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## Farm, ranch show to add dairies

AMARILLO — Cygnus Expositions has announced that new exhibit spaces and a special conference have been added to accommodate the dairy industry at the Amarillo Farm and Ranch Show held at the Civic Center in Amarillo Nov. 28 - 30.

The Cal Farley Coliseum in the Civic Center will feature exhibits targeted to dairy producers. The Amarillo Farm and Ranch Show is working closely with the American Jersey Cattle Association to develop a forum that will provide relevant information on timely topics.

"We are very excited to announce the

addition of the dairy segment to this year's show," says Todd Benz, Group Show Director. "The Panhandle region is expected to be the fastest growing dairy area in the nation with the opening of the Hilmar Cheese Plant in Dalhart, Texas. This rapid growth demands special attention by dairy exhibitors, associations, and others responsible for sharing the latest developments in the industry to producers."

The American Jersey Cattle Association will present the High Plains Dairy Growth

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## Cattlemen hear about elections

By **DAVID BOWSER**  
Staff Writer

AMARILLO

Democrats need 15 seats to take over the U.S. House of Representatives in this fall's election, a national pollster told the Texas Cattle Feeders and Texas and Southwest Cattle Raisers Associations in their joint convention here this week.

"I have just completed surveys in 19 Republican Districts in the last week to 10 days," said John Zogby, president and CEO of Zogby International that does marketing and political research. "Democrats are leading in 15 of those 19, including the district of Tom Reynolds, who is the chairman of the National Republican Congressional Campaign Committee."

To take control of the Senate, the Democrats need six seats.

Zogby said he would concede at least three of those to



Pampa News photo by **DAVID BOWSER**

**Bill Arrington of Pampa shares a story with friends during a gathering of cattlemen at a joint convention this week of Texas Cattle Feeders Association and Texas and Southwest Cattle Raisers Association at the Amarillo Civic Center.**

the Democrats now.

"I believe that the Democrats will win Rick Santorum's seat in Pennsylvania, Mike DeWine in Ohio and the Conrad Burns seat in Montana,"

Zogby said. "From there on, it looks like the races are too close to call."

The Republicans go into this campaign with some

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## School bond series

In anticipation of election day on Nov. 7, The Pampa News will publish a special five-part series on the \$47 million school bond proposal that will appear on the ballot. The series begins in Sunday's edition.

Sunday: The facilities committee that studied the needs of the district.

Monday: An overall look at the bond issue.

Tuesday: the proposed renovation of the junior high building for administrative offices.

Wednesday: The high school renovation project.

Thursday: The proposed new junior high school building.

## Habitat for Humanity gains ground in Pampa

By **MARILYN POWERS**  
Staff Writer

Dr. Joe Donaldson hopes to raise some roofs in Pampa and Gray County.

Donaldson is working to establish a Habitat for Humanity affiliate here. He got the idea after visiting a friend in Arkansas who had become involved in the program.

Since returning to Pampa, he has been speaking to church and civic groups and local government to spread the word and gain support for the proposed affiliate.

"I started in June," Donaldson said. "I've probably made 20 talks already."

Habitat for Humanity International is a non-profit, ecumenical Christian housing ministry. The organization uses volunteer labor and donations of money and materials to provide homes for low-income families.

The families must apply for a home, be accepted by the local affiliate, make a down payment, have at least one family member who is

regularly employed, help build their house, and make payments on the home. No interest is charged to the family, and no profit is made from the home.

Donaldson obtained the information on how to start a local Habitat for Humanity affiliate, and is currently working on meeting all the requirements in order to apply. The organization estimates that it takes 12 to 18 months to organize and receive affiliation, but Donaldson thinks he can beat that.

"After a couple of speeches, someone asked, 'When are we going to start building a house?'" I said, 'There's a little bit more to it than that,'" he said.

A group of about 20 interested individuals have completed the three-hour online Internet course provided by Habitat for Humanity, and Donaldson has already raised the \$2,000 application fee for affiliation.

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## Pampa teachers take part in collaboratives

By **DEE DEE LARAMORE**  
Special to The News

Why do classes start almost an hour later on Wednesday at Pampa High School this year?

Why are volunteers "subbing" for Austin Elementary teachers on Wednesday mornings?

The answer: These are two ways that Pampa public schools are adapting to a collaborative teaching philosophy.

"It's time for teachers to talk," said Barry Haenisch, superintendent of Pampa Independent School District.

Teacher collaboratives, also known as professional learning communities, developed from a principals' meeting two years ago. With help from Region 16 Education Service Center representatives, Pampa's public school principals identified two problems hindering students' learning: Time and communication.

As a result, the teachers are being given time to talk.

Each campus finds that time in its own way.

Pampa High School set aside the first period of the day on Wednesday for collaboration, Principal Danny Seabourn said. Classes begin at 8:50 a.m. instead of 8 a.m. on Wednesdays. To make up the time, classes are adjusted throughout the day and the lunch break is shortened from 45 minutes to 30 minutes.

"I think the benefits of teacher collaboration are evident in the way teachers treat each other and the students," Seabourn said. "In the past, teachers, especially at the secondary level, worked in isolation. They went in their room and taught the best they could. The best they could do was limited by their personal vision and personal professional growth."

"Through the process of collaboration, teachers begin to share ideas and have hard conversations about what is best for children," he added.

At PHS, each of the school's eight academic departments (Career and Technology, English/Language Arts, Fine Arts, Foreign

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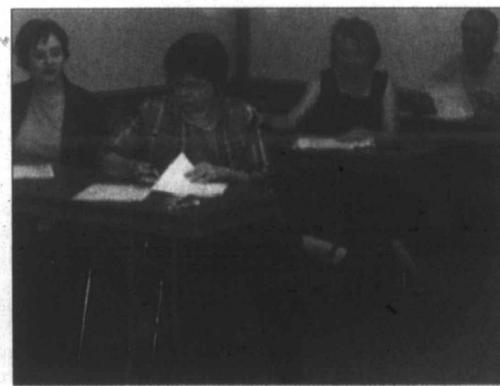


Photo by **Dee Dee Laramore**

**Pampa High School math teacher Mary Margaret Nava leads a discussion during a recent teacher collaborative meeting. Nava led the session in the absence of Janet Hancock, math department head. Shown with Nava are fellow math instructors, from left, Patricia Munez, Amanda Haiduk and Frank McCullough.**

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# Bush signs port-security, Internet gaming legislation

By JENNIFER LOVEN  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush signed a bill Friday to help prevent terrorists from sneaking a nuclear, chemical or germ weapon into the United States inside one of the 11 million shipping containers that enter the nation each year — many without inspection.

"We're going to protect our ports. We're going to defend this homeland, and we're going to win this war on terror," Bush said.

Bush was accompanied at the bill-signing ceremony by one

Democrat, Sen. Patty Murray of Washington, alongside a slew of Republican lawmakers. But the president has been hammering away for weeks on the message that Republicans are tough on terror, a key issue in congressional elections just less than four weeks away.

He did not mention at Friday's event an unrelated provision that seeks to put teeth into laws that forbid most online gambling. Instead, Bush focused on the multiple ways the legislation tightens security and closes a loophole in anti-terror defenses, especially at ports.

But Bush did note that the

SAFE Port Act authorizes the development of high-tech inspection equipment so customs agents can check cargo containers for dangerous materials without having to open them. It requires radiation-detection technology at 22 of the nation's busiest ports by the end of next year.

"We'll do everything we can to prevent an attack, but if the terrorists succeed in launching an attack, we'll be ready to respond," Bush said.

The president said the bill codifies the Container Security Initiative, which deploys U.S. inspectors to dozens of foreign ports on five continents where

they can screen cargo bound for the United States. He said it also codifies the Customs Trade Partnership Against Terrorism, a joint public-private sector initiative in which private shippers agree to improve their own security measures and in return can receive benefits, including expedited clearance through U.S. ports.

Bush also noted that the bill provides additional authority for the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office, which was established to guard against the threat of terrorists smuggling a nuclear device into the country. And the act requires the Department of

Homeland Security to establish a plan to speed the resumption of trade in the event of a terrorist attack on a U.S. port or waterway.

"This bill makes clear that the federal government has the authority to clear waterways, identify cleanup equipment and re-establish the flow of commerce following a terrorist attack," the president said.

Congress approved the bill two weeks ago, one of its last acts before lawmakers left to campaign for the Nov. 7 midterm elections in which national security, the war in Iraq and terrorism are expected to be major issues.

## Obituaries

### Services tomorrow

**SMITH, Gary Lynn** — Memorial graveside services, 10:30 a.m., White Deer Cemetery, White Deer.

**WATSON, Wilma (Dee)** — 4 p.m., Resthaven Funeral Home's Abbey Chapel, Lubbock.

### Gary Lynn Smith, 57

Gary Lynn Smith, of Azle and a long-time resident of the Fort Worth area, died in a motorcycle accident October 7, 2006. He was born May 23, 1949, in Pampa, Texas, to Charlie Travis and LaVetta Hill Smith.

Gary graduated from White Deer High School and was a star running back on the 1963-1966 Bucks football teams. He went on to play for Oklahoma State University. Gary was employed by Franklin Electric of Fort Worth.

What friends and family will remember most about Gary was that he embraced life. He loved sports including golf and fishing. He was a participator not an observer.

He is preceded in death by his parents C.T. and LaVetta Smith.

Gary is survived by his fiancé, Carolyn Farmer; brothers, Charles of Austin and Larry of Fort Worth; and two nephews and two nieces and their families including three

great-nephews.

Gary loved his extended family of beloved aunts LaVerne Stark, Dorothy Thomas, Louise Paty, Janice Williams, and Leora Robinson and many cousins. He also had a close relationship with stepsons, Joshua, Jacob, and Chase Musgrave and Josh's and Jacob's children Emily, Zachary, and Draven.

A graveside memorial service will be held Saturday, October 21, 2006, at 10:30 a.m. at White Deer Cemetery. Visitation with the family following the service will be at the Sacred Heart Catholic Parrish Hall. A memorial service will also be held in the Fort Worth area at a later date.

The family invites you to send condolences at [www.grimesfuneralchapels.com](http://www.grimesfuneralchapels.com) by selecting the "Send Condolences" link.

Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Grimes Funeral Chapels of Kerrville.

### Wilma (Dee) Watson, 85

Wilma (Dee) Watson passed away peacefully Thursday, Oct. 12, 2006, in Lubbock. Dee was born March 4, 1921, in Guthrie, Oklahoma, to the late William Nathaniel and Olive Edna (Fronk) Abernathy.

She was the beloved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother to those who survive her: her daughter, Joy Bruce; two granddaughters, Leslie Cude and her husband Rusty and Laurie Smith and her husband Marty.

Also left to cherish Dee's memory are her great-grandchildren, Austin, Lauren and Aaron Cude, Tanner Smith and a brother, Bill Abernathy.

The funeral services will be at Resthaven's Abbey Chapel, Saturday, Oct. 14, 2006, at 4 p.m. with Dr. Kevin Hall officiating.

The arrangements are under the direction of Resthaven Funeral Home.

## Emergency Services

### Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Fourteen traffic stops were made. Traffic complaints were received from the 700 block of West Brown and Highway 60 East.

Accidents were reported in the 1000 block of North Hobart and the 1900 block of North Hobart.

Thefts were reported in the 2200 block of North Perryton Parkway and the 2600 block of West Kentucky where a battery valued at \$95 was removed from a vehicle.

Domestic disturbances were reported in the 700 block of East Brunow, the 900 block of Terry and the 1400 block of North Williston where criminal mischief occurred with \$20 damage to a door molding. All were verbal, and no injuries were reported.

An abandoned vehicle was reported in the 1200 block of North Hobart.

Animal complaints were received from the 2100 block of North Sumner, the 1000 block of South Prairie, the intersection of 18th and Banks and the 1200 block of East Foster.

A 911 hang-up call was received from the 300 block of South Henry.

Escort service was provided in the 600 block of North Ward.

Two public intoxication calls were reported in the 200 block of West Brown.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1000 block of South Hobart and the 1300 block of East Kingsmill.

Motorist assistance was provided in the 1300 block of East Wilks and at an undisclosed location.

Suspicious persons were reported in the 1300 block of East Kingsmill and the 2200 block of North Hobart.

Suspicious vehicles were reported in the 1500 block of North Hobart and on

Highway 60 East. Criminal mischief was reported in the 200 block of East Brown.

### Accidents

Pampa Police Department reported the following accident today.

#### Thursday, Oct. 12

4:37 p.m. — A 2002 Buick LeSabre driven by Nadene Burress Reynolds, 80, of 1518 N. Nelson, and a 1999 Ford F-150 pickup driven by Eugene Brown, 70, of 1172 Prairie Drive, collided in the 1000 block of North Hobart. There were no reported injuries. Reynolds was cited for changing lanes when unsafe.

### Sheriff

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

#### Thursday, Oct. 12

Douglas Wade Watson 47, of White Deer was arrested by Roberts County Sheriff's Office on charges of theft by check and issuance of a bad check.

#### Friday, Oct. 13

Jesse Aaron Parsley, 19, of Pampa was arrested by Pampa Police Department for capias pro fines for no valid driver's license and failure to appear.

### Fires

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

#### Thursday, Oct. 12

4:39 p.m. — One unit and four personnel responded to the 1000 block of North Hobart on a vehicle accident.

9:23 p.m. — One unit and four personnel responded to the 1200 block of East Foster on a carbon monoxide check.

## Gray County Weather

Today: Mostly sunny, with a high near 71. Southwest wind around 10 mph.

Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 47. Southwest wind around 10 mph.

Saturday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy,

with a high near 72. Southeast wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Saturday Night: A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Increasing clouds, with a low around 55. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Sunday: A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Cloudy, with a high near 70. South-southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Sunday Night: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms.

## Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Atebury Grain of White Deer:

Wheat ..... 4.85  
Milo ..... 4.74  
Corn ..... 5.59  
Soybeans ..... 4.75

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

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BP PLC ADR ..... 65.94 +0.87  
Cabot Corp ..... 38.50 -0.16

Celanese ..... 17.94 +0.09  
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## Elections

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decided weaknesses, Zogby said.

"There is a sense that they have not accomplished their agenda and, in fact, have worked against their own agenda and have lost some of their base," he said. "By that, I'm talking about federal spending. I'm talking about immigration. I'm talking about the war in Iraq. There are a number of issues that have alienated some of their own conservative base."

In addition to that, Republicans have another weakness, he said.

"They have very, very little cross-over appeal to Democrats or to Independents," Zogby said.

One of their greatest weaknesses going into this cycle is that they are being viewed as a party that is against science, Zogby said. They are viewed as a party that doesn't agree with theories concerning global warming, which many evangelicals are embracing.

Zogby said that in his polling, when he asks self-described conservatives if they have anyone in their household or immediate circle of friends who suffers from Parkinson's Disease,

Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS or Lou Gehrig's Disease) Multiple Sclerosis or another disease for which stem cell research may hold hope for treatment or a cure, they are 20 to 30 points more likely to support embryonic stem cell research.

On the other hand, Zogby said, Republicans also have several strengths. One of them is President Bush, who can direct the conversation.

"He is, after all, the President," Zogby said, "and presidents can, if given the opportunity, try to change the subject."

Zogby said that was evident in his polling a couple of weeks ago when the President began to hammer away at terror.

"Despite a poll that came out a few days ago showing that for the first time ever that the Democrats were perceived as better at handling the war on terrorism," Zogby said. "That poll, I think, is an apparition. I still have the Republicans handling the war on terrorism by 22 to 25 points over the Democrats."

In addition to that, in terms of strength, the Republicans have two of the most popular politicians in the country today, Rudy Giuliani and John McCain.

"The real ace in the hole," Zogby said, "the real

trump card, the real secret weapon that the Republicans have in this election is the Democrats."

While his company has to be independent of political influences, Zogby admits that he is a registered Democrat.

"Let me put this as gently as I can," Zogby said, "the Democrats don't have much of anything to say to anyone that's useful to anyone at all."

Zogby said it is very possible that Democrats could win the House and the Senate. It is more likely that they could win the House, but not the Senate but anything can happen.

Should the Democrats win control of both houses of Congress, Zogby said he would refer to it as a Forrest Gump Victory.

Events would be swirling around them, happening to them, without them having control over those events.

"If the election was held today," Zogby said, "the Republicans would lose the House of Representatives for sure."

But he said there is still time for the situation to change.

"If this had happened a week or 10 days before the election," Zogby said, "it would be all over."

He said, however, it will be interesting as this election plays out.

## Habitat

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He is currently waiting on information about local demographics which is being gathered for him by Pampa City Manager John Horst and Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Pat Vanderpool. The information is required for Habitat affiliate applications, and is the last item Donaldson needs in order to submit the application.

"We have to agree to build at least one house, and send 10 percent of what we raise from that house to Habitat International," he said.

Donaldson believes that

Habitat homes would help improve Pampa and Gray County for everyone.

"Ownership is a lot different than renting," he said. "There's pride in ownership. If you own something, you want to take care of it. And that pride is contagious."

Habitat for Humanity provides homes worldwide, and can help rebuild areas hit by disaster.

"Habitat raised \$154 million for Katrina houses," Donaldson said of the organization's efforts to help victims of Hurricane Katrina. "They've already built 100 down there."

When wildfires swept the Panhandle in March, homeowners who lost their homes to the blazes would

have been good candidates for Habitat homes, he said.

"I've had a very good response from people in talking to them," Donaldson said of his efforts to gain support for the proposed affiliate. "On the whole, I've been very happy with the reception I've had."

He is not sure when the local affiliate will be up and running, but believes it is something everyone in the area will be able to support.

"I think it's something that will bring the community together, and we can be proud of it," he said. "I'm 89. I hope I live long enough to see it up and running."

For more information, call Donaldson at 665-5914 or Vanderpool at 669-3241.

## Dairies

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Forum from 1 to 3:30 p.m. on Nov. 30 in the Grand Plaza room. The forum will look at the current dynamics of the cheese industry, calculating cheese yields and milk pricing based on cheese yield, and provide producers with suggestions on efficiently and rapidly improving cheese yield.

There will also be discussion of the numerous job opportunities that will be created in the coming years, not only working on dairies, but also with specialized dairy calf-heifer ranches that are already in place, in support services for the dairies such as cattle feed, health supplies, milking and farm equipment, and jobs at the cheese manufacturing plant. There is no charge to attend this event.

The 22nd annual Amarillo Farm and Ranch Show, held Nov. 28 - 30th at the Civic Center in Amarillo, is dedicated to the needs of farmers and ranchers in Texas and the surrounding states. The 2007 show will include more

than 400 leading manufacturers displaying the latest agricultural products and services.

Admission to the show and parking is free. The show is open Tuesday and Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Thursday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. The three-day event includes educational seminars, health screenings, and the latest products and services from more than 400 leading agricultural companies.

The show is presented by NC+ Hybrids, and is sponsored by KGNC Radio, KFDD TV, the High Plains Journal, the American Jersey Cattle Association, Texas Wheat Producers, the Texas Commodity Symposium, the Texas Cooperative Extension and the Holiday Inn Amarillo. For more information on attending or exhibiting at the 2006 event, visit [www.Farmshows.com](http://www.Farmshows.com), or call 800.827.8007.

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Talley said in a press release that the center drew 63 units from the 75 people who showed up.

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# Viewpoints

## Foleygate: All's not lost for the GOP

The chattering class has been all agog over so-called generic polls showing Democrats will give GOP members of Congress a royal beating in the November elections — and this was before the so-called revelations about Mark Foley's shenanigans, which sent them into a state of sheer ecstasy.

As heartening as this may be to the Liberals and their media lackeys, neither of these apparently GOP-unfriendly harmful revelations are going to be the main determinants on Nov. 7.

What really matters in most of the 435 House races is the enormous advantage House members have in the simple fact that they are

incumbents. And they are all beneficiaries of what I call the incumbent protection act.

According to a study, "Redistricting and Incumbent Protection in 2001-2002," by the Voting and Democracy Research Center, elections to the U.S. House of Representatives in 2002 were dramatically less competitive than elections after the last round of redistricting in 1991-1992:

"In 2002 fewer than one in 10 races were won by less than 10 percent and fewer than one five races were won by less than 20 percent — less than half of the number of races won by those margins in 1992. Only four incumbents were defeated by non-incumbent challengers, the fewest number in history,

and the average victory margin was nearly 40 percent. Our 2003 Dubious Democracy report has additional data quantifying this alarming state of affairs."

Their conclusion: "This lack of competition in a post-redistricting election makes it quite possible that House elections toward the end of the decade will be less competitive than any in history."

Democrats and Republican incumbents have schemed together to create districts for themselves that all but guarantee the mem-

bers can hang around Capitol Hill for as long as they want. And the voters back home will oblige them.

The old adage that "all politics is local" holds true for members of Congress. In other words, local politics

plays a major role in a congressional election. Only rarely do national issues overshadow local issues. That's another shield that protects incumbents from the national winds of change.

As far as what they are now calling "Foleygate" damaging the re-election chances of individual

Republican members of Congress, the fact is that the effect will be negligible to zero. Moreover, the Democrats, by jumping feet-first into the scandal may suddenly discover that they will be the ones who get hurt.

Take Nancy Pelosi as an example. She brazenly accuses the House GOP leadership of failing to protect "the children," implying that they willingly exposed pages to being sexually molested by Mark Foley.

What hypocrisy! This is the same Nancy Pelosi who wants Boy Scouts to be exposed to homosexual scoutmasters. Does she really think the voters are going to let her and her party get away with this outrage?

Moreover, there are investigations now in progress by the FBI and the House Ethics Committee that are going to turn over the rocks and uncover the complicity of at least some top Democrats — and a whole slew of sleazy operatives working on their behalf — in what was a conspiracy that kept the sordid charges against Foley undercover until they could be used as a last-minute assault on the House GOP.

The real cover-up was theirs.

Finally, if Rush Limbaugh is right — and I think he is — the reaction to this sleazy Democrat plot by the Republican's conservative

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**Michael Reagan**  
Columnist



## Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Oct. 13, the 286th day of 2006. There are 79 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 13, 1792, the cornerstone of the executive mansion, later known as the White House, was laid during a ceremony in the District of Columbia.

On this date:

In A.D. 54, Roman emperor Claudius I died, after being poisoned by his wife, Agrippina.

In 1775, the United States Navy had its origins as the Continental Congress ordered the construction of a naval fleet.

In 1843, the Jewish organization B'nai B'rith was founded in New York City.

In 1845, Texas voters ratified a state constitution.

In 1943, Italy declared war on Germany, its one-time Axis partner.

In 1944, American troops entered Aachen, Germany.

In 1960, Richard M. Nixon and John F. Kennedy participated in the third televised debate

*'Children are the true connoisseurs. What's precious to them has no price — only value.'*

— Bel Kaufman  
American author and educator

of their presidential campaign.

In 1962, "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" by Edward Albee opened on Broadway.

In 1974, longtime television host Ed Sullivan died in New York City at age 72.

In 1981, voters in Egypt participated in a referendum to elect Vice President Hosni Mubarak the new president, one week after the assassination of Anwar Sadat.

Ten years ago: House Speaker Newt Gingrich, appearing on CBS' "Face the Nation," called on Congress to investigate campaign contributions made to President Clinton's reelection campaign by the Lippo Group, an Indonesian banking conglomerate. The Yankees won the American League pennant, defeating the Baltimore Orioles.

Five years ago: Ukraine's defense minister and air defense chief offered to resign, conceding that the military was involved in the explosion of a Russian airliner over the Black Sea on Oct. 4 that killed 78 people.

One year ago: British playwright Harold Pinter won the 2005 Nobel Prize in literature. Scores of Islamic militants launch simultaneous attacks on police and government buildings in Nalchik, a city in Russia's turbulent Caucasus region, leaving 139 people dead, including 94 militants.

Today's Birthdays: Former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher is 81. Playwright Frank D. Gilroy is 81. Gospel singer Shirley Caesar is 68.



## Clooney should switch to Gaza situation

I don't know about actor George Clooney. I challenged him once to take up arms and go fight in the Darfur region of Sudan, but it seems he just wants to make speeches about it. Obviously, he would prefer that some minimum-wage soldiers be sent there to do the fighting.

Well, if he really wants to end suffering, I know where there is intense suffering, but suffering that is endable. He wouldn't even have to carry a gun. I'm talking about the Gaza Strip, where the United Nations says there is a humanitarian crisis of almost unendurable proportions.

Most, though not all, of the suffering is directly caused by the actions of the Israeli government. The

Israeli government is hard-hearted and immune to pressure from all but one source — the United States, which not only pumps in billions of dollars every year but also protects Israel from international sanctions at the United Nations.

Therefore, if Clooney would gather some of his big-name celebrity pals and lead a tour of the Gaza Strip, showing the American people the extent and injustice of the suffering, then the American people might pressure the U.S. government to pressure Israel to

stop it.

I bet 5-to-1 he won't do it.

Such a trip would be seen as criticism of Israel, and I don't think Clooney has the guts. It's OK to damn a long-dead demagogue most Americans today only vaguely recall, if at all, and liberals have always despised. It's OK to urge other people to go to Sudan. None of that costs Clooney a penny — not even a raised eyebrow from anyone he cares about.

But if Clooney wants to show the stuff he's made of, he should go to Gaza. That would require real courage. It would be like Errol Flynn going through the lines during the Spanish Civil War — real hero stuff, not the make-believe kind.

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## Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

**■ Oct. 2**  
El Paso Times on educating inmates: Five hundred foreign nationals just received their GEDs, general equivalency diplomas.

Before you say "So what?" and turn the page, consider the circumstances. The mostly Mexican foreign nationals were all inmates at the Cibola County Corrections Center in Milan, N.M. And because Mexico won't accept American GEDs, a special program has been put in place at Cibola County Corrections and more than 30 other facilities in 14 states.

The program is a partnership

between the Mexican government and Corrections Corp. of America, which operates the Cibola County facility and others nationwide. Instruction is provided that can lead to GEDs acceptable in Mexico, as well as certificates in masonry and horticulture. There's also primary and secondary education instruction available.

One of the Cibola inmates said, "Probably in here we don't have freedom, but no one can take away our education."

Once the inmates have served their time at this minimum-security lockup, their educations can be the key to keeping them out of prison and, if they make the effort, turning their lives around.

No one's naive enough to think that

this single experience will turn their lives around. But having an education, particularly a high-school equivalency diploma, will give these inmates a much better chance for success when they're released from prison and deported. And having an education and/or marketable skill means less chance that these former inmates will try to re-enter the United States illegally once they're released.

The program has been ongoing for about five years. But it certainly would make matters easier if the Mexican government decided to accept American GEDs. That's something that should be negotiated.

Meanwhile, this in-prison Mexican GED program is a form of rehabilitation that holds significant promise.

## Events calendar

• **Kwahadi Kiva Indian Museum** in Amarillo will host Kwahadi Dancers "21st Annual Indian Summer Shows" at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 28 at the museum. Texas barbecue will be served prior to the show at 6:30 p.m. The Fire Hoop Dance and many others are part of the performance. For dinner and ticket reservations, call the museum gift shop at (806) 335-3175.

• **The next Cowboy Poetry Breakfast** will begin at 8 a.m. Saturday at the Big Texan Steak Ranch in Amarillo.

• **Panhandle Professional Writers** will conduct its used book and video sale from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday in the parking lot at 5800 W. 45th in Amarillo. The sale will include used books, videos and computer video games. Local authors will be on hand to sale and sign their books. Proceeds will help fund the "Frontiers in Writing" conference in June. For more information, log onto [www.panhandleprowriters.org](http://www.panhandleprowriters.org) on the Internet.

• **Red Hat Dollies Society** of Pampa will meet at 11 a.m. Thursday in the private meeting room at Pampa Senior Citizens Center. The

meeting is open to interested women 50 and older. For more information, call 669-9297 or 669-9916.

• **Red Hat Ex's Society** will meet Oct. 24 at Southside Senior Citizens Center. Visitors are welcome. For more information, call 669-6533.

• **The Senior Ambassadors Coalition** in Amarillo will host the free Eighth Annual Senior Fall Festival from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Oct. 26 in the North Exhibit Hall of Amarillo Civic Center. For more information, call the coalition at (806) 372-3381.

• **Amarillo College's Lamplight Youth Theatre Co.** will present Improv Night at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 27 in Ordway Hall in Amarillo. The evening will consist of 15 to 20 on the spot skits. Admission is \$5. Proceeds are used to fund the non-profit children's theater. To purchase tickets, call (806) 371-5353.

• **An exhibit of prints and memorabilia** from the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure will be on view from 8 a.m.-5 p.m., now through Oct. 30 at A.G. Edwards office, 801 S. Fillmore, Suite 170, in Amarillo.

## Teachers

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Language, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies and Special Education) meet as teams, led by the department head. The department head also serves as a liaison with the campus administrators.

"First, I don't like to think of (teacher collaboratives) as a program but more of a framework to operate within," Beverly Owens, principal at Austin Elementary, said. Austin teachers meet the first hour of the day on Wednesday mornings while parents volunteer in the classroom, she said.

"It just allows us to focus on our primary purpose — what a student learns — rather than the old traditional thought of what we teach," Owens said. "The process makes us more agile. We are able to respond more quickly when a student isn't learning."

Owens compares the collaboratives to a cell phone commercial where the cell phone user is followed by a vast network of people ready to solve any problems as soon as they arise.

"I like to think that's how we are," Owens said. "If a student at our school has trouble, there is a whole system of people who notice and are ready to assist."

Owens points out that the

collaborations are not the same as mandated planning periods for teachers.

"This is not the time to copy worksheets or prepare lesson plans," she said. "This is a time for focused discussion on instruction, preparation and analysis of common assessments, planning for interventions, etc."

Doug Rapstine, principal of Travis Elementary, said teachers at his school meet at least once a week, usually during conference time.

Lamar Elementary Principal Jan Cleek's staff also meets at conference time.

"The program is working very well," Cleek said. "(Lamar teachers) are working closely together to ensure the best plans for educating the students."

In addition to the weekly meetings, Rapstine said Travis staff also meets four times a year as a faculty.

While the principals express confidence that the collaboratives will help, they concede that change can be difficult.

"Any change is tough," Rapstine said. "This is all brand new. We're trying to get this where we're working together as a community. This is a change of philosophy on how teachers deal with each other and the kids."

"Teachers have historically operated in isolation," Owens said. "When I started teaching years ago, the

motto was 'Give me my children, leave me alone and let me teach.' That's not possible any more with higher standards. But it's not easily accomplished.

"Teaching practices are very personal and sometimes it's difficult to discuss classroom data and lay it all out there on the table, but we're working in small grade level groups to build trust in collaborative teams."

Rapstine said his goal is to make the collaborations a "safe environment" for teachers to express themselves.

"It's not a perfect science," he said. "There are those who believe 'the old days are always better.'"

"We are always tweaking and adjusting the process," Owens said. "It's one step forward and two steps back. We're far from where we want to be, but much farther along the continuum than a year ago."

"The only change I would like to make is to improve the efficiency of the current system we have started,"

Seabourn said. "I am doing all I can to create a climate and culture to encourage collaboration of the teachers."

Seabourn hopes the collaborations will lead to improved student scores on Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS) tests.

School officials plan to look at test scores to help measure the success of the collaboratives.

"We plan to use new data to help us make better decisions on interventions to help children be more successful," Cleek said.

"We're working together," Rapstine said. "It's not 'your kids' or 'my kids' but 'our kids.' Of course, to me, they're all 'my kids'" he said with a chuckle.

While teachers take the time to communicate, the focus centers on the students, educators agree.

"My hope is that (the students) just feel nurtured, acknowledged and prepared," Owens said.

## Community Christian observes 10-year anniversary

Community Christian School is observing its 10th anniversary with a celebration reunion from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday.

The come-and-go event will include a choir concert performed by current CCS students, open house tours, albums and scrapbooks from previous years and refreshments.

Former and current students, parents, teachers board members and staff are invited as well as any prospective families or supporters who are interested in learning more about CCS.

The onset of this school year not only welcomed the involvement of a new administrator, but also marked a shift in leadership philosophy and partnership opportunities including:

- A commitment to assertively build upon the school's 10-year history, preserving and growing CCS as a healthy and viable option

for Pampa and its surrounding communities;

- The addition of an administrator who brings nearly 40 years of experience in the private and public school sectors, with more than 20 years as a former Pampa ISD vice-principal and principal;

- A commitment to prayerfully lead and purposefully work toward building new partnerships within the Pampa community;

- A continued passion to provide a well-rounded, accelerated educational opportunity which is both academically challenging and free to teach from a Biblical world view;

- An active awareness of the importance of retaining freedom in the selection of curriculum and teaching methods to ensure that children are challenged and educated, rather than taught to any one particular test, and;

- A commitment to long

range planning and growth. A short term goal that is being actively pursued is to obtain financial support for growing CCS to include a full middle school offering.

A large scale funding effort is under way to support this growth and to build a new school facility on a five-acre tract of land recently offered by Warren Chisum, contingent on the school's ability to build.

CCS was founded in 1996

by a small group of parents. Its philosophy is based on the Biblical principle of "a cord of 3 strands" found in Ecclesiastes 4:12, emphasizing the benefits received when the home, church and school work together in the educational life of a child. Originally housed in Trinity Church, CCS moved into its present location at 220 N. Ballard in 1998 as a stand-alone school.

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## Reese

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where the conditions are intolerable, appalling and tragic. He said Israel's actions are a violation of international humanitarian law. He said Israel's so-called collateral damage amounts to indiscriminate killing.

After touring Gaza, Clooney could see more misery in the West Bank and in the Palestinian refugee camps in Lebanon, Syria and Jordan. Israel and the United States have been trying to pressure the Palestinian Authority to renounce the refugees' right of return for years, but to its everlasting honor, it has steadfastly refused to do so. Such a trip would give Clooney a chance to meet some real men and some real women who know what courage is.

Well, so be it. But then he ought to drop the pretense of being a great crusader for human rights and just confine himself to making movies — which I enjoy, by the way. Make-believe has its place in the world, but it should be kept on the stage, the set and the theater screen. Otherwise, it becomes just another cheap con job.

—Write to Charley Reese at P.O. Box 2446, Orlando, FL 32802.

John Dugard, special rapporteur for the United Nations Human Rights Commission, said recently that Israel has

turned Gaza into a prison

base is not anger at Speaker Hastert and his colleagues but instead, at the Democrats, who will pay the price on Nov. 7.

## Reagan

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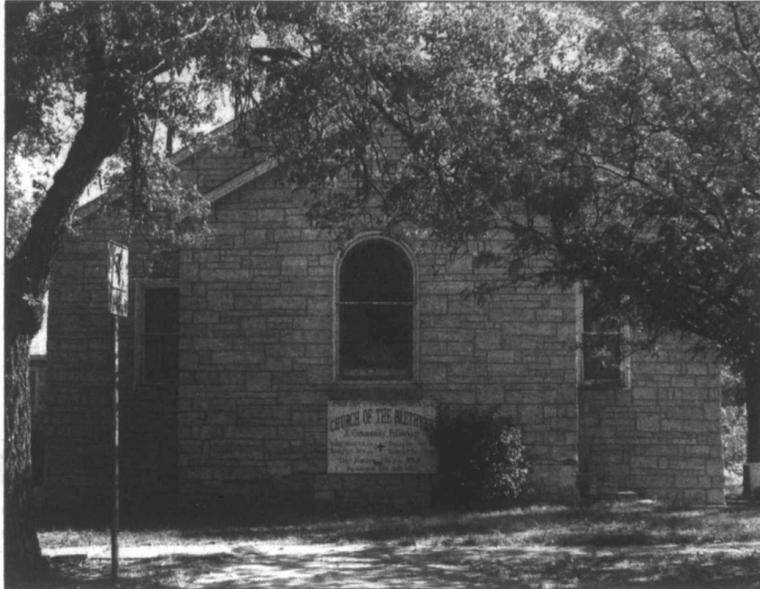
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**Services:** Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Sunday; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. Sunday; Evening service 6 p.m. Sunday.

**Activities:** Bible study at the Meredith Place at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday. Hymns and music at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday and Saturday.

**Members:** A few.

**Denomination:** Church of the Brethren.

**How long here:** Established in Pampa on Oct. 24, 1929. Nearly 75 years.

**Goals:** None at this time.

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# Religion

## MINISTER'S MUSINGS

### Remaining faithful during famine

Isn't it really easy to follow the Lord's leading when the way is paved with plenty of money, good health and no tragedies? But what about when He leads us in a more difficult direction? We could all probably use a little friendly reminder of what the scriptures say about these two circumstances.

The text is 1 Kings 17 and 18. In chapter 17, Elijah gets orders from God and tells Ahab that all rain is going to be shut off for three years. Now, if you were God, where would you send your prophet during this time of drought? Wouldn't you send him to a place with plenty of water or wouldn't you make a place with plenty of water? Well, God didn't work that way. In fact, God sent Elijah to a wilderness area east of the Jordan River with only a little brook, and the brook began to dry up shortly after he arrived there.

And wouldn't you feed him extremely well since he had been faithful? Well, God didn't work that way either. In fact, Elijah only got what food the ravens brought him. Hmmm? Now, these days most people throw away any food that touches anything except their plate, much less having a raven wallow the food

around in its mouth prior to your eating.

Poor Elijah just didn't seem to know much about this modern pile of garbage that some call the "gospel of prosperity."

**Mike Sublett**

Hi-Land Christian



God supplied Elijah's bare essentials and nothing more during his time near Cherith, and God expected Elijah to be faithful even with only the bare essentials.

Then one day Elijah got orders from God to move. I'll bet he was excited, don't you? I mean, after all, the next place couldn't be any worse, could it?

God moved him to Zarephath, near Sidon. Guess who was the king in that region? Jezebel's daddy. Ahab already hated Elijah and wanted him dead and now God sends the prophet to Ahab's father-in-law's backyard. And on top of that, when Elijah got to his lodging, the owner had only

enough food for her and her son to have one last meal and then die. What happened to all of the prosperity?

Faithfulness has nothing to do with prosperity. Now sometimes God leads His children into a time of prosperity, and He expects them to be faithful while they are having their socks blessed off, but at other times God leads His children into a time with famine and ravens, and He expects the very same faithfulness.

If we can only be faithful in times of prosperity and blessing, then we are not God's faithful child. We are cheap fakes.

The cool part of Elijah's story is in chapter 18. After those three tough years, God led Elijah to Mount Carmel and to victory and blessing. So if you profess to be a faithful child of God, make sure that the presence or absence of prosperity has no bearing on your faithfulness.

When God sends prosperity, be thankful, realize that you are completely undeserving of it, and then enjoy every drop. But when the famine comes and the ravens show up, continue to be thankful and faithful. That will be the real proof to legitimize your claim that you are a faithful child of God. God bless.

## McCoy farewell



A farewell reception is planned for James and June McCoy of Pampa at 6 p.m. Sunday in the annex of First Assembly of God Church, 500 S. Cuyler. James and June have lived in Pampa and been members of First Assembly of God for 53 years. The McCoy's are moving to Rogers, Ark., to be close to their daughter and son-in-law, Linda and Phil Hastie. The couple's other daughter and son-in-law, Shirley and Truett Ford, reside in California. Fellow church members, friends, co-workers and acquaintances are encouraged to come and bid the McCoy's a fond farewell this coming Sunday.

## These are troubling times for Christian liberty

I write this article to help people prepare against taking the mark or the name or the number of his name — the Beast. (Revelation 13:17)

From the Bible, we read: "And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him (the beast), whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world." (Revelation 13:8)

Everybody differs with somebody else on a lot of Revelation, but there is a lot of truth that is very clearly stated, and the fulfilling is very frightening. According to the dates given in my Bible, Jesus gave St. John this revelation 63 years after Jesus arose from the dead.

A man will become the beast. He was not a natural-born demon.

It is not the will of God that any man perish. The Bible bears witness that the Holy Spirit deals with every person to get them to believe in Jesus as savior. This man resisted God until the devil had a chance to use him in a mighty way.

I give you one verse. "Even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a

reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient ..." (Romans 1:28)

The man that became the beast once knew God. (Romans 1:21)

Revelation 13:4: "And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast and they worshipped the beast, saying, who is like unto the beast, who is able to make war with him?"

**Archie Cooper**

Pentecostal Holiness



Christians don't be fooled. There will be a lull. The beast will receive a deadly wound that will be healed. A second beast is mentioned that will instruct the people to make an image of the first beast.

By great miracles, the second beast will deceive the people. He will even have the power to give life to the image of the first beast. The image will have

the power to speak and govern the people.

Under the rule of the image a law will be made that no one can buy or sell without the mark or the name or the number of the beast. In my opinion, it will depend on which nation you live in whether you take the number of his name "666" or whether you take the name or whether you take the mark. (See Revelation 13:17-18)

Christians, how strong do you stand for God? Dennis Spies, editor of The Pampa News, wondered in a recent column why the Jews are so hated by the world. In his conclusion, Mr. Spies mentions little hope until people quit hating people.

This is a positive fact, and the Jews have never been hated more than Christians have been. The law that no one shall be able to buy or sell without the mark is a law that will target all Christians in the world during that time.

It is my understanding that the Bride of Christ will be taken out of this world before the beast comes to full power. Christians, like the five foolish virgins See COOPER, Page 12

## Church briefs

**WAKA** — Rushing Wind Emmaus will meet Saturday, Oct. 14 at the Waka Christian Center. A potluck meal will be served starting at 6 p.m. Families and friends are invited to attend. A nursery will be provided.

**AMARILLO** — Victory Church in Amarillo will host Evangelist Tim Storey Nov. 4-7 at the church, 6300 Arden Road.

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# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

**DEAR ABBY:** My sister, "Earline," seems not to really care about family that much. She does drugs and sells them. My family and I just bailed her out of jail. I took my entire paycheck, my brother lent his entire paycheck, and our mom gave the last couple of hundred bucks she had to her name. Earline promised to pay us all back when she got home. (She was arrested out of state.) We spent well over \$1,000 getting her out, and she has been back for two weeks and hasn't repaid any of us. I have an 8-month-old baby to support. This isn't the first time -- this has been going on for years, and I mean years. What should I say to Earline to get our money back, and so she'll stop doing this? She has two kids who live with my parents. — **NEEDS THE MONEY IN CHILLICOTHE, OHIO**

**DEAR NEEDS THE MONEY:** Your sister may be so drug-addicted -- and addled -- that she can't see beyond her own needs. Surely, if this has been "going on for years," your family is by now aware that the chances that she will repay the money are practically nil. My advice is to write it off, and the next time Earline finds herself in a jam -- or in the slammer -- let her bail herself out. Having to pay the consequences is the only way she'll learn, and possibly get help.

**DEAR ABBY:** I have a sister-in-law who constantly refers to my brother as "my husband" instead of by his name. I find it so irritating. I feel the term "my husband" should be relegated to the doorman or the cleaners around the corner, as in: "My husband will pick this up this afternoon." It shuts me out and sounds pompous. Am I wrong? — **"GARTH'S" SISTER IN NEW JERSEY**

**DEAR SISTER:** Are you wrong? Is she wrong? It seems to me that more is going on here than you being put off by the way your sister-in-law refers to your brother. Maybe she is insecure, and that's why she feels the need to "remind" you that your brother is her husband, or maybe she has trouble remembering names. But, if you let this get under your skin, how will you handle it when a serious disagreement arises -- as it often does in families? My advice is to mellow out and find your sense of humor.

**DEAR ABBY:** I am married to a wonderful woman, but something has been bothering me since we have been together. I am not as honest as I should be in our relationship. We have had money problems pretty much since our marriage began. I have a spending problem, and I lie to her about where the money goes. I have been doing better, but I still want to spend money we do not have. I do not spend money on drugs, prostitutes or clothes, but rather on plastic models and other hobby-related items. How do I stop spending and lying to my wife about it? — **SICK OF THE LYING IN OKLAHOMA**

**DEAR SICK:** You start acting like a man instead of a child with his hand in the cookie jar. You recognize that marriage is a partnership and you have been, in a sense, stealing from your partner. Then you and she agree on a budget you can responsibly allocate to your hobby, and live within your means.

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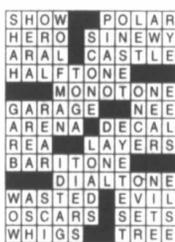


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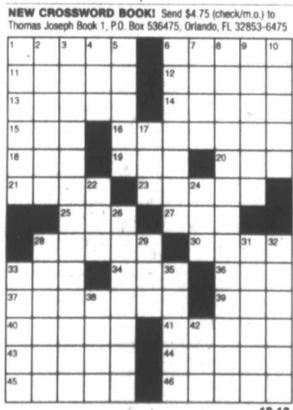
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## Flo & Friends



# Sports Day

## Pampa runs to 35-14 win over Caprock; Hereford on schedule next Friday

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS  
Sports Editor

Chase Harris and Michael Robinson both rushed for more than 100 yards as Pampa opened the District 3-4A season with a big 35-14 road win over Caprock Thursday night.

Once the sun set over Amarillo's Dick Bivins Stadium, the evening chill gave way to heat on the field.

Harris and the Harvester struck first on a 28-yard touchdown run following a Longhorn fumble. Dock Mackie's extra point attempt failed, giving Pampa a 6-0 lead with 3:28 to play in the opening quarter.

From then on it was all Harvesters and it was all on the ground. The Green Team offensive line opened holes that allowed Harris and Michael Robinson to run free. The dynamic duo combined for nearly 240 rushing yards on just 15 carries in the first

half alone.

Pampa would finish the night with nearly 400 yards of offense. That, combined with the 35 points made this the most significant performance by the 'O' so far this season.

Pampa's defense took just a few plays in the first quarter to warm up before pinning their ears back and attacking the Caprock offense, holding the 'Horns to just 245 yards in total offense for the game.

Pampa was penalized 15 times for 95 yards compared to Caprock's four yellow flags for 35 yards.

The Harvesters (3-3, 1-0) will travel to Hereford Friday to take on one of the top offenses in the district. However, the Herd (5-1, 1-0) got all it wanted from Palo Duro (1-5, 0-1) in the game prior to Pampa's Thursday night. The Whitefaces led just 7-0 at the break, only to enter a slugfest with the Dons in the second half before finally winning in the second overtime, 34-31.



Pampa News photo by MICHAEL J. STEVENS

Pampa's Taylor Busse (#59) and John Burns (#51) corral a Longhorn running back during Thursday night's district opening 35-14 Harvester win over Caprock at Dick Bivins Stadium in Amarillo.

## Tennis team defeats Caprock

The Harvester Tennis Team defeated Caprock on Tuesday by a score of 14 to 7. Coming out of doubles Pampa was up 5 to 2 and then continued their rout with 9 singles wins.

"Caprock and our team match up pretty well, Coach Emily Laurence said. "It was good for our kids to get a confidence booster and get some wins. I was proud of how well most of them played."

Pampa next goes to Palo Duro on Saturday. Palo Duro is currently in second place in the district and has mostly seniors on their team.

"Last time we played PD was tough but hopefully the experience of the season will help us to play them better this time," Laurence said.

Results: Pampa 14, Caprock 7

- Boys Doubles
1. Foreman/Frels def. Meza/McElwain 6-3, 6-1
  2. Fortenberry/Morris def. J. Hernandez/Montgomery 6-3, 3-6. (10-4)
  3. Foreman/Ware def. E. Hernandez/Saldivar 6-0, 6-4
- Girls Doubles
1. Acker/O'Neal def. Chavez/Ramos 6-1, 6-1
  2. Julian/Barnett lost to Rios/Miller 6-7(4-7), 1-6

3. Lee/Hernandez def. Leal/Wainwright 6-1, 6-2
- Mixed Doubles
1. Coutts/Albracht lost to Roberts/Yarborough 2-6, 0-6
- Boys Singles
1. Michael Foreman def. Roberts 6-4, 6-0
  2. Kevin Frels lost to J. Hernandez 5-7, 4-6
  3. Tyler Morris lost to B. Montgomery 3-6, 4-6
  4. Jareth Fortenberry def. S. McElwain 4-6, 7-6(7-2), (10-5)
  5. Myles Foreman def. M.Meza 6-4, 6-4
  6. Jack Ware def. D. Saldivar 4-6, 6-4, (10-5)
  7. Garrett Coutts lost to E. Hernandez 3-8
- Girls Singles
1. Haley Acker def. C. Yarborough 6-2, 6-0
  2. Katie O'Neal lost to L. Miller 6-3, 0-6, (9-11)
  3. Anna Julian lost to S. Rios 6-7 (4-7), 1-6
  4. Megan Barnett def. M. Chavez 6-2, 6-0
  5. Rachel Lee def. C. Leal 4-6, 6-1, (10-7)
  6. Krissa Whitley def. A. Ramos 6-2, 6-1
  7. Brenna Albracht def. Wainwright 8-2

## JV Tennis takes loss to Dumas

Pampa's JV Tennis Team lost to Dumas on Thursday by a score of 1 to 18. Coach Emily Laurence said, "This was a tough match for our kids because they have a lot more boys than we do. Our girls were forced to play boys and that was different for them. The good thing is they got good experience that will help them in the long run."

The JV plays next at Palo Duro on Saturday.

JV Results: Pampa 1, Dumas 18

- Singles
1. Lauren Coutts lost to Jason Wait 0-8, Lost to Derek Medina 1-8
  2. Sammi Finney lost to Eric Chairez 1-8, Lost to Julio Medina 2-8
  3. Alyssa Hoelting lost to Natasha Ragsdale 6-8, Lost to Garrett Loflin 1-8
  4. Ryan Conner lost to Glen Springer 0-8, Lost to Lupita Jurado 7-9

5. Robin Fernuik lost to Andrew Fry 2-8, Def. Maggie Saenz 8-3
  6. Erin Buck lost to Brian Ming 5-8
  7. Kaitlin Winegeart lost to Felisha Montes 3-8
  8. Ashlyn McNeely lost to Jeannie Christman 4-8
  9. Kallie Marak lost to Alex Hernandez 1-8
- Doubles
1. Finney/Hoelting lost to Chariez/Ragsdale 0-8
  2. Coutts/Fernuik lost to Loflin/Jurado 1-8
  3. Buck/Winegeart lost to Fry/Saenz 3-8, Lost to Ming/Montes 0-8
  4. McNeely/Marak lost to Christman/Hernandez 1-8

## Baylor wants to surprise UT

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Check it out. Baylor is in first place in the Big 12 South. That's right. Baylor.

The team that hasn't won more than five games since 1995 is tied with No. 6 Texas atop the division standings.

And when the Bears (3-3, 2-0 Big 12) and Longhorns (5-1, 2-0) meet Saturday night, one of these teams will come out with a clear path to the South title.

Let that sink in for a moment.

Baylor. The Big 12 doormat since the league's inception on par — on paper — with the defending national champs, winners of 17 consecutive league games.

And to hear Bears senior cornerback C.J. Wilson tell it, an "I-35 Surprise" Baylor victory could turn the league completely upside down.

"If you beat Texas, the rest of the Big 12 will be scared," Wilson said. "People won't

know what to do. You'll have Sports Illustrated down here trying to see what's going on. Dr. Phil will be down here asking questions."

That's how much things have changed at Baylor under fourth-year coach Guy Morriss.

The tough-talking former All-Pro offensive lineman has instilled an attitude that the Bears can muscle up with anybody. Baylor is 2-0 in the Big 12 for the first time ever and talking about going to their first bowl since 1994.

"This is our chance to set this program where it needs to be," Wilson said. "Please don't miss this one. It's going to be a classic."

Morriss, who has slowly rebuilt the program from the ashes of nearly a decade of misery, doesn't discourage the boastful talk.

Being confident, even occasionally audacious, is all part of the plan.

## BC takes No. 22 Va. Tech, 22-3

BOSTON (AP) — Boston College walk-on kicker Steve Aponavicius vows that nothing will change when the fuss over his football debut goes away.

"A week ago, there was nobody talking to me or looking at me," he said, "and I was still kicking as many balls as I could each day."

The fresh-faced soccer convert had never played football before Thursday night, when he made both of his field goals and both extra points to lead Boston College to a 22-3 victory over No. 22 Virginia Tech. He was mobbed by his teammates, cheered by a crowd that included BC legend Doug Flutie and surrounded by reporters before and after the game.

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# Glavine, Beltran shine for Mets in victory over Cardinals

By MIKE FITZPATRICK  
AP Baseball Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — The New York Mets were supposed to have pitching problems in the postseason. Tom Glavine is taking care of that.

Sharp and deceptive as ever, Glavine put the depleted Mets on his 40-year-old back again Thursday night to give New York the lead in the NL championship series.

Carlos Beltran rocked Shea Stadium with a homer that crashed off the scoreboard, backing another gem by Glavine as the Mets beat the St. Louis Cardinals 2-0 in Game 1.

"He sets the tone. He has that calm demeanor. It gives you that sense of security," Mets closer Billy Wagner said.

Making his 34th postseason start, Glavine shut down Albert Pujols and allowed only four harmless singles, running his scoreless streak to 13 innings in these playoffs.

Beltran, who wore out St. Louis in the NLCS with Houston two years ago, hit a two-run shot off an otherwise impressive Jeff Weaver

in the sixth. That was all the offense New York needed to win its eighth straight game, dating to the regular season.

"It pains me," Cardinals manager Tony La Russa said. "No way to suggest that he's a losing pitcher. ... Jeff was outstanding. So was Glavine. We hit too many balls in the air."

After rain postponed the opener Wednesday night, the Cardinals bumped up ace Chris Carpenter, who will pitch on regular rest Friday night in Game 2. Rookie right-hander John Maine is on the mound for the Mets.

Missing injured starters Pedro Martinez and Orlando Hernandez, the Mets are counting heavily on Glavine as they chase their first World Series title in 20 years.

The cagey left-hander has delivered in a big way.

He threw six scoreless innings in Game 2 of the first round, helping the Mets to a three-game sweep of the Los Angeles Dodgers. And the two-time Cy Young Award winner, who waited four seasons to reach the playoffs with New York after doing so year after year in Atlanta,

was just as good against St. Louis.

"I understand the importance of when I pitch now. But at the same time, I'm trying my best to mentally play games with myself and dismiss that," Glavine said. "I don't want to go out there with any added pressure."

Boosted by two inning-ending double plays and a sprawling catch from super sub Endy Chavez, Glavine was in control throughout. He struck out Pujols in the first, walked him in the fourth and retired him on a liner to shortstop in the sixth.

Still, the slugger wasn't impressed.

"He wasn't good. He wasn't good at all," Pujols said. "I think we hit the ball hard. We didn't get some breaks." Guillermo Mota worked a hitless eighth to avoid facing Pujols himself, instead passing the reigning NL MVP along to Wagner in the ninth. But he got Pujols to line out to first, and Juan Encarnacion followed with a hard groundout.

Wagner then walked Scott Rolen, who is 1-for-14 this postseason, and retired pinch-hitter Scott Spiezio on

a popup for his third save of the playoffs.

Glavine matched Andy Pettitte for the most postseason starts in major league history. Glavine also improved to 14-15 in the postseason, tying Pettitte for the second-most wins behind former Braves teammate John Smoltz (15).

"Tommy was the key," Mets manager Willie Randolph said. "He's quiet, goes about his business and is one of the leaders on our staff."

Weaver, cast off by the Los Angeles Angels in July, was nearly as good. He cruised through 5 2-3 innings, blanking the Mets' menacing lineup on one measly single.

But Paul Lo Duca bounced a hit through the left side in the sixth, and Beltran drove a 2-2 fastball an estimated 430 feet off the giant scoreboard in right-center — the ball clanging off Jose Valentin's No. 18 in New York's batting order.

"Every time you do something in October it means a lot," Beltran said. "Hitting the home run today, of course brings memories."

It also woke up a relatively quiet crowd of 56,311 at Shea, which was plenty noisy during two home games in the division series, and left them chanting "Wea-ver! Wea-ver!"

"I'd been feeding him fastballs all day and he finally caught up to one," Weaver said. "If you would have told me I'd have allowed one hit through five innings, I would have liked our chances. But it just didn't go our way."

The right-hander knows all about tough crowds in New York after an unsuccessful stint with the Yankees from 2002-03, when he was often booed lustily in the Bronx. Weaver, lifted in the sixth after 98 pitches, is scheduled to come back on only three days' rest in Game 5 — as is Glavine, who threw 89 pitches.

"There's no question I feel better about coming back on three days' rest with a small pitch count like I had tonight," Glavine said.

The Cardinals have seen all too much of Beltran in October. He batted .417 with four homers and five RBIs for the Astros in the 2004 NLCS, a series St. Louis

won in seven games.

Beltran also hit a game-ending homer against the Cardinals in August.

"He's a big-game guy," Randolph said. "He has a beautiful swing."

The winner of Game 1 in the NLCS has reached the World Series 12 of the last 13 years. The 2005 Cardinals were the exception.

The Mets lost left fielder Cliff Floyd after he aggravated his injured Achilles' tendon while running out a foul fly in the second. He was to have an MRI on Friday and is day-to-day.

Poor baserunning by Pujols cost the Cardinals in the fourth, when he was doubled off first base by Beltran on Encarnacion's soft fly to center.

"I can't make a mistake? Am I perfect?" Pujols said.

Notes: It was Glavine's 16th LCS start, the most in major league history. He lowered his career postseason ERA to 3.27. ... The Cardinals have lost eight of their past nine NLCS road games, dating to 2002. ... St. Louis relievers have thrown 15 2-3 scoreless innings in the playoffs.

# A's Harden ready for frosty pitching night in Detroit

By BEN WALKER  
AP Baseball Writer

DETROIT (AP) — Rich Harden grew up in western Canada, playing baseball in sleet and freezing rain.

The Oakland pitcher is OK with bad weather. That's good, because he figures to feel it Friday when he starts Game 3 of the AL championship series with his A's trailing Detroit 2-0.

"I'm used to it," Harden said. Welcome to baseball's winter wonderland, where the frosty forecast is calling for fastballs, curveballs and ... snowballs.

"This is when the boys of summer turn into the men of fall," Detroit pitcher Jamie Walker said. For Athletics first baseman Nick Swisher, the freak October flurries at Comerica Park on Thursday were fun. He trotted out to right field, plopped onto his back and began making mock snow angels.

Only for a minute, though. Shivering, he put on his ski cap and retreated to the dugout when Detroit was hit with its earliest

snowfall ever.

The Tigers and Athletics got somewhat of a break when Friday's start time was moved from 8:19 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

A combination of factors figured into that decision by the commissioner's office — the local conditions, a rainout that took away a travel day in the NLCS, and TV ratings.

"It's definitely not going to be baseball weather tomorrow," said Dave Gurney of the National Weather Service in Michigan. "Around 45 degrees, wind gusts up to 35 mph and some snow showers."

Detroit set a record for its earliest measured snow, breaking by one day the mark set on Oct. 13, 1909. The Tigers, coincidentally, played a World Series game on that afternoon, with Ty Cobb getting a hit and scoring a run in an 8-4 loss at Pittsburgh.

More like football weather, for sure. The Detroit Lions and Buffalo Bills will play next door at Ford

Field on Sunday — indoors, that is.

"It depends on how cold it is," A's slugger Frank Thomas said. "It's going to be tough if it's under 40."

Thomas is hitless in eight at-bats during this series. He fled out with the bases loaded to end Wednesday night's 8-5 loss at Oakland, where it was 67 degrees at gametime.

"I've been 0-for-8 maybe 20 or 30 times this season. I'm not fazed," he said. "With me, you can tell they've done their homework. Even when I do get a strike, the pitches aren't in the same area code. But sooner or later, they're going to miss."

The Big Hurt won't be the only one feeling the Big Chill in Game 3. Pitchers notoriously have a tougher time gripping the ball in chillier climates, especially ones that rely more on touch and feel, such as Detroit starter Kenny Rogers.

Fresh off his shutout effort against the New York Yankees in the first round, Rogers will be

opposed by the hard-throwing Harden, a native of British Columbia who keeps hockey sticks at his locker in Oakland.

"Growing up in Canada, I played hockey outdoors and played baseball in this weather," he said. "Back then, I was a center fielder, so it was more standing in the outfield and not moving. I think the worst was probably sleet and freezing rain and you get the wind coming."

Only a few players practiced outdoors Thursday. The infield was covered with a tarp, so most of them hit in indoor cages.

"I'm used to playing in this from when I was growing up," said Tigers leadoff man Curtis Granderson, originally from Chicago. "I have pictures from high school of us playing with jackets on in the snow. But when it is this cold and the wind is blowing, it doesn't matter if you are used to it or not, you still feel it."

Said Tigers manager Jim Leyland: "I'm sure it's going to affect both teams somewhat."

Leyland has experience in these conditions. He managed Florida in 1997 and, with many experts predicting his Marlins would become frozen fish in the World Series, they won a key game in the snow at Cleveland.

"I've been through this situation before," he said.

The Arctic blast actually seemed to provide a cute diversion for the A's. They picked through the parkas, turtlenecks, gloves and long johns — thin and thick versions — that equipment manager Steve Vucinich packed for the trip.

"Are we taking snowmobiles to the game tomorrow?" backup first baseman Dan Johnson joked.

Vucinich, who's worked for the Athletics since 1968, said he didn't need to buy anything special to combat the cold.

"We had it all already," he said. "Only it's been a while since we've had to use it."

# Pitch counts aren't just for big-leaguers

By JIM LITKE  
AP Sports Columnist

The quickest way to start an argument about postseason baseball is to question whether a manager applied the hook to a starter or reliever too late or too soon. Enjoy the debate while you can.

Almost nobody goes the distance anymore. Starting next year, pitchers in the Little League World Series will be held to strict pitch counts, almost ensuring the next generation of hurlers won't be any better than the current one at finishing what they started.

And we're already looking at an all-time low.

There were 149 complete games thrown in the regular season just ended, the fewest in major league history. This, despite more games being games played than ever.

According to the Elias Sports Bureau, those games accounted for only 2.8 percent of all starts. Twenty years ago, the figure was 13.3 percent and 50 years ago, when Don Larsen threw what remains the only perfect World Series game, the figure was 30 percent. It's been declining steadily ever since.

People of a certain age can remember when the best pitchers on the staff were also the most durable, when guys like Juan Marichal, Bob Gibson, Sandy Koufax, Gaylord Perry and Nolan Ryan started as many as 40 games a season and finished nearly half of them. But they're not just engaging in nostalgia. Last season, Aaron Harang of the Reds and C.C. Sabathia of the Indians tied for the lead with six each.

There are any number of theories about what precipitated the drop, but most include Sparky Anderson's managerial stint in charge of the Big Red Machine in the mid-1970's and the

decision by most clubs to adopt a five-man rotation — instead of four — in the 15 years or so that followed.

En route to back-to-back World Series wins in 1975-76, Anderson was nicknamed "Captain Hook" because he didn't hesitate to yank his starters. At the first sign of weakness, he hustled in Will McEnaney and Rawly Eastwick, and ushered in the era of specialization — middle relievers and closers — in the bargain.

In the early 1980s, the late Billy Martin was managing the Oakland A's and taking the opposite tack. Afraid of his bullpen, Martin made four-man starting staff gobble up something like 900 innings and it never recovered. The strategy was so savaged in a 1989 book called "The Diamond Appraised," by baseball theorist Craig Wright and veteran pitching coach Tom House, that four-man rotations became a thing of the past.

It may be coincidence that the biggest statistical drop in complete games occurred on the heels of the Reds' Series wins — from 27 percent in 1976, to 21 percent the following season. But no staff since has even come close to producing four 20-game winners in a single season, something the 1971 Orioles did for only the second time in major-league history.

The decision on when to go to the bullpen became even more formalized as pitch counts, once considered a decision-making tool, became the rationale for managing decisions. In terms of injuries, studies revealed that even more important than the number of starts was the number of pitches thrown in each start, and that once a pitcher hits his fatigue point — the magical number settled around 100 pitches — the risk of injury rises with each throw.

Grady Little lost his job managing

the Red Sox for electing to err on the high end of the debate. He left Pedro Martinez in to face the Yankees in the eighth inning of the seventh game of the 2003 American League Championship Series, which Boston lost 6-5 in 11 innings.

Little eventually got another job with the Dodgers, but perhaps mindful of his fate, more and more managers have elected to follow "the book," which roughly translated, calls for six innings from the starter, followed by middle relief and a closer in the ninth.

Tigers manager Jim Leyland, who is refreshingly old school, remains one of the few holdouts. He's played his hunches with a young pitching staff and taken Detroit to the verge of the ALCS. White Sox manager Ozzie Guillen parlayed a similar approach into a World Series title only last season, but those guys are more the exception than the rule.

Remember Jack Morris, at age 36, starting three times for the Twins in 1991 World Series? Remember the 10 innings of shutout ball he pitched against the Braves in Game 7 to lock up a title? Good. Because it's the kind of performance we're not likely to see again anytime soon, if ever.

And now Little League World Series officials have weighed in, making it even less likely that a generation raised on pitch counts will be willing — or available, for that matter — to work outside the comfort zone. The one piece of good news is that pitch counts laid out in the rules — 85 pitches a day for 11- and 12-year-olds; 105 a day for pitchers 16 to 18 — will seem plenty familiar if and when they reach the bigs.

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# A long day for Wie and those following

By DOUG FERGUSON  
AP Golf Writer

PALM DESERT, Calif. (AP) — Her ball was nestled against a rock the size of a baseball, with waist-high bushes all around as Michelle Wie stood in the middle of the desert and tried to figure out what to do.

She had nowhere to go — and neither did anyone behind her.

The process took about a half-hour, and the sequence turned into a strange script as the 17-year-old embarked on her second year as a professional Thursday at the Samsung World Championship.

She took a free drop into the desert sand behind a small tree. She whiffed. She tried again, advancing the ball into a thicket that left her no choice but to take a penalty drop. If that wasn't enough, she had to hit her next shot off a cement cart path.

All that just to get back to the fairway.

"It was a really, really bad situation to be in," Wie said. "There was no bailout."

She wound up with a quadruple-bogey 8 on the 14th hole at Bighorn — the shortest par 4 on the course at 354 yards — and finished with a 2-over 74 to match

her worst score of the year on the LPGA Tour.

She didn't steal the show at the Samsung — that belonged to Annika Sorenstam and Lorena Ochoa, tied for the lead at 67.

If anything, Wie held up the show.

Because of those rulings — along with two others for Wie, one for Sorenstam and one for Karrie Webb — the first round for the last six players took nearly five hours to complete, despite a 20-player field that played in groups of two.

Indeed, it was a long day for Wie, and for those behind her.

Webb was coming off back-to-back birdies when she stepped to the 14th tee and had 30 minutes to burn. About the only thing Webb and Se Ri Pak could do was count needles on a cactus bush. When the fairway finally cleared, Webb hit into the desert and had to get relief from an irrigation pipe, eventually making bogey.

"It was ridiculous," Webb said after a 71. "I'm just happy we finished. If I had been able to step up to the tee and hit, I don't think I would have hit it where I did."

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Evans filed for divorce Thursday from Craig Schelske in Williamson County, Tenn., where she lives, according to a statement issued by Allen Brown, her representative at Sony BMG Music Entertainment.

"Recent events that shed light on the status of her marriage prompted Ms. Evans to make the filing," Brown said in the statement. He declined to elaborate.

The couple were married in 1993 and have three children.

Evans, 35, was recently nominated for female vocalist of the year honors by the Country Music Association. The Missouri native made her recording debut in 1997 and her 2000 album "Born to Fly" went double-platinum.

On the Net: <http://abc.go.com/primetime/dancing/>

LOS ANGELES (AP) — John Forsythe has been treated for colon cancer and is recovering at a hospital, his spokesman said.

The "Dynasty" star, 88, was found Sept. 28 to have colon cancer and was taken to a hospital, where he underwent treatment during the past week, Harlan Boll said Thursday.

"He seems to be in good spirits," Boll said. "They hope to have him home this weekend."

Boll would not provide further details about Forsythe's condition.

Forsythe is best known for playing Blake Carrington on the hit TV soap and for being the voice of Charlie in both the TV and film versions of "Charlie's Angels."

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — Freddy

Fender has been discharged from a hospital and was resting at his South Texas home, but family and friends said the Grammy-winning musician remained gravely ill.

Fender, 69, had been getting treatment for cancer in Oklahoma but was transferred to a hospital in San Antonio last week because of a blood infection.

"He's not doing too good," his wife, Vangie Huerta, said Thursday. "It's kind of like — we just got back yesterday and it's kind of breaking us."

## Boy Scouts plan autumn activities

AMARILLO — The area Golden Spread Boy Scout Council has announced fall activities scheduled this month and next.

The 19th Annual Cub Scout Spook-O-Ree will be Oct. 14 and 21 in three separate locations. Spook-O-Ree is open to area Cub Scouts in grades 1-5 and their families.

Registration for each Spook-O-Ree will begin at 12:15 p.m., and the activities will kick-off at 1 p.m.

Camp Don Harrington Boy Scout Camp of Amarillo will host the event both Saturdays. Texas County Fairgrounds in Guymon, Okla., will host Spook-O-Ree Oct. 14, and Camp M.K. Brown near Wheeler will host the event Oct. 21.

Spook-O-Ree will include an obstacle course, pumpkin painting, games, archery, bouncy air jumper, climbing tower, ghost stories, a haunted house, a ghost walk and more.

The Haunted Ghost Walk and Spook-House will open at dark.

The Kwahadi Kiva Indian Museum in Amarillo will host area scouts Nov. 17 and 18 in a "Song of the Arrow" gathering.

"Our local Order of the Arrow Lodge, Nischa Achowalogen, invites all Scouters, families and friends," a council press release said, "to spend an evening learning about the Honor Camping Society and its importance within the Scouting organization."

The gathering will include a performance by the Kwahadi Indian Dancers in a pageant of songs, dances and stories of the American Indian.

The gathering will cost \$4 per person and \$3.50 for youth 18 and under. Any scout wearing their uniform to the event will receive a special Order of the Arrow Patch.

Proceeds will benefit Nischa Achowalogen Lodge.

For more information on either of these events, call (806) 358-6500 or log onto [www.goldenspread.org](http://www.goldenspread.org) on the Internet.

## AAA: Texas retail gasoline prices fall in week 10

HOUSTON (AP) — Retail gasoline prices fell this week across Texas for a tenth consecutive week, according to the weekly AAA Texas gasoline price survey released Friday.

The survey showed retail prices of regular, self-serve gasoline across Texas averaged \$2.13 per gallon, down 3 cents from last week and 78 cents from 11 weeks ago. Nationally, the comparable average price was \$2.25, down 4 cents from last week.

"Retail gas and crude oil prices continued to move lower despite speculation that members of OPEC would cut back on oil production," said AAA Texas spokeswoman Rose Rougeau.

The cheapest gas in the survey remained in Corpus Christi, where it fell a penny a gallon to \$2.03. The most expensive remained in El Paso, where the prices averaged \$2.25 per gallon, down 9 cents.

*'Ms. Evans hopes that her fans and TV viewers who've supported her in recent weeks and throughout her music career will respect and understand her need for privacy in the face of these recent events.'*

— Allen Brown  
Sony representative

Evans decided she needed to leave the TV show "to give her family her full attention at this difficult time," Brown said.

She was among 11 celebrities who paired with professional dancers to compete on the third season of the popular ABC reality series.

"Ms. Evans hopes that her fans and TV viewers who've supported her in recent weeks and throughout her music career will respect and understand her need for privacy in the face of these recent events," Brown said.

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