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## Duncan files bills to overhaul courts, protect pledges

AUSTIN - Sen. Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock, filed two pieces of legislation this week. One would modernize Texas courts and more efficiently administer justice, and the other would protect college student pledges.

Senate Bill 1204 would reform Texas courts to create one structure within one state, as opposed to the current situation of many different and occasionally convoluted justice systems throughout a single state.

"Essentially, Texas justice is administered by a different system in each of its 254 counties. The fundamental goal with SB 1204 is to bring consistency to our system," Duncan said. "Texans should know what to expect from their courts."

State Rep. Dan Gattis, R-Georgetown, will carry the same legislation in the House.

Texas' courts structure dates back to 1891 when the state had three tiers of trial courts with little overlapping

jurisdiction. Today, there are seven tiers of trial courts in Texas, many of which overlap because they have been added in each county on an as-needed basis.

SB 1138 would bring a focus on safety for college students.

This legislation will require all faculty advisers, officers, and pledges at college fraternal organizations to attend an annual risk management seminar each fall.

In 2002, Texas Tech University

freshman Clay Warren died from injuries he suffered in an automobile accident returning home from a fraternity event. The university held a risk management retreat last year in Warren's honor.

"From Clay's untimely death, we hope to alert other young Texas college students to potential risks," Senator Duncan said. "The change to university life is a major undertaking"

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### Electric hair day



Delaney Tucker was having a bad hair day, due to static electricity, recently at Community Day Care.

Pampa News Photo by KERRI SMITH

## Photo contest deadline this year is March 15

**By DENNIS SPIES**  
Editor

Readers of The Pampa News are reminded that the deadline for this year's Pampa Portraits photo contest is 5 p.m. March 15.

The contest is a part of the publication of the annual Pride Progress edition, scheduled to be delivered on March 30.

One section of the edition will be dedicated to photographs only. The winner of the Pampa Portraits contest will have their photo published on the cover of the section and will win \$50 in Pampa Bucks. The best photos will be published in the section.

Eligible entries should be photographs of Pampa people in Pampa, taken by amateur photographers. Subjects will be of Pampans working, playing, relaxing or celebrating

a special occasion. Photos of animals or scenery will not be considered, nor will photos that are copy-righted.

Entries can be prints or digital images in jpg format burned on a CD. They may be mailed or brought to the newspaper office. If mailed, they must be received by the deadline for entry. Photos submitted on a CD should be of the contest entry only.

Accompanying the photos should be identification of the people appearing and what they are doing. Also, include the date and place with each entry. If a person other than the entrant is in the photo, a signed release to have their likeness published is also required. Photos that do not include identification of

See **PHOTO**, Page 3

## Severe Weather Workshop planned on March 17

The Amarillo National Weather Service (NWS), Amarillo Department of Emergency Management and BWXT Pantex will host a Severe Weather Workshop on Saturday, March 17, 2007.

Local television stations KVII-TV, KFDA-TV, KAMR-TV, KGNC radio and Wal-Mart will sponsor the

event. The workshop will be held at the Civic Center Heritage Room in downtown Amarillo and is open to the public, free of charge. Doors open at 9 a.m.

Numerous booths related to weather or emergency operations will be staffed from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Presentations begin at 12:30

p.m. and will end by 5 p.m.

The day will begin at 9 a.m. with numerous weather or emergency-related booths staffed by local and regional vendors and non-profit organizations until 12:30 p.m.

For those who wish to become Storm Spotters, the Texas and Oklahoma Panhandle Skywarn

Cellular Area Network (TOPSCAN) will be recruiting new spotters. As many as 30 other organizations are expected to staff booths, including the Amarillo NWS, Amarillo Emergency Management, Amateur Radio Operators, Pantex, KFDA-TV,

See **WEATHER**, Page 3

## Top O' Texas Rodeo seeks entries for queen contest

The Top O' Texas Rodeo Association is accepting entries for the 11th annual Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas and Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas Teen pageant.

Women between the ages of 13 and 23 are eligible to enter. The pageant will be held during the rodeo scheduled for Aug. 23 - 25.

The luncheon and style show will be held at 11:30 a.m. on Aug. 24. The contestants will participate by modeling western fashions and giving a three minute speech on the area from which they entered the pageant.

Winners will receive prizes including saddles, buckles, tiaras and other items. A scholarship will

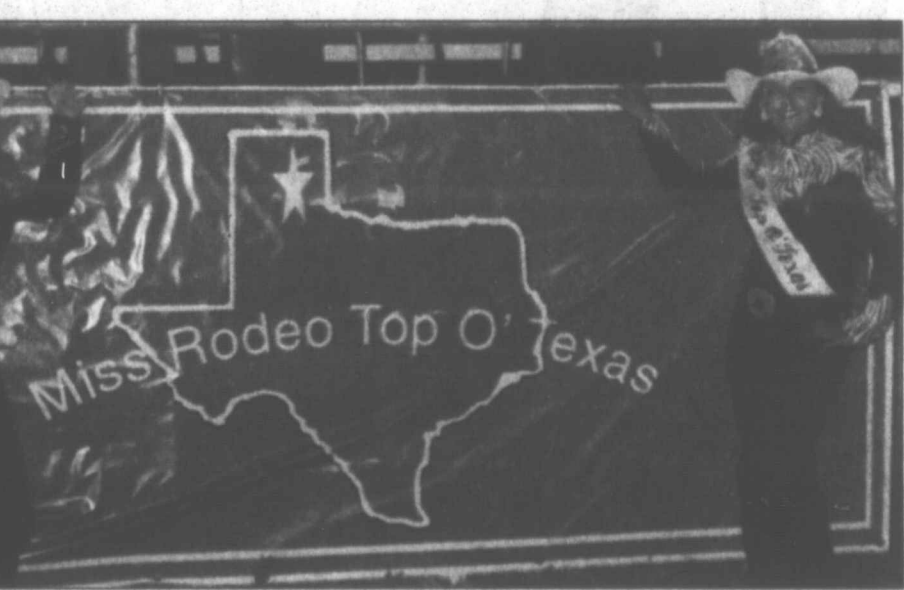
also be presented to Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas.

Winners in the categories of appearance, personality and horsemanship will win prizes of horse products, jewelry and clothing.

All contestants may participate in an additional competition to see who can sell the most rodeo tickets. This will not be part of the official judging, but the contestant selling the most tickets will receive a generous prize.

Past winners of the Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas and Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas Teen have gone on to participate and win in the state and national levels.

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Courtesy Photo

The Top O' Texas Rodeo Association is accepting entries, now through May 1, for the 11th annual pageant to be held Aug. 23 - 25. Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas Teen 2006 is Shelby Robinson, left. Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas 2006 is Mandy Poole.

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Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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Friday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 69. North wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.  
 Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 42. North wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south-southeast.  
 Saturday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 72. South wind 5 to 10 mph increasing to between 15 and 20 mph. Winds could gust as high as 25 mph.  
 Saturday Night: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 44. South wind 10 to 15 mph becoming north-northwest. Winds could gust as high as 20 mph.  
 Sunday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 67. North wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.  
 Sunday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 40. North wind between 5 and 10 mph becoming calm.

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**Retail sales disappoint**

NEW YORK (AP) — The nation's retailers had a slow start to the spring season as unseasonably cold weather in February chilled demand for lightweight apparel and left merchants with disappointing sales. The slowing economy, particularly the weakening housing market, could challenge shoppers in the months ahead.  
 As merchants reported monthly sales results early today, those with disappointing results included Walmart Stores Inc., Costco Wholesale Corp. and plenty of apparel stores like Abercrombie & Fitch Co. High-end stores like Nordstrom Inc. continued their winning streak, underscoring that well-heeled consumers don't buy on need.  
 "Cooler weather clearly dampened spring apparel sales," said Ken Perkins, president of RetailMetrics LLC, a research company in Swampscott, Mass. "Customers were not shop-

ping for capri pants." He noted that winter storms in the Midwest and East Coast hurt Valentine's Day sales.  
 Perkins also said major concerns for consumer spending in the months ahead are the defaults and delinquencies in the mortgage industry. That, coupled with the decline of mortgage equity withdrawals that give consumers extra cash, could curtail spending.  
 The International Council of Shopping Centers-UBS sales tally for February rose a modest 2.4 percent, below the projected range of 2.5 percent to 3.0 percent. The results are based on sales at stores open at least a year, known as same-store sales and considered a good gauge of a retailer's health.  
 The muted sales reports followed a rebound in January, when the late arrival of winter weather helped clear out cold weather items like boots and coats.

*Heritage Tree*



COURTESY PHOTO  
 White Deer Land Museum, 112 S. Cuyler in downtown Pampa, has several leaves still available for purchase on the Heritage Tree. The Heritage Tree is a wall ornament on display at the museum with plaques in the shape of leaves. The leaves come in two sizes. Each plaque can accommodate up to four lines of engraving. "They are a wonderful way to remember a family, a parent, a spouse, a veteran, or to honor one who has passed away," Anne Davidson, curator of the museum, said. The brass leaves are placed on the tree branches at various intervals. Plaques in the shape of rocks are arranged at the base of the tree and will accommodate more lines of engraving than the leaves. "We can engrave a wedding date, a birth date, or any memory you want to preserve," Davidson said. Small leaves may be purchased for \$75 apiece and large leaves for \$150 apiece. Proceeds from the tree benefit the museum and its exhibits. "Order your remembrance now before Memorial Day," Davidson urged.

*Emergency Services*

**Pampa PD**

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.  
 Sixteen traffic stops were made resulting in one arrest.  
 A traffic complaint was reported in the 1300 block of Duncan.  
 A police escort was provided in the 600 block of South Cuyler.  
 Calls concerning animals were received from the 2200 block of Chestnut, the 2100 block of North Nelson, the 600 block of Deane, the 1100 block of East Francis, the 1100 block of Vamon, the 1100 block of Willow, the 200 block of North Faulkner, the 800 block of East Craven, the 1300 block of South Hobart, the 1100 block of South Christy, the 500 block of Doucette, the 700 block of North Nelson and the 900 block of South Faulkner.  
 Found property was reported in the 1900 block of Williston.  
 Warrant service was attempted at four locations resulting in one arrest.  
 Welfare checks were done in the 100 block of East Craven and the 900 block of East Francis.  
 Sex offender registration was reported in the 2200 block of Beech.  
 Violation of a city ordinance was reported in the 900 block of Scott.  
 A Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission violation was reported in the 1300 block of Mary Ellen.  
 Criminal trespass was reported in the 1100 block of South Farley.  
 A civil matter was reported in the 2600 block of Comanche.  
 A suspicious person was reported in the 2800 block of West 28th, near the intersection of Harvester and

Christine, the 900 block of Brown, near the intersection of Sumner and 21st, and in the 2400 block of Fir.  
 Harassment was reported in the 2300 block of North Hobart.  
 Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1400 block of Somerville.  
 Domestic disturbances were reported in the 2300 block of North Hobart and in the police department lobby.  
 An assault was reported in the 400 block of Hughes.  
 Violation of a protective order was reported in the 1200 block of Williston.  
 An open door was reported in the 300 block of East Frederic.  
 Fraudulent use of identifying information was reported in the 1100 block of Willow.

**Sheriff**

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests.  
**Wednesday, March 7**  
 David B. Mack, 27, of Los Angeles, Calif., was arrested by GCSO for violation of probation for possession of marijuana.  
 Oaty Don Scott, 31, of Pampa was arrested in the 1400 block of Somerville by Pampa Police Department on a warrant for assault causing bodily injury.  
 Lorrena Rodriguez, 33, of Pampa was arrested in the 500 block of Cook by PPD for possession of a controlled substance.  
 Rafael Vasquez Felix, 38, of Pampa was arrested in the 500 block of Cook by PPD for possession of a controlled substance.  
 Steven Lee Stamps II, 26, of

Pampa was arrested by Department of Public Safety for bond surrender on assault causing bodily injury and no driver's license (revoked or suspended).

**Fire**

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.  
**Wednesday, March 7**  
 3:19 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 400 block of Hughes on a medical assist.  
 4:33 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to the 300 block of North Sumner on a Dumpster fire.  
 8:51 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to the 700 block of Brunow on an unauthorized burn.  
 11:03 p.m. — One unit and four personnel responded to the 1200 block of Finley on a lift assist.

**Ambulance**

Guardian EMS ambulance reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.  
**Wednesday, March 7**  
 9 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1900 block of North Sumner and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.  
 11:16 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transferred a patient(s) to BSA Hospital in Amarillo.  
 2:34 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of Doyle. No transport.  
 3:18 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of Hughes and transported a patient to PRMC.

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OXY..... 46.45 +0.09	BP PLC ADR..... 60.77 +0.09	Atmos..... 31.34 +0.05	Pioneer Nat..... 37.76 +0.21
Cabot Corp..... 45.32 +0.10	Celanese..... 30.15 +0.24	JCP..... 81.30 +5.65	COP..... 67.57 +0.41
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**Nichols' death sentence carried out by state**

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — More than 26 years after he and a friend robbed a Houston convenience store where a clerk was fatally shot, Joseph Nichols wound up in the same death house where a dozen years earlier his partner was executed for the same crime.  
 The similarities between Nichols and his longtime friend, Willie Ray Williams, ended in their final moments.  
 Williams in 1995 spoke of "love and peace of Islam" as he was executed.  
 Nichols, 45, described by Texas Department of Criminal Justice officials as uncooperative throughout the day, had to be carried to the death chamber, then used his final statement while strapped to the gurney Wednesday evening for a profanity-filled diatribe against a supervisory corrections officer.  
 The lethal injection was the second carried out in Texas in as many days and the eighth this year in the nation's busiest capital punishment state.  
 Nichols and Williams were both convicted and condemned for the Oct. 13, 1980, slaying of Claude Shaffer.

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## Missing five years

Brandy Noble

Age Progression by NCMEC 12/15/2005



Birth: 08/26/1986  
 Missing: 03/01/2002  
 Age Now: 20 yrs  
 Race: White  
 Sex: Female  
 Hair: Brown  
 Eyes: Hazel  
 Ht: 5'03"  
 Wt: 100 lbs  
 Missing From:  
 Amarillo  
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Brandy's photo is shown age-progressed to 19 years. She was last seen on March 1, 2002. Her nicknames are BG, Boo-Boo, and Little Brandy.

Courtesy photos

Brandy Noble has been missing from Amarillo since March 1, 2002, when she was 15 years old. Her photo at left has been age-enhanced to show what she might look like today, at right. The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children is seeking information on the girl, whose nicknames are Cody, BG, Boo-Boo and Little Brandy. She has brown hair and hazel eyes, and at the time of her disappearance was 5 feet 3 inches tall and weighed 100 pounds. Anyone with information on her is asked to call 1-800-842-5678 (1-800-THE-LOST). Calls are kept confidential and may be made anonymously.

## Rodeo

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Entry forms, rules and general information can be obtained by contacting the rodeo office at 200 N. Ballard or by calling 669-0434. Gina Greenhouse, pageant director, can also be contacted at 665-6093.

## Bills

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ing. We hope this legislation helps prepare our students to make smart choices." SB 1138 will also order the Texas Department of Insurance to study insurance costs and coverages for university organizations.

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## Democrats unveil plan for troop pullout

By DAVID ESPO

AP Special Correspondent

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a direct challenge to President Bush, House Democrats unveiled legislation today requiring the withdrawal of U.S. combat troops from Iraq by the fall of next year.

Speaker Nancy Pelosi said the deadline would be added to legislation providing nearly \$100 billion the Bush administration has requested for fighting in Iraq and Afghanistan.

She told reporters the measure would mark the first time the new Democratic-controlled Congress has established a "date certain" for the end of U.S. combat in the four-year-old war that has claimed the lives of more than 3,100 U.S. troops.

Rep. David Obey, D-Wis., and chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, said the proposal would bring an "orderly and responsible close" to American participation in what he called an Iraqi "civil war."

According to an explanation of the measure distributed by Democratic aides, the timetable for withdrawal would be accelerated if the government of Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki did not meet goals for providing for Iraq's security.

Democrats won control of Congress last fall in midterm elections shadowed by public opposition to the war, and have vowed since taking power to challenge Bush's policies.

Pelosi made her announcement as Senate Democrats reviewed a different approach — a measure that would set a goal of a troop withdrawal by March of 2008. Majority Leader Harry Reid of Nevada called a closed-door meeting of the rank-and-file to consider the measure.

In the House, Pelosi and the leadership have struggled in recent days to come up with an approach on the war that would satisfy liberals reluctant to vote for continued funding without driving away more moderate

Democrats unwilling to be seen as tying the hands of military commanders.

The decision to impose conditions on the war risks a major confrontation with the Bush administration and its Republican allies in Congress.

But without a unified party, the Democratic leadership faced the possibility of a highly embarrassing defeat when the spending legislation reaches a vote, likely later this month.

To make the overall measure more attractive politically, Democrats also intend to add \$1.2 billion to Bush's request for military operations in Afghanistan, where the Taliban is expected to mount a spring offensive.

The bill also will exceed Bush's request for veterans' health care and medical programs for active duty troops at facilities such as the scandal-scarred Walter Reed Medical Center in Washington.

Democrats also are including funds for a health care program for low-income children.

## NASA fires wayward astronaut

By MIKE SCHNEIDER

Associated Press Writer

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Lisa Nowak was in the astronaut corps for a decade before she took her first and only space shuttle flight last summer during Discovery's 13-day trip to the international space station.

It was just eight months after her return to Earth that she lost her job as an astronaut.

NASA dismissed Nowak on Wednesday, a month after she was charged with trying to kidnap a woman she regarded as her romantic rival for the affections of a space shuttle pilot.

Nowak's dismissal did not reflect the space agency's belief in her guilt or innocence, NASA officials said. The agency said it lacked an administrative system to handle the allegations because Nowak is a naval officer on assignment to NASA, rather than a NASA civil servant.

If Nowak were a civil servant, NASA would have the choice of placing her on administrative leave, leave without pay or indefinite suspension until the charges are resolved, said NASA spokesman James Hartsfield in Houston. But because she is an officer, those options are not available.

Nowak, a Navy captain, instead will return

to the military.

She will be assigned to the staff at the Chief of Naval Air Training in Corpus Christi, Texas, starting in two weeks, Navy Cmdr. Lydia Robertson said. Robertson said she didn't know what specific job Nowak would be doing.

The space shuttle pilot who was the object of Nowak's affections, Navy Cmdr. Bill Oefelein, remains on active duty while working for NASA. Robertson said she could not speculate whether his status is under review.

Chief astronaut Steve Lindsey notified Nowak late last month that she was to be terminated from the astronaut corps. After her arrest, NASA placed Nowak on a 30-day leave, which was to end today.

It was the first time NASA has publicly fired an astronaut, according to space historian Roger Launius of the Smithsonian Institution.

Nowak, a mother of three who is separated from her husband, is accused of confronting Colleen Shipman, the woman who had become Oefelein's girlfriend, at the Orlando airport after driving from Houston. She wore an astronaut diaper so that she would not have to stop during her 900-mile trip, authorities said.

## Weather

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KAMR-TV, KVII-TV, weather vendors, and many more. Staff from KVII-TV and the NWS will be on hand to assist in programming NOAA Weather Radios.

The General Session will begin at 12:30 p.m. Topics and Speakers for this ses-

sion include:

- "Fire in the Plains: Lessons Learned from the 2006 Panhandle Wildfires" - Jason Jordan, Amarillo NWS Forecaster
- "The June 11th, 2005, Tornado Outbreak" - Doppler Dave Oliver & Staff - KFDA-TV Meteorologists
- "A Look Back at the 2006 Childress Tornado" - Matt Hines & Staff - KAMR-TV Meteorologists
- "The Forecast Funnel:

A Press Box View of Severe Weather Forecasting" - Dr. Kevin Kloesel - OU Dept of Geosciences

- "The Rating of Tornadoes: The New Enhanced Fujita Scale" - Mr. Larry Vannozi - Meteorologist-In-Charge, NWS Nashville, Tenn.

For additional info, please call the Amarillo NWS at 806 335-1121 or visit our Web site at [www.srh.noaa.gov/ama](http://www.srh.noaa.gov/ama)

## Photo

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subjects and an explanation of the event will not be considered.

Entries must include the entrant's name, address, e-

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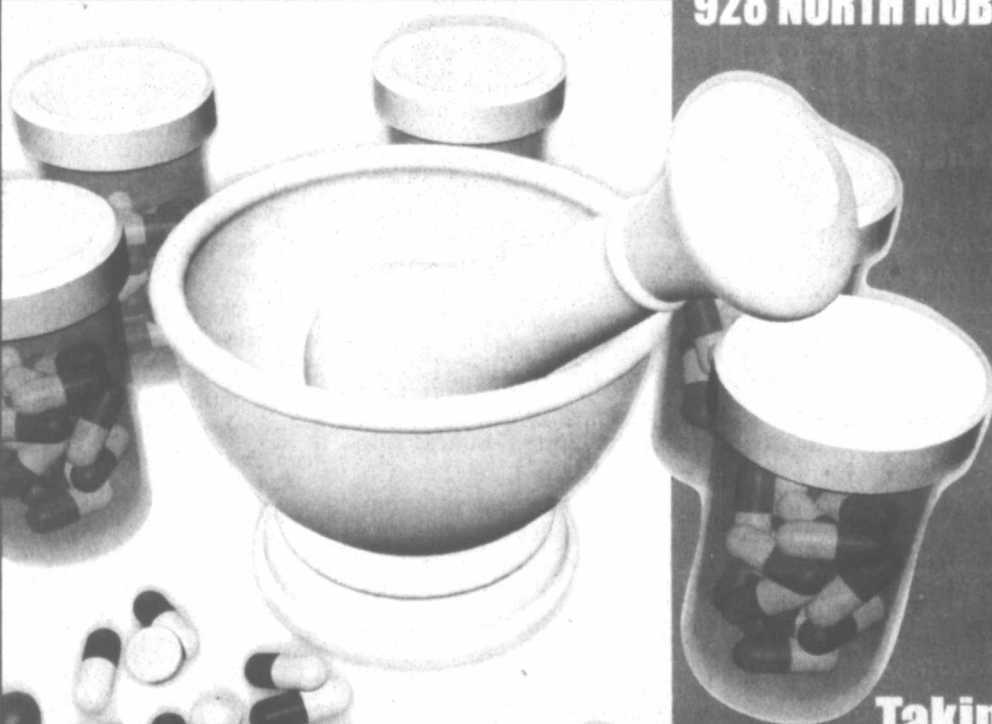
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received after that time will not be considered. The winner will be notified by March 23.

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# Viewpoints

## House bill sides against privacy issues

The Texas House of Representatives OK'd a measure Monday to permit county and district clerks to release Social Security numbers, according to an Associated Press report, as part of the Texas Public Information Act.

"The bill by Rep. Jim Keffer, an Eastland Republican," the AP wrote, "would change existing law to declare that a Social Security number is not confi-

dential." This determination flies in the face of the Texas Attorney General's office which issued a counter opinion. The Texas AG appears to have sided with fairness and logic.

Apparently, our lawmakers caved to pressure placed on them by county and district clerks' offices. Because those offices may be inconvenienced, the government is willing to jeopardize the Social Security numbers of

countless Texans, leaving them open to possible identity theft, a growing problem for the populace at large.

"It states that county or district clerks can disclose those numbers contained in information held by their offices without being subjected to

civil or criminal liability," the AP reports. "The measure also would require the public official to redact all but the last four digits of a person's Social Security number if that person requests it."

Texas AG Greg Abbott has ruled the numbers must be

covered up before the document (or documents) they are attached to is made public — with or without request.

The AP said Abbott gave county officials "a 60-day reprieve from the requirement" last week.

I don't mean to appear unfeeling or inhumane toward government employees, but releasing a person's Social Security number to anyone outside of law enforcement without that per-

son's explicit permission is a breach of that person's and the entire public's trust.

We pay taxes through the nose. The least our elected officials can do is protect us from predators who covet our personal information for their own unscrupulous gain.

The AP identified the house bill as H.B. 2061. At the time of its report, the AP said the bill was on its way to the Senate.

**Skyla Bryant**  
News Editor



## Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, March 8, the 67th day of 2007. There are 298 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:**  
On March 8, 1862, during the Civil War, the ironclad CSS Virginia (formerly USS Merrimack) rammed and sank the USS Cumberland and inflicted heavy damage on the USS Congress, both frigates, off Newport News, Va.

**On this date:**  
In 1702, England's Queen Anne ascended the throne upon the death of King William III.

In 1782, the Gnadenhütten massacre took place as some 90 Indians were slain by militiamen in Ohio in retaliation for raids carried out by other Indians.

*'If there is any principle of the Constitution that more imperatively calls for attachment than any other it is the principle of free thought — not free thought for those who agree with us but freedom for the thought that we hate.'*

— Oliver Wendell Holmes Jr. (1841-1935)

In 1841, Supreme Court Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes Jr., the "Great Dissenter," was born in Boston.

In 1854, U.S. Commodore Matthew C. Perry made his second landing in Japan; within a month, he concluded a treaty with the Japanese.

In 1874, the 13th president of the United States, Millard Fillmore, died in Buffalo, N.Y.

In 1917, Russia's

"February Revolution" (so called because of the Old Style calendar being used by Russians at the time) began with rioting and strikes in Petrograd.

In 1917, the U.S. Senate voted to limit filibusters by adopting the cloture rule.

In 1930, the 27th president of the United States, William Howard Taft, died in Washington at age 72.

In 1965, the United States landed its first combat troops in South Vietnam, about 3,500 Marines sent to defend the U.S. air base at Da Nang.

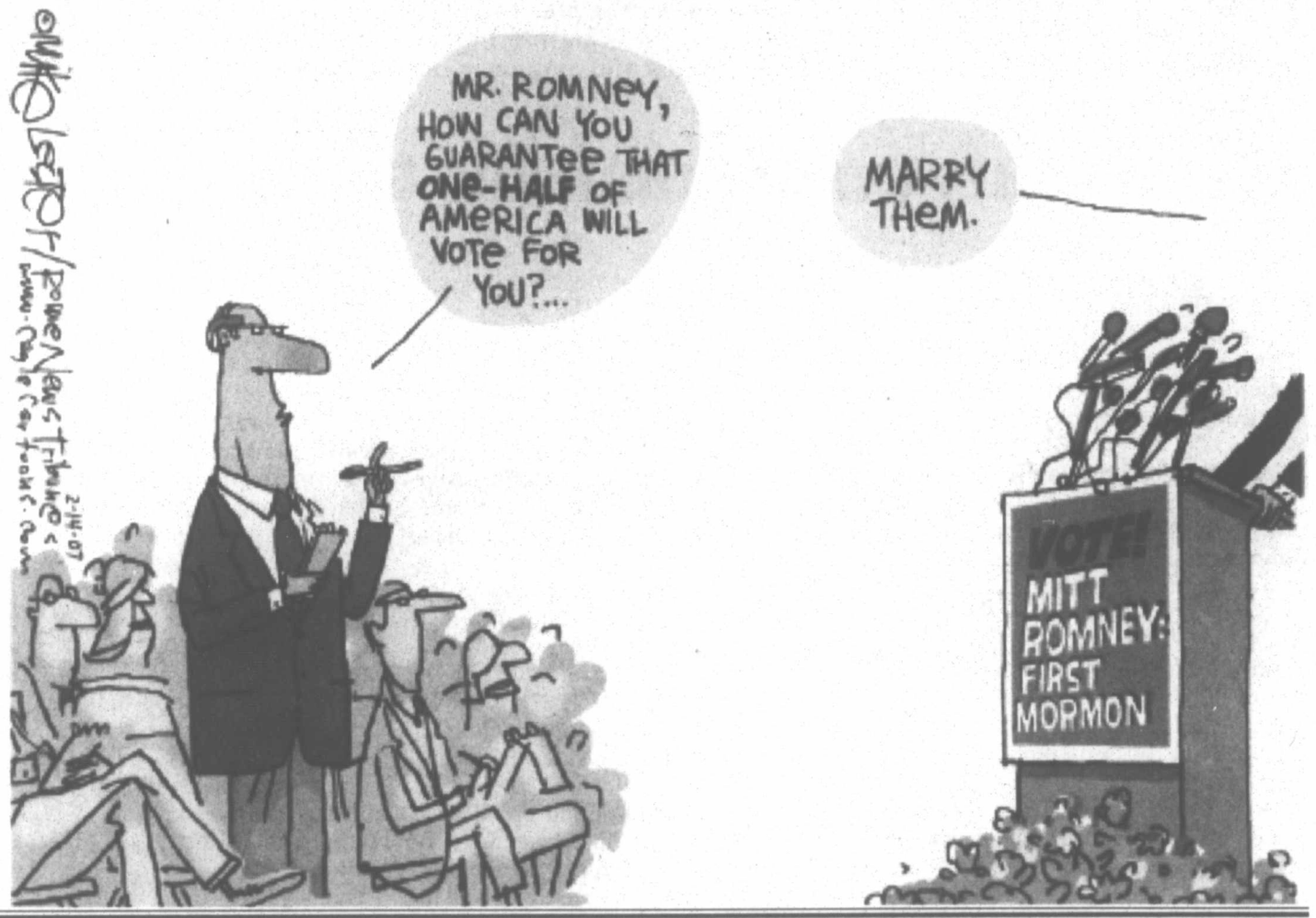
In 1999, New York Yankees baseball star Joe DiMaggio died in Hollywood, Fla., at age 84.

Ten years ago: President Clinton, in keeping with his push for private businesses and churches to hire off welfare rolls, ordered federal agencies to do the same.

Five years ago: Kmart Corp. announced the closing of 284 stores and elimination of 22,000 jobs. The U.S. Senate passed a bill cutting taxes and extending unemployment benefits.

One year ago: Iran threatened the United States with "harm and pain" if the U.S. tried to use the U.N. Security Council to punish Tehran for its suspect nuclear program. Six months after Hurricane Katrina, President Bush got a close-up look at the remaining mountains of debris, abandoned homes and boarded-up businesses in New Orleans. The Hornets played their first game at The New Orleans Arena since Katrina; they lost to the Los Angeles Lakers, 113-107. NFL owners agreed to the players' union proposal, extending the collective bargaining agreement for six years.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Sue Ane Langdon is 71. Baseball player-turned-author Jim Bouton is 68.



## Ways you can speed up older PCs ...

Want a faster computer? Buy one! But, if money prevents that choice, you may be able to eke out some more performance from that dinosaur on your desk. This week, I'll cover some maintenance tips for the biggest bottleneck on most systems, the hard drive.

**Scrub-A-Dub-Dub**  
If you think emptying your recycle bin is the only way to clean a hard drive, think again. Various temporary files are strewn all over that spinning platter, taking up valuable drive real estate. Every now and then, it pays to clean this mess up.

When the amount of free space on your hard disk is less than twice the amount of RAM it has, your system will slow considerably. Did that make sense? As an example, if you have 128 megabytes of RAM, your system will start to get sluggish when your hard drive has less than 256 megabytes free. The more RAM your system possesses, the more free hard drive space will be

required by the system for these work files.

One way to clean up some of the clutter (and free a lot of space to boot), is to run the Windows Disk Cleanup Tool. Click on the Start Button, then Programs, Accessories, System Tools, and finally, Disk Cleanup. If you don't have this program, find your original Windows CD and install it. It's that important.

Choose the drive to clean and hit OK. A list of proposed files will be listed. Take the default and hit OK. If you've never used this utility before, you'll probably be surprised by how much space you free up.

**Throw Excess Baggage Overboard**  
Another way to dramatically clean your drive is to un-install programs you no longer use. Click the Start button, Settings, Control

Panel, Add/Remove Programs. If you have Windows 2000 or XP, the system can sort your programs by their amount of use. Look through the list and remove any programs you don't need. Don't fret if you make a mistake. You can always blow the dust off that old CD and re-install it later.

**Re-Zone Your Land**  
Speaking of Windows 2000/XP, consider changing your hard drive's file structure to NTFS (New Technology File System). The standard file format on most hard drives is called FAT32 (sounds like a rapper doesn't it?). NTFS can more efficiently handle large often-used files than FAT32. Better still, NTFS adds more security and reliability to your system. Only one drawback exists, though: Windows 95/98/ME will not

recognize drives formatted as NTFS. So, only consider this option with higher versions.

To see which file structure your hard drive is currently set to, double-click on My Computer, right-click on a drive, and choose Properties. Converting a FAT32 system to NTFS is very easy. Click the Start button, Programs, Accessories, and then Command Prompt. Type the following:

CONVERT C: /FS:NTFS /V

You can, of course, replace the "C:" with any drive letter. This process takes a while, so you might consider starting this task right before bedtime.

*Open the Spigot All the Way*

Make sure you are taking full advantage of your hard drive's DMA (Direct Memory Access) pipeline. In simple English, by using DMA transfer methods, your hard drive can bypass the

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**Eric Spellmann**  
Columnist



## Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

**Feb. 25**  
San Antonio Express-News on television violence:

The Supreme Court ruled in 1978 that the government could regulate indecency on public airwaves.

Congress and the Federal Communications Commission have construed the ruling to create a "safe harbor" on radio and television broadcasts between 6 a.m. and 10 p.m. that exclude "patently offensive sexual or excretory references."

It's a comment on American society that sex and excrement have been deemed worthy of regulation as indecency while, thus far, graphic violence has not.

At the request of Congress, the FCC has revisited the issue of violence. And

in a soon-to-be-released report, the commission will argue that Congress can constitutionally grant it the authority to regulate violent content as well.

For parents of young children who have to flip channels to avoid violent programming or even commercials, the potential for regulation will come as good news.

The data in *Dying to Entertain*, a new study by the Parents Television Council, will come as no surprise to them. It found that violence on prime time broadcast television has increased 75 percent since 1998.

Efforts to compel broadcasters to voluntarily curb violent content haven't worked. In their battle for market share with unregulated cable networks, violence escalation is an important weapon. And the public hasn't embraced blocking technologies such as the V-chip.

Which brings us to the perilous

crossroads of regulation. While the impulse to create a violence-free safe harbor is understandable, Congress needs to proceed carefully. Good intentions about adolescent exposure to violent programming can lead to bad laws that stifle creativity and innovation.

For instance, in an effort to make it easier for cable and satellite customers to tune out violence, the new FCC report is expected to endorse mandatory "a la carte" channel selection.

That imposes a government solution on a decision best left to market forces.

The public airwaves present a different set of challenges for regulators responding to the complaints of overwhelmed parents.

The absence of responsible action by broadcasters opens the way for government regulation, but Congress and the FCC need to act responsibly in crafting regulatory remedies.

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## Campus grant

Pampa Regional Medical Center recently awarded Clarendon College-Pampa Center a grant to benefit the campus Office Technology program. The center's associate dean, David Bradford, expressed his appreciation for the grant and noted how the community is so well known for its generosity to the Clarendon College-Pampa Center. Above, from left: Bradford, hospital CEO Alan King, and hospital Marketing and Public Relations Director Terry Barnes.



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The 4- and 5-year-old Mother's Day Out of Linda Bodie at First Christian Church recently enjoyed a picnic at the Super Playground. Above: Sarah, Maddie, Klaire, Halie, Evan, Sydnee, Stori, Sterling, Landry and Bradon.

## Faster

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microprocessor when moving large amounts of data into memory. Chances are, your hard drive is already installed with this option turned on. However, it doesn't hurt to check.

Get ready, we're diving deep this time. Click on Start/Settings/Control Panel/System/Hardware/Device Manager, and then double-clicking on your IDE ATA/ATAPI controller. Double-click on your Primary IDE channel and

choose Advanced Settings. Make sure "DMA if available" is selected in the drop-down menu.

*Yes, Defrag is a Word*

Finally, make sure to defrag your system regularly. I won't go into the particulars of what "defragging is" simply because I covered that in a recent column. To use Microsoft's utility, click Start/Programs/Accessories/System Tools/Disk Defragmenter.

Next week, I'll continue this "speed up your dinosaur" segment with cost effective upgrades that will put off the new-system-purchase for a year or two. Until then ...

I'll see you in Cyberspace!

## U.S., Canada agree on joint herbicide label

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) — Environmental regulators in the United States and Canada have developed a joint label for farm chemicals that officials say could save American farmers millions of dollars.

The Environmental Protection Agency and its Canadian counterpart announced last Friday the first North American Free Trade Agreement label — for a herbicide marketed as Far-GO in the United States and as Avadex in Canada that can be used for weed control for a wide range of crops.

American farmers have long wanted to import chemicals from Canada because

they say they are often cheaper north of the border, but so-called "harmonization" bills have failed in Congress. One impediment to getting legislation passed was the perception that a joint U.S.-Canadian label would be too cumbersome to create, said North Dakota Agriculture Commissioner Roger Johnson.

"We have proven that NAFTA labels are possible," said Johnson, who worked on the initiative with federal regulators and chemical industry representatives.

"U.S. farmers could save \$178 million a year if they had free access to similar pesticides on the Canadian side of the border," he said,

citing a 2005 study by North Dakota State University researchers.

Jim Gulliford, an assistant EPA administrator, said 12 additional chemicals are in line for NAFTA labels.

"Joint U.S.-Canadian pesticide labels are a reality," he said. "We can use this as a strategy to reduce trade barriers between our two countries."

Karen Dodds, executive director of Canada's Pest Management Regulatory Agency, said in a statement that the NAFTA label will "improve product access and foster an equal playing field, while maintaining strong human and environmental health protection."

## Events calendar

- **The next Cowboy Poetry Breakfast** will be at 8 a.m. Saturday at the Big Texan in Amarillo.

- **The deadline to enter New Jersey Rainbow Poets** religious poetry contest is Saturday. To enter, send one poem of 21 lines or less to Free Poetry Contest, 103 N. Wood Ave., #70, Linden, NJ 07036 or enter online at [www.rainbow-poets.com](http://www.rainbow-poets.com).

- **The Comprehensive Breast Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center** has announced the following upcoming breast cancer screening clinic: March 27 and April 23, Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, 916 N. Crest; and Monday, Lefors Civic Center in Lefors. Participants will receive a low-cost self-exam mammogram and a breast health appraisal along with individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are by appointment only. For more information, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

- **Pampa Book Club** will discuss the following books: "Widow in the South" By Robert Hicks, Wednesday; "Peace Like a River" by Leif Enger, April 11; and "The Last Promise" by Richard Evans, May 9. The group meets at 10 a.m. in the Texas Room at Lovett Memorial Library in Pampa.

- **Carson County Square House Museum** in Panhandle will host a reception between 2:30-4 p.m. March 18 for artists Georgetta Terppel and Mary Lynn Pruett. Deborah Summers, author of "The Canadian River: A Visual Journey," will also be on hand to sign

copies of her book. An exhibit with Tempel and Pruett is currently on display in the museum's Hazlewood Gallery. The reception was initially scheduled in January but was canceled due to inclement weather. For more information, call (806) 537-3524.

- **Pampa Community Concert Association** Presents "Live On Stage" has released its current concert schedule. The next scheduled show will be with Bronn and Katherine Journey, harpist and vocalist, at 7:30 p.m., March 19 at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Membership fees are \$30 for adults, \$70 for families; and \$15 for students. For more information, call 665-0343 or 665-2631.

- **S.T.A.R. will sponsor "Make Parenting A Pleasure"** parent training for parents of children 6 and under on Mondays from 6:30-8:30 p.m. March 19-May 21 at 1500 S. Taylor in Amarillo. For more information or to register for the free training, call (806) 359-2005.

- **The late registration deadline** for the next nationwide ACT exam is March 23. The early registration deadline is March 9. Students who miss the early deadline will be charged an additional fee. The test will be administered April 14. To find out more, contact your high school counselor or log onto [www.act-student.org](http://www.act-student.org) on the World Wide Web.

- **Pampa Chapter of Ducks Unlimited** will meet March 30 for a "ruffling of feathers" at 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m. at the Pampa Chamber of Commerce, 200 N. Ballard. The price of admission is \$35 for singles or \$45 for couples. The fee to sponsor a couple is \$270. For more information, call 663-9616.

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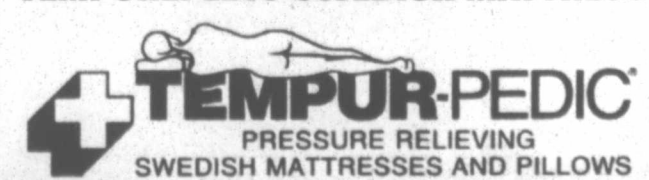
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*Science fair*



Community Christian School students recently participated in a science fair. Good, excellent and superior ratings were given. Those who received superior ratings will go on to compete at the regional science fair in April. They are from left: Nathan Ohsfeldt, Ashlei Taylor, Matthew Ellis, Scott Kelly, Mary Grace Little, Kristen Ladd, Kate Ellis and Jenna Leigh Bonner.

**Japan to launch new investigation into WWII military brothels**

TOKYO (AP) — Japan's Prime Minister Shinzo Abe said today that ruling party lawmakers will conduct a fresh investigation into the Japanese military's use of brothels during World War II.

The government is ready to cooperate with the investigation, Abe said, amid calls for a review from conservatives who question many of the claims by victims and others who say the government kidnapped the women and forced them into sex slavery.

"I was told the party will conduct an investigation or a study, so we will provide government documents and cooperate as necessary," Abe told reporters.

Abe triggered outrage across Asia last week by saying there was no proof the women were coerced into prostitution. He said on Monday that Japan will not apologize again for the Japanese military's "comfort stations."

The top government spokesman said earlier today that Japan's position on the coercion of women into sex slavery during WWII had been misinterpreted and misrepresented by the U.S. media, and that Tokyo would

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— Shinzo Abe  
Japan PM

soon issue a rebuttal.

"My remarks have been twisted in a sense and reported overseas, which further invites misunderstanding," Abe said. "This is an extremely unproductive situation."

Last week's comments came as the U.S. House of Representatives was considering a resolution that urges Japan to formally apologize for its wartime brothels. Japanese leaders apologized in 1993 for the government's role, but the apology was not approved by Parliament.

Abe said today that he "basically stands by the 1993 apology."

Historians say that about 200,000 women — mostly from Korea and China — served in Japanese military brothels throughout Asia in the 1930s and 1940s. Accounts of abuse by the

military have been backed up by witnesses, and even former Japanese soldiers.

Abe's statement contradicted evidence in Japanese documents, unearthed in 1992, that historians said showed that military author-

ities had a direct role in working with contractors to forcibly procure women for the brothels.

But prominent Japanese scholars and politicians routinely deny direct military involvement or the use of force in rounding up the women, blaming private contractors for the abuses.

Abe's comments have incensed critics in China, North and South Korea, and the Philippines, who have demanded Japan acknowledge its responsibility.

The fallout from the remarks continued to build today.

The coercion of women

into prostitution was "one of the key, serious crimes committed by Japanese imperial soldiers," Qin Gang, a Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman said during a regular news briefing.

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# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

**DEAR ABBY:** I was gratified to read the letter from "Grateful Woman in the Midwest" (Jan 13), who wondered how to honor the friends who had taken her in when she was in trouble, and given her support and shelter until she was able to move on. Our family has also done this for young people in trouble, trying to help them turn their lives around. The greatest gift we ever received came from one young man I'll call Danny. Danny was only 20. When he came to us, just before Christmas one year, he had a 4-year-old son, was estranged from his birth family and was in desperate need. We made their Christmas bright, helped Danny find a job, cared for his son until a slot opened at Head Start, and ultimately helped find them an apartment. We even covered the utility deposits. Never once did Danny default on his payments. He is now a model young man, owns his own business and home, and is an excellent parent. I ran into him at the supermarket the other day, and he said, "I want you to know, my son and I adopted a family last Christmas." He went on to describe how they had selected and wrapped gifts, made a holiday food basket, even baked cookies for the family. The light in his eyes as he related the story spoke volumes. It was the most wonderful gift Danny could have given us. Please tell "Grateful" that turning around and helping others will make her angels sing with joy. - - **STILL SINGING, BATH, MAINE**

**DEAR STILL SINGING:** Your uplifting letter made ME sing with joy, as I'm sure it will many of my readers. I'm pleased to report that there are many "guardian angels" on Earth because I heard from them. Read on for a sample:

**DEAR ABBY:** A thank-you note promising to "pay it forward" would be priceless. We have been helping people for years (anonymously when we can), but when

pressed for a reason, we always talk about those individuals who helped us, and explain that this is our way of expressing our gratitude. Nothing in this world is more joy-filled for us, the original "givers" or the recipients. It's also a gift that can keep on giving for a lifetime. - **MICKI IN WEST PALM BEACH**

**DEAR ABBY:** After my stepson died a number of years ago, one friend, "Tom," came and helped us tremendously. I thanked him at the time, but it wasn't until I was able to take on the same role for a different friend who had lost a loved one, and then wrote Tom about it, that his act of kindness was truly clear to him. He wept openly at having been able to make such a positive difference in our time of need. - **GRATEFUL IN BIDDEFORD, MAINE**

**DEAR ABBY:** Twenty years ago, people helped me in ways I could never repay. One of them said, "When it's your turn, then you can help someone." Now that I'm in my 40s, I help college students with references, networking and food. And I always tell them that in 20 years, I want them to help someone when they are able to. More important than getting a "good feeling," I am continuing a cycle of grace and gratitude. I hope "Grateful" will consider this possibility. - **SEAN IN HUMBLE, TEXAS**

**DEAR ABBY:** A few years ago, I had the chance to help a friend in crisis. My husband and I invited the man to come and live with us. It was the best decision we ever made. He is a new man now, and watching him live his new life gives us great joy. Trust me: It's enough for "Grateful" to go out and live her life well. That is all her friends would ever want from her. - **HAPPY TO HAVE HELPED IN SANTA CRUZ, CALIF.**

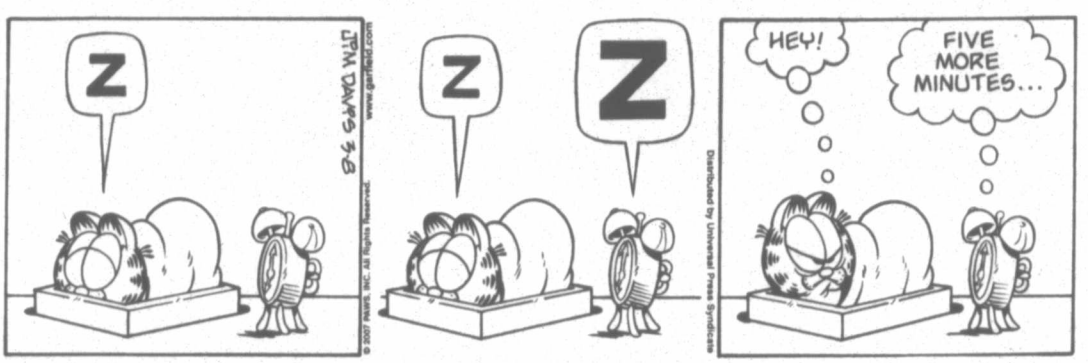
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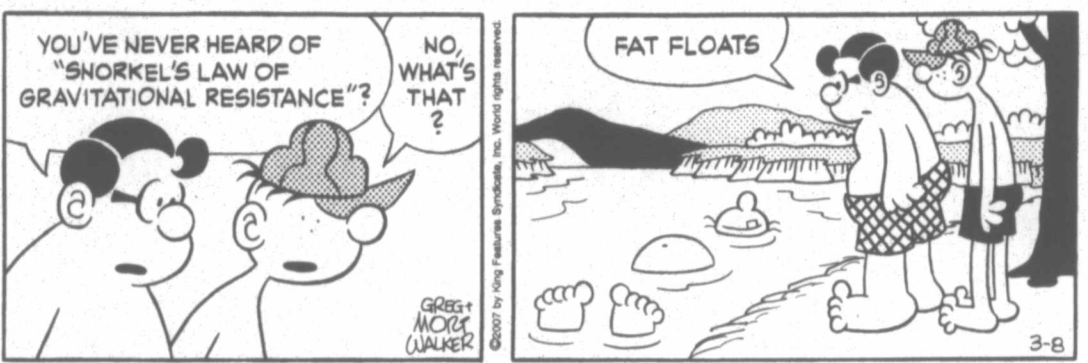
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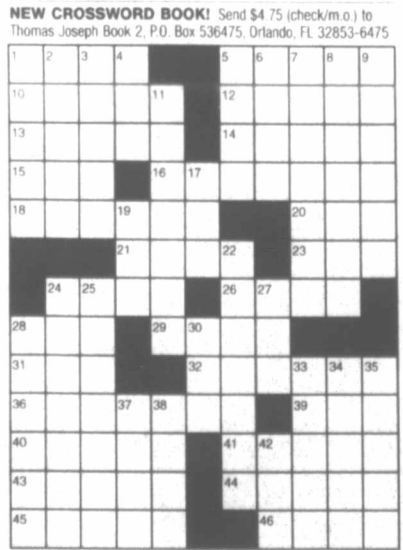
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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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  - 22 Copes
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  - 27 Scandal subject
  - 28 Calendar column
  - 30 Hostel
  - 33 Sensuous dance
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Yesterday's answer



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## The Family Circus

By Bil Keane



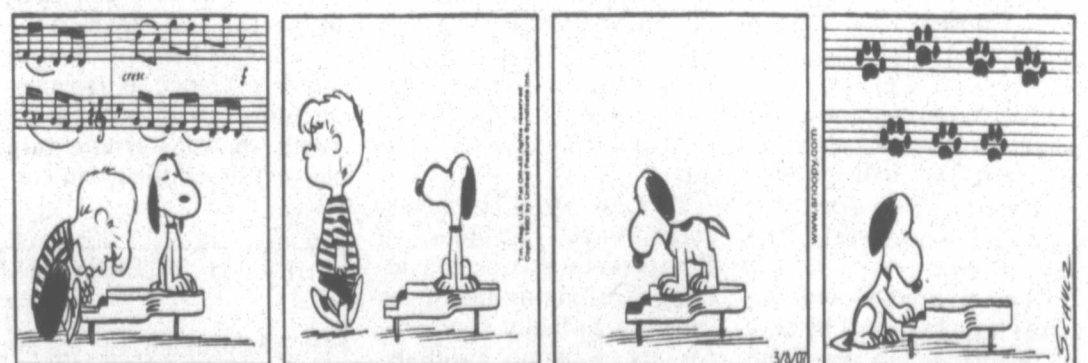
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# Sports Day

## Butkus backs Texas high school steroid testing bill

By JIM VERTUNO  
AP Sports Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — With a publicity boost from Hall of Fame linebacker Dick Butkus, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst rolled out a Senate plan Wednesday to require mandatory random steroid testing for Texas public school athletes.

"Taking steroids doesn't make you tougher," Butkus said at a news conference to announce the bill. "It puts your life at risk."

Steroid testing in high schools has been a major issue for Dewhurst, a Republican who announced his plan in the 2006 campaign.

The bill sponsored by Sen. Kyle Janek, R-Houston, would require public school athletes to agree not to take steroids and to submit to testing if randomly selected.

Lawmakers hope to test as many as 22,000 students per year or more. Texas has about 733,000 students in approximately 1,300 high schools. Testing would be conducted at 30 percent, about 390, of the schools.

"This will send a message to stop illegal steroid use in our high schools," Dewhurst said.

Studies have shown as many 1 million high school students nationwide have taken steroids and as many as 40,000 in Texas, Dewhurst said.

Steroids can lead to dramatic mood swings, heart disease and cancer among other complications.

If approved, the bill leaves most of the testing details, such as which schools are selected, how and when samples are collected and punishment for positive results, to the University

Interscholastic League, the state's governing body of high school sports.

Dewhurst, however, said punishments for positive tests should include a ban from playing in sports.

The program wouldn't be the first of its kind nationally, but it would be the largest.

New Jersey started a limited program last fall that tests athletes and teams that advance to the postseason. Dewhurst said Texas should have a broader, longer testing program.

The plan is supported by Don Hooton, who became an activist after his son Taylor committed suicide at age 17. Doctors said they believe Taylor Hooton became depressed after he stopped using steroids.

"It's going to provide a meaningful deterrent for these kids," Hooton said.

"The only way to know who is using steroids is testing. This approach is right on target."

Texas lawmakers consid-

ered a testing program in 2005, but it failed when local school districts balked.

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## Lefors boys, girls dominate track meet

The Lefors Pirates took control of the track meet they hosted last weekend, as the high school boys and girls took first place among competitors from Hedley, Wheeler, Holy Cross, Groom, Claude and many more.

The high school girls took first place with 132, ahead of 2nd place Hedley with 89.

The boys tied for first place with Wheeler at 152 points.

The junior high girls placed 7th with 36 points, and the junior high boys placed 9th with 21 points.

Results are as follows:

### High School Boys

- 3200 - Parish - 4th
- 400 - Czubinski - 2nd
- 400 Relay - Lefors - 2nd
- 300 Hurdles - Fry - 5th
- 800 - Czubinski - 3rd
- 200 - Roberson - 3rd
- 110 Hurdles - Johnson - 3rd
- 1600 - Miller - 2nd
- 100 - McBee - 5th
- Pole Vault - Itess - 1st, Klein - 2nd, Lott - 3rd
- Long Jump - Roberson - 3rd
- High Jump - Sprouse - 1st, McBee - 4th
- Discus - Forsyth - 1st
- Shot - Forsyth - 3rd
- Triple Jump - Czubinski - 4th, Sprouse - 5th
- 800 Relay - Lefors - 4th

### High School Girls

- 3200 - Garcia - 1st
- 400 Relay - Lefors - 4th
- 800 - Miller - 1st
- 300 Hurdles - Lawrence - 3rd



Courtesy photo

Emily Jackson helped lead the Lady Pirates to the team championship of the Pirate Relays held recently in Lefors. She placed 3rd in the Long Jump, Triple Jump, and 100 Meter Dash and was 1st in the 200 Meter Dash.

- 100 Hurdles - Lawrence - 5th
- 200 - Jackson - 1st
- 100 - Jackson - 3rd
- 1600 - Meeks - 1st
- 1600 Relay - Lefors - 1st
- Shot - Overstreet - 3rd

- Triple Jump - Miller - 1st, Jackson - 3rd, Meeks - 4th
- Long Jump - Jackson - 3rd
- Discus - Overstreet - 1st
- Pole Vault - Miller - 1st

## Woods brings tourney, learning center to D.C.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Tiger Woods is bringing more than a golf tournament back to the nation's capital.

Along with his pursuit of Jack Nicklaus' record 18 professional majors, Woods has quietly set a couple of goals for his work outside the ropes over the last couple of years.

One of them was to be the host of a PGA Tour event in the same way Nicklaus has the Memorial and Arnold Palmer has Bay Hill. The other was to expand his Tiger Woods Learning Center beyond the \$25 million facility that opened a year ago in Anaheim, Calif., and already has provided educational tools to more than 5,000 kids.

He knocked out both of them Wednesday in Washington.

Woods was officially announced as the

host of the new AT&T National, which will be played the week of Fourth of July. The Tiger Woods Foundation will run the tournament and get charitable proceeds, and Woods said that money would go toward building a new learning center in the Washington area.

The first step is to build a tournament.

The AT&T National replaces the International outside Denver, which shut down last month when tournament founder Jack Vickers couldn't find a sponsor.

It will be played July 5-8, and Woods isn't sure if he will be able to play this year because his wife is expecting their first child. Woods becomes the youngest player to host a tournament. Bobby Jones was 32 when the Augusta National Invitation — which later became the Masters — was held in 1934.

## Youngsters lead Optimist registrations

The T-ball league for 5- and 6- year-old boys and girls continues to lead all registrations for Pampa Optimist Baseball/Softball 2007 with 77 players signed up after three days of registration, according to Kevin Davis, Optimist Baseball Commissioner.

"Miami, Perryton, Clarendon and some other communities have indicated an interest in bringing teams to play in T-ball, pitching machines or some of the older leagues," Davis said. "All players in all leagues need to sign up so we can determine how many teams and how many coaches we will have in each league."

Registration continues today from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Optimist Club. Playing fees are \$40 for T-ball and pitching machines leagues, \$65 for the Babe Ruth League and \$50 for all other leagues.

"We are going to need several coaches for our T-ball and pitching machine leagues," Davis said. "We are having a tremendous turnout from our younger players."

The 7-8 boys' pitching machine league

has signed up 55 players. The 9-10 Cal Ripken League shows 37 players, the 11-12 Cal Ripken League has 24, while the Babe Ruth League is close behind with 22.

In the girls' pitching machine league 27 players have registered. The Major Girls' Softball League for girls 10-12 has 24 while the Senior Girls' 13-15 Softball League sign-ups are at 10.

"It is not unusual for our older players to wait until the last minute to register," Davis said. "Last year we wound up with more than 700 players including teams from Clarendon, Miami and Lefors."

The teams compete on six fields at the Optimist complex. Drafts for the various leagues are expected to take place after Spring Break. Practices should begin by the end of the month with games in some leagues starting as early as the week of April 16.

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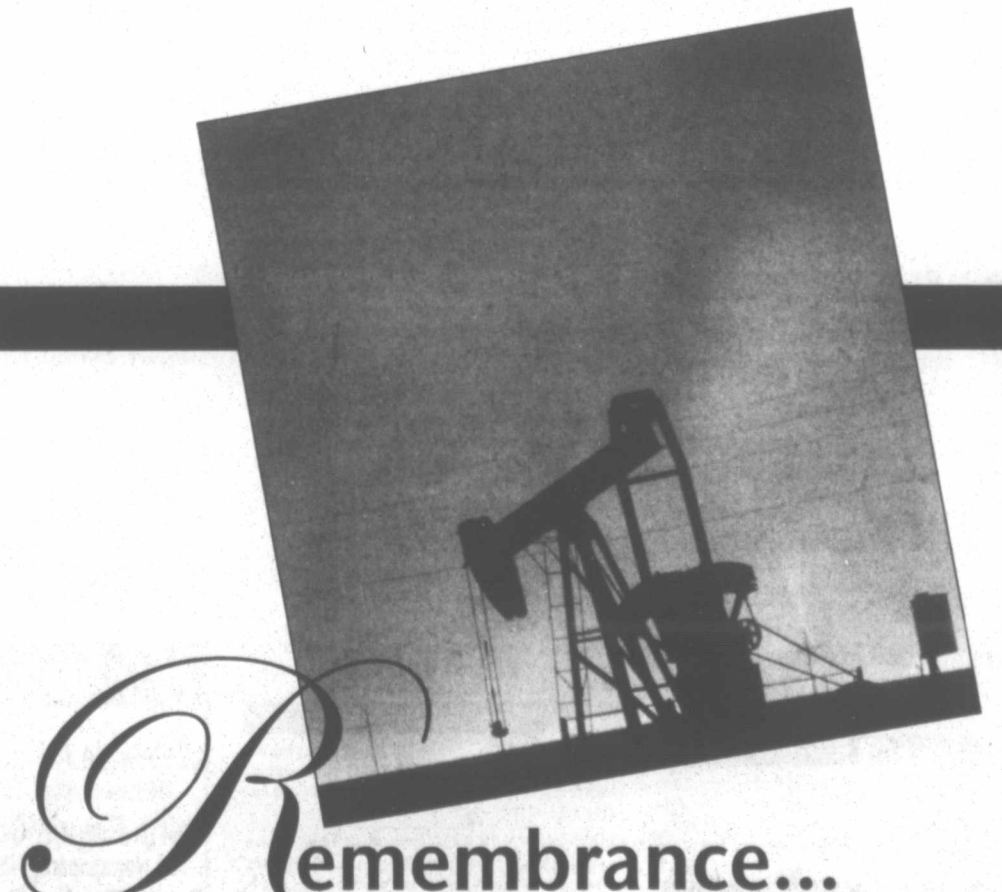
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# Sosa sizzles for Rangers, Clemens checks on pal Pettitte

**By The Associated Press**  
Sammy Sosa's chances of playing in the majors this season are looking better every day. The chances of Roger Clemens doing the same are — still — anybody's guess.

Sosa homered for the second time in spring training, going 2-for-3 Wednesday in the Rangers' 9-8 victory over the Arizona Diamondbacks at Surprise, Ariz.

The 38-year-old Sosa, who didn't play in the major leagues last season, hit a three-run homer that capped a six-run third off former World Series MVP Livan Hernandez.

"The more games I play, the better I feel," Sosa said. "The confidence is here, and I know I can hit

I believe in myself, and just keep working every day."

The Rangers signed Sosa, who is fifth on the career list with 588 homers, to a minor league contract. Since going 0-for-3 with two strikeouts in a "B" game Friday, Sosa is 5-for-12 with two homers and four RBIs in four games.

Hernandez gave up nine runs — seven earned — and 10 hits in 3 1-3 innings. He struck out one and walked none.

"I never have a good spring," Hernandez said. "I'm just coming to get my work in and make sure I'm 100 percent for the season."

At Tampa, Fla., Clemens dropped by Legends Field to watch his friend and former teammate, Andy Pettitte, make his second

spring training start for the Yankees. And they both got a scare three pitches into the game.

Pettitte allowed three hits over three scoreless innings in New York's 1-1, 10-inning tie with the Cincinnati Reds.

Pettitte got hit on the ring finger of his pitching hand by the barrel of Chris Denorfia's broken bat in the first. The bat caused a small cut on the finger, but the left-hander remained in the game.

Clemens again said he hasn't decided if he will return for a 24th major league season. The seven-time Cy Young Award winner said he won't make a decision until early May. Should he return, Clemens will choose among the Yankees, Astros and Boston. He

visited for a couple minutes with Yankees owner George Steinbrenner in the owner's suite.

Mark Kotsay won't make his debut this season until at least May. The Oakland Athletics center fielder will have arthroscopic surgery on his back Thursday.

At Peoria, Ariz., Barry Bonds made a rare spring training trip and was in a jovial mood.

Bonds went 1-for-2 with a double and a strikeout in a San Francisco Giants split squad's 5-4 win over the Seattle Mariners.

At Port St. Lucie, Fla., New York Mets ace Pedro Martinez threw a baseball for the first time since rotator cuff surgery last October. He lightly tossed a ball for about 10 minutes from a distance

of about 45 feet at the Mets' minor league complex.

At Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Baltimore Orioles pitcher Kris Benson said he was experiencing increased soreness in his right shoulder, a development that means he may need surgery on his torn rotator cuff.

Braves 4, Tigers 4, 11 innings; Red Sox 9, Mets 5; Astros 5, Nationals 2; Marlins (ss) 2, Orioles 2; Cardinals 11, Dodgers (ss) 1; Phillies 6, Blue Jays 3, 10 innings; Pirates 5, Twins 2; Indians 10, Devil Rays 2; Dodgers (ss) 10, Marlins 0 (ss); Cubs 9, Athletics 8; Angels 6, Padres 4; Brewers (ss) 8, Rockies 2; Giants (ss) 15, Brewers (ss) 6; Royals 10, White Sox 5.

# Jamal Lewis lands in Cleveland, Broncos sign TE Graham

**By The Associated Press**  
Jamal Lewis will have to find another team for his personal patsy.

The former 2,000-yard rusher joined the Cleveland Browns on Wednesday night, agreeing to a one-year deal with the club he set an NFL single-game rushing record against.

In 2003, Lewis torched the Browns for 295 yards on the ground. He rushed for 2,066 yards, the second-highest total in league history, that year, and was the league's offensive player of the year.

The free agent was released last week in a salary-cap move by Baltimore, which elected not to pay its career rushing leader a \$5 million roster bonus. He'll now try to boost the Browns, who were last in the league in rushing in 2006.

With the 27-year-old Lewis on board, the Browns must decide what to do with incumbent Reuben Droughns. They owe Droughns a \$1.75 million roster bonus later this month.

Slowed by injuries, Droughns rushed for just 758 yards last season after gaining 1,232 yards in

2005 — the first Cleveland back to eclipse 1,000 yards since 1985.

Coach Romeo Crennel recently said he isn't dissatisfied with Droughns. Of course, he didn't have Lewis on the team then.

Denver was looking for a tight end to boost its offense, and got the best available in Daniel Graham. He agreed to a five-year, \$30 million deal that includes \$15 million in guaranteed money.

New England drafted Graham 21st overall in 2002. He caught 120 passes for 1,393 yards and 17 touchdowns with the Patriots, but

recently was primarily a blocker.

The 6-foot-3, 257-pound Graham grew up in Denver and attended the University of Colorado. His father, Tom Graham, played linebacker for the Broncos from 1972 to 1974.

He joins newly signed running back Travis Henry plus two players the Broncos obtained in trades: cornerback Dre' Bly and defensive tackle Dan Wilkinson.

Outside linebacker Joey Porter passed his physical and signed a five-year, \$32 million contract with the Dolphins. Porter, a three-time

Pro Bowler, spent his first eight seasons with the Steelers, who released him last week in a salary-cap move.

In other moves:

—Green Bay released 36-year-old fullback William Henderson, leaving Brett Favre as the only member of the 1996 Super Bowl championship team still playing for the Packers.

—New Orleans agreed to terms on a one-year contract with tight end Eric Johnson, and veteran cornerback Fred Thomas agreed to a pay cut.

## Bill

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at the costs. Dewhurst said the new plan is for the state to pay up to \$4 million per year for testing.

Some estimates have put the cost as high as \$200 per test, but Dewhurst said the state may be able to get them for about \$100 each.

Some Texas schools already are testing, and their numbers are growing. A UIL survey in 2005 found that 53 schools tested ath-

letes for steroids. By 2006, that number rose to 127.

Butkus, who has teamed with the Taylor Hooton Foundation to fight steroid use in high schools, said he became interested in the issue after talking to a cardiologist who had studied the effects of steroids on bodybuilders.

"It turns (the heart) to jelly," Butkus said. "It's really a health issue."

Butkus, a Chicago Bears standout for nearly a decade in the 1960s and '70s, said he realizes kids may take the drugs hoping to chase dreams of becoming a professional athlete.

"It's a very long road into that stardom," he said. "Do you really want to jeopardize your life for something that's way out there? Do what athletics are supposed to do for you. Enjoy it, have fun, learn about life."

The steroid testing bill is SB 8.

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This application was submitted to the TCEQ on December 28, 2006. The application is available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Amarillo regional office, and the Lovett memorial Library, 111 North Houston, Pampa, Gray County, Texas. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Amarillo regional office of the TCEQ.

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

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

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## 'Pampa Project'



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Doug DuBose presents a \$500 check from Everyman's Bible Class to Carolyn Kessel for her "Pampa Project." Kessel is collecting blankets and donations for fleece material to provide all less fortunate children in Pampa with a blanket of their own. Everyman's Bible Class meets every Sunday at 10 a.m. at the Senior Citizens Center. For more information on how to contribute to Kessel's project, call 669-2150.

## U.N. nuclear agency freezes technical assistance to Iran

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — Delegates to a 35-nation meeting of the International Atomic Energy Agency today approved the suspension of nearly two dozen nuclear technical aid programs to Iran as part of U.N. sanctions imposed because its nuclear defiance.

A defiant Tehran said it would not bow to pressure on its nuclear program.

The decision to deprive Iran of 22 projects was taken by consensus and was expected. Even nations on the IAEA board normally supportive of Iran backed it because it was recommended by agency chief Mohamed ElBaradei, on authority of the U.N. Security Council.

"I have not heard anyone express dissatisfaction" with ElBaradei's recommendations, said Ramzy Ezzaidin Ramzy, Egypt's chief IAEA representative, before the

decision, reflecting the meeting's widespread unanimity on the issue.

Chief Iranian delegate Ali Ashgar Soltanieh dismissed the decision, along with other international moves to pressure his country to suspend uranium enrichment, as the work of a "few countries ... to deprive Iran from its inalienable rights for (the) peaceful use of nuclear energy."

The "Iranian nation is a peace-loving nation but will never tolerate any pressure or intimidation," he told the meeting.

He also said Israel's undeclared nuclear program endangers "both regional peace and security."

Those comments were in response to a letter from 17 Arab nations plus Palestinian authorities that called for Israel to be put under agency inspections. The letter asserted that Prime Minister Ehud

Olmert last year acknowledged that his country had nuclear weapons — something Olmert has denied doing.

Israel, in a brief statement, said it had no plans to change its nuclear policies, said an IAEA official who was inside the closed meeting and spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to talk to the media.

The suspensions of technical cooperation fell under the provision of U.N. Security Council sanctions agreed Dec. 23 to punish Iran for defying a council demand that it freeze its uranium enrichment activities. The five permanent council members now are consulting on additional sanctions after Tehran ignored a new ultimatum to stop enrichment last month.

Council diplomats in New York said these could include a travel ban, an expanded list

of people and companies subject to an asset freeze, an arms embargo and trade restrictions, but they cautioned that differences remained.

While Iran says it has the legal right to develop an enrichment program to generate nuclear power, the Security Council has called on it to end such activities because of fears it could misuse the process to produce fissile material for warheads.

## City deals with immigration raid

NEW BEDFORD, Mass. (AP) — Immigrants brought prosperity to New Bedford. They manned its lucrative whaling fleet, ran its textile mills and provided the muscle for the fishing boats that leave here daily for the Atlantic.

But this New England city, which occasionally gives a knowing wink-and-nod at its illegal immigrant population, found itself in turmoil Wednesday, one day after federal agents raided a leather factory and detained more than 300 undocumented workers.

In the aftermath, dozens of young children were stranded at schools and with baby sitters. Anxious fathers learned how to feed infants with bottles. Friends and relatives crowded a church basement to scan a list for names of the missing.

"If you feel you don't want us here, just deport us and let us go," said Carlos

Miranda, who begged to be reunited just hours before learning his girlfriend was released.

Gov. Deval Patrick said Wednesday that the children of the detainees — most of whom are from Guatemala and El Salvador — might not be receiving proper care. However, federal immigration officials insisted they coordinated with state social service agencies in advance to prepare for child care.

"We are particularly concerned about the Guatemalan community and the risk that they may be fearful about disclosing the existence or whereabouts of their children given their history with government agencies," Patrick wrote in a letter asking U.S. Rep. William Delahunt to ensure federal authorities allow social workers access to the detainees.

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