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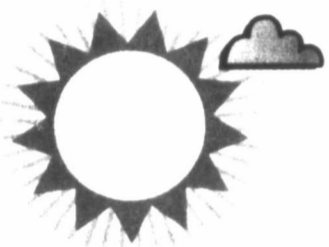
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Texas Today

Texans remember Martin Luther King Jr.

AUSTIN (AP) — Hats, mittens, scarves and Texans of every color dotted the Capitol grounds on a brisk and bright Monday morning as speakers paid tribute to slain civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr.

Across the state, parades, marches and rallies marked the birthday of the man who promoted nonviolent protest against racial segregation and discrimination nearly a half-century ago. Organizers and police estimated about 20,000 people marched one-and-a-half miles from the King statue at the University of Texas at Austin to the Huston-Tillotson College campus.

"Let us not be silent. Today is only a day for you to celebrate his birthday and to renew your commitment," said State Rep. Dawnna Dukes, D-Austin, recalling a speech in which King said the silence of friends would be remembered more than the wrongdoing of enemies.

"But it is not the end," she continued. "Every day we need to speak up. Every day we need to be involved. Every day we need to speak against the injustices not only in our country but throughout the world."

Agency ranks Dallas VA nation's worst

DALLAS (AP) — A federal investigation that found dirty, unsafe conditions at the Dallas Veterans Affairs Medical Center has ranked the institution as the nation's worst.

An inspector general's report for the Department of Veterans Affairs assessed 80 percent of the system's performance indicators below the "fully satisfactory" level.

DA's history points to problems

By ANGELA K. BROWN
Associated Press Writer

PAMPA (AP) — Four years after a tough-on-drugs campaign won him the district attorney's office, Richard "Rick" Roach faces federal drug and weapons charges that threaten to send him to prison and end his political career.

Law officers sealed the indictment against Roach, but details could surface Tuesday at a hearing in Amarillo, about 50 miles southwest of Pampa.

The Republican prosecutor has been jailed since his arrest last week on charges of possession of methamphetamine, cocaine and unlawful

Hearing Today

District Attorney Rick Roach is scheduled to appear in U.S. Court in Amarillo at 1:30 p.m. today.

possession of weapons by a drug addict.

Folks in the Texas Panhandle counties he represents say Roach's erratic and aggressive behavior seemed worse over the past several months, but few suspected drug use, even though he had dropped about 30 pounds and his skin became scaly.

Last fall at his twin sons' high school football games in neighboring Miami, Roach was the only person standing in the bleachers, yelling curse words at referees and opposing teams and making those around him uncomfortable.

In December, he appeared "wired" during a court hearing, fumbling through papers and repeating

what defense lawyers said until a judge told him to be quiet, said attorney John Mann, the incumbent district attorney who lost to Roach in 2000.

Outside another courtroom last month, Roach was jumpy and couldn't carry on a coherent conversation, prompting several courthouse employees to speculate that he was "on something," said Leslie Breeding, the Roberts County attorney.

"There have been rumors for years, but this time it was so pronounced and so obvious it really couldn't be ignored," Breeding said.

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'Liquid gold'

City turns water allotment into money with Lubbock contract

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

The City of Pampa is turning water into gold ... or at least hard cash.

After almost a year of negotiations, the City of Pampa has reached a tentative agreement to sell water to the City of Lubbock.

City Manager John Horst said the deal came about because Lubbock needed water and Pampa had a surplus of water from their Canadian River Municipal Authority allotment.

Pampa is annually allotted about 7.1 percent of the surface water CRMWA takes from Lake Meredith and 3.5 percent of the water the water authority pumps from its well field in Roberts County.

The city wells, south of town, are used on for emergencies, Horst said.

"Historically, we've had more allotment than we've used," the city manager said. "We traditionally use only about half of our allotment of water. Our water sales have been down."

Lubbock has agreed to

buy the surplus water from Pampa, he said.

The Hub City sent Pampa a contract offering to buy 400 million gallons at 41 cents a gallon.

Horst said there were some minor changes City Attorney Don Lane wanted to make to the contract so it has been returned to Lubbock for review before signing.

"It's still a go as far as I know," Horst said. "Don found a little bit of wording he wanted to change, so we

sent the contract back to Lubbock. Don marked it up, and we sent it back."

The city manager said that for all practical purposes the deal is complete, pending approval of the CRMWA board of directors.

The CRMWA board is expected to give that approval at their quarterly meeting Wednesday in Plainview. Both Pampa and Lubbock are members of the 11-city water authority.

Lubbock indicated that

'Historically, we've had more allotment than we've used. We traditionally use only about half ...'

— John Horst
Pampa City Manager

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Pampa News photo by MICHAEL J. STEVENS

What cha doin'?

A donkey behind a chain link fence festooned with dried sunflowers west of Pampa stares inquisitively at a passing photographer on a recent cold and windy morning.

It's stock show season!

Gray County Junior Livestock Show begins Wednesday with the weighing in of the animals at the Clyde Carruth Livestock Facility just east of Pampa off U.S. Highway 60.

The Pampa FFA Project Show is set for Thursday, Jan. 20, and the 4-H Project show begins at 6 p.m., Friday, Jan. 21, according to a press release from Brandon McGinty, Gray County Extension agent.

The Gray County Junior Livestock Show will start at 8 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 22, beginning with the goat show, followed by the lamb show, and then the steer show. Barrows will be shown at approximately 1 p.m., depending on the steer show.

Show judges are as follows:

Sheep & Goat - Barron Witzel, ag sci-

ence teacher from Lubbock Coronado High School;

Steers - Burt Williams, Hansford County Extension agent - agriculture; and Swirte - Tom Lamle, ag science teacher of Beaver, Okla.

A concession stand will serve soft drinks, snacks and candy, breakfast, lunch and supper.

The Buyers Steak Dinner is at 5:30 p.m. and the Premium Auction at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 24, at the M.K. Brown Auditorium.

"This sale is supported by you in the community, fund-raisers from parents and you, concession stands, and out-buyers that are present at the Premium Auction," McGinty said in the release. "Please come out and support the youth of Gray County."

Meeting Notice

Local landowners to appear before ground water district

WHITE DEER - Mesa Water Inc. and the Courson Family Land Partnership will be back before the Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District board of directors Thursday, requesting a rehearing on the water district's depletion rule.

The PGWCD board passed new rules and regulations last spring, except for their depletion rule, which was debated until passage in the fall. The major opponent of the rule had been the Canadian River

Municipal Water Authority, who was concerned about the depletion rule's impact on their Roberts County well field.

C.E. Williams, general manager of the PGWCD, said he thought the district had worked out the concerns of the various groups in the area before the board passed the new depletion rule.

He said Monday afternoon that he was surprised when

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Viewpoints

Busy bees need to stop and smell the roses

If people were rated on a sliding scale concerning their ability to do more than one thing at the same time, I would have a very low score. Multi-tasking, as it is known, became fashionable with the increased numbers of women in the workforce, women who have families and homes to take care of but also now have work outside the home.

These women have often found themselves taking on full-time or part-time jobs, while losing none of their other responsibilities. Many of them still do the lion's share of housekeeping, child care, and other domestic duties.

Magazines and other media noticed this situation and began asking these women how they cope with the increased demands on their time. Thus was born the modern multi-tasker.

This person can fold laundry with one hand, cook dinner with the other hand, keep one eye on the kids, and listen to a news broadcast, all while talking on the phone via the new little headsets with microphone and ear bud.

When I read a magazine article about how to get more done in one day, I am amazed at some of the things the writers come up with. I read individuals' accounts of

how they get an entire laundry list of chores done in 30 minutes and thus earn themselves 15 free minutes in the course of the day.

These people think taking 15 minutes for themselves is a glorious luxury. They take great pride in the number of things they can do at once, and bemoan the fact that they haven't found a way to do more.

I want to know how much these people really accomplish. I also want to know

how well they accomplish it. Do they do shoddy work or is it a sterling performance?

I do not endorse the idea of multi-tasking, probably in part because I am so poor at it. I have never gotten the hang of writing legibly while I am riding in a car, or talking on the phone while I drive, or any of those other things you see people doing.

I have even seen women applying eye makeup and styling their hair while driving. I try very hard to avoid them.

In fact, I'm so focused on my driving that people are always telling me they waved like crazy at me on the street, but I never saw them. They're right. I was watching the person driving toward me who was also reading a document, so I could dodge if necessary.

I do best when I focus on the task at hand. If the task does not merit my undivided attention, it probably isn't worth doing.

Is it really so fantastic that Ms. Superwoman does the work of three people in a span of 11 hours, day after day? If she wants to do this, and is able to do it well, my hat's off to her.

But I think it would benefit a majority of these busy bees to really stop and smell the roses once in awhile.

A 15-minute space of time isn't always enough. And just because you get something done doesn't mean it's done properly or even that it was necessary that it be done.

I may be accused of envy concerning these multi-taskers, but that's not the case. I really don't want to be someone who, as the saying goes, burns the candle at both ends.

The candle may burn more brightly for awhile, but it also burns up a lot quicker.



Marilyn Powers
Staff Writer

Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Jan. 18, the 18th day of 2005. There are 347 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 18, 1912, English explorer Robert F. Scott and his expedition reached the South Pole, only to discover that Roald Amundsen had beaten them to it. (Scott and his party perished during the return trip.)

On this date:

In 1778, English navigator Capt. James Cook reached the Hawaiian Islands, which he dubbed the "Sandwich Islands."

In 1788, the first English settlers arrived in Australia's Botany Bay to establish a penal colony.

In 1862, the 10th president of the United States, John Tyler, died in Richmond, Va., at age 71.

In 1919, the World War I Peace Congress opened in Versailles, France.

In 1936, author Rudyard Kipling died in Burwash, England.

In 1943, during World War II, the Soviets announced they'd broken the long Nazi siege of Leningrad.

In 1943, a wartime ban on the sale of pre-sliced bread in the United States — aimed at reducing bakeries' demand for metal replacement parts — went into effect.

In 1970, Mormon president David McKay died at the age of 96.

In 1975, the situation comedy "The Jeffersons," a spin-off from "All in the

"I love my past. I love my present. I'm not ashamed of what I've had, and I'm not sad because I have it no longer."

— Colette
French author

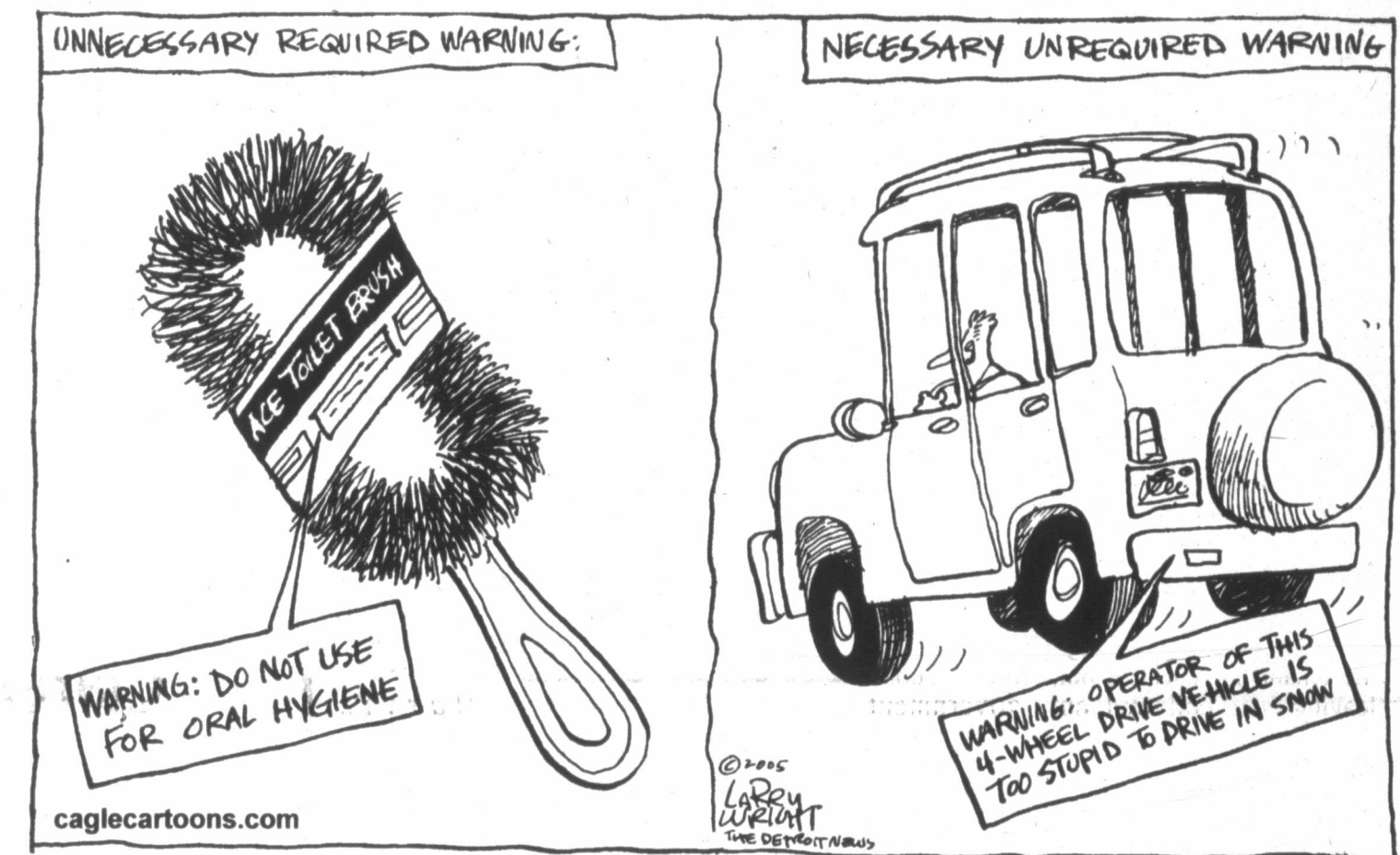
Family," premiered on CBS TV.

In 1990, a jury in Los Angeles acquitted former preschool operators Raymond Buckley and his mother, Peggy McMartin Buckley, of 52 child molestation charges.

Ten years ago: The death toll continued to climb in Kobe, Japan, where a major earthquake had claimed more than 6,000 lives. South African President Nelson Mandela's cabinet denied amnesty sought by 3,500 police officers in apartheid's waning days.

Five years ago: In a blow to the Pentagon's push to develop a national missile defense by 2005, officials announced that a prototype missile interceptor had roared into space in search of a mock warhead over the Pacific, but had failed to hit it.

One year ago: A suicide truck bombing outside the headquarters of the U.S.-led coalition in Baghdad killed at least 31 people. The New England Patriots earned their second trip to the Super Bowl in three seasons by defeating the Indianapolis Colts 24-14 in the AFC championship game; the Carolina Panthers defeated the Philadelphia Eagles, 14-3, in the NFC championship game.



Two tidal waves of death threaten

Two tidal waves of death: The tsunami late in December and 32 years of massive abortion since the Roe vs. Wade decision on Jan. 22, 1973.

Television images and Internet blogs have brought home to Americans the reality of one disaster. Ultrasound images have shown many young women and their boyfriends the reality of lives that can be saved. We have fewer excuses than we once had for not loving our neighbors as ourselves, no matter how far away or how small they are.

But what happens when we still lack vision? We have a license to kill unborn children (and young born ones)

because they lack "higher mental capacities," according to Princeton bioethicist Peter Singer. Hmm. Maybe T-ball players are useless because they lack higher baseball capacities. Maybe acorns are worthless because we can't make oak furniture from them.

Let's widen our vision of how abortions occur. In Havana last year, I met with two pro-life physicians who fight for life against huge opposition. Cuban officials do not force anyone to abort, they say, but the government

applies "great psychological and economic pressure so the woman will choose abortion of her own 'free will.'" The physicians used the words "free will" ironically.



Marvin Olasky
Columnist

For a lonely view of abortion in America, read the blog of leftist comedienne Margaret Cho. She writes: "I had an abortion, and you know what? It (expletive) hurts like hell." She describes how she hated being in that situation "because the rubber broke, and I didn't even

(expletive) like that guy in the first place."

She sounds as miserable as the six-month-pregnant Cuban woman who wanted to have an abortion two years ago because "I don't have anyone to help me" — but when one of the pro-life doctors within two hours found a nun who pledged to stick by the woman, the woman stuck by her unborn child.

Margaret Cho did not stick by hers. She writes, "Pregnancy feels like there is somebody in there," and she's right: Somebody is there. But Ms. Cho continues: "For whatever reason,

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Silence won't help AIDS pandemic

One might think that in the 21st century, society would be able to talk openly about anything.

Not true. Take the case of former South African President Nelson Mandela, who disclosed this past week that his son, Makgatho, had died of AIDS.

The deadly pandemic has ravaged the South African population, but to listen to that country's government over the past two-plus decades, you'd think it had been spared the heartache of the disease.

Hardly. Yet the acknowledgment this past week from

Mandela that his family has been stricken by the disease well might open the door to a new age of candor about an affliction that has infected more than 25 million people in Africa alone.

The lack of disclosure about AIDS in Africa and Asia comes from the shame many people still associate with the disease. Yes, it is caused by risky behavior — such as unsafe sex and drug use. However, the disease has gone far beyond any behav-

ior that societies still stigmatize. Children are being born with the disease. Women are getting infected by their husbands, who have sex with other individuals carrying the virus that causes the disease.

Texas Thoughts

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Yet the current president of South Africa, Thabo Mbeki, continues to hide behind a cloak of denial in his country, which had infected, by some estimates, 30 percent of the population. "Let us give publicity to

HIV/AIDS and not hide it," Mandela said in announcing his son's death, "because the only way to make it appear like a normal illness like TB, like cancer, is always to come out and say somebody has died because of HIV. And people will stop regarding it as something extraordinary."

The more candor the world gets from leaders such as Nelson Mandela about AIDS, the better the chances of battling a disease that threatens to wipe out an entire generation in Africa and much of Asia. Please, no more silence.

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Rice refuses to be pinned down on date for withdrawal of U.S. troops from Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of State nominee Condoleezza Rice told senators on Tuesday that a U.S. exit strategy from Iraq is "directly proportional" to Iraq's ability to defend itself against terrorists after this month's elections.

Stepping out from her largely behind-the-scenes role as President Bush's national security adviser, Rice said she could not give Congress a timetable for American disengagement.

"The goal is to get the mission accomplished," she said. "We're right now focused on security for the (Jan. 30) election."

Rice told her Senate Foreign Relations Committee confirmation hearing that spreading democracy through the Middle East remains a top administration foreign-policy objective.

The Palestinian election earlier this month following the death of Yasser Arafat offers "a moment of opportunity," she said. But Rice also said Palestinian leaders

need to do more to end acts of terrorism against Israel, saying peace hopes will be dashed if such violence continues.

"The goal is to get the mission accomplished. We're right now focused on security for the election."

— Condoleezza Rice

She raised the possibility that Bush might name an envoy to the Palestinians, but said timing was an issue. "No one has objections in principle" to such an envoy, she said, but Rice added that "it is a question over whether that is appropriate" at this time.

Rice pledged Tuesday to work to mend and strengthen ties with allies frayed by Iraq. "The time for diplomacy is now," she told senators

at her hearing to replace Colin Powell as secretary of state.

"The time for diplomacy is long overdue," retorted Sen. Joseph Biden of Delaware, the senior Democrat on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. He told her the United States is "paying a heavy price" for the administration's policy in Iraq.

Despite pointed questioning from Biden and other committee Democrats, Senate confirmation of Rice was all but assured.

Rice insisted that the administration's actions in the aftermath of the Sept. 11, 2001 terror attacks were "difficult, and necessary and right."

"If I am confirmed, public diplomacy will be a top priority for me and for the professionals I lead," Rice said in an apparent attempt to ease concerns of those who suggested Bush's foreign policy was too unilateral and unaccommodating over the past four years.

Waves

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and every reason is the right reason, you can't have a tenant. So you gotta evict. Nothing personal."

Does that sound like a pro-choice statement? "Can't" and "gotta" suggest the absence of free will. Funny, but another of the pro-life doctors in Havana counsels 100 women a year with far fewer resources than Cho has, and they don't go with "can't" or "gotta."

Cho sounds very bitter about the results of her abortion: "And then you see that the tenant has checked out, leaving you hollowed out and alone." She takes out her frustration on others, saying to pro-life protesters, "(Expletive) you. Seriously. (Expletive expletive) you."

With better communication, people where the tsunami first hit could have warned others where it arrived later. It's similar with abortion: Millions of women who have had abortions could warn those planning to have them this year of the

sadness they will find. Our major communication channels, though, do not transmit those stories.

Here's what I've learned from 20 years in the pro-life movement:

Almost no women choose abortion. Almost all women naturally want to produce life, and they only "choose" abortion when they feel they have no choice. Since the Cuban government takes away choice, to be pro-choice in Cuba is to be pro-life. The pressures are not official in the United States, but with vision we can see that the bottom line is the same.

What to do? Another intense Asian tsunami may be a century away, but the abortion tsunami occurs every year. An overall constitutional amendment would be great, but in this

meantime many lives can be saved through a compassionate conservative approach that features ultrasound machines, waiting periods, involvement of

boyfriend or husband and both sets of parents, information about post-abortion syndrome and pro-adoption counseling.

All of those means can counteract the pressures that make real choice unlikely.

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Maxvin Olasky, Ph.D., is a professor of journalism at the University of Texas at Arlington and editor of "World" magazine.

Calendar items

Las Pampas Water Garden and Koi Society. Las Pampas Water Garden and Koi Society meets the second Saturday of each month. Anyone interested in the hobby of water gardening and fish keeping is welcome. For more information, contact Gary Stevens at 669-7956, Jack Chisum at 665-2878 or Debbie Davis at 665-0123.

Magic Plains ABWA. Magic Plains Chapter of the American Business Women's Association will meet at 7 p.m. the second Monday of each month at Clint and Sons Smokehouse, 1421 N. Hobart. Working business women are invited to attend. For more information, call Pat Winkleblack at 669-7828 or Estelle Malone at 669-9614.

Pampa Citizens on Patrol Ass'n. Pampa Citizens on Patrol Association meets at 8 p.m. the second Saturday of each month at 824 S. Cuyler.

Pampa Duplicate Bridge Club. The Pampa Duplicate Bridge Club plays Monday at 1 p.m. and Thursdays at 10 a.m. at The Senior Citizens. For a partner, or more information, please call Carol Carpenter at 669-7940.

Pampa Fine Arts Ass'n. Pampa Fine Arts

Association Board of Directors meets at 7 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at Pampa Community Building (Chamber building).

Pampa Garden Club. Pampa Garden Club meets at 2 p.m. the second Monday of each month from September through May. Meeting location changes monthly.

Pampa Pilots Ass'n. Pampa Pilots Association meets at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the Airport Lounge.

Pampa Rotary Club. Pampa Rotary Club meets at 12 noon every Wednesday at Pampa Country Club.

Pampa Takedown Club. Pampa Takedown Club Wrestling for youth 5-15 years of age. Practice is at 900 N. Frost. Season starts Sept. 25 through February. For more information, call Rick Urguhart at 665-8321.

Pampa Woodcarving Club. Pampa Woodcarving Club meets at 7 p.m., the second and fourth Thursday of each month at First Christian Church, 1633 N. Nelson. Meetings are open to any individuals interested in woodcarving from beginners to all experience. Projects and instructors are available. For more information, call 669-3008.



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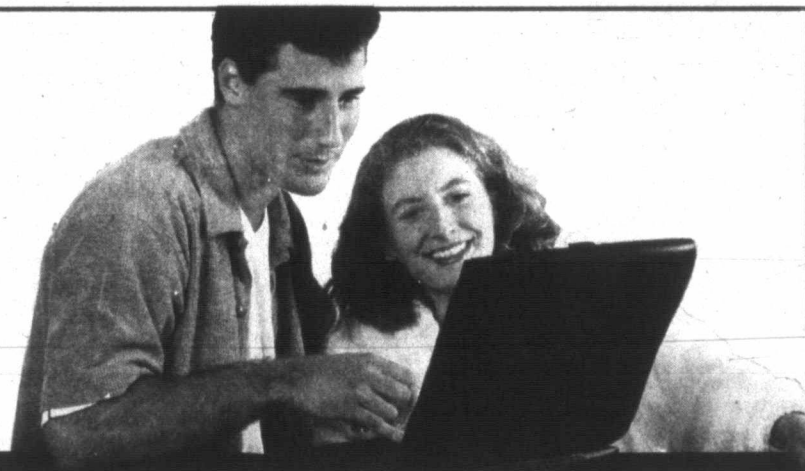
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THE PAMPA NEWS COMICS

Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: "Divorced but Still in Love" asked if it was possible for a couple who had been divorced to make a go of marriage the second time around. You replied that it is possible, if the couple is willing (with the help of a marriage counselor) to confront the issues that broke them up the first time.

The same thing happened to me and my husband, "John." We were married at 18 and had a child at 21. We were both immature, too young to be married. After our divorce, we still spent time together as a family.

Two years later, I met and married "George." George and I had a child together, but he was not a good husband or father. Several months after I divorced George, John and I rekindled our relationship. We have been together for almost five years, married for 3 1/2 years and are blissfully happy together. John is a wonderful father to both boys and doesn't play favorites. I know it can work the second time around; our marriage is proof of it. — OLDER AND WISER, TABOR CITY, N.C.

DEAR OLDER AND WISER: Congratulations to you both. Sometimes people fail to appreciate the value of what they have until it's gone. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I were married at 19. In first grade, I would kick him in the shins and then run like the dickens because I "liked" him. My first kiss was from him on my 16th birthday. After four years of separating and getting back together, he said enough is enough and filed for divorce.

Almost a year to the day our divorce was final, we remarried and have not been sorry. (We had continued to see each other and I became pregnant.)

While I don't recommend having a relationship like ours, we have been happy with our decision. Counseling would have been a great help, but we were too stub-

born to get it even after we remarried. Long story short, we have been through a lot over the years — even almost divorcing again — but we're more in love than ever. With love and faith, we seem to get through it. — STILL IN LOVE, WHITTIER, CALIF.

DEAR STILL IN LOVE: I'm pleased things are working out for the two of you — but the next time you hit a rough patch, please reconsider counseling. It could save you both a lot of wear and tear on the spirit.

DEAR ABBY: My aunt and uncle have been divorced from each other twice. They remarried a third time and now have a healthy marriage. In spite of all their marital trials, their two grown sons are just fine. It just goes to show you that what God has joined, let no man put asunder.

If "Divorced" still loves her ex-husband, and he feels the same, then they should go for it. Today's society has made marriage something that's disposable, when in reality, it's not. It's a soul tie that's unbreakable. And yes, Abby, I agree that couple should seek marriage counseling — this time to heal the damage of the divorce, as well as what went wrong the first time. — BELIEVER IN SECOND CHANCES IN TEXAS

DEAR BELIEVER: Not all marriages are "soul ties." Some of them are dysfunctional and abusive. In those cases, divorce is healthier for all concerned. But as this column proves, divorce does not have to be the end. Sometimes, it's just another chapter.

DEAR ABBY: I don't have a problem, I just want to know why do so many weird people write you? — BAFFLED IN WOODLANDS, TEXAS

DEAR BAFFLED: I don't know. Why did you?

For Better Or Worse



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Crossword Puzzle

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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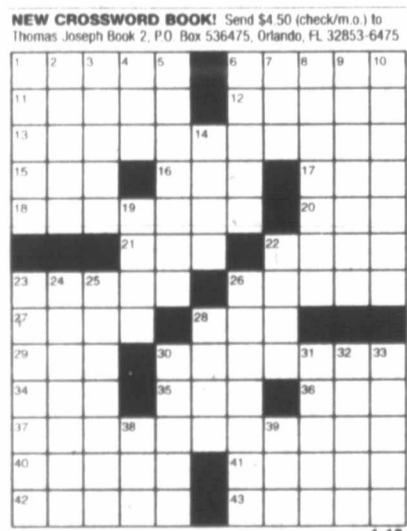
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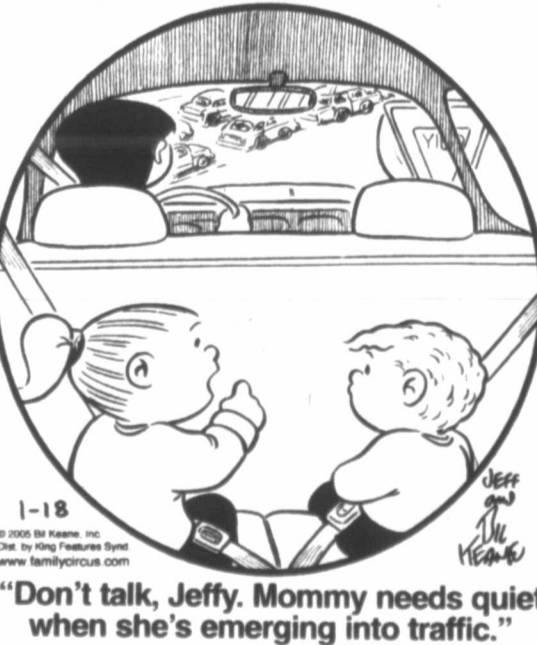
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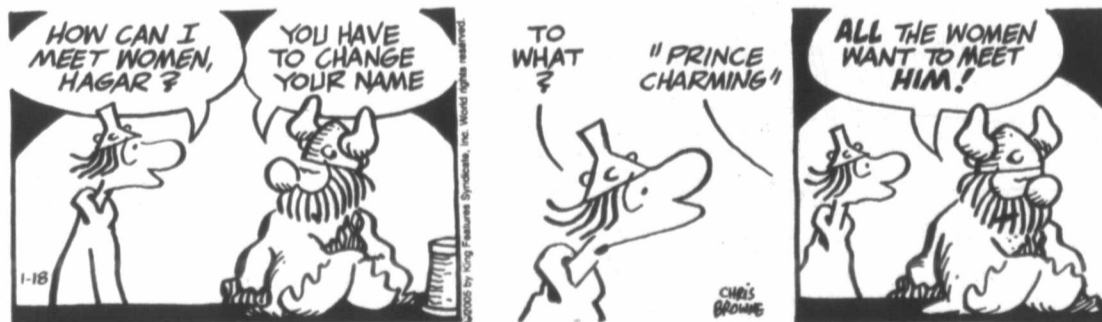
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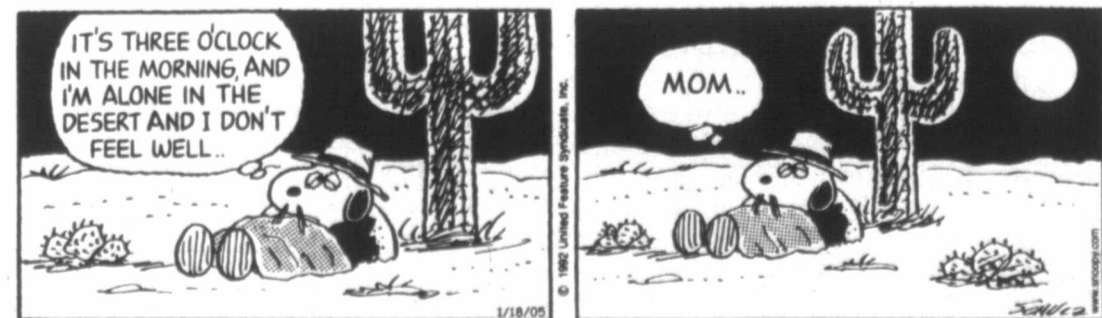
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A Newspaper Activity Page for Young People

Kid Scoop.com

This Week: Germs

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It's Sneezin' Season!

Have you noticed kids and teachers absent from school? Most likely they have come down with a cold or the flu. Colds and the flu are caused by germs.

Weekly Writing Corner

Germs Make Me Sick

I hate being sick, do you? Here are some tips. First, wash your hands a lot. Next, you should cover your mouth while sneezing. Finally you should eat healthy food, so you can stay strong.

Sean,
4th grade

Germs make you sick. Some ways to prevent from being sick are washing your hands, covering your mouth when you sneeze or cough and washing your hands afterwards. Being sick is not fun because you can spread it and some times you have to miss school. Try not to get a cold or the flu.

Breanna
3rd grade

One thing to do to avoid getting sick is to make good choices for your body. Also make sure that if you are sick, you stay away from as many people as possible so that you don't make other people sick. If you are sick, I hope you feel better soon.

Tess
6th grade

Wash your hands before eating. Eat healthy food instead of ice-cream. Wear inside slippers to keep your feet from being cold. Wear a jacket when leaving the house. (Even if you have to go to your next door neighbors' house)

Main point: Stay away from sick children at your school or at home!

Paul
5th grade

To avoiding getting sick, wash your hands before and after every meal. Never sneeze onto your hand, always sneeze into your elbow. Don't put your hands near your face. Lastly, drink lots of fluids and get lots of rest! By doing all of these things, it's not very likely that you will get sick.

Amber,
5th grade

To stay in good health you should eat good and healthy foods like fruits and vegetables. Also to stay in shape, you can drink good stuff like milk and healthy smoothies.

Jesse
5th grade

Write On!

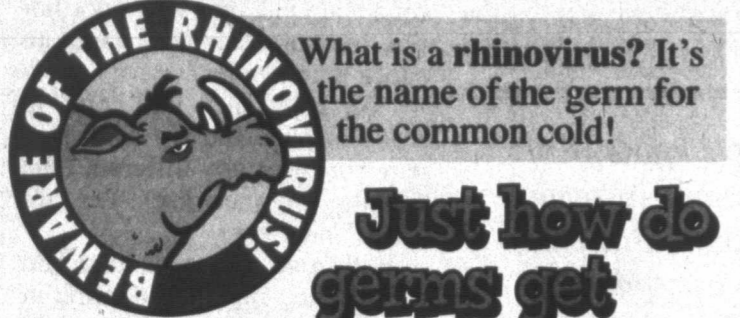
Wonderful Woman

Who is a woman that you admire? This woman can be a historical figure, book character or living person. Tell why you admire her.

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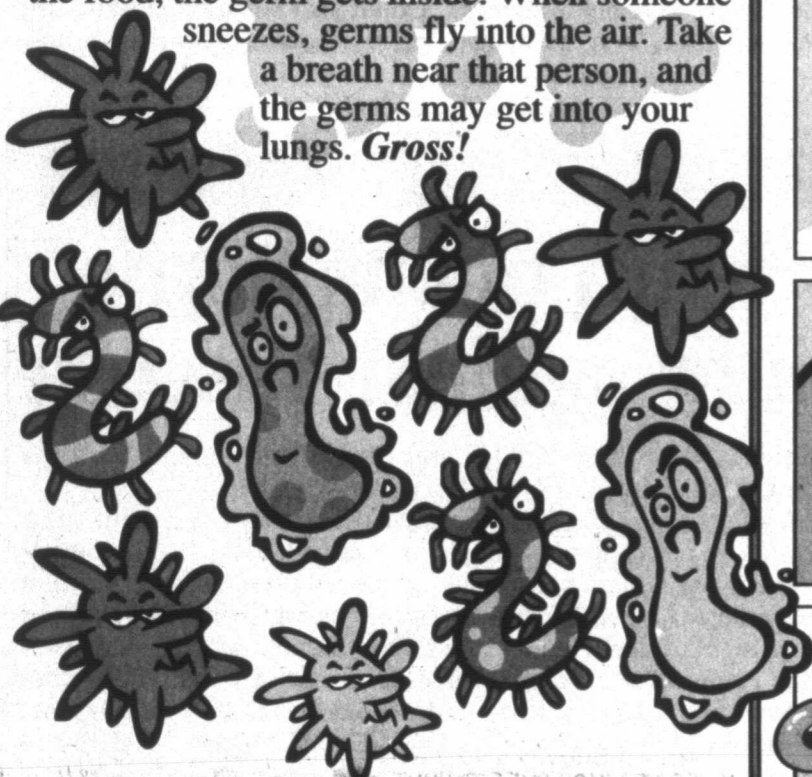
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What is a rhinovirus? It's the name of the germ for the common cold!

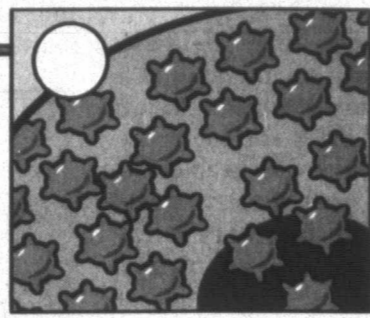
Just how do germs get inside the human body?

When you touch a germ, it clings to your hand. Then when you touch your mouth, eyes or nose, the germ slips into your body. Or if you touch some food, the germ moves onto the food, and when you eat the food, the germ gets inside. When someone sneezes, germs fly into the air. Take a breath near that person, and the germs may get into your lungs. *Gross!*



Find the two identical germs.

Standards Link: Health: Students understand how diseases are transmitted.



Number the pictures in order to show how a virus germ makes you sick.

How a Germ Makes You Sick

Germs that cause colds and flu are called viruses.

1. When a virus germ gets inside your body, it finds a healthy cell and digs its way inside.
2. Then it begins to multiply. One virus germ becomes two. Two become four. Four become eight.
3. Soon the cell is full of hundreds of virus germs.
4. The germs break out of the healthy cell.
5. Each germ finds another healthy cell and begins multiplying. Soon there are millions of virus germs in your body.

Use the germ code to find out what you should do if you catch a cold.



Get lots of rest, drink lots of fluids, eat healthy foods, and eat healthy foods.

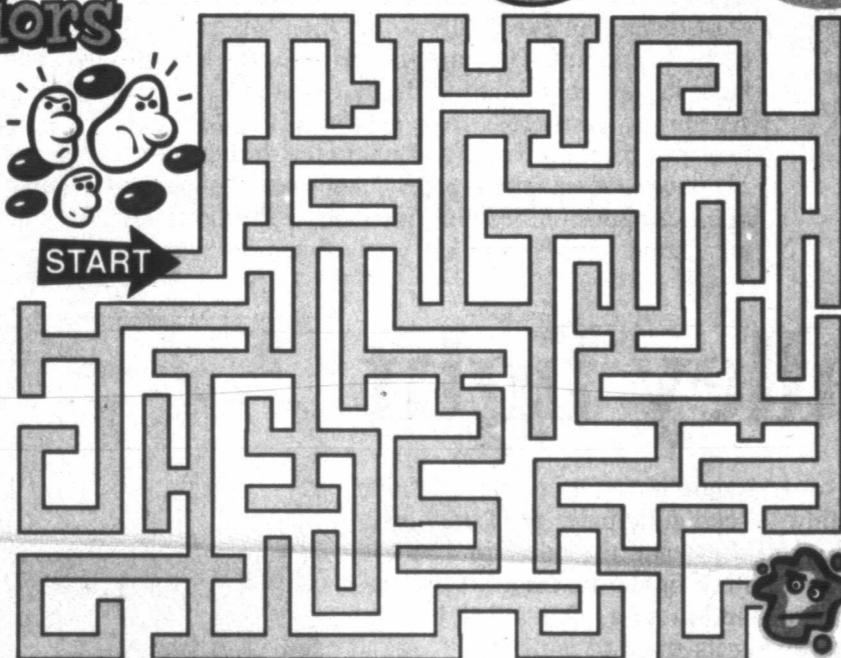
The Germ Warriors

Even though a virus germ makes you feel sick, you often feel better in a few days. Your body has a team of germ fighters that work hard to keep you well.

What are these germ fighters? **White blood cells.** They fight any germs that get inside your body. Most of the time they kill the germs before they make you sick.

Help the white blood cells find their way to the germ.

Standards Link: Health: Students understand how the body works to protect itself.



Extra! Extra! Healthy Hunt

Look through today's newspaper to find:

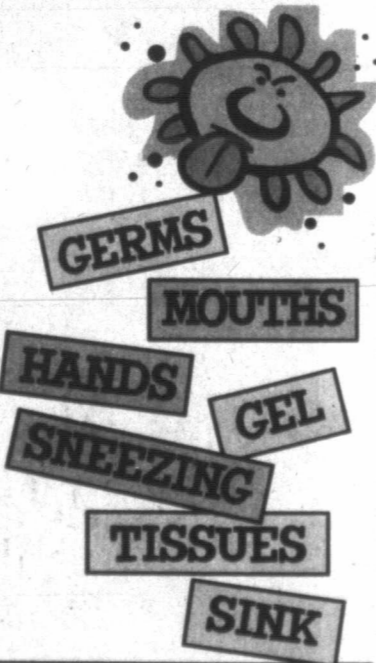
- Three things that are good for your health
- Five words that describe how you feel when you are healthy
- Five words that describe how you feel when you are sick

Standards Link: Health: Students recognize healthy practices.

Tips for Staying Well

This cold germ doesn't want you to know how to stay well and has taken some words out of the tips. Can you find where each one belongs?

1. Wash your _____ frequently using soap and water.
2. Keep some antibacterial hand _____ in your desk to use when you can't get to a _____ to wash your hands.
3. Stay away from people who are _____ or coughing. Ask them to cover their _____ with tissues when they sneeze or cough so the _____ get thrown away with the _____.



Standards Link: Students understand ways to prevent diseases.

Double Double Word Search

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Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

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Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

BEYOND Kid Scoop

Cause and Effect

Find an article or ad that describes a health problem. What is the cause of the problem? What is described as a solution or "cure" for the problem?

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Students recognize cause and effect in writing.



Why isn't there a joke about germs here?

ANSWER: WE DON'T WANT IT TO SPREAD ALL OVER TOWN!

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Sports Day



Lady Harvesters (from left to right) Heather Balay, Chera Chavedo and Adeena Dallas, are all smiles as they show off the trophy they and fellow Pampa Soccer teammates won in Lubbock last weekend.

Lady Harvesters go 2-1 at Lubbock Tournament

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

The Lady Harvester Soccer Team took part in the Lubbock Tournament last weekend. The girls went 2-3 and brought home a consolation trophy.

Pampa faced Lubbock Monterey first, losing that game 7-0. The Lady Harvesters next met Palo Duro in what turned out to be a very exciting match that needed overtime to decide a winner.

The Lady Don's held a 1-0 lead until midway through the second

half, when Pampa's Heather Balay tied the game on a penalty kick. The game ended in regulation with the two teams tied a one point each. A Shoot Out then followed.

Pampa and Palo Duro would trade shots until the two were tied, 3-3. Pampa's Krista McClelland managed to get a shot past the Lady Don goalie, making the score 4-3, in favor of Pampa. Lady Harvester goalie Chera Chavedo would stop the ensuing Palo Duro attempt, giving Pampa the win.

Pampa followed that up with a 2-1 win over El Paso.

Don't let the record fool you, Lady Longhorns will come ready to play

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

"I would like to be 3-1 and carrying plenty of momentum." This was Lady Harvester Head Coach Troy Fry's instant reply when asked where he wanted to be when the final buzzer sounded tonight. The record Fry refers to is the District 3-4A record. Pampa (10-13, 2-1), thanks to big wins against Hereford and Randall last week, could improve to 3-1 with a home win tonight against the Lady Longhorns of Caprock.

The Lady Harvesters appear to be hitting their stride at the right time. "We're fighting to win district," said Fry. "We cannot afford to lose a game to anybody at this point."

Pampa's only district loss came at the hands of Palo Duro, a game Fry felt his team was capable of winning. Especially

since it was a home game. "I believe we are capable of winning every game we step on the court to play."

"We know they will come in ready to play. But we don't prepare for them any different than we do anyone else. We are ready."

— Troy Fry
Head Coach, PHS Lady Harvester Basketball

Caprock is one of those teams that scares a coach.

They have won but 2 games all season (2-21, 0-3), so therefore, the Lady Longhorns have

nothing to lose. This makes them dangerous. How do you prepare for a team that may take unorthodox measures for the chance to shock a contender?

"We know they will come in ready to play. But we don't prepare for them any different than we do anyone else. We are ready," said Fry.

With road trips to Dumas and a Palo Duro rematch looming in the days ahead, a win tonight could provide the momentum Fry is hoping for.

Game time is 6 p.m. The junior varsity team will tip off at 7:30 p.m. at the MPAC building.

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Watch for: McKensie East to grab a plethora of rebounds. Could also be an opportunity for plenty of scoring from the bench.

SOCCER SEASON

Boys' varsity team opens home schedule tonight against Tascosa

The varsity boys' soccer team began the 2005 season with an encouraging performance at the Jerry's Scoreboard Wichita Falls Winter Cup over the weekend.

On Friday, the Harvesters (1-2) face perennial 4A powerhouse Wichita Falls Rider, which entered the weekend ranked No. 9 in the state coach's poll. First year goalkeeper Brody Smith and the Pampa defense held the Raiders to a 0-0 tie through the first half of the game. Rider's depth however, proved too much for the Harvesters, who eventually fell, 3-0. The hometown Raiders eventually went undefeated and claimed the tournament championship.

Saturday morning, the Green team battled hard against Greenville High and a 22-degree wind-chill index, but eventually found themselves in an early 3-0 deficit. The tenacious Harvesters battled back in the second half with their first goal of the season - a short cross from senior Austin Morgan to junior forward Nick Robbins in the 46th minute of play. An inspired effort from the midfield opened opportunities for the Pampa forwards to take some solid shots on goal, finishing with a

Chase Phillips assist to Robbins to finish off the scoring in the Harvester's 3-2 loss.

The boys finished off the day polishing off a Denton Ryan junior varsity squad in the tournament consolation game. Phillips notched his first goal of the season off assists from Morgan and Robbins in the 22nd minute as the Harvester offense continued to pound the ball deep into Ryan's half of the field for most of the game. Phillips and freshmen Colby Copeland contributed to another Robbins goal, while senior midfielder Drew Morrison set up a 25-yard shot by junior Steven Smith to solidify the first Harvester victory of the season.

Notes: Robbins finished with three goals and one assist. Brody Smith finished his first round of varsity competition with just over 20 saves on the weekend.

Next: The Harvesters open their home schedule by hosting Tascosa this afternoon. The Rebels are coached by Tommy Willis (second season), and Pampa native Tony Cavalier. Game time is set for 4:14 p.m. at the Harvester Soccer Complex.

Reed anticipates alley fight

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Staff Writer

Caprock went to Hereford last week totting a stout 14-7 record. The Hostile Herd was 5-14 at the time. It was the district opener for both teams. By the end of the night, Hereford would shock the Longhorns, 45-43. This, just days after Caprock had done the same to Plainview, 59-57. This, as they say, is why we play the game.

Harvester Head Coach Jeff Reed knows the Longhorns will be coming in town good and mad. "They will need to get refocused after the Hereford loss," said Reed. "They've had a lot of press in the past week or so with the Plainview win. This can either be a good thing or a bad thing." What Reed is saying is, a team like Caprock can either use the negative press to

incite the desire to overcome it. Or, it could lead them to question its ability. Reed anticipates the Longhorns will be fired up when they take the court in The Pit tonight. "It will be an alley fight," he said. "It will be one of those back-of-the-building, dark alley brawls with each team throwing its share of punches."

Game time is 7:30 p.m. The junior varsity team will play at 6 p.m. in the MPAC building.

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Coach Says: Junior Jarett Kotara (6'8" Post), who got into early foul problems against Randall last Friday, will need to be smart tonight. "We need him in the game. He cannot give up cheap fouls. Jarett will need to establish position and not go over the back."

Lady Harvester freshmen team tames Caprock

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

The Pampa freshmen girls' basketball team traveled to Amarillo yesterday to take on Caprock. And on the strength of double-digit scoring performances from Chelsey Knight and Sara Foster, the Lady Harvesters ran away with a 47-20 win.

Pampa (6-7) was coming off a tough 32-37 loss to Amarillo High this past Saturday.

Head Coach Troy Owens said after yesterday's win, "We did a great job rebounding and pressuring on defense today."

Meagan Crawford said of teammate Chelsey Knight, "Chelsey showed good leadership on both offense and defense. She is always encouraging the team."

The Lady Harvester freshmen team will host the Caprock A team this Saturday at 10 a.m.

Alomar tries for comeback

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Alfonso Soriano agreed to a \$7.5 million, one-year contract with the Texas Rangers, who avoided salary arbitration with the All-Star second baseman they insist they aren't trying to trade.

Several teams have inquired about a trade for Soriano, but none of the talk has been serious enough to intrigue the Rangers.

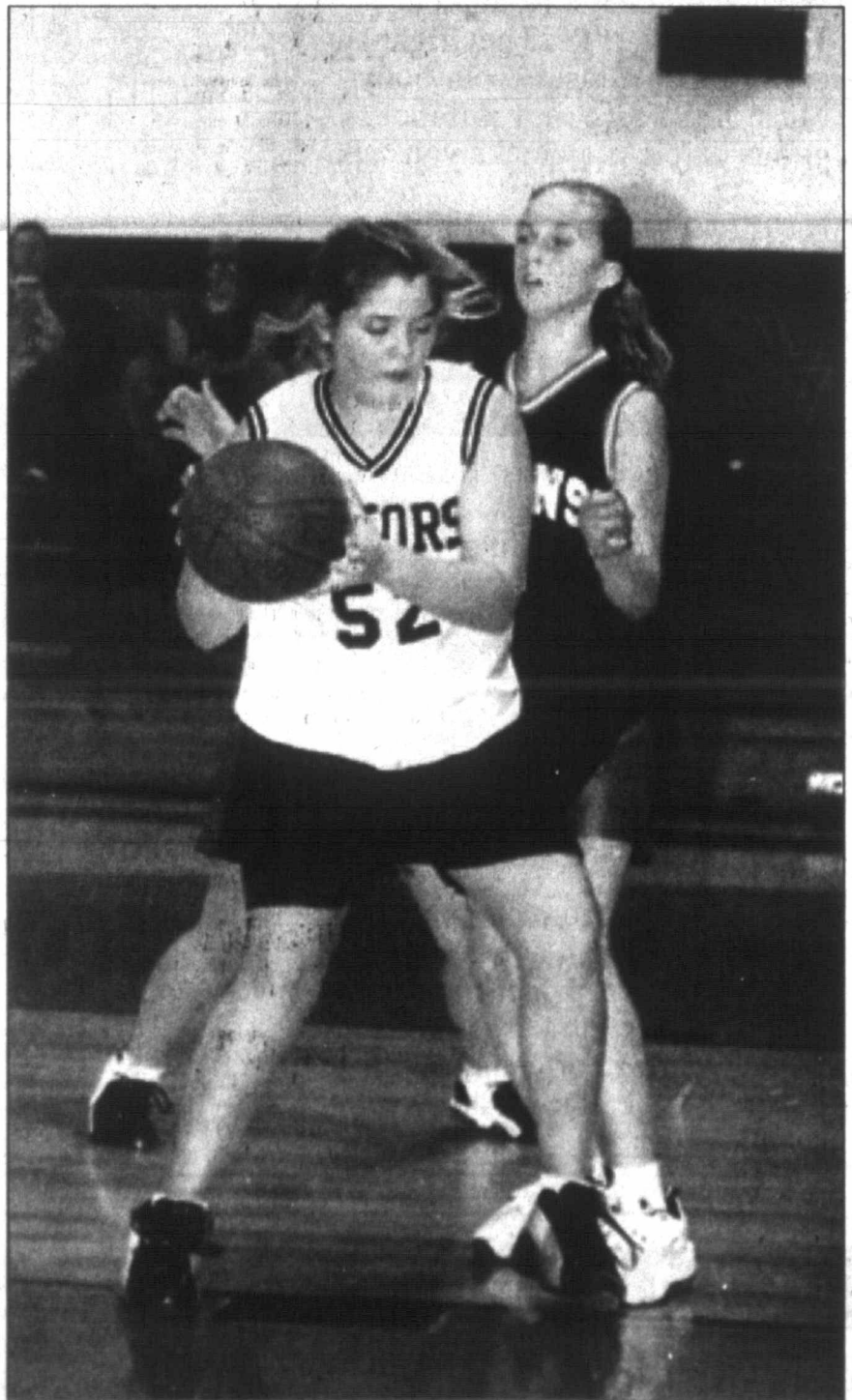
Soriano came to Texas last February in the trade that sent Alex Rodriguez to the New York Yankees. While he had an AL-high 23 errors, Soriano hit .280 with 28 homers and 91 RBIs before missing the final 16 games last season with a strained left hamstring.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — Roberto Alomar will try to rejuvenate his career with the Tampa Bay Devil Rays.

The 12-time All-Star second baseman agreed to a one-year contract after missing two months last season with a broken right hand and hitting just .263 in 56 games for Arizona and the Chicago White Sox. The deal is contingent upon a physical.

MIAMI (AP) — Florida Marlins right-hander A.J. Burnett agreed to a \$3.65 million, one-year contract rather than go to arbitration.

Relievers Guillermo Mota and Tim Lincecum also avoided arbitration by accepting one-year deals.



Back off

Lefors Lady Bandit Haley Smith (#52) posts up against a Higgins defender during a recent home game. Lefors (6-2) defeated Higgins, 34-18. Smith scored six points in the game. Emily Jackson led the Bandits' with 13 points. Valerie Willis added seven points.

Problems

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Roach's attorney, Bill Kelly, declined to comment. Rebecca Bailey, a secretary in Roach's office, said she saw him use methamphetamine at an apartment twice in the last month, and just two weeks ago saw him take the drug out of his office desk and prepare to use it before she left the room. Her statement is in a signed affidavit filed after Roach's arrest as part of a petition by Gray County Attorney Joshua Seabourn to have Roach removed from office. Bailey and others who work in Roach's Pampa office declined to comment for this story.

David Holmes, an assistant prosecutor under Roach between 2001 and 2003, said he never suspected drug use. He said Roach at times was friendly and talked about his Christianity — he even sang a few times in a gospel music band.

But more often Roach was demeaning, controlling and paranoid, he said. Roach started locking the main door at his courthouse office, requiring any visitor to knock before seeing the receptionist. Every Friday afternoon, he sent his staff home and stayed alone in the office, where he kept several loaded handguns.

In the counties Roach serves — Gray, Roberts, Hemphill, Lipscomb and Wheeler — most criminal prosecutions are drug related. Roach prioritized the cases, even over sexual assaults and other felonies,

and demanded prison terms of up to 99 years for drug offenders, Holmes said.

Roach rarely tried cases himself, but he kept tight reins on his assistants to make sure they were tough, Holmes said.

"In my opinion, his position on drugs was politically motivated to make him look good," said Holmes, now an attorney in nearby Borger.

But Roach's problems didn't begin in the Panhandle, according to former acquaintances.

He was an attorney in Breckenridge, about 90 miles west of Fort Worth, before moving to Roberts County. There, in the late 1980s, he told people there he was going to get help for a drug problem.

"He admitted he had gotten addicted to speed and said he went to a drug rehab center," Breckenridge attorney Jimmy Browning said. "It was a pretty heartfelt confession. He said it was wrong and that he was sorry."

Roach then worked 10 years as the Roberts County attorney based in Miami, pronounced "my-AM-uh," a town of nearly 600 people about 25 miles northeast of Pampa. He lived there with his wife and three sons.

When Roach first ran for district attorney in 1996 against Mann, who had been

in office since 1992, some newspapers wrote stories about his 1988 indictment on a felony charge of stealing and selling natural gas. The Stephens County case was dismissed in 1991 after Roach, who then worked with an oil and gas business, paid about \$2,400 in restitution.

The papers also reported about Roach's 1975 drunken-driving arrest in Lubbock. Roach told The Canadian Record newspaper in Canadian, a town near the Oklahoma border, that he later went through treatment for alcohol abuse and was taking medication for clinical depression.

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The newspaper asked Roach about any drug use. Roach denied using cocaine but said that while serving in the military, "I succumbed to peer pressure and ended up getting involved with marijuana and some amphetamines."

"I feel like it was wrong, that it was a mistake," Roach told the newspaper in 1996.

Roach lost the election, and a year later he sued The Canadian Record and The Pampa News for libel. Both cases were dismissed in 1998.

When Roach challenged

Mann in 2000, information about his past surfaced again, but he kept campaigning on promises of being a tough, full-time prosecutor. Mann worked part-time and had a civil practice on the side, as was allowed.

Roach was elected by a small margin, and he was re-elected in November.

"That's the thing about people in a small town: They don't pay much attention to a man's past," Roberts County Judge Vernon Cook said. "It's what's in the present, and Rick was doing his job for us."

Roach's wife, Cynthia Roach, filed for divorce in 1987, citing Roach's "ungovernable temper." She said she feared for her and her children's safety, but the case later was dropped, according to Stephens County court records. She filed for divorce again in 1989 and was granted a temporary restraining order against her husband, but she dropped the cases in 1991, according to court records.

In 2003 Roach and his wife bought a spacious house in an upper middle-class neighborhood just outside Pampa. In October, Gray County sheriff's deputies responded to a 911 call there, but no one was arrested and a report was not written, Sheriff Dan Copeland said. He declined to elaborate, saying the FBI told him not to discuss Roach. Cynthia Roach also declined to comment for this story.

Thomas Grantham of Grantham, Cory and Heare PC will review the district's 2003-2004 audit and the board will consider hiring a new meteorologist for their weather modification program.



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Mesa and Courson had asked for a rehearing.

Their request will be considered at the district's monthly meeting Thursday morning in White Deer, Williams said.

In other business, the PGWCD board will hold a hearing on a single well per-

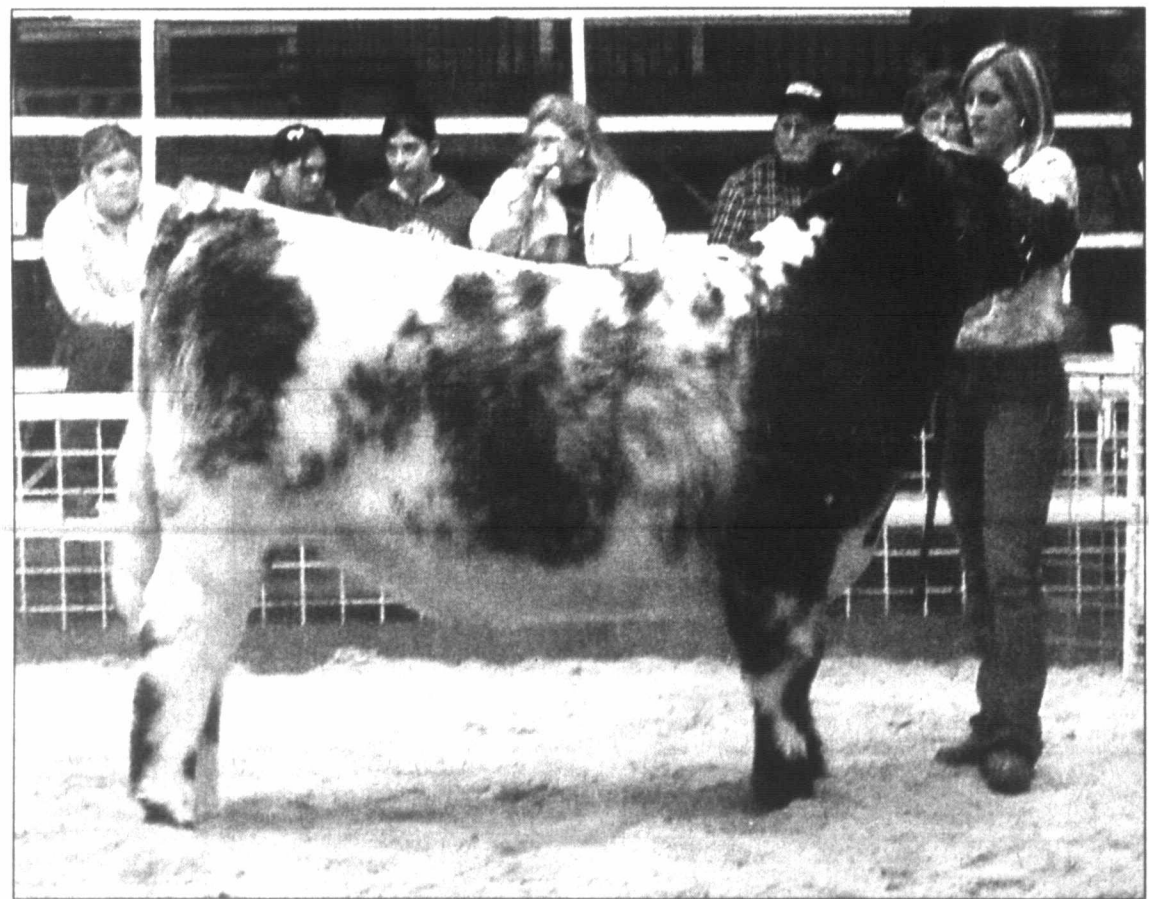
mit request by PETCO Petroleum Corporation. Williams said the hearing basically concerns a name change on the permit.

"We're just changing it from one owner to another," Williams said.

They will also consider single well permits for Curtis Schaefer in Donley County, Richardo Gonzales in Gray County, Roberto Anquiliano in Gray County, Currie Smith in

Carson County, Bill Housley in Carson County, Allen Kelsoe in Potter County and A.C. Smith in Carson County.

The board will consider initial production permits for Nick Thomas, Carol Neef and Kay Waggoner in Roberts County; William O. Stroud Irrevocable Trust and James Stroud in Roberts County, and the Locke Cousins Partnership in Gray and Roberts County.



Ready, get set, show!

Ashley Lucas is shown here with her Shorthorn steer Cowboy. Lucas will be participating in Gray County Livestock Show on Saturday, Jan. 22, at Clyde Carruth Pavilion. The show will get under way at 8 a.m.

Water

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they wanted the water beginning as soon as possible.

Horst said they would like

to take it in January, February, March and April, during low water usage months when there was capacity in the aqueduct linking Lake Meredith to Lubbock. During the summer months, the aqueduct is at capacity.

"They're wanting to start taking water now," Horst said.

He said that there was no financial cost to Pampa.

"They have to pay for all pumping, chemical and treatment costs," Horst said.

Searchers believe avalanche killed only one

PARK CITY, Utah (AP) — After four days of searching a 16-acre debris field, rescue crews ended their large-scale probe for victims of last week's powerful avalanche.

Summit County Sheriff Dave Edmunds said chances were good that the avalanche near Park City, about 20 miles east of Salt Lake City,

trapped only one person.

Monday was the last day searchers would gather in large numbers. A limited search will continue, but bigger groups won't scale the mountain again unless authorities receive a credible tip that someone is missing.

"Right now, we believe that we have taken the one sole victim out of there,"

Edmunds said. "There's been four solid days and there's just no reason to believe that there's more victims out there."

Eyewitness accounts of Friday's slide initially led authorities to believe that as many as five people may have been caught in a debris field up to 30 feet deep in spots.

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