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## Bush: Anti-terrorism efforts boost to games

By PETE YOST  
Associated Press Writer

REDMOND, Wash. (AP) — President Bush says the U.S. effort to fight terrorism is transforming the complexion of the Olympic games in Athens with the rise of teams from Iraq and Afghanistan. Afghanistan was suspended from the International Olympic Committee in 1999 due to the Taliban's ban on

participation of women athletes. Saddam Hussein put his son Odai in charge of Iraq's Olympic committee, a step that allegedly led to torture of athletes who did not do well. Iraq is the only Olympic committee in the world with its own prison, a former U.S. diplomat has said of Saddam's regime. "For the first time in history, people everywhere will

see women competitors wearing the uniform of Afghanistan," the president said Saturday in his weekly radio address. "For the first time in decades, the world will see Iraqi Olympians free from the brutal punishment of the dictator's son," Bush added. Twenty-nine athletes from Iraq are competing in Athens, including the Iraqi soccer team, which thrilled

the world by winning its first game, the president noted. The country whose team Iraq defeated is Portugal, which has 120 police officers in Iraq. "By coming together in friendly competition, all Olympians are sending the message that freedom and hope are more powerful than terror and despair," the president said. Bush said one woman on

the Iraqi track team declared that she wants to represent her country because someone who represents only herself has accomplished nothing. In his campaign speeches around the country in recent weeks, Bush has said how gratifying it was to see Afghan girls participating in this summer's international children's games in Cleveland.

## Budget to be focus of county meeting

By MARILYN POWERS  
Staff Writer

Gray County's 2005 budget is again on the agenda of county commissioners' regular meeting, scheduled at 9 a.m. Monday in the second-floor courtroom of Gray County Courthouse.

Commissioners have been discussing the proposed budget with heads of each county office and department for the past month. No action has yet been taken on the 2005 fiscal year budget. Individuals who have requested increases in their departments' funds include District Judge Lee Waters, Precinct 2 Justice of the Peace Kurt Curfman has had a budget cut for his office, but has requested hiring a part-time employee. County Clerk Susan Winborne's office shows the largest increase in funds for the coming fiscal year, with an extra \$101,000 earmarked for 17 new voting machines and one new vote counting machine, required by new state and federal guidelines.

Peace Kurt Curfman has had a budget cut for his office, but has requested hiring a part-time employee. See BUDGET, Page 2

## Miami ISD education board to hold hearing

By MARILYN POWERS  
Staff Writer

Miami Independent School District Board of Education will hold a special hearing at 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 16 concerning the 2004-05 school budget.

A regular meeting will follow the special hearing. Action items on the agenda include:  
• Approve 2004-05 school year budget. See HEARING, Page 2



Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

## Good day for a garage sale

Friday is a popular day for garage and yard sales, such as this one in the 300 block of North Warren. Brianna Hernandez, 12, left, and Desirae Solis, 13, help place merchandise on tables in the front yard for a multi-family yard sale.

## North Texas officials OK rail plan

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Dozens of North Texas leaders have agreed to a formal plan to build a six-county regional rail network stretching from Denton to Waxahachie and McKinney to Cleburne. Now the leaders must sell the plan, agreed on Friday, to state lawmakers and ultimately to voters. The \$3.5 billion, 260-mile commuter rail

blueprint would require a half-cent sales tax increase. The unanimous approval during a meeting at the seventh annual Texas Transportation Summit came just one year after many of the same leaders gathered and signed a pledge to work on solving some of the region's transit problems. See PLAN, Page 2

## Democrat Sen. Cantwell promoting energy grid bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress must pass legislation to protect the nation's electricity grid if it wants to avoid repeats of the devastating outages that rolled across eight states last year, Sen. Maria Cantwell, D-Wash., said Saturday. "America is not a third-world country that can't guarantee power to its citizens. We are not a country without resources, technology or ingenuity," Cantwell said in the weekly Democratic radio address.

*'America is not a third-world country that can't guarantee power to its citizens. We are not a country without resources, technology or ingenuity.'*

Sen. Maria Cantwell  
D-Wash

"But we are a country without mandatory rules for performance and coordination of our electricity grid, because Washington Republicans and their special interests refuse to do what's right for the

country by passing new electricity rules that hold violators accountable." The blackouts one year ago left 50 million Americans without power and cost billions of dollars. In response, the Joint U.S. Canada Power System Usage Task Force called for new mandatory rules with penalties to protect the integrity of the grid. See ENERGY, Page 2

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**Obituaries**

**Kelley Bridwell Emery, 28**

Kelley Bridwell Emery, 28, of Pampa, died Thursday, Aug. 12, 2004. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

A lifelong Pampa resident, Ms. Emery was born March 3, 1976, at Pampa.

She was preceded in death

by a son, Scott Kelley Oneal on Feb. 12, 1991; by her maternal grandmother, Janice Matheny in 2000; and by her maternal grandfather, F.E. Matheny, Jr., in 1992.

Survivors include her mother and stepfather, Margaret "Punkin" and Jerrell Montgomery of Pampa; her father, Vick

Bridwell of Tulsa, Okla.; a brother, Burl Meadows of Pampa; and her paternal grandfather, Pete Bridwell of White Deer.

—Sign the on-line register book at [www.carmichael-whitley.com](http://www.carmichael-whitley.com).

**Catherine Virginia Harvey, 88**

Catherine Virginia Harvey, 88, of Pampa, Texas, died Friday, Aug. 13, 2004, at Pampa. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Aug. 16, 2004, at the United Methodist Church of Miami with the Rev. Don Kinder and John Curry officiating.



Harvey

ed from Pampa High School in 1934. She attended St. Joseph's College in St. Joseph, Mo., for two years and attended Texas Tech University for two years.

She married Lloyd R. Harvey on Sept. 24, 1938, on the family farm in Gray County.

She had been a resident of Pampa since 1944. She was a member of the Roberts County Home Extension Club and the Daughters of the American Revolution.

She had been a member of the United Methodist Church in Miami since 1927, where she taught Sunday school for many years.

Survivors include her husband, Lloyd R. Harvey, of the home; two daughters, Jeannine Johnson and husband Bobby of Houston and Mary Ann McIlvain and husband E.J. of Victoria; two sons, Lloyd E. Harvey and wife Kay of Pampa and

Drew Harvey and wife Paula of Pittsburgh, Pa.; a sister, Mary Guilmette of St. Joseph, Mo.; seven grandchildren, Whitney Young, Vonda Hellner and husband Todd, all of Houston, Meredith Phillips and husband Brent of Waco, Rankin Harvey and wife Jennifer of Ruidoso, N.M., Angela Overman and husband Clark of Dallas and Tyson Harvey and Allyson Harvey, both of Pittsburgh; and three great-grandchildren, Victoria Hellner of Houston and Anderson Phillips and Keyson Phillips, both of Waco.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, John Henry Nelson and Harry Nelson, Jr.; and her parents, Harry Alfred Nelson and Catherine Potter Nelson.

The family requests memorials be to United Methodist Church, 201 S. Main, Miami, TX 79059.

—Sign the on-line register book at [www.carmichael-whitley.com](http://www.carmichael-whitley.com).

**Jerry Lynn Howard, 39**

Jerry Lynn Howard, 39, of Pampa, died Saturday, Aug. 14, 2004, at Pampa. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Howard was born March 24, 1965, in Pampa, where he was a lifelong resident.

He was a member of Fellowship Baptist Church.

Survivors include his parents, Larry and Joyce Hadley of Pampa; two brothers, Ricky Don Howard of Pampa and Lance Hadley of Amarillo; his paternal grandparents, Martha Hadley of Pampa and Don and

Caroline Hadley of Duncan, Okla.; an aunt, Geneva Stottman of Pampa; and a niece, Meagan Howard of Pampa.

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**Services tomorrow**

**HARVEY, Catherine Virginia** — 10:30 a.m., United Methodist Church, Miami.  
**STEELE, Aubrey L.** — Memorial graveside services, 4 p.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.

**Budget**

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County Clerk Susan Winborne's office shows the largest increase in funds for the coming fiscal year, with

an extra \$101,000 earmarked for 17 new voting machines and one new vote counting machine, required by new state and federal guidelines.

Other items on Monday's agenda include current budget amendments and

intrabudget transfer requests, treasurer's report, internal audit report, adding Phyllis Carroll to the general checking account in the district clerk's office, and consider accepting a contribution from individuals at Keller Estates.

**Aubrey L. Steele, 92**

PAMPA — Aubrey L. Steele, 92, died Friday, Aug. 13, 2004, in McLean. Memorial graveside services will be at 4 p.m. Monday at Fairview Cemetery with John Curry officiating. Cremation and arrangements are by Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Steele was born on Oct. 17, 1911, in Rogers Mills County, Okla., near Elk City where he was a graduate of Elk City High School. He received his B.A. and M.A. degrees in history from the University of Oklahoma.

He married Margaret Irby Eikner on Dec. 25, 1936, in Altus, Okla.

Mr. Steele came to Pampa in 1938 and was a history teacher and assistant principal at Pampa High School from 1938-1946. In 1946, he became manager of Security Federal Savings and Loan Association. He

**Survivors include his wife, Margaret Steele of McLean; one son, Richard Steele and wife Jane of Pampa; one daughter, Linda Steele Perry of Castroville; and four grandchildren, Richard Joshua Steele and Melissa Lomax and husband Kirk, all of San Antonio, Ellen Wedemeyer and husband Drew of Fort Worth, and Matt Perry and wife Christa of Pampa.**



Steele

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Matt Perry and wife Christa of Pampa.

The family requests memorials be to First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1981, Pampa, TX; or to Pampa Learning Center Scholarship Fund, 400 N. Faulkner, Pampa, TX 79065.

—Sign the on-line register book at [www.carmichael-whitley.com](http://www.carmichael-whitley.com).

**Emergency Services**

**Pampa PD**

Pampa Police Department on Saturday reported the following arrests, according to Gray County Sheriff's Office jail records.

**Friday, Aug. 13**  
Monica Chennault, 30, 1905 Coffee, was arrested on capias pro fines for animal at large and no insurance.

Clayton Durand Johnson, 40, 1104 Prairie, was arrested for evading arrest/detention.

Ryan Wohlford, 18, 104 Wynne, was arrested for violation of probation-retaliation.

**Sheriff**

Gray County Sheriff's

Office on Saturday reported the following arrests.

**Friday, Aug. 13**  
Kristi Dawn Lee, 34, 2225 Hamilton, was arrested on a charge of harassment.

Gregory Edmon Harden, 35, 1700 Duncan, was arrested on a violation of a protective order.

**Fire**

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

**Friday, Aug. 13**  
8:09 a.m. — Two units and six firefighters responded to the 400 block of North Gray on a false alarm.

**Saturday, Aug. 14**  
3:53 a.m. — One unit and

three firefighters responded to the 1000 block of Huff Road on a call for medical assistance.

**Ambulance**

Guardian EMS ambulance reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

**Friday, Aug. 13**  
6:23 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of Mary Ellen and transported a patient(s) to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

**Saturday, Aug. 14**  
3:49 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of Huff Road and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

**Hearing**

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- Set a maintenance and operation tax rate for the 2004-05 year.
- Set an interest and sinking tax rate for the 2004-05 year.
- Call for a rollback election if the maintenance and

operation tax rate is more than six cents above the effective tax rate.

• Consider appointment of early election judge, election judge and two election clerks.

• Approve Roberts County Appraisal District budget for the 2004-05 year.

Financial reports will be presented on bills, fund balances, cafeteria, transporta-

**Plan**

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"It's been a short year,"

said former state Sen. David Cain, whose job will be to persuade the Legislature and Gov. Rick Perry to allow North Texans to vote to expand the sales tax cap.

tion, tax and other topics.

General information and reports will include the TASB school board convention Sept. 17-20 in Dallas, changing the date of the school-wide picnic from Thursday, Aug. 26 to Tuesday, Aug. 24, amendments to the 2003-04 budget, student handbooks and transfer students.

"Our work has really just begun."

Last year the editorial pages of The Dallas Morning News and the Fort Worth Star-Telegram first encouraged local leaders to come up with a plan for expanding mass transit into rapidly growing suburban areas not served by a transit agency.

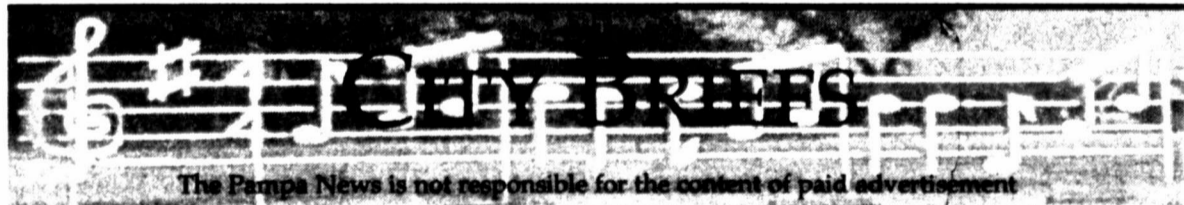
**Energy**

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The task force largely blamed Ohio-based FirstEnergy Corp. for allowing a local power failure that started with line outages near Cleveland to spread in less than a minute to the East Coast and into Canada.

Cantwell introduced legislation that aims to give the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission authority to devise a system of standards for the reliable operation of the energy grid.

Her measure is part of the energy bill stalled in the Senate; she has been unable to persuade majority Republicans to agree to consider it separately.



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# Tigers rescued from squalor in N.J. get room to roam in Texas

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Nearly nine months after being rescued from squalid conditions in a New Jersey suburb, seven Bengal tigers finally have some room of their own.

One by one, the big cats sent to the Wild Animal Orphanage in November were released Wednesday into an enclosed two-acre area in the hills northwest of San Antonio.

They joined two others who went into the area, surrounded by a 25-foot-high steel mesh fence, on Tuesday night.

"Now they have the proper care and the space they deserve," said Carol Asvestas, who owns the animal sanctuary.

Another 13 tigers, some of them in poor health, remain in the 300-square-foot quarantine cages they've occupied since being trucked to San Antonio in November. Asvestas says she plans to fence in some acreage for them as well.

Wild Animal Orphanage, which spreads across more than 100 acres, took possession of 24 tigers following a five-year custody battle

between the state of New Jersey and Joan Byron-Marasek, who bred the cats on her property in Jackson Township.

The custody fight began in January 1999, when a 430-pound Bengal tiger was found roaming around Jackson, terrifying residents until it was killed by sharpshooters.

State officials never proved the tiger belonged to Byron-Marasek, known by the nickname "Tiger Lady," but criticized conditions at her facility and later denied renewal of her permit to

keep the animals.

Officials with the International Fund for Animal Welfare, which played a key role in getting the tigers away from Byron-Marasek, said some of the tigers were housed for months or even years in 4-foot-high chutes covered with plastic tarps.

Once in Texas they had to be treated for a variety of ailments, including malnutrition, parasites, foot sores and dehydration.

The first one released into the enclosure Wednesday, a female named Madhya, had

to have her back left leg amputated below the knee.

She bounded out of her small transport cage after the door was slid open, and started pacing through the salt cedar and live oak trees to get familiar with her new home.

"This is as nice a habitat as I've seen (for tigers in captivity)," said Chris Cutter, a spokesman for IFAW, based in Yarmouth Port, Mass. "It's such a contrast to New Jersey."

The cost of the move and the tiger enclosures is estimated at nearly \$300,000.

IFAW and the state of New Jersey each contributed \$120,000, and Asvestas will raise the remainder.

Asvestas says three of the tigers had to be euthanized — two because of terminal illnesses and the third, named Marco, because he was too aggressive.

"He was literally trying to eat my staff," Asvestas said of Marco, who reportedly once attacked Byron-Marasek's husband.

But one of the females arrived in Texas pregnant, so the group now stands at 22.

## Circle of Friends



Jennifer and Connor Hampton help review the mailing list for 2004 Harrington Cancer Center's Circle of Friends Party set for Sept. 11.

## Seventh Ogallala pond tour in offing

AMARILLO — Amarillo Ogallala Water Gardeners will present its 2004 Pond Tour from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. and again from 9-11 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 11 in Amarillo.

Of the 14 member ponds on the tour agenda, nine are new to the event this year. Several ponds will be available for night viewing.

Participating in this year's tour are Bonnie Herman and Bob Toothaker, Canyon; Joe

and Brenda Augustine, Canyon; Steve and Martha Walton, Amarillo; Ted and Karen Whitney, Amarillo; Ralph and Linda Phillips, Amarillo; James and Isobel Petty, Amarillo; Sam and Carolyn Wade, Amarillo; Tommy and Linda Taylor, Amarillo; Bill and Tina Reinauer, Amarillo; Larry and Dani Fielding, Amarillo; Brett and Renee Pate, Amarillo; Gary and Debbie Floyd, Amarillo; and

Parkview Bed & Breakfast, Amarillo.

Tickets for the tour are \$5 per person (children under 12 free) and may be purchased either on the day of the tour or in advance at Panhandle Greenhouses, The Pond Place, Spellman & Associates and Pitter Patter Pets, all in Amarillo.

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# Viewpoints

## Care packages can help moms 'get through'

Today families throughout the Texas Panhandle are saying good-bye to their loved ones embarking on a journey that leads to Iraq.

On July 5, one day after celebrating our nation's independence, National Guard troops from throughout the area received orders telling them they would be deployed to Operation Iraqi Freedom by mid-August.

Mid-August has arrived. An Amarillo unit, Company A, has been deployed as has Pampa's sister unit in Wellington, Company B. All three are part of 2nd Battalion, 142nd Infantry of the Texas National Guard.

Those members of the Pampa unit who were select-

ed for deployment are in Wellington today where they will take part in a dinner and ceremony marking their activation at the fairgrounds there.

My heart goes out to them and their families. Been there, done that.

I want to share with the families some of the things I learned during the year my son served with the U.S. Army in Iraq.

Get ready to know the U.S. Post Office workers well. Packages from home mean so much to the soldiers while they're gone.

Go to the post office and get a stack of customs forms that you'll need to fill out for overseas mailing.

I don't know if there's still

the size and weight limits for packages, but if there are, you'll find great mailing boxes for about \$1 at Wal-Mart on the aisle across from the magazines.

The post office has special mailing boxes, too. I found these worked best.

Don't expect them to get the boxes right away and don't expect them to get the boxes in the order that you sent them. Don't send anything that is irreplaceable. Once the mail gets into the hands of the military, anything can happen.

Every soldier has different likes and dislikes. You know what your loved one likes best. My son Dave liked musical CDs and DVDs. His girlfriend had sent him a portable DVD player so he could sit on his bunk and watch movies when he had time off. I also sent the latest mystery novel and a couple of new magazines. Dave probably read more in Iraq than he did during his previous 24 years.

They really like letters and photographs of everyday things that happen while

they're away. I printed photos on regular paper so they wouldn't add much weight to the box. Write a letter that wraps around the pictures.

I didn't send a lot of homemade foods, though I wanted to do so. Hard candy holds up in the heat and rough handling. Some cookies that don't crumble easily will work. I'd put in a box of snack cakes, too.

A friend from church brought me a bag of homemade jerky every time he made a batch. That treat was a hit with Dave and all his buddies.

Surprisingly, Dave asked me to send those sealed foil patches of tuna to him. He also liked me to send his favorite brand of razors. I

tried to include bottles of bug spray with every package — no aerosol bottles, though. They may blow up in transit.

Packages of new lightweight socks was another thing that Dave liked.

Making up these packages, thinking about them, helped me get through the months of waiting for Dave to come home.

It was a way to feel close to him.

I hope this will help you, too. Good luck, soldiers. Good luck, families.

Just know that you're in my prayers and in the prayers of all of us who have "been there" and "done that."

**Dee Dee Laramore**  
Editor



## Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, Aug. 15, the 228th day of 2004. There are 138 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

Aug. 15, 1945, was proclaimed "V-J Day" by the Allies, a day after Japan agreed to surrender unconditionally.

On this date:

In 1769, Napoleon Bonaparte was born on the island of Corsica.

In 1914, the Panama Canal opened to traffic.

In 1935, humorist Will Rogers and aviator Wiley Post were killed when their airplane crashed near Point Barrow, Alaska.

In 1944, during World War II, Allied forces landed in southern France.

In 1947, India became independent after some 200 years of British rule.

In 1948, the Republic of Korea was proclaimed.

In 1969, the Woodstock Music and Art Fair opened in upstate New York.

In 1971, President Nixon announced a 90-day freeze on wages, prices and rents.

In 1974, South Korean President Park Chung-hee escaped an assassination attempt in which his wife was killed.

In 1998, 29 people were killed by a car bomb that tore apart the center of Omagh, Northern Ireland; a splinter group calling itself the Real IRA claimed responsibility.

Ten years ago: Ilich Ramirez Sanchez, the terrorist better known as "Carlos the Jackal," was jailed in France after being captured in Sudan.

Five years ago: President Clinton and his family went house-hunting in Westchester County, N.Y. (They later settled on a house in Chappaqua.) Tiger Woods won the PGA Championship, becoming the youngest player to win two majors since Seve Ballesteros.

One year ago: Bouncing back from the largest blackout in U.S. history, cities from the Midwest to Manhattan restored power to millions of people — only to confront a second series of woes created in the aftermath of the enormous outage.

Today's Birthdays: Cooking expert Julia Child is 92. Actress Rose Marie is 81. Political activist Phyllis Schlafly is 80. Actor Mike Connors is 79. Jazz musician Oscar Peterson is 79. Rhythm and blues singer Bill Pinckney (The Drifters) is 79. Actress Lori Nelson is 71. Singer-producer Bobby Byrd is 70. Civil rights activist Vernon Jordan is 69. Actor Jim Dale is 69. Actress Pat Priest is 68.

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## Americans better get used to the blood

There will eventually be another terrorist act inside the United States. The question is, How will we react? If we react the same way we did to the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, we will probably wreck our economy.

We should learn from the Israelis. When there is a terror attack, you pick up the bodies, hose down the blood, repair the damage and go right on with ordinary life, just as if it hadn't happened.

That will be hard for Americans to do because of the television vultures. God

knows those characters on the cable channels can talk a whole week about some trivial incident. Give them a little blood and good video, and they'll all go nuts.

And the politicians are just as bad. They push and shove to get their camera time so they can express their grief/outrage, etc.

Look, let's cut to the bone. President George W. Bush blundered us into a war. To

quote the famous Confederate Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest, "War means fightin', and fightin' means killin'." As the war drags on, we will kill some of them and they will kill some of us, and we will kill some of them and they will kill some of us, and so on and so on for an indefinite number of years.

So get used to it. Hoot down and pelt with french

fries any politician or bureaucrat who gives you the old "We will never let this happen again" routine. Heifer dust. It will happen again and again. Hoot down any politician who tells you "we are fighting them over there so we won't have to fight them here." That's another crockpot full of fertilizer. You cannot lock down a country and prevent terrorism 100 percent. That is impossible, and you, as a rational person, should heap scorn on any fool who tells you otherwise.

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**Charley Reese**  
Columnist



## Self-reliance needed for terror vigilance

Big Brother Is Watching You. Some believe that famous George Orwell line encapsulates a grave danger in the way the U.S. government is prosecuting the war on terror. We'd like to suggest a sentence that speaks of a less prominent, but more insidious, concern: Big Daddy Is Protecting You.

We're talking about the false confidence engendered by the government's way of treating the public with regard to homeland security. The unofficial message authorities send is that

everybody should keep shopping and traveling and trust us to hold off the bad guys.

Nobody knows what to do when Tom Ridge raises the color alert level besides feeling anxious and futile.

A smarter approach would begin with a comprehensive initiative mobilizing citizens to be more informed, vigilant and defensive. Security

expert Stephen Flynn, a former Coast Guard commander and author of America the

Vulnerable, urges the government to talk plainly to Americans about the nation's vulnerabilities which are considerably greater than typically acknowledged and to teach us practical ways every American can help reduce risks to us all.

**Texas Thoughts**

Dallas Morning News

The general idea is to give ordinary people the information they need to assess threats and the knowledge necessary to deal sensibly with them. It can be something as simple as knowing what to do if you see an unattended backpack on a DART train and as complex as teaching airline passengers how to handle a hijacking. This is the basic model used by both the Israelis and the British, and it makes a lot of sense.

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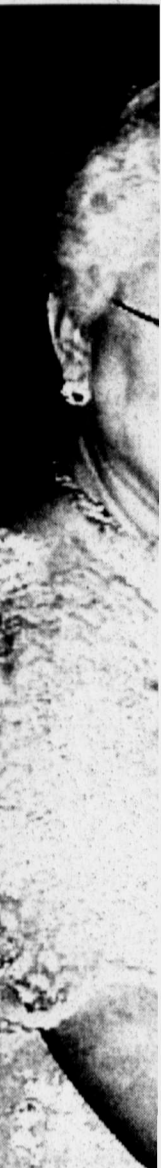
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## Eastern Star

Betty Benham, past grand matron, Grand Chapter of Texas Order of the Eastern Star, recently presented 75-year awards to Florence Rife and Geneva Barton. Also present was Donna Swindle.

## Reese

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We are a nation of 3.5 million square miles, with thousands of miles of porous borders. People, trucks and cargo containers come in and out of here by the millions every single year. We can't keep drugs out. We can't keep illegal aliens out. And we won't be able to keep terrorists out.

We are, to use that sterile Pentagon jargon, a target-

rich environment. The terrorist has an almost unlimited choice of different ways to attack us. It need not be a spectacular attack. After all, Osama bin Laden had no idea the twin towers were going to collapse. The collapse was due to the way they had been constructed.

But a car bomb on a crowded street or a satchel bomb in a restaurant will achieve the same ends for the terrorists. The ways they can attack us are limited only by their imagination.

What we have to do is develop the backbone to

suck it up and get right on with our business. We cannot afford to bring the whole country to a halt every time a bomb goes off. We are going to have to be like the British during the blitz — stiff upper lip and all that.

God willing, we will eventually elect a president smart enough to realize that the terror is caused by our foreign policy and that the only way to end the terrorism is to change our policies. But until we do, we will just have to get used to some blood on our streets.

It's not as if we aren't

already used to it. Our home-grown terrorists, commonly called criminals, murder an average of 15,000 Americans every year, and, of course, our favorite machine, the automobile, takes out another 40,000 or so folks every year.

Remember, you are highly unlikely to be a victim of a terrorist attack. All you have to do is to not go bonkers when someone else is killed. When the attack comes, watch it once and then turn off your TV and go on with your life.

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Under this approach, if another 9-11 happens, Americans will be more prepared, psychologically and otherwise, to deal with it. As Mr. Flynn has wisely said,

"There is strength in not just throwing a punch but in being able to take a punch, and in this new world, we have to be thinking along those lines."

Relying too much on Big Daddy today and not on our own good sense and resourcefulness and we make the world safer for Big Brother tomorrow.

## Calendar items

• **The Fear Not Foundation** offers free to the public Lee Crull's "Ten Golden Rules for Safety," a "kidnap-proof" set of guidelines to help children protect themselves from would-be predators. Crull is an elite ex-commando, former undercover agent, and professional bodyguard. For more information, send a business size SASE to: The Fear Not Foundation, P.O. Box 403, Syracuse, NY 13215; or go on-line to [www.GoodForYouAmerica.com](http://www.GoodForYouAmerica.com) and click on The Fear Not Foundation to link to the "Ten Golden Rules."

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the booklets "Overcoming Depression and Anxiety" and "Getting the Sleep You Need." The booklet gives information on how and where to get free and low cost prescription drugs to treat depression and anxiety. Consumers

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## Genetic differences explain severity of chemo side-effects

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Genetic differences among cancer patients may help explain why some become terribly sick during their treatment and others find chemotherapy a relative breeze.

The genetic defects that trigger cancer vary from person to person. Individualizing treatment to target the genetic signals driving each patient's tumor is an often-discussed goal,

though still not routinely achieved.

Less attention has been paid to the genetic differences in the rest of the body that influence how miserable patients become while going through cancer therapy. Reports at the annual meeting in New Orleans of the American Society of Clinical Oncology, which concluded Tuesday, described the beginning attempts to sort this out.

Understanding individual genetic differences "may explain why one person will benefit from a drug and another will not or why someone has severe toxicity," said Dr. Harry Bleiberg of the Jules Bordet Institute in Brussels.

For now, this research is unlikely to have much effect on how patients are treated. But someday, it may be possible to tailor treatments to patients' side effects as well

as their likelihood of being cured.

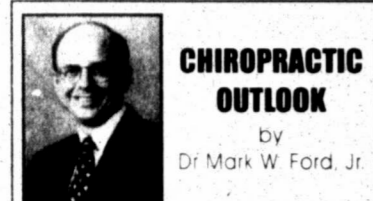
"It is really important. This could dictate the size of the dose we give or maybe whether we don't give a drug at all," said the oncology organization's president, Dr. Margaret Tempero of the University of California at San Francisco.

In one study involving 494 patients, Dr. Jeff Sloan and others from the Mayo Clinic looked for differences

in genes that regulate the body's use of the vitamin folate. He found these genetic patterns seem to influence how well patients do on a three-drug combination for advanced colon cancer. Possible side effects from the treatment include fatigue, diarrhea, nausea, vomiting, dehydration, low white-cell counts and numbness of the hands and feet.

Many normal genes are found in slightly variant forms. The Mayo team looked at a gene called DPYD and found that people with two variations were significantly less likely than those with the usual form to suffer fatigue.

In addition, those with a bit of genetic code called TSER near another folate gene known as TYMS were more likely to report a positive outlook while on chemotherapy.



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## How unhealthy is it for a person to be pudgy?

By DANIEL Q. HANEY  
AP Medical Editor

Riding to the mall one Saturday, Joanne Ikeda's younger sister turned to her and asked, "Do you know that I am now overweight?"

From heart-sinking personal experience, millions upon millions of people can imagine exactly what led up to that admission. She had stepped on the scales and noticed a number a little north of usual. So she looked it up on a body mass index chart.

And — No! — she was officially too heavy. Not obese, not even close. Her BMI was 26, a full, leaden point above the carved-in-stone cutoff for being overweight.

There is little doubt among mainstream health professionals that being truly obese is a health hazard. But what about the borderline plump? The mildly pudgy? All those people with BMIs between 25 and 29, who according to the charts are overweight?

Government health agencies often lump all degrees of overweight together, noting for instance that over 60 percent of Americans are

too heavy. More than half of these people are overweight but not obese.

Many are like Ikeda's sister, Irene Pakel: 55 years old, 5-foot-3, weight in the mid-140s, maybe 10 pounds or so into the overweight category. Does she have a weight problem, one that might even shorten her life?

To many in the field, the answer is clear.

"Over 99 percent of experts throughout the world are convinced by overwhelming data that being overweight is a huge problem indeed for the majority of the world," says Dr. Philip James, chairman of the International Obesity Task Force in London.

As co-director of the Center for Weight and Health at the University of California at Berkeley, Ikeda has a professional, though somewhat contrarian, opinion: Not likely.

"She's very physically fit," says Ikeda. "She goes to Curves everyday after work. To look at her, you would say, 'Here is someone who is not even slightly chubby.'"

Ikeda has a weight problem of her own. Her BMI is 33, which makes her officially obese. Does that bother her? "Not really," she said. "What matters is my metabolic fitness."

Some in the world of diet and health feel too much is made of the lower end of the BMI scale, that perhaps even the entire category called overweight causes much anxiety for nothing.

"This is so ludicrous," says Ikeda. "Why are we doing this to ourselves? I think it has a lot to do with the dieting and pharmaceutical industry and the pressure to medicate every condition."

"A completely phony category" is what University of Colorado attorney Paul Campos calls overweight. He is author of "The Obesity Myth" and argues that the real health problem is too little exercise, not too much weight.

"There is no basis in the medical literature to draw the conclusion that having a BMI between 25 and 29 is an independent health risk," he says. "It is quite preposterous to make that claim."

Such out-of-step pronouncements are fighting

words in the field of nutrition and health, where many consider the evils of fat to be beyond question.

Former New England Journal of Medicine Editor Jerome Kassirer remembers the indignation six years ago when he wrote a skeptical editorial calling the data linking weight and ill health "limited, fragmentary and often ambiguous."

"We got flack from just about everybody except the fatties," he remembers, although he hasn't seen anything since to change his mind.

One of the most persistent doubters is Steven Blair of the Cooper Aerobics Center in Dallas. His research buttresses the idea that fitness is more important than fatness.

Following 25,000 Cooper patients for eight years, he found that it is better to be fit and fat than skinny and sedentary. In fact, overweight people who have good stamina on a treadmill test live just as long as equally fit people who are not overweight.

"If you look at people in the overweight category, many have none of the conventional risk factors," like elevated blood pressure and cholesterol," says Blair. "Should they be stigmatized and treated? For what?"

*'There is no basis in the medical literature to draw the conclusion that having a BMI between 25 and 29 is an independent health risk.'*

— Paul Campos  
University of Colorado attorney

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## World Breastfeeding Month in August

Breastfeeding is being promoted worldwide during August, World Breastfeeding Month. Breastfeeding is, according to a news release from the Amarillo Area Breastfeeding Coalition, the Gold Standard for feeding infants, the perfect nutrition for babies.

In commemoration of National Breastfeeding Month, the coalition will present a special conference entitled "Breastfeeding: A Family Affair" from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 28, at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, 1400 Coulter, Amarillo.

Among the speakers at the upcoming conference will be

Dr. Thomas W. Hale, Ph.D., from the science center and author of "Medications and Mothers Milk."

The conference is open to pregnant women or women who are breastfeeding and/or their significant others (father, husbands, grandparents, sisters, etc.) There will be door prizes, booths and vendors along with a free lunch. Fathers who are working are invited to join the conference during their lunch hour.

The deadline to register for the conference is Aug. 23. For more information or to register, call 664-2459 or 1-888-892-2273, ext. 228.

The event is being sponsored by the coalition along with the following: TTU Health Sciences Center, Northwest Texas Health Care, Baptist Saint Anthony Health Care, Coalition of Health Services and Amarillo WIC Nutrition Program.

Breast milk, according to the coalition news release, has exactly what every baby needs. The release reports that it decreases the infection rate among infants, decreases the risk of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, lowers the risk of childhood diabetes and lowers the risk of premenopausal breast and ovarian cancer in mothers.

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**Weight**

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Many obesity experts concede Blair has a point: People who are overweight but fit probably do escape many of the consequences of their size. But they often add: So what?  
"It may be true, but the fact is, overweight people are not fit," says Dr. Xavier Pi-Sunyer, head of obesity research at St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital Center in New York City. "The average American is incredibly sedentary."  
Not always, says Blair. About half of the oversize people who get physical exams at Cooper in fact are physically fit, based on their treadmill tests. While hardly a random sample, Blair contends plenty of overweight Americans are just like him.  
"I'm a short fat guy," says Blair, whose BMI is about 32. "Would I rather be a short thin guy? Sure. But I'm not. I run everyday and eat a healthy diet and do what I can."  
Until a few years ago, government agencies generally agreed that concern

about weight begins when a man's BMI hits 28 and a woman's 27. That's 152 pounds for a 5-foot-3 female. But in 1997, the World Health Organization adopted a new standard. BMIs between 25 and 29.9 were now "preobese."

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— Steven Blair  
Cooper Aerobics Center

The next year, an expert committee of the U.S. National Institutes of Health came to the same conclusion and called the new category "overweight." Suddenly an extra 35 million Americans were judged to have weight problems.  
"We felt it makes sense that if someone's BMI is between 25 and 30, they should not gain more weight," says Pi-Sunyer,

who headed the U.S. committee. "We don't feel those millions of people should be trying desperately to lose weight. At a BMI of 30, the risk for both disease and early mortality is so great that people should begin to lose weight."  
The 25 cutoff was chosen, he said, because of evidence that the risk of diabetes, high blood pressure and high cholesterol all seem to increase around that point.

The studies backing this up are mostly reviews of large population groups that look for ties between increasing weight and the risk of various diseases and death. The individual studies may have flaws, but taken together, many contend they draw a convincing picture of weight being on a continuum from good health to ill.  
"Some say it's all made up, that there's no risk to being moderately overweight," says Dr. Lawrence J. Cheskin, director of the Johns Hopkins Weight Management Center. "But there is more and more data to show a very definite dose effect. The heavier you are, the greater your risk."  
Some believe the ideal body weight is actually around a BMI of 20 or 21, or

a willowy 115 pounds for that 5-foot-3 woman. Others put it closer to 24 or 25. "Everybody agrees that if your BMI is 28, you are at increased risk," says Dr. Steven Heymsfield of St. Luke's-Roosevelt.  
This view is backed by studies showing mortality inching up gradually when BMIs reach the high 20s, then climbing more sharply through the 30s and beyond.

One of the most recent, published last year in the Journal of the American Medical Association, concludes that white men and women lose about an average year of life if their BMIs top 26 or 27 by the time they reach middle age. However, for reasons that are not easy to explain, this may not be true for blacks. They actually seem to live a year or so longer if overweight but not obese.  
While some question the scientific rigor of the mortality estimates, there is less disagreement that common health problems increase among people who are overweight but still below the obesity threshold of a BMI of 30.  
For instance, a woman with a BMI of 26 is twice as likely as one who is 21 to

develop coronary heart disease. She is twice as likely to get high blood pressure. And she is eight times as likely to get diabetes. Of course, a very thin woman has only a tiny risk of these diseases, so a risk that is double or triple may still be small.

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National health surveys show that about a quarter of people who are overweight but not obese have metabolic syndrome, a particularly worrisome combination of high blood sugar, high blood pressure, low HDL and high triglycerides.  
Diabetes is an especially important concern, even for those nowhere near rotund. In fact, the ideal size for avoiding this disease appears

to be around a BMI of 22. The risk goes up 25 percent with each unit of BMI after that, and it appears to be especially great for those with pot bellies, even small ones.  
Of course, just because surveys of thousands of people show a clear link between rising BMIs and bad health doesn't mean that any particular individual is in trouble with a BMI that hits 25. Many lucky people carry their extra pounds with no ill effect, especially if they have normal blood sugar, healthy blood pressure and no worrisome cholesterol signs.

Many experts contend the biggest hazard of being overweight is what almost inevitably comes next.  
"Fat people get fatter," says Dr. Peter McCullough, head of the weight control center at Beaumont Hospital in suburban Detroit. "It is very clear that those who are overweight will become obese over time. People need to understand they have to get this under control."

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**Farm Scene: Pennsylvania ginseng growers hope to ensure future crops**

By DAN LEWERENZ  
Associated Press Writer

FLINTON, Pa. (AP) — For the second year in a row, persistent rain and the fungal blight that comes with it are eating into the state's ginseng harvest.  
But a farm operation on a remote mountainside in northern Cambria County aims to ensure future harvests by spreading much more of the valuable herb around the state.  
At Pennsylvania Mountain Ginseng, co-owners Dave Thompson and Russell Bollinger are carefully tending small patches

of the gnarled gray root, which is prized as a stimulant and aphrodisiac.  
Although Thompson and Bollinger have harvested ginseng for decades, and high-quality wild roots can be worth several hundred dollars per pound, they are looking beyond simply selling their most valuable roots.  
Instead, they're harvesting the berries, hoping to turn their mountainside into a seed farm that will help restore ginseng to forests across the state.  
"Right now, there's nowhere in Pennsylvania where you can buy Pennsylvania-grown seed. If you

want to grow ginseng, you have to get the seed from Wisconsin or somewhere else," said Thompson, who also works in water treatment for the Altoona City Authority. "We want to help the spread of ginseng across Pennsylvania with ginseng that was grown in Pennsylvania."  
And the state could use it. Ginseng has been harvested as a cash crop at least since the 1700s, when colonists traded it to China, according to Eric Burkhardt, a doctoral student and research assistant in Penn State University's School of Forestry.  
Even in the early 1900s, ginseng

cultivation was common throughout the state.  
But changes in the forest environment — both industrial and residential encroachment — and overharvesting by ginseng diggers dubbed sangers have limited the wild ginseng patches.  
"What we're looking at today is the end result of 300 years of conquest and exploitation," Burkhardt said. "We've clear cut, we've strip mined, and we've harvested way more than we should. There's a lot more niches where ginseng could grow."  
The latest hurdle has been the rain so welcomed by some farmers

after two summers of drought. Last year, Thompson said, he lost much of his crop to blight, which has already affected potato and tomato crops across the state.  
This year could be even worse.  
Chris Firestone, manager for the Department of Conservation and Natural Resource's Wild Plant Management Program, said last year — the wettest on record in many parts of the state — saw just 945 pounds of ginseng sold to licensed dealers in the state.  
The 2003 harvest was the lowest in Pennsylvania. Typically, at least 1,400 pounds of ginseng are produced.

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THE PAMPA NEWS COMICS

# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I am a woman in my mid-20s with a B.A. degree and a full-time job. My parents refuse to accept that a self-supporting woman my age can be happy. They keep pestering me to find a boyfriend, get married and have children. I have calmly explained to my mother that I'm in no rush to settle down -- but she says if I "really loved her," I'd find a man to take care of me so she wouldn't have to worry.

My older brother followed my parents' wishes when he was my age. Now I am the "bad child" for refusing to conform.

Ever since I was a child, I have put money into a savings account and -- little by little -- it has become a large sum. I would like to use that money to further my education, but my parents have denied me access to it. They claim that when I marry, the funds will be my "dowry" to buy a house.

Abby, I don't want to cut off my family, but they aren't willing to accept me without a man to make me "complete." How can I get through to them that my goals in life are different from theirs?

— SINGLE AND HAPPY IN OHIO

DEAR S AND H: Your parents' thinking appears to be stuck in a time warp. A life partner can be wonderful, but it's no guarantee of happiness or security. Witness the number of marriages that fail and the number of households headed by single mothers who struggle to make ends meet.

You should contact the bank manager and find out how your account was set up and how you can access it now. Your parents should not hold your money hostage. If you wish to use it to further your education, you should be free to do so. (I assume that the salary you earn now is banked in your name only.)

You weren't put on the Earth

to make your parents' dreams come true. As parents, it's their job to help you be the best that you can be. They should thank their lucky stars that you are self-supporting and motivated to do even better. Many parents would be proud to have a daughter like you.

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DEAR ABBY: I am 14 and my best friend is named "Amanda." One day I went over to another friend's house and Amanda got very mad at me for it. She decided to get me in trouble, so she told my mom that I smoked cigarettes, drank beer and did drugs. It was a lie.

It has been nearly two months since she did it. Now she is emailing me and calling me and inviting me over to her house. I don't trust her and I'm tired of being treated like this. What should I do?

— MAD AT AMANDA

DEAR MAD: You now know that Amanda is not above lying to get you in trouble, so keep her at a distance. It shouldn't be difficult -- you already have a two-month head start.

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DEAR ABBY: I need your help. I was recently introduced to my boss's mother, who will soon be working with me. I was given her first name by her son, and she also told me her name was "Angela." Should I use her first name, or as a sign of respect call her "Mrs. Jones"?

— UNCOMFORTABLE IN WASHINGTON

DEAR UNCOMFORTABLE: Since both she and her son gave you her first name, it's probably all right to address her as Angela. However, just to be sure, ask her what she would prefer.

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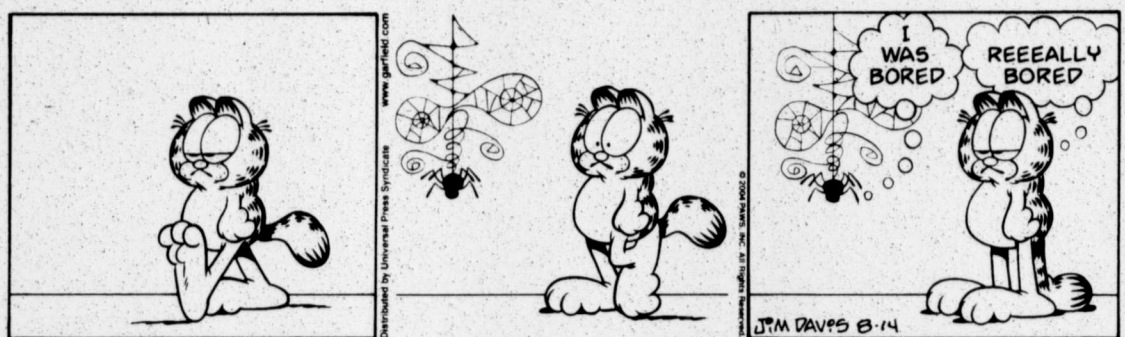
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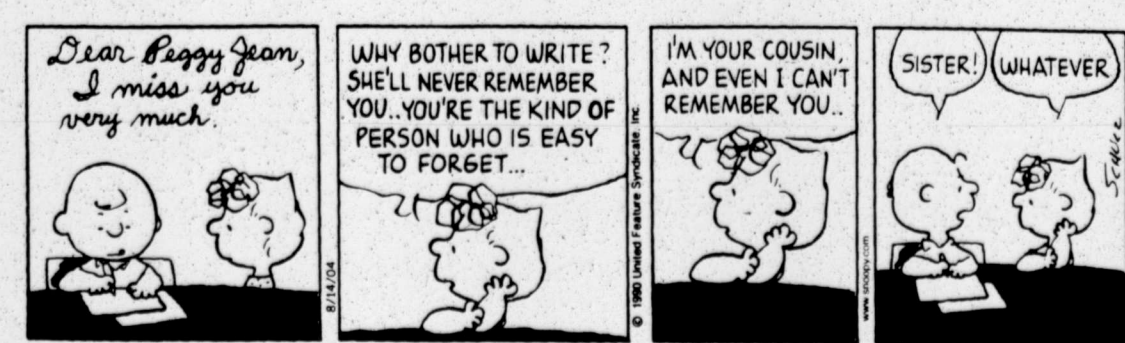
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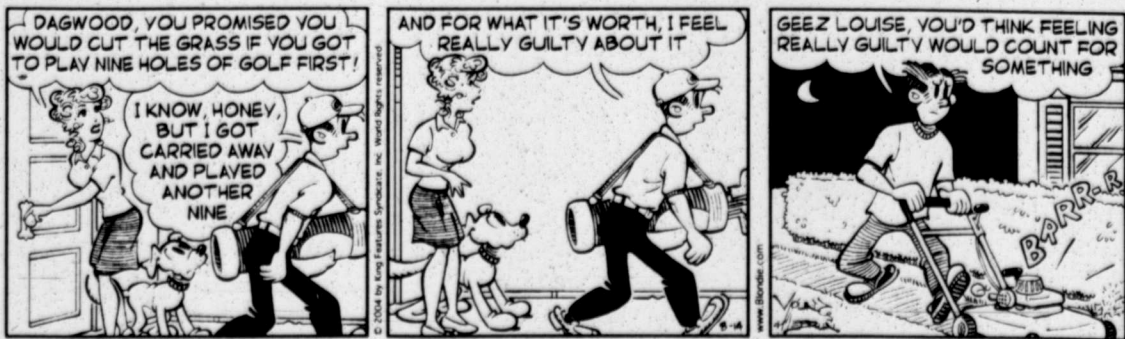
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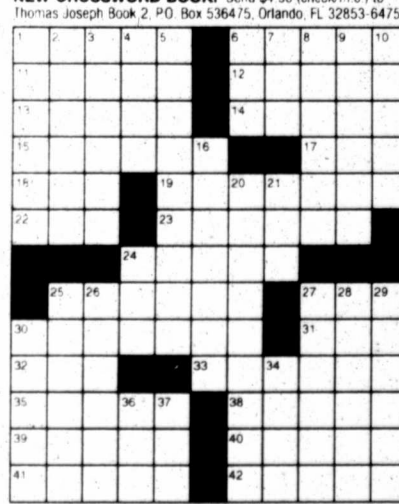
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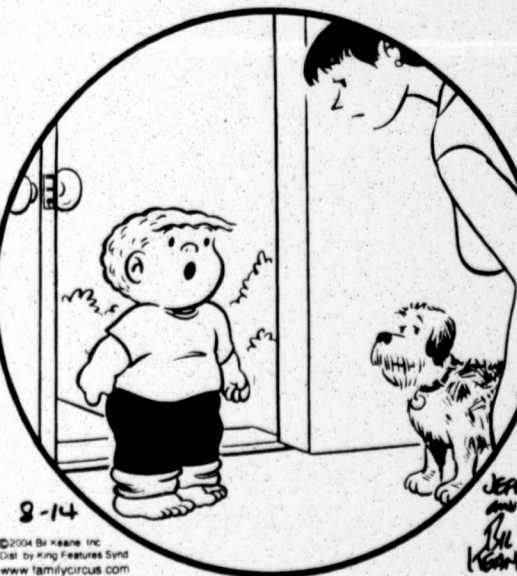
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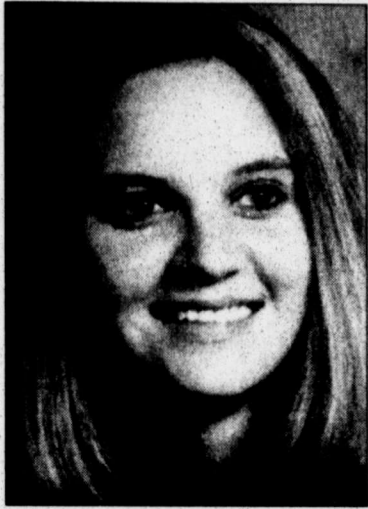
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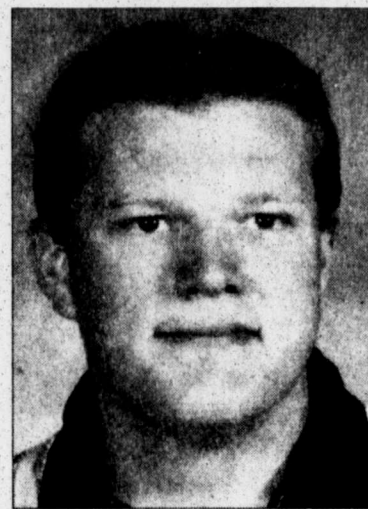
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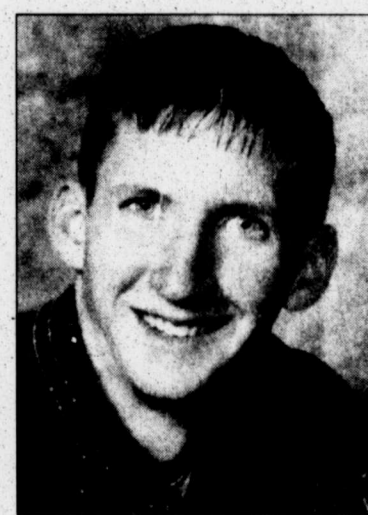
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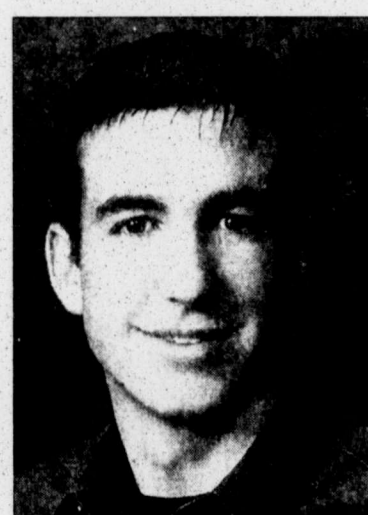
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## API awards 2004-05 scholarships

The Panhandle Chapter of the American Petroleum Institute recently awarded a total of \$15,700 in scholarships to area college age students for the 2004-2005 academic school year.

The recipients, all children of current API members, are either high school graduates or current college students.

Scholarships are bestowed on the basis of academic achievement and need. To qualify, recipients must enroll full-time at a college or university in the fall and maintain good academic standing throughout the school year.

The 2004-2005 API scholarship recipients are as follows:

Lauren Acker, daughter of Greg and Lisa Acker of

Pampa. Acker plans to attend Texas Tech University.

Montgomery Barnett, son of Carolyn Barnett of Canadian. Barnett plans to attend Asbury Theological Seminary.

Robert and Suzanna Belcher, children of Nancy Krister of Amarillo. Robert plans to attend TTU and Suzanna, Texas Christian University.

Ben Dvorak, son of Robert and Connie Dvorak of Pampa. Dvorak plans to attend Oklahoma State University.

James and Hether Elkouri, children of Kathy Elkouri of Canadian. James plans to attend Devry University and Hether, Amarillo College.

Kayla Graham, daughter of Robbie and Lana Graham of Canadian. Graham plans

to attend Midwestern State University.

Tianna Hardin, daughter of Terrel and Debbie Hardin of Canadian. Hardin plans to attend TTU.

Kaleb Jones, son of Kim and Kathryn Jones of Canadian. Jones plans to attend Southwestern Oklahoma State University.

Natalie McVay, daughter of Mark and Ginger McVay of Pampa. McVay plans to attend TTU.

Jessica Nicolet, daughter of Dan and Sherrie Nicolet of Pampa. Nicolet plans to attend Texas State University.

Cory Pittman, son of Burl and Melanie Pittman of Canadian. Pittman plans to attend West Texas A&M University.

Matthew and Russell

Robben, children of Bill and Paula Robben of Pampa.

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## Fair to name SPAM champ in upcoming competition

AMARILLO — The Amarillo Tri-State Fair is taking part in the search for the "SPAM" Kid Chef of the Year.

Youth can display their kitchen creativity with SPAM and win local cash prizes plus a shot at a national gold prize.

The competition offers \$150 for first place, \$50 for second and \$25 for third. Winning recipes are picked based on their appeal to kids, taste, appearance and originality.

The contest is open to kids age 7 to 13 and calls for recipes made with SPAM, any variety, and up to nine other ingredients. There is also a 30-minute cooking limit.

One national winner will be selected from all first place winning recipes at state and county fairs.

The grand prize, picked in early 2005, grants \$1,000 to the winner and \$1,000 to his or her favorite charity. Entrants can hope to "dethrone" the current National SPAM Kid Chef of the Year, Dillon Oliver of Pennsylvania, who won with SPAM Turkey Finger Wraps.

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## FSA announces CRP sign-up

In support of President George W. Bush's recent directive to the USDA to sustain the environmental benefits of the Conservation Reserve Program, Texas Farm Service Agency is announcing a general "CRP Sign-up 29" to begin Aug. 30.

Matthew Street, county executive director for Gray County FSA, explains that the sign-up is offered for those acres currently enrolled in CRP and set to expire Sept. 30, 2004, or Sept. 30, 2005. According to Street, eligible cropland never before enrolled in CRP will also be considered for enrollment under this sign-up.

"As further expansion to the CRP program, President Bush has announced a couple of new initiatives including a Bobwhite quail initiative and an expanded wetland program designed to enhance wetlands and play lake areas," Street said. "Provisions and eligibility guidelines for these and other new CRP components will be forthcoming as USDA works through the development process."

In light of the projected 16 million acres of CRP land set to expire in 2007 and an

additional 6 million acres to expire in 2008, President Bush addressed his vision for the future of the CRP program — the nation's largest, voluntary conservation program offered for private lands.

"In a continued effort to "restore, enhance and protect" environmentally sensitive land, build on producer stewardship and enhance wetland and wildlife acres, President Bush expressed his commitment to re-enrolling as many CRP acres as possible up to a maximum of 39.2 million acres nationwide.

"Producers and landowners need to understand that CRP Sign-up 29 is completely separate from potential 're-enrollment' of acres expiring in 2007 and 2008," Street said. "No provisions for these acres will be made

until the 120-day public comment period has ended."


Individuals interested in making public comment pertaining to managing the large number of acres set to expire in 3-4 years, managing future CRP sign-ups, evaluating the program's environmental effectiveness or other related topics of concern can weigh-in on FSA's web site at [www.fsa.usda.gov](http://www.fsa.usda.gov).

Comments on the issues must be received within 120 days after the date published in the Federal Register. Written comments should be mailed to Director, Conservation and Environmental Programs Division, Farm Service Agency, Room 4714-S, Stop 0513, 1400 Independence Ave., S.W. Washington, DC 20250-0513.

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- Learn how to use the telephone to call for help.
- Know your parents' work and cell phone numbers.

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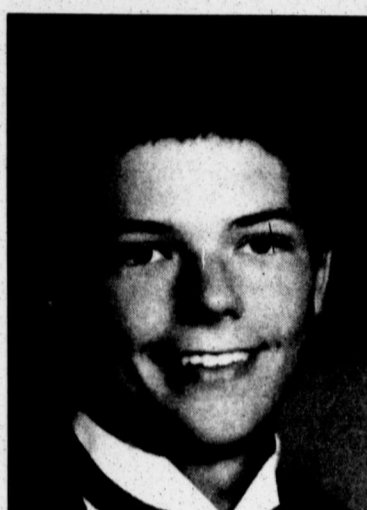
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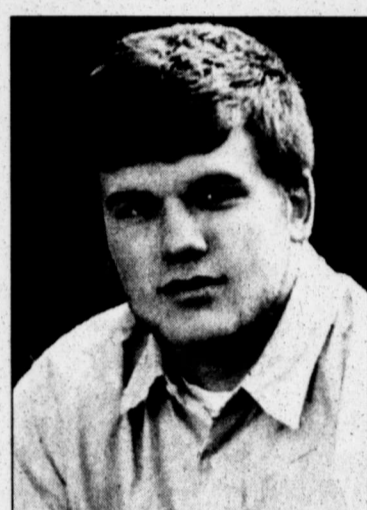
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## API

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Both Carmen and Tyler plan to attend TTU.

Kerry and Kevin Turner, children of Greg and Donna Turner of Pampa. Kerry plans to attend OSU and Kevin, Texas A&M.

Max Vinson, son of Mike and Mary Ann Vinson of Pampa. Vinson plans to attend WTAMU.

Jacob West, son of Hal and Kay West of Pampa. West plans to attend Frank Phillips Junior College.

API Panhandle Chapter, a non-profit

organization of professionals engaged in all aspects of exploration, production and marketing of oil and gas, has more than 300 members from throughout the region.

In years past, the chapter has awarded more than \$247,350 to students with relatives belonging to API. Funds are raised through a annual golf tournament.

The chapter meets monthly in Pampa. A shrimp boil and membership drive are planned in September.

## Local Angus breeder listed in report

MHP Angus of Pampa owns a bull listed in the 2004 fall "Sire Evaluation Report" published by American Angus Association out of St. Joseph, Mo.

Issued in both the spring and fall, the new report features the latest performance information available on 6,148 sires and is currently accessible at [www.angussiresearch.com](http://www.angussiresearch.com) on the World Wide Web.

"This report provides both Angus breeders and commercial cattle producers using Angus genetics with accurate, predictable selection tools for improving their herd," said Bill Bowman, American Angus vice president of information and data programs.

Expected Progeny Differences (EPDs) are generated from the association's performance database which includes information submitted this past year by nearly 8,300 Angus breeders through the Angus Herd Improvement Records program (AHIR).

EPDs are available for 17 traits including birth weight, weaning weight, milk, yearling weight and height, mature daughter weight and height, and scrotal circumference.

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tors for rib eye area, intramuscular fat percentage, fat thickness and percent retail product.

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This report includes SValue indexes (SF, SG, SB) which incorporate EPDs and industry relevant components into feedlot performance and carcass merit values expressed in dollars per head.

The semi-annual analysis for the sire evaluation report contains more than 11 million measures used to generate genetic predictions for the Angus breed, a press release from the Angus association said.

## Clovis to be location for guild quilt show

CLOVIS, N.M. — Llano Estacado Quilt Guild will once again, for the third year in a row, in association with Clovis Downtown Art Festival, put on its annual quilt show Oct. 2-3 at Clovis Community College in Clovis.

Admission to the two-day event, set to include a merchant's mall and door prizes, will be \$2. Hours will be 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, and 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday.

Entry forms and quilt entries must be received on or before Sept. 15. Each entry must be in a separate fabric bag or pillowcase with entrant's name, address and telephone number.

Entries are free. For an entry form or for more information, call (505) 762-5251 or (505) 356-5663; or e-mail [clovisquiltshow@cox.net](mailto:clovisquiltshow@cox.net). Interested individuals may also wish to

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# Sports Day

## Bryant judge denies request for delay of trial

By JON SARCHE  
Associated Press Writer

DENVER (AP) — Jury selection in the Kobe Bryant sexual assault case is still on track to begin this month after the judge denied prosecutors' request for an indefinite delay in the trial.

The state, however, won a partial victory Friday when District Judge Terry Ruckriegle handed down two other rulings that limit or prohibit potentially damaging testimony about the accuser's mental health, purported suicide attempts and use of any drugs or

alcohol. Bryant, 25, has pleaded not guilty to felony sexual assault and has said he had consensual sex with a woman at the Vail-area resort where

*'Keeping out her drug or alcohol or psychiatric records doesn't give you another good fact; all it does is say there's some bad facts that aren't going to come in.'*

— Larry Pozner  
Former president of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers

she worked. If convicted, he faces four years to life in prison or 20 years to life on probation, and a fine up to \$750,000.

Legal analysts say the favorable rulings could

be of little use because an earlier ruling allows the defense to introduce evidence about the woman's alleged sexual activity around the time of her encounter with Bryant. Prosecutors have appealed that ruling to the Colorado Supreme Court.

"Keeping out her drug or alcohol or psychiatric records doesn't give you another good fact; all it does is say there's some bad facts that aren't going to come in," said Larry Pozner, former president of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers.

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### Warsaw Grouper

This 50-pound Warsaw Grouper was caught 28 miles offshore east of Corpus Christi in 150 feet of water. It was caught by former Pampa resident Christopher Harrison, currently NPD engineer for Celanese/Ticona at the Bishop, Texas, Facility. It was the last catch of a day of fishing that included several red fish, a large rock fish, and two eels.

### HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

## Berry switching sides in bitter high school rivalry

By MATT CURRY  
Associated Press Writer

In the win-or-else atmosphere of Texas high school football, a 10-2 record wasn't good enough for Jeff Berry to keep the head coaching job at Corsicana.

But he didn't go far. Berry, 43, is just up the road at Ennis, working as a defensive assistant for the Tigers' fiercest rival.

It's a plot juicy enough for a daytime drama, and the nail-biting finale is set for Nov. 5 — a matchup on the last day of the regular season when a district title could be on the line.

Berry said he's proud of the job he did in Corsicana, where he served as an assistant for 10 years before ascending to the top spot. As to what happened: "You're asking the wrong person. I really couldn't tell you."

As head coach, Berry compiled a 33-16 record with the Tigers over four years with an appearance in the state quarterfinals. He was 10-2 last year — including a 42-10 loss to Ennis.

After the season, some residents raised questions about the program with the local newspaper and the school board. Despite Berry's record, they contended that the number of boys coming out for football was on

the decline and the program wasn't reaching its potential.

*'He just made an inventory of the pluses and minuses of staying in Corsicana and made a wise decision.'*

—Don Denbow  
Corsicana Superintendent

"It's small town politics," said Jon Basham, 24, a former player who wrote letters to the Corsicana Daily Sun supporting Berry. "You get a lot of that in little towns like ours."

Steve Petty, one of Berry's chief critics, cited low morale among players as one of the problems plaguing the football program.

"It was never about wins and losses," Petty said. "I've always said a monkey could coach that team and win football games because of the talent we've got here."

Berry responded by resigning in May and traveling just 20 miles north on Interstate 45 to coach defense for

Ennis Lions head coach Sam Harrell. He's not looking back.

"If somebody's not pleased with what you're doing, you hold your head high and do what's right and move on if you need to," he said.

The unexpected turn of events divided Corsicana, which, like Ennis, has a rich football tradition.

Corsicana Superintendent Don Denbow said the situation was complicated and dictated by "the climate of the town." He said Berry made the right choice to leave.

"He just made an inventory of the pluses and minuses of staying in Corsicana and made a wise decision," said Denbow, who also is the winningest coach in school history, compiling a 124-51-10 record from 1977-92.

Another former Corsicana player, Shane Tolleson, said Berry may have offended some people.

"When you've got a guy as hard-nosed as coach Berry is, it's not just a game to him," said Tolleson, now a graduate assistant at Arkansas State. "I played underneath him four years there, he was always my linebacker coach. Sometimes he'd come off as arrogant, but he's not. He knows what it takes to be successful."

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## Olympic Capsules

By The Associated Press

### Air Rifle

**Li Du takes gold**  
ATHENS, Greece (AP) — Li Du of China won the Summer Games' first gold medal Saturday, setting an Olympic record in the women's 10-meter air rifle.

Li scored 10.6 on her final shot, surpassing Lioubov Galkina of Russia. Galkina had led throughout the round, but got only 9.7 on her final shot — her lowest mark. Katerina Kurkova from the Czech Republic won the bronze.

Li's overall score of 502 points set an Olympic record. Galkina, who set an Olympic record in the qualifying round, finished at 501.5 points.

### Field Hockey

**Netherlands 6, South Africa 2**

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — The Netherlands opened its quest for gold in women's field hockey with an easy win over

### South Africa

Ageeth Boomgaardt, Fatima Moreira de Melo and Maartje Scheepstra also scored for the Netherlands, while South Africa got both of its goals from Jenny Wilson.

China got goals from Baorong Fu, Chunling Tang and Qunqing Chen as it shut out Japan.

### Softball

**Australia 4, Japan 2**

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — Tanya Harding bailed out Australia by pitching 6 1-3 innings of no-hit relief, and Natalie Titcume hit a two-run homer.

Harding came off the bench in the first inning to replace starter Brooke Wilkins, who walked five to force in two runs for Japan. Harding, a three-time Olympian, shut down the defending silver medalists the rest of the way, retiring 19 of the 20 batters she faced.

Titcume's two-run shot to

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## PHS Boosters to meet

The Pampa High School Basketball Booster Club at Valhalla's meeting room. All parents are encouraged to attend. has a meeting scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday

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# Armstrong says he plans another race for yellow jersey

By JIM VERTUNO  
AP Sports Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — Lance Armstrong says he'll ride in at least one more Tour de France. But at 32, even he knows that retirement may not be far off.

So then what? The six-time winner of arguably the world's most grueling sporting event will eventually have to find something else to stoke his competitive fires.

"I need to do something. Golf won't do it," Armstrong joked at a news conference before a parade and concert in his honor in downtown Austin Friday night.

"I've got some friends who ride," he said, "but I don't think they would want to be that punching bag."

He might not have to leave racing, Armstrong said once he racks his bike for good, he'd like to keep his hands in it.

"It would make me very proud to be able to retire and stay involved in a program and continue to win the Tour with somebody else," he said. "Use my experience and time on a bike to help another person."

He suggested Ukrainian stand-out Yaroslav Popovych, who recently signed a three-year deal with Armstrong's newly-sponsored Discovery Channel team, could be that rider.

"We think he's a rider of

the future in the Tour de France," Armstrong said. "We think it's tough right now to find another American to win the tour. We think we have strong Americans who can contend or win stages, but we need to find someone who can win the tour. At 24 years old ... we think he's that guy."

Popovych has two top-five finishes in the Giro d'Italia (2003-2004).

Armstrong didn't say if he will race the Tour de France

next year or 2006. He is considering focusing on other races in 2005.

"I think I have another year or two in me. That's not just a random number. It's what I think that my body can stand," he said.

Dressed in khaki pants and a black T-shirt emblazoned with his "Livestrong" motto, Armstrong rode a bicycle in the parade, leading a group of cancer survivors toward the concert stage.

Armstrong fought back from life-threatening testicular cancer that had spread to his lungs and brain before winning his first Tour de France title in 1999.

Tens of thousands of people jammed downtown streets. Most in the crowd wore yellow, the signature color of the Tour de France champion.

One popular T-shirt read "In Lance We Trust" on the front and "Texas 6, France 0" on the back.

## DALLAS COWBOYS

### Unlikely pair of Jones, Parcells work well for team

OXNARD, Calif. (AP) — Jerry Jones and Bill Parcells seemed an unlikely pair to work together.

Jones was the meddling owner and general manager of the Dallas Cowboys, a team that had fallen on tough times since winning three Super Bowl titles in the mid-1990s.

A demanding do-it-myself coach, Parcells was named after taking two different teams to the Super Bowl: winning with the New York Giants (1987, 1991) and losing with New England Patriots in 1997.

But a mutual desire to win again helped forge a relationship between the men in their 60s, despite their strong personalities.

"I can tell you that this past year, having the opportunity to work along Bill Parcells, has been one of the

most memorable, enjoyable and productive years of my 16 years in the NFL," Jones said. "Our working relationship has exceeded by anything that I could ever have imagined."

Or anybody else.

Winning certainly helped. The Cowboys, 5-11 in each of the three previous years, went 10-6 and got back to the playoffs with Parcells as head coach last season.

"It's better than I could have ever hoped for," said Parcells, who never had a better first-season record with a team.

Jones and Parcells have found a successful formula without either having to drastically change their ways.

Players such as Keyshawn Johnson, Vinny Testaverde and Richie

Anderson, who reunited with Parcells in Dallas, say they've seen "the same old Bill" — a demanding coach with a no-nonsense approach.

*'Perception is reality in this case because he's kind of a straight shooter, I don't think he holds any punches on anything.'*

— Richie Anderson  
Football player

"Perception is reality in this case because he's kind of a straight shooter, I don't think he holds any punches on anything," Anderson

said. "It's kind of like what you see is what you get."

Jones remains a very visible figure, not pushed into the background by Parcells, though he kept his distance on the sideline and spent less time there during games than in past seasons.

The owner still watches most training camp practices from the sideline, often chatting with Parcells.

Jones also sits in on film sessions and meetings with coaches.

"I know there was some question mark at this time last year of our ability to work together, make decisions and build," Jones said. "I said then I thought that we had the same thing in mind, and that's winning and trying to improve every day. That has been the case."

## Kobe

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"It would have helped the defense to win it, but it's not critical."

In another development that complicated prosecutors' task, attorneys for the accuser filed a civil lawsuit against Bryant in federal court earlier this week. Defense attorney Pamela Mackey said in a filing made public Friday that the lawsuit showed the woman was pursuing a false allegation in "the hope of a large monetary award."

Prosecution spokeswoman Krista Flannigan declined to comment on Friday's rulings, citing a gag order. She said prosecutors planned to go to trial as scheduled. Jury selection is scheduled Aug. 27.

A transcript of a closed-door hearing, which prosecutors called "extremely

harmful," contains testimony from defense witness Elizabeth Johnson on why she believed the woman had sex with another man within 15 hours after her encounter with Bryant.

Prosecutors had cited the release of the transcript as a reason for delaying the trial. They said the testimony, combined with a gag order preventing them from rebutting it, threatened the chances for a fair trial.

A court reporter had accidentally e-mailed the transcript to seven news organizations, and Ruckriegle tried unsuccessfully to prevent its publication.

Ruckriegle, however, said he saw no merit to prosecutors' argument that the transcript's release should prompt a delay. He said none of the information in the transcript had been ruled irrelevant or inadmissible.

Ruckriegle also noted that the woman's attorneys "embarked upon a media campaign," commenting on the

merits of the case and criticizing courthouse mistakes that led to the release and the accidental posting of the woman's name on a state court Web site.

So much information about the case has already been reported in the media that publicity about the transcripts does not justify a delay, the judge said.

Former prosecutor Karen Steinhilber said prosecutors now must ensure that the alleged victim is still willing to press the criminal case.

"If she isn't and isn't committed to testify, I don't think they have a chance for winning this case," she said.

Attorney Scott Robinson said Ruckriegle's decision to exclude information about the woman's mental health could encourage her to continue.

"The prosecution's case was extremely weak as it was," he said. "They need every break they can get, and this is definitely a break."

## Berry

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Berry acknowledged that the lack of support from school administrators was "hurtful."

Tolleson said if the administration continues to listen to the community rather than stand behind its coaches, "I

don't think they'll have the continual success like they had in the past."

Denbow defended the school district's actions.

"I don't know what else they would have us do, he did have his contract renewed," Denbow said.

"We renew contracts for teachers every year, and we don't stand up on the front steps of the school and shout

how great they are. The fact that the contract was renewed indicates that the support was there."

Tolleson said Corsicana's loss was Ennis' gain. Harrell, who quickly hired him, agreed.

"He fits in well with our coaches, and anytime you add the kind of knowledge and experience he has, you've just improved your-

self," Harrell said.

Berry, meanwhile, was replaced by former Denton Ryan and Highland Park assistant Dave Henigan, who is eager to make his mark in his first head coaching job.

"I can't concern myself with what happened here in the past," said Henigan, 33. "... We've got to hit the ground running."

## Capsules

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center field in the fourth gave the Aussies, bronze medal winners in the 1996 Atlanta Games and 2000 Sydney Games, a 3-2 lead in the fourth inning.

Wilkins combined on the fourth combined no-hitter in Olympic play.

**Women's Basketball**  
Australia 85, Nigeria 73  
China 71, South Korea 54  
ATHENS, Greece (AP) — Lauren Jackson, the WNBA's MVP last season with Seattle, scored 27 points to lead Australia, which won the silver medal in 2000.

Nigeria, making its Olympic debut, trailed 62-44 entering the fourth quarter, but closed within 77-70. Nigeria then missed three of four free throws, and Jackson scored Australia's final six points to seal the win.

Penny Taylor, who plays for Phoenix in the WNBA, and

Suzy Batkovic each had 11 points for Australia, which shot 50 percent from the field.

In the other game, Chen Nan scored 17 points to lead China's domination on the boards.

Ye Li had eight rebounds and five other players each had at least five as China finished with a 39-18 advantage on the boards. Miao Lijie had 16 points for China, which led 33-21 at halftime and then by as many as 22 points.

Beon Yeon Ha had 19 points for South Korea, which finished fourth in the 2000 games.

**HANDBALL**  
Spain 31, South Korea 30  
Hungary 33, Egypt 28

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — Juan Garcia scored six goals, and three other players added four goals each as Spain edged medal favorite South Korea to open the men's handball competition.

Manual Colon, Talant Dujshebaev and Fernando Hernandez scored four goals apiece. South Korea was led by Paek Won-chul and Yoon Kyung-min with six goals each.

South Korea had its run of two golds and a silver stopped in 2000 when Croatia won the gold medal at Sydney.

In the other early match, Hungary beat Egypt 33-28, with captain Istvan Pasztor scoring nine goals.

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# O'Keeffe sculpture on loan to PPHM

*"('Abstraction') explore(s) relationships between solid forms and voids as well as convex and concave surfaces ... themes (that) intrigued O'Keeffe, particularly during the mid-1940s."*

— Catherine Whitney  
Gallery official

CANYON — The Gerald Peters Gallery of Santa Fe, N.M., has, according to a news release from Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum, agreed to lend a rare sculpture by Georgia O'Keeffe to the museum in Canyon. The 1946 sculpture, entitled "Abstraction," will temporarily replace PPHM's oil "Red Landscape" which is currently on national tour in the exhibition "Georgia O'Keeffe and the Sublime."

"Red Landscape," according to the news release, is one of only four oil paintings O'Keeffe completed while teaching in Canyon. One of the four oils was stolen from the Museum of Fine Arts in Santa Fe and has not been recovered.

Born at Sun Prairie, Wis., O'Keeffe first learned of the West through stories read to her by her mother. Following studies in the East, she was supervisor of drawing and penmanship for Amarillo schools from 1912-1914. After further study in the East, in September 1916, O'Keeffe began teaching at West Texas State Normal College in Canyon. During the 1918 influenza epidemic, she took sick leave to recuperate on a friend's ranch near Waring. Later that year, she resigned from the college and moved to New York.

While in Canyon, O'Keeffe spent her free time painting and drawing Palo Duro Canyon, the flatness of the plains, and the great dome of sky. Experts, the news release said, consider her time in Canyon essential to her becoming one of the most important American artists of the 20th century. O'Keeffe herself, the news release reports, acknowledged the Texas Plains as her spiritual home.

According to the Gerald Peters Gallery's Catherine Whitney, "Abstraction" is the result of a 1945 plaster study based on O'Keeffe's pastel "Goat's Horn with Red," now in the collection of the Hirshhorn Museum in

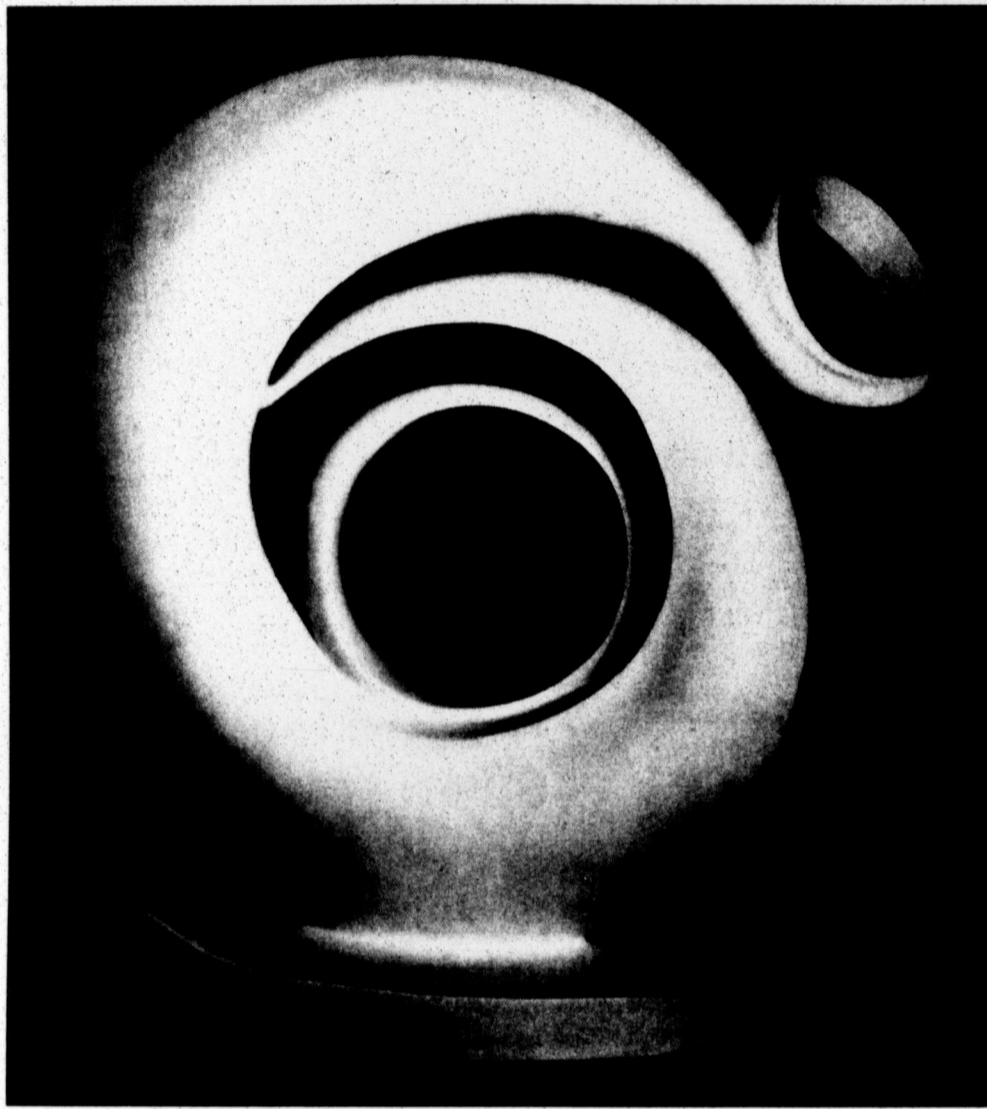
Washington, D.C. Whitney noted, the release said, that "Abstraction" "explore(s) relationships between solid forms and voids as well as convex and concave surfaces ... themes (that) intrigued O'Keeffe, particularly during the mid-1940s."

O'Keeffe scholar Sarah Whitaker Peters has written about O'Keeffe's fascination with spiraling forms: "Perhaps no form is of a richer and

more various appearance in O'Keeffe's total oeuvre that the spiral ... a basic symbol of dynamic force that speaks equally of transition and transcendence because of its circular movements toward the center."

O'Keeffe cast a limited number of "Abstraction" sculptures in various scales, editions and materials, in 1980, at Johnson Atelier, in Princeton, N.J., the release said. The "Abstraction" edition on exhibit at PPHM is one of four in white-lacquered bronze. Whitney says of "Abstraction," "This striking, mature work is a culmination, in three-dimensions, of a very personal and spiritual symbol for O'Keeffe which she returned to and modified repeatedly during her rich, seven-decade career."

"Abstraction" can be seen at PPHM through October.



Entitled "Abstraction," 1946, this sculpture by Georgia O'Keeffe is on display through October at Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum in Canyon, on loan from Gerald Peters Gallery in Santa Fe, N.M.

## Agency to host 'rural' forum

Bryan Daniel, state director for Texas USDA Rural Development, has announced in a recent news release a series of statewide forums to present communities with information on the many programs available through the agency. The forums will be open to all current customers, prospective customers and all other interested individuals and entities.

The forum for Gray, Hansford, Ochiltree, Lipscomb, Hutchinson, Roberts, Hemphill, Armstrong, Donley, Collingsworth, Carson and Wheeler counties will begin at 9 a.m., Monday, Aug. 23, at Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard, Pampa.

This session will feature, the news release said, a presentation and discussion of all USDA Rural Development programs, in

both direct and guaranteed lending opportunities, for rural utilities, community facilities, business and industry, single family and multi-family housing.

"USDA Rural Development is committed to making its programs and services available to all rural Texans, including individuals, small businesses, municipalities, community based organizations and traditionally underserved portions of the population. Through its support of sustainable development of communities, USDA Rural Development works to improve the quality of life in rural Texas," Daniel said.

All interested individuals are invited to this free forum. To learn more or to make reservations to attend the unique event, call USDA Rural Development in Amarillo at (806) 468-8600, ext. 4.

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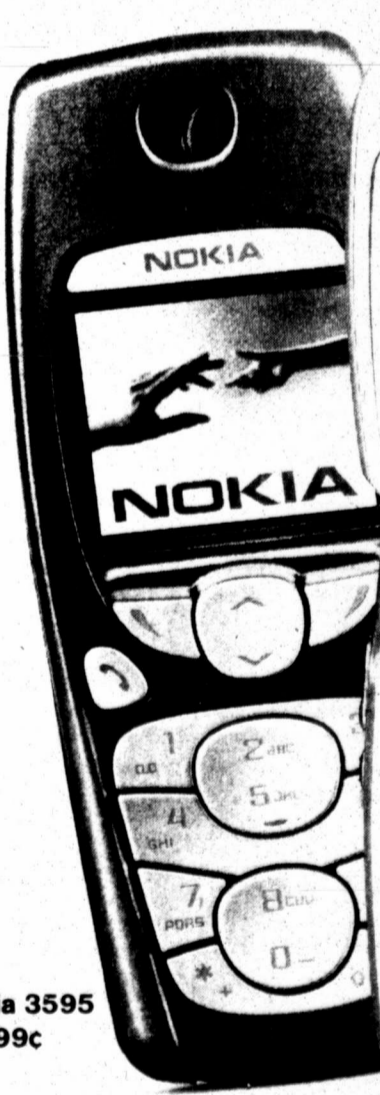
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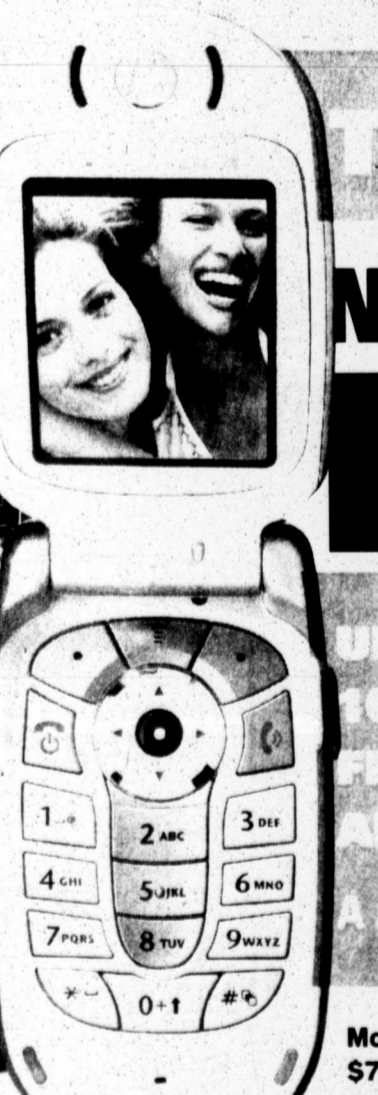
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# Lifestyle

## NEWSMAKERS

Tristen Winkler, 1, of Pampa, recently won the 0-1 year old division of the White Deer Kids R Cute Contest.

Tristen's parents are Tanner and Amy Winkler of Pampa. Her grandparents are Keith and Patricia Winkler of Pampa and Karen Ware of Amarillo.



Winkler

Braydon A. Barker, a Pampa High School student, has recently been selected for membership in The National Society of High School Scholars. The society invites only those students who exhibit superior academic achievement.

The announcement was issued by NSHSS Hon. Chair Claes Nobel, a senior member of the Nobel Prize family.



Barker

"I congratulate Braydon on this outstanding achievement and applaud the commitment to academic excellence," Nobel said. "The hard work and success of these exceptional young people will ensure a future generation dedicated to their communities and world betterment."

NSHSS was founded to recognize outstanding academic performance among high school students. Membership, by invitation only, includes such benefits to members as scholarships, networking, events, publications and other opportunities.

Barker, son of Jimmy and Lori Barker, has also been named to "Who's Who Among American High School Students" and is involved in basketball and golf.

He is a member of First Baptist Church.

The United States Achievement Academy recently announced United States National Award Winners from the area. Cassandra Elizabeth-May Tice of Pampa High School was selected a USAA United States National Award Winner in Honor Roll.

The Academy bestows USAA awards upon fewer than 10 percent of all American high school students. The student was nominated for the award by Starla Kindle, a counselor at PHS.

All USAA award-winners will appear in the USAA Official Yearbook, published nationally.

"Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history," said Dr. George Stevens, USAA executive director. "Certainly, United States Achievement Academy winners should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement."



Tice

The Academy selects USAA winners based upon the exclusive recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors and other qualified sponsors. Other criteria includes academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude and cooperative spirit and dependability.

Tice is the daughter of Randell and Sheri Tice of Pampa and is the granddaughter of Lorene Tice of Pampa and Jerry Turner of Ringling, Okla.

**WEATHERFORD, Okla.** — Southwestern Oklahoma State University recently announced students earning diplomas from its Weatherford and Sayre campuses.

Students awarded degrees include Jennifer Hinds of Pampa, bachelor of arts degree.

**CANYON** — West Texas A&M University's campus radio station KWTS 91.1 FM will return live to the airwaves Monday, Aug. 23 to mark the beginning of the fall 2004 semester with a full roster of 41 new and returning staff members including Price Hall and A.J. Swope, both of Pampa.

Swope is a junior broadcasting major at WT, and Hall is a sophomore broadcasting major.

The sign-on will be at 7 a.m. with the KWTS morning show, featuring hosts Erin Rizzo and Ryan McWilly.

KWTS 91.1 FM went on the air in 1972 as a broadcast facility designed for both educational and entertainment purposes at WTAMU. All management and on-air talent for the station is provided by WTAMU students, who operate the station 24-hours a day, seven days a week.

Dr. Leigh Browning, assistant professor of mass communications and director of broadcasting, supervises the program.

Live programming will be replaced with automated programming between semesters, Aug. 16-22.

## Club news

Club news is published strictly on a first come, first serve basis due to space limitations. The deadline each week for Sunday's paper is Wednesday at 5 p.m., (Tuesday at 12 noon on holidays such as Thanksgiving and Christmas.) The deadline does not guarantee publication that week. Thank you.

### Altrusa

Altrusa International Inc., of Pampa met Aug. 10 at Pampa Country Club with President Billie Dixon presiding. Terri Williams and Chleo Worley served as greeters while Edna Hickman provided the decorations. Gayla Rigdon attended as a guest.

The following business was conducted and announced.

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Aric Wagner, 10, rides a skateboard up the ramp at the west end of the Skate Park.

## Skate Park Grand

# OPENING



Drake Fisher, 9, bails off of a scooter he launched up the ramp at the east end of the Skate Park.



Tommy Weeks, 11, seems to have chosen "pickled tongue" for his lunch at the grand opening.



Ed Cooley, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, cooks hot dogs for everyone attending the Skate Park's grand opening. Hot dogs, chips and drinks were provided free of charge.



Tim Middleton, 12, and his puppy, Bruiser. Bruiser seemed most interested in the free hot dogs being served.



Chamber of Commerce Gold Coat Lyndon Field dressed for the day. Field struck a pose atop the ramp at the east end of the park, accompanied by, from left, Ryan Holt, Matt Bowen, Dylan Ellis, Dustin Neef, Kamron Hassler and Skyler Mundell. In photos at left and bottom, Field's progress down the ramp is documented.

Photos by CLAY RICE



Alexandra Gutierrez, left, and Brandon Stokes, both 8, help themselves to hot dogs, chips and drinks.

Story and Photos by Marilyn Powers

Hot dogs, live music and skateboard contests marked the grand opening Aug. 7 of Pampa's new skate park in Central Park.

Mayor Lonny Robbins cut the ribbon with the help of the Chamber of Commerce Gold Coats at 11 a.m. to mark the official opening of the park. Free hot dogs, chips and drinks were provided by First Presbyterian Church, First Christian Church and United Supermarket.

A skating contest drew 10 competitors in the 12 and under age group, and 17 entrants in the 13 and over category. An ugly skateboard contest was also on the list of activities. Prizes for the skating contests were donated by the City of Pampa and Hall's Auto Sound.

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# Central Baptist Church place of Conner, Arreola wedding



Mayla DaLayne Conner and Richard Luis Arreola

Mayla DaLayne Conner and Richard Luis Arreola, both of Pampa, were wed Saturday, July 31, in Central Baptist Church with Tiffeni Martinez of Pampa serving as matron of honor and Pedro Arreola of Pampa standing up as best man.

The bridesmaids were Carmen Arreola, Jeanette Heuer and Jessica Conner, all of Pampa, and Veronica Arreola of Amarillo. The flower girl was Jennifer Olaguez of Pampa.

Tim Hickerson of Lefors, Juan Mendoza and David Arreola, both of Pampa, and Rodney Ramirez of Amarillo were the groomsmen. Ryan Arreola of Newark was ring bearer.

Craig Conner of Pampa was usher, and the candlelighters were John Conner of College Station and Phil Burden of Pampa.

Registering the guests were Rosie Lavrenz and Stacey Lambright, both of Pampa.

Music was provided by organist Myrna Orr of Pampa and vocalists Tim Conner of Cumming, Ga., and Kayla Preston of Pampa.

A reception was held following the service at the bull barns in Pampa with Linda Eykels of Australia, Toni Cosgrove of Seymour, Mo., Maria Arreola of Juarez, Mexico, and Brandy Peden of Pampa serving the guests.

The bride is the daughter of Layne and Mae Conner of Pampa. She attended Pampa High School and received her GED in 1996. She earned degree from Academy of Professional Careers (AMDA) and from Amarillo College where she majored in phlebotomy in 2002. She is currently employed at Wal-Mart.

The son of Pedro and Lynda Arreola of Pampa, the groom attended PHS, receiving his GED in 1996, and is currently employed with A&T Yard Service.

The newlyweds are planning a honeymoon at a later date and intend to make their home in Pampa.

## Mr. and Mrs. John Lewis mark 25th anniversary this month

Mr. and Mrs. John Lewis of Pampa will observe their 25th wedding anniversary Tuesday, Aug. 17.

John Lewis and Rebecca O'Neal were married Aug. 17, 1979, at Calvary Baptist Church in Pampa.

Mr. Lewis grew up in Petersburg and moved to Pampa in 1976. Mrs. Lewis is a native of Pampa.

They both belong to Faith Advent Christian Fellowship Church in Pampa, where Mr. Lewis is a steward and Mrs. Lewis teaches Sunday school and serves as church pianist.

Mr. Lewis worked for Baker-Hughes as a tools specialist prior to his current position as oilfield supervisor for Landmark Fishing and Drilling in Pampa.

Mrs. Lewis teaches music at Austin Elementary School in Pampa.

Children of the couple are Seth Lewis of Pampa, currently a student at Frank Phillips College in Borger, and Christopher and Jacob Lewis, both students at Texas A&M University in College Station.



Mr. and Mrs. John Lewis

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 Stephanie Lowe & Dale Langford

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## Harvills of Pampa quietly observe their 25th wedding anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Harvill of Pampa observed their 25th wedding anniversary on Aug. 10.

Doyle Harvill and Patricia Gryder were married Aug. 10, 1979, at Pampa, where Mrs. Harvill was born and raised.

Mr. Harvill grew up in White Deer. He is

currently retired from Mundy Company.

Mrs. Harvill is employed at Wayne's Western Wear.

Both are members of Grace Baptist Church.

Children of the couple are Nick Harvill of Amarillo and Ricky Harvill of the home.

## Club

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ments made:

—The annual audits compiled by Mayda King of the

Foundation and Meals Funds were accepted.

—Leave of absences for Susan Winborne and Sue Baker were approved.

—Development of Book Collection Boxes and a library for the Southside Senior Citizen Center was

approved as a project for "Make a Difference Day."

—Support of the Chamber of Commerce Country Fair acquisition of silent auction items has been accepted as a service project.

—Reservations were made for the Aug. 5 Tuesday Fun Event at Red River Steak House.

—Brenda Tucker delivered the accent on the value and purpose of Altrusa International Foundation.

—A recognition certificate was presented to Mary Wilson for her efforts on the communication committee.

The next meeting, scheduled at 7 p.m. Aug. 24, will include the topic "Identity Theft and How to Avoid It." "Bring a Guest" is the focus for the special meeting.

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# National Cowboy Museum seeking Hall of Fame nominees

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. — Deadline for nominations for the 2006 inductions into the Hall of Great Western Performers and the Chester A. Reynolds Memorial Award at the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum® is Jan. 15, 2005. Eligibility criteria and submission guidelines for nominees are on the Museum's

web site [www.nationalcowboymuseum.org](http://www.nationalcowboymuseum.org) or by calling (405) 478-2250, Ext. 221. Induction into the Hall of Great Western Performers is considered the most prestigious award the Museum bestows and is based on one or more of the following criteria: individuals who have made an exceptional contribution to the advancement of Western heritage

and traditions during a lifetime; individuals who promote America's rich Western heritage through their leadership and patronage of art, business industry, environmental, education, humanitarian, government or philanthropic organizations; achievement of national significance and historic relevance; exemplification of the traditional Western ideals of hon-

esty, integrity and self-sufficiency during a lifetime. Inductees include individuals from all walks of life such as Stephen F. Austin, Gene Autry, Christopher "Kit" Carson, Willa Cather, Jesse Chisholm, Badger Clark, Charles Goodnight, Theodore Roosevelt, Zane Grey, Sacagawea, Anne Burnett Tandy, Olaf Wieghorst, J. Frank Dobie,

Bose Ikard and Red Steagall. Through their outstanding individual works in film, television and stage works, inductees into the Hall of Great Western Performers have kept the American West in the public's collective eye, thus perpetuating its legacy and enduring mythology. Selection for

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## Menus

Week of August 16-20

<p><b>Pampa Schools</b> <b>MONDAY</b></p> <p>Not available.</p> <p><b>Lefors Schools</b> <b>MONDAY</b></p> <p>Breakfast: Yogurt, cold cereal, cinnamon toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken nuggets or charbroiled patties, mashed potatoes, brown gravy, green beans, rolls, pears, salad bar, milk.</p> <p><b>TUESDAY</b></p> <p>Breakfast: Peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, cold cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Burritos or mini corn dogs, tater tots, mixed vegetables, pudding, salad bar, peaches, milk.</p> <p><b>WEDNESDAY</b></p> <p>Breakfast: Pigs-in-a-blanket, cold cereal, cinnamon toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Soft tacos or nachos, refried beans, rice tropical fruit, salad bar, milk.</p> <p><b>THURSDAY</b></p> <p>Breakfast: Pancake-on-a-stick, cold cereal, cinnamon toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Barbecue franks or chicken patties, steamed broccoli, corn, mashed potatoes, Mandarin oranges, salad bar, milk.</p> <p><b>FRIDAY</b></p> <p>Breakfast: Cold cereal, cinnamon toast, juice, milk. Lunch: Hamburgers or barbecue sandwiches, cheese, tomatoes, lettuce, onions, pickles, French fries, apple slices, salad bar, milk.</p> <p><b>Kid's Cafe</b> <b>AUG. 17</b></p> <p>Burrito supreme, salad, corn, pudding cups.</p> <p><b>AUG. 19</b></p> <p>Barbecue chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, fruit.</p>	<p><b>Senior Citizens</b> <b>MONDAY</b></p> <p>Chicken, fried steak or chicken spaghetti, mashed potatoes, beets, spinach, beans, German chocolate cake or lemon pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p><b>TUESDAY</b></p> <p>Baked cod/rice or Salisbury steak, au gratin potatoes, Italian green beans, corn cobbettes, beans, black forest cake or pineapple squares, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p><b>WEDNESDAY</b></p> <p>Roast beef brisket/brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, squash casserole, turnip greens, beans, strawberry shortcake or chocolate icebox pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p><b>THURSDAY</b></p> <p>Chicken strips or meatloaf, Yukon potatoes, California blend, peas, beans, cinnamon swirl cake or cherry cobbler, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p><b>FRIDAY</b></p> <p>Catfish/hushpuppies or sausage/sauerkraut, potato wedges, brussels sprouts, beans, spice cake or tapioca cups, slaw, tossed or jello salad, garlic bread, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p><b>Meals On Wheels</b> <b>MONDAY</b></p> <p>Barbecue, potato salad, baked beans, pudding.</p> <p><b>TUESDAY</b></p> <p>Hamloaf, hominy casserole, carrots/raisin salad, pineapples.</p> <p><b>WEDNESDAY</b></p> <p>Chicken, dressing, gravy, English peas, cranberry sauce, Yamboree.</p> <p><b>THURSDAY</b></p> <p>Egg casserole, hashbrowns, green beans, cookies.</p> <p><b>FRIDAY</b></p> <p>Chicken nuggets, baked potatoes, peas/carrots, peaches.</p>
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2. All information must be submitted by 5 p.m. Wednesday (12 noon Tuesday before a holiday such as Thanksgiving or Christmas), prior to Sunday insertion.

3. Engagement, wedding and anniversary news only will be printed on Sunday.

4. Engagement announcements will be published if the announcement is submitted at least one month before the wedding, but not more than three months before the wedding.

5. Bridal photos and information will not be accepted in The Pampa News office later than one month past the date of the wedding.

6. Anniversary announcements will be published for celebrations only of 25 years or more and will not be published more than four weeks after the anniversary date.

7. Birth announcements will only be published for 0- to 3-month-olds. (See form for more details.)

8. Forms are available from the office 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday thru Friday, or by sending a SASE to The Pampa News, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, TX 79066-2198.

9. Two anniversary pictures may be placed for a \$25 charge or four extra lines may be added to announcements for \$25 (\$50 for both).



**Samantha Marie Short**

Samantha Marie Short was born at 8:15 a.m., June 22, at Pampa Regional Medical Center, to Troy and Beverly Short of Pampa. At birth, the infant weighed 7-pounds, 5-ounces and was 20 1/4-inches long. Relatives of the infant include a sister, Rebecca Short; her grandparents, Bobby J. and Rosemary Schiffman and Diane Short, all of Pampa; and her great-grandparents, Bob and Geneva Schiffman of Pampa.

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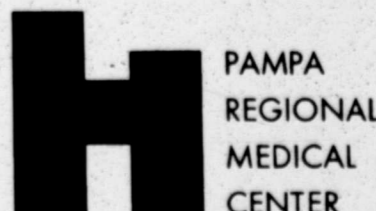
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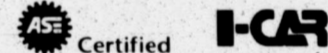
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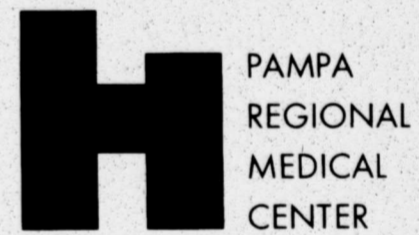
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## VH1 'Soundtrack to War' examines power of music

NEW YORK (AP) — The images captured in "VH1 News Presents: Soundtrack To War," combines the use of music by America's soldiers and the unsettling pictures of war.

A group of soldiers stand on a rooftop, singing gospel music. Suddenly, bombs explode. Nearby, black smoke rises.

A tank crew cranks up a heavy metal song to gear up for combat.

Using personal testimonies, the one-hour documentary examines the soldiers' use of music for inspiration, motivation and mourning. The result: a unique look at youth in war.

"Soundtrack To War," airing 9 p.m. EDT Wednesday, follows soldiers of the Army's 1st Armored Division during their 15-month deployment in Iraq from April 2003 to July 2004, one of the military's longest deployments since Vietnam.

"They couldn't do it without their music. They couldn't get through it without it," Australian filmmaker George Gittoes says.

Gittoes, who directed this documentary, relies on the soldiers to tell their own story as songs — including ones written by the soldiers — push the documentary along.

The approach is effective, giving viewers a sense of who these soldiers are and what they face.

Several scenes in Gittoes' film were featured in Michael Moore's "Fahrenheit 9/11." But unlike Moore's film, "Soundtrack To War" centers on the soldiers' personal feelings rather than their political ones.

While soldiers are typically cautious with their comments, they open up to Gittoes about music. And as they do, they talk about their war experiences.

The documentary begins with soldiers confiding how various songs — from Drowning Pool's "Let the Bodies Hit the Floor" to Mystikal's "Round Out the Tank" — help psyche them up before battle.

One soldier explains why Drowning Pool's song was the motto for his tank crew during battles. Another tells how rapper Tupac Shakur's songs were funneled through headphones in a M-1 Abrams tank as it rolled from Kuwait into Iraq at the start of the war, and then changed to the Triple 6 Mafia

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## Actress embarks on quest for self

By JANICE RHOSHALLE LITTLEJOHN  
For The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES (AP) — It's not every day you'll hear a Hollywood actress bragging about turning 40 the way Vivica A. Fox is doing.

Of course she can boast about aging because she doesn't show it, not even on this day, when she had taken a red-eye flight from Toronto and spent much of the morning promoting her new Lifetime series "Missing."

She's bright-eyed, smiling and talking a mile-a-minute about everything from the single life and the "little young fellas" who keep "checkin'" her out to going shopping for frilly, pretty things — like the strapless, pink A-line and matching feathery flip flops she's wearing.

"Guurl, I'm excited about 40. I ain't wet behind the ears no more!" she says, laughing. "I'm a woman and I'm cool with me, and if everybody don't like me, that's OK because I ain't goin' to like everybody anyway, and I'm cool with that, too."

Yet it appears television audiences like Fox just fine in the newly retooled "Missing," which premiered last season as "1-800-MISSING" with Caterina Scorsone and Gloria Rueben, who has left the show.

Since last month's season debut, "Missing" has climbed to No. 1 in its time period (10 p.m. EDT Saturdays) with women aged 18 to 49, according to Lifetime, which just ordered five additional episodes of the series.

After a string of ill-fated shows, Fox now has a chance for a more lucrative series run playing FBI special agent Nicole Scott, a frank, off-the-cuff investigator partnered with straight-arrow agent and psychic Jess Mastriani (Scorsone).

Making "Missing" is like "doing a mini-movie every week," Fox says. "I'm doing drama, with a little bit of humor added, and I'm very happy. I like being here."

Series creator Debra Martin Chase seems just as pleased

with the casting.

"Vivica's that great combination: She looks amazing, she's smart; women love her, men love her," Chase said. "We were able to take advantage of that and create a character that is vulnerable, who is gentle but tough and is not afraid to kick some butt; who breaks the rules but who has her own code of honor."

Having finished "Kill Bill: Vol. 1 & 2," "Ella Enchanted," and a series of urban romantic comedies, the woman who catapulted her movie career with an out-of-this-world kiss with Will Smith in "Independence Day" wasn't interested in returning to television.

But Lifetime had other ideas.

"Vivica's was the first name we went to when Gloria talked about wanting to leave," says Lifetime programming vice president Kelly Goode, "and Debra was just dogged about going after her."

After three months of relentless pursuit, Fox finally got an offer she couldn't refuse: co-executive producing credits on "Missing" and a film production deal with Lions Gate Entertainment, which produces the series in Toronto.

"I feel like I've achieved another level in a business that's not kind to African American actresses," says Fox.

But juggling her roles as producer and star hasn't been easy.

"There's days when I gotta get down on my knees and do positive prayers, especially when I first started the show," she says. "There were always so many questions and ways I'm being split that I have to stay positive to keep my strength, to keep my serenity."

She's needed that a lot lately, after her divorce to singer Sixx-Nine (Christopher Harvest) in 2002 and the abrupt end of her romance with rapper 50 Cent, who began insinuating after the breakup that Fox was "crazy" and using him to get her face on magazine covers.

Fox waited until the BET Awards in May before publicly

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*'I'm a woman and I'm cool with me, and if everybody don't like me, that's OK because I ain't goin' to like everybody anyway, and I'm cool with that, too.'*

— Vivica A. Fox  
Actress

## At the Movies: 'Princess Diaries 2' arrives with different message

By ANTHONY BREZNICAN  
AP Entertainment Writer

Three years ago, "The Princess Diaries" fused the classic "ugly duckling" story with "Cinderella" and made it both funny and endearing.

It was a tale about beauty emerging from within an awkward American teenage girl after she learns she is heir to the European kingdom of Genovia.

"The Princess Diaries 2: Royal Engagement" arrives with a different message.

It reveals that a cute premise and two terrific performers — Anne Hathaway and Julie Andrews — can be exploited and wasted by filmmakers motivated by little more than snatching dollars away from little girls.

This time the story leaves America and takes place entirely in Genovia, a

fictional European kingdom that looks like a storybook in one special-effects flyover. That's about all we see of it.

From the sets to the story to the direction to the way-too-obvious stunt doubles, director Garry Marshall's film comes across as a halfhearted effort.

Princess Mia (played again by Hathaway) and her grandmother the

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## People in the news

By The Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — It was love at second sight for Fred Savage and his new bride, Jennifer Stone.

Savage, who starred on the 1980s series "The Wonder Years," wed Stone, a childhood friend, in an Aug. 7 ceremony at the L'Orangerie restaurant in Los Angeles, People magazine reports.

They were neighbors until 1988, when Savage, then 11, moved from a suburb of Chicago to Los Angeles for his TV stint as Kevin Arnold. The family drama ran until 1993.

The couple reconnected 11 years later at a birthday party for Savage.

"We started talking and smooching and we've been together ever since," the 28-year-old actor-director told People.

Savage's films include "Austin Powers in Goldmember" and "Welcome to Mooseport."

"I had tears, but they were tears of joy," said Stone, 31, who is a commercial real estate agent.

"Seeing Fred at the end of the aisle was the best part."

NEW YORK (AP) — Barbie thinks she knows who can make a difference in this year's presidential race — girls — and she's the one who is going to represent them.

The Mattel doll has thrown her hat into the ring as the candidate of the Party of Girls! She unveiled her platform at the Toys "R" Us store in Times Square.

She has pledged a campaign that will concentrate on creating world peace,

helping the homeless and poor, and taking care of animals. Her platform was chosen by girls across America through the Barbie.com Web site.

Marie C. Wilson, president and founder of the national, nonpartisan The White House Project, said Barbie's campaign shows girls that they can aspire to the highest levels of leadership, including the presidency.

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# Unique Austin movie chain planning expansion

AUSTIN (AP) — The movie theater chain that hosts "Spaghetti Western and Spaghetti Feasts" and "Hong Kong Cinema and Cuisine" wants to take its dinner-and-a-movie concept to a national audience.

With a slightly new name but same attitude, Austin-based Alamo Drafthouse Cinemas Ltd. plans to expand to San Antonio this month, and by early next year to Tyler, San Angelo, Waco and Corpus Christi. The company also is working on deals in Colorado, Oklahoma and Florida, with the eventual goal of 200 U.S. franchises.

It's an ambitious project for a small chain

*'They love cinema more than just about any theater that exists in the country.'*

— Harry Knowles  
Creator of film Web site

founded in 1996 with one screen that showed second-run films and played host to eccentric events — like a showing of "Jaws" at Lake Travis, where moviegoers watched the film from inner tubes while swimmers under the water pinched their legs.

"They love cinema more than just about any theater that exists in the country," said Harry Knowles, who hosts events at the Drafthouse and is the creator of the "Ain't It Cool News" film Web site. "They have an independent spirit and an outside the norm

sensibility that is quirky enough to fit with my own."

The Drafthouse is a movie house and restaurant under one roof. Moviegoers can order beer, wine, burgers, sandwiches and pizza (with names such as "Porky's" pepperoni and "Poultrygeist" chicken pesto) at their seats as they watch a movie. Bench-style wood tables run in front of each row of seats.

The chain, which has three Austin locations and one in Houston, shows new releases as well as independent and older movies

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## Fox

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responding to 50 Cent's comments.

"I spoke out because I needed closure," she said. "I

needed to remind everybody, I've been doing this for a long time. I'm not new to the game. I'm true to the game."

Mulling it over now, she says "the mistake that me and 50 made was that we went public too fast. We just got too excited about each other. It was just exciting!"

She added: "I didn't speak about the break-up when it happened, and he was going so public, which was completely disappointing ... I really don't know what I did that made us break up. It was sad, because I really cared for him, but I still wish him well. But I will never publicly put down a black man. I just can't."

Moving ahead, Fox will soon be back on the big screen with Eddie Griffin in the action thriller "Blast," and is awaiting distribution on several projects, including one of four "Beauty Shop" features.

In the meantime, she's looking to finance her "passion project," "Vertical," an independent film that she will produce and star in. "It's kind of like Vivica's 'Training Day,'" she explains. "I play a very dark character that's very charming, which is fun."

Taking a moment, she sighs and smiles. "You know, I just feel at peace with Vivica right now," she says. "A new chapter is getting ready to happen in my life. I'm just thankful and not taking anything for granted and enjoying my life."

## Music

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when they hit the streets of Baghdad.

In one scene, a soldier talks about his affinity for punk rock and how few in his unit like the music.

He tells Gittoes how there was another soldier he bonded with over the music —

one who was later killed by a roadside bomb.

In another scene, Pfc. Yona Hagos raps about being "like a biological weapon" and surviving enemy gunfire.

In the credits, viewers learn he was later hit with a rocket-propelled grenade.

"The song is about trying to survive," Hagos told The Associated Press. "I'm trying to get over it. It's not

something you just get over in a few days or a few months."

In one of the film's most memorable segments, a scene opens with soldiers on patrol in Baghdad when a car bomb explodes, killing a family in a car.

In the back seat, a child's toys are spattered with blood.

The scene moves to two soldiers — Spc. Joshua

Revak and Sgt. Trenton Dull — sitting near a tank, strumming acoustic guitars.

They explain how they became friends during the war, and wrote a song together to honor fallen comrades.

"No other American sitting back in America can ever come close to understanding what a soldier goes through on the streets of Baghdad," Revak says.

Later in the film, Gittoes returns to Revak.

"We've lost a lot of brothers. It gets tougher every day," he says. "The only way I've been able to deal with that is to write music."

Spc. Janel Daniels is yet another soldier who writes songs to cope.

"All you have is destruction around you. You have no idea what's about to happen. It's so hard with every-

thing going on. Music is vital out there," Daniels told the AP.

In the film's final scenes, there's a message of hope as three young soldiers — all from different ethnic backgrounds — rap about their experiences in Iraq.

"Music," Spc. Jaimeron Tippins, one of the trio, says in the film, "has a lot to do with uniting us out here."

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Queen Clarisse (Andrews) inhabit a gigantic castle — yet practically all the action takes place either in Mia's bedroom or one large foyer with a double staircase that we see again and again and again.

It makes the movie look like a crummy sitcom.

The plot involves Princess

Mia's efforts to find a husband in 30 days, lest she lose her claim to the crown to the no-good (but handsome) nephew (newcomer Chris Pine) of a backstabbing member of Genovia's parliament (John Rhys-Davies, who was Gimli the dwarf from "The Lord of the Rings.")

But there are no surprises, no twists. Everything works out exactly as you expect. Happily ever after was never so blah.

Hathaway and Andrews

do their best with shoddy material. It is hard to fault them when they are so fun to watch, especially together.

Which brings up the movie's low-point ...

During a sleeper scene, some of the girls get up and sing pop songs.

Eventually they goad the Queen into taking the stage.

This will be Andrews' first big-screen musical performance since a 1997 throat surgery that spoiled her four-octave voice.

The audience is waiting.

the song is "Your Crowning Glory," and Andrews makes it magical.

Then, midway, the filmmakers thrust another person onstage.

Mia, right?

Grandma and granddaughter will sing a tune. Wouldn't that be sweet? And Hathaway is a soprano singer, so it makes sense, too.

Nope. Doesn't happen.

Instead Marshall throws the microphone to Raven, the star of the Disney

Channel show "That's So Raven" and a pop star on the Disney record label.

The princess sits in the audience and watches this out-of-nowhere character steal her spotlight.

Pathetic.

This Walt Disney Co production, is rated G. Running time: 115 minutes. One and a half stars out of four.

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**The Weather**

West Texas: Cloudy with intermittent rain or drizzle tonight and Friday. Warmer in the Panhandle and South Plains tonight.

**Good Evening**

What is all knowledge but recorded experience?—Carlyle

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PAMPA, TEXAS

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# U. S. SOLDIERS WAR ON BOTH GERMANY AND ITALY

## U. S. Army Bombers Sink Jap Battleship

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11. (AP)—The sinking of the 20,000-ton Japanese battleship Haruna by army bombers off the northern coast of Luzon in the Philippines was announced today by Secretary of War Stimson.

At his press conference, Stimson said the navy department had confirmed the sinking, previously reported by the army as a battleship of the Haruna class.

Determined resistance by American forces, Stimson reported, have confined Japanese landings on Luzon to the vicinity of Aparri at the extreme northern tip of the island.

From Manila, however, came reports that Japanese aircraft had bombed an airport six miles from Iligan in eastern Luzon. Iligan is on the northern coast.

The war secretary said there were continued attacks by Japanese aircraft in the vicinity of Manila yesterday, particularly on the air fields at Cavite and Nichols field.

Stimson said the losses of planes in the attack on Hawaii Sunday, although heavy, already were being replaced.

These losses can be made good, and they are being made good now, the secretary said. He reported that a flight of four motored army bombers arrived in Hawaii during the Japanese attack.

The first of the planes was shot down, but the crews of the remaining ships, with a few moments warning, brought their ships in at various air fields in the islands, and only two of the planes suffered any damage.

### 15 Already Signed Up For Aviation Ground School Here

Fifteen of the necessary 25 students to insure holding an aviation ground school here beginning January 2, have already made application to take the course, according to Coordinator Jimmy Dodge. The full quota must be filled in time to take physical examinations and arrange for books.

Every youth who has passed his 16th birthday but who has not reached his 26th birthday, and who resides within 15 miles of the Pampa military district, is urged to contact John Linton at the U. S. Weather Bureau station at the airport, telephone 788, and register for the course.

Only cost to take the course will be for taking the required physical examination and purchasing books which will be less than \$15 all told, Mr. Dodge said.

The course will be available to everyone who took the previous course but who failed to receive a free flight scholarship. The course is also available to older men but they will not be eligible for free flight scholarships.

The ground school instructor has not been named by the Civil Aeronautics Administration. Frank Hall, former instructor is now in Dallas taking a special course of instruction.

Physical tests to be given will carry successful students through all flight courses instead of just through the student course as has been the case in the past.

Write to Paul V. Clifford, Sinclair Station for complete details.

### Pampa News Carriers Volunteer To Assist In Defense Program

The entire force of Pampa News carriers today enlisted in the service of Uncle Sam.

## Three Trees Planned For Pampa Kiddies

Three Christmas tree parties for children of the less fortunate families of Pampa will be held this year by the local chapter of the American Red Cross, in conjunction with other organizations in the city.

The first party, for children from 1 year old to school age, will be held at 2 o'clock the afternoon of December 22. The party for children from 7 to 12 years will be at 7 o'clock the same date. Then at 2 o'clock on the afternoon of December 23 negro children of the city will be given a party. All parties will be in the auditorium of the city hall and admission will be on ticket only.

Parents of children eligible to attend the party are asked to contact Mrs. Willie Baines at her office in the courthouse. She has a list of every eligible child in the city and will be glad to give the children to be donated by Pampans who want to see the less fortunate kiddies enjoy Christmas which will not be too bright for anyone this year.

Broken toys are being repaired at the craftshop at the city warehouse where citizens are asked to take all toys without further delay. The American Legion post is furnishing paint for the toys.

A huge Christmas tree will be furnished by the Veterans of Foreign Wars and it will be decorated by the B. G. K. club. The Goodfellows club, with Dan Kennedy in charge, will sack candy, nuts, etc. to be given to each child.

A committee headed by Mrs. Lee Harrah will arrange the toys and gifts so that each child will receive a toy suitable to his or her age. A junior chamber of commerce committee headed by Frank Smith will supervise the seating of the children and see that each child has a ticket and secures a toy and sack of candy.

The program for older children will be presented by the children with Aaron Meek the master of ceremonies.

Tom Deaver, recreational director in the negro section of the party, will be in charge of that section of the party.

Many more toys are needed to insure every child receiving one at the Christmas tree. Both old and new toys will be appreciated.

## War Flashes

LONDON, Dec. 11. (AP)—The admiralty announced today that approximately 130 officers and 2,300 men had been saved from the Prince of Wales and the Repulse.

## I HEARD . . .

W. C. deCordova, who spent many months in the Orient during the first World War, declaring that no Japanese, even though his grandparents had been born in the United States, could be trusted.

Pictures! Now more important than ever. He can carry a picture with him. Call Fletcher's Studio now. Ph. 133.

Every one of these newboys today became an official defense agent of the United States. The boys can be identified by their special Defense Agent badge. Turn now to Page 12.



FIRST TEXAS CASUALTY—2nd Lt. Jay E. Pletsch, above, of Amarillo, Texas, first known Texas casualty in the war. Pletsch was killed in the initial Japanese attack on Hawaii last Sunday.

## Reports From Enemy Sources

TOKYO, Dec. 11. (Official Radio Received By AP)—Germany and Italy have pledged their solemn word to Japan that neither will make a separate peace until the imperial Japanese armed forces unconditionally surrender.

TOKYO, Dec. 11. (Official Radio Received By AP)—Foreign Minister Shiogenji Togo declared today that the German and Italian declarations of war against the United States "together with the marvelous achievements of the imperial Japanese armed forces unfold a bright future for the Japanese empire, which is proceeding resolutely with the construction of a new world order."

LONDON, Dec. 11. (AP)—Adolf Hitler told the German people today that up to Dec. 1 the German forces had taken 3,868,263 Russian prisoners and captured or destroyed 21,291 Russian tanks, 2,541 guns and 17,225 aircraft.

TOKYO, Dec. 11. (Official radio received by AP)—Japanese forces have occupied Acana, the capital of Guam, without losses to themselves, and also have landed on Wake, the Japanese reported today.

An army communique said 350 Americans, including Captain George G. McMillin, Guam's governor, and the island's vice governor and naval station commandant, were taken prisoner.

Domei reported the landing on Wake Island.

**Vets On Program**  
The first anniversary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, "Speak up for Democracy," series of monthly radio programs, scheduled to be heard on Station KPDM at 8:15 o'clock tonight, will commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Bill of Rights.

Speakers representing the National Americanism department of the Veterans of Foreign Wars will be heard speaking before the microphones of nearly 450 radio stations on Dec. 11.

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The natural mellow finish is reserved to your hat. Roberts, the Hat Man.

Get your Christmas Trees at Williams-Sill, Star Trees.

## Russians Claim New Victories Over Nazis

### Able-Bodied Men, Women May Register

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11. (AP)—The United States is studying broadening of selective service to register and classify all the able-bodied men and women in the nation for military and civilian defense, Brig. Gen. Louis B. Hersey said today.

The director of selective service said at a press conference it was the "Number 1 project at this time" and added that of the 40,000,000 men in the nation, about 25 per cent could eventually be made available to the army and navy.

He outlined the panorama his organization is viewing to mobilize the whole nation in its war against the Axis powers.

"I don't visualize five or six million men marching off to war," Gen. Hersey said. "But we must try to be ready through a measured approach to the problem."

"There is something to be gained by registering and classifying broad groups of people."

"I believe there should be flexible authority (from congress) to be used piecemeal, presenting the people with a broad liability for registration and a narrower liability for service."

"We undoubtedly are soon going to consider the registration of women."

### Dodger Fan Pens Sonnets

NEW YORK, Dec. 10. (AP)—Postmaster Albert Goldman, at the annual opening of children's letters to Santa Claus, came across from a Brooklyn boy named Mike.

Mike's letter contained a long list of things desired, and added: "You better bring all this stuff or I'll beat you to a pulp."

For most, warm circulated air, see the Estate Heatria, Lewis Hdw.

## O'Daniel Fires Texas Boy From Band Because He Went To High School

By L. T. EASLEY  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 11. (AP)—Back to the open spaces of Texas, where the O'Daniel hillbilly band less than four years ago bloomed overnight from flour-selling to political poetry, have gone two of the junior senator's musical mite-men.

Little Caesar and Klondike they were to radio listeners down in W. Lee O'Daniel's ballroom. In real life they are brothers, Carroll and Leon Hubbard of Port Worth, both violin players, 22 and 16 years of age, respectively.

These personnel changes are the latest among the members of the band that is indelibly identified with O'Daniel's political career.

The only member of the band without a Government job is a new recruit—From Maryland.

While Carroll and Leon have both returned to Texas, Little Caesar and Klondike live on in the weekly radio broadcasts of the Texas senator. Their parts are filled by new members of the band.

The story of the brief experience of the Hubbard boys in the programs originating in Washington, came from pretty much the same source.

### Challenge Hurlled By Il Duce, Hitler Accepted

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11. (AP)—Congress voted war against Nazi Germany and Italy today in a swift response to President Roosevelt's appeal for a "rapid and united effort" for the cause of victory "over the forces of savagery and of barbarism."

As fast as roll calls could be tallied, the senate unanimously, and the house without a single "no" vote, accepted the challenge of Adolf Hitler and Benito Mussolini, Axis partners of Japan with whom the nation went to war Monday.

The senate vote for war against Germany was 88 to 0. Before the tally on Italy was recorded, Senators Andrews (D-A.) and Smathers (D-N. J.) reached the chamber to make the vote against Italy stand at 90 to 0.

The house vote was 393, with one member recorded as "present."

This was Rep. Jeannette Rankin (R-Mont.), who cast the lone vote against war with Japan and who voted against war with Germany in 1917.

The senators lined up unanimously again—90 to 0 for war against Mussolini's government. Simultaneously the house voted war against Germany and proceeded to take similar action against Italy.

Just before the ballot, senators listened to a message from President Roosevelt asking the war declaration and saying that "never before has there been a greater challenge to life, liberty and civilization."

Senate galleries were only partly filled during the momentous action. Lord Halifax, the British ambassador, and Lady Halifax sat in the diplomatic galleries with other representatives of the diplomatic corps.

Minority Leader McNary (R-Ore.) submitted a unanimous resolution of Republican members pledging support to the president in prosecuting the war to a successful conclusion.

The Rev. James Shera Moulton, the house chaplain, opened the session with an appeal for Divine aid for the nation.

Archduke Otto of Austria, whose country was aligned against the United States in the World War, was one of those who occupied a seat in the diplomatic gallery.

In a brief six-paragraph message to congress, which followed declarations of war on this country by the two Axis partners, Mr. Roosevelt asserted that "the forces of justice and of righteousness over the forces of savagery and of barbarism."

"I therefore request the congress to recognize a state of war between the United States and Germany, and between the United States and Italy."

"This is a challenge which of course we'll accept," declared Chairman Bloom (D-N.Y.) of the House Foreign Affairs committee. "Now we'll go in and clean up the whole bunch of them."

"Italian men and women, once again I tell you in this great hour: We shall be victorious!" Il Duce shouted from the balcony of the Reichstag.

"The long-known and the long-expected has thus taken place. The sharp at Axis forces retreating westward across the Libyan desert from the El Adem area, 15 miles south of Tobruk.

British patrols operating along the Libyan coast between Tobruk and the Egyptian frontier were said to have destroyed 35 tanks in workshops in addition to 27 reported captured yesterday.

Premier Mussolini's high command acknowledged that British pressure on the Italian stronghold at Salum continuing and reported on the Russian front.

### War Flashes

MANILA, Dec. 11. (AP)—The Philippine army was reported unaffiliated by the entire world for the next 500 to 1,000 years.

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Hitler said that disclosure of a United States plan to attack Germany by 1943 "with all the resources at the disposal of the United States" had brought Germany's "patience" to the breaking point.

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"I am now the head of the strongest military force in the world, of the strongest air force and the most gallant navy."

"Behind me is the national socialist party with which I grew great and which grew great with me and by me."

"I thank the president and I thank God for the opportunity given me and the German nation that our generation too, may write a page in the book of honor of German history."

This historic decision was announced by Premier Mussolini to tumultuous crowds in a five-minute speech from the balcony of Palazzo Venezia.

The fascist leader pledged his people victory and told them that President Roosevelt, "through a series of infinite provocations, betraying with a supreme fraud the population of his country, wanted the war and had prepared fog it day by day with diabolical obstinacy."

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Crowds surged through Rome vociferously demonstrating Axis solidarity with Japan.

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This was the first clear-cut German admission that the Reich was feeling the sting of U. S. warcraft in the Atlantic.

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Mr. and Mrs. Roger Swann, Tulsa, Okla., are the parents of a daughter, weighing six and three-quarter pounds, born December 5, 1941.

Judith Ann, Mr. Swann was journalism teacher in the high school and Mrs. Swann was relief teacher in the high school here last year.

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**Comedy Tonight Has 'A Laugh A Line'**

By MICKY RAFFERTY  
Tonight at 8 o'clock marks the initial opening of the hilarious senior play, "Ever Since Eve," written by Ryerson and Clements, celebrated Hollywood writers in England. Directed by Robert S. Ratcliffe, head of the speech department, and with a cast of 15 ranging from football players to "little bundles of southern charm," the play has a running time of a little over two hours, with a laugh a line.

Proceeds from the show go to a general fund to help finance the annual senior trip to Carlsbad Caverns. All seniors who sell tickets to the play get half the amount of their sales to pay their individual expenses.

Dress rehearsals have been going on since Sunday night, with the last one held early this morning.

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# Volunteers more important than ever at national parks

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Volunteers will paint the buildings on the 19th century iron plantation of Hopewell Furnace in Elverson and help cut the grass at Fort Necessity National Battlefield in Farmington. They will also greet visitors to Sagamore Hill National Historic Site in Oyster Bay, N.Y.

More than ever, National Park Service officials say, volunteers are being called to help many of the country's 388 national parks deal with tight budgets.

This year's Park Service budget is \$2.56 billion, its largest ever and a 7 percent increase over last year's \$2.4 billion budget. Most of the money is earmarked for park

operations, with the rest for building projects, acquiring land, historic preservation and maintenance.

But the Park Service had asked for \$102 million more than Congress approved. And many parks are feeling the effects and doing more with less.

At Olympic National Park in Port Angeles, Wash., offi-

cial have had to cut back on staffing, forcing the park's visitor center in Forks to close two days a week. At Dinosaur National Monument in northwestern Colorado, open jobs aren't being filled. And a hiring freeze and maintenance cutbacks are likely for Acadia National Park in Maine.

At Gettysburg National Military Park in central Pennsylvania, some open positions won't be filled but some fees increase.

"I think belt-tightening is a good way to characterize it," said Ken Mabery, superintendent at the Fort Necessity National Battlefield and Friendship Hill Historic Site in western Pennsylvania.

Mabery said the 900-acre park, which is mostly forested, has cut back on grass-cutting from once every two weeks to about once a month, and is looking to volunteers to help get the job done. The park is also trying to organize a "friends of the park" group that would help raise money and organize volunteers.

## HOROSCOPE ... SUNDAY, AUGUST 15

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Aug. 15, 2004:

Your ability to find answers and get projects rolling marks your year. Your creativity surges and allows you to come up with new solutions. Be careful about being a bit self-involved. Make an effort to share more of yourself and your thoughts. Brainstorming sessions provoke even more ideas. Use your instincts with funds. If you are single, be careful, because you might meet someone who is emotionally unavailable. Check out anyone you might be interested in. Don't give your heart away too quickly. If you are attached, you can heat up the embers of the relationship by courting your lover again. Frequent getaways make your bond sizzle. LEO might push or trigger you.

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

### ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ This New Moon charges new energy into a relationship, be it with a child or loved one. Do something that this special someone enjoys. A movie could be restful. Pace yourself. You don't want to get tired. Tonight: Raise cane.

This Week: You gain surprising insights. Focus as you integrate the information you gain from concentrating on work. Talks and discussions flourish from late Wednesday on.

### TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Entertain at home. Make a special dinner with a theme -- for instance, where everyone brings their favorite munchies. A partner or loved one might object but loves what is happening. Tonight: Your house is where it's at.

This Week: Your ingenuity helps you bypass unexpected developments. Focus on work during the week if you want a relaxing weekend.

### GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ You're in the mood to visit with others. Start calling relatives and friends at a distance. When did you last talk to your neighbors? The time is now. You recognize that someone close has changed. Tonight: Choose a favorite spot.

This Week: Stick by the rules, and you can handle an unpredictable boss well. Reach out for someone at a distance. Find new sources of informa-

tion.

### CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Expenses go out of whack, and you might not care. You will have to make a new beginning, whether you want to or not. Friends love chatting and visiting, but it could cost you. Make this your last spending spree (for your sake). Tonight: Your treat.

This Week: Return calls and messages, and flex with the moment. Go with the ups and downs of the moment.

### LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ The New Moon in your sign signals a new beginning. You choose the area in which you think this resolution might be necessary. Know that you have the strength of the planets behind you. Allow your magnetism to emerge. Buy a token gift for a loved one. Tonight: Whatever makes the Lion happy.

This Week: Review your budget and finances. You might want to consider becoming more independent in this realm. Discussions are lively and key Thursday and Friday. Network all you want.

### VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ You might be working through an inner problem. You need to make a commitment to yourself at this point. You have a very bright way of expressing yourself. A friendship could develop into more. Tonight: Get as much sleep as possible.

This Week: You start the week as if you are a tiger not to be stopped as it seeks its prey. Others back away. Handle financial matters Thursday.

### LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ You meet a new friend or make a new start in a relationship. Whatever you do could make a big difference. Decide what you want. Go for what you want. Don't be alone. Hang with friends. Tonight: What would make you happy?

This Week: Plan and plot through Wednesday, when ideas perk. Even if someone doesn't like your suggestion, he or she will respond to your charisma.

### SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ You might want to make a change in your public image. This transformation could impact your work as well. Others often follow your lead. Consider working for a public campaign. Tonight: Out and about.

This Week: Zero in on what you want, be it through meetings or your plain old determination. You deserve a little rest and calmness Thursday.

### SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ You might have been thinking about taking a trip or going back to school but haven't acted on it. You need to make a commitment to yourself. The more you learn, the more open you become, and the better your position at work and in general. Tonight: Decide on the right path to get where you want.

This Week: Your winning style encourages you to take the lead. Expect great results. Do not invest in property right now.

### CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Talks with a partner or associate promise a new beginning. You might decide to go in a new direction or try something different regarding finances and feelings. Tonight: Be vulnerable.

This Week: Seek out answers; investigate and be sure of your position. Present your perspective late Wednesday.

### AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Others seek you out. Your popularity prouettes to a new level, at least socially. Do what you want, and say "no" to what doesn't sound exciting. Friends surround you, and a flirtation could be developing. Tonight: Go along with plans.

This Week: A partner gives you strong feedback. It would serve you well to listen. Seek new and different ways of resolving issues.

### PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Get a head start on work today. You will feel more in control. Invite a loved one or child to join you. Sharing a project proves to be more fun than you anticipated. Tonight: Take a walk after dinner.

This Week: Others run with the ball right now. Since you cannot stop them, don't fight the trend. Your time will come, but not now. One-on-one relating intensifies Thursday.

### BORN TODAY

British royalty Princess Anne (1950), actor Ben Affleck (1972), cook Julia Child (1912)

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## HOROSCOPE ... MONDAY, AUGUST 16

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, Aug. 16, 2004:

Financial wheeling and dealing takes up a lot of your time this year. You very well might want to go out on your own and establish an independent business. You also might want to separate your finances from those of others in order to maintain better control of the flow of funds. Your drive and intelligence help you make money, but they also help you spend it. Be cautious if you want to end the birthday year on the plus side. Late winter you become much more social and happy. Network more, and success will become your middle name. You delight in getting to know new people. If you are single, within six months of your next birthday you will meet someone with whom you enjoy yourself. Explore your options in this relationship. You discover an unusual quality in how you relate to this person. If you are attached, your relationship could get into trouble over money. Seriously consider having separate accounts. During the winter you become much closer and willing to talk through your issues. VIRGO challenges your ability to handle details.

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### ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★ You are in work mode, but you might be distracted by a disturbing insight or two. Don't get miffed. Concentrate on what you can do. You'll accomplish much more if you focus on one item at a time. Let go of internal chatter and stay on top of concrete products. Tonight: Work the night away. Worry less.

### TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ When a snafu occurs, you jump right over the issue. You have the gifts of creativity, energy and intelligence working together. Approach a problem as a challenge. Your ingenuity and energy come through. Tonight: So what if it's Monday night?

### GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Stay on the conservative side, especially regarding investments, property and domestic matters. You easily could be overwhelmed by the demands in your life. A work matter is unpredictable. Tonight: Home is where the heart is.

### CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ You'll have the right words no matter how chaotic a situation becomes. Keep communication flowing, even if you find someone reactive and most unpredictable. Your ideas are appreciated. Tonight: Hang out with a friend.

### LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Deal with finances directly. You have a strong sense of what you want, where you are going and what you want to accomplish. Use your instincts with someone who could impact your finances in an unexpected way. Tonight: Pay bills.

### VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ You accomplish a lot despite flak or interruptions from others. You are able to concentrate, and you have great ideas and the energy to follow through. Don't worry so much about others. Tonight: Whatever makes you happy.

### LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★ Knowing when to do nothing helps you ride the waves today. In fact, if you can vanish, all the better. Do work that doesn't require the help of others to complete. Take a walk and relax at lunchtime. Tonight: Vanish. Don't even

answer the phone.

### SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Success brings you to a new level. You achieve success with groups and meetings. Once you have energized others, you will be surprised by how efficient you can be. Let your imagination enter the picture. Tonight: Network away.

### SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Others look to you to take charge. You might not want to, but you handle responsibility well. Investigate the possibilities that revolve around your work. You have energy and ideas -- a winning combination. A family member might be disruptive while you are being constructive. Tonight: A must appearance.

### CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Detach and don't get involved with a problem. In fact, the more distance you obtain, the greater your success. Investigate your options. Tonight: Let your mind relax.

### AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ You cannot handle a partner, so don't try. Your happy ways draw many, but others are so sure they are right that you cannot get a word in edgewise. Tonight: Deal with your finances.

### PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Others run with the ball, and you have little to say. Stand back or be prepared to pull out. Your lively personality comes out, whether you lie low or not. Honor who you are. Tonight: Go along with plans only if you want to.

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## Near birthplace of drive-in, an old theater resurrected

By JOHN CURRAN  
Associated Press Writer

VINELAND, N.J. (AP) — With a careful of kids and sentimental memories tumbling around in his head, Brian Riley pulled his Chevy Blazer over the crunchy red dirt and rolled to a stop, its front end tilting slightly up.

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I went to  
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— Brian Riley  
Theater goer

A huge, white screen filled the view through his windshield.

As darkness fell at the Delsea Drive-in, the screen flickered to life to start the evening's double feature — "The Bourne Supremacy" and "Anchorman."

Riley, 38, hadn't been to the movies like this since he was a child. Now, he was back, with his own three children in tow.

"When I was a kid, I went to drive-ins," said Riley. "I figured I'd take my kids to see what the experience is like."

Banking on that kind of nostalgia, new owners have resurrected the rickety old theater, joining what drive-in buffs call a resurgence in a medium way past its prime.

In the 1990s, 22 new drive-ins were built and since then 15 other new ones have opened, according to Jennifer Sherer, co-creator of the Web site [www.drive-ins.com](http://www.drive-ins.com), which tracks active and former drive-ins. More than 50 others have been renovated and reopened in the past 10 years, she said.

"It's a mode of experiencing the movies that shouldn't go by the wayside," said John Fithian, president of the National Association of Theatre Owners. "There's something very special about watching movies at a drive-in, with the outdoor experience, the communal experience."

Invented in 1933, drive-in theaters married two of America's biggest obsessions: cars and movies.

By 1958, more than 4,000 had sprung up, offering outdoor showplaces where families, couples and car enthusiasts could catch a movie on a summer night.

Rising land prices, the growth of multi-theater megaplexes and the advent of home video, computers and other home entertainment options helped kill most of them off, though.

Today, there are about 400 in operation, some of them renovated showplaces, others newly built.

New Jersey gave birth to the phenomenon. On June 6, 1933, the Camden Drive-in, in Pennsauken, showed "Wives Beware," starring Adolphe Menjou. The state's last drive-in closed in 1991.

The Delsea, which closed in 1987, caught the eye of a pediatrician who was looking for a site to build a skate park.

Dr. John DeLeonardis couldn't bring himself to demolish the drive-in, though, and decided to reopen it, with the idea of devoting some part of the 17-acre site to a skate park to be built later. Along with other investors, he spent about \$1 million to buy the site, clear it and renovate the drive-in.

"To take down something like this, it would be a sin," said DeLeonardis. "Besides, it's going gangbusters."

To say the Delsea has been resur-

rected may be exaggerating. In some ways, it is only slowly crawling out of its 17-year slumber.

The Delsea Drive-in sign that fronts the property ("Bourne Supremacy & 2nd hit" it advertises) is dilapidated and missing an "s." Just beneath it, sticking out of the grass along Delsea Drive, is a hand-lettered sign that says: "Open tonight, 6 p.m."

The 400 cars that showed up on opening night July 23 found a concrete ticket booth that uses plywood boards for windows; the restrooms are portable toilets in a trailer.

The grass and weeds that took over the site during its long hiatus have been cut, revealing dozens of soda-can pop tops, the detritus of summer nights gone by.

The white poles that once held speaker boxes to car windows don't work. Instead, the movie audio is piped from the cinderblock projection booth via a 1-watt transmitter. To hear the movie, you tune to 90.5 on the FM dial.

No working radio? Just pull your vehicle close to the projection booth, where manager Bob Madara has pulled the speakers off a boombox and stuck them into two openings at the front.

A mall megaplex, it's not. But neither are its prices — \$6 for adults, \$3 for children, \$1 for a box of popcorn.

"It's a work in progress," Madara said. "People want it so bad, they're willing to put up with this. We get cars from Pennsylvania, from Delaware, and the phone's been ringing off the hook, people calling from Brooklyn and everywhere else."

The people who turned out on a recent night — a mix of families and young couples, minivans and convertibles — liked the prices and the atmosphere. Some set up lawn chairs or blankets on the dirt, or in the beds of pickup trucks.

"It's something to do with the kids. Gets 'em out of the house," said Shawn Griffin, 36, of Vineland, sitting in her Daewoo Leganza sedan, eating potato chips with her 9-year-old stepsons and 13-year-old stepdaughter, awaiting the start of the movie.

"We read about it in the paper, that it was \$6 and \$3 to get in, and I said, 'We've got to do that one of these nights.' The movie theaters are ridiculous. You go to the movies, you might as well go to the amusement park," it's so expensive," Griffin said. "I think this is cool."

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Riley, who lives in Bensalem, Pa., drove for more than an hour to get to the drive-in.

"It was his idea," said his wife, Carolyn Riley, 37, who sat in a back seat. "I wanted miniature golf and milkshakes. He said this would be fun."

"And it's not," their 6-year-old son Kevin chimed in from the upside-down position he'd settled into on a passenger seat, awaiting the start of the movie. As it turned out, he fell asleep before "The Bourne Supremacy" even started.

Drive-in buffs say the atmosphere is unique enough to appeal in a world where people can watch a movie in a theater, in their own living room or even in their car.

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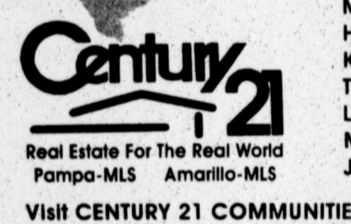
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# Bangkok's canals, once its lifeline, losing ground to urban sprawl

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — Along the banks of the canal, women in rowboats grill fish and sell fresh bananas.

Families eat on floating pavilions, rocked gently by waves from passing boats.

"We take fruit from the trees nearby, and we make food and sell that," said Toi Sattikorn, 52, turning skewers on the small grill in the center of her rowboat.

A century ago, most Bangkok people were like Toi — relying for their livelihood on rivers and the canals known as klongs.

But as Bangkok has grown, the old ways have

faded, and the klongs have fallen victim to haphazard development and pollution.

In 1950, Bangkok's 1 million people had nearly 100 major, navigable klongs.

Now the population is 10 times bigger and more than half of the canals have been filled in for roads and buildings.

"With the road networks, you've lost a lot of the floating markets," said Georgi Marshall, 26, who works with Magic Eyes, a conservation group that focuses on Thai waterways.

"You used to have canoes and boats. Now you have a corner store with Pepsi."

*"When I was younger, we could play in the water. Before, we could fish. Now we can't."*

— Maranee Wongsongkorm  
Food stall owner

The changes have affected more than the merchants along the canals. Houses, once constructed to face the water, now turn their backs, opening onto alleys instead.

Bangkok's population boom and the reduction in waterways taxed the remain-

ing canals, filling many of them with sewage and making them unsuitable for anything but transportation.

People who once used canal water every day will now hardly touch it.

"When I was younger, we could play in the water," said

Maranee Wongsongkorm, 49, who runs a food stall near a canal. "Before, we could fish. Now we can't."

More than 20,000 people a day ride the water taxis on the canals, mostly to beat Bangkok's notorious land traffic. But they are careful not to get wet.

"If we sit in the center, you don't get splashed," advised Kittipong Luynikai, 31, who commutes by canal to his job at a cell phone company.

If the city wants to preserve the canals, it must first deal with the pollution, said Siriwan Silapacharanan, an urban planning professor

who has advised several of the districts on revitalizing their canals.

"In the suburbs, where the water quality is better, people can build walkways and have more life along the canals," she said. "But in the inner city, it is too late. We have to wait until the wastewater system starts to be implemented."

Bangkok began constructing large water treatment plants in the early 1990s, but Siriwan said it will be at least five years before water quality improves.

In the 1960s and 1970s, the city plans favored roads over canals.

## Texas company helping San Diego County's smallest casino expand

SAN DIEGO (AP) — A Texas company will help a tribe with San Diego County's smallest casino build a \$25 million hotel and casino offering more than 10 times the number of slots.

Nevada Gold and Casinos Inc., a Houston-based casino developer, will develop and manage a 75-room hotel and casino for the La Jolla Band of Luiseno Indians in north San Diego County. The casino will have a dozen game tables and 349 slots.

Construction is slated to begin this year. The casino is expected to open by

the end of 2005.

The 700-member tribe runs a 30-slot arcade, along with a small waterpark and campgrounds, on about 10,000 acres in the Pauma Valley near the Palomar Observatory.

"We're doing okay with our other enterprises, but this will just be a plus to us," Tribal Chairman Tracy Lee Nelson said.

Nevada Gold will manage the expanded casino in exchange for 23 percent of pretax revenues over the next five years. The deal can be

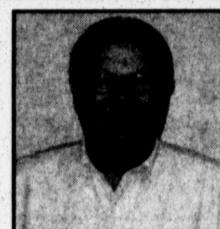
renewed for two more years.

The tribe also will pay Nevada Gold 2 percent of the total development costs of the project.

Nevada Gold will help the tribe find financing for the project.

Future phases could include an expanded casino, RV-park, restaurants and other entertainment venues, Nevada Gold said.

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## Prairie dog dropped from endangered list

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The black-tailed prairie dog has been dropped from a list of candidates for the federal endangered species list because scientists have concluded the rodents are no longer threatened.

Officials at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service announced recently that 18 million prairie dogs live on the Western Plains and no longer require special protection.

Gov. Mike Rounds said the decision helps ranchers whose land has been damaged by the rodents, clearing the way for state officials to control the movement of prairie dogs from federal lands onto private property.

A spokesman for the National Wildlife Federation said the decision is a mistake. The organization requested the listing in 1999.

The federation will not decide whether to challenge the decision in court until it reviews the U.S. Interior Department's findings, said Sterling Miller, senior biologist for the group in Missoula, Mont.

"Based on the evidence we've seen so far, we think it's a bad decision," Miller said.

Colonies of prairie dogs once inhabited up to 100 million acres from Canada to Mexico, but the population has dwindled through much of that range because of disease, eradication programs and urban sprawl.

In 2000, the wildlife service said the prairie dog deserved listing as a threatened species, but the agency did not have the resources to include the rodents among endangered species.

## Theater

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with special promotions. The theater may show a Kung Fu movie and offer a full menu of Asian cuisine. On another night, one screen may be reserved for amateur filmmakers who compete for \$100. Parents can bring infants to Tuesday matinees for baby day. During football season, the Drafthouse shows NFL and college games, free of charge.

One of the most popular events is Mr. Sinus Theater, during which three comedians sit at the front of the theater with microphones, making quips and heckling during movies such as "Dirty Dancing," "Pretty in Pink" and "Karate Kid."

Director Quentin Tarantino has hosted film festivals at the original downtown Austin location, and the Drafthouse showed a premiere of his "Kill Bill — Vol. 1." Last December, Mel Gibson attended a screening of an unedited cut of "The Passion of The Christ" that Knowles hosted as part of his "Butt-Numb-A-Thon" film festival.

A side project of the Drafthouse is a giant inflatable movie screen that travels. The Rolling Roadshow, as it is known, aired "Caddyshack" on a Manor golf course, "Deliverance" along the Guadalupe River and "Goonies" at Longhorn Caverns. It recently was used to show Michael Moore's Fahrenheit 9-11 in Crawford, near President Bush's Texas ranch.

The original Drafthouse owners, Tim and Karrie League, sold the name, rights and franchise operations in July to a couple of Austin businessmen who want to expand the franchise. The Leagues will keep ownership of the Rolling Roadshow, Drafthouse president John Martin said.

Franchises will be based on a prototype Alamo Drafthouse theater in Austin that shows new releases, some with a twist, as well as offbeat viewings. One recent example: Moviegoers who saw "Garfield" this summer were treated to the orange cat's favorite food, lasagna. A giant scratching post was set up in the lobby and the theater hosted a fat cat contest.

Drafthouse CEO Terrell Braley said most people who see movies go out to eat before the show, and the chain gives customers a place to do both.

"Rather than two irritations, two looking for seats, two bad services, you have one enjoyable, wonderful experience without irritation," Braley said.

Michael Rivera, 29, of Austin brought his father to "Caddyshack" on the golf course. He said he would not see a new release at the Drafthouse because the waiters were distracting, even though they sort of slouch to stay out of the way. Rivera said he prefers the stadium-style seating at large theaters.

"But for something like a cult classic, or something I missed the first time, I'll definitely show up there," he said from a lawn chair on the back side of the driving range. "Or, for things like this, which is awesome."

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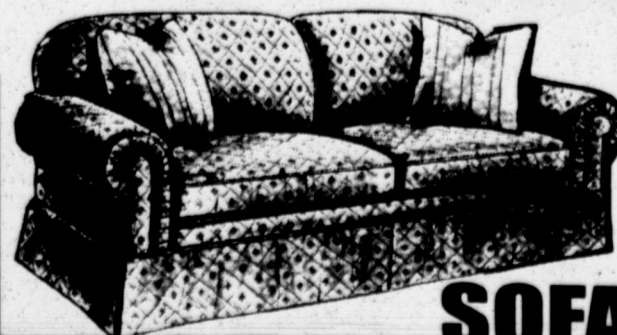
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