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## Deaths

Melvin Duane Nokes, 71, retired engineer.

## Living history

### Fate of buffalos herd uncertain

CAP ROCK STATE PARK, Texas (AP) — The rumble from stampeding bison used to shake the earth as thousands of the majestic animals thundered across these parts centuries ago.

That sound has faded almost entirely now, and the fate of one of the last pure herds in North America — begun by famed cattleman Charles Goodnight — rests with a trio of bulls donated by media tycoon Ted Turner.

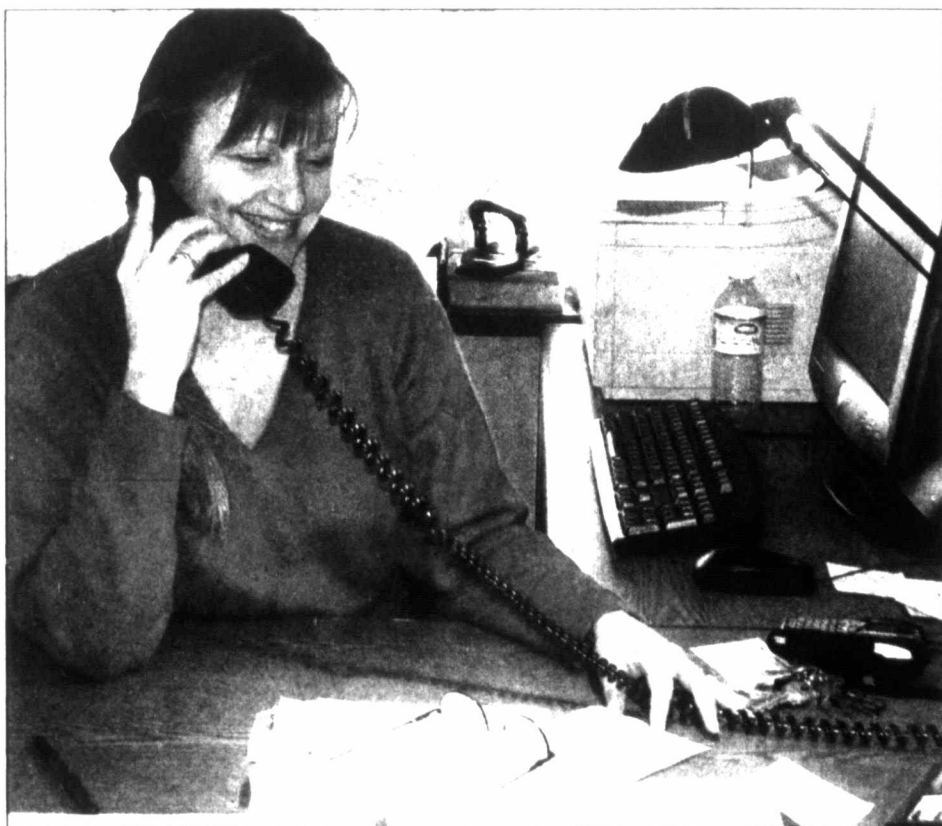
The herd, once 250 strong, has dwindled to 53, and more than a century of inbreeding threatens its survival. The herd's average age has increased by three years — bison typically live between 12 to 15 years — and the number of calves has dropped in recent years. Nine were born last year.

With the donation of Turner's bulls, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and Texas A&M University's College of Veterinary Medicine hope to strengthen the herd and preserve an animal that symbolizes the American West.

"We don't know exactly what the outcome will be," said James Derr, an associate professor of veterinary pathobiology at Texas A&M. "We do know the outcome if we do nothing. This herd will become extinct."

The Texas herd was started in the 1870s with five bison calves captured by Goodnight, one of the most prosperous cattlemen in the American West, with more than 1 million acres of ranch land and 100,000 head of cattle at his peak.

His wife, Mary Ann, urged him to save the bison, also known as buffalos, because hunters were killing them by the hundreds of thousands for their hides and meat, and to crush American Indian tribes who depended on the animals for food and clothing.



Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

For Assistant 31st District Attorney Lynn Switzer, it's business as usual as she fields a phone call.

## Assistant DA praises office

By MARILYN POWERS  
Staff Writer

It's business as usual for Assistant 31st District Attorney Lynn Switzer and the staff of the D.A.'s office.

Switzer shouldered the responsibilities of the district attorney's office upon the arrest of District Attorney Rick Roach on Jan. 11 on federal charges involving methamphetamine, cocaine and firearms.

The responsibilities were already familiar to her.

The Wichita Falls native was hired by Roach in May 2002 as assistant district attorney for the 31st Judicial District, which includes the

223rd Judicial District. Although each district has its own judge, the 223rd is a part of the 31st, with only one district attorney for both, she said.

"I was hired to do all trial work and also take care of the outer counties as far as plea dockets and grand juries," Switzer said. "As time went on, I also did that here."

The "outer counties" are Hemphill, Lipscomb, Roberts and Wheeler counties, which along with Gray Co. make up the 31st Judicial District.

"The only thing I did not do was

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## Servin' up pancakes!

St. Matthew's Church to host 49th annual Shrove Tuesday meal

Each year in preparation for the Lenten season, St. Matthew's Episcopal Church of Pampa sponsors their annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper.

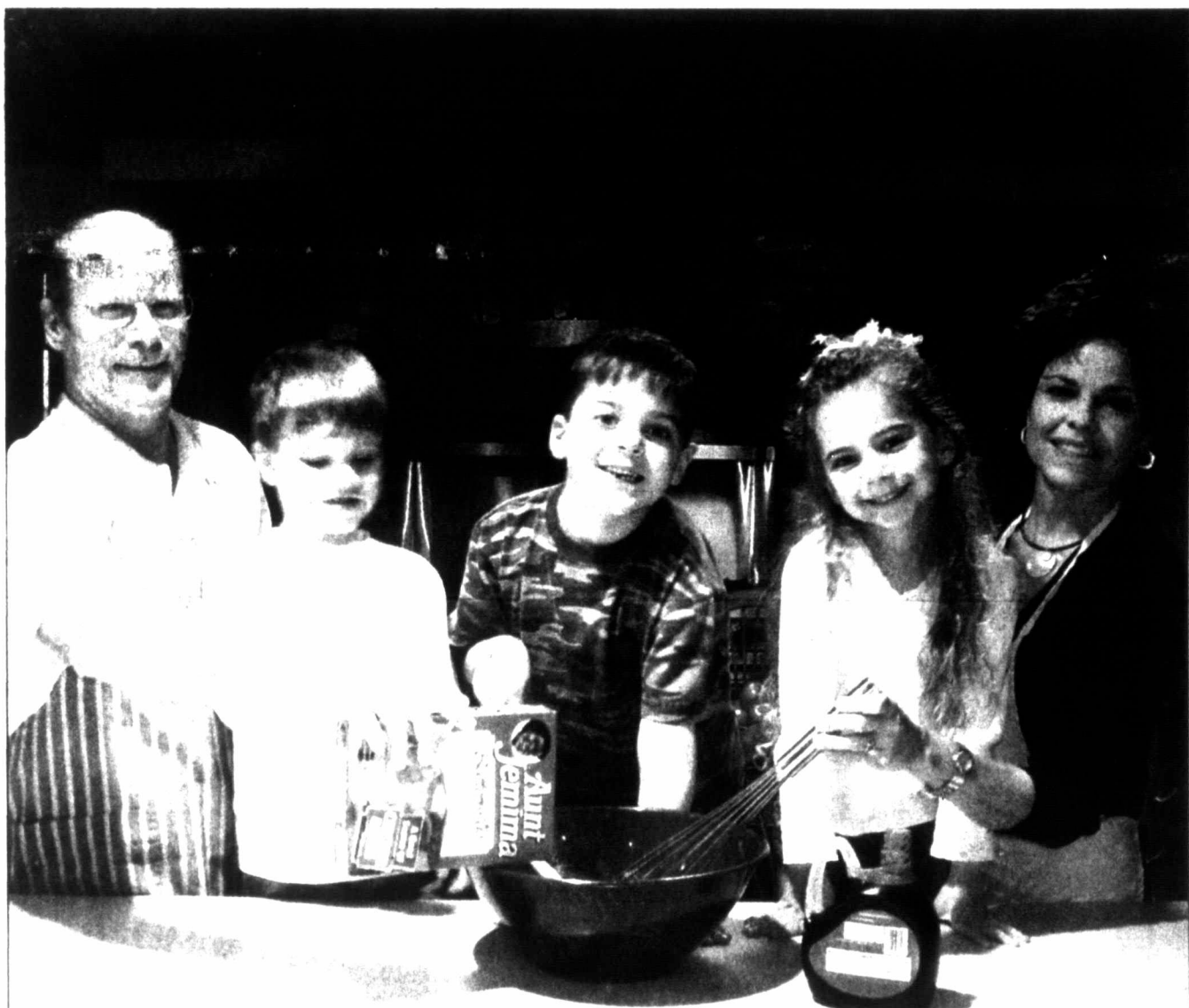
This year, the event will be from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 8 in the Parish Hall of St. Matthew's, 727 W. Browning.

Shrove Tuesday is the day before Ash Wednesday which begins the 40 days Lent. In the old days, Shrove Tuesday was the last chance to indulge oneself and to use up foods which weren't allowed in Lent.

The need to eat up the foods which wouldn't last through the 40 days of Lent gave rise to the French name, Mardi Gras or Fat Tuesday. Pancakes became associated with Shrove Tuesday as they were a dish that could use up all the eggs, fat and milk in the house before the abstinence and fasting of Lent began.

This year will be the 49th year the local church has been holding the pancake suppers. The first Shrove Tuesday Pancake

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Hal Cree, chairman, along with Maxwell Martindale, Jett Richards, Hannah Whitson, and Sissy Curtis, purchasing chairman, take an inventory of the supplies needed to feed a crowd at the 49th Annual Pancake Supper to benefit St. Matthew's Day School. A dinner featuring pancakes and all the trimmings will be served at the Parish Hall, 727 W. Browning, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Feb. 8.

## Bush budget slows defense growth, cuts student loans

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush wants Congress to slow defense growth and slice aid to farmers and college students, testaments to the pressures record federal deficits are heaping on his forthcoming budget.

Bush plans to send his roughly \$2.5 trillion spending plan for 2006 to lawmakers Monday. But as details leaked out, it was clear that even the Pentagon — a bipartisan priority at a time of war — was going to face some restraints, at least for now.

"This budget will really worry about" deficits, Bush told a crowd Friday in Omaha, Neb., as he rallied support for his Social Security overhaul. "And I'm looking forward to working with members of Congress to make tough choices."

Bush wants the Pentagon to get \$419.3 billion next year, or 4.8 percent more than this year. That total, however, is \$3.4 billion below what he planned a year ago for fiscal 2006, which begins Oct. 1.

The figures exclude expenditures for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. A few days after sending Congress his budget, Bush plans to ask for another \$80 billion for those conflicts for this year. Congress has already provided \$25 billion for the wars for 2005.

Feeling much of the pinch in 2006 would be Pentagon purchases of weapons and other major items. Bush would hold such spending next year to \$78 billion — \$2.4 billion less than he projected for 2006 a year ago.

Weapons systems that would get less next year than in 2005 include the Aegis destroyer, the F-22 Raptor fighter and the C-17 cargo plane. The Apache helicopter and the Army's future combat system would see increases.

More than half the Pentagon's \$19.2 billion increase next year — or \$10.8 billion

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## Dean may be just what Dems ordered

WASHINGTON (AP) — Howard Dean's bid for chairmanship of the Democratic Party has tapped into members' hunger for a fighter who can recruit new supporters, raise plenty of money and inspire enthusiasm in a party out of power.

Now he's on the cusp of leading a party that once rallied behind his presidential bid only to abandon him a year ago when the voting started in Iowa.

"He gave the Democratic Party its swagger back," said Kathy Sullivan, chairwoman of the New Hampshire Democratic Party, reminiscing about Dean's willingness to challenge President Bush. "He reminded them that they should not act like a beaten dog."

Still, some Democrats worry about the image Dean projects: anti-war Northeastern liberal from Vermont, the state that led the way on civil unions for gays. Amid all the talk of values, Democrats wonder if Dean would be an albatross as they try to make inroads with conservative-leaning voters in the South and Midwest.

And they wonder how many times television will replay Dean's "I have a scream" speech after his disheartening third-place finish in Iowa behind the two candidates who eventually comprised the Democratic presidential ticket — John Kerry and John Edwards.

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## Obituaries

### Melvin Duane Nokes, 71

Melvin Duane Nokes, 71, of Pampa, died Saturday, Feb. 5, 2005, at Pampa.

Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

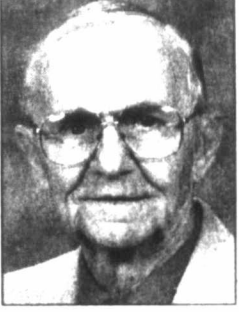
Born April 15, 1933, at Welda, Kan., Mr. Nokes came to Pampa in 1968. He was an engineer for Cities Service Gas Company, retiring in 1988 after 37 years of service.

He married Helen Poole Worley on March 4, 1977, at Pampa.

Mr. Nokes was a member of Central Baptist Church and its Adult 6 Men's Sunday School Class. He also belonged to Delphin Masonic Lodge in Garnett, Kan.

Survivors include his wife, Helen, of the home; two sons, Craig Nokes and David Nokes, both of Amarillo; a daughter, Alicia

Gritz of El Dorado, Kan.; his mother, Bertha Ellington of Richmond, Kan.; two stepdaughters, Terri Broaddus of Santa Fe, Texas, and Tamme Pike of Shamrock; a stepson, Larry Worley of Santa Fe; two brothers, Orval Nokes of Tonganoxie, Kan., and Larry Nokes of Pittsburg, Kan.; three sisters, Lorna Breckisen of Jean, Nev., Ann Osborn of Topeka, Kan., and Jeanette Mullins of Olathe, Kan.; and 12 grandchildren.



Nokes

The family requests memorials be to Central Baptist Church Building Fund, 513 E. Francis Ave., Pampa, TX 79065; or to Odyssey Hospice, 1000 Jefferson St., Amarillo, TX 79101.

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

## Gray County Weather

Today: A 30 percent chance of rain before noon. Cloudy, then gradually becoming partly sunny, with a high near 52. Wind chill values between 30 and 35. South-southwest wind around 15 mph becoming west-northwest.

Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low near 32. Wind chill values between 24 and 29. Northwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Monday: A 20 percent chance of rain after noon.

Mostly cloudy, with a high near 49. North wind around 15 mph becoming east.

Monday Night: A slight chance of rain, mixing with snow after midnight. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 29. Southeast wind around 15 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Tuesday: Mostly cloudy, with a high around 45. Southeast wind around 15 mph.

Tuesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around

25. East-northeast wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Wednesday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 43. East-southeast wind around 10 mph.

Wednesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low near 28.

Thursday: Mostly cloudy, with a high near 44.

Thursday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 30.

Friday: Mostly cloudy, with a high around 46.

## Dean

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"Some people worry that Republicans will portray him as a crazy liberal," said Thomas Mann, a political analyst at the Brookings Institution. "The question is whether he can effectively counter that."

Dean backers argue that the liberal image is undeserved for a former governor who repeatedly balanced the budget and backs gun rights.

Numerous members of the Democratic National Committee have rallied to Dean, reminded of his ability to galvanize voters through the Internet, grass-roots

organizing and fund raising from small donors.

On Friday, the field-challenging Dean was reduced by two as activists Simon Rosenberg and Donnie Fowler abandoned their bids and endorsed Dean. The remaining opponent is former Indiana Rep. Tim Roemer, who has gotten little support.

"What's going on with Democrats right now is we're coming to understand and accept we're not a majority party," Rosenberg said in a telephone interview. "We're fighting in ways we didn't use to have to fight."

Dean is expected to have the necessary votes when the 447-member DNC meets Feb. 12.

Although he didn't back

his presidential bid, Rep. John Murtha, D-Pa., said Dean will "invigorate the party with his enthusiasm and his organizational ability. After he lost, he went out and worked for Democratic candidates to get them elected. He's got volunteers all over the country."

Added Murtha, "The point is that he's not running for president, he's running for Democratic national chairman."

Dean will have to work at fulfilling a different role for the party, said veteran Democratic activist Harold Ickes, who endorsed Dean.

"Howard's biggest challenge will be to understand that he is not a governor, not a presidential candidate," Ickes said. "He's quick to take a position; he will have to slow that down."

On the Net: Democratic National Committee: <http://www.dnc.org>

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**PUMP BUMPS...** 'Pump bumps' are those swollen bumps of flesh around a woman's heel, at the top of the shoe. They range from soft puffs of flesh to very hard callouses, and become painful every time she breaks in a new pair of pumps. Pumps fitted too short cause pump bumps because the top line is too tight and the flesh spills over the shoe top line. Proper fit is vital to healthy feet. Women in recent years are becoming more knowledgeable and insistent upon proper fit. The notion that small feet and tight shoes are a symbol of gentility has been discarded.

## Emergency Services

### Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests as of Saturday.

#### Friday, Feb. 4

Officers made 15 traffic stops; performed four law enforcement assists; served, or attempted to serve, one warrant; checked on one business; and took an information report in the 200 block of West Kingsmill Avenue.

Gary Darnell, 30, 1101 Ripley, was arrested for theft of property.

Alan Broadbent, 42, 323 Baer, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance.

Rod Lamond Donnell, 28, 1052 Varnon Drive, was arrested for no driver's license, for running a stop sign, for no registration and on a blue warrant.

Suspicious persons were reported in the 1800 block of West Alcock Street, at Tyng and Anne streets, the 1300 block of North Russell St., and the 1900 block of North Christy St. In the 1200 block of North Wells St., a suspicious person was reportedly seen selling magazines and giving false information to get sales from elderly persons.

Narcotic drug law violations were reported in the 1000 block of Varnon Dr., and another in an undisclosed location.

Theft of services was reported in the 1000 block of Varnon Dr.

Theft was reported in the 600 block of East Frederic Ave., the 1200 block of Darby Ave., and the 2800 block of Charles St.

Disorderly conduct-other was reported in the 2400 block of Charles St., and the 2200 block of North Christy St.

Disorderly conduct-noise was reported by two separate complainants in the 1300 block of Christine St.

An animal complaint was taken in the 1000 block of Huff Road. A resident was afraid to go outside of a home after two pit bulls reportedly entered the back yard of the residence and killed a household pet.

Traffic complaints were taken at Cook and Somerville streets; at Highway 60 and Hobart; at Francis and Ballard streets; and at 23rd and Hobart.

The PD responded to a vehicle accident in the 2400 block of Charles St. No injuries or hazardous material spills were reported.

Silent/abusive 911 calls were received from the 1200 block of South Faulkner St., and the 100 block of North Nelson St.

Offense against family - witness visitation refusal - was reported in the 2300 block of Aspen Dr.

Assault was reported in the 1100 block of South Banks St.

Public intoxication was reported in the 900 block of Jorden St.

### Sheriff

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests as of Saturday.

#### Friday, Feb. 4

Audry Green, 39, of Childress, was arrested on a motion for enforcement.

Thomas Lewis James, 31, of Little Rock, Ark., was arrested on violation of a protective order.

Danasty Dawn Mize, 19, 812 N. Nelson, was arrested for criminal mischief over \$500 and under \$1,500.

Kenneth Eugene Lovejoy, 25, of Skellytown, was arrested on a blue warrant for burglary of a habitation.

### Fire

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

#### Friday, Feb. 4

4:10 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to the 1400 block of Dwight on a carbon monoxide check. No CO was found.

#### Saturday, Feb. 5

4:14 a.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to the 500 block of North Gray 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, Feb. 4

7:20 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 200 block of North Wells and transported a patient(s) to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

10 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1200 block of Browning. No transport.

10:37 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1200 block of Browning. No transport.

4:18 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 700 block of North Frost and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

11:59 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to PRMC and transferred a patient(s) to Northwest Texas Hospital, Amarillo.

#### Saturday, Feb. 5

1:58 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to PRMC and transferred a patient(s) to NWTH.

3:58 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to Baten prison unit and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

4:14 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 500 block of Gray and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

## Budget

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— would be for training, maintenance and other costs associated with keeping the

military ready for action. Most of the rest would go for military salaries and construction of bases and housing.

In the longer run, Bush envisions defense spending growing steadily after next year, hitting \$502.3 billion by 2011.

Also Friday, several federal officials speaking on condition of anonymity said Bush will:

—Seek about \$650 million for the Yucca Mountain nuclear waste-storage project north of Las Vegas, or about half what once was envisioned for 2006. Though Bush and Congress approved the project in 2002, opposition has continued and a federal

court has rejected proposed radiation safety standards. New standards are being developed.

—Propose slicing farmers' federal payments and other agriculture supports by \$587 million in 2006 and \$5.7 billion over the next decade. Payments to producers would drop by 5 percent, and the current \$360,000 annual ceiling on those payments would be cut to \$250,000.

—Move to raise the maximum Pell Grant for students from \$4,050 to \$4,550 over five years, or by \$100 a year. Along with other changes, Bush's financial aid plan would cost about \$28 billion over 10 years.

To help pay for it, the president would shrink subsidies the government pays banks to encourage them to make low-interest loans, and to the agencies that insure the loans for the lenders, education department officials said. He would also phase out Perkins loans, 673,000 of which were made to graduate and undergraduate students last year.

—Create \$3,000 tax credits to encourage people who don't have public or employer-provided health insurance to buy coverage. The plan, which would cost \$74 billion over the next decade, would be part of \$140 billion in tax breaks and expenditures aimed at improving health care over the coming 10 years.

Administration officials had already said Bush will seek \$60 billion in Medicaid savings over the coming decade. These will come largely from smaller reimbursements to pharmacies, trimming payments to other health providers, and making it harder for parents to qualify for coverage if their assets have been shifted to their children.

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# Foundation offering fire, EMS grants totaling \$225,000

AMARILLO — The Don and Sybil Harrington Foundation is, according to a news release, awarding \$225,000 to be awarded through a competitive regional fire and emergency medical services grant process open to Texas Panhandle communities.

Panhandle Regional Planning Commission and Amarillo Area Foundation will actually oversee and develop the grant program. The commission will notify all eligible communities in the region (98 fire departments/49 non-profit/local government EMS departments) and market the program to ensure all communities have an equal opportunity to apply, the news release said.

"Protecting citizens through fire and emergency medical services is vital to our quality of life in the Texas Panhandle," said Jim Allison, president of both foundations. "As we continue to receive more and more charitable grant requests from communities

*'Protecting citizens through fire and emergency medical services is vital to our quality of life in the Texas Panhandle.'*

— Jim Allison  
Foundation official

for providing these services, we decided to partner with an agency to award the dollars available to the most critical need areas of the region's emergency services network."

The application deadline is April 13. Eligible projects include vehicle, equipment and training grants. Local government-sponsored or non-profit fire and EMS services in the 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle may apply.

The commission will provide technical assistance to all interested applicants, assist in the development of grant applications to other governmental agencies and help with

the development of specs, joint purchasing opportunities and more.

This grant program, the press release said, mirrors another program that was offered in 2001 which benefited 15 fire and EMS departments across the top 26 counties of the Panhandle. The planning commission has established a regional advisory committee of regional fire and EMS stakeholders as an extension to its board of directors to facilitate the process.

The committee will develop guidelines for the grant program and score applicants for recommendations to the planning commis-

sion board.

As a partner in the project, the commission will, the release said, coordinate all aspects of the competitive process so that the foundation may consider funding.

Grants will be bestowed on the basis of need, as recommended by the advisory committee, and recommended for approval to the boards of directors of both foundations as well as the commission. Entities will compete for a maximum award of \$35,000.

"This collaboration fits the goal of providing assistance in the most needed projects in rural communities while providing a fair and equitable process for applications," said Allison. "We are proud to collaborate with the agency that knows best our rural communities."

For more information or to make application, call the commission at (806) 372-3381 and ask for Chris Coffman.

## Texas Cooperative Extension

# Time to top dress winter wheat

AMARILLO — Wet fall and winter weather has wheat in excellent shape across the Texas Panhandle and South Plains. But with the moisture come a few problems, area Texas Cooperative Extension agronomists say.

Winter weeds and leached nitrogen are two negatives which may be problems in the crop as it begins to grow, said Dr. Brent Bean, Extension agronomist in Amarillo.

"For the most part, fall and winter rain and snow have replenished subsoil moisture to levels that should give the region the potential for an excellent wheat yield, assuming spring weather conditions are not drastically different from our long-term average," Bean said.

Texas Agricultural Experiment Station research has shown that one uncontrolled tansy mustard weed per square foot can reduce dryland wheat yield by 10 percent. These weeds should be controlled while they are small and have not used up valuable soil moisture needed by the wheat crop this spring, Bean said.

Mustards that have grown out of the rosette stage and are beginning to bolt or flower are much more difficult to control. Also, less herbicide can be used to control small weeds compared to larger weeds, he said.

Many of the herbicides labeled for use in wheat, including 2,4-D, are effective on small mustard weeds. In choosing a herbicide, consider how much residual effect is needed and which crop will be planted on the land following the wheat. Under the crop rotation plan, use the herbicide with the longest tolerated residual, Bean said.



(Texas Cooperative Extension photo by Kay Ledbetter)

**Wheat is thriving under fall and winter moisture, but yellowed areas may be an indication of nitrogen deficiency.**

A list of herbicides labeled for wheat, along with residual and crop rotation restrictions, can be found in the agronomy sections' of the Amarillo and Lubbock Extension and Experiment Station Web sites: [www.lubbock.tamu.edu](http://www.lubbock.tamu.edu) and [www.amarillo.tamu.edu](http://www.amarillo.tamu.edu).

Dr. Calvin Trostle, Extension agronomist at Lubbock, said producers may see light green wheat foliage when growth occurs during cool, cloudy weather. If this yellow-green color persists after several days of sunshine, it is likely due to inadequate nitrogen.

"The presence of vigorous darker green wheat growth around cattle droppings and urine spots is added evidence that nitrogen is deficient," Trostle said. "Also, nitrogen-deficient wheat will generally have yellow older leaves as the plant transfers nitrogen to younger growing leaves."

If both conditions exist, weeds and nitrogen deficiency, producers should consider applying herbicide and fertilizer together in

order to save on application costs, the agronomists said.

Some wheat diseases, such as wheat streak mosaic and high plains disease, can produce yellowing symptoms that may be confused for nitrogen deficiency. The leaves will show an irregular mosaic or mottled pattern of yellowish and normal green if these diseases are present.

The disease symptoms often will be worse in the southwest corner of the field where the disease-carrying wheat curl mite is carried by prevailing winds. The presence of volunteer wheat or Conservation Reserve Program grass in the vicinity of the initial outbreak will aid in the diagnosis.

The rule of thumb for determining wheat nitrogen need is 1.5 pounds of nitrogen per bushel of expected yield, Bean said. For example, a 35-bushel wheat crop that has not been grazed will require 52.5 pounds of nitrogen for the entire growing season.

In the absence of a soil test, dryland wheat exhibiting nitrogen deficiency

symptoms should be fertilized with 30 to 40 pounds of nitrogen. An irrigated wheat field should be fertilized with 60 pounds of nitrogen, with additional nitrogen applied in the irrigation water later as needed, depending on the yield goal, the agronomists said.

"Ideally the nitrogen should be applied two weeks prior to wheat jointing," Bean said. "This will hopefully improve the chances of the nitrogen moving into the soil where the roots can pick up the nitrogen when the wheat begins its rapid growth during the jointing phase."

Research has shown very little benefit to grain yield when nitrogen is applied after the second joint (node) is visible on the wheat plant, Bean said. Any nitrogen added after this may benefit grain protein, but will have little effect on yield.

Leaf burn from liquid nitrogen can be minimized by applying nitrogen while temperatures are cool. Even if leaf burn occurs, it will have little effect on final grain yield, he said.

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## Railroad commission sets allowables

AUSTIN — The Texas Railroad Commission has set February 2005 natural gas production allowables for prorated fields in the state to meet market demand of 22,531,806 Mcf (thousand cubic feet).

For these fields, the February 2005 allowable represents a decrease of 4,440,006 Mcf when compared to actual production of 26,971,812 Mcf in February 2004. In setting the February 2005 allowable, the Commission used historical production figures from February 2004 and producer forecasts for the February 2005 demand, and then adjusted the figures to account for such factors as well capability, new wells in a field, etc.

Texas natural gas storage reported by the Commission for December 2004 is 291,884,617 Mcf compared to 268,262,493 Mcf in December 2003. The January 2005 gas storage

estimate is 276,971,422 Mcf.

Gas well gas from prorated fields accounts for 7 percent of total gas well production in Texas.

Preliminary statewide production reported for November 2004 is 27,319,228 barrels of crude oil and 359,158,926 Mcf of gas well gas.

The Commission's estimated final production for this month can be obtained by multiplying these preliminary production totals by a production adjustment factor of 1.0357 for crude oil and 1.0996 for gas well gas. (These production totals do not include casinghead gas or condensate.)

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 February 8 • Group Pictures

**Pampa High School**  
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 February 8 • 2:45 • Pep Rally  
 February 10-12 • FCCLA Competition  
 February 11 • 5:00-7:00 • Baseball Boosters Shrimp Boil-Cafeteria  
 February 12 • UIL Academic Competition at Canadian

For the most up-to-date Pampa ISD information, Go to the school website at [www.pampaisd.net](http://www.pampaisd.net). From the parent information drop-down menu, click on the Pampa ISD Event Calendar

This PISD Events Calendar courtesy of the Gray-Roberts County Farm Bureau Agents  
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# Viewpoints

## How much more proof do we need?

Eight million Iraqis cast ballots in the country's first democratic election last Sunday. That's approximately 75 percent of the 12 million registered voters.

I don't know about you, but that tells me that the people of Iraq hungered for freedom. It tells me that it wasn't forced upon them by an "invasion" of U.S. forces.

Dire predictions of bloody terrorist acts were about as accurate as those prognostications of the Y2K doomsayers. Yes, 44 people died Sunday in connection with the elections.

Each of those people's lives are extremely important. I don't mean to imply that they are not. But when you compare 44 deaths with eight million successes ...

Some may ask, "What business is it of the United States to bring democracy to the world?"

Because free and democratic nations are far less likely to war against each other. It's as simple as that. They are more likely to work out their differences with other countries. Free elections keep any one person or party from gaining too much power.

Bush's decisions to topple the Taliban in Afghanistan and Saddam Hussein in Iraq resulted from numerous attacks on the United States by terrorists who were harbored in, and supported by, these two regimes.

Political cartoonists often portray Bush as being child-like and cowboyish. To me, those are admirable character-

istics. He's ridiculed for commenting "Look, there's a kitty," when a cat ran by during a press conference on the White House lawn.

That shows me that he's confident enough to be himself in public and not feel like he has to put on some sort of false cloak of dignity.

I t reminds me of one of my favorite lines in the movie and play, "Steel Magnolias." The characters are in the beauty shop getting ready for Shelby's upcoming wedding. Shelby reflects on how weddings can become too pretentious.

"And you know what

Daddy says," she offers in her soft Southern drawl. "An ounce of pretension is worth a pound of manure."

As for Bush being a "cowboy," I much prefer someone with cowboy characteristics to slick city ways.

To me, cowboys are people who don't say much, but think deeply. They hold high moral values and relish a day's hard work. They're not afraid of being alone for long periods of time. They're independent and fiercely loyal to those within the scope of their responsibility.

Frankly, I want those qualities in a president.

That's not to say that there's been no mistakes made in all this. There have. But I'm glad to see that when mistakes happen, our country owns up to its errors and works to rectify them.

None of us can go a single day without making mistakes. If we think we have, that's an arrogant assumption and a mistake in itself. To expect our president and our government to not make mistakes is unrealistic.

It's not whether or not a mistake is made. It's how we deal with it.

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My son gave a year of his life to provide the foundation for Iraq's freedom. Although he wasn't physically wounded, he and all those who have been there and who are there

now will carry scars. Like every soldier, they will pay a price for their service.

On Tuesday, I asked Dave if he understood that what happened Sunday is a direct result of what he, personally, had done to free that country.

"I've thought about that," he said quietly. "But can you really comprehend it?" I asked. "Eight million people were able to vote for the first time. That's 70 percent of the voters. What's the percentage rate here? 10-12 percent? And only 44 were killed. I don't know about you, but it's more than I can get my mind around."

"Yeah, it's really something," he answered, and I heard realization dawn in his voice.

## Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, Feb. 6, the 37th day of 2005. There are 328 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 6, 1952, Britain's King George VI died; he was succeeded as reigning monarch by his daughter, Elizabeth II.

On this date:

In 1756, America's third vice president, Aaron Burr, was born in Newark, N.J.

In 1778, the United States won official recognition from France with the signing of treaties in Paris.

In 1788, Massachusetts became the sixth state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

In 1895, baseball legend Babe Ruth was born in Baltimore.

In 1899, a peace treaty between the United States and Spain was ratified by the U.S. Senate.

*'Work is much more fun than fun.'*

— Sir Noel Coward  
British actor, dramatist and songwriter (1899-1973)

In 1933, the 20th Amendment to the Constitution, the so-called "lame duck" amendment, was declared in effect.

In 1959, the United States successfully test-fired for the first time a Titan intercontinental ballistic missile from Cape Canaveral, Fla.

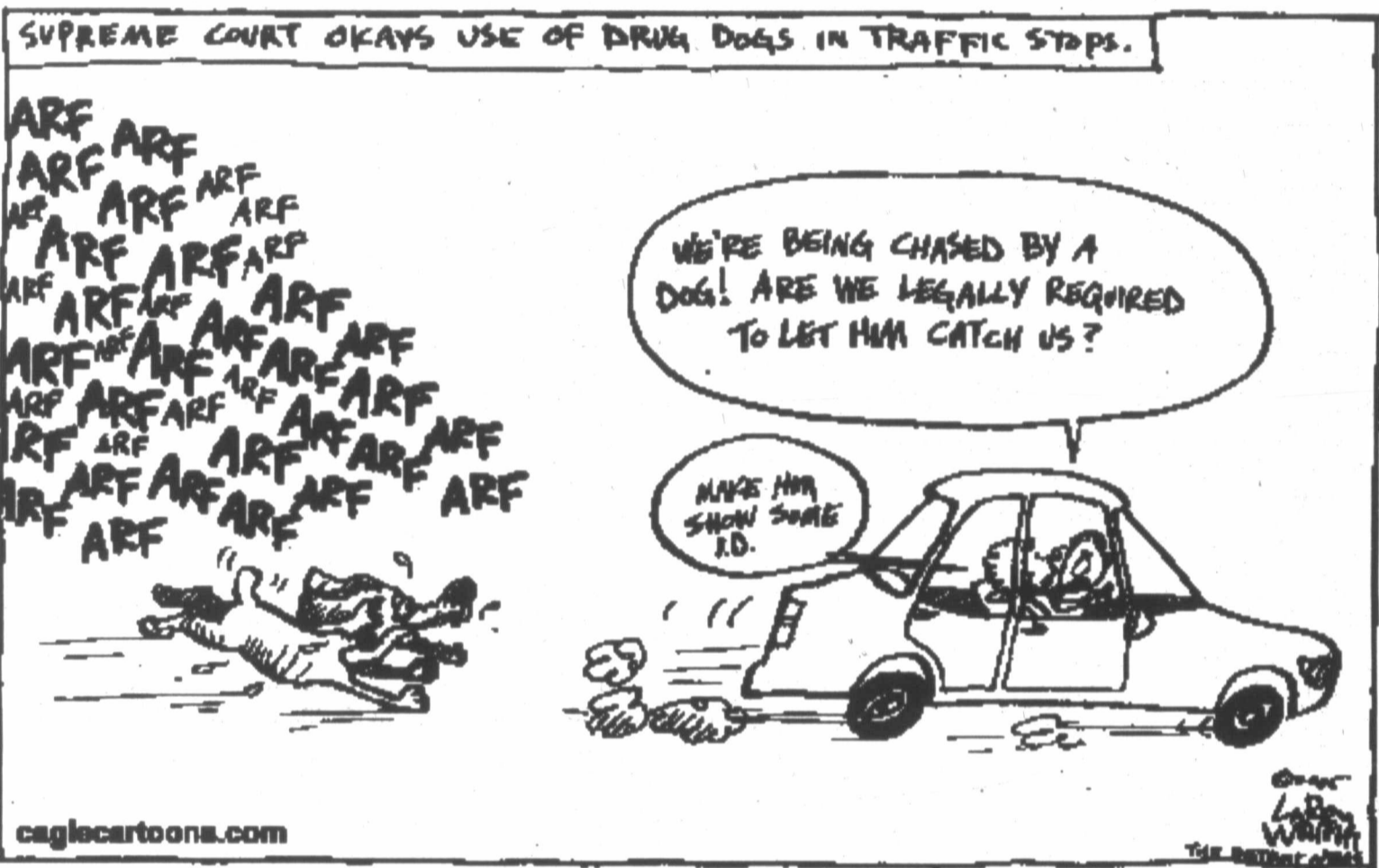
In 1992, 16 people were killed when a C-130 military transport plane crashed in Evansville, Ind.

In 1993, tennis Hall-of-Famer and human rights advocate Arthur Ashe died in New York at age 49.

In 1998, President Clinton signed a bill changing the name of Washington National Airport to Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport.

Ten years ago: President Clinton unveiled his \$1.61 trillion budget for 1996, mixing mild tax relief and spending reductions. Siddig Ibrahim Siddig Ali, the alleged mastermind of a campaign of violence, pleaded guilty in New York to plotting urban terrorism. The space shuttle Discovery flew to within 37 feet of the Russian space station Mir in the first rendezvous of its kind in two decades.

Five years ago: First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton launched her successful candidacy for the U.S. Senate. An Ariana Airlines Boeing 727 was hijacked after leaving Kabul, Afghanistan, making stops in Central Asia and Russia before arriving at Stansted airport outside London the next day. Nine people were killed when a train derailed south of Cologne, Germany. Social Democrat Tarja Halonen edged out her rival in a run-off to become Finland's first female president. The NFC defeated the AFC 51-31 in the Pro Bowl.



## Recalling pauses that 'refreshed'

Most speakers — even if conscious of the clock — treat time segments the way college kids handle laundry bags. Both groups reason that more can be crammed in, whether words or dirty socks.

Precious few speakers realize that in oratory, silence can be as effective as what is said. Timely pauses make way for generous smiles, twinkling eyes and warm countenances remembered long after the punch lines. Words fade into a huge abyss of the forgotten; heartfelt remembrances remain.

Now, in the span of just 18 months, three such personalities are gone from us — the most recent, Johnny Carson, just days ago. In 2003, Bob Hope left this life. The death of Bob Murphey last November cast a pall on Thanksgiving.

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Perhaps, with the mention of these names, you recall a favorite memory of Carson and Hope, but don't recall the name "Murphey." He was never a network star nor was he well-known nationally. In fact, notoriety was the last thing on his mind.

A lawyer far better known for his elocution than "lawyering," Murphey claimed to speak "fair English and perfect East Texas." He lost an arm in an accident early in his life, but he never thought of himself as being less than the most fortunate of all. Stetson hat in hand, a purposeful gait and wad of tobacco 'twixt the lip and gum, he crisscrossed the nation — mostly by automobile — delighting

audiences of all kinds for more than 50 years.

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The 83-year-old raconteur was the spinner of stories about people in the backwoods of East Texas. With a natural drawl,

unhurried delivery and attention to detail, he was one of a kind. Speaker wannabes tried to copy the "Murphey style"; all have failed to do so.

"I'm from Nacogdoches, Texas, the birthplace of the zip code," he'd drawl. "Nobody could spell it, so they decided to number it." Then, Murphey would roll on for the better part of an hour. Listeners always felt he stopped too soon.

**Dr. Don Newbury**  
Columnist



A longtime member of the volunteer fire department, champion of his church and arguably the community's most beloved figure, Murphey would have offered a "thumbs up" for the brevity of his memorial service. Mourners smiled often, but thought that the time of tribute ended too soon. His body was borne to the cemetery on Bertha, a restored fire truck about his age.

We are grateful for the Carson/Hope/Murphey trio. They made us laugh and feel better about things. They were as comfortable as old robes, warming us regularly with smiles and pauses — and plenty of time to savor punch lines.

Carson's death reminds us of his many hats on the "Tonight Show." Late night

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## Wacky labels hint at broken tort system

The Odessa American on product warning labels:

Nearly everyone is familiar with the warning tags and labels on consumer products that alert us to possible dangers if the product is misused. It seems they're everywhere and sometimes warn of the most ridiculous things.

In fact, an award is given out annually for the wackiest warnings. A recent Associated Press story reported that this year's winner is the warning on a toilet brush, "Do not use for personal hygiene." We don't want to know what prompted the manufacturer to attach

that warning to its product.

Sponsor of the awards, Michigan Lawsuit Abuse Watch, says it hands out the awards "to reveal how lawsuits, and concern about lawsuits, have created a need for common sense warnings on products."

We realize some warnings are necessary, particularly on products used by and around children. Kids sometimes figure out how to misuse things in ways adults

would never dream of and it's a good idea to alert parents. But the label on the deck of a lawnmower warning against picking up the

mower to trim bushes was, we think, a bit much.

Warning labels are a result of our litigious society in which it seems people don't want to accept responsibility for their actions. Every time we see a TV commercial for personal injury lawyers and how a client got a big cash award,

we wonder if there was a legitimate complaint or if the defendant simply paid up because it was cheaper than going to trial.

In this age of ever-higher jury awards to plaintiffs, people shouldn't assume guilt or innocence based on out-of-court settlements.

President Bush recently launched an effort to cap jury awards on liability cases. It's an idea whose time has come. The huge awards in several cases in the past few years point to one of the biggest problems with our tort system: the

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# Switzer

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any forfeitures. He (Roach) would drive to all the outer counties and handle forfeitures," Switzer said.

Forfeitures involve the seizure of "anything used to assist in the commission of a felony," including vehicles, money and weapons, she said.

A full schedule is keeping the district attorney's office busy. Four trials are scheduled beginning at the end of this month, starting with a Lipscomb Co. drug case, followed by a welfare fraud case in Wheeler Co., the trial of Jimmy Young in Gray Co. in the shooting death of Tracy Williams of Pampa, and another drug case, this time in Hemphill County.

"In between, I do grand jury, pleas, docket calls and so forth," Switzer said.

She has trial experience to fall back on in preparing for the upcoming court cases. She has tried 10 cases since coming to the 31st District, and of those, eight resulted in convictions, and the other two were mistrials, or "hung juries." Of the eight convictions, two of the defendants received 99-year sentences.

"We do intake on 60 to 90 felony cases on average for the five counties in a one-month period," she said. The majority of the cases are in Gray, Hemphill and Wheeler counties.

"My job is to assist peace officers in completing the job they started," she said.

Completing that job may not always mean that a con-

viction "is the right answer. I will be as fair as I can," she said.

Some types of cases are more difficult to prosecute than ever before, Switzer said, including sexual assault cases.

"A new Supreme Court ruling states that children (in criminal cases) have to take the stand and testify," she said. Videotaped testimony by child victims had been admissible prior to the new ruling.

*'That's why we've been able to survive, because we've got such a good staff.'*

— Lynn Switzer  
Assistant 31st district attorney

Obtaining convictions can sometimes be difficult in cases involving children as victims because "people do not want to believe that there are people out there who would do such things to a child," Switzer said.

Difficulties such as those faced by a prosecutor in child abuse cases do not frighten her.

"I like trying difficult cases because it's a challenge to me," she said. "I tried a case here recently for possession of anhydrous ammonia. The lab results were negative for it, but I got a conviction anyway, due to the evidence and testimony."

Switzer said she usually works 45 to 47 hours per week, but "if I'm doing a trial, it's way much more than that."

Evelyn Rutherford, a "top-notch" paralegal in the Wheeler Co. office, is help-

ing Switzer with Wheeler, Hemphill and Lipscomb County cases. And "everyone is still on the job in the D.A.'s office here," she said.

"That's why we've been able to survive, because we've got such a good staff," she said.

Switzer lives with her husband 14 miles east of Pampa in Gray Co. The 47-year-old has a daughter, age 19, and a son, who will be 22 on Monday.

Switzer attended Cunningham Elementary School in Wichita Falls and is a graduate of Crowell High School. She earned an undergraduate degree in accounting from the College of the Southwest in Hobbs, N.M., and her law degree from Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

"My first case was as a defense attorney. The prosecutor was asking for a life sentence, and I got the defendant 50 years," she said.

She later became a prosecutor herself, and was assistant district attorney in Tom Green Co., which includes the city of San Angelo, when she was hired by Roach.

"It was posted on a professional job site. It offered good salary and benefits," she said of her decision to apply for the 31st District position.

As a child, "I didn't know what I wanted to be when I grew up," Switzer said. "I decided to be an attorney because it just felt right. I had a natural showmanship about me. I'm like Don Quixote. I'm out to champion the underdog, do the right thing and be a champion for good over evil."

"Being a prosecutor was what I was meant to do. I truly, honestly love my job because it gives me a satisfaction from doing things for people."

Roach is still officially the 31st district attorney at present, and will continue to be until he is removed from office by sentencing as a result of criminal conviction or a guilty plea, by his resignation, by the result of a pending civil action seeking his removal from office, by his death or by incapacitation, Switzer said.

Governor Rick Perry will appoint a district attorney to take Roach's place if the position becomes vacant, and the appointed district attorney would serve until the next general election, which will be in November 2006. The person elected at that time would take office on Jan. 1, 2007.

"Yes, I would be honored to do it," Switzer said when asked if she would accept an appointment by the governor if the office of district attorney is vacated. She would also "absolutely" consider running as a candidate for the office in the next general election.

But for now, Switzer is concentrating on day-to-day operations of the office.

"The most major part of my job right now is to continue to have this office

# Pancakes

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pers. The first Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper was held in 1956. Since 1976, the proceeds have gone to St. Matthew's Episcopal Day School.

Suzie Wilkinson, Deacon of St. Matthew's, says "The Pancake Supper, on Shrove Tuesday, has always been a community celebration. One of remembering when all sweets, fats, and starches were cooked the night before Ash Wednesday so not to tempt one during the season of Lent. It is also called Fat Tuesday. The Pancake Supper is one of a joyous cel-

ebration offering good food and a good time together."

Tickets are \$5 and may be purchased at the church office, from church members and at the door. Children five and under eat free.

All proceeds from the supper go toward the education of young children. The Day School provides scholarships to pre-school and kindergarten students through monies raised at the annual pancake supper.

Classes are currently offered for 3 and 4 year old, Pre-K and Kindergarten. Day Care is also available for 18 month old and up.

During the regular day other learning experiences include daily chapel, music and gym, Spanish, Bible and

computer class.

The Day School Support Group will be having a Book Fair during the Supper.

General chairmen of the event are Hal and Sue Cree. Committees and their chairs are: publicity, Natalie Reeve; ticket sales, Hal Cree; purchasing, Sissy Curtis; equipment, Charles Smith; table setting, church members; decorations, Karon Bonnell; bacon fryers, Gary Niccum; greeting, Jack Reeve; coffee, Nancy Shaffer; butter and syrup, Autumn Smith; batter prep, Jim Honderich; pancake flippers, Jack Curtis; servers, Cindy Holt; table bussing, Karen Smith and Youth; and clean up, Jack McAndrew.

# Pause

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show king for 30 years, he rose above the decadence and innuendo flooding the airways today.

Who can forget his riotous vignettes as "Carnack, the Magificent?" With turban swirled about his head and sidekick Ed McMahon along side with questions from a mayonnaise jar on Funk and Wagnalls, front porch, Carson offered answers before questions were posed. One went this way:

ANSWER: "Sis-Boom-Bah."

QUESTION: "What are the sounds of an exploding goat?"

Remaining with us as the master of the pause is the inimitable Paul Harvey. His voice is the most heard in the history of radio. No one has ever better utilized silence than this master of radio whose melodious voice has been a familiar one for six decades. While lesser figures crowd as many words as pos-

sible into news segments, Harvey's words are carefully chosen to make sure that they are an improvement on silence.

He ambles along, pausing regularly, particularly in introducing "pages two, three and four." With his words — and with spans of silence — Harvey is ever the encourager and ever the optimist to some 20 million listeners daily. At age 86, he believes our best days are yet ahead, and he intends to chronicle them. An ABC associate since 1951, he signed a new 10-year contract in 2000 that will take him into his 90's. Then, he'll likely re-up.

Pauses should be on the minds of TV moguls as they gear up for Super Bowl XXXIX. They don't need a repeat of last year's tasteless "wardrobe malfunction."

The game should get off to a rousing start with a stirring rendition of the National Anthem by a 100-voice choir from our four service academies. My hunch is that their uniforms will remain fully in place, without a hint of malfunction.

# Labels

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lawyers make the money and the plaintiffs, the ones who actually suffered harm, get relatively little. The cases are often class actions and the award is spread out among many plaintiffs. We know of some cases in which consumers received

coupons for small discounts and a few lawyers walked off with millions. There's something wrong with a system that doesn't make the victim whole while a third party makes money.

And by the way, this year's runner-up for the Wacky Warning Label Contest? The label on a child's scooter: "This product moves when used."



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# Medical

## Beware: Bone loss often stealthy, happening over extended period

(NAPSA) — The early signs of bone loss typically happen gradually and are unnoticeable. Rapid bone loss can be a sign of serious bone deterioration and that's

why screening one's bone density is so important. The Novasoy(r) Natural Health TourSM, a national bone density screening tour, offers free bone density screenings and information on the bone health benefits of soy isoflavones. The tour aims to inform consumers about bone health and preventative actions to improve bone health before bone loss occurs. More information can be found at [www.novasoy.com](http://www.novasoy.com).

According to a recent survey by the American Medical Women's Association (AMWA) of 423 health care professionals, four out of five OB/GYNs strongly believe that treatment for menopausal women should focus on personalized care. There are multiple



choices available to help relieve symptoms of menopause. For example, women who suffer painful vaginal dryness could opt for

Vagifem(r), a localized estrogen vaginal tablet.

Women who have moderate to severe hot flashes or night sweats may want to try a low-dose, plant-based hormone, like Activella(r) (estradiol/norethindrone acetate).

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(NAPSA) — Did you know that 1,200 Americans die every day from smoking and exposure to secondhand smoke? That is one person every 72 seconds.

As part of a campaign to raise awareness about the terrible toll that tobacco use continues to take in health and lives, the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids has introduced bright red rubber wristbands that are imprinted with the number 1,200.

A growing number of people across the country are wearing the wristbands to take a stand against tobacco. People are wearing the wristbands to:

- Remember a loved one who has died from smoking.
- Support someone who is trying to quit.
- Speak out about the dangers of tobacco use and secondhand smoke.
- Support effective action against this serious problem.

The wristbands are available for \$1 each on the Internet at [www.tobacofreekids.org](http://www.tobacofreekids.org).

Proceeds benefit the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids, a nonprofit organization dedicated to protecting children from tobacco addiction and saving lives

by reducing tobacco use and exposure to secondhand smoke.

Smoking kills more people than alcohol, AIDS, car accidents, illegal drugs, murders and suicides combined. Tobacco use is the leading preventable cause of death in the United States, killing more than 400,000 Americans and costing the nation more than \$75 billion in health care bills each year.

Ninety percent of smokers start at or before the age of 18. Every day, another 2,000 kids become regular smokers, and one-third of them will die prematurely as

a result.

"The 1,200 wristband serves as a constant reminder of the devastating toll that tobacco takes on our children and our families," said Matthew L. Myers, president of the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids. "Wearing the wristband is a simple yet empowering way for kids and adults to take a stand against tobacco. It is a reminder of those we have lost to tobacco, a symbol of commitment and encouragement for those trying to quit and an expression of support for effective action against this serious problem."

### NOTICE TO PROPERTY TAXPAYERS

**Notice to file rendition statements, property reports, applications for qualified open-space land valuation, applications for exemptions, availability of forms and procedure for the determination of the quantity of property held in inventory.**

To all persons owning or controlling, as agents or otherwise, any personal or real property subject to appraisal by the Gray County Appraisal District, I, W. Pat Bagley, chief appraiser for the said **Gray County Appraisal District**, pursuant to Section 11.44 Chapter 11, Section 22.21 Chapter 22, Section 23.43; and Section 23.54 Chapter 23, Texas Property Tax Code, hereby give notice on behalf of Gray County Appraisal District, a political subdivision of the state of Texas, whose properties are appraised by the chief appraiser for the Gray County Appraisal District, to said owners and agents to file all rendition statements, property reports, application for qualified open-space land valuations and applications for exemptions with the said chief appraiser on or before April 15, 2005 at North Sumner, Post Office Box 836, Pampa, Texas 79066-0836. All forms are available at the said address.

The Gray County Appraisal District hereby establishes a procedure for the determination of the value of the personal property on January 1, 2005 as required by section 23.12 Chapter 23, Texas Property Tax Code. The value of personal property such as inventory, supplies, furniture & fixtures, equipment, vehicles, tools and other personal property determined by rendition, observation by the appraisers, comparison of like properties, pertinent records of the business and any other reasonable approach that will accurately reflect the market value of personal property.

**Effective, January 1, 2005 business owners will face a 10% penalty for rendering late or not at all, and can face civil penalties of up to 50% for filing a false rendition or deliberately evading the personal property tax. In some cases, criminal sanctions for fraud may be assessed.**

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### NOTICE OF DEFERRED COLLECTION OF CERTAIN TAXES CHAPTER 33, SECTION 33.06 TEXAS PROPERTY TAX CODE.

An individual is entitled to defer collecting of taxes or abate a suit to collect a delinquent tax assessed against his/her residence homestead if he/she is 65 years of age or older and owns and occupies the residence as his homestead, to obtain a deferral, an individual must file an affidavit with the chief appraiser stating the fact that the person has attained the age of 65 and owns and occupies the property as his residence.

To obtain an abatement, the individual must file in the court in which suit is pending an affidavit stating that the person has attained the age of 65 and owns and occupies the property as his residence.

Affidavits for deferral are available at the **Gray County Appraisal District** office. All applications and rendition forms are available at 815 North Sumner, PO Box 836 - Pampa, Texas 79066-0836, Phone Number 665-0791

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## Nutrition labels get makeover to include trans fat

(NAPSA) — From reality television to the dietary guidelines, everywhere we turn these days someone or something is getting a makeover.

In response to the prevalence of heart disease in Americans, the latest makeover is coming to a nutrition label near you.

According to the American Heart Association, heart disease is the single largest killer of American males and females. About every 26 seconds an American will suffer a coronary event and about every minute someone will die from one.

Many believe that these staggering statistics are partly due to the increased consumption of trans fat, which raises the LDL or "bad" cholesterol levels, increasing your risk for heart disease and other health conditions.

The current dietary recommendation is to minimize intake of trans fats.

Trans fat is found in processed foods like vegetable shortenings, some margarines, crackers, cookies, snack foods, and other foods made with or fried in partially hydrogenated oils. Trans fat is formed when liquid oils are made into solid fats — essentially when hydrogen is added to vegetable oil — a process called hydrogenation.

This process is used by many food companies and fast-food restaurants because it increases the shelf life and flavor stability of foods containing these fats.

Currently not found on many nutritional labels, the Food and Drug Administration has made it mandatory for all food manufacturers to list trans fat on the Nutrition Facts panel of all food products by January 2006 to help consumers better understand their trans fat intake.

These new rules are prompting some food companies to reformulate products or introduce trans-free versions to their product lines. Consumers will be able to find the new trans fat amounts listed on the Nutrition Facts panel directly under the line for saturated fat.

Products that contain less than 0.5 grams of trans fat per serving will show a level of zero on their labels.

For example, most dairy products contain such small amounts of trans fat that a zero value will be listed.

In fact, one type of trans fat found in dairy — conjugated linoleic acid (CLA) — is specifically excluded from the labeling requirement because recent research suggests CLA may have some health benefits.

In addition, dairy products contain numerous essential nutrients including calcium, potassium, phosphorus, magnesium and protein. This mix of nutrients found in dairy foods, especially calcium, may also be responsible for helping the body break down and burn fat and reduce your risk for high blood pressure, osteoporosis and certain cancers.

So what's the bottom line? Trans fats from hydrogenated sources — for example, margarines, vegetable shortening, highly processed snack foods such as crackers and cookies — should be limited.

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Lana Miller, business owner, wife and new mom of baby Jetta Ann.

*I love living in Pampa. It's a great place to build a business and an even better place to raise your family. Dr. Ellis and the nurses at PRMC were wonderful when I delivered Jetta Ann. Treated me like a queen! The birthing room was beautiful and the nursery under Dr. Nguyen's care is "state-of-the-art". If you can deliver in your hometown — the hospital staff is capable and it's safe... why on earth would you leave home?*

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## Sign-up period for 2005 EQIP funding to end in March, NRCS says

TEMPLE — Area agriculture producers interested in participating in the 2005 Environmental Quality Incentives Program have until next month to apply for program funding, a news release from

the Natural Resources Conservation Service said.

"The USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Texas," the release said, "announced that farmers and

ranchers wishing to be considered for 2005 funding in the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) should make sure they sign up by the close of business Friday, March 18, 2005.

"EQIP was re-authorized in the 2002 Farm Bill to provide a voluntary conservation program for farmers and ranchers that promotes agricultural production and environmental quality as compati-

ble national goals. EQIP offers financial and technical help to assist eligible participants install or implement structural and/or

See EQIP, Page 10

## PFAA Artist of the Year



Attending Pampa Fine Arts Association's Annual Meeting at Pampa Community Building recently were Sue Abbott, PFAA past president; Alice Warner, 2005 Patron of the Year; Darlene Birkes, 2005 Artist of the Year; and President Janice Sackett. During the meeting, new officers were installed including Sena Brainard, membership secretary; Abbott, secretary; Glennette Goode, treasurer; Suzie Wilkinson, vice president; and Sackett, president.

### TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

National-Oilwell, L.P. has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for issuance of Air Quality Permit No. 74438 which would authorize continued operation of the Surface Coating Operations at the National Oilwell Pampa Site. The site is located at 11659 U.S. Highway 60 West, Pampa, Gray County, Texas. Additional information concerning this application is contained in the public notice section of this newspaper.

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## Drilling Intentions

**Intentions to Drill**  
HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & BUFFALO WALLOW Douglas) Cimarex Energy Co., Bell, Sec. 18,M-1,H&GN, for the following wells:

#2018, 2320' from South & 2120' from West line of Sec., PD 8500'.

#3018, 467' from North & 1700' from East line of Sec., PD 10500'.

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & BUFFALO WALLOW Douglas) Cimarex Energy Co., #4016 Huff, 1980' from North & 1650' from West line, Sec. 16,M-1,H&GN, PD 8500'.

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Cimarex Energy Co., #3016 Huff, 2080' from North & 1650' from West line, Sec. 16,M-1,H&GN, PD 13500'.

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Patina Oil & Gas Corp., PD 13500', for the following wells:

#1315P Carr '13', 347' from South & 1676' from East line, Sec. 13,4,AB&M, Rule 37

#5606P Dixon, 1445' from North & 1472' from West line, Sec. 56,M-1,H&GN.

#4414P Hefley, 870' from South & 1650' from West line, Sec. 41,M-

1,H&GN. #8811P Meek '68', 1650' from South & 2310' from West line, Sec. 68,M-1,H&GN.

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Patina Oil & Gas Corp., #4407P Willis 'A', 1470' from North & 2100' from East line, Sec. 44,M-1,H&GN, PD 13500'. Rule 37

HEMPHILL (S.E. CANADIAN Douglas) Peak Operating of Texas, L.L.C., Gracie '121', Sec. 121,41,H&TC, PD 8500', for the following wells:

#5, 2309' from South & 1635' from West line of Sec.

#6, 1980' from South & 850' from East line of Sec.

#7, 1980' from North & 1320' from East line of Sec.

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & HEMPILL Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #2 Locke '60', 826' from South & 2475' from East line, Sec. 60,A-2,H&GN, PD 11100' (BHL: 660' from South & 1980' from East Sec. line)

Directional well HUTCHINSON (WEST PANHANDLE) Pogo Productin Co., #2 Byrd, 660' from South & 5759' from West line, David Luce Survey, PD 3100'

(BHL: 3660' from South & 5759' from West Survey line) Horizontal well

ROBERTS (WILDCAT & ALLPAR-PEARSON brown Dolomite) Range Production Co., #5 Wood Gas Unit 'A', 130' from South & 976' from West line, Sec. 153,13,T&NO, PD 5000'.

ROBERTS (WILDCAT & COURSON RANCH Upper Morrow) Upland Resources, Inc., #1 nannymo, 476' from North & 1436' from East line, Sec. 159,c,G&M, PD 8700'.

WHEELER (WILDCAT & B&B Granite Wash) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #402 Reed, 660' from South & 2074' from East line, Sec. 2,2,C&M, PD 15000'.

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The new nutrition labels will help you quantify your intake of these, and to find appropriate alternatives. Healthy snacking alternatives include whole grain breads, nuts, fruits, raw vegetables and low-fat dairy foods such as yogurt, milk, and cheese.

Such "naturally nutrient-rich" foods provide a variety of key nutrients. By reading nutrition labels carefully and making appropriate selections you can ensure that you and your family are getting the best diet possible—important not just to optimize your current health but to prevent chronic disease in the long run.

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# Sports Day

## Lady Harvesters clinch playoff spot



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(Senior Lady Harvester Jaclyn Spearman #34 fires up a short jump shot during Friday night's 69-32 playoff-clinching-win over Caprock.

### ◀ Lady Horns next to go down, one game left in regular season

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS  
Sports editor

The Lady Harvesters have just one game left in the regular season and then it's off to the playoffs for the first time since 1991.

"Has it really been that long?" asked head coach Troy Fry.

After Friday night's 69-32 road win over the Lady Horns of Caprock, Pampa (14-15, 6-3) secured a District 3-4A playoff berth. The question of who, where and when should be answered by Monday.

Friday night's meeting got off to a sluggish start for the Lady Harvesters. Taking nothing away from Caprock — who came ready to play, Pampa missed shots and gave the ball away early, allowing the Lady Horns to hang around.

Though they outscored the opponent 13-2 in the first quarter, Caprock was down just 17-13 at one point in the first half. But the Lady Harvesters would roar to life midway through the second quarter and take a 31-14 lead into the locker room at the half.

It was all Pampa in the second half. The Lady Harvesters posted 38 points in the half while Caprock managed to

add just 18. Coach Fry sat most of his starters for much of the second half, giving the bench an opportunity to get plenty of court time. Britteni Rice was the last of the starters to sit with little more than 1:30 left in the game.

Nicole Clark scored a couple of buckets off quick breaks following Lady Horn turnovers. Lauren Winkleman and Autumn Darden each tossed in some long-range shots.

*'Has it really been that long?'*

— Troy Fry  
Coach

Rice led the Pampa scoring charge with 19 points. Clark had a solid outing, ending the night with 12 points.

Pampas will wrap up the regular season by hosting Dumas Tuesday night. Game time will be 6 p.m.

The Lady Harvester junior varsity team defeated Caprock last night, 47-33.

## Marino, Young favorites for Hall of Fame

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — The passing game could be on prime display in the Pro Football Hall of Fame elections.

Star quarterbacks Dan Marino and Steve Young, and former Cowboys receiver Michael Irvin, were the first-year headliners seeking the required 31 votes Saturday from a panel of 39 pro football writers and broadcasters.

The late Derrick Thomas, a sackmaster linebacker for Kansas City, was another first-year eligible player.

When Marino left the Miami Dolphins after the 1999 season, he had NFL bests of 4,967 completions, 8,358 passes, 61,361 yards and 420 touchdowns. His record of 48 TD passes in a season was broken this season by Peyton Manning.

"I don't believe that there is anyone who has made more of an impact on the NFL," said Don Shula, the winningest coach in NFL history and the man who drafted Marino in 1983.

"He played the game with passion, he played the game with skill, and he made so many things happen," added Mike Ditka.

He never made it happen in a Super Bowl, but given his prodigious numbers, Marino figured to be a shoo-in for induction.

Marino was the 1984 league MVP, made three All-Pro teams and nine Pro Bowls. When he retired, he owned 21 NFL marks, including most seasons with 3,000 yards or more passing (13); most yards passing in a season (5,084 in '84, the only year he won a conference championship); and most games with 300 yards or more passing (63).

"It's humbling to even think about the opportunity to get into the Hall of Fame, when you think about all the years the league has been in existence and all the incredible players," Marino said.

Young won a Super Bowl as the starting quarterback for the 49ers after the 1994 season. He also was a backup to Joe Montana on two Super Bowl champions.

A clever runner with a strong arm and great field vision, Young made seven Pro Bowls and was a three-time All-Pro. The NFL's most valuable player in 1992 and '94, he held the highest passer rating in league history (96.8) when he retired in '99. He also set the highest single-season rating of 112.8, which Manning broke this season.

Young also spent two seasons in the USFL before joining Tampa Bay in 1985. He was traded to San Francisco in 1987.

Irvin caught 750 passes and scored 65 touchdowns for the Cowboys of the 1990s. One of the "Triplets," along with quarterback Troy Aikman and running back Emmitt Smith, Irvin was a five-time Pro Bowler and a leader on a team that won three Super Bowls in four seasons.

In 1991, he led the NFL with 1,523 yards receiving. His career average per catch was an impressive 15.9 yards.

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## Pampa in three-way tie for third after loss

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS  
Sports editor

The Pampa Harvesters were held to just four points in the opening quarter of play at Caprock Friday night but would eventually rally to within three points of the Longhorns late. Still, the Harvesters lost the

chance to take over sole possession of second place in District 3-4A after losing 50-41 to Caprock in a game the Harvesters would never lead.

The Longhorns were crisp on offense early, especially from short

range, while Pampa could not find the bucket, despite two and three shot opportunities. Caprock also played tight defense, making things tough for the Harvesters much of the first quarter.

Pampa returned the defensive favor in the second quarter, holding Caprock to just nine points. But the Harvesters were only able to add 10 points themselves. At the break, the Longhorns led 21-14.

The third quarter was a continuation of the second, with the Harvesters holding the Horns to nine points, but adding just 10 themselves. After three periods, Caprock led 30-24.

The two teams would pick

up the scoring pace in the final quarter, with Pampa pulling to within three points of Caprock. However, the Longhorn's Michael Becerra and Brandon Ford sealed Pampa's fate by sinking seven of eight late free throws.

The loss places Pampa (15-11, 3-4) into a three-way tie with Hereford and Randall for third place in District 3-4A with just three games left. The Harvesters will host Dumas Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m.

Clayton Hall ended the night with 10 points for Pampa. Brandon Johnston and Braydon Barker each finished with eight points.

The Pampa junior varsity team used a strong fourth quarter to secure a 49-46 win over Caprock Friday night.



Pampa News photo by MICHAEL J. STEVENS

Pampa's Clayton Hall, #15, unleashes a jump shot during Friday night's game at Caprock. Hall ended the night with 10 points.

### Golf

## Mickelson lights up FBR open, tying course record

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — When Lefty gets it going, there's no telling how low the score might go.

Phil Mickelson, playing in the city he long called home, birdied the final five holes Friday to complete an 11-under 60, tying the course record.

"It was a wonderful day," Mickelson said. "No complaints here."

Arizona still feels like home to Mickelson, especially on a day such as Friday, when he had one of the best rounds of his life and one of the lowest scores in PGA Tour history.

Mickelson, who now lives in Rancho Santa Fe, Calif., finished one stroke shy of the PGA Tour record for 18 holes — 59, shared by Al Geiberger, Chip Beck and David Duval. The Masters champion is the 16th player to shoot a 60.

Halfway through the 72-hole event, he shared the lead at 9-

under 133 with 21-year-old Kevin Na, the youngest player on the PGA Tour.

It was the lowest round for Mickelson in an official PGA Tour event, bettering a third-round 61 in his 2001 Greater Hartford Open victory. He shot a 59 last Nov. 24 at the PGA Grand Slam. Mickelson tied the FBR Open — formerly the Phoenix Open — course record set by Grant Waite in 1996 and matched by Mark Calcavecchia in 2001.

Mickelson, seeking his 24th tour victory and first of 2005, had nine birdies and an eagle on the 7,216-yard Tournament Players Club course, where he won in 1996.

"I would have taken 65 and been ecstatic, because I would be 4 under and be within four or five of the lead going into the weekend," he said.

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## Texas Fishing Report

**AUSTIN (AP)** — Here is the weekly fishing report as compiled for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for Feb. 2. (Report also available on Web as [www.txfishing.com](http://www.txfishing.com).)

**PANHANDLE**  
**BAYLOR:** Water lightly stained; 44 degrees. Black bass are slow. Crappie are slow. Catfish are slow.

**GREENBELT:** Water lightly stained; 40 degrees; 24.6' low. Black bass are slow. Crappie are fair. White bass are fair on live bait and chrome jerkbaits worked slow along the dam. Smallmouth bass are fair. Walleye are fair on live bait and jerkbaits. Catfish are fair on minnows and worms.

**MACKENZIE:** Water lightly stained; 41 degrees; 67.2' low. Black bass are slow. Crappie are fair. White bass and striped bass are fair. Smallmouth bass are slow. Walleye are fair on live bait. Catfish are fair.

**MEREDITH:** Water lightly stained; 42

degrees; 23' low. Black bass are slow. Crappie are slow. White bass are slow. Smallmouth bass are slow on jerkbaits. Walleye are fair on bottom bouncers and slabs tipped with live bait. Channel catfish are fair.

**PALO DURO:** Water lightly stained; 39 degrees; 44' low. Black bass are slow. Crappie are slow. Smallmouth bass are slow. Walleye are fair. Catfish are slow on prepared baits and minnows.

**WEST**  
**ALAN HENRY:** Water lightly stained; 43 degrees; .05 low. Black bass are slow. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs.

**ARROWHEAD:** Water muddy in upper end; 48 degrees; 4 low. Black bass are slow rocky areas and flooded vegetation on shallow running crankbaits and spinnerbaits. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs suspended 13-15 feet near the derricks. White bass are fair on mud flats on shad-imitation crankbaits and larger jigs with inline

spinners. Blue catfish are good on cut shad and prepared baits just off the river channel in the mid-lake area and above.

**BUFFALO SPRINGS:** Water lightly stained; Clarity about 4-5'; 47 degrees; 1.5 low. Black bass are slow. Crappie slow on hooks baited with corn. Catfish fair near crappie house on hooks baited with worms and shad.

**COLORADO CITY:** Water clear; 50 degrees; .5' low. Black bass are slow. Crappie are slow. White bass are slow. Redfish are slow. Catfish are slow.

**FT. PHANTOM HILL:** Water clear; 48 degrees; .53' low. Black bass are slow. Crappie are fair on live bait. White bass are fair. Catfish are fair.

**HUBBARD CREEK:** Water lightly stained; 49 degrees; 11 low. Black bass are slow. Crappie are slow on minnows and jigs. White bass and hybrid striped are fair on live bait. Catfish are fair on chicken liver and minnows.

**NASWORTHY:** Water lightly stained; 48 degrees. Black bass are slow. Crappie are fair. Redfish are fair. White bass and striped bass are fair on minnows. Catfish are slow.

**OAK CREEK:** Water lightly stained; 47 degrees; 24.35' low. Black bass are slow. Crappie are slow on jigs and minnows. Catfish are fair on live bait. No boat ramps open. 4x4 vehicles can unload on the dirt road near the dam.

**OH. IVIE:** Water lightly stained; 50 degrees; 22' low. Black bass are fair on live bait fished along humps and creeks. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs. White bass are fair on live bait and slabs. Smallmouth bass are fair. Channel catfish are fair on prepared and live bait.

**POSSUM KINGDOM:** Water clear; 50 degrees; 1.3 low. Black bass are slow. Crappie are slow. White bass are good near Carter Bent. Striped bass are slow on live shad or sunfish fished vertically in

the lower part of the lake. Channel and blue catfish are fair just above the reservoir on trotlines baited with shad. Note: Golden alga is affecting some shoreline areas with a shad die-off.

**SPENCE:** Water lightly stained; 51 degrees; 48.55' low. Black bass are slow. Crappie are slow. White bass are fair. Striped bass and hybrid striped are slow. Catfish are slow.

**STAMFORD:** Water lightly stained; 52 degrees; 4.15 low. Black bass are slow. Crappie are fair on jigs and minnows. White and striped bass are fair on slabs tipped with minnows. Catfish are fair.

**SWEETWATER:** Water lightly stained; 50 degrees; 30.55 low. Black bass are slow. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs. White bass are fair on live bait and roadrunners. Catfish are fair on

live baits.  
**WHITE RIVER:** Water lightly stained; 45 degrees; 18' low. Black bass are slow. Crappie are slow on jigs and minnows. Walleye are fair on minnows. Channel catfish are fair on live baits.

**WICHITA:** Water clearing; 46 degrees. Black bass are slow. Crappie are slow. White bass and hybrid striped bass are fair on large minnows and Roadrunner jigs along the dam. Channel catfish are fair on trotlines baited with whole shad.

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### Sports briefs

**HOCKEY**  
**NEW YORK (AP)** — NHL labor talks ended after a four-hour meeting, without a resolution or a historic announcement that the season has been lost.

Representatives met for the third straight day, but weren't able to get over the major stumbling block: a salary cap. The NHL has insisted on a link between league revenues and player costs, and the players' association has steadfastly refused that as a solution to end the season-long lockout.

**BASEBALL**  
**NEW YORK (AP)** — With spring training less than two weeks away, the Texas Rangers and New York Yankees moved to bolster their pitching depth.

Texas agreed to an \$800,000, one-year contract with right-hander Pedro Astacio, and New York gave a minor league deal to left-hander Buddy Groom.

Astacio, who can earn an additional \$2.2 million in roster and performance bonuses, made just one start and four relief appearances last season for Boston in his comeback from June 2003 shoulder surgery while with the New York Mets. The 35-year-old right-hander gave up 10 runs and 13 hits in 8 2-3 innings, a 10.38 ERA.

The 39-year-old Groom was 4-1 with a 4.78 ERA in 60 games for Baltimore last year.

Six players in salary arbitration agreed to one-year contracts, leaving 17 players scheduled for hearings, which run through Feb. 18. Agreeing to deals were Cubs third baseman Aramis Ramirez (\$8.95 million), Toronto infielder Shea Hillenbrand (\$3.87 million), Cubs right-hander Carlos Zambrano (\$3.76 million), Colorado right-hander Shawn Chacon (\$2.35 million), Oakland outfielder Eric Byrnes (\$2.2 million) and Milwaukee infielder Junior Spivey (\$2,125,000).

## Fame

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Thomas was a star line-backer for Kansas City from 1989-1999 before dying from injuries in an auto accident. A superb pass rusher,

Thomas led the league in 1990 with 20 sacks and had 126 1/2 in his career. He set league marks with seven sacks in one game, against Seattle in '90, and 19 recoveries of opponents' fumbles. He also forced a league-record 45 fumbles.

Thomas made nine Pro Bowls and was a two-time

All-Pro.

First-time finalists who weren't in their initial year of eligibility were quarterback Bennie Friedman; back Fritz Pollard; guard Russ Grimm, and cornerback Roger Wehrli. Friedman and Pollard were selected as senior candidates.

Repeat finalists included

defensive ends Richard Dent, L.C. Greenwood and Claude Humphrey; line-backer Harry Carson; guard Bob Kuechenberg; wide receiver Art Monk; and contributor George Young.

The induction ceremony is Aug. 7.

## Golf

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Wind that had disrupted play Thursday subsided, and the scores dropped accordingly.

Bernhard Langer and Michael Allen shot 66s Friday and were three shots behind. Nine players were another shot back at 5 under. First-round leader Dudley Hart shot a 73 and was 2 under.

Seventy-seven players made the cut at 3-over 145. Among those who didn't was Justin Leonard, winner of last week's Bob Hope Chrysler Classic. He went out at 146.

Mickelson had to finish his first round Friday morning after play was suspended Thursday by darkness. He began by sinking a birdie putt on the par-4, 332-yard

17th hole, then had an eagle, knocking it in from the fringe on the same hole in the second round later in the day.

Playing partner Tom Lehman shot 65, leaving him six shots back.

"I kind of got sucked in in the wake of Phil's 60," Lehman said. "That's kind of the way it felt. He played incredibly well and made the game look really easy today."

Mickelson was 4 over through 12 holes Thursday, but scrambled to a 73, six shots behind the leader entering the second round.

"The last nine holes yesterday were just as important as shooting 60 today, because it gave me a chance," he said.

He began on the back nine Friday with three consecutive pars, then had birdies on the 13th, 14th and 16th holes. On the 17th, he putted

from the fringe and made it from 77 feet, the big gallery roaring in approval.

"Somehow the ball went in," Mickelson said. "It was great."

He got to 4 under with a birdie on the par-5, 554-yard third hole, then mounted his magnificent charge down the stretch.


Each of his last five approach shots was within 10 feet of the hole, and all

were birdies. After missing the first six fairways Thursday, the hard-driving left-hander hit 16 of the remaining 22.

Now he wants to avoid a letdown.


"It's not like I'm going to shoot 60 again," he said. "My whole thought process is just to play solid. You're going to shoot 4-, 5-, 6-, 7-under par."

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### Events & Meetings

The Pampa High School Booster Club will hold a meeting in the PHS library on Monday. That meeting will begin at 7 p.m. For additional information, please contact a club member of the PHS Athletic Office at 669-4830.

A Valentine's dance for junior high school students to benefit the Pampa Extreme Girls Fastpitch Softball

Team will be held next Saturday, Feb. 12, at St. Vincent's School, 2300 North Hobart. The dance will begin at 8 p.m. and conclude at 11 p.m.

The cost is \$3.50 per person.

Music and entertainment will be provided by RT the DJ.

Water bottles will be available for \$1.00 each.

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## PAMPA HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS SCHEDULE

### HARVESTER BOY'S BASKETBALL

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 7<sup>th</sup>A/8<sup>th</sup>B • 5:00pm — 7<sup>th</sup>B/8<sup>th</sup>A • 6:30pm  
 Freshmen host Hereford • 6:00pm

**TUESDAY • FEB 8**  
 Jr. Varsity hosts Dumas • 6:00pm  
 Varsity hosts Dumas • 7:30pm

**THURSDAY - SATURDAY • FEB 10-FEB 12**  
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**FRIDAY • FEB 11**  
 Jr. Varsity at Hereford • 6:00pm  
 Varsity at Hereford • 7:30pm

### HARVESTER GIRL'S BASKETBALL

**TUESDAY • FEB 8**  
 Jr. Varsity hosts Dumas • 7:30pm  
 Varsity hosts Dumas • 6:00pm

**BOY'S SOCCER**  
**TUESDAY • FEB 8**  
 Varsity hosts Randall • 4:14pm

**SATURDAY • FEB 12**  
 Varsity at Borger • 2:00pm

**GIRL'S SOCCER**  
**TUESDAY • FEB 8**  
 Varsity hosts Randall • 4:15pm

**SATURDAY • FEB 12**  
 Varsity at Borger • 2:00pm

**BASEBALL**  
**TUESDAY • FEB 8**  
 Varsity hosts River Road (scrimmage) • 4:00pm

**SATURDAY • FEB 12**  
 Varsity hosts Borger (scrimmage) • 1:00pm

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**USDA**

# Producers give financial 'snapshot' with survey

AUSTIN — Texas agricultural producers will have the opportunity to "let the facts be known" by participating in the 2004 Agricultural Resource Management Survey conducted by USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS). This survey provides the leading economic indicators about the agricultural industry used by members of the agricultural community and their legislators when making important decisions that support America's farmers and ranchers.

"Reliable, accurate descriptions of the current economic health of Texas farms and ranches are crucial, especially when policy-makers, farm organizations, analysts, local USDA agents, news media, farm suppliers, lenders, and others make decisions that affect growers," said Robin Roark, state director.

In recent years, changes in the rules of trade, shifts in

domestic policy and new developments in technology have altered the landscape of global agriculture and the challenges facing American farmers.

How are agricultural producers surviving when input costs such as hired labor, fertilizer, and fuel continue to rise?

Are government program payments providing producers an adequate safety net to allow them to make investments in land and equipment required of modern farming?

Which agriculture sectors show improvement or are under financial stress? Data provided by producers sampled in the Agriculture Resource Management Survey will help answer these and other questions pertaining to the economic well-being of Texas farm and ranch operators. These data provide an accurate portrayal of the economic conditions as Congress monitors the benefits of the 2002 Farm Bill as

well as planning for the next Farm Bill.

These data are also vital to the Texas Legislature as they evaluate Texas property tax and school finance reform. All individual data collected are held strictly confidential by law (Title 7, U.S. Code). Only statistical totals are published for selected geographic regions and the Nation.

Producers chosen to participate in the 2004 Agricultural Resource Management Survey will be mailed a questionnaire or visited by an interviewer to complete the report at the farm or ranch operator's convenience.

Farm Production Expenditures, the first report with results from the survey, will be released in July 2005. For a copy of the finished report or to obtain other agricultural statistics, visit the National Agricultural Statistics Service web site at [www.usda.gov/nass/](http://www.usda.gov/nass/) or call 1-800-727-9540.

## EQIP

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management practices on eligible agricultural land.

"In 2005, Texas will receive approximately \$64 million in EQIP financial assistance funds and approximately \$5.5 million in Ground and Surface Water EQIP funds."

In the release, state NRCS conservationist Dr. Larry Butler explained, "The funds will help farmers and ranchers improve the natural resources on private working lands in Texas. They will be used to solve locally identified resource problems in each county and will also fund special statewide concerns recommended by the Texas State Technical Committee such as water quantity, water and air quality, wildlife habitat, and treatment of invasive species. This program offers cost share and incentives payments to producers applying approved conservation measures."

"Using national state EQIP priorities,

counties working through a Local Work Group chaired by the local Soil and Water Conservation District recommended local resource concerns to be addressed, eligible practices, and cost-share rates and/or incentive payments. This group also recommended cost-share rates for beginning farmers. In 2005, producers who meet the criteria as a Limited Resource Farmer or Rancher can receive 90 percent cost share for eligible practices."

After the 18th, the release said, the ranking and approval process will begin.

"A conservation planner," the release noted, "will develop a contract and conservation plan for each contract that is approved. Producers who have been awarded contracts can then begin implementing the approved conservation practices this year."

For more information, contact Gray County NRCS office in Pampa by calling 665-1751, ext. 102, or log onto [www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/](http://www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/) on the Internet.

## Drilling

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ing wells:

#1247, 2097' from South & 1956' from West line, Sec. 47, M-1, H&GN.

#3048, 2105' from South & 492' from West line, Sec. 48, M-1, H&GN.

**Application to Re-Enter**

ROBERTS (PARSELL Upper Morrow) Bracken Operating, L.L.C., #1164 State, 1297' from North & 1243' from West line, Sec. 164.42, H&TC, PD 11200' (BHL: 2500' from South & 660' from West Sec. line) Directional well

**Oil Well Completion**

HEMPHILL (HEMPHILL Douglas) Upland Resources, Inc., #2 Ramp '26', Sec. 26.41, H&TC, spud 7-28-04, drlg. compl 9-28-04, tested 11-12-04, flowed 10 bbl. of 54 grav. oil ± 10 bbls. water thru 18/64" choke on 24 hour test, GOR 8700, TD 8214' —

**Gas Well Completions**

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Patina Oil & Gas Corp., #1413P Carr '14', Sec. 14.4, AB&M, spud 9-15-04, drlg. compl 10-1-04, tested 11-23-04, TD 11900', PBTD 11738'.

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Patina Oil & Gas Corp., #5613P Dixon, Sec. 56, M-1, H&GN, spud 10-17-04, drlg. compl 10-30-04, tested 12-12-04, TD 11790', PBTD 11704'.

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Patina Oil & Gas Corp., #4107P Hefley, Sec. 41, M-1, H&GN, spud 10-3-04, drlg. compl 10-18-04, tested 12-12-04, TD 11895', PBTD

11825'.

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Patina Oil & Gas Corp., #5710P Holland 'C', Sec. 57, M-1, H&GN, spud 9-12-04, drlg. compl 9-25-04, tested 11-23-04, TD 11925', PBTD 11803' —

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Patina Oil & Gas Corp., #5607P Keeton, Sec. 56, M-1, H&GN, spud 10-22-04, drlg. compl 11-5-04, tested 12-12-04, TD 11790', PBTD 11681'.

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Patina Oil & Gas Corp., #0814P Noah, Sec.

8.4, AB&M, spud 4-18-04, drlg. compl 5-8-04, tested 10-15-04, TD 13330', PBTD 13220' —

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Patina Oil & Gas Corp., #4204P Teas '42', Sec. 9-30-04, drlg. compl 10-16-04, tested 12-6-04, TD 11800', PBTD 11730' —

WHEELER (STILES RANCH Granite Wash) Apache Corp., #1016 Stiles, Sec. 16, A-3, H&GN, spud 8-6-04, drlg. compl 10-2-04, tested 12-27-04, potential 6643 MCF, TD 14800', PBTD 14724' —

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**NEWS**

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# Lifestyle

## NEWSMAKERS

**AMARILLO** — Farren Jennings, a student at Amarillo High School, was recently honored with the Senior Sandie Business Recognition Award by Amarillo High School Parent Teacher Organization.

Jennings is the daughter of Debbie Chandler of Amarillo and is the granddaughter of Sheriff Don Copeland and Marilyn Copeland of Pampa.

According to a news release from the PTO, "Amarillo High School PTO and local businesses work together to recognize students for academics, participation in school and community activities, high quality of character and integrity, good attitude, leadership, and citizenship. A total of 36 senior Sandies will receive this award this school year, with six named each month from November through April.



Jennings

"A picture recognition plaque in Farren's honor has been sponsored by First American Bank and will be on display at 5100 Coulter during the month of December. In addition, recipients of this award will be announced in the school newsletter, and the picture plaque will be presented to Farren during an awards assembly at the end of the school year."

**ABILENE** — Timothy Clark Williams of Pampa graduated cum laude from McMurry University during commencement ceremonies held at the conclusion of the 2004 fall semester. Other graduates include Lacey Lee Steel of McLean who received a degree in multidisciplinary studies I. Williams earned a political science degree.

**DENVER, Colo.** — Zachary Licklider of Pampa sold a reserve champion hog at the conclusion of the National Western Stock Show staged recently in Denver. Licklider's hog was purchased by Cille B. Williams for \$3,250 at the Auction of Junior Livestock Champions. "Ten percent of the sale proceeds," a news release from National Western said, "were contributed to the National Western Scholarship Trust that supports 60 agribusiness and rural medical scholarships at universities and community colleges throughout Colorado and Wyoming."

"More than 1,300 animals from 22 states competed in the national junior competition," the news release said.

**Amarillo museum opening next show**

**AMARILLO** — On Sunday, Feb. 13, Amarillo Museum of Art will open "Achievements in Art: The Private Collection of Dr. and Mrs. William T. Price," the ninth exhibition in a series organized by the museum to recognize private collections of art.

Achievements in Art will be on display through April 3.

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# In the Park Sword Play



Knight Marshal Lord Brother Liston Brounyng (Trey Holcomb) enjoys a weekend break from his day job as a coach at Stratford-Fritch High School. "When my students find out about my interest in this organization, half of them think it is crazy and the other half are intrigued," Holcomb said.

## Medieval Recreation Group Hosts Fighting Event in Search of New Members

Photos and Story by Ben Briscoe • Staff Intern

As a chilled wind blew across the grassy hill, Killian O'Kane strapped on his rusted, chain mesh helmet in preparation for a sword fight to the death.

O'Kane is a fourteenth century Scottish character played by eighteen-year-old Brandon Kane, a member of the Society for Creative Anachronism, SCA.

According to the SCA's website, sca.org, the organization's purpose "is the study and recreation of the European Middle Ages, its crafts, sciences, arts, traditions, literature and etc."

The Borger, 21 member chapter of the SCA, Am Loch, a member of the Kingdom Ansteorra, the Texas Regional Chapter, recently hosted a fighting practice in Central Park in order to demonstrate the club's activities to possible new members.

"Right now we only have one member from Pampa (Kane). We are trying to gain



Lady Hurrembint Rashid (Barbara Okoh) measures Killian O'Kane's (Brandon Kane's) neck in order to size him properly for armor. Okoh's character is modeled after a 16th century Turkish persona. Each member of the club must pick a name which would have existed during the time period, 600-1600 A.D., and then they must create a character from that name and research.

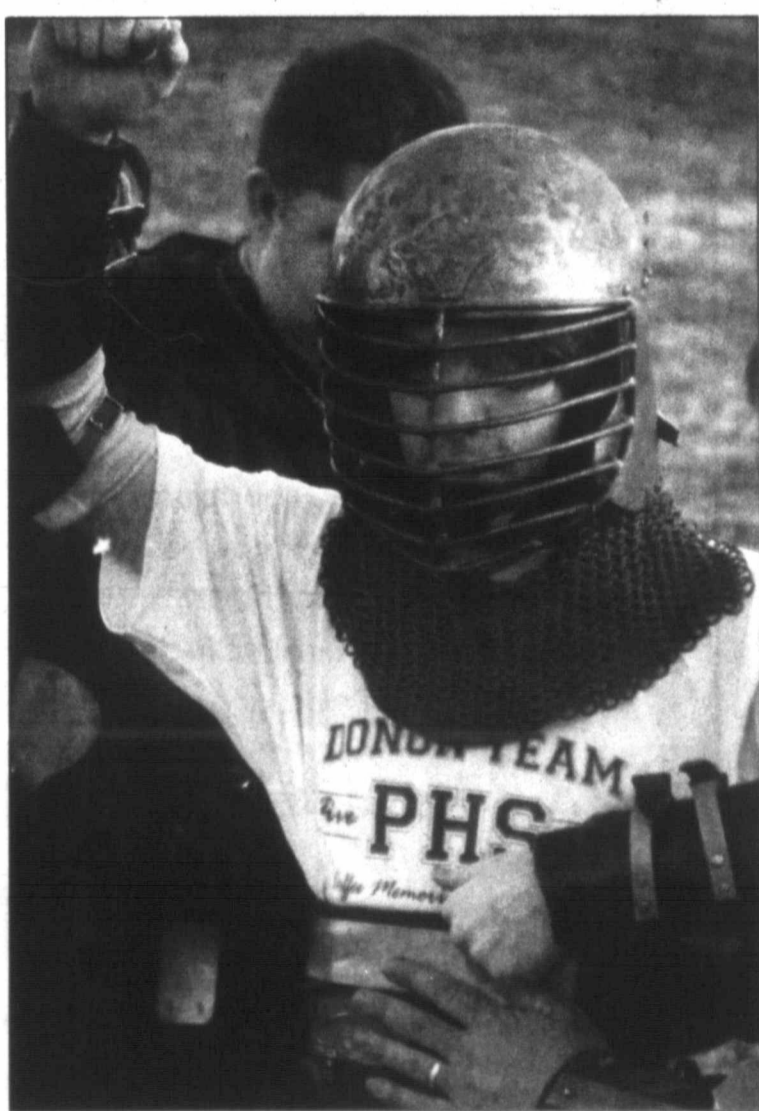
more, so there can be more fighting practices and club activity for our charter to participate in," Myrddin Hawk, James Ricks a seven-year veteran to the organization, said.

During the demonstration, participants used recreated period weapons to fight one

another.

"Although it may seem dangerous, statics have shown that our safety precautions actually make it safer than football," Ricks said.

Despite the skepticism from his mother that Kane only joined for this fighting,



Dustin Elliott has his torso armor duck-taped into place by three of the SCA members before he can fight. Elliott came to observe the event but decided to try his hand at the weaponry when he was offered the opportunity.

he has been able to achieve his goals through the SCA.

"I became a member a year ago, on suggestion of my theatre teacher when I lived in Borger. I decided to join so I could become more in tune with my heritage," he said. "However I have gotten so much more than that out

of the club. When I was younger I dreamed of being a knight. By way of the club, the fantasy of a young boy has been fulfilled."

Anyone interested in joining the SCA should call Ricks at 806.274.9318.

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# Please heed this warning: Do not pay to see 'Wedding Date'

Whenever I review a movie, I realize what I think doesn't influence all of your movie-going decisions. But you have to listen to me now. Do not pay to see "The

Wedding Date." If you must see it, wait until it comes out for rent, and make fun of it then. It even starts problematically, with "Breathless" by The Corrs playing

through the opening credits. Obviously something's wrong when a movie opens with a five-year-old pop song.

"The Wedding Date" begins with a panicked Kat (Debra Messing) getting ready to meet the man she hired as her date for

**Anita Hacker**  
Guest Reviewer



her sister's wedding. We find out her ex-fiance is the best

man at the wedding and she desperately doesn't want to show up alone. Therefore she hires Nick (Dermot Mulroney), a male escort, to pretend to be her boyfriend.

The beginning of the movie is disjointed and flat and is just a glimpse of the awkwardness to come.

We're briefly introduced to her airline job when she arrives at the airport to fly to the London wedding. It's an irrelevant sequence and her job is never mentioned again. When she finally meets Nick on the airplane

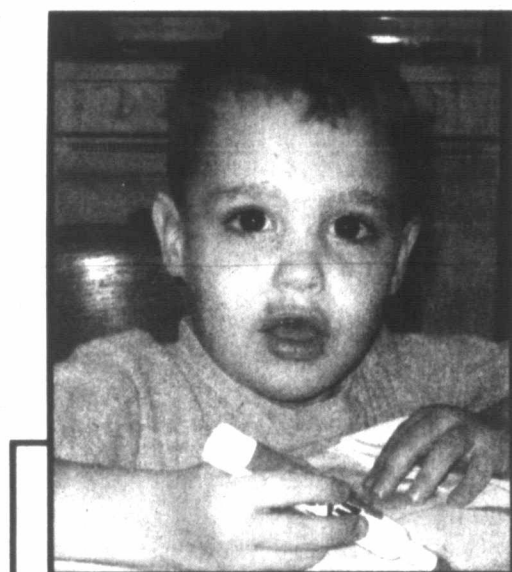
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| <p><b>Pampa Schools</b><br/><b>MONDAY</b><br/>Breakfast: Biscuits, egg patties.<br/>Lunch: Chicken fried steak or pizza dippers, mashed potatoes, green beans, pineapple, rolls.</p> <p><b>TUESDAY</b><br/>Breakfast: Waffle sticks.<br/>Lunch: Soft tacos or chicken strips, Western beans, lettuce/tomatoes, pears, Spanish rice.</p> <p><b>WEDNESDAY</b><br/>Breakfast: Sausage gravy, biscuits.<br/>Lunch: Breaded chicken patties on a bun or pizza, corn, salad, fruit.</p> <p><b>THURSDAY</b><br/>Breakfast: Cinnamon toast.<br/>Lunch: Chef salad or beef/cheese nachos, English peas, potatoes, apricots, gelatin, rolls.</p> <p><b>FRIDAY</b><br/>Breakfast: Cereal, toast.<br/>Lunch: Barbecue on a bun or hot dogs, potato rounds, vegetarian beans, peach cups.</p> <p><b>Lefors Schools</b><br/><b>MONDAY</b><br/>Breakfast: Muffins, cold cereal, toast, juice, milk.<br/>Lunch: Fish, macaroni/cheese, peas, potato smiles, pineapple.</p> <p><b>TUESDAY</b><br/>Breakfast: French toast, cold cereal, toast, juice, milk.<br/>Lunch: Stew or chili, cornbread, cheese portions, pinto beans, pears.</p> <p><b>WEDNESDAY</b><br/>Breakfast: Cheese omelets, cold cereal, toast, juice, milk.<br/>Lunch: Chicken strips or steak fingers, mashed potatoes, gravy, rolls, seasoned green beans, oranges.</p> <p><b>THURSDAY</b><br/>Breakfast: Oatmeal, cold cereal, toast, juice, milk.<br/>Lunch: Lasagna or popcorn chicken, salad, corn, garlic toast, baked apples.</p> <p><b>FRIDAY</b><br/>Breakfast: Cold cereal, toast, juice, milk.<br/>Lunch: Chicken enchiladas or taco salad, refried beans, rice, apricots.</p> | <p><b>Kid's Cafe-Wilson</b><br/><b>MONDAY</b><br/>Teriyaki chicken, baked beans, potato casserole, ice cream.</p> <p><b>WEDNESDAY</b><br/>Frito pie, pinto beans, salad, pudding.</p> <p><b>Kid's Cafe-Lamar</b><br/><b>TUESDAY</b><br/>Hog dogs/chili, chips, muffins, fruit.</p> <p><b>THURSDAY</b><br/>Goulash, cornbread, fruit.</p> <p><b>Senior Citizens</b><br/><b>MONDAY</b><br/>Chicken fried steak or chicken/ham tetrazinni, mashed potatoes, spinach, beets, northern beans, German chocolate cake or blueberry cream pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p><b>TUESDAY</b><br/>Corned beef/cabbage or chili rellenos, scalloped potatoes, broccoli florettes, hominy, beans, Boston cream pie or lemon icebox pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p><b>WEDNESDAY</b><br/>Roast beef brisket/brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, green beans casserole, carrots, beans, red velvet cake or blackberry cobbler, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p><b>THURSDAY</b><br/>Chicken strips or hamburger steak/gravy, tater tots, brussels sprouts, macaroni/cheese, beans, chocolate pistachio cake or custard cups, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p><b>FRIDAY</b><br/>Catfish/hushpuppies or tamales/chili/cheese, potato wedges, cheese grits, beans, brownies or tapioca cups, slaw, tossed or jello salad, garlic bread sticks, hot rolls or cornbread.</p> <p><b>Meals On Wheels</b><br/><b>MONDAY</b><br/>Steak fingers, gravy, broccoli casserole, Rice Krispie treat.</p> |
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## Lifestyles Policy

1. The Pampa News will not be responsible for photographs used in announcing births, weddings, engagements or anniversaries. We also reserve the right to refuse publication of photographs of poor quality. Photographs cannot be returned unless they are accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope. They may be picked up in the office after appearing in the paper.
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.
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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).

## Show

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This exhibit will focus on the extensive collection of Asian art acquired by Bill and Jimmie Dell Price. Past recipients of this award include the May Family of Dallas, the Warren/Fentress Family of Waco, the Fred Jones Family of Oklahoma City, Okla., John D. Murchison of Dallas, the William S. Morris Family of Augusta, Ga., the Wynton Blount Family of Montgomery, Ala., Frank and Peggy Ladd of Amarillo, and the Jack S. Blanton Family of Austin.

The collection includes paintings and woodblock prints, Indian, Gandaran, South and Southeast Asian sculpture as well as Middle Eastern textiles.

The Prices, a news release from the museum said, have been longtime supporters of the museum with contributions to the permanent collection numbering more than 240.



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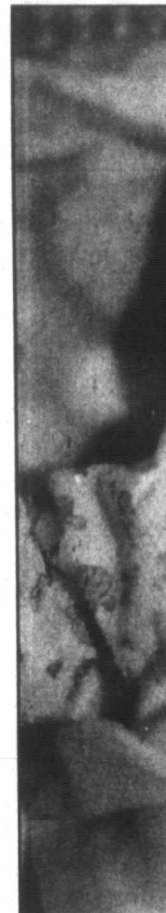
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# Date

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It's anti-climactic. Nothing happens and they hardly speak.

Messing gives a sub-par performance. She basically has two reactions over and over again: confused embarrassment and angered disbelief. Or maybe its angered embarrassment and confused disbelief.

Either way, she never knows what's going on. Also, she's basically playing her TV persona, Grace — a neurotic New Yorker unsatisfied with her love life. But

she's Grace without Will in a weird situation, and Grace without Will just isn't right.

Even though Messing isn't any good, I can understand why she made "Date." A romantic comedy is a justifiable transition from the small screen to the big screen. But why Mulroneu made it, I have no idea.

He's done the romantic comedy that revolves around a wedding. (And "My Best Friend's Wedding" is a far superior film.) His presence is the only redeemable part of this film though. He has a wonderful charisma and charm.

There are many things that make the movie insufferable. The song choice, unfortu-

nately, doesn't get any better after "Breathless." Messing's wardrobe is more suburban country club than Manhattan chic. Except for the outfit she wore to the bachelorette party — it looks like she stole that skirt from a 16-year-old Abercrombie & Fitch model. She supposedly has a bad relationship with her sister, but that's not apparent. They seem to have a great time at that same party. When Kat and Nick get into a fight, one dance during a rehearsal remedies everything.

But what makes this film totally inexcusable is the plot. Now, usually I don't like to go through a lot of plot summary or give any-

thing away, but I can't explain the horror of "Date" otherwise.

In a movie such as this, where the main character is living a lie, the conflict comes from keeping the story up. But in this film, nobody figures out Nick is a male escort. They never even suspect him. So, what is the conflict, you ask.

It's a completely contrived love triangle that Nick isn't even part of. It involves Kat, her ex-fiancé and her sister. And it's not even a current love triangle that's the problem, but the discovery that it once existed.

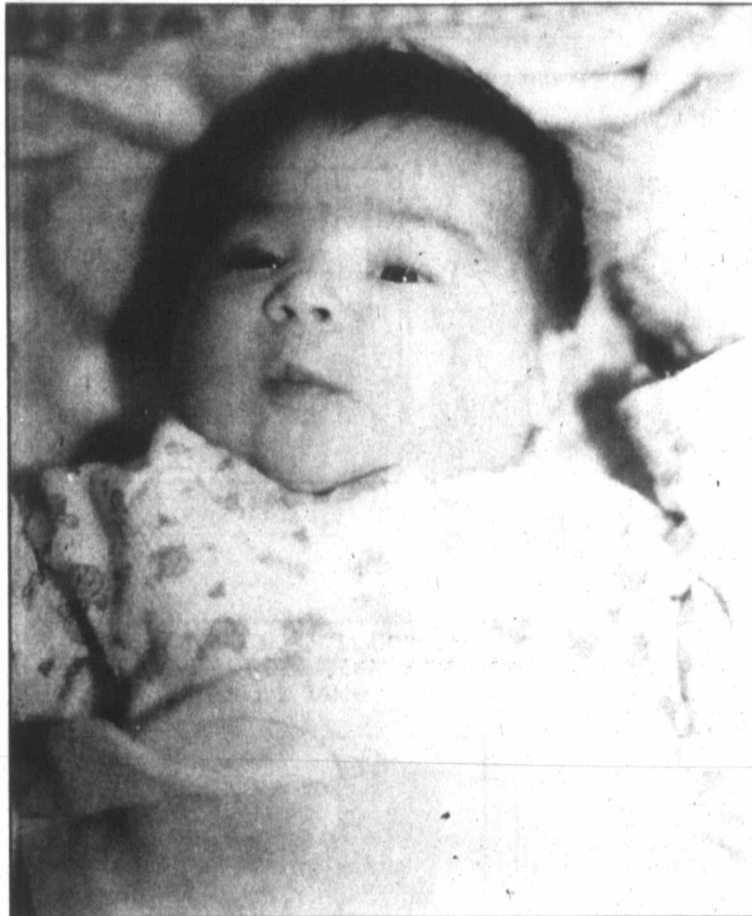
If you have any respect or awe for the cinema, I beg of you, stay away from "The

Wedding Date." It's a poor excuse for a movie.

Grade: F

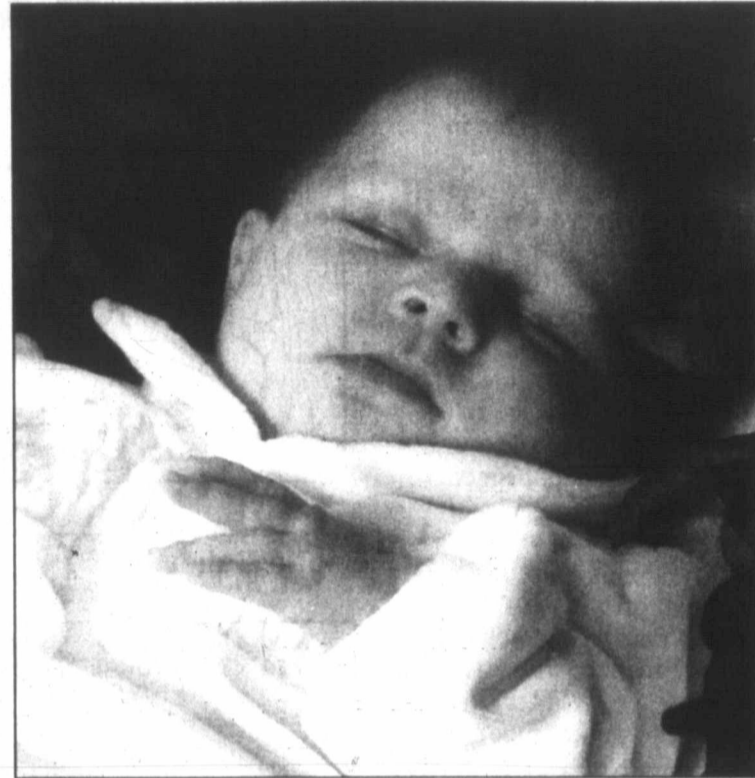
School in 2001 and is a recipient of the Eugene and Daniela Anderson Scholarship. She's now a senior journalism major at the University of Texas at Austin.

## Cradle call



### Betty Danielle Addington

Betty Danielle Addington was born Nov. 30, 2004, at Pampa Regional Medical Center, to Rick and Gina Addington of Pampa. At birth, the infant weighed 8-pounds, 14-ounces and was 21-inches long. Relatives include grandparents, Mike and Marsha McFarland, Kenny Addington, Betty Addington and Mychelle Smith, all of Pampa.



### Jayden Janae Danner

Jayden Janae Danner was born at 9:21 p.m. Nov. 1, 2004, at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo, to Crystal Herrera and Schuyler Danner of Pampa. At birth, the infant weighed 6-pounds, 12 1/2-ounces and was 19 1/2-inches long. Relatives include grandparents, Penny Herrera, Darrell and Dixie Danner, all of Pampa, and Juan Herrera of North Carolina; and great-grandparents, Helen Danner of Pampa, Terry and Nan Hodge of Midland, the late Loyce Bernal, the late Darrell Danner Sr., the late Pete and Loyce Bond and the late George Keeton.

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THE PAMPA NEWS COMICS

# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

**DEAR ABBY:** I am ashamed to admit this, but after 20 years of marriage, my husband told me that he was meant to have a woman's body. My self-confidence is destroyed. Our children are suffering in every aspect of their lives. I cannot grasp my husband's revelation, as I love him still. I also accept that this is something I cannot change, but ever since we separated, the men I have dated have all turned out to be gay.

Is it me? Am I cursed? Or do I curse others? -- DEVASTATED IN DETROIT

**DEAR DEVASTATED:** This has nothing to do with you, and there are no curses involved. Your husband was born the wrong gender, and it's nobody's "fault."

Counseling can help you come to grips with this issue. Since your husband is considering gender reassignment, it follows that he is seeing a therapist. You need help, too. I recommend that you ask his therapist to refer you to a psychologist or psychiatrist who is knowledgeable about transgender issues.

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**DEAR ABBY:** I am in college, and four out of five of my roommates smoke. About two-thirds of my friends are smokers, too. They all know it's bad for them, but it is hard to quit.

I see cigarette packs and lighters lying around and I am very tempted to start smoking. I don't know why, because I know it's unhealthy. I have never smoked, but I'm afraid that I'll start soon. How can I make the right decision? -- NAIL-BITING IN ROCHESTER, N.Y.

**DEAR NAIL-BITING:** Making "the right decision" will be easier if you remove yourself from temptation. Request a change of living quarters to accommodations that are strictly nonsmoking,

because research has proven that secondhand smoke can make you sick.

"A stitch in time saves nine," and the sagest advice I can offer is not to start smoking in the first place. Tobacco is a nasty addiction to kick — witness your friends and acquaintances who would quit if they could. When the urge is strong, picture yourself attached to an oxygen tank trying desperately to inhale oxygen into tobacco-damaged lungs. Not a pretty picture. Be smart; don't start.

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**DEAR ABBY:** I am 16 and the mother of a beautiful little boy. His father is no longer in the picture.

There is a man in my life who loves my son and me very much. I'll call him Joe. Joe and I have been together for eight incredible months, and he recently proposed to me. One week later, I caught him cheating on me. I was heartbroken and didn't know what to do. Joe told me how sorry he was and begged me to give him another chance. I agreed.

But, Abby, things don't seem the same anymore. It feels like I'm the only one trying in this relationship. I realize I also have to consider my son. Was I wrong to give him a second chance? -- CONFUSED IN RENO, NEV.

**DEAR CONFUSED:** Yes. A man who is sincerely in love, and mature enough for marriage and fatherhood, does not cheat a week after he proposes. You are only 16. It's time to step back and consider how you plan to raise your son. It is vital that you complete your education so you are able to support yourself and your child. Only when you are financially independent should you consider marriage to anyone.

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## Crossword Puzzle

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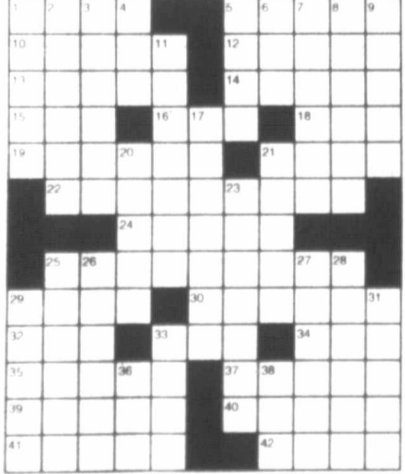
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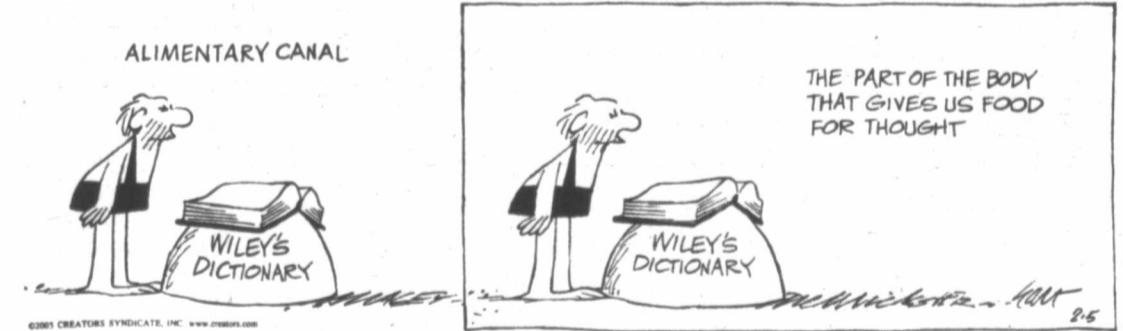
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GRANDVIEW-HOPKINS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2004

| Data Control Codes                     | 10  |                   | 50        | Total Governmental Funds |                  |
|--|---|-------------------|-----------|--------------------------|------------------|
|  | General Fund                                      | Debt Service Fund |           |                          | Other Funds      |
| <b>REVENUES:</b>                       |   |                   |           |                          |                  |
| 5700                                   | Total Local and Intermediate Sources              | \$628,549         | \$249,705 | \$2,936                  | \$881,190        |
| 5800                                   | State Program Revenues                            | 34,785            | -         | 9,234                    | 44,019           |
| 5900                                   | Federal Program Revenues                          | -                 | -         | 27,120                   | 27,120           |
| 5020                                   | Total Revenues                                    | 663,334           | 249,705   | 39,290                   | 952,329          |
| <b>EXPENDITURES</b>                    |   |                   |           |                          |                  |
| <b>Current:</b>                        |   |                   |           |                          |                  |
| 0011                                   | Instruction                                       | 175,190           | -         | 27,435                   | 202,625          |
| 0012                                   | Instructional Resources & Media Services          | 15,502            | -         | 5,247                    | 20,749           |
| 0013                                   | Curriculum & Instructional Staff Development      | 12,213            | -         | -                        | 12,213           |
| 0023                                   | School Leadership                                 | 57,049            | -         | 53                       | 57,102           |
| 0031                                   | Guidance, Counseling & Evaluation Services        | 19,031            | -         | -                        | 19,031           |
| 0033                                   | Health Services                                   | 1,589             | -         | -                        | 1,589            |
| 0034                                   | Student (Pupil) Transportation                    | 17,264            | -         | 58                       | 17,322           |
| 0035                                   | Food Services                                     | 1,204             | -         | 45,107                   | 46,311           |
| 0036                                   | Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities           | 2,330             | -         | -                        | 2,330            |
| 0041                                   | General Administration                            | 55,671            | -         | 106                      | 55,777           |
| 0051                                   | Plant Maintenance and Operation                   | 69,855            | -         | 169                      | 70,024           |
| <b>Debt Service:</b>                   |   |                   |           |                          |                  |
| 0071                                   | Debt Service - Principal on long-term debt        | -                 | 310,000   | -                        | 310,000          |
| 0072                                   | Debt Service - Interest on long-term debt         | -                 | 17,972    | -                        | 17,972           |
| 0073                                   | Debt Service - Bond Issuance Cost and Fees        | -                 | 1,000     | -                        | 1,000            |
| <b>Intergovernmental:</b>              |   |                   |           |                          |                  |
| 0091                                   | Contracted Instructional Services Between Schools | 351,635           | -         | -                        | 351,635          |
| 0093                                   | Payments to Fiscal Agent/Member District of SSA   | 4,446             | -         | -                        | 4,446            |
| 6030                                   | Total Expenditures                                | 782,979           | 328,972   | 78,175                   | 1,190,126        |
| 1100                                   | Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under)      | (119,645)         | (79,267)  | (38,885)                 | (237,797)        |
| <b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):</b> |   |                   |           |                          |                  |
| 7915                                   | Transfers In                                      | -                 | 73,730    | 38,885                   | 112,615          |
| 8911                                   | Transfers Out (Use)                               | (112,615)         | -         | -                        | (112,615)        |
| 7080                                   | Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)              | (112,615)         | 73,730    | 38,885                   | -                |
| 1200                                   | Net Change in Fund Balances                       | (232,260)         | (5,537)   | -                        | (237,797)        |
| 0100                                   | Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)            | 550,637           | 6,792     | -                        | 557,429          |
| 3000                                   | Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)                 | \$318,377         | \$1,255   | \$-                      | \$319,632        |
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Getting caught up

# Financial checkup calls for six 'smart' money moves

By Ellie Kay  
America's Family Financial Expert

(NAPSA) — The beginning of the year is a great time to follow six smart money moves that should be a part of your annual financial checkup:

- 1. An Emergency Savings Account.** This is not an investment account; its purpose is not growth, but safety. These funds would be accessed in the event of unemployment, emergency home repairs, or unexpected bills and can be built with automatic monthly savings fund transfers from your paycheck. It's good to have a minimum of three month's worth of living expenses in this account.
- 2. Health Insurance.** Double your insur-

ance dollars by using a new program approved in January of 2004 by Congress—Health Savings Accounts, or HSAs. This is like an IRA for health care. You can use the tax-free money needed for health care services and products not covered by your health insurance plan today and save the remainder in an interest-bearing account for tomorrow.

At [www.eHealthInsurance.com](http://www.eHealthInsurance.com) you'll find HSA-eligible plans available immediately and anonymously, or get help from their no-pressure customer care representatives by phone. The two main benefits to remember about HSAs are: a) they make coverage more accessible and affordable and, b) they give consumers greater control over money spent on health-related expenses.

**3. A Retirement Account.** Take advantage of terrific tax-deferred accounts offered by your employer, including 401(k) and 403(b) plans. Keep in mind that Health Savings Accounts are in addition to traditional retirement plans so max out tax advantages by implementing both of these plans.

**4. A Good Credit Rating.** Three quick and simple ways to improve credit ratings include: a) pay bills a day early rather than a day late, b) pay \$5 to \$10 above the minimum payment, and c) never carry more than 50 percent of your total credit line on any given card.

**5. A College Fund.** Select a college savings account that has low fees, a good selection of investments, plus a tax break. One of

the best buys is a Qualified State Tuition Plan, also called 529 Plans. Go to [www.savingforcollege.com](http://www.savingforcollege.com) to research the right tax-deferred or tax-deductible plan for you.

**6. An Internet Connection.** Here's an easy one. As simple as it may sound, Internet access is a good financial move because it allows you to study any financial topic with a few clicks. This helps with everything from researching health insurance rates at [www.eHealthInsurance.com](http://www.eHealthInsurance.com) to locating money-savings links at [www.ellikey.com](http://www.ellikey.com).

• Ellie Kay is the best-selling author of eight books, a frequent guest on CNBC and CNN and a national radio commentator with "Money Matters."

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**Choosing books young children will love**

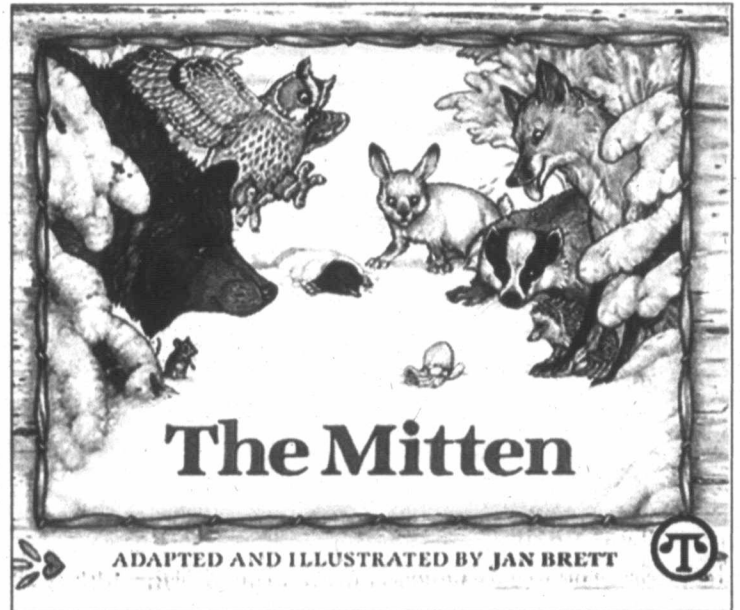
During the preschool years, children build the foundation for reading and writing. They begin to understand humor and silliness, and they appreciate rhyming or catchy text. Good children's books contain engaging illustrations that contribute to telling the story and depict multicultural diversity.

In general, avoid books with too much drama or conflict and about cartoons on television. The large selection of original children's literature does much more for expanding children's worlds and imagination.

**Jumpstart's Top 10 book picks**

Jumpstart has gathered a list of favorite children's books to give to and read with a child:

- "Each Peach, Pear, Plum" (Janet and Allan Ahlberg, Picture Puffins)
- "The Mitten" (Jan Brett, G.P. Putnam's Sons)
- "Very Hungry Caterpillar" (Eric Carle, Philomel Books)
- "Abuela" (Arthur Dorros, Dutton)
- "Corduroy" (Don Freeman, Viking Children's Books)
- "The Paper Bag



▲ "The Mitten" is one of Jumpstart's Top 10 book picks.

- Princess" (Robert Munsch, Munsch for Kids)
- "Kissing Hand" (Audrey Pen, Child Welfare League of America)
- "Goodnight Gorilla" (Peggy Rathmann, G.P. Putnam's Sons)
- "The Little Mouse, the Red Ripe Strawberry, and the Big Hungry Bear" (Audrey Wood and Don Wood, Child's Play International, Ltd.)
- "Owl Moon" (Jane Yolen and John Schoenherr, Philomel Books)

**Reading tips**  
To help you make the most of your time reading with children, use these tips as a helpful guide:

1. Introduce the book for the first time by talking about the title, author, and illustrator.
2. Read the entire story and point to each word as you read it.
3. Ask one or two questions per page.
4. Don't say the last word in a sentence. Prompt the

child to complete the sentence for you.

5. Ask questions about what happened in the story after you have read it.

6. Ask questions from the story that might relate to the child's life. Children are more likely to enjoy being read to when they know the story or are captivated by the topic.

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(NAPSA) — With the advent of new entertainment possibilities such as karaoke microphones, the world of console gaming is opening up to a new crowd. More and more casual players are buying the systems for fun at parties and to revel in rock-and-roll daydreams.

The Logitech USB Microphone for the PlayStation(r)2, when used with karaoke games such as Konami's "Karaoke Revolution" series, provides an entertaining experience at an affordable price.

Its sleek design combines a classic karaoke feel with a modern edge. The Logitech USB Microphone and speakers are available at stores or at [www.logitech.com](http://www.logitech.com).

More than 50 percent of children ages 7 to 17 have schedules jam-packed with after-school sports or extracurricular activities.

Involvement in after-school activities improves a child's self-esteem and helps develop important skills, but balancing these activities with schoolwork can be a challenge.

Mobile learning may be the key, says Maria Bailey, Office Depot's Family Organization Expert. Parents may be able to get kids to do their homework while they are on the go if they keep a "mobile homework station" handy.

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People, a national entertainment retailer that delivers a fun experience and portraits full of personality.

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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Feb. 6, 2005:

This year, frequently pull back before going on automatic. Often, your knee-jerk reactions could be coming from fatigue or frustration. Guard your health and well-being. Exercise, rest and good eating habits can make all the difference in how you feel, and thus how your year turns out. Take a class in yoga or meditation. You will need to center yourself. If you are single, please check out each person who heads in your direction. Someone might not be as available as you would like. Avoid leaping into commitments until you are 100 percent sure. If you are attached, include your significant other in your plans more often. The two of you will love your downtime together. Schedule a vacation to relax rather than play the tourist. **CANCER** can be annoying.

This Week: After you are 100 percent sure of the facts, take action. You deserve the limelight. **CANCER** (June 21-July 22)

\*\*\* Let others run with the ball, especially if you are too tired and dragged down. Your fatigue comes out. Why not take an extra snooze or two to get over the hump? Others like being in control. Tonight: The only answer is "yes."

This Week: Respond to requests, though you will note a pattern beginning Wednesday. **LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)

\*\* Not every moment can or will be fun. What you need is some time off from all the recent stress and happenings. Read your Sunday newspaper. Put your feet up. If you fall asleep and get an extra snooze or two, all the better. Tonight: Early to bed.

This Week: Others tell you what they expect. Say "yes." Don't cause any problems. **VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

\*\*\* Where others see today for R and R, you have no doubt about your plans. Your spunk, vaavoom and happy spirit take you right into the realm of fun and making merry. You might get into a pillow fight, even if you are "grown up." Tonight: Swap jokes.

This Week: Head in Monday with your goals in mind. Don't allow distractions to prevent you from achieving what you want. **LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

\*\*\* Make your lounge chair or sofa your base of operations. Become a total couch potato. Laugh and relax. Don't feel as if you need to lift even a finger if you don't want to. Still, a walk or stretch might be appealing. Tonight: Order in. Continue the easy theme.

This Week: Settling in might take until Wednesday. Expect to put in overtime as a result. **SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

\*\*\* Sometimes you must make the effort if what you want done is important. Others might not have the same priorities. Change plans if you're not happy with what you are doing. Take some time out to write down your thoughts. Tonight: Treat yourself how you

want others to treat you.

This Week: Work from home or find a quiet corner. From Wednesday on, you flourish. **SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

\*\*\* You might not have the financial control you would like. Reversing this trend might not be possible right away. You cannot change plans without ruining someone's day. Decisions made today can be acted on tomorrow. Tonight: Worry less about money — for now. This Week: Hop on the phone. Return messages. Schedule a meeting. Do all of this before Wednesday.

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

\*\*\* Your efforts allow many to kick back and have a good time. What seems excessive emotionally could be hiding someone's vulnerability. Be sensitive to what might be happening with this person. Tonight: Whatever you do is perfect.

This Week: Follow through on a money matter. Others want advice. They look to you. **AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

\*\*\* Know when to cut all the socializing and cocoon. Whether you are doing your taxes or handling a personal issue, close your door and think through your actions. Use your mind. Give your body time off. Tonight: Early to bed.

This Week: You enter your power days Monday. Can anyone stop you? Let them try! **PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)

\*\*\* Look to the long term. You might not want to indulge a child or new friend. A pattern might need changing. Though you might get flak initially, ultimately you know what you want and expect. Tonight: Catch up on a friend's news.

This Week: On Wednesday, step on out. You become a natural leader.

**BORN TODAY**

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**N. NELSON** - Corner lot located across from Travis school. Bath has new fixtures. New paint on exterior. Three bedrooms. Central heat and air, and a single garage. MLS 6450

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**EVERGREEN** - Corner lot with woodburning fireplace. Three bedrooms, central heat and air. Covered patio. Lots of storage. Built-in bookcases. 2 living areas. Double garage. MLS6607

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Always put your best foot forward. This year you are a natural-born leader, with charisma and energy helping your life work. Your spontaneity, mixed with an innate intelligence, tosses you into the winner's circle. Fulfill a thirst for new information, different perspectives and greater understanding. You will be driven to open up to new concepts. Travel and education could play significant roles this birthday year. If you are single, you will be overwhelmed by your many choices. Decide how involved you want to get before choosing the person. The type of relationship you desire might determine who becomes your sweetie. If you are attached, be sensitive to your significant other, even if you are often the lead actor or in the spotlight. **AQUARIUS** understands more than you'd like!

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)

\*\*\* Recognize what works and then make it so. Hesitating or stalling will only cause problems, even with the best of intentions. An associate cannot do enough. You will not be able to stop this person, even if you would like to. Tonight: You're happiest with friends.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)

\*\*\* Your unusual efforts come back in multiples. Emphasize daily life and your community status. You might need to work hard, but you'll succeed beyond your expectations. Accept compliments gracefully. Tonight: A force wherever you are.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)

\*\*\* Your imagination mixes well with your intellect. In fact, you might

not be able to separate the two. Don't hold back with love or money. Just zero in. Go off and do. Empathy enhances a special relationship. Tonight: Touch base with a loved one.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)

\*\*\* An offer from a partner or associate might be too good to turn down. You will gain through this association, especially right now. Security and professional matters come to the forefront. Indulge yourself today and more often. Tonight: Togetherness works.

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

\*\*\* Someone lures you in with softness and caring. What you are actually seeing is only a part of this person and not the total personality. Communication is heavy and could be burdensome. Still, your upbeat spirit punctuates your interactions. Tonight: Say "I love you."

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

\*\*\* Put your best foot forward with the people you work and deal with on a daily basis. Your actions help smooth over another's problems. You want to gain clarity and understanding about a money matter. Don't take an agreement for granted. Tonight: Choose a favorite way to relax.

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

\*\*\* You inevitably bounce through whatever you encounter. Your imagination goes haywire at the simplest statements. Others might not get what you are chucking about. You also might not want to share the reason, either! Tonight: Forget it is Monday night.

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

\*\*\* Intuitively, you understand much more than you realize. You don't have to share everything with everyone. In fact, you might want to test your

insights on a trusted confidante before discussing your opinions. Even you could be wrong! Tonight: Happy at home.

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

\*\*\* Where your friends are is where you want to be. A meeting could turn into a social event with your steady guidance. You simply cannot take anyone or anything seriously right now. Return calls, ask questions and explore options. Tonight: Hang out.

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

\*\*\* Your high-performance gets rewarded sooner rather than later. In fact, a boss wants to reward you for your exceptional job. Listen to a loved one who gives you some feedback. Use timing. Tonight: Your treat. Enjoy yourself.

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

\*\*\* Can you be stopped? Not if you know what you want and where you are heading. Break a pattern if it doesn't serve you. Sometimes you limit yourself with unchallenged thought patterns. Encourage others to play devil's advocate. Tonight: As you wish.

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

\*\*\* Know when to say little, except to a trusted adviser. You might not always come off as clear as you would like. Deal with others on a one-on-one level. Your subtlety and understanding draw others. Tonight: Chill with a friend.

**BORN TODAY**

Comedian Chris Rock (1966), author Charles Dickens (1812), author, Lord Chancellor of England, Saint Thomas More (1478)

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| 1826 Hamilton          | \$75,000  | 4/2/2 cp - 2196 SF/GCAD       |  |
| 309 W. Randy Matson    | \$69,500  | 2/1/7/5/2 - 1622 SF/GCAD      |  |
| 2216 Evergreen         | \$67,000  | 3/1/7/5/2 - 1413 SF/GCAD      |  |
| 2526 Mary Ellen        | \$65,000  | 3/1/7/5/1 - 1423 SF/GCAD      |  |
| 2131 Chestnut          | \$65,000  | 3/1/5/1 - 1285 SF/GCAD        |  |
| 1106 Charles           | \$61,500  | 3/1/1/None - 1834 SF/GCAD     |  |
| 2228 N. Russell        | \$50,000  | 2/2/None - 1485 SF/GCAD       |  |
| 2126 N. Russell        | \$38,000  | 2/2/None - 1485 SF/GCAD       |  |
| 615 Frost              | \$35,000  | 3/1/1 - 1078 SF/GCAD          |  |
| 2247 Mary Ellen        | \$35,000  | 3/1/1 - 1078 SF/GCAD          |  |
| 2314 Mary Ellen        | \$32,500  | 2/1/1 - 1293 SF/GCAD          |  |
| 1534 Hamilton          | \$31,000  | 2/1/1 - 1293 SF/GCAD          |  |
| 2630 Seminole          | \$28,500  | 2/1/None - 1020 SF/GCAD       |  |
| 1316 Mary Ellen        | \$28,000  | 2/1/1 - 1030 SF/GCAD          |  |
| 1301 Starkweather      | \$26,500  | 3/2/None - 1794 SF/GCAD       |  |
| 1013 Mary Ellen        | \$26,000  | 2/1/1 - 1280 SF/GCAD          |  |
| 1105 Garland           | \$25,000  | 2/1/1 CP - 898 SF/GCAD        |  |
| 938 Duncan             | \$24,900  | 6/2/None - 1868 SF/GCAD       |  |
| 1825 Duncan            | \$18,270  | 3/1/1 - 1144 SF/GCAD          |  |
| 1230 N. Russell        | \$10,000  | 2/1/1 - 750 SF/GCAD           |  |

| LAMAR SCHOOL DISTRICT |          | South West                |  |
|-----------------------|----------|---------------------------|--|
| 831 S. Banks          | \$37,500 | 3/1/1 Det. - 1092 SF/GCAD |  |
| 405 N. Somerville     | \$19,000 | 2/1/1 - 936 SF/GCAD       |  |
| 936 S. Nelson         | \$8,500  | 1/1/1 - 560 SF/GCAD       |  |

| TRAVIS SCHOOL DISTRICT |           | West and North West           |  |
|------------------------|-----------|-------------------------------|--|
| 1501 N. Nelson         | \$118,000 | 4/1/2 - 2306 SF/GCAD          |  |
| 1601 N. Sumner         | \$95,000  | 4/2/2 - 2076 SF/GCAD          |  |
| 1916 Lynn              | \$89,900  | 4/2/2 - 2258 SF/GCAD          |  |
| 1415 N. Christy        | \$87,500  | 3/2/2 - 1793 SF/GCAD          |  |
| 1605 N. Zimmers        | \$85,000  | 3/1/7/5/2 - 1737 SF/GCAD      |  |
| 2232 N. Sumner         | \$82,500  | 4/1/5/2 - 1894 SF/GCAD        |  |
| 1932 N. Zimmers        | \$69,900  | 3/1/7/5/2 - 2150 SF/GCAD      |  |
| 931 Cinderella         | \$55,500  | 3/1/7/5/2 - 1198 SF/GCAD      |  |
| 2908 Rosewood          | \$48,000  | 2/1/5/2 cp - 1537 SF/GCAD     |  |
| 1828 N. Christy        | \$46,000  | 3/1/7/5/1 - 1231 SF/GCAD      |  |
| 824 N. Dwight          | \$45,000  | 3/1/7/5/1 - 1286 SF/GCAD      |  |
| 1507 N. Sumner         | \$44,500  | 3/1/7/5/1 - 1124 SF/GCAD      |  |
| 2224 N. Wells          | \$36,000  | 3/1/1 - 1210 SF/GCAD          |  |
| 2225 N. Dwight         | \$32,500  | 3/1/1 - 1209 SF/GCAD          |  |
| 809 N. Dwight          | \$31,000  | 3/2/1 - 1269 SF/GCAD          |  |
| 1100 Cinderella        | \$30,000  | 3 or 4/1/7/5/1 - 1411 SF/GCAD |  |
| 1040 Cinderella        | \$29,900  | 3/1/7/5/2 - 1680 SF/GCAD      |  |
| 1800 Faulkner          | \$29,900  | 2/1/1 - 1405 SF/GCAD          |  |
| 1913 N. Banks          | \$29,000  | 2/1/1 - 1067 SF/GCAD          |  |
| 623 Roberto            | \$28,500  | 2/1/1 - 845 SF/GCAD           |  |
| 704 N. Wells           | \$27,500  | 3/1/7/5/1 - 1100 SF/GCAD      |  |
| 217 N. Faulkner        | \$26,200  | 3/1/1 - 1020 SF/GCAD          |  |
| 2221 N. Sumner         | \$26,000  | 3/1/1 - 1064 SF/GCAD          |  |

| WILSON SCHOOL DISTRICT |          | South East                  |  |
|------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|--|
| 812 Denver             | \$68,000 | 3 Mobile Homes              |  |
| 901 E. Francis         | \$41,000 | 4/2/2 - 1866 SF/GCAD        |  |
| 1333 E. Kingsmill      | \$32,500 | 3/1/2 det - 1216 SF/GCAD    |  |
| 1408 E. Browning       | \$32,500 | 2/1/2 cp - 1416 SF/GCAD     |  |
| 1329 E. Kingsmill      | \$23,000 | 2/1/1 - 679 SF/GCAD         |  |
| 500 Magnolia           | \$20,000 | 3/1/None - 1208 SF/GCAD     |  |
| 730 Murphy             | \$18,000 | 2/1/7/5/2 cp - 1178 SF/GCAD |  |

| OTHER AREAS              |           | Outside Pampa City Limits        |  |
|--------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|--|
| 10268 Hwy. 60 Canadian   | \$245,000 | 3/2/2 - 2190 SF/HCAD 13.64 Acres |  |
| House & Fifty Acres      | \$160,000 | 3/2/2 - 1879 SF/GCAD 12 Acres    |  |
| 607 Gardenia, White Deer | \$122,500 | 3/2/2 - 1993 SF/GCAD             |  |
| 208 S. Gray, Lefors      | \$59,900  | 3/1/5/2 - 1378 SF/GCAD           |  |
| 314 W. Wichita, Miami    | \$45,900  | 5/2/None - 2044 SF/GCAD          |  |
| 319 S. Main, Miami       | \$44,900  | 3/2/2 - 1834 SF/GCAD             |  |
| 509 Willston, White Deer | \$34,500  | 3/1/2 - 1257 SF/GCAD             |  |
| 200 Walnut, Skellytown   | \$30,000  | 2/1/7/5/2 - 1600 SF/GCAD         |  |
| 304 Popham, White Deer   | \$25,000  | 2/1/None - 728 SF/GCAD           |  |
| 702 Swift, White Deer    | \$23,000  | 4 or 5/1 - 992 SF & 832 Basement |  |
| 615 Lee, Borger          | \$12,000  | 2/1/1 cp - 800 SF/HCAD           |  |

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## Public Notice

**TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**

### NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN AIR PERMIT

**PROPOSED AIR QUALITY PERMIT NO. 74438**  
**APPLICATION National-Oilwell, L.P.,** has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for issuance of Air Quality Permit No 74438 which would authorize continued operation of the Surface Coating operations at the National Oilwell Pampa Site. The site is located at 11659 U.S. Highway 60 West, Pampa, Gray County, Texas. The facility will emit the following air contaminants: volatile organic compounds, acetone and particulate matter less than 10 microns in diameter.

This application was submitted to the TCEQ on December 03, 2004. The application is available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Amarillo regional office, and the Lovett Memorial Library, 111 North Houston Street, Pampa, Gray County, Texas. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Amarillo regional office of the TCEQ.

The TCEQ executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application.

**PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING** You may submit public comments, a request for a public meeting, or a contested case hearing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. **The deadline to submit public comments is 30 days after newspaper notice is published.**

The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or ask questions about the application. A public meeting about the application may

## Public Notice

be held if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

If only comments are received on the application, the response to comments, along with notice of the executive director's action on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for this application.

If a hearing request is timely filed, the executive director will complete the technical review, issue a preliminary decision on the application, and a Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the final deadline for submitting public comments.

**After the final deadline for public comments following any required Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and materials, or significant public comments. If comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or is on a mailing list for this application.**

**OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING** You may request a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in civil trial instate district court. Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 30 days from this notice, the executive director may approve the application. **If no hearing request is received within this 30-day period, no further opportunity for hearing will be provided.** A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on those issues raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative),

mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; and (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility. If the request is made by a group or an association, the one or more members who have standing to request a hearing, and the interests which the group or association seeks to protect, must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 30 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk, at the address below.

**MAILING LISTS** In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list to receive future public notices for this specific application mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk by sending a written request to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

**INFORMATION** Written public comments or requests for a public meeting or contested case hearing should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. General information regarding the TCEQ can be found at [www.tceq.state.tx.us](http://www.tceq.state.tx.us).

Further information may also be obtained from National-Oilwell, L.P., P.O. Box 1101, Pampa, Texas 79066-1101 or by calling Mr. Jim Benton, Manager, Safety, Security and Environmental at (806) 661-4158.

Issuance Date: January 14, 2005  
 B-66 Feb. 6, 2005

## Public Notice

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF SUEVELLA CUBINE**

Notice is hereby given that original letters testamentary upon the Estate of Suevella Cubine, Deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on January 31, 2005, in Cause Number 9161, pending in the County Court of Gray County, Texas. All persons having claims against this estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to me within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. Dated: January 31, 2005  
 Floella Cubine  
 Quattlebaum  
 Independent Executor of the Estate of Suevella Cubine, Deceased  
 c/o Vanessa G. Buzzard  
 Peterson Farris Pruitt & Parker, P.C.  
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 Pampa, Texas 79065  
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**AMARILLO Delivery Service.** (806)665-7847. Amarillo, Pampa, Borger-area. Door-to-door, same day service. Mon-Fri.

**FULL time childcare** in my home. Mon.-Fri., 6 a.m.-6 p.m., after school care avail. Please call 806-665-5221.

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**INNOVATIVE STAFFING SOLUTIONS LLC**

**NOW HIRING TEMPORARY AND CAREER POSITIONS!**

**NEED IMMEDIATELY!**

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**Processing Crew Feed Truck Driver**  
 Please fax resume to 806-856-5374 or apply in person, 3900 County Road 23, Hedley, Tx. (2.5 miles west of Hedley), or contact the Maintenance Mgr., Keith Christopher, 806-930-2567. Crow Hollow offers great pay and good benefits.

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**NOTICE: All ads that contain phone numbers or give reference to a number with an area code of 809 or a prefix of 011 are international toll numbers and you will be charged international long distance rates. For more information and assistance regarding the investigation of work at home opportunities and job lists, The Pampa News urges its readers to contact the Better Business Bureau of South Texas, 609 S. International Blvd., Weslaco, Tx. 78596, (210) 968-3678.**

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**DRIVERS** needed. Class A CDL & DOT Hazmat req. No license violations. Uniforms, & health insurance provided. Inquire: 129 S. Price Rd., Pampa, Triangle Well Service. No phone calls please!

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# Organizations needed for kids' summer food program

AUSTIN — Federally funded school breakfasts and lunches help millions of low-income children get nutritious meals during the school year. The Summer Food Service Program is looking for organizations to make sure those children don't go hungry when school lets out. "We serve more and more kids every year," said Lynn Manor, outreach coordinator for the state program. "But it's never enough to reach children in all of the state's eligible areas."

Beginning Feb. 15, the state will accept applications from organizations for the Summer Food Service Program, which serves meals to low-income children when schools are closed for vacation. The program, operated by the Texas Health and Human Services Commission, depends on the participation of organizations throughout Texas. Applications will be available at [www.summerfood.org](http://www.summerfood.org) and are due by April 15.

The program is offered statewide in areas or at sites where more than 50 percent of the children are eligible for free or reduced-price meals under the National School Lunch Program. Special efforts are underway to sign up providers in certain high-need, low-income areas: Andrews, Bonham, Breckenridge, Brookshire, Childress, Columbus, Dublin, Dumas, Emory, Ennis, Ferris, Galveston, Graham, Grand Saline, Kerrville, La Grange,

Lancaster, Lewisville, Llano, Midlothian, Palmer, Penitas, Plano, Port Arthur, Rockport, Rockwall, Round Rock, San Saba, Seminole, Sullivan, Wharton and Winnie. "We really need programs in rural communities and in areas where there are migrant farm workers and native American groups," Manor said. In 2004, more than 11 million meals were served to children through the Summer Food Service Program, up more than 700,000 from

2003. Meals were served at more than 2,400 sites by 350 sponsors. Manor said the Summer Food Program needs to be more widespread to better serve children who live in remote areas. "It would greatly improve access to have programs in community centers, churches, camps and other sites that are closer to the homes or activities of the children who need a food program." Organizations eligible to sponsor the program include

schools, nonprofit residential summer camps, government agencies and tax-exempt organizations. Potential sponsors are required to take training courses offered in several Texas cities before participating in the Summer Food Service Program. Training begins in February for early applicants. For more information, call the Summer Food Services Program office at (512) 420-2449.

## Series of statewide workshops slated to shift rural tourism into high gear

AUSTIN — An information-packed series of statewide workshops will be launched over the next five months to provide rural communities hands-on tools for boosting tourism, the Texas Department of Agriculture announced today. The Texas Yes! Bootstrap Marketing Workshop Series II, "Start Your Engines: Shifting Rural Tourism into High Gear," is a follow-up to the Texas Yes! Bootstrap Marketing Workshop Series I that began in 2004. Both series are sponsored by TDA's Texas Yes! program in partnership with the Office of the Governor, Economic Development and Tourism. Series II will kick off in Jasper, Feb. 21-22, before continuing in the following cities: Seabrook, May 9-10; Weslaco, May 11-12; Eden, June 6-7; and Canyon, June 8-9. Two additional Series I workshops will take place in Cuero, Feb. 28 to March 1 and Uvalde, March 2-3. Topics for the first series include: heavyweight promotions on lightweight budgets, finding and keeping sponsors to help fund rural tourism events and evaluating success. Series II topics were developed based on feedback from the first series and offer a slate of new information

and rural tourism tools and resources. Featured presenters include Carla Lowe with Carla Lowe Associates; Steven Wood Schmader, president and chief executive officer of the International Festivals and Events Association; Dr. Roger Hanagriff with Sam Houston State University; and Stan Hodge with the Office of the Governor, Economic Development and Tourism. Lowe will provide practical advice about harnessing the power of the Internet to drive tourism traffic, including tips on using e-mail, search engines and other electronic resources for the greatest impact. Schmader will present a daylong session on creating and managing festivals and events. Measuring the impact of tourism will be the focus of Hanagriff's presentation, while Hodge will discuss hot trends driving tourism. "Our goal is to help empower rural communities," said Texas Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs. "There are so many exciting ideas turning into a reality because of the vision and enthusiasm rural leaders continue to have for ensuring their communities get the attention they deserve. These workshops are designed to support

these efforts by providing the latest information on innovative approaches and proven strategies." Texas Yes! is a TDA initiative to market and promote rural Texas with a special focus on rural tourism. Attendees at the Texas Yes! Bootstrap Marketing Workshop Series I in 2004 estimated on average that their communities' tourism revenues would increase by 50 percent by applying the information they learned at the sessions. The pre-paid cost to attend the Texas Yes! workshops is \$75 for both days with a reduced fee of \$60 for additional attendees from the same organization. The pre-paid cost to attend only one daylong session is \$60 for all participants. Costs at the door are \$100 per person for both days and \$75 for one day. Registration includes the sessions, three meals, refreshment breaks and an attendee notebook. Registration information and workshop agendas and schedules are available at [www.TexasYes.org](http://www.TexasYes.org) or by calling (866) 4TEX-YES. Registration can also be completed by contacting the Indigo Resource Group at (830) 990-0180.

## Agency posts annual Texas crop production statistics

AUSTIN — The 2004 Texas Upland cotton crop totaled 7.5 million bales, 73 percent above 2003. An estimated 5.35 million acres were harvested, 23 percent more than in 2003. Harvested acreage produced a yield of 673 pounds per acre, compared with a yield of 478 pounds last year. Corn production was estimated at 233.5 million bushels, up 20 percent from 2003. Statewide yield was estimated at 139 bushels per acre, 21 bushels more than in 2003. Harvested acreage was estimated at 1.68 million acres, up 2 percent from 2003. Texas peanut production was estimated at 775.5 million pounds, down 4 percent from 2003. Statewide yield, at 3,300 pounds per acre, was 300 pounds above 2003. Sorghum production was estimated at 71.2 million hundredweight (cwt), down 17 percent from 2003. Harvested acreage was estimated at 2.05 million acres, down 28 percent from the previous year. Yield, at 3,472 pounds per acre, was 448 pounds more than in 2003. The 2004 Texas soybean

crop was estimated at 8.6 million bushels, up 61 percent from the previous year. Harvested acreage was estimated at 270,000 acres, up 46 percent from 2003. Yield per acre was estimated at 32.0 bushels per acre, up 3 bushels from 2003. Production of all hay was estimated at 12.3 million tons, down 1 percent the previous year. Harvested acreage, at 5.4 million acres, was up 2 percent, and yield was 2.30 tons per acre, compared with 2.36 tons in 2003. United States corn production, at 11.8 billion bushels, was up 17 percent from the previous year. Yield was estimated at 160.4 bushels per acre, up 18.2 bushels from 2003. The U.S. sorghum crop was estimated at 255 million cwt, up 11 percent from 2003. The U.S. Upland cotton crop totaled 22.3 million bales, up 25 percent from 2003. Soybean production was estimated at a record 3.14 billion bushels, up 28 percent from 2003. The U.S. peanut crop was estimated at 4.26 billion pounds, up 3 percent from a year ago.

## TASS: Texas cattle inventory down in 2005

AUSTIN — The inventory of Texas cattle and calves totaled 13.8 million head on Jan. 1, 2005, down 1 percent from last year's inventory of 13.9 million head, and down 1 percent from the 2003 inventory of 14.0 million head. Texas continued to rank first in the nation in total number of cattle and calves with 14 percent of the total United States inventory. Beef cow inventory, at 5.43 million head, was down 1 percent from last year's total. Milk cow inventory, at 318,000 head,

was up 1,000 head from the 2004 total of 317,000 head. Total inventory of all cows that have calved was 5.75 million head, down 1 percent from last year's total. Beef replacement heifers totaled 810,000 head on Jan. 1, up 9 percent from the 2004 total of 740,000 head. The milk replacement heifer inventory was 130,000 head, up 18 percent from last year's total. Texas's inventory of steers 500 pounds and over totaled 2.75 million head, unchanged from the 2004

total. Total inventory of heifers, steers and bulls under 500 pounds was 2.48 million head, down 1 percent from last year. The 2004 calf crop totaled 5.00 million head, down 2 percent from the 2003 calf crop of 5.10 million. The United States inventory of all cattle and calves totaled 95.8 million head on Jan. 1, 1 percent above last year's inventory of 94.9 million head. All cows and heifers that have calved totaled 42.1 million head, up 1 percent

from the 41.9 million on Jan. 1, 2004. Beef cows totaled 33.06 million head, up 1 percent from a year ago, while milk cows were up slightly from a year ago at 9.01 million head. Beef replacement heifers, at 5.75 million head, were up 4 percent from the previous year. Milk replacement heifer numbers were up 3 percent to 4.13 million head. The 2004 calf crop was estimated at 37.6 million head, down 1 percent from 2003.

## Menu

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**TUESDAY**  
 Roast, mashed potatoes, green beans, peaches.  
**WEDNESDAY**  
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## Texas Panhandle Mental Health Mental Retardation convenes monthly meeting

AMARILLO — The 2004 financial audit was recently heard by Texas Panhandle Mental Health Mental Retardation Board of Trustees during its recently-convened monthly meeting. The audit was presented by officials from Doshier, Pickens & Francis, PC. "In accordance with the Rules of the Commissioner of TDMHMR," a press release from the agency said, "the Center is required to undergo an independent audit of financial statements. In addition, Don Patterson, Legal Counsel, conducted board member training." In other matters, the Texas Council of Community MHMR Centers, Inc.'s, 79th Legislative Session Agenda was reviewed and discussed. "TPMHMR is expanding mental retardation services in the Panhandle," the news release said, "to individuals with mental retardation throughout the service area in need of additional support to enhance the quality

of their lives. The Center can assist these individuals in finding and keeping a job; provide independent living skills training, socialization opportunities, and behavioral supports; respite for caregivers; monitor health needs; help with money management and other specialized services." The agency can be reached at (806) 351-3212. A 2005 Chevrolet Malibu was donated to the center by Volunteer Services Council for TPMHMR with proceeds from the Culinary Bash fund-raiser. "The vehicle will be utilized by the ACT Team," the release said, "which provides crucial services to individuals with severe mental illness, to transport clients for daily functioning purposes." The board serves the upper 21 counties of the Texas Panhandle with offices in Pampa, Amarillo, Borger, Clarendon, Dumas, Hereford, Perryton and Wellington. Board members include Sharon Braddock of Pampa.

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