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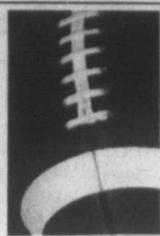
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School board to improve locker room ventilation

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

The Pampa Independent School District is moving to fix ventilation problems in the football locker room and perhaps other athletic locker rooms in the district.

In a letter to the school board, Doug Pritchett with the Football Booster Club, said the club would donate \$18,800 to the district to add air conditioning to the football locker room if the district would take over the booster club's commitment of \$16,800 for other athletic projects.

PISD Superintendent Barry Haensch suggested that since the project involved school facilities and

was expensive enough to require bids, that the district assume the project without the booster club's donation.

The school system is already installing misters in locker rooms at the high school and junior high to combat health problems involving bacteria in the showers.

The PISD board of trustees at their Thursday night meeting also approved the district's annual investment review and quarterly budget, and they revised the district's operating budget and made minor changes to the district's personnel policy.

Carol Fields, the district's business manager, said no changes in

strategy or investment policies were recommended.

The district's funds are in two state funds, the Lone Star Liquidity Plus Fund and TexPool, and in a bank money market account and certificates of deposits.

The quarterly report indicated \$937 in the Lone Star fund, \$3.9 million in TexPool, \$46,897 in the money market account and \$1.5 million in certificates of deposit.

As of Aug. 31, the quarterly financial report showed 91 percent of the budget expended. A little more than \$18.7 million has been spent of the \$20.6 million budget.

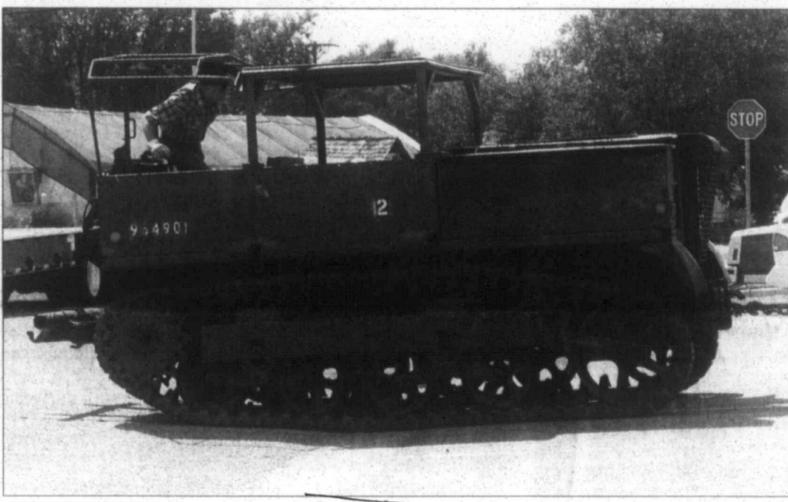
Under the personnel revisions,

district employees are now required to call in to say they aren't reporting to work for sickness or any other reason and they have to work at least one day on their contracts before taking a sick or personal day off.

The school board also approved trips for the band, choir and 10 junior high social studies students.

Fred Mays, Pampa High School choir director, will take the high school choir to Colorado March 9 through 12, for a performance at the Air Force Academy. He told the school board they are also looking at competitions in Colorado during the

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Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

Walter Miller of Pampa steers an M5 Fast Track Wednesday afternoon as it is pulled onto the front lawn of Freedom Museum USA, 600 N. Hobart. An anonymous donor gave the World War II-vintage vehicle to the museum. It was trucked from a private museum in Tyrone, Okla. which closed. Funding for transporting the M5 was provided by Jeff Andrews of Pampa.

SA to host baby shower Sunday

By MARILYN POWERS
Staff Writer

A city-wide baby shower to benefit the littlest victims of Hurricane Katrina will be from 2 to 6 p.m. Sunday at the Salvation Army, 701 S. Cuyler.

The Home League Women's Group of the Salvation Army is hosting the event, which includes an open house. Refreshments will be served.

Items needed are diapers, baby wipes, formula, baby food, bottled water, bottles, pacifiers, bibs, blankets, crib blankets, strollers, beds, walkers, car seats, and new clothing for up to age 4 years.

Captain Gary Steward of Pampa's Salvation Army will take the collected baby items to the hurricane area along the Gulf Coast. He has already been to the area to provide food and other assistance to hurricane victims.

"I've worked a lot of disasters, but this one was devastating," Steward said.

"It's going to be an ongoing thing," he said.

Steward visited New Orleans, Biloxi, Miss., portions of Alabama, and the Houston Astrodome last week before returning to Pampa on Sunday.

"They sure got damaged
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Cabot to give classroom grants

By DENNIS SPIES
Editor

David Cain is a man with big plans for Pampa.

Cain is the new general manager for Cabot Corporation's facility.

He's been here only three weeks, but already has made an impact on the community by matching \$2,895 that Cabot's 116 employees raised for Hurricane Katrina victims.

And he's just getting started.

He announced Thursday that Cabot's Pampa plant will provide six \$250 grants to Pampa area classrooms.

Cain said the grants are targeted to benefit science and technology classrooms and encouraged science and technology instructors at the elementary, middle and high school levels to apply for the grants.

Three grants will be awarded this semester and proposals will be accepted until the deadline of Oct. 31.

Three additional grants will be awarded next semester. Deadline for that period is Dec. 31.

Proposals should state clearly how the funds will be used and how the proposal's impact will be measured.



DAVID CAIN

All proposals should be sent to: Cabot Community Relations Team, P.O. Box 5001, Pampa, Texas 79066-5001.

"We are thrilled to be able to help area school enhance the science curriculum and learning experiences of students through this contribution," Cain said. "Cabot feels that a good education is essential to the future of our children."

Cain is a native of Michigan and has lived in the Carolinas, Alabama and

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Pro EDC group stresses simplicity, honesty

By DENNIS SPIES
Editor

A group of 18 residents interested in supporting an Economic Development Corp. for Pampa gathered at the Pampa Chamber of Commerce Thursday evening to discuss their organization.

John Curry, facilitator of the meeting, told attendees, "We want this to be a growing group and we want to be a positive influence on this project."

Other sentiment from the group stressed simplicity and honesty in

order to explain to the voters why this EDC will be better than the previous one.

The EDC proposal is on the Nov. 8 ballot. Previously, Pampa had an EDC which was classified as a 4A. The vote in November is for a 4B classification.

In a 4A incorporation, cities could not expand their infrastructure. Under 4B they can.

Minutes from the previous meeting were discussed, and one change was made. It was previously reported that a provision of a 4B EDC

would allow residents 60 days in which they could petition to have a project they oppose brought to a public vote.

City Attorney Don Lane researched the matter and said in a memorandum that an election is not required if voters have already approved the formation of the EDC.

Further, it was emphasized that any expenditures of more than \$10,000 would have to be approved by the city commission at two separate meetings, and that all projects would require city commission approval.

Group members discussed representation on formation of a possible board, and how many representatives of various entities would participate to serve on a board.

Curry mentioned that it might be a good idea to not have a director at first if the proposal wins approval.

Clay Rice, executive director of the chamber, suggested it might be a good idea to bring in a successful EDC director from another city

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR...

WRCA Ranch Rodeo... September 30th - October 2nd
Woody Guthrie Day... October 1st
Friends of the Pampa Library "Paperback Book Sale"... October 1st & 2nd
Pampa Fine Arts Assoc. Arts Crafts Show... October 8th & 9th
Country Fair "Under the Harvest Moon"... October 29th

Texas unemployment rate rises to 5.1 percent, TWC says

AUSTIN (AP) — Weakness in manufacturing jobs helped push the Texas unemployment rate up to 5.1 percent in August from 5 percent in July, the Texas Workforce Commission said today.

The commission estimated that nonagricultural employment increased by 6,900 jobs in August, the 12th straight month of job gains.

A year ago, the unemployment rate stood at 6 percent.

Manufacturing lost about 1,000 jobs out of 891,700 the previous month, its third decline in the past four months. However, that weakness was more than offset by small gains in transportation and utilities, construction, education and health care, and government employment.

The transportation and utilities sector has added 24,400 jobs over the year, with nearly half the gain in the past two months.

Construction added 2,700 jobs, the biggest gain since May 2001.

All the numbers were adjusted for seasonal hiring and firing, which most economists believe gives a better picture of the job market.

Over the past 12 months, Texas employers have added 127,800 jobs.

"Sustained job growth is a significant indicator of a healthy labor market," said Diane Rath, chairwoman of the work force commission. "More opportunities are available for those searching for work as employers across every major industry sector are adding jobs."

Obituaries

Services tomorrow

BEST, Cody Randall — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.

KOTARA, Lillian LaVerne — 10 a.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

Cody Randall Best, 17

Cody Randall Best, 17, of Pampa, Texas, died Sept. 14, 2005, at Pampa.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 17, 2005, at Fairview Cemetery with the Rev. Paul Nachtigall, pastor of the Highland Baptist Church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Cody was born Sept. 25, 1987, in Granbury, Texas. He was a sophomore at Pampa High School. He was an avid fisherman and enjoyed water sports and four-wheeling.

He was preceded in death by maternal grandmother, Velma Hughes, and paternal great-grandfather, Crawford Hughes.

Survivors include his mother, Pam Best of Pampa; his father, Randy Best and wife Cherrie of Old River Winfree, Texas; two brothers, Dillon Best and wife Leslie of Houston and Kyle McElroy of Pampa; one sister, Brooke Darnell and husband Brian of Pampa; one stepbrother, John Henry of

Houston; two stepsisters, Tammy of Old River Winfree and Sherrie of Mount Bellview; two nephews, Blake Darnell of Pampa and Trenton Best of Houston; one niece, Mersadee Childers of Houston; his grandmother, Jerry Evans of Pampa; his grandfather, Pete Hughes of Pampa; his great-grandmother, Carrie Hughes of Pampa; three aunts, Karen Hughes of Canyon, Tammy Hill of Pampa and Tracy Skinner of Estelline; one uncle, Russell Hughes and wife Trish of Pampa; cousins, Shannon, Chrissa, Brandi, Josh, Halei, Hayden, Heath, Kayla, Jacey, Keenan, Ali and numerous other cousins and friends.

The family requests memorials be to American Red Cross Relief Fund, 108 N. Russell, Pampa, TX 79065.

Maternal family will receive friends at 1539 N. Sumner.

Paternal family will receive friends at 924 S. Wells.

—Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.



BEST

Lillian LaVerne Kotara, 84

Lillian LaVerne Kotara, 84, of Pampa, Texas, died Sept. 14, 2005, at Pampa. Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 17, 2005, at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Lynn Hancock, pastor of the Briarwood Full Gospel Church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Kotara was born Aug. 24, 1921, in Amarillo. She married Lonnie Kotara in the summer of 1942 in White Deer. She had been a resident of Pampa since 1942. She enjoyed horse racing and bingo.

Survivors include her husband, Lonnie Kotara, of the home; one daughter, Sherrian Batson-Hill and husband Stephen Hill of

Angleton; three sons, Ronald Edward Kotara of Athens, Texas, Larry Kotara and wife Kitten of Lubbock, and Gary L. Kotara of Pampa; one sister, Christine Waters of San Antonio; seven grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Capt. Charles Ashley Austin.

The family requests memorials be to American Lung Association, P.O. Box 26566, Austin, TX 78755.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 6-8 p.m. today, Friday, Sept. 16, 2005.

—Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

Rosalind Kay Meadows, 39

Rosalind Kay Meadows, 39, of Pampa, died Sept. 15, 2005, at Pampa. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Miss Meadows was born Dec. 21, 1965, in Pampa and had been a Pampa resident most of her life. She was a member of St. Mark's CME Church.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Alma Powell and Charlie Powell, Jr.

Survivors include her mother and stepfather, Bea and James Taylor of Pampa; a sister, Rotounda Lockett of Cedar Hill; two stepbrothers, Calvin Taylor of Amarillo and James W. Taylor of Borger; and two stepsisters, Larissa Reeves of Seattle, Wash., and Rachel Adkism of Waco.

—Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

Glen Dee 'Bud' Parker, 59

Glen Dee "Bud" Parker, 59, of Pampa, Texas, died Sept. 15, 2005, at Tyler, Texas. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Parker was born Dec. 12, 1945, in Pampa. He had been a resident of Borger since 1970, moving to Pampa in 2005. He was a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps, serving during the Vietnam War.

He worked for Phillips Petroleum in Borger for many years.

Survivors include two daughters, Nancy Canada of Palestine and Beverly Wollitz of Lorena; one son, Michael Parker of San Juan

Capistrano, Calif.; one sister, Joann Nash of Amarillo; three brothers, Bob Parker of Pampa, Don Parker of Borger and Jim Parker of Austin; one granddaughter, Coral Wollitz of Lorena; and four grandsons, Casey Canada and Logan Canada, both of Palestine, Shane Hutton of San Juan Capistrano, Calif., and Bryce Wollitz of Lorena.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 6-8 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 18, 2005.

—Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

Emergency Services

Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests today.

Thursday, Sept. 15

Nine traffic stops were made. Traffic complaints were received from the 100 block of East Harvester, the intersection of Harvester and Duncan streets, the 1400 block of North Hobart, the 500 block of Lowry, and the 100 block of South Wells.

Motorist assistance was rendered at the intersection of 18th and Coffee streets.

A vehicle accident was reported at the intersection of Harvester and Christine streets. A hit and run accident was reported at the intersection of Highway 60 East and Loop 171.

Driving while intoxicated was reported in the police department lobby.

Public intoxication was reported at Pampa High School, 111 E. Harvester, and resulted in an arrest.

A vehicle/foot pursuit in the 500 block of North Somerville ended in an arrest.

An animal complaint was received from the 300 block of Davis.

Warrant service was attempted at one location.

Fire department assistance was rendered in the 1000 block of North Wells.

A civil matter was reported in the police department lobby.

Welfare checks were made in the 700 block of Roberta and the 300 block of Canadian.

One open door was checked.

A call concerning a runaway was made from the 2200 block of North Russell.

Found property was reported in the 700 block of East 14th.

Narcotic drug law violations were reported in the 1000 block of Huff Road and the 900 block of West

23rd, where an arrest was made.

A suspicious vehicle was reported in the intersection of 25th and Duncan streets.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 2000 block of Duncan.

Disorderly conduct/other was reported in the police department lobby, the 800 block of Deane Drive, the 100 block of West 30th, and at Pampa Junior High School, 2401 Charles.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 1000 block of Gordon.

Assault was reported in the 1400 block of East Francis.

Theft was reported in the 300 block of North Somerville. A social security number was stolen.

Credit card theft was reported in the police department lobby.

Burglary was reported in the police department lobby. The incident occurred in the 800 block of Locust. Entry was made through a garage window. Taken were a DVD player, change and a scanner, for an estimated loss of \$75.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 1500 block of North Banks. Food valued at \$58 was taken.

James Gerald Nation, 29, 1124 Seneca, was arrested at the intersection of 23rd and Crescent streets for no valid driver's license and failure to appear.

Steven Craig Angel, 39, 1825 N. Dwight, was arrested in the 1800 block of North Dwight for possession of marijuana.

Accidents

Pampa Police Department today reported the following motor vehicle accidents.

Thursday, Sept. 15

12:28 a.m. — A 2002 Ford Explorer, driven by

Pamela G. Funderburg, 44, 1230 Hamilton, and a 2000 Chevrolet Tahoe SUV, driven by James C. Palmitier, 25, 521 Doucette, collided in the 100 block of East Harvester. No citations were issued.

Sheriff

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

Thursday, Sept. 15

Gary Leroy Fletcher, 60, 1200 E. Frederic #35, was arrested on a motion to revoke probation for driving while intoxicated.

Fire

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

Thursday, Sept. 15

10:34 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to the 1000 block of North Wells on a medical assist.

Ambulance

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

Thursday, Sept. 15

10:34 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1000 block of North Wells and transported a patient(s) to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

2:42 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 500 block of North Doucette. No transport.

8:24 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to PRMC and transferred a patient to University Medical Center in Lubbock.

8:54 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to a local nursing facility and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Atebury Grain of Pampa.		
Wheat	3.24	
Milo	3.06	
Corn	3.87	
Soybeans	4.64	
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa.		
GOX	86.35	+0.26
BPPLCADR	60.64	+0.68
Cabot Corp	31.89	-0.01
Celanese	NA	
Cabot Oil Gas	45.90	+0.12
Coca Cola	43.60	-0.03
VLO	108.90	+0.21
HAL	64.38	+0.06
TRI	46.66	+0.66
KMI	95.21	-0.22
XCEL	19.58	NC
Kerr McGee	93.50	-0.20
XOM	63.03	+0.57
Limited	20.31	-0.10
Williams	23.17	+0.18
MCD	33.62	+0.17
Atmos	29.06	+0.01
Pioneer Nat	52.60	+0.27
JCP	49.19	+0.10
COP	67.95	+0.41
SLB	82.71	-0.26
Tenneco	17.49	+0.12
CVX	62.91	+0.46
Wal-Mart	44.40	+0.08
OKE	33.55	-0.05
NS Grp	39.45	+0.40
New York Gold	455.45	
Silver	7.06	
West Texas Crude	64.75	

Gray County Weather

Today: Mostly sunny, with a high around 86. Southeast wind 5 to 15 mph becoming southwest.

Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 63. South wind around 15 mph.

Saturday: Partly cloudy, with a high around 95. Windy, with a south-southwest wind 10 to 15 mph increasing to between 20 and 25 mph. Winds could gust as high as 35 mph.

Saturday Night: Partly

cloudy, with a low near 68. Southwest wind around 15 mph.

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 93. West-southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Sunday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 67.

South-southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Monday: Partly cloudy,

with a high around 91. Southwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 66. South-southeast wind around 10 mph.

Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 91. South-southwest wind around 10 mph.

Tuesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low near 65.

Wednesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 90.

Deputy, man he tried to save, both drown

HOUSTON (AP) — A San Jacinto County deputy constable and a man he was trying to save both drowned in the Trinity River, authorities said.

Sgt. Denny Galloway, 34, was unable to rescue the

struggling swimmer Thursday in the rough water, officials said.

"He got in trouble, too," said Precinct 2 Constable Jerry Everitt. "The undercurrent in the Trinity River is extremely bad."

The bodies of both men were recovered. The name of the second drowning victim was not immediately released.

Everitt said a woman was also seen struggling in the water but survived.

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BENEFIT DINNER for Katrina Hurricane Relief at Calvary Assembly of God, 1030 Love st., Pampa, Fri. Sept. 16, 6 pm. Donations to Assembly of God Katrina Relief Fund.

KELLI-JO EAKIN/HANNAH is now cutting hair @ Safari Tanz 304 Foster. Call for appt. today (806)672-4828

MIAMI CITY-WIDE Garage Sale. Sat. 8-4. Maps available at the Community Center. Hwy 60 & Main.

MIAMI, TX. City Wide garage Sale, see the listings at www.thegaragespot.com with mapping available.

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Homecoming Festivities



Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

Pampa Harvester football team members and cheerleaders ride along the parade route of Thursday afternoon's homecoming parade. The Harvesters play the Borger Bulldogs at 7:30 p.m. today at Harvester Stadium. The parade also included the PHS marching band, Homecoming King and Queen candidates, other PHS sports teams, and the PHS victory bell. King and Queen winners will be announced before the game.

Ex-school official indicted

WACO, Texas (AP) — The former Bremond schools superintendent was indicted on charges that he stole more than \$100,000 from the district, an alleged theft uncovered in a probe by some parents.

A Robertson County grand jury indicted Kenneth Johnson on two counts of felony theft, said Jim James, a special prosecutor from Bryan assigned to the case. Johnson resigned his post under pressure in 2003.

Also indicted on theft charges were Kenneth Johnson's son, Jason Johnson, and the Bremond district's former business manager, Sandra Nolan.

Pampa man, 22, jailed on five burglary charges

By MARILYN POWERS
Staff Writer

A Pampa man remains in Gray County Jail today in lieu of \$8,000 bond on five burglary charges, according to jail records.

Cody Nicholas Williams, 22, 1904 N. Zimmers, is charged with two counts of

burglary in Gray County and three counts of burglary in Donley County. Bond on the Gray County charges was set at \$1,000 each. Bond on the Donley County charges was set at \$2,000 each, according to jail records.

Williams was booked into jail at 11:20 a.m. Wednesday

by Jack Dupy of Pampa Police Department after he was pulled over on a traffic stop and arrested on a Donley County warrant for burglary. Officers in PPD's Criminal Investigative Division and Special Services departments, along with Gray County deputies,

made the arrest and are involved in the investigation.

The Gray County charges against Williams are for the burglaries of Brandon's Flowers and Red River Steakhouse, both of McLean, both of which occurred on Sept. 6, according to Lt. Joe B. Hoard of Gray County Sheriff's Office.

An undetermined amount of cash was taken from Red River Steakhouse in the burglary. Electronics equipment was taken from Brandon's Flowers.

At the time Williams was stopped and arrested, a number of items were seized from his Toyota Tacoma pickup. Law enforcement officers suspect the items, which include a laptop computer and an unspecified quantity of \$2 bills, may have been

taken in area burglaries, according to Detective Beverly Chace of Pampa Police Department. Tools which are sometimes used in committing burglaries were also recovered, including crowbars and bolt cutters.

Shower

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pretty badly," he said of the areas hit by the storm.

The Salvation Army is setting up distribution warehouses in other parts of Texas for hurricane victims, including at Pasadena and Corsicana, he said. A Salvation Army camp set up between Dallas and Houston is housing 1,000 evacuees, who are getting jobs and going to school, he said.

Another Salvation Army warehouse is at Dallas.

Charles Henson of the Pampa Salvation Army is still at the Astrodome with the Pampa unit's canteen, Steward said.

Ray and Katy Hupp of the Pampa Salvation Army are planning to take a load of items for hurricane victims to Corsicana in the near future, Steward said.

Steward found help for hurricane victims all along his route on his first trip to the devastated area, he said.

"When we left here, we had my van and the canteen,

and we stopped to eat at K-Bob's in Childress. Someone paid for our meals. Then, the restaurant staff came out and asked if we could take canned goods and potatoes. They gave about 18 restaurant-size cans of food and a huge box of potatoes, about 300 already foil-wrapped and ready for baking.

"Someone also gave us 87 boxes of potato chips. Each box held 24 big bags of chips.

"On the road, people would honk their horns and give us a thumbs-up," Steward said.

Schools

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trip.

Roger Myers, Pampa High School Band director, will take the high school band to Los Angeles from April 28 through May 2 with performances at Knott's Berry Farm or Disneyland.

Debra Weaver, a Pampa Junior High School social studies teacher, had planned on taking 10 of her students to Washington, D.C., last summer, but the trip had to be postponed until Nov. 16 through 18.

Pampa High School student Christopher Henry Smith, who Wednesday was named a semi-finalist in the

National Merit Scholarship Program, was introduced to the board.

The board also heard a summary of the district's collegiate testing.

Shantille Hemphill, a 2005 Pampa High School graduate, was named an AP Scholar. Ben Briscoe, also a 2005 Pampa High School graduate, was named an AP Scholar with Honors.

Karla Howell, Pampa High School counselor, said 149 students took the AP test with 13 percent scoring three or better. Last year, she said, 16 percent scored three or better.

Fifty-five Pampa students took the SAT in 2005, she said. Their average scores were slightly lower than state and national averages.

Eighty Pampa students

took the ACT. Their scores were equal or slightly lower than the state and national averages.

The board appointed 53 people to a facility committee. The group will meet Oct. 3 at Pampa Junior High School.

Board member Lee Porter said they would be divided up initially into three subcommittees to tour PISD facilities. Then they will divide into four groups for planning purposes.

The board also approved the sale of delinquent tax properties at 601 W. Foster and 720 Sloan. Ronald Carpenter submitted a \$100 bid on the Foster property. John Galaviz submitted a \$200 bid on the Sloan property.

the Nehemiah Project. He said Nehemiah took 52 days to rebuild the wall of Jerusalem and he would finish the project in 52 days. He accomplished the project, he said.

"When I came to Pampa, I didn't see a lot of what Cabot was doing, so Barbara and I developed a community relations plan." Barbara is Barbara Eldridge, human resources supervisor at the plant.

"We plan to adopt a school for scholarships," Cain said. "We want to start a book drive. We will donate Thanksgiving food."

What really got Cain's attention was the response to Hurricane Katrina. He and

Eldridge knew they had to do something, and they asked employees to donate.

"I'd only been here a few weeks and I get a call at home one night," Cain said. "The man said, 'You don't know me but I work for you. We got to do more. I'll get in my truck and drive to Houston to pick up a family if we can adopt them.'"

The next day, however, Amarillo announced it would receive evacuees from the hurricane.

Cain said he had 15 family members displaced by the hurricane and has heard from 13 of them.

"Two are still missing," he said.

tions," Curry said.

Members present said the old industry, the oil fields, are showing new life and that is one good reason to have an EDC in place.

"Simplicity and honesty," said group member Paulette Hinkle. "We need simple

numbers to motivate voters to vote; simple facts that are firm and honest. We will have a plan and not shoot from the hip."

Next meeting of the group will be at 5:30 p.m. Thursday at the Chamber of Commerce office.

Cabot

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Houston. He said he has been heavily involved in every community he has worked in and Pampa is no different.

He is an author of eight books, both fiction and non-fiction, that are a reflection of the times he has spent in different communities. He is at work on two more books.

His books, he said, are loosely based on biblical passages.

One project he was involved in was converting an aging warehouse into an office building. He called it

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to a future meeting to find out what worked for them and what didn't.

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Viewpoints

4B or not 4B: That is the question for Pampa

"Nothing will ever be attempted if all possible objections must be first overcome." A quote by Samuel Johnson, feisty character of dictionary fame.

When you readers read "we" in this particular opine, I feel it is my journalistic duty to explain that my use of "we" is an assumption in re my thinking when it comes to citizens in favor of a new EDC in our fair burg. I'm assuming the residents in favor of a new EDC for Pampa will be in agreement with my following comment. If my assumption is wrong for some of you "we," I apologize, and I'm quite sure I will be wrong on future assumptions as well. So, catch you later! Ahem.

We don't want to be another Tyler, Victoria, Abilene or even an Austin. Austin?

Where did that come from? As far as I'm concerned, Austin, Texas (sans UT, of course), should be annexed by San Francisco. Has to do with those pesky liberals controlling Austin politics that has me all swole up.

Sorry, haven't taken my A.D.D. meds this morning ... All we desire is Pampa to be a viable community with ample employment for our citizenry — our tax dollars are reinvested in updating and maintaining Pampa's infrastructure — and most importantly, Pampa continues to be a community that residents will want to call "home" and grow their families.

Four-B or not 4B? That is the question. Whilst some of you are pondering that question, I'm going to take a little drive (little drive in

Panhandle-speak means country miles) to Amarillo and enjoy some fine dining, do a little shopping at the mall and mayhaps get home around dark thirty.

Leave a message if my phone does not reply with a cheerful, "Howdy!" Can't wait for Bob Wills Days down in Turkey. For you newcomers to our fair city and region, Turkey is a little ranching community down off the Caprock a few clicks south. Yep, nothin' better than hearing some Bob Wills music and doin' a little boot scootin'! Finally, I'll cap my epic travels with a little birding up around Canadian and finish

the day munching a good steak. Mmm, Texas!

Still pondering the 4B? My sojourn to Amarillo, Turkey and Canadian was great — a good movie, some Italian food and a really good T-bone after scoping a prairie chicken or three! The small fortune equivalent to some Third World countries' entire treasury spent on gasoline — well, that's another column!

Know what the three very different cities have in common? Those communities charge a sales tax for economic development. For that matter, wherever our travels take us in Texas, and we buy something wherever we are in

Texas, we're supporting that community's EDC. How much Pampa money is spent a year in Amarillo alone? Why should Amarillo's EDC benefit from Pampa's aid while our very community is lacking? Why, there should be some concerned neighbors done with the pondering by now? \$0.005 on the dollar will be the sales tax amount to support a new 4B EDC.

Overtaxed? Is that all your pondering came up with? Pampans' aren't overtaxed. Live in Houston, Dallas, San Antonio — even Amarillo, and you'll know what overtaxed means.

A 4B EDC would benefit downtown Pampa. No, downtown Pampa is not Perryton Parkway and Hobart. Downtown Pampa is Cuyler, Foster, Francis, Russell,

Ballard, Kingsmill, Somerville streets — where all the empty and shuttered buildings are located. A 4B EDC could bring new economic growth to downtown Pampa (demolition of existing structures) and aid in upgrading the outdated infrastructure along the above mentioned streets. A viable and working 4B EDC would keep a goodly chunk of sales tax revenue in Pampa — giving back to Pampa — assuring Pampa's continued growth. And, a 4B EDC has the controls in place requiring the necessary public hearings on any proposed projects.

That's my opine, folks, and, in fond memory of Samuel Johnson, feisty character of dictionary fame, will it be progress or further decline for Pampa?

Dennis Palmitier
Columnist



Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Sept. 16, the 259th day of 2005. There are 106 days left in the year.

'Everything will change. The only question is growing up or decaying.'

— Nikki Giovanni
American author and poet

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 16, 1919, the American Legion was incorporated by an act of Congress.

On this date:
In 1638, France's King Louis XIV was born.
In 1810, Mexico began its revolt against Spanish rule.

In 1893, hundreds of thousands of settlers swarmed onto a section of land in Oklahoma known as the "Cherokee Strip."

Our readers write

No wonder attitude of mistrust prevails toward EDC in Pampa

An attitude of mistrust prevails in Pampa — not surprising considering the fuzzy statistics intended to defend the former PEDC, which were presented at the recent meeting of economic development corporation supporters and described in the Sept. 11 issue of The Pampa News.

Read this article, and you will see that the pro-EDC folks were approached by an "ink cartridge company" wanting to come to Pampa, but since the PEDC had been dissolved, they could not offer them anything but a reduction in their water bills.

I conclude, if they had had the means, they would have found it right and good to supplement an incoming business with taxpayer funds to compete with an already existing Pampa cartridge company that has never received EDC funds or assis-

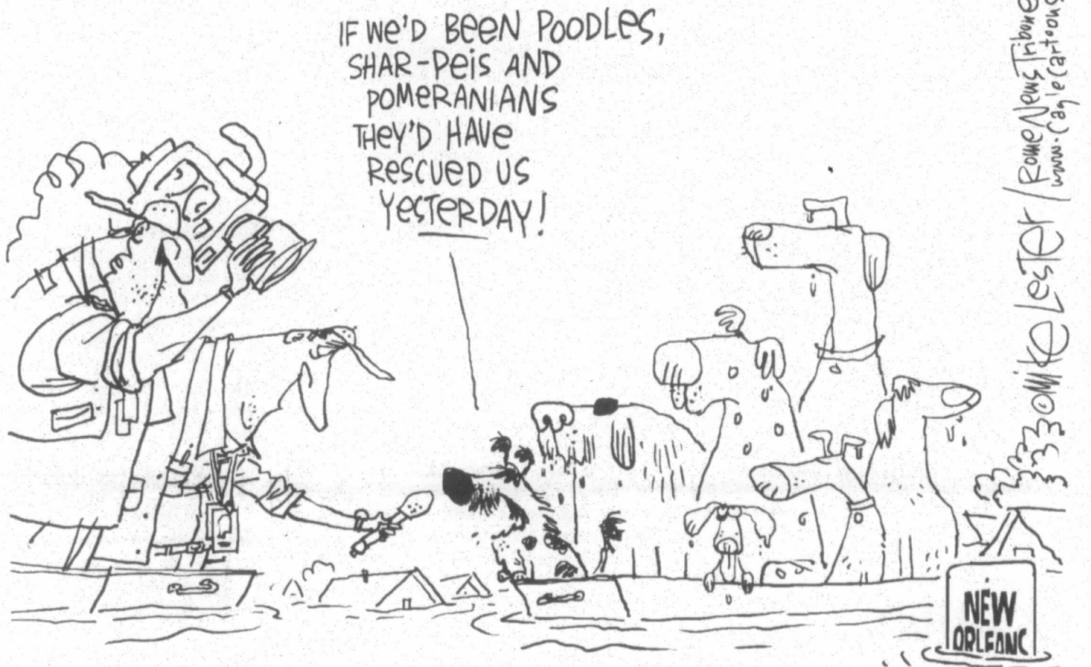
tance, but has made it on its own.

Instead of the brainwashing, the taxpayers are entitled to a detailed accounting of the now-defunct PEDC, dollar-for-dollar, company-by-company, over the nine years of its existence because this information has been revealed to the public only in bits and pieces and is usually thoroughly "spun" by the time it reaches the readers.

In the uproar that followed the dissolution of the PEDC in 2001, the people were admonished that Pampa would surely dry up and blow away. However, Pampa is quite lively today. Tax receipts are up nicely, and real estate agents can't meet the demand for houses.

We should be thankful for those businesses that have

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Bush compares war on terror to WWII

I honestly try not to bash President Bush, but then he makes a speech like the one in San Diego recently in which he compares his war on terror and the war in Iraq to World War II. That's not only factually inaccurate, it is absurd. It's like a midget trying to crash a party of giants. It raises questions in my mind about his ability to connect to reality.

The war on terror is being mostly fought by intelligence and police, with some assistance from Special Forces. The Europeans and the Pakistanis have taken out more terrorists than we have. The war in Iraq is a low-level insurgency. World War II was a global conflict that claimed 55 million lives, including 400,000 American lives. It was not an insurgency, and it was not low-level. It did not involve just occasional speeches by the

president and a silly color-code system. It involved the total mobilization of the entire country.

The insurgents in Iraq do not threaten world democracy. They do not even threaten democracy, such as it is, in Iraq. Al-Qaida certainly does not. Apparently, the president likes to fantasize (he's drawn the analogy to World War II more than once) that he is like Winston Churchill and Franklin Roosevelt, standing tall against the forces of evil.

He probably sees himself that way, which brings to mind the lines from the poet Robert Burns (Standard English translation):

"O would some Power the gift to give us

"To see ourselves as others see us!

"It would from many a blunder free us

"And foolish notion."

I did not personally know Roosevelt or Churchill, but I was alive when they were running the war, and Mr. Bush is not a reader, and his intellectual curiosity apparently does not extend beyond campaign tactics. It says a lot that his closest adviser, Karl Rove, is a smear artist.

All of his speeches are predictable because he keeps using the same platitudes, clichés, canards and slogans his speechwriters provide him with. He acts as though if we pulled out of Iraq, the entire world order would collapse in rubble. Of

You will note, I hope, that Mr. Bush speaks only to controlled audiences of the military or of his political base. Since his extremely brief in-and-out visit to the Baghdad Airport, he has not set foot in Iraq, in contrast with Tony Blair, who has visited several times. He travels with an entourage that would rival a Roman emperor's triumphal march into Rome. He is not a reader, and his intellectual curiosity apparently does not extend beyond campaign tactics. It says a lot that his closest adviser, Karl Rove, is a smear artist.

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Immigration hot button American issue

Illegal immigration is again a hot-button American issue. Fear of terrorism, economic insecurity, concerns about "cultural dilution" and resentment over public extra spending for social services drive this growing anxiety and xenophobia. Whatever arguments might be made on these fronts, the case that illegal immigrants are stealing jobs from American workers is increasingly difficult to make.

In California, reports the Los Angeles Times, growers don't have enough workers to bring in summer harvests.

They blame stricter enforcement by federal border agents and competition from

construction, another industry heavily dependent on immigrant labor.

When the fruit is ripening on the vine, the farmers don't care if the labor comes from undocumented Mexican immigrants or unemployed Silicon Valley programmers. The problem is that unemployed

Americans generally don't seek out back-breaking agricultural work.

Union leaders and immigration foes blame low wages. They argue that if the supply of cross-border migrant workers were cut off, wages would rise and Americans would take those jobs. The California farmers say labor costs are 80 percent of their expenses and they can't afford to pay

more. Neither can many Americans afford to pay more for food at the grocery store.

American workers would have to replace 53 percent of the nation's agricultural work force if illegal immigrants were no longer available, according to statistics from the U.S. Department of Labor.

Similar labor shortages are apparent elsewhere in the country. Houston's growing economy employs hundreds of thousands of illegal immigrants, with new arrivals

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Katy Hupp, Linda Carlton, Dana Whinery and Serina Sutherland, members of Hi-Land Christian Church Praise Team, were thrilled to sing praises to the Lord during the church's summer "Praise-a-Thon In The Park."

St. Matt's readies for harvest fest

St. Matthew's Episcopal Church of Pampa has announced its first-ever "Lord's Acre Harvest Festival" to be held Sept. 24 at 727 W. Browning. A "country store" will open under a big tent at 10 a.m. The store will offer baked goods, jams, jellies, candies, all prepared by church members, and other handmade items such as quilts, throws, purses, vests, paintings, pottery, stained glass, seasonal decorations and more.

In addition to the country store, the festival will include a petting zoo with llamas, lambs, chickens, geese, guineas and pigs, horse rides, face painting, nail art and a "bubble bounce house" for children.

Between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., a barbecue meal consisting of brisket, potato salad, cole slaw, beans and cobbler will be served, at no charge, to participants. Donations, however, will be welcome.

A live auction is scheduled at 1 p.m. under the big tent. A professional auctioneer will



lead the competition for many new and hand-crafted materials. On sale during the auction will be paintings, furniture, scooters, quilts, pottery, gift certificates, professional services and more. Items will be on display and a list provided prior to the event.

The tradition of the "Lord's Acre Harvest Festival," a news release from the church explains, dates back to the days of early Western expansion in America when it was

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MINISTER'S MUSING

Which refugee would you be?

I've been sitting on this article for a couple of days as it has brewed and stewed inside of me. I finally decided that regardless of how it might be perceived, I must write it.

All of us have watched with tears and anguish the post-flood coverage in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama. I have been amazed at the difference between those individuals who have lost everything. It has caused me to ask myself, "Mike, how would you react to a catastrophe? Which type of 'refugee' would you be most like?" And so now in this article I ask you the same two questions I have been mulling over.

Type #1 — CRIMINALS. Those who

Mike Sublett
Hi-Land Christian



say that all humans are basically loving, good people are **IGNORANT FOOLS!** The Bible makes it clear that human beings are by nature "children of wrath." The devastated areas from Katrina have verified this fact. Type #1 are the wicked, selfish criminals. They think only of themselves and are determined to do anything to take whatever they want. They are the darkest side of humanity; the saddest part of the Katrina story.

Type #2 — **SCREAMERS.** I have been amazed at the anger of many of the displaced Americans — seemingly angry at anyone and everyone for their misfortune.

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Retreat to feature international speaker

Plans are set and excitement is building south of Calgary for 12 years. PeaceField hosts conferences on contemporary issues of faith and serves as a retreat and as a summer fitness training center.

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St. Vincent de Paul celebrates 31 Catechists

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Pampa has joined Catholic parishes across the country in celebrating Catechetical Sunday with a commissioning of catechists Sunday. The annual event, themed this year "Life Is Christ," spotlights the importance of the formal teaching ministry in the Catholic Church.

Currently, more than half

a million catechists serve in the 19,000 Catholic parishes, missions and schools across the country. These men and women are instrumental in introducing more than 4,000,000 children and youth to the faith and traditions of the Catholic Church. In addition, these catechists provide opportunities for study, reflection and faith enrichment to a large num-

ber of adult Catholics.

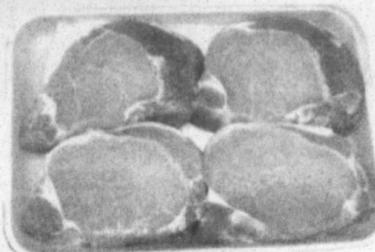
St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church has observed Catechetical Sunday with a rite of commissioning for 30 catechists. As part of these celebrations, parents and guardians will be recognized for the important role they play in handing on the faith to the next generation.

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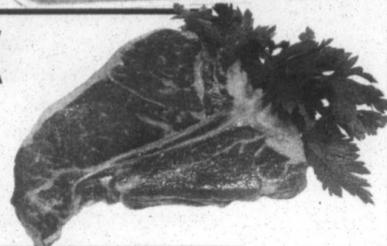
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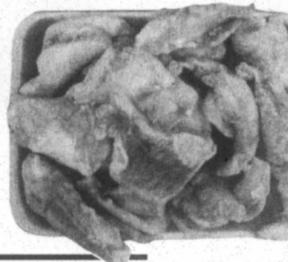
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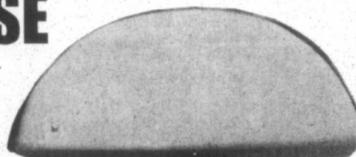
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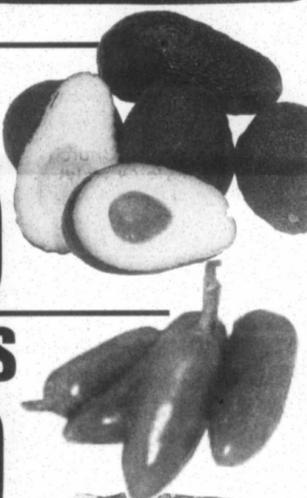
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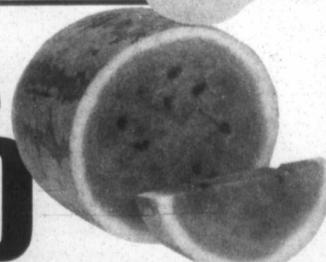
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Sports Day

Homecoming: Past Pampa players will be on hand for tonight's game

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

Harvester Stadium will be rocking tonight when the 2-1 Borger Bulldogs come calling. The Harvesters are hungry for a win after dropping their last two games. Borger is in the midst of a two game win streak, and would no doubt like to make it three in a row.

It is also Pampa's homecoming, which means plenty of pomp-and-circumstance, including past players.

Pampa's loss to Amarillo High last week was not a positive in the win/loss ledger, but for the players and the coaching staff, it was a lift in the locker room. "The kids and coaches had a really good feeling after the game," said Coach Bryan Wood. "Even though the scoreboard didn't look like we were successful, our staff and team know that we made a tremendous amount of progress on Friday night against a very solid AHS team."

He's right. Pampa matured quite measurably Friday night. One of the most shining examples was the Harvester defensive stand in the shadow of their own goal post in the third quarter. Amarillo tried but failed to score, turned back by a spirited Pampa team.

Coach Wood also praises his squad for its pride and growing strength, especially in putting together four solid quarters of football.

Tonight's opponent brings some unique challenges to Pampa.

'They have a lot of confidence coming in and will be a handful. Our focus once again will be on us doing our job better than we did last week.'

— Bryan Wood
Head Coach, PHS Football

According to Wood, "Borger may have the most athletic team, player for player, that we have seen."

He added, "They have a lot of confidence coming in and will be a handful. Our focus once again will be on us doing our job better than we did last week."

With Brody Smith out this week due to injury, Brett Ferrell steps in to guide

the Pampa offense. What does #14 bring to tonight's game? "Brett throws the ball with good accuracy and has a very calm demeanor about him," said Wood.

This could mean the Harvesters may go to the air a bit more tonight. If so, Sharod Young could improve on his growing stats.

Should tonight's game be the dog-fight many expect, special teams may come into play. Kicker Keenan Davis could become a factor. When asked how strong Davis' leg is, Wood responded, "I think Keenan is very solid under 40 yards. I have seen him make a few over 40."

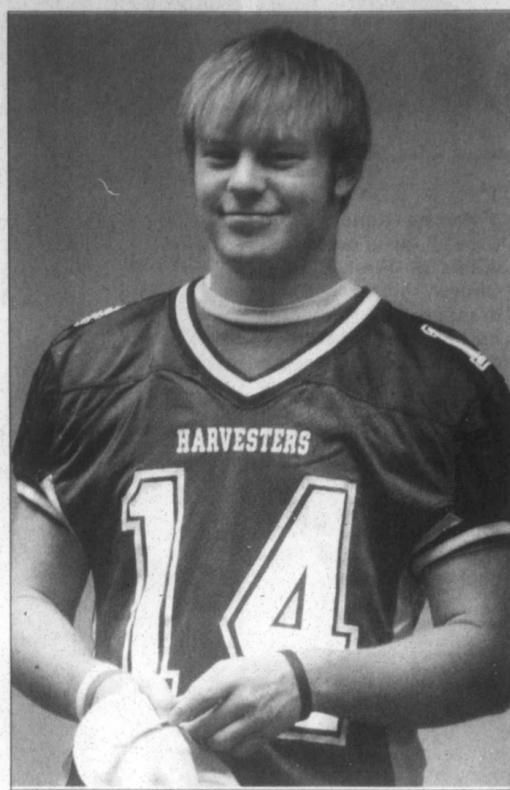
Wood says he welcomes the off week next week, as it will give some of his players the chance to recoup from bumps and bruises.

Additional Thoughts

Coach Wood: "With one of the toughest preseason schedules in the state, I feel like we are making pretty good progress. As long as we continue to work hard and get better, I feel like we will be right in the middle of the district race."

Media

Tonight's game will be broadcast live on AM 1230 KGRO. Kick-off is scheduled for 7:30 p.m.



Pampa News photo by MICHAEL J. STEVENS

Quarterback Brett Ferrell listens to questions and comments from little Harvesters Thursday at First Baptist Church Day Care.

FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS

Other games of interest

Unless otherwise noted, all games listed will begin at 7:30 p.m.

5A

Tascoas def. Randall, 41-21 (Thursday)
Odessa Permian
@ Amarillo High

4A

Perryton
@ Dumas
Frenship
@ Hereford
Plainview
@ Wichita Falls

3A

Caprock
@ River Road
Canyon
@ Littlefield
Dalhart
@ Stratford

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@ Canadian
Sanford-Fritch
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Iowa Park
@ Childress

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3rd Place (63)

Ron Parnell
Buddy Epperson
James Lee
Bill Dorman

4th Place (63)

Jim Brashears
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Jack Davis

Closest to the Pin

Charlie Rand (#8)
Jim Bridges (#15)

Bivins rushes for 235 yards as Pampa junior varsity crushes Borger, 28-0

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

The Pampa junior varsity football team shut out Borger Thursday, 28-0, due in large part to the amazing ground game provided by Jerrod Bivins.

In the first quarter, Bivins had runs of 48 and 25 yards to help set up a three yard TD run from Adam Estrada. Colby Copeland added the extra point

and the Harvester jumped out to a 7-0 lead. Estrada had a 55-yard run in the second quarter to set the table for a Bivins 20-yard scamper and another Pampa touchdown. Extra point failed, and Pampa took a 13-0 lead into the locker room at the break.

It was all Harvesters in the second half, with quarterback Jad McGuire sneaking the ball in from the Borger 1-yard line for another Pampa TD.

Bivins converted the two point conversion and Pampa now led 21-0.

In the fourth, Bivins blitzed the Bulldog defense for a 65-yard touchdown run and Copeland took care of the extra point, giving the Harvesters the 28-0 lead.

Bivins would end the night with 12 carries for 235 yards and two touchdowns. His per carry average was just over 19.5 yards.

Bufs go for 4-0 mark Saturday

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

The WTAMU Bufs will open a two-game home stand Saturday when they host Southwestern Oklahoma State at Kimbrough Stadium. The game is set to begin at 6 p.m.

WT, under the leadership of first-year head coach Don Carthel, will be seeking its first 4-0 start since 1995.

The Buffaloes upset No. 24 University of Central Oklahoma on the road last Saturday, 44-31. WT started the 1995 season 4-0, but wound up with a 5-and-6 record at the end of the campaign.

Carthel has his club filled with confidence as they prepare to welcome the 1-2 Bulldogs Saturday. SWOSU defeated Oklahoma Panhandle State, 13-10 in its season opener. Those 13 points represent the only points score by the Bulldogs thus far as they have been shutout the past two weeks.

Listed on the Bulldog roster but most likely not making the trip are former Pampa standouts Seth Foster and Mark Williams. The Bufs boast former Harvester Jered Snelgrooes, a kicker for Coach Carthel's club.

Saturday is "Take A Kid To The Game" day, where those 12-and-under will get in free. The WT football team will also be taking donations on behalf of the American Red Cross.

For additional information, visit www.gobuffsgo.com



Photo by SPORTCLICKS.COM

WT first year head coach Don Carthel has his team, and his school, excited about football again. The Bufs hope to go 4-0 with a win over SWOSU Saturday night.

Hurricane warning



Courtesy photo

Members of the Miami Hurricane second grade flag football team smile as they hoist their championship trophies. The team went 7-2 in regular season play, and won two more games en route to the City Tournament Championship. Pictured are (from left to right), bottom row- Cade Engle, Colten Collins, Jeffrey Sermons, Ajay Mitchell, Joe Smith and Kyle Sander. Top row- Benjamin Karson, Austin Hernandez, Gunner Stephens, Michael Mojica and Andrew Smith. Not pictured- Coaches Troy Sander, Chris Engle and Shawn Smith.

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Player's perspective

► Pampa junior Craig Crowell looks on as students of First Baptist Church Day Care, dressed in Harvester outfits, ask questions and take part in Pampa High School cheers Thursday. The annual visit by the PHS players and cheerleaders is part of the Homecoming events leading up to tonight's game. Crowell is a receiver and line-backer for Pampa.



Thursday's MLB Linescores

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

Chicago 011 000 030 — 5 12 0
Kansas City 002 000 41x — 7 14 1

Buehrle, LVizcaino (7), Bajenaru (7), Jenks (8) and Pierzynski, Widger (8); Greinke, Burgos (7), Sisco (8), MacDougal (8) and Buck. W—Burgos 2-5. L—Buehrle 15-8. Sv—MacDougal (19). HR—Chicago, Dye (28).

New York 000 016 002 — 9 15 0
Tampa Bay 020 030 000 — 5 8 0

Small, Embree (7), Gordon (8), MRivera (8) and Posada; McClung, TreMiller (6), Colome (7), LCarter (8) and THall. W—Small 8-0. L—McClung 6-10. Sv—MRivera (39). HRs—New York, ARodriguez (42), Cano (10), Tampa Bay, Gomes (20).

Oakland 210 000 120 — 6 14 0
Boston 000 001 100 — 2 7 0

Blanton, RRincon (7), Duchscherer (7), Street (9) and Kendall; Schilling, MMyers (7), Bradford (8), Gonzalez (8), Delcarmen (9) and Varitek. W—Blanton 10-11. L—Schilling 6-8.

Seattle 011 000 001 — 3 9 1
Texas 002 100 01x — 4 5 4

Harris, RSoriano (8), Thornton (8) and Torrealba, Ojeda (8); Loe, BShouse (6), Benoit (6), Wilson (8), FCordero (9) and Laird. W—Loe 9-5. L—Harris 2-4. Sv—FCordero (32).

Detroit 001 340 000 — 8 12 0
Los Angeles 200 112 000 — 6 8 1

Maroth, Spurling (7), JWalker (8), Dingman (9) and IRodriguez, VWilson (5); Colon, Gregg (6), Christians (7), Donnelly (7), GJones (9) and BMolina. W—Maroth 13-13. L—Colon 19-7. Sv—Dingman (4). HRs—Detroit, MOrdonez (8), Monroe (18), Granderson (6), Los Angeles, VGuerrero 2 (31), JRivera (12).

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Washington 310 000 001 1 — 6 13 0
New York 100 040 000 0 — 5 12 2

(10 innings)

LHernandez, Eischen (7), Hughes (7), Stanton (8), Bergmann (9), Majewski (10) and GBennett, Osik (9); Seo, Takatsu (6), Heilman (7), Loooper (9), RHernandez (10) and RCastro. W—Bergmann 2-0. L—RHernandez 6-6. Sv—Majewski (1). HRs—Washington, CGuzman (4), New York, Reyes (7), Floyd (30).

Milwaukee 207 302 000 — 14 19 0
Arizona 000 002 000 — 2 8 0

Ohka, Capellan (8), VSantos (9) and Moeller; Estes, Lyon (3), Villarreal (3), Halsey (4), Bulger (6), Bruney (8), Aquino (9) and Hill. W—Ohka 11-8. L—Estes 7-8. HRs—Milwaukee, CaLee (32), Cirillo (4).

Atlanta 003 001 200 — 6 8 3
Philadelphia 000 020 101 — 4 12 1

JoSosa, McBride (6), Reitsma (7), Farnsworth (8) and JEstrada (8); BMyers, Madson (7), Cormier (8), Geary (9) and Pratt. W—JoSosa 12-3. L—BMyers 12-8. Sv—Farnsworth (7). HRs—Atlanta, CJones 2 (19), LaRoche (16), Philadelphia, BAbreu (24), Howard (18).

Florida 000 000 100 — 1 5 1
Houston 001 020 10x — 4 8 0

JVargas, IValdez (6), Mecir (7), Mota (8) and Lo Duca; Pettitte, Lidge (9) and Ausmus. W—Pettitte 16-9. L—JVargas 5-4. Sv—Lidge (37). HRs—Florida, MiCabrera (32), Houston, Biggio (21), Ausmus (3).

St. Louis 300 000 030 — 6 9 1
Chicago 000 000 001 — 1 8 1

Suppan, Al Reyes (9) and YMolina; Prior, Hill (6), Wellemeyer (8) and HBlanco. W—Suppan 15-10. L—Prior 11-6. HR—Chicago, DeLee (43).

Los Angeles 023 200 000 — 7 11 0
San Francisco 010 000 000 — 1 4 1

DLowe, Schmolli (9) and Navarro; Hennessey, Fassero (3), Cooper (7) and Matheny, Haad (9). W—DLowe 11-13. L—Hennessey 4-8. HR—San Francisco, Feliz (20).

HOUSTON ASTROS

Heavy-hearted Clemens wins one for his mother

HOUSTON (AP) — In the final hours of her life, Roger Clemens' mother was talking about baseball.

"This is momma, she was thinking baseball. She came to and asked if we were in the playoffs yet," Clemens said. "Out of nowhere came, she mentioned Shoeless Joe Jackson. It was unbelievable. ... I asked her if she was in the fields, and she said, 'I think I am.' She just loves the game."

Clemens was with his mother, Bess, early Wednesday when she died. Later that night, he was on the mound making his scheduled start for the Houston Astros, just as his mother expected him to do.

With a gutsy performance that would have made his mother proud, the Rocket allowed just one run in 6 1-3 innings to lead the Astros to a 10-2 victory over Florida that moved them within a half-game of the Marlins for the NL wild-card lead.

"I get my determination from her," Clemens said. "She told me to go to work."

Bess Clemens died in Georgetown, Texas, because of complications from emphysema. She was 75.

Clemens often shared his affection for his mother, saying her health was an important factor as he weighed retirement the past two offseasons. His stepfather died when he was young, and his mother was an inspiration.

"She was my strength. She's always my will. She gave me so much," said Clemens, now 43. "I'm just very thankful that she's at peace now. She worked so hard, she was really my mother and my father. She played both roles. ... I've lost a little bit of my fire. I don't want to say I lost any of my passion,

because I want to pass that on to the kids."

Just after the final out Wednesday night, a tribute to Clemens' mother was shown on the giant video screen. Astros players stood in the infield and watched, while Clemens saw it on a monitor in the clubhouse. There were clips of Clemens talking about his mother at previous news conferences, his mother talking about him and video of them together on a baseball field.

"It was great to see her look so pretty like I remember," he said with tears in his eyes.

"His mother was a very special person in his life. I can see the two of them together, Roger was still a little boy around her," New York Yankees manager Joe Torre said in St. Petersburg, Fla. "She's been fighting this thing for a long period of time. Hopefully she's at peace and Roger is also."

Clemens (12-7) lowered his major league-best ERA to 1.77 while winning for the first time in seven starts. It was his 340th victory, the most among active pitchers, and he had four strikeouts to increase his career total to 4,492.

"He showed what a true champion he was today," manager Phil Garner said.

Clemens had a tough first inning, with two four-pitch walks — including leadoff hitter Luis Castillo before Jeff Conine singled. Florida took the lead on grounder.

"As soon as I climbed on the mound, I was lost a little bit," Clemens said.

But after that, the Marlins didn't score another run off the seven-time Cy Young Award winner, he didn't walk another batter and Houston stopped a three-game losing streak.

Can Saints take momentum 'home?'

By DAVE GOLDBERG
Associated Press

The official listing for the first half of the NFL's Monday night doubleheader is "New Orleans Saints-New York Giants at Giants Stadium."

The oddsmakers know it's really Saints AT Giants, no matter that New Orleans season ticket holders — who have no other worries, of course — got first crack at admission. So the Giants are favored by three, probably a six-point swing if the Saints were truly home.

The question is whether New Orleans can carry the emotion that helped in a win at Carolina for another week.

"The football field is always the same length and the same distance," coach Jim

Haslett said. "They'll be excited about playing on Monday night. They'll be excited about the opportunity to play in New York, and hopefully we can continue to keep playing well."

The last time these teams met, the Saints won 45-7 in the Superdome against a demoralized New York team in the final throes of the Jim Fassel era. That was the game in which Joe Horn pulled out a cell phone after scoring a touchdown, got fined by the league and earned a "showboat" tag nationally.

These Giants are much better and Horn's image has taken a 180 — he's been in the forefront of the players' effort to comfort victims of Hurricane Katrina.

Back to emotion. The Saints are now America's team Saints, 24-23

Pro picks

Jacksonville (plus 8 1/2) at Indianapolis COLTS, 24-10
Atlanta (minus 1) at Seattle SEAHAWKS, 21-19
New England (minus 3) at Carolina PATRIOTS, 27-20
Washington (plus 5) at Dallas (Monday night, Game II) DALLAS, 24-6
San Francisco (plus 12 1/2) at Philadelphia EAGLES, 49-7
Miami (plus 5 1/2) at New York Jets JETS, 27-24
San Diego (plus 3 1/2) at Denver CHARGERS 28-20
Kansas City (even) at Oakland RAIDERS, 31-30

Minnesota (plus 2 1/2) at Cincinnati BENGALS, 27-19
Buffalo (plus 1 1/2) at Tampa Bay BILLS, 18-6
Baltimore (minus 3 1/2) at Tennessee RAVENS 24-11
Pittsburgh (minus 4 1/2) at Houston STEELERS, 27-16
St. Louis (minus 1) at Arizona The Rams know Kurt Warner. RAMS 20-16
Detroit (minus 2 1/2) at Chicago LIONS 12-2
Cleveland (plus 7 1/2) at Green Bay PACKERS, 23-17

LAST WEEK: 9-7 (spread) 9-7 (straight up)

Cardinals clinch with 6-1 win over Cubs

CHICAGO (AP) — The St. Louis Cardinals' NL Central-clinching game was called after a 58-minute rain delay in the ninth inning. That washed away any chance for players to romp across Wrigley Field in celebration.

But the Cardinals had no plans for such antics, anyway.

No dog piles and no congregating, hugging or slapping high-fives around the pitcher's mound and no raucous, euphoric scenes in the clubhouse — even though they wrapped up their fourth division championship in six years by beating the Cubs 6-1 on Thursday night.

Manager Tony La Russa wasn't budging, even though St. Louis has already earned the title by virtue of a tiebreaker over sec-

ond-place Houston.

La Russa wants one more win than the Astros can possibly muster before he or any of his players pop champagne corks. He took a similar stance a year ago after they clinched despite a loss, insisting that they win it on the field.

"We understand we're officially in October baseball," La Russa said. "It happened last year and again this year. It just doesn't seem right to celebrate when your magic number is one," he said.

The Cardinals are the first team to win a division and clinch a playoff berth this season. Now they hope to find their way back to the World Series, where they were swept last year by the Boston Red Sox.

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JACK'S Plumbing & Faucet Shop, 715 W. Foster, 665-7115. faucets, plumbing supplies, new constr., repair, remodeling, sewer / drain cleaning, septic systems installed. Visa/MC

Larry Baker Plumbing
Heating/ Air Conditioning Borger Hwy. 665-4392

15 Instruction

PIANO Lessons— openings for beginners-intermediates, all ages. Individual design programs, concert / classical oriented for adapting to any format. Trained for concert instructor. 665-4634.

19 Situations

PJ Care. Private care in my home. 24 hour care. Short term and long term care available. Call 669-2271

21 Help Wanted

NOTICE
Readers are urged to fully investigate advertisements which require payment in advance for information, services or goods.

MCLEAN CARE CENTER
has opening for OFFICE MANAGER
Must have accounting, computer and clerical exp. College accounting and knowledge of Medicaid and Payroll a plus.
Must be able to communicate well with the public.
Submit Resumes to: Angie Dickson P.O. Box 670 Memphis, Tx. 79245

CRALL PRODUCTS

Immediate Openings
•Welders
40hrs + wk.
Salary based on exp.
Apply in Person: W. Hwy 152, Pampa

DOUGLAS Paint Co. is accepting appli. for a Painter. Industrial or auto painting exp. is required. Apply in person at 317 E. Brown.

21 Help Wanted

TOP O' Texas Oilfield Service-Class A CDL Drivers. Benefits. Apply 408 S. Price Rd., Pampa.

W&W FIBERGLASS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS FOR CDL TRUCK DRIVERS
Field Labor/Swamper Fiberglass Manufacturing General Labor
•40 + hrs./wk
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Apply in person: 100 N. Price Rd., Pampa

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NOW HIRING

Kitchen Manager
Must have management skills. Duties include scheduling, inventory mgmt. ordering food and supplies.

Bartender
Experience would be preferred. Must be able to lift 50 lbs. Must be 18.

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Must have good math and computer skills. Ability to work with public. In fast-paced environment. Professional appearances. Good references.

No Fee to Applicants!

Apply at NBC Plaza 1224 N. Hobart Suite 11 Pampa, TX 79065 (806)665-2991

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FT Cooks, PT & FT Waitresses Needed at Dixie Cafe. Apply within at 2219 Perryton Parkway, before 11am & after 2pm. No Phone Calls Please.

Retail Sales Associate Creative person needed in retail gift shop and greenhouse. Responsibilities include: assisting customers, displaying merchandise, stock rotation and cash register. Experience in retail and greenhouse sales is helpful. Applicant needs to have a positive attitude, work well with others and demonstrate leadership skills. Position is 40 plus hours a week varying Mon. thru Sat., some Sundays possible during busy season. Benefits incl. group ins. Apply in person at West Texas Landscape, 120 S. Hobart, Pampa, Texas.

J-W POWER COMPANY
Seeking self motivated Compressor Technician. 3-5 yrs experience preferred. Must have own tools, clean driving record. Drug Test Required.
Phone: 806-669-2278 or Fax: 806-665-2407.
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TRUCK DRIVERS WANTED
4 days on / 2 days off Medical & Dental Ins. Uniforms Monthly Safety Bonus Retirement Plan

Requirements:
CLASS A CDL DOT Physical Tanker Endorsement

Must pass DOT Drug Screen
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FRONT OFFICE/INSURANCE team member needed for a busy healthcare office! Only friendly, upbeat, multi-tasking, self-starters need apply. Fax resume to (806) 665-0537

JANITORIAL Service taking applications, drivers license required, will train. Call 669-9186.

WANTED: Full-Time General Laborer at West Texas Landscape. Landscaping & Horticultural background preferred but not necessary. Apply in person at 120 S. Hobart. No Phone Calls Please.

SHOP Valve Tech. Exp. in repair of Kimray valves, controls, & pumps. Salary based on exp. Call T&J Valve @ 662-5228, 665-0868

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Carson County Gin White Deer, Texas
Now accepting appli. for 2005-2006 ginning season. Work will begin about Oct. 15. These openings are for day & night shifts in the gin & Seasonal Office Opportunity
Evening and Night Scale / Gin Clerk positions avail. Oct. 15. Some computer exp. preferred.
2290 Hwy. 60 W 806-883-2535

AmericInn Lodge & Suites is expanding to Pampa, Tx. We are searching for a talented General Manager for this 54-unit, limited service property. To further our tradition of service excellence, successful candidates must have excellent supervisory, people & sales skills, general accounting knowledge, and be computer proficient. Previous hospitality experience is preferred but not required. We offer a competitive salary and benefits package. Please submit resume to: Three Rivers Hospitality, LLC 250 Lake Drive East Chanhassen, MN 55317 Equal Opportunity Employer

CNA & VAN DRIVER
Needed
Must be certified and have a current Texas drivers license
Pampa Nursing Center
Contact Judy Shook, RN DON 669-2551

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NATIONAL mfg Co. is currently expanding in Pampa and the surrounding areas. Seeking reliable people to work from home. Income based on the effort that you will put in to this business. Call 806-669-6080, lmor

NEEDED: Workout partner/ trainer to assist me with my weight-loss efforts. Call 665-2246

NEED Pharmacy Tech. Will train. Keyboarding a must. Be honest & dependable. Apply in person at Heard-Jones, Pampa.

50 Building Suppl.
White House Lumber 101 S. Ballard 669-3291

60 Household
HOT TUB / SPA New-Never Used, 5 HP. w / lounger, waterfall, digital control, seats 6. Full warr. \$3900. 806-670-9337.

SALE- New Shipment
Mattress Sets w/ Thick Pillowtop, in Plastic / 5 yr. warr.
King \$329.00
Queen \$259.00
Full \$218.00
806-677-0400

SIDE-BY-SIDE refig. \$200, gas cookstove \$200, washer & dryer \$50 ea., 1 king bed \$50, 1 king waterbed \$50. Call 665-6830.

99 Misc.
ADVERTISING Material to be placed in the Pampa News MUST be placed through the Pampa News Office Only.

SEARS GT 5000 riding lawnmower 54" deck, hydrostat trans. 25 hp Kohler eng. exc. shape, approx 1yr old, new \$3000. Sell \$2000. 662-1316.

SPOILED BY Right Re-sale for tots opens Oct. 3rd 10am. 302 W. Foster downtown. Selling baby furn, outdoor toys, whimsical beds, rare little tikes.

SPOILED BY Right Re-sale for tots. Opening Oct. 3rd. Selling 2004+ gently used and new Costumes for Halloween. Costumes for the whole family.

BUYING and Cosigning large toys and baby furniture. NO CLOTHES. 665-0008 or 806-282-5205.

IN-BED camper, fits long bed, 4 wind., skylight vent, chrome plated toolbox, dbl. bed, rear door. \$350 obo. 665-5419, 662-1985.

FOR Sale. 10" Radial Arm Saw \$250. 10" Table Saw \$100. Call 665-5816 or 898-2789.

LAWN MOWER Fun Poker Run, 10 am. Sat. Start-Sadie Hawkins, \$10 donation. All riding mowers welcome.

69a Garage Sales
Dream Catcher Flea Market & Gift Shop 1/2 mile West of Price Rd. on Borger Hwy., Turn left on Western, 1st house on Right! Open weekends only 10-6 pm. Check out our new shipment!

MOVING Sale, 628 N. Wells, Fri. & Sat. 8-7 lawn mowers, toys, lots of misc.

GARAGE SALE
Sat. 8-5 pm.
1917 Mary Ellen
2376 Beech, Sat. 8 to ? Furni., washer and dryer, lots of household items, trombone.

8-7 North on 70. First Right Past Hospital. Co Rd C. Bikes, Clothes, Furn. Lots of Misc.

69a Garage Sales
FREE: 1 male, 1 female Pit Bull Puppy. 669-7712.
7 yr old Chihuahua. Free. Very loving, totally declawed. Lap dog. 848-2183 or 662-8532.

LARGE Black Lab. To give away. Needs country home. Owner going to Iraq.

11 wk. old, full blood female Golden Retriever, to give away. Call 665-6958.

FREE to good home. 2 hamsters with cages. 669-6750.

AKC Labrador Retrievers, 6 black / 2 chocolate. Call 806-669-3537.

TO Give Away. 5 Free Kittens. 6 weeks old. Call 688-9088 for appt.

YOUNG male Border Collie mix. Good with kids. Free to good home. Call 665-4901.

AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW
One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

9-16 CRYPTOQUOTE

U S Q Z U L X Z L P S D K U S L K D D
J V K V S U K I V H H D J D Y
Y D Z H V N D Z U C X V W X X S T D
S Y E U P D Y L Z A D Z U C X V W X
D U L D Y T Y V K D . — I S S P Y S I
I V H K S U

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: TO BE WITTY IS NOT ENOUGH. ONE MUST POSSESS SUFFICIENT WIT TO AVOID HAVING TOO MUCH OF IT. — ANDRE MAUROIS

69a Garage Sales

1716 Aspen Dr. Fri. & Sat. 8 am.-7 Divan,

Bush

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course, it would do no such thing, and one day we will pull out of Iraq because our supply line is 7,000 miles long and the insurgent supply line is a block or two.

His recent energy bill consisted of favors, tax breaks and outright subsidies to giants in the oil industry and will not contribute a penny to lower the price of energy, nor will it cut our dependence on foreign oil by so much as half a quart.

He is wrecking the econo-

my, though the wreckage might not fall until he is out of office. The combination of massive tax cuts for the well-to-do plus massive increases in government expenditures has never worked in human history. He refuses to control the borders, and he persists in encouraging big corporations to take jobs away from Americans and transfer them to cheap-labor countries.

America has surely been dumbed down, or else this fellow would be booed and pelted with fruit every time he stuck his head out of the White House.

His popularity is as inex-

plicable as that of any of today's pop stars who use marketing and promotion in lieu of talent.

At any rate, I utter a plea to the president: Please spare us these absurd analogies to World War II.

It scares us, because it makes you appear to be loony and poorly educated, and I know you are neither. Rather than be defensive, why don't you just speak plainly, such as: "Go stuff it, anti-war people. I think this war is right even if you don't, and since I'm president and you aren't, it will go on until I say different."

Issue

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every day. Now thousands of unemployed evacuees from Louisiana need to find work. Some will return to New Orleans eventually and need only temporary or part-time work. Others will remain here and need permanent employment.

Drive-up labor exchanges such as those long used by immigrant day laborers can provide work for some evacuees, but the city should do more. Along with other social services set up at the Astrodome, a nonprofit employment agency should try to match job offers with evacuees.

The United States also feels shortfalls of trained professionals, particularly in science and engineering. In a Labor Day appeal, John Engler, president of the National Association of Manufacturers, decried the growing shortage of workers with training in science, engineering, math and high-level technical training.

Illegal immigrants are not going to plug this labor gap. Lamentably, Americans, who are dropping out of high school at rates approaching 40 percent, aren't either. If U.S. manufacturers can't find the skilled labor they need at home, they will look for help overseas.

Border-watch groups such as the Minuteman Project and organizations such as

the Washington-based Federation for American Immigration Reform are calling for the federal government to crack down on the estimated 7 million to 11 million people living and working illegally in the United States. Texas, along with California, New York, Florida and Illinois, has the highest concentrations. If even half were forced out of the labor pool, the economic impact would be widely felt.

Business says it needs foreign labor. Immigration reformers say the country needs to be able to control its borders. It is incumbent on Washington to take care of both needs by providing needed laborers a practical, legal channel into the work force.

Letter

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recently joined our community, as they are motivat-

ed by the desire to serve and succeed and not lured by a PEDC handout.

If you agree that it is wrong to take what one man has earned and give it to another for his profit, and if

you don't wish to be hit in the head — twice — vote NO on another economic development corporation on Nov. 8.

Edna L. Haydon
Pampa

Fest

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often the custom of local farmers to donate a portion of their harvest — usually an acre — or a portion of proceeds earned from an acre of their harvest, back to the church. Such festivals are held throughout the United States. St. Matthew's of Pampa

was inspired by a church in Mabank, Texas.

The local church has been preparing for the festival for almost a year. Steering committee chairpersons are Bill and Jan Ragsdale, Jim and Karon Bonnell, Hal and Sue Cree, Mark and Karen Lang and Curt and Evelyn Farmer.

For more information about the upcoming Harvest Festival or to make a donation, call the church office at 665-0701.

Sublett

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I haven't personally heard many who aimed their angry outbursts at Katrina or at the devil. The outbursts that I have watched on the news are aimed at the officials and the fellow Americans who are all trying to come to their aid as quickly as possible. I don't know anyone who hasn't already made at least one donation through one of the many companies or ministries or agencies that have been set up. Screaming in anger, DEMANDING help NOW is not a very pretty side of humanity. It isn't as ugly as type #1, but it surely isn't pretty.

Type #3 — THANKFUL. The ones who have thrilled my heart are those who have said things like: "I'm just thankful to be alive." "I just want to thank everyone for what they are doing to help those of us who have lost everything." "We haven't done anything to deserve it, but thanks for helping us anyway."

It has truly been inspirational to see

men and women in the most difficult circumstances still choose to show the bright side of humanity. These people are humble, thankful, patient and appreciative.

I want to be like type #3 when dark days come for a visit.

I don't want to ever be like those who walk all over people to get whatever they want. And I don't want to be like those who can only respond to difficulty with anger and bitterness toward others, as if the other people were partly to blame for their personal misery.

"Holy Father, my prayer is that you will help me to be humble, thankful, patient and appreciative in the dark days. Job lost everything and still he could say, 'Blessed be the name of the Lord.' Help me to learn from him. And Lord, please help me to learn from those flood victims who, by Your grace, have been displaying on the cameras the golden nuggets of humility, gratitude, patience and appreciation in their dark days. And Lord, please pour out Your grace on those who are suffering and use our help to truly be a blessing in their lives. And may You receive the glory for teaching us all how to give from the heart. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Retreat

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ate," a press release said, "about encouraging others to experience true life in Christ Jesus and becoming all that they are meant to be."

Registration and check-in for the retreat will begin at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 30 followed from 7-9 p.m. by the regular evening session. Another session is scheduled from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Saturday. Lunch will be served between 12 to 1 p.m. The afternoon session will conclude at 3 p.m.

Cost of the conference will be \$5. The fee includes a workbook, refreshments and Saturday lunch.

For more information or to register, call 669-1155 or 669-0148 or stop by the church at 203 N. West for the appropriate form. The deadline for registration and to sign-up for child care is Sept. 26.

Teach

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The Rev. Francisco Perez has noted that Catechetical Sunday highlights a central ministry within the Catholic Church.

The local church Catechist's are Kara and Scott Flathouse, Juanita Munoz, Jodi Roden, Ginger McVay, Rita Ulloa,

Elizabeth Rodriguez, Bridget Birkenfield, Cynthia Hernandez, Tony Resendiz, Pat and Clint Zellefrow, Shauna Munsell, Danny and San Juana Escalante, Maria Rodriguez, Doug Ware, Kenny & Melaney Martin, Maria M. Rodriguez, Ana Standlee, Joe Mechelay, Joe Martinez, Zelda Martinez, Alice Wilson, Lucio and Rachael Magana, Gloria Jara, Patty Plunk, Michael Plunk and Doretta Gerber.

Church briefs

St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, 727 W. Browning, will introduce its "Newcomer Coffee Hour" at 9:30 a.m. Sunday in the church's parish hall. For more information, call the church office at 665-0701.

The Children's Choir ministry at First Baptist Church, 203 N. West, is open to children age 4 through grade five. Children ages 4 and 5 may enroll in Tiny Tones and King's Notes, children in grades 1-3 in Extreme Music Makers and children in grades 4-5 in Extreme Praise.

All three choirs meet from 4:45 to 5:30 Wednesdays in the second floor of the Children's

Building. The children prepare songs for worship, study scripture as it relates to music, experience instruments and their use in church music and learn the importance of the hymnal.

For more information, contact the church's music office at 669-1155.

Cornerstone Baptist Church invites the public to come and enjoy gospel music by Randy and Wendi Pierce from Bixby, Okla., Sunday beginning at 10:50 a.m.

Randy and Wendi have been performing for numerous civic organizations for the past four years. The couple can be reached at 1-918-260-6967.



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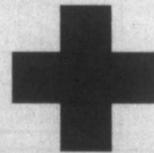
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