffickers.

The campaign has reached millions of children and has been recognized by the U.S. Congress.

Red Ribbon Week is a chance to be visible and vocal in our desire for a drug-free community," said Lesley Gershmel, PISD Safe and Drug Free Schools coordinator.

"Research shows that children are less likely to use

alcohol and other drugs when parents and other role models are clear and consistent in their opposition to substance use and abuse."

If you would like red ribbons for your business or yourself, or for more information about Red Ribbon Week or prevention resources, visit www.drugfreetexas.com/redribbon or contact Gershmel at 669-4800.

Pampa I.S.D. would like to extend a special Thank You to Rick Roach, 31st Judicial District Attorney, for his generous donation to the Pampa I.S.D. Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities Programs. Red Ribbons and other Red Ribbon Week activities were funded with this donation.

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The alternative is to ignore the subject. Which means your kids are going to be listening to others who have strong opinions about the subject. Including those who use drugs. And those who sell them.

ACCEPT REBELLION.

At the heart of it, drugs, alcohol, wild hairstyles, trendy clothes, ear-splitting music, outrageous language are different ways of expressing teenage rebellion.

That's not all bad. Part of growing up is to create a separate identity, apart from parents — a process which ultimately leads to feelings of self worth. A step along that path is rebellion of one kind or another — which is to say rejecting parental values, and staking out new ones.

You did it. They're doing it. And that's the way it is.

The problem comes when kids choose a path of rebellion that hurts them, destroys their self worth, and can ultimately kill them.

That's the reality of drugs.

DON'T GET DISCOURAGED.

When you talk to your kids about drugs, it may seem as though nothing is getting through.

Don't you believe it.

The very fact you say it gives special weight to whatever you say.

But whether or not your kids let on they've heard you, whether or not they play back your words weeks or months later, keep trying.

START ANYWHERE.

"Have you heard about any kids using drugs?"

"What kind of drugs?"

"How do you feel about that?"

"Why do you think kids get involved with drugs?"

"How do other kids deal with peer pressure to use drugs? Which approaches make sense to you?"

"Have you talked about any of this in school?"

However you get into the subject, it's important to state exactly how strongly you feel about it.

Not in threatening tones. But in matter-of-fact, unmistakably clear language:

"Drugs are a way of hurting yourself."

"Drugs take all the promise of being young and destroy it."

"I love you too much to see you throw your life down the drain."

SOME DO'S AND DON'TS.

The do's are as simple as speaking from the heart.

The biggest don't is don't do all the talking. If you listen to your kids — really listen and read between the lines — you'll learn a lot about what they think. About drugs. About themselves. About the world. And about you. They'll also feel heard and that, too, is a step along the path towards self esteem.

There are other do's and don'ts: Don't threaten. Don't badger them. Don't put your kid on the spot by asking directly if he or she has ever tried drugs. They'll probably lie, which undermines your whole conversation.

If you suspect your child is on drugs — there are all sorts of symptoms — that's a different matter. Then you've got to confront the subject directly.

In the meantime, just talk to them.

It's okay if you don't know much about drugs.

Your kids do.

But they need to know how you feel about the subject.

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Drug use survey results for PISD students

The Texas School Survey is an annual collection of self-reported tobacco, alcohol, inhalant, and substance use data from among elementary and/or secondary students in individual districts throughout the State of Texas. The survey, conducted by Public Policy Research Institute (PPRI) in conjunction with Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (TCADA), is also administered every other year to a representative sample of Texas students in grades 4-6 and grades 7-12.

Data from the statewide sampling, last administered in the spring of 2002, are incorporated into an over-time database maintained by TCADA to track trends in substance use so that policymakers at the state level have up-to-date information upon which to base decisions and plot prevention strategies. These data also serve as an overall standard of comparison for use by those at the district level to interpret, and act upon, local survey findings in a similar way.

The executive summary begins with a section containing a general demographic overview of those who took the survey in the participating district. This is followed by sections dealing with various substances covered by the survey — tobacco, alcohol, inhalants, and illicit drugs. The summary concludes with a section that explores selected characteristics associated with substance use in the district and a final one dealing with where students come by what they know about drugs and alcohol and to whom they might turn if they thought they were having a problem.

For context, each section dealing with substance use will begin with a brief, over-time glimpse of the statewide trends in the 1990's with regard to that substance. Use data are then sandwiched in between subsections dealing with environment and, where the data are applicable, with behavior specifically associated with substance use.

Items that are generally recognized as contributing to the environment in which substance use is most likely to occur include availability, peer use, and parental attitudes. Included in the behavior category are such things as "binge drinking" (the consuming of five or more alcoholic beverages at one time), attending class drunk or stoned, use of alcohol or illicit drugs at parties, or operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

As for the actual, self-reported use of each substance, it is important to note the frequency of such use. Is it experimental, a

once-in-a-lifetime thing? Is it casual use, a once-in-a-while behavior? Or is it regular use, a monthly, weekly, or — in the case of tobacco products particularly — a daily habit? Further, use data are used to differentiate between those who smoke cigarettes from those who use a smokeless tobacco product, those who drink beer from those who drink wine coolers, those who sniff correction fluid from those who sniff glue, and those who smoke marijuana from those who snort powdered cocaine.

Two final points should be noted about this data. First, due to the differences in rounding procedure, there may be slight discrepancies between the percentages referred to in the tables and those reflected in the executive summary and in the corresponding figures.

Second, some data in this report are marked with an asterisk. Data so marked are estimated to be statistically significant at the .01 level from the comparable data for the state as a whole. This means that in only one of 100 samples would a difference this large have occurred when there was no difference between the district and state data. Differences in very small districts will seldom be statistically significant due to the small number of cases. Differences that are not marked may be important, but should be treated with more caution than those that are statistically significant.

The percentages referred to in the executive summary that follows were taken from "Part I: District Survey Results." Figures referenced throughout this report are part of "Part III: Executive Summary."

Demographic Overview
 In the spring of 2002, the Texas School Survey was administered to grades 7-12 in Pampa Independent School District. Texas School Survey protocols, formulated to ensure that the data used in this analysis has an acceptable probability of error, called for the district to administer the survey to all of the secondary students. The accuracy of the data requires that school staff administering the survey followed the protocols.

A total of 1,256 students completed the questionnaire. Of that number, 52 surveys were excluded from analysis because students did not indicate their grade or age, or because they were identified as exaggerators (i.e. claimed to have used a non-existent drug or reported overly excessive drug use). The final number of surveys included in the overall district analysis was 1,204, consisting of:

Eighteen percent who are seventh graders, 18 percent who are eighth graders, 20 percent who are ninth graders, 16 percent who are 10th graders, 15 percent who are 11th graders, and 13 percent who are 12th graders.

An even split of male and female (50 percent each) students;

An ethnic breakdown that is 72 percent white, 20 percent Mexican-American, 3 percent African-American, 2 percent Native American, 1 percent Asian-American, and 3 percent other;

Sixty-three percent who say they live in a two-parent home, and 70 percent who say they have lived in the district for three or more years; and

Forty-five percent who say their parent(s) are college graduates, and 24 percent who indicate they qualify for free/reduced lunches at school.

Tobacco General tobacco use includes both cigarettes and smokeless tobacco products.

Statewide Overview. Well over half of secondary students statewide reported experimental use of tobacco products throughout the previous decade. In 2000, however, the number of these students who reported such use dipped slightly. This downward trend has continued through the 2002 statewide assessment so that less than half of secondary students indicated a lifetime use of tobacco products.

The prevalence of those secondary students reporting past-month general tobacco use had been inching upward through 1996, but had leveled off in 1998 and declined appreciably in the 2000 and 2002 statewide surveys. This downward movement in tobacco use appears to be more prevalent with regard to cigarettes than it does with regard to the smokeless variety.

District Overview. Overall, the general use of tobacco products among PISD students in 2003 was higher than that reported by their counterparts statewide, including statistically significant differences with regard to experimental and past-month uses of tobacco products in general and of cigarettes and smokeless tobacco in particular, daily cigarette use, perceived easy availability of cigarettes and smokeless tobacco products, and friends who smoke cigarettes. These higher rates of tobacco use were particularly prevalent among those PISD students in grades 9, 11 and 12.

Environment. Nearly three-quarters of PISD students (72 percent) reported that cigarettes are somewhat or very easy to get (64 percent statewide), while 19 percent said most or all of their close friends smoke cig-

arettes (12 percent statewide).

Well over half of district students (57 percent) indicated that smokeless tobacco products are somewhat or very easy to get (44 percent statewide), and 6 percent said most or all of their close friends use smokeless tobacco (5 percent statewide).

Students were asked about parental attitudes toward the use of cigarettes by "kids your age." Eighty percent of PISD students said their parents strongly or mildly disapprove of kids smoking (82 percent statewide) while 11 percent said their parents neither approve nor disapprove (8 percent statewide), and 6 percent said they "don't know" how their parents feel about kids their age smoking cigarettes (9 percent statewide).

Thirty-nine percent of Pampa students believe that tobacco use is "very dangerous" (47 percent statewide).

Use. Fifty-four percent of Pampa students reported general tobacco use at least once during their lifetimes (45 percent statewide). Experimental use of tobacco products was lowest among district seventh graders (34 percent/28 percent statewide). The rates of experimental tobacco use were significantly higher than those indicated by their counterparts statewide among PISD ninth graders (60 percent/48 percent statewide), 10th graders (71 percent/53 percent statewide), and 12th graders (70 percent/59 percent statewide).

Twenty-six percent of Pampa ISD students said they had used a tobacco product during the past month (18 percent statewide). Past-month general tobacco use was lowest among PISD seventh grade students (6 percent/9 percent statewide).

The rates of past-month tobacco use were significantly higher than those reported by their peers statewide among district ninth grade students (29 percent/19 percent statewide), 11th grade students (39 percent/24 percent statewide), and 12th grade students (48 percent/30 percent statewide).

Fifty percent of Pampa students reported smoking cigarettes at least once during their lifetimes (43 percent statewide) while 25 percent said they had smoked cigarettes during the past month (16 percent statewide), and 13 percent reported smoking cigarettes on a daily basis (5 percent statewide).

Daily cigarette use was significantly higher than that indicated by their counterparts statewide among PISD ninth graders (16 percent/4 percent statewide), 11th graders (22 percent/8 percent statewide), and 12th graders (22 percent/12 per-

cent statewide).

Experimental use of smokeless tobacco products was reported by 22 percent of PISD students (13 percent statewide), 7 percent said they had used a smokeless tobacco product during the past month (5 percent nationwide), and 3 percent reported using a smokeless tobacco product on a daily basis (1 percent statewide).

Alcohol is the most widely used substance among students statewide and in PISD.

Statewide Overview. As the 1990s began, 81 percent of secondary students statewide reported experimental alcohol use. Over the decade that followed, the number of these students reporting such use inched downward in each successive statewide assessment.

In 2002, just over two-thirds of secondary students (71 percent) reported lifetime alcohol use. On the other hand, past-month alcohol use among secondary students statewide has been more of a roller-coaster ride through the same period, beginning with 43 percent of these students in 1990, dropping to 37 percent in 1992, inching back upward to 39 percent in 1994, leveling off in 1996 and 1998 at 38 percent, and dipping down to 36 percent in 2000.

The number of secondary students statewide indicating recent alcohol use in the 2002 statewide assessment was 35 percent.

District Overview. Overall, PISD students were drinking alcohol in 2003 at rates somewhat higher than those reported by their peers statewide, including statistically significant differences with regard to past-month alcohol use, weekly or monthly beer use, the binge-drinking of beer and wine coolers, attending at least one class while intoxicated, driving while intoxicated (grades 9-12), attending parties where it was perceived alcohol was routinely present, close friends who drink alcohol, the perceived easy availability of alcohol, and obtaining alcohol from friends or at parties. These higher rates of alcohol use were particularly prevalent among those PISD students in grade 11.

Environment. Thirty-eight percent of district students reported most or all of their close friends drink alcohol (33 percent statewide), and 77 percent said alcohol (beer, wine coolers, wine and liquor) was somewhat easy or very easy to obtain (71 percent statewide).

Students who said they consume alcohol were asked where they obtained it most of the time or always. Forty-one percent of district students said they obtain alcohol "at parties" (37 percent

statewide), while 41 percent responded that they get it "from friends" (31 percent statewide), and 13 percent reported they get alcohol "from the store" (11 percent statewide).

When asked how their parents feel about kids their age drinking beer, 77 percent of Pampa students said their parents strongly or mildly disapprove (79 percent statewide), while 12 percent said their parents neither approve nor disapprove of such behavior (10 percent statewide), and 6 percent said they "don't know" how their parents feel about kids their age drinking beer (8 percent statewide).

Less than half of PISD students (44 percent) feel that it is "very dangerous" to use alcohol (46 percent statewide).

Use. Seventy-one percent of Pampa students reported consuming alcohol at least once during their lifetimes (71 percent statewide). Lifetime alcohol use was lowest among PISD seventh graders (48 percent/53 percent statewide) and highest — and significantly higher than that indicated by their peers statewide — among district 11th graders (89 percent/79 percent statewide).

Forty percent of PISD students said they had consumed alcohol during the past month (35 percent statewide). Past-month alcohol use was lowest among PISD seventh graders (17 percent/18 percent statewide) and highest — and significantly higher than that indicated by their peers statewide — among district 11th graders (58 percent/42 percent statewide).

The alcoholic beverages most often consumed by Pampa students are beer (64 percent/52 percent statewide) and wine coolers (58 percent/53 percent statewide). Forty-three percent of PISD students said they drink beer weekly or monthly (31 percent statewide) and 29 percent said they drink wine coolers on a weekly or monthly basis (27 percent statewide).

Behavior associated with use. "Binge drinking" is the consumption of five or more beers, wine coolers, servings of wine, or drinks with liquor at one time. Forty-four percent of PISD students reported "binge drinking" beer at least once during their lifetimes (34 percent statewide), while 27 percent said they usually drink five or more beers at a time on average when they drink (17 percent statewide).

One-time binge drinking of wine coolers was reported by 37 percent of PISD students (35 percent statewide), while 18 percent said they usually drink

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five or more wine coolers at a time on average when they drink (14 percent statewide).

Twelve percent of Pampa students reported attending at least one class during the past school year while "drunk" (9 percent statewide). The rates of attending class while intoxicated ranged from 8 percent among PISD seventh graders (7 percent statewide) to 16 percent among district 11th graders (11 percent statewide).

Twenty-four percent of PISD ninth through 12th grade students said they had driven a car after having "a good bit to drink" at least once during the past year (13 percent statewide). The rates of driving while intoxicated were significantly higher than those reported by their peers statewide among Pampa ninth graders (14 percent/8 percent statewide), 10th graders (18 percent/10 percent statewide), 11th graders (35 percent/16 percent statewide), and 12th graders (35 percent/22 percent statewide). Driving while intoxicated four or more times during the past year was reported by 7 percent of district ninth through 12th graders (4 percent statewide).

Forty-one percent of Pampa students said alcohol was used at most or all of the parties they attended in the past school year (34 percent statewide). The rates of alcohol use at most or all parties were significantly higher than those indicated by their counterparts statewide among PISD ninth graders (52 percent/37 percent statewide) and 11th graders (66 percent/57 percent statewide).

Two percent of PISD students said they had gotten into trouble with their teacher because of alcohol use at least once during the past school year (1 percent statewide), while 5 percent reported they had gotten in trouble with the police because of their alcohol use during the past year (4 percent statewide), and 12 percent said they had "difficulties of any kind" with friends because of one's own drinking (8 percent statewide).

Illicit Drugs Illicit drugs are defined as controlled substances and include marijuana, cocaine (powdered form and crack), uppers (stimulants), downers (narcotics), Rohypnol, hallucinogens, ecstasy, and heroin.

Statewide Overview. In 1990, as part of a general downward trend in the use of illicit substances, a quarter of secondary students statewide (25 percent) reported experimental use of an illegal drug and 10 percent said they had used an illegal substance during the past month.

This downward trend bottomed out in 1992, as 22 percent of secondary students reported

lifetime use of any illicit substance and 8 percent indicated past-month use. The use of marijuana by this student population closely paralleled this overall trend.

In 1994, however, these prevalence rates began to climb — most particularly with regard to past-month use. Thus, 28 percent of this student population indicated use of an illegal drug at least once in their lifetimes, while more recent use nearly doubled from that reported two years earlier — to 14 percent.

By 1998, experimental use of illicit substances had climbed to 36 percent; however, hopeful signs began to appear as those secondary students statewide reporting past-month use of an illicit substance actually edged downward to 17 percent from the 18 percent these students had reported in the 1996 assessment.

This followed two years later by declines in illicit drug use both in the lifetime (34 percent) and past-month (15 percent) categories. Again, marijuana use appears to have mirrored these trends.

In the most recent assessment, the lifetime use remained steady at 34 percent, while the past-month use inched back up to 15 percent. Marijuana use did not substantially change according to the 2002 statewide survey.

The use of ecstasy by secondary students statewide is arguably the most troubling trend apparent over the last several statewide assessments — especially so in 2002. Between 1996 and 2000, experimental ecstasy use remained steady at about 5 percent, whereas past-month ecstasy use crept up from just under 1 to 2 percent during that same period.

In 2002, 9 percent of secondary students statewide indicated experimental ecstasy use and 3 percent said they used ecstasy during the previous month.

District Overview. Overall, the use of illicit drugs, and of marijuana in particular, among PISD secondary students in 2003 was somewhat similar to that reported by their counterparts statewide.

Environment. Students were asked how available they believed certain substances were to obtain. Nearly half of PISD students (47 percent) said marijuana was somewhat or very easy to obtain (47 percent statewide); a quarter reported that ecstasy was readily available (25 percent/30 percent statewide); and just over fifth indicated that powdered cocaine (22 percent/22 percent statewide), uppers (22 percent/19 percent statewide), and downers (22 percent/19 percent statewide) were easily accessible to them.

Fifteen percent of district students said they believed heroin was somewhat or very easy to obtain (14 percent statewide).

With regard to the question of

the effects of peer influence on substance use, 16 percent of PISD students reported most or all of their close friends smoke marijuana (19 percent statewide). And when asked about parental attitudes toward marijuana use, Pampa students reported a disapproval rate of 88 percent (86 percent statewide).

Six percent of district students said they "don't know" how their parents feel about kids their age using marijuana (7 percent statewide), while 4 percent said their parents neither approve nor disapprove (4 percent statewide). Sixty-two percent of Pampa students believe that marijuana use is "very dangerous" (58 percent statewide).

As for how PISD students viewed the risks associated with the use of certain other illicit substances, 82 percent feel that use of ecstasy is "very dangerous" (79 percent statewide), 84 percent believe that powdered cocaine use is "very dangerous" (85 percent statewide), 86 percent feel that the use of crack is "very dangerous" (87 percent statewide), and 88 percent believe that heroin is "very dangerous" (88 percent statewide).

Use. In PISD, 35 percent of students reported experimental use of an illicit drug (34 percent statewide), and 35 percent of PISD students reported smoking marijuana at least once in their lifetimes (32 percent statewide). Lifetime marijuana use was lowest among Pampa seventh graders (11 percent/13 percent statewide) and highest among district 11th graders (54 percent/44 percent statewide).

Past-month marijuana use was reported by 15 percent of PISD students (14 percent statewide). The rates of past-month marijuana use ranged from 3 percent among district seventh graders (6 percent statewide) to 21 percent among PISD ninth graders (16 percent statewide) and 11th graders (20 percent statewide).

Other illicit substances are used by a smaller number of PISD students.

Eight percent of PISD students said they had used powdered cocaine (7 percent statewide), 8 percent reported using uppers (7 percent statewide), 8 percent said they had used downers (7 percent statewide), 7 percent reported using ecstasy (9 percent statewide), 4 percent said they had used hallucinogens (4 percent statewide), 4 percent indicated they had used crack (3 percent statewide), 3 percent indicated they had used Rohypnol (5 percent statewide), 3 percent said they had used steroids (2 percent statewide), and 2 percent reported using heroin (2 percent statewide) and at least once during their lifetimes.

Behavior associated with use. Thirteen percent of PISD

students reported attending at least one class in the past year while "stoned" on marijuana (12 percent statewide). The rates of class attendance while stoned ranged from 4 percent among Pampa ninth graders (6 percent statewide) to 21 percent among district ninth graders (15 percent statewide).

Driving under the influence of drugs at least once during the past year was reported by 14 percent of PISD ninth through 12th grade students (13 percent statewide). Driving under the influence of drugs was highest among PISD 11th graders (19 percent/17 percent statewide). Driving while stoned four or more times during the past year was reported by 2 percent of district ninth through 12 graders (3 percent statewide).

Seventeen percent of PISD students said that marijuana and/or other drugs were used at most or all of the parties they attended during the school year (21 percent statewide). The use of marijuana and/or other drugs at most or all parties was significantly lower than that reported by their counterparts statewide among district 11th graders (18 percent/31 percent statewide) and 12 graders (19 percent/32 percent statewide).

Two percent of PISD students said they had gotten into trouble with their teacher because of illicit drug use at least once during the past school year (2 percent statewide), while 4 percent reported they had gotten in trouble with the police because of their use of illegal drugs during the past year (3 percent statewide), and 6 percent said they had gotten into "difficulties of any kind" with their friends during the past year because of their own drug use (6 percent statewide).

Inhalants In general, inhalants are common, licit substances (paints, thinners, correction fluid, glue, etc.) which, when sniffed, huffed or inhaled produce an intoxicating effect. Lifetime and past-month inhalant use percentages have been adjusted to reflect reported use of both specific inhalants and inhalant use generally.

This adjustment was made because some students responded positive to specific use without responding positive to generic use, while some students responded positive to generic use but not specific inhalants.

Statewide Overview. Nearly a quarter of secondary students statewide indicated they had experimented with an inhalant substance in the 1992 assessment. The number of these students reporting such use dropped to 19 percent two years later, began to creep back upward in 1996 (19 percent) and 1998 (22 percent), and started downward again in 2000 (20 percent).

Experimental inhalant use fell further, to 18 percent, among secondary students in the most recent statewide assessment. Past-month inhalant use among the secondary student population statewide held steady at 5 percent through 1996, ticked up to 8 percent two years later, and dropped a percentage point in 2000. The number of these students reporting past-month inhalant use stayed flat in the 2002 survey.

District Overview. Overall, PISD students were using inhalants in 2003 at rates similar to those reported by their counterparts statewide.

Environment. Two percent of PISD students reported most or all of their close friends use inhalants (2 percent statewide), and 76 percent believe that inhalant use is "very dangerous" (77 percent statewide).

Use. Nineteen percent of Pampa students reported using inhalants at least once during their lifetimes (18 percent statewide). The rates of lifetime inhalant use ranged from 13 percent among district 11th grade students (17 percent statewide) to 25 percent among PISD eighth grade students (19 percent statewide).

Eight percent of PISD students said they had used inhalants during the past month (7 percent statewide). Past-month inhalant use ranged from 6 percent among district 10th grade students (5 percent statewide), 11th grade students (4 percent statewide), and 12th grade students (4 percent statewide) to 13 percent among PISD eighth grade students (10 percent statewide).

Ten percent of PISD students said they had used two or more different kinds of inhalant substances during their lifetimes (9 percent statewide). The inhalant substances most frequently used by Pampa students were those in the "other inhalants" category (9 percent/8 percent statewide) and liquid/spray paint (9 percent/8 percent statewide).

Seven percent of district students indicated they had inhaled nitrous oxide/laughing gas (6 percent statewide), 7 percent reported inhaling gasoline (4 percent statewide), 5 percent indicated they had inhaled correction fluid/whiteout (8 percent statewide), 5 percent reported inhaling paint thinner (4 percent statewide), and 5 percent indicated they had inhaled substances in the "other sprays" category (4 percent statewide) at least once during their lifetimes.

Characteristics associated with drug use. In the statewide survey, and with the notable exception of uppers, female students were somewhat less likely to have used an illicit drug than were male students. In PISD, however, female students were somewhat more likely to have

used powdered cocaine and nearly two-times more likely to have used crack, uppers or downers than were district male students.

There were no other significant differences by gender among PISD students with regard to the use of tobacco products, alcohol, inhalants, marijuana or other illicit drugs.

Statewide, students living in two-parent homes were somewhat less likely to have used tobacco products, alcohol, inhalants, and illicit drugs than were those students living in other family situations. PISD students living in other family situations were somewhat more likely to have used a tobacco product, nearly two-times more likely to have used an inhalant or marijuana, and over two-times more likely to have used powdered cocaine, crack, a hallucinogen, an upper, a downer, Rohypnol or ecstasy than were those district students living in homes with two parents.

There were no other significant differences by living arrangement among PISD students with regard to the use of alcohol, steroids or heroin.

Drug and alcohol information. The influence of drug education programs may be reflected in students' attitudes toward the use of specific substances reported above.

Eighty percent of PISD students said they had gotten information about drugs and alcohol from a school source since classes began in the fall (61 percent statewide).

"An assembly program" was reported by 88 percent of district students as a source for information about drugs and alcohol (47 percent statewide), 71 percent reported getting this information from an "invited school guest" (37 percent statewide), and 49 percent said the source for the information about drugs and alcohol was a "health class" (48 percent statewide).

When asked where they would go for help with a drug or alcohol problem, the largest percentage of Pampa students said they would seek help from their friends (79 percent/73 percent statewide). Fifty-seven percent of PISD students said they would seek help from an adult friend or relative for help with a drug or alcohol problem (59 percent statewide), and 61 percent said they would turn to their parents for such help (58 percent statewide).

District students are least likely to seek help for a drug or alcohol problem from a counselor or program in school (22 percent/30 percent statewide).

Since school began in the fall, 5 percent of Pampa students reported seeking help for any problems connected with alcohol or drug use from someone other than family or friends (8 percent statewide).

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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Vigilant Mom Turns Internet Predator Over to the Police

DEAR ABBY: When you advised "Brokenhearted Mom in Virginia," whose daughter is being lured by an Internet predator, to call the police and get them involved, you gave good advice. My 13-year-old daughter was in the same situation.

The 37-year-old man who "loved" my daughter and "wanted to marry her and have children with her" was a pedophile who had already molested a 10-year-old girl. He had told my daughter he was 15. I went straight to the police with as much information as I could — name, address, phone number.

The detectives have been wonderful. My daughter and I are now in counseling to repair the damage this man did to our relationship. I am grateful beyond words for all the support I have been given, and thank God every day that my daughter is still with me.

By the way, she didn't meet this guy in a chat room, but playing a game on the Internet.

THANKFUL MOM

DEAR THANKFUL: I'm relieved your story has a happy ending. Since printing that letter, I have been informed that parents should also report this crime to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children by visiting the Web site at www.missingkids.com and filing a report on the CyberTip line.

Parents must be vigilant in monitoring their children's Internet usage. To do otherwise is to invite a stranger into your home with unmonitored access to your children. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: My 16-year-old stepdaughter, "Ginger," met a man on the Internet. At first he claimed to be 17 — then 24. He turned out to be 56. Ginger became pregnant at 17. She claimed her baby was a local boy's child. We found out on the eve of her moving out to live with the predator that our grandchild was really his.

In an effort to find out if he was sincere or a stalker, I created a fake

screen name, set myself up as an attractive young girl (complete with a photo from a royalty-free photo site), and developed a profile that would be attractive to him based on my daughter's likes and dislikes. He contacted me immediately, and within 10 minutes he solicited me for intimate phone conversation. Our chats always ended with him urging me to call him. I recorded these sessions for future use against him, then reported the pervert to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (www.nmcc.org).

This incident has been devastating for Ginger. She suffers from it daily. She has missed a lot of fun in her high school days because of having a child. She is now in counseling and on a long road to becoming the bright, cheerful person she was before she was consumed by this.

GINGER'S MOM

DEAR MOM: Your story is chilling. Unfortunately, I have received similar letters from distraught parents telling this same story and wondering how to handle a situation that is out of control. No one wants to be told he or she is being used or taken advantage of, and that includes teenagers whose self-esteem may be fragile to begin with. But it is up to the parents to take control when necessary. Stay tuned. There will be more on this tomorrow — when I print a letter that will curl your hair.

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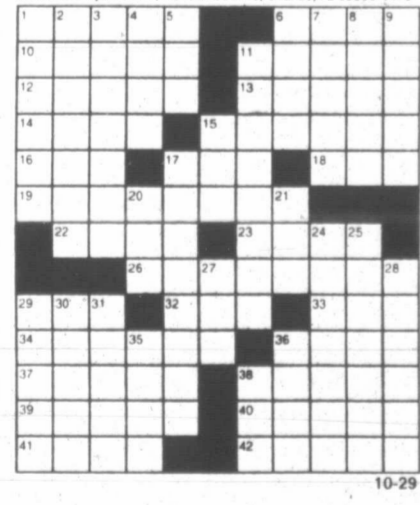
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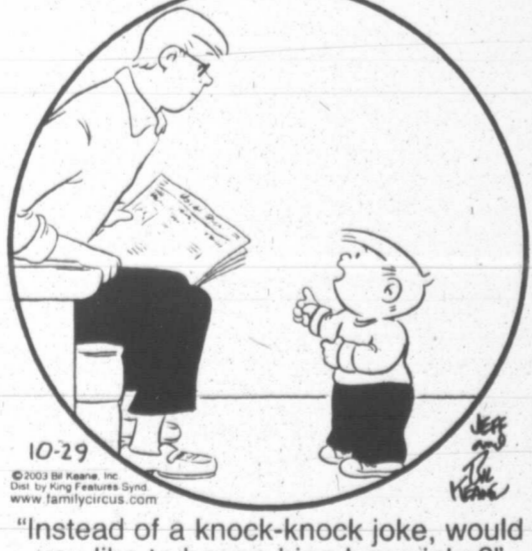


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SPORTS

PHS tennis team wins PD play-off match

PHS tennis team emerged as winner in a play-off match with Palo Duro Monday.

The Harvesters defeated the Dons with a final score of 10-9.

"Our players came off of the bus Monday morning very focused. They knew what was at stake and they came with a winning attitude," said Coach Travis Eggleton.

This win clinches the #1 seed for the district going into regionals, he explained.

"We started by winning three of the seven doubles matches. Singles play started out strong with Pampa winning the first four matches making us 7-5. Palo Duro came back at that time to win two more, making the score an even 7-7," Coach Eggleton said.

"We had five matches on the court at that time and we knew we had to win three of those five remaining matches," he said. "Erin Norris pulled out

the first of the three by winning her match in straight sets, then Tara Jordan won her match also in straight sets, and finally the deciding match was won by Myca Vinson in a three-set thriller. It was truly an amazing experience.

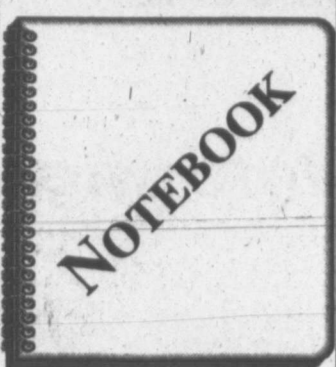
Coach Eggleton said the Palo Duro team changed its lineup, but the Harvesters chose to keep the same lineup which worked to their advantage.

Senior Tara Jordan and

Sophomore Myca Vinson were named Players of the Week.

Individual Results:
Boys singles
 B1 Luangpraseuth (PD) def. Britton White (P) 6-3, 5-7, 6-1
 Zach Hucks (P) def. Peter Chantharaj (PD) 6-0, 6-3
 Patrick Gibbs (PD) def. Adam Etchison (P) 6-3, 4-6, 6-2
 Austin Morton (P) def. Noah Kever (PD) 6-1, 6-2
 Viet Le (PD) def. Mitchell Crow (P) 6-2, 6-2
 Nick Robbins (P) def. Julio Perez (PD) 6-4, 6-3
Girls singles
 Tara Jordan (P) def. Kim Lao 6-2, 6-4
 Kay Van (PD) def. Lacie Long (P) 6-3, 1-6, 1-6
 Myca Vinson (P) def. April Sihaphon (PD) 7-5, 4-6, 6-3

Erin Norris (P) def. Zaleyma Rogel (PD) 7-5, 6-2
 Sarah Nguyen (PD) def. Ashlee Lucas (P) 6-3, 6-2
 Payton Baird (P) def. Bee Inthvong (PD) 6-3, 6-1
Boys doubles
 White/Hucks (P) def. Luangpraseuth/Le (PD) 6-0, 6-0
 Gibbs/Chantharaj (PD) def. Etchison/Crow (P) 6-2, 6-3
 Perez/Mingbougha (PD) def. Robbins/Smith (P) 6-3, 6-2
Girls doubles
 Jordan/Lill (P) def. Lao/Rogel (PD) 6-2, 6-4
 Van/Nguyen (PD) def. Long/Vinson (P) 6-4, 6-3
 Inthvong/Pham def. Baird/Denney (P) 6-3, 6-3
Mixed
 Norris/Morton (P) def. Kever/Sihaphon (PD) 6-1, 6-3



PHS WRESTLING BOOSTERS TO MEET
 PHS Wrestling Booster Club are to meet at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 4, in the Ready Room.

BASEBALL
NEW YORK (AP) — Jim Duquette was hired as general manager of the New York Mets, four months after taking the job on an interim basis. Duquette had been running the team's baseball operations since Steve Phillips was fired in June.

TORONTO (AP) — Frank Catalanotto and the Toronto Blue Jays agreed to a \$2.3 million, one-year contract, a \$100,000 raise.

BASKETBALL
EAGLE, Colo. (AP) — Kobe Bryant's next hearing in his sexual assault case has been rescheduled for Nov. 13. Prosecutors requested the change, citing a scheduling conflict. The Los Angeles Lakers' guard had been scheduled to make his first appearance before state District Judge Terry Ruckriegle on Nov. 10.

AUTO RACING
FONTANA, Calif. (AP) — The CART season-finale, scheduled for Sunday at California Speedway, has been postponed indefinitely due to the state of emergency caused by a series of wildfires in and around San Bernardino County. The track, home to the King Taco 500, is located about 60 miles east of Los Angeles.

FOOTBALL
JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — Jacksonville linebacker T.J. Slaughter was cut, a day after he was arrested for allegedly pointing a gun at two men passing him in a car. Slaughter, a fourth-year veteran, is free on bond while prosecutors decide whether to charge him. He could face a felony charge of aggravated assault, or a misdemeanor charge of improper exhibition of a firearm.

Lady Harvesters fall in hard-fought battle for UIL play-off spot

After a hard-fought battle, Pampa's Lady Harvesters finally succumbed in the District 3-4A UIL three-way district volleyball playoff at the Caprock Activity Center in Amarillo.

After two days of play, Monday and Tuesday, Randall's women's volleyball team came out as No. 2 seed after back-to-back sweeps of Hereford and Pampa. Hereford then beat Pampa to gain the No. 3 seed.

Under the direction of first-year coach Shannon Stroud, the Lady Harvesters VB team came closer to a UIL playoff berth than it had in the past decade.

Randall clinched its spot Tuesday night when the Lady Raiders swept Pampa 25-20, 25-23, 25-23.

Thirty-five minutes later, Hereford hit Pampa with a 25-15, 29-27, 25-15 victory.

Randall's spot had been assured after beating Hereford in three games Monday. The Lady Raiders held a 6-0 game record after the two days of play.

Pampa senior Abbi Covalt made a strong showing against Randall, finishing with nine kills.

Hereford's No. 3 seed spot was sealed with its Game 2 win against Pampa.

Junior Jaelyn Spearman led the Pampa team's assault giving the Harvesters a 25-24 lead, but Hereford junior Erin Charest and sophomore Jane Hays' key kills secured the win for them, 29-25, and giving the Lady Harvesters their fifth straight game loss for the night.

Harvesters clinch Co-District tennis title

Pampa High School's tennis team won against Caprock Saturday with a final score of 14-4, clinching the Co-District Team Title.

"We started out strong winning all seven of the doubles matches and then continuing on with eight out of the 12 singles," said Coach Travis Eggleton.

"This victory was a sweet victory for us, even though we have to share the district title. We haven't had to share the title since the 1998 season," he said. "All of our players have matured in their level of play since the beginning of the season and we are very proud of our team as a whole."

Saturday's win left the Harvesters 11-1 in District tennis play. Players of the week were Seniors Erin Norris and Adam Etchison.

Individual results:
Boys singles:
 Britton White (P) def. Eli Guzman (C) 6-1, 6-4
 Zach Hucks (P) def. Josh Rollins (C) 6-0, 6-4
 Adam Etchison (P) def. Jared Kirchgessner (C) 6-1, 6-0
 Austin Morton (P) def. Alex Gutierrez (C) 6-2, 6-1
 Mitchell Crow (P) def. Jose Balzadua (C) 4-6, 6-0, 6-1

Nick Robbins (P) def. Isaac Saldivar (C) 6-3, 6-1
Girls singles:
 Ashley Ellis (C) def. Tara Jordan (P), 6-1, 6-0
 Rachel Ramirez (C) def. Lacie Long (P), 6-1, 6-2
 Charity Andrews (C) def. Myca Vinson (P), 6-1, 6-3
 Erin Norris (P) def. Brandi Lill (C) 6-4, 6-2
 Ashley Lucas (P) def. Justina Hernandez (C) 6-1, 6-4
 Payton Baird (P) def. Michelle Allegretti (C) 6-1, 6-0
Boys doubles:

White/Hucks (P) def. Guzman/Rollins (C) 6-1, 3-6, 6-1
 Etchison/Crow (P) def. Kirchgessner/Balzadua (C) 7-5, 0-6, 6-3
 Robbins/Smith (P) def. Saldivar/Barbosa (C) 6-1, 6-4
Girls doubles:
 Ellis/Lill (C) def. Jordan/Lucas (P) 6-1, 6-0
 Ramirez/Andrews (C) def. Long/Vinson (P) 7-6, 6-1
 Baird/Denney (P) def. Saldivar/Barbosa (C) 6-0, 6-4
Mixed:
 Norris/Morton (P) def. Gutierrez/Hernandez (C) 6-2, 7-5

WORTH the Wait.
Open House
 Worth the Wait invites you to attend our Open House on Thursday, October 30, 2003 from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm and from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at 315 N. Ballard in Pampa. Meet WTW staff members and WTW Board of Directors. Come enjoy complimentary refreshments and learn more about the role of Worth the Wait in your school and community.

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ANIMAL CONTROL HALLOWEEN PET SAFETY TIPS

Halloween can be a festive and fun time of year for children and families, but for family pets, it can be stressful and even dangerous time of year. Animal Control offers pet owners some common sense tips to help pet owners keep their pets safe during this time of year.

- Don't leave your pet out in the yard on Halloween: There are plenty of stories of vicious pranksters who have teased, injured, stolen, even killed pets on this night.
- Keep your outdoor cats inside several days before and several days after Halloween: black cats in particular may be at risk from children's pranks or other cruelty-related incidents. Many shelters, do not adopt out black cats on Halloween as a safety precaution.
- Trick-or-treat candies are not for pets: Chocolate is poisonous to a lot of animals, and tin foil and cellophane candy wrappers can be hazardous if swallowed.
- Be careful of pets around a lit pumpkin: Pets may knock it over and cause a fire. Curious kittens especially run the risk of getting buried.
- Don't dress the dog or cat in costume unless you know he or she loves it. Otherwise, it puts too much stress on the animal.
- If you do dress up your pet, make sure the costume isn't annoying or unsafe; it should not constrict her movement, hearing or ability to breathe or bark. Also, there should not be small, dangling, or easily chewed-off pieces on the costume that your pet could choke on.
- Be careful not to obstruct your pet's vision; even the sweetest animal can get snappy when he or she can't see.
- When opening the door for trick-or-treaters, be very careful your cat or dog doesn't dart outside.
- All but the most social dogs and cats should be kept in a separate room during trick-or-treat visiting hours; too many strangers in strange garb can be scary for a dog or cat.
- Make sure your dog or cat is wearing proper identification. If for any reason they escape and become lost, you increase the chances that they will be found.



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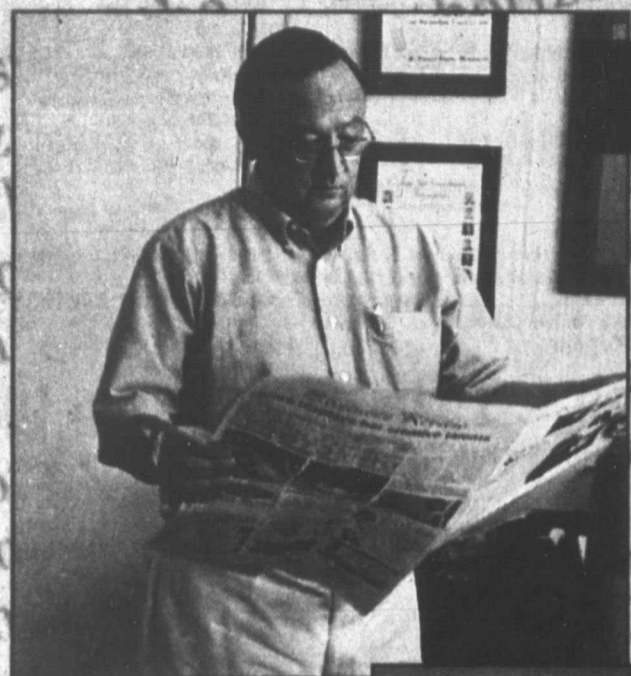
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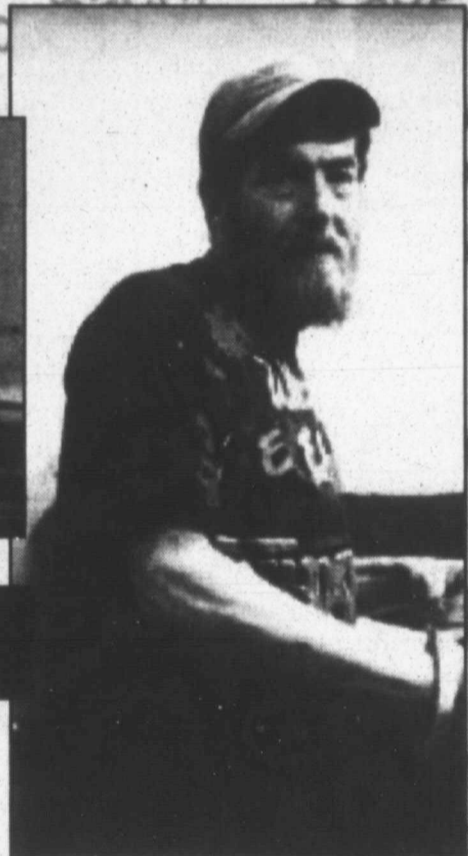
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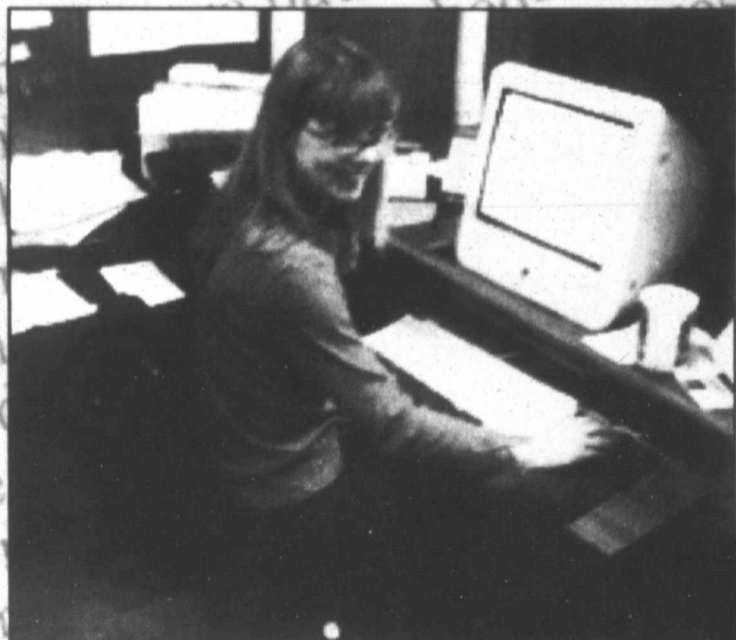
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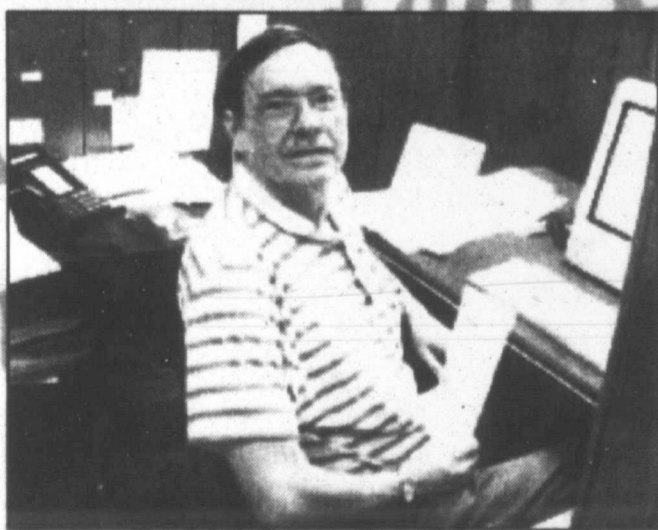
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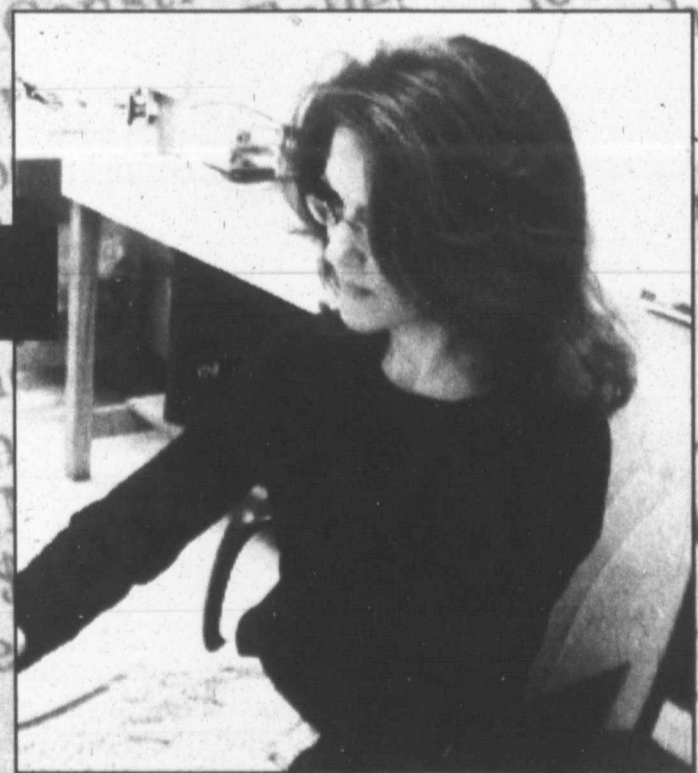
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Horoscope BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Oct. 30, 2003:

You bounce into one of those special years where your words are heard and others respond. You might find this quite refreshing for a change. Express your energy and ideas. If there is something you have always wanted to do, this is the year. You might not be exactly sure about a domestic matter, and might not be for a while. Hang in there until you are sure you have all the facts. If you are single, a relationship blossoms, but do get to know this person carefully. You won't be ready for a live-in situation for a while. If attached, decisions around your domestic life and/or home should be postponed for a year, but talk about them. CAPRICORN chooses you to brainstorm.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19) *** Once more you assume a prominent role, though you might not feel like it. Relating to one individual person can make quite a difference in the outcome of a project. In the afternoon, let confusion be. It, too, will straighten itself out. Tonight: A must show.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) **** Your efforts to draw someone out of his or her shell could make a big difference, though not immediately. A group situation or meeting flows the way you would like. Working as a team once more proves to be successful. Tonight: Look behind the scenes.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) *** You might feel a bit put down by someone and how he or she deals with you. Or could this be a matter of your confidence? Take a problem to an associ-

ate, and you will feel good. Don't listen to all the gossip around. Tonight: Follow the music.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) *** You easily could wake up on the wrong side of the bed. Resist taking it out on the poor cat. By the time you race to the office or work, you will feel better. Discussions prove to be more rewarding than anticipated; just don't bring up money right now. Tonight: Go along with another's suggestion.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) *** Pace yourself, especially if you are dragging in the morning. Even the Lion cannot feel great every single moment. Deal with an office conversation involving bringing more work home. Do you really want this? Tonight: Talk to your roommate.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ***** Though someone might put you down right now, you're hot stuff. The issue for you is acting that way. You too often put yourself down. Give up the habit, at least for a day. Sorting out confusion at the office could be more than you're up to. Tonight: Find your favorite playmate.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) *** Stick to business when others want to turn the conversation in another direction. Your persistence might be necessary to get a work project on target. You also might need to discuss a diet or some other health program. Tonight: Plans change.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ***** Speak your mind, and others will respond. Right now, your creativity and input mean a lot to those around you. Check out a fax or news from a distance. What you are hearing might not be exactly as it appears. Tonight: Join a friend at a preferred restaurant.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) *** Money matters dominate your thoughts right now. Your instincts are right-on, so you do need to follow them, despite some flak. Confusion surrounds talks, so you might say one thing, but someone else hears another. Tonight: Your treat.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ***** You might have to deal with a grumpy associate as well as some confusion on the money front. Neither will get settled immediately. Your strong suit lies within groups and talking to your trusted adviser. Return messages. Tonight: Swap war stories.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) *** Know when to say little, even if you find yourself in a state of supreme confusion. You will need to sort out what is being said more carefully right now. Fatigue might be stopping you in your tracks. Recognize that your limits will be your strength today. Tonight: Early to bed.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ***** Your words empower a situation, making others feel that anything is possible. Know what a difference you can make to others. Your instincts might be off about some news. Check out all facts with the greatest care. Tonight: Where your friends are.

BORN TODAY Singer Grace Slick (1939), actor Henry Winkler (1945), musician Gavin Rossdale (1967)

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Appeals court upholds mandatory digital TV tuner rule

By SAM HANANEL
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) — All but the smallest new televisions will have to be able to receive digital TV signals by July 2007 under a government rule upheld by a federal appeals court on Tuesday.

The makers of TVs, VCRs and DVD players tried to block the Federal Communications Commission rule, saying it would make sets more expensive and was unnecessary because cable and satellite viewers don't need the tuners.

A three-judge panel of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit sided with the FCC, which said the requirement was needed because the industry was not moving quickly enough to make tuners available.

The tuners will be needed to receive over-the-air broadcasts after the nation switches from analog to digital signals. Congress has set a goal of December 2006 for the change.

Circuit Judge John G. Roberts wrote that despite the timeline, the FCC had found

that "a logjam was blocking the development of digital TV."

"Broadcasters are unwilling to provide more DTV programming because most viewers do not own DTV equipment, and the lack of attractive DTV programming makes consumers reluctant to invest in more DTV equipment," he wrote.

The FCC, which adopted the rule last year, sought to ensure that anyone who buys a TV after July 2007 can take it home, plug it in and receive local stations without subscribing to a cable service or

buying an extra tuner box for digital signals.

FCC Chairman Michael Powell said of the decision, "This will ensure that consumers are able to enjoy high-quality digital broadcast programming without the hassle and expense of hooking up a separate set-top box."

In addition to improved pictures and sound, digital television offers a range of new possibilities to broadcasters, such as sending multiple programs over the same channel or offering video games, the Internet and other interactive services.

The main initial beneficiaries of digital television are the 15 percent of TV owners who still receive their shows through antennas. They will get improved reception, with no more fuzzy pictures.

For cable and satellite subscribers, the greatest benefit is

likely to be high-definition television, or HDTV, which offers better picture quality but requires a special TV. The sets cost from about \$800 to thousands of dollars, though prices are dropping.

Eddie Fritts, president of the National Association of Broadcasters, called the court decision a milestone toward completing the DTV transition.

"Consumers buying TV sets will know that the receivers they buy will continue to receive all broadcast signals, even as broadcasting changes to digital," Fritts said.

The Consumer Electronics Association, which challenged the rule, contended it would boost the cost of TV sets by about \$200. The FCC has said the increase was more likely to fall between \$50 and \$75, an estimate the appeals court found reasonable.

Association spokesman Michael Petricone said broadcasters need to do more to promote their digital television offerings and tell viewers about the improved quality of reception with TV antennas.

"Now that the mandate is in force, it's essential that consumers have HDTV to watch and that they know how to access it," Petricone said.

The first phase of the tuner requirement begins next year, when half of all TV sets 36 inches or larger are required to have the tuners. By July 1, 2007, all TVs 13 inches or larger and all VCRs and DVD players must meet the new standard.

On the Net:

FCC: <http://www.fcc.gov>
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Intentions to Drill

CARSON (WEST PANHANDLE) Lera, #3-3 Sanford, 330' from North & East line, Sec. 3,S,H&GN, PD 3500'. Replacement well

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & WASHITA CREEK Upper Morrow) B&W Operating, L.L.C., #2 B&W Alexander '1', 990' from South & 2200' from East line, Sec. 2,—, J. Poitevent, PD 14000'

Gas Well Completions

GRAY (N.E. HOOVER Granite Wash) Newfield Exploration Mid-Con., #7 Ruth '23', Sec. 23,J,I&GN, spud 6-21-03, drlg. compl 7-23-03, tested 9-16-03, potential 1021 MCF, TD 9162' — SWR #10 has been approved to downhole commingle

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #3 Hemphill-Walser '11', Sec. 11,4,AB&M, spud 7-17-03, drlg. compl 7-28-03, tested 9-16-03, potential 5445 MCF, TD 11745' —

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Patina Oil & Gas Corp., #1402P Carr '14', Sec. 14,4,AB&M, spud 7-6-03, drlg. compl 7-23-03, tested 9-30-03, TD 11740', PBTD 11637' —

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Patina Oil & Gas Corp., #4106P Hefley, Sec. 41,M-1,H&GN, spud 6-29-03, drlg.

compl 7-16-03, tested 9-30-03, TD 11860', PBTD 11796' —

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Patina Oil & Gas Corp., #5709P Holland, 'C', Sec. 57,M-1,H&GN, spud 5-30-03, drlg. compl 6-16-03, tested 9-30-03, TD 11950', PBTD 11863' —

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Patina Oil & Gas Corp., #4310P Teas, Sec. 43,M-1,H&GN, spud 6-14-03, drlg. compl 7-2-03, tested 9-30-03, TD 11890', PBTD 11796' —

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Patina Oil & Gas Corp., #4405P Willis, Sec. 44,M-1,H&GN, spud 6-18-03, drlg. compl 7-3-03, tested 9-30-03, TD 11864', PBTD 11800' —

HUTCHINSON (NORTH HUTCHINSON White Dolomite) Chevron U.S.A., Inc., #1-C G.C. Buchner, Sec. 4,—,DL&C, spud 7-14-03, drlg. compl 7-15-03, tested 9-10-03, potential 351 MCF, TD 6124', PBTD 4208' — Plug-Back

HUTCHINSON (WEST PANHANDLE Red Cave) J.M. Huber Corp., #15R Perky, A. Duboise Survey, spud 7-2-03, drlg. compl 7-10-03, tested 9-2-03, TD 3250', PBTD 1750' — Plug-Back

ROBERTS (WILDCAT) J.M. Huber Corp., #1-62 Gill, Sec. 62,M-2,H&GN, spud 10-

21-02, drlg. compl 4-25-03, tested 9-20-03, TD 14125', PBTD 13920' — Deepened

WHEELER (STILES RANCH Granite Wash) Bravo Natural Resources, Inc., #202 Miller, Sec. 2,A-3,H&GN, spud 6-14-03, drlg. compl 7-11-03, tested 9-2-03, potential 1398 MCF, TD 14000', PBTD 13684' —

Plugged Wells

HEMPHILL (HEMPHILL Douglas) Bracken Operating, L.L.C., #1048 Abraham, Sec. 48,41,H&TC, spud unknown, plugged 10-3-03, TD 8100' (gas) —

HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., Herring 'A', E. Almaguer Survey (oil) — Form 1 in Skelly Oil Co., for the following wells:

#17, spud 6-6-44, plugged 8-26-03, TD 3051' —

#38, spud 11-21-55, plugged 8-21-03, TD 3147' —

HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) Marcon Operating Co., Inc., Mayfield 'B&C', Sec. 2,—, A.B. Pedigo Survey (oil) — for the following wells:

#B5, spud 6-8-56, plugged 10-7-03, TD 3285' —

#C12, spud 8-15-56, plugged 10-2-03, TD 3290' —

HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) Marcon Operating Co., Inc., #C-14 Mayfield 'B&C', Sec. 5,R-2,D&P, spud 9-8-56, plugged 9-30-03, TD 3270' (oil) —

'Make a Difference Day'



(Courtesy photo)

Billie Sue Evans, president of Altrusa International Inc., of Pampa, is seen here presenting Cesali Ericson, local GED instructor, and Pampa GED students with a one-year subscription to USA Today in honor of "Make a Difference Day" recently. Joining Ericson and Evans were Jodi Stafford, Miranda Vargas, Phillip Kohler, Joan Gray, Altrusa project chair, Vikki Shackett and Nasha Hill. Ericson said of the gift, "The USA Today papers will be a wonderful resource to cover current events and a resource for studying charts and graphs." Altrusa also donated a 12-book language arts resource series for the GED classroom. This is the sixth year the organization has supported Make a Difference Day.

Court order restricts anti-abortion activist

KEOKUK, Iowa (AP) — For years, Dan Holman has protested outside Iowa abortion clinics, handing out pamphlets with graphic pictures, videotaping doctors and patients, and occasionally scuffling with patrons.

Then came the September execution of Paul Hill for the 1994 shotgun murders of an abortion doctor and his bodyguard. Holman stood with a group of Hill supporters outside the prison in Gainesville, Fla., and spoke admiringly of him in interviews with newspapers.

"Some day, I hope I will have the courage to be as much a man as he was," he told The New York Times. "I haven't killed anyone yet, but I believe they deserve to die," he told the Orlando Sentinel.

Those words prompted managers of the Emma Goldman Clinic, where Holman and his wife, Donna, stage weekly protests, to obtain a temporary restraining order against him.

In an interview with The Associated Press, Holman, 57, said he could not bring himself to kill another human being, but praised those who would — and said he hopes more abortion providers are murdered.

"My heart leaps for joy every time one of them gets popped," Holman said. "You won't find me weeping over the grave of an abortionist."

Under the temporary injunction, Dan Holman must stay across the street from the clinic and at least 100 feet away from Karen Kubby, executive director of the Iowa City clinic, and the clinic's medical director.

"Certainly we've seen an escalation of Dan and Donna's behavior here," Kubby said. "First they had the bloody signs, then they were videotaping us, and then the yelling at clients and staff, standing right at the edge of the law — when you see that, and then the comments he made at the Paul Hill execution, it's my job to make sure our clients and our staff are safe."

Hill's execution and the imprisonment of James Kopp, another convicted abortion doctor killer, have raised concern among abortion rights activists that radicals among their opponents are looking for someone to step into those shoes — and they view Holman as a candidate.

Some automated payment machines reject new \$20 bill

WICHITA, Kan. (AP) — As colorful new \$20 bills circulate around the nation, more consumers are finding out that the notes do not work on automated payment machines like those found in self-service

checkout counters at grocery stores.

The first calls started coming into the U.S. Treasury Department's Bureau of Engraving and Printing two days ago, frustrating government officials who had worked to overcome the vending machine problems that followed the 1998 redesign of the bill.

This time the problem seems to plague mostly automated payment machines — a relatively recent arrival in the industry, the bureau said.

"We learned from our lack of outreach last time, and we

really made an effort to reach out to thousands of business industries and associations so they can start working with their customers and members," said Dawn Haley, spokeswoman for the Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

When the colorful \$20 bill was officially introduced into circulation Oct. 9, the first purchase made with it was stamps from a vending machine at a Washington, D.C., post office.

The ceremonial purchase was no accident.

"The postal service wasn't ready last time too — so we worked really hard with them," Haley said. "We definitely wanted to showcase the fact the U.S. Postal Service was ready."

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