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Facade nearly completed Planned renovations extensive in Hughes Bldg.

By Julie Ann Thompson
The Pampa News

Outside construction on the Hughes Building, located at the corner of Kingsmill and Somerville streets, is expected to be finished in the next three to four weeks according to owner Bill Arrington.

When the Hughes Building was first under construction, Richard Hughes and B.R. Cantrell, head of Cantrell & Company Architects, Inc. who were the original architects of the building, went to Denver's Terra-Cotta Company to discuss the possibilities for the building's facade. They chose the Ashter Terra Cotta in two-foot squares with a green cast. The blocks were each painted, baked, glazed and baked again by hand.

It wasn't until the city began removing the concrete streets were removed that the building began having trouble, said Building Manager Gina Albus.

"They didn't think to find out that our basement went all the way out to the street. When they dropped the wrecking ball it shook the whole building," Albus said. "We did receive a settlement amount for damages to the building."

Every loose terra-cotta



Bill Arrington

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Photo by Julie Ann Thompson
A crane stretches up to the roof of the Hughes Building so that workers can continue construction on the roof.

Seeking SWF w/ear tag

By Marilyn Powers
The Pampa News

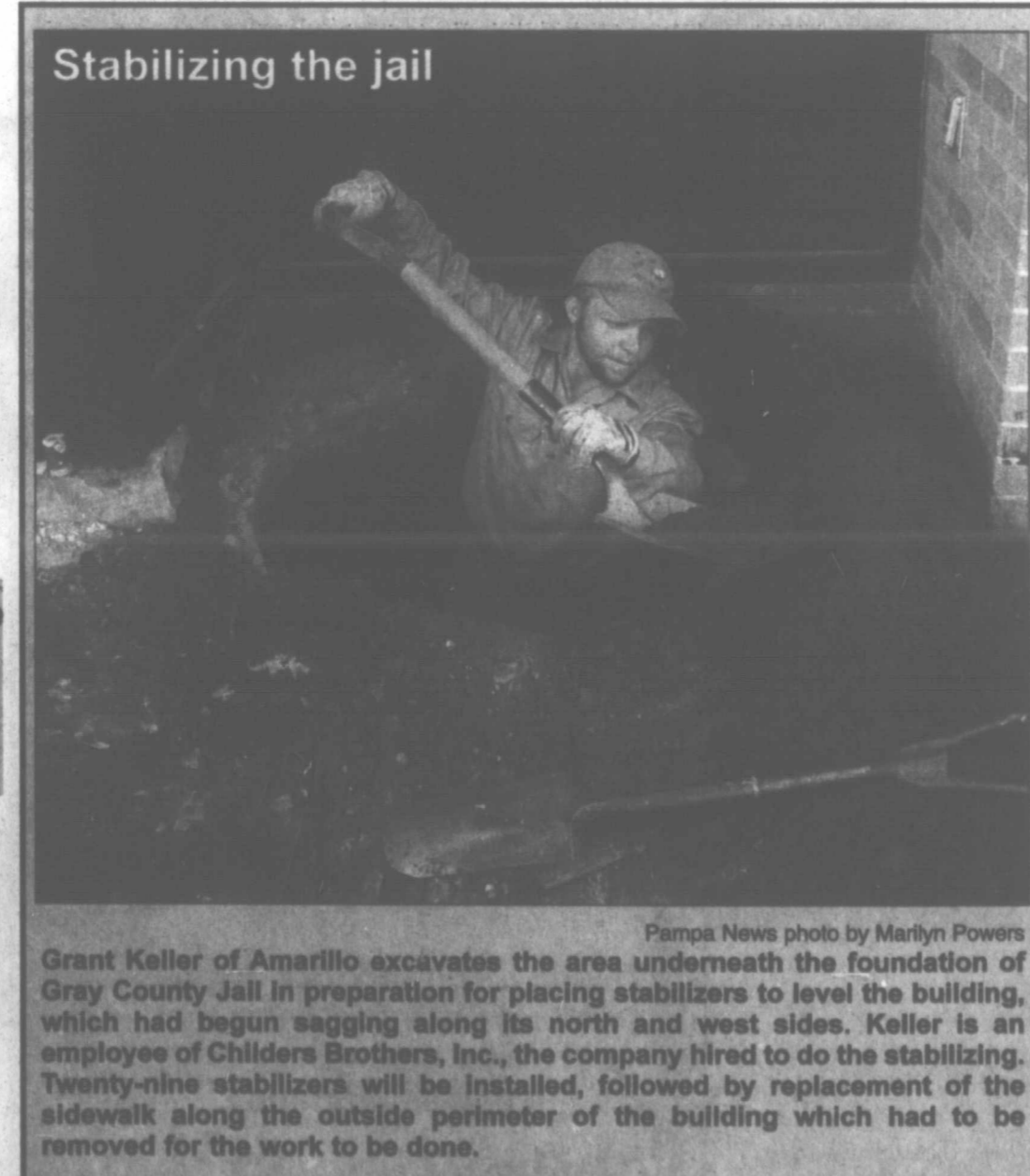
A woolly wanderer has called Pampa Animal Shelter its home for the past four days while animal control officers wait for someone to reclaim it.

A white female sheep wearing an ear tag and dragging a lead is believed to have made its escape from Horse Alley a couple of

weeks ago and has been wandering the area since then, according to Animal Control Supervisor Sandy Burns.

"We picked it up over on McCullough Avenue four days ago," Burns said. "It hasn't been sheared recently."

Anyone with information concerning the sheep is asked to call the Animal Shelter at 669-5775.



Stabilizing the jail

Pampa News photo by Marilyn Powers
Grant Keller of Amarillo excavates the area underneath the foundation of Gray County Jail in preparation for placing stabilizers to level the building, which had begun sagging along its north and west sides. Keller is an employee of Childers Brothers, Inc., the company hired to do the stabilizing. Twenty-nine stabilizers will be installed, followed by replacement of the sidewalk along the outside perimeter of the building which had to be removed for the work to be done.

Kid's Fishing Derby set Saturday at park

By Marilyn Powers
The Pampa News

Children ages 6 to 14 are eligible to participate in a Kids' Fishing Derby which is scheduled for 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at the lake at Recreation Park, 1600 E. Highway 60.

Cost is \$1 per child to fish. All children must be accompanied by at least one adult. Participants are asked to bring their own fishing rods; for those without rods, a limited number will be available to borrow.

Worms will be provided as bait. Fishermen may catch bass, catfish, crappie, perch and carp out of the lake, according to information

provided by event organizers.

Games, face painting, bouncers and a climbing wall will also be among the activities at the park Saturday. Appearances are expected by Jim Free's Thomas the Train, Pampa Police Department's Safety Pup and Pampa Fire Department's Patches.

Free hot dogs and drinks will be provided to each child who fishes in the event. Prizes will be awarded to fishermen and include rod and reel combos, hooks, weights, tackle boxes, lures, water bottles, bobbers and stringers.

For more information, e-mail fats173@yahoo.com.

Landowners urged to plan for burns

This year's planning means next year's success when it comes to preparing for a prescribed burn on rural agricultural lands.

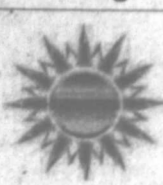


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Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 93. South-southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Friday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 66. South-southwest wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Saturday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 86. South wind between 5 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Saturday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 67. Southeast wind 10 to 15 mph becoming northeast. Winds could gust as high as 20 mph.

Sunday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 80. East-northeast wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Sunday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 63. North-northeast wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south-southwest.

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Services tomorrow

EDWARDS, Bill — 10 a.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

Bill Edwards, 73, of Pampa, Texas, died June 24, 2008, at Pampa.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, June 27, 2008, at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel, with the Rev. Norman Rushing, pastor of Central Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors. Mr. Edwards was born

Dec. 23, 1934, in Los Angeles, Calif. He had been a lifelong resident of Pampa, graduating from Pampa High School. He was a self-employed welder and a member of the First Baptist Church.

Bill married Ingrid Bennett on June 7, 1980, in Pampa. She preceded him in death on Oct. 29, 1994.

Survivors include one daughter, Angie Cotton and husband David of Pampa;

Obituaries

Mary Janis 'Jannie' Lewis, 70

Mary Janis "Jannie" Lewis, 70, died Thursday, June 26, 2008, at Pampa. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

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

Bill Edwards, 73

one son, Billy Edwards, Jr., of Hoboken, N.J.; four sisters, Wanda Genter of Burnet, Lahonda Nesbit and husband Lee of Meridian, Tina McGee of Austin, and Barbara Howard and husband Ed of Galveston; five grandchildren, Noah Cotton, Audrey Cotton and Sydney Cotton, all of Pampa, Alex Edwards and Chase Edwards, both of Hoboken, N.J.; seven nieces; and seven nephews.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents, Ernest William and Carrie Mae Edwards; and a son, Richard Wayne Edwards in 1994.

MEMORIALS: Epilepsy Foundation, 8301 Professional Place, East, Landover, MD 20785.

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

Jo Helen Morton

October 3, 1928 - June 23, 2008

Jo Helen Morton, 79, passed away Monday, June 23, 2008, in Dumas, Texas. Services were to be held at 11 a.m., today, Thursday, June 26, 2008, at Morrison Memorial Chapel with Art Lynch, minister of First Street Church of Christ officiating.

Burial will be in Leib Cemetery, Morse, Texas. Arrangements are by Morrison Funeral Directors.

Jo Helen was born Oct. 3, 1928, in Levelland, Texas, to

N.L. and Toy Wood. On April 16, 1946, she married Frank Morton at Tucumcari, N.M. She was a homemaker and had been a resident of Moore County since 1943. Jo Helen was a member of the Church of Christ, 6th and Meredith.

The family wishes to express their deepest appreciation to Dr. Ben Covington and staff, Memorial Hospital ER and ICU staff and Memorial Hospice staff.

Morton

Vernon, and Sherry Robinett and husband John of Dumas; son, James Morton and wife

Whitney of Pampa; brother, Nelson Wood of Cushman, Ark.; sisters, Toy Moore of Weatherford, Texas, Sandy Wilbanks of Grandview, Texas, and Ann Robertson of Meade, Kan.; grandchildren, Brandi, Kenna, Jennifer, Tandi, Micah, Austin and Caden; and 17 great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Memorial Hospice, 224 E. 2nd, Dumas, TX 79029. The family will be at 921 N. Maddox in Dumas.

Emergency Services

Sheriff

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

Wednesday, June 25

Johnny Ogen Moody, 25, of McLean was arrested by GCSO for sex offenders' duty to register life/annually and a probation violation for indecency with a child.

Isreal Chavez, 28, of Pampa was arrested in the 1300 block of Coffee by Pampa Police Department for simple assault.

Thursday, June 26

Vernon Eugene Herring, 46, of Pampa was arrested in the 200 block of Houston by PPD for assault causing bodily injury/family violence.

Fire

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

Wednesday, June 25

10:15 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 800 block of Bradley on

a call for medical assistance.

6:52 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 1200 block of East Browning on a call for lifting assistance.

7:37 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 1900 block of Charles on a call for lifting assistance.

Ambulance

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

Wednesday, June 25

8 a.m. — A mobile ICU stood by in case of a medical emergency during a rodeo at Recreation Park.

9:40 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1900 block of Helton Road and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

10:14 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of Bradley and trans-

ported a patient to PRMC.

5:02 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to an undisclosed location and transported a patient to PRMC.

10:44 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 300 block of Anne and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

11:19 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transferred a patient(s) to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

Teen murder suspect to be tried as adult

SULPHUR SPRINGS, Texas (AP) — A judge ruled Wednesday that teenager Erin Caffey will be tried as an adult in a family slaying in which her mother and two younger brothers were killed earlier this year, Rains County officials said.

Caffey, who was 16 at the time of the deaths, was being held Thursday morning in the Hopkins County Jail on three counts of capital murder, a jailer who declined to give her name said.

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Building

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block has now been removed and efforts have been focused on the completion of the new roof. Then, the outside will be stuccoed in the same design as the terracotta. The work is being done by Leslie Jones Construction.

"The last time I talked to them they said it would be another week or so and they'll be through with the roof," Arrington said. "Then we'll pick up the rock, we'll bring in tractors and backhoes and equipment from the ranch for that, and then another three to four weeks to finish the stucco."

Arrington said the next step in the process will be to contact leading community members and discuss ideas

for the building which boasts a designated bomb shelter, steel-reinforced, two and a half feet thick cement walls and corner offices with views of the city. The building was also the second in the country to be supplied completely with thermopane windows.

"In its glory days, when Cabot had all the building, they put a penthouse on the seventh floor. Neiman Marcus was the interior decorator for that. There's also an auditorium up there which could lend itself especially well to a restaurant," Arrington said.

Arrington will also be looking into the "wind generating aspect of it" which he said could bring in people who will need office space. He also has interest in con-

verting the building to retirement living.

"As people get older in Pampa they're moving to Amarillo and we can stop some of that. Then we might want Pampa Regional Medical Center involved and churches might want to be involved, the chamber, just the leaders in the community," Arrington said. "We'll see what's available and what we can put together."

Arrington added that he would like to see some of the style downtown Pampa had in the 1950s restored.

"We just feel that vacant buildings take away from the beauty of our city and we do everything we can to put it to good usefulness," Arrington said. "We just want to do something not only for ourselves but for the city."

Burns

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wildlife habitat, according to Natural Resources Conservation Service conservationists.

"Planning for a prescribed burn should begin a year before the fire is carried out," said Kent Ferguson, NRCS state rangeland management specialist. "A sound grazing management program is the key to producing adequate amounts of fine fuel for a successful prescribed burn."

In planning now for a burn next year, steps to be taken include consulting with others and developing a written prescribed burn plan.

Those to be consulted concerning the burn may include the NRCS, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, Texas AgriLife Extension Service, The Nature Conservancy, pre-

scribed burn associations and neighbors with prescribed burn experience.

The written plan should be developed based on the person's goals and objectives, and the plan should be followed on burn day.

The plan should include details of the prescribed fire, such as a detailed description of the area to be burned, the design of fireguards, removal of brush piles, slashing at least 500 feet into the burn area, personnel needs for the burn and required weather and fuel conditions.

"Burning is an inexpensive and effective way to manage your grazing resources," Ferguson said. "But you won't get the results you want if you don't plan ahead."

Gray County Sheriff's Office must be notified in

advance of the date and time of any prescribed burn which includes land in any part of the county.

For more information about planning a prescribed burn, contact the local NRCS field office at the Gray County Annex, 12125 E. Frederic, telephone 665-1751, or visit the NRCS Texas Web site at www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov.

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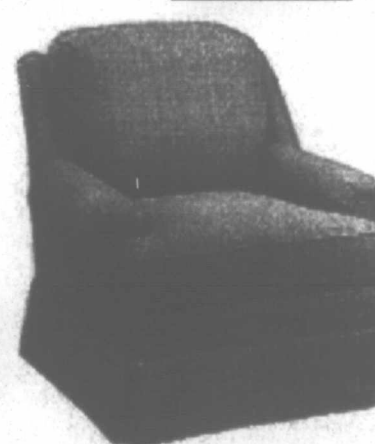
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Viewpoints

What inspiration sets your world on fire?

Today I confess my difficulty finding inspiration amid the stark reality of the bright, new millennium.

Lest this rather bald admission qualifies me as either cynical or hopelessly pessimistic, let me now say: Though often a daily struggle to unearth, inspiration is well worth the effort.

The best kind of inspiration, of course, is that which comes easy and free, like a fount of happy bubbles.

Without inspiration, life can be extremely lackluster.

Inspiration is a big word that covers some rugged territory. For instance, uncovering a topic to prose on and on about in this allocated space each week

requires inspiration.

Of course, what translates into inspiration for one individual quite plainly does not for others. Here I must interject an apology. I apologize, for I realize my "inspiration" as revealed weekly on this page is often less than spectacular or, well, inspiring.

According to Merriam-Webster's online dictionary, the term inspire — the root of inspiration — has several definitions, mainly to incite, to influence, to motivate, to affect, to inhale.

I like the last definition best. To inhale exactly sums it up, don't you think? It sums up the why behind my fascination with the innocuous word

inspire or inspiration.

Of course, Merriam-Webster's definition no doubt refers to the mere physical act of inhaling, but I, addict to melodrama that I am, see a much deeper meaning.

Skyla Bryant
City Editor

the most base and the most uncommon ways.

Intellectually, this can be a scary notion to fully digest.

What heroes, what "ideas, words, actions or emotions" are shaping our culture's growing brains? What motivations govern the responses of the next generation to the current narcissistic attitudes pervading America? What dictates standards to the nation's young and older folk alike?

I find it intriguing to consider what influences, what

"inspiration," carries my friends, my neighbors, my co-workers and my loved ones through the ritual of every day. Who among us wakes up to find inspiration in the sunrise, for example, or who is generally too blinded by yesterday's sunset to uncover a shred of inspiration at the dawn?

Is inspiration a remembered smile, or is it a child-like and steadfast faith, faith in the Supreme One who orchestrates both hugs and brilliant vistas?

Inspiration ... can happiness and humans ever truly co-exist without the presence of this simple, long, powerful word? And if this word must be present for joy

to abound, what (or who) is the ultimate source of inspiration?

I wager it depends on whether the inspiration is bad or good, positive or negative.

If God is the creator and impetus for good, and I KNOW that He most assuredly is, what is the inspiration potential for this frequently crazy and violent world?

My conclusion? Life is a bumpy ride. It is much easier to weather the jolts and the valleys — to capture the joy of the highs — with inspiration in your heart. It may very well mean the difference between just "getting by" and embracing life.



Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, June 26, the 178th day of 2008. There are 188 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On June 26, 1963, President Kennedy visited West Berlin, where he made his famous declaration: "Ich bin ein Berliner" (I am a Berliner).

On this date:

In 1870, the first section of the boardwalk in Atlantic City, N.J., was opened to the public.

In 1945, the charter of the United Nations was signed by 50 countries in San Francisco.

In 1948, the Berlin Airlift began in earnest after the Soviet Union cut off land and water routes to the isolated western sector of Berlin.

'When a diplomat says yes, he means perhaps; when he says perhaps, he means no; when he says no, he is no diplomat.'

— Anonymous

In 1950, President Truman authorized the Air Force and Navy to enter the Korean conflict.

In 1959, President Eisenhower joined Britain's Queen Elizabeth II in ceremonies officially opening the St. Lawrence Seaway.

In 1968, Chief U.S. Justice Earl Warren announced he was resigning.

In 1973, former White House counsel John W. Dean told the Senate Watergate Committee about an "enemies list" kept by the Nixon White House.

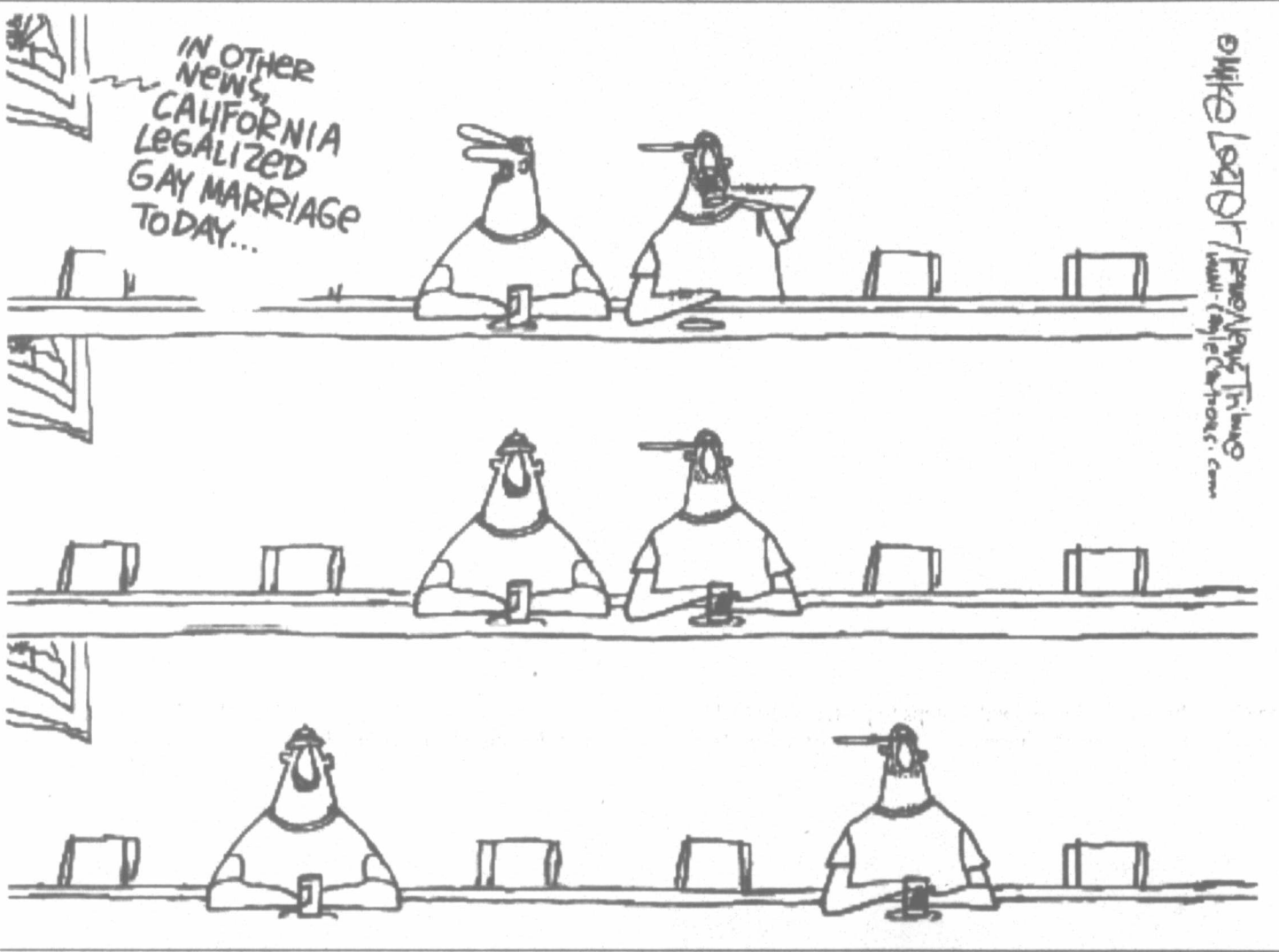
In 1977, 42 people were killed when a fire sent toxic smoke pouring through the Maury County Jail in Columbia, Tenn.

In 1988, three people were killed when a new Airbus A-320 jetliner carrying more than 130 people crashed into a forest during an air show demonstration flight in Mulhouse, France.

In 1993, President Clinton announced the U.S. had launched missiles against Iraqi targets because of "compelling evidence" Iraq had plotted to assassinate former President Bush.

Ten years ago: The Supreme Court issued a landmark sexual harassment ruling, putting employers on notice that they can be held responsible for supervisors' misconduct even if they knew nothing about it.

Five years ago: The Supreme Court, in a 6-3 decision, struck down state bans on gay sex. A jury in Fort Worth, Texas, convicted former nurse's aide Chante Mallard of murder for hitting a homeless man with her car, driving home with his mangled body jammed in the windshield and leaving him to die in her garage. (Mallard was later sentenced to 30 years in prison.) Strom Thurmond, the longest-serving senator in U.S. history, died in Edgefield, S.C., at age 100.



Big government shifts costs onto businesses

"So you feel you're the most qualified candidate for this position?"

"Absolutely. As you see by my resume, I graduated with honors from MIT."

"Impressive. But tell me. How often do you go to the gym?"

"The gym?"

"Yeah, workout, pump iron, run on the treadmill."

"Not as much as I'd like. But in my previous position, I won several awards for innovating processes that saved my employer millions."

"Wonderful, but let me ask: If someone set a Twinkie on a plate next to a low-fat Snackum, which would you choose?"

"The Twinkie. Let me also state that I was in charge of a project that improved my department's revenues by a nearly 28 percent."

"Remarkable. Do you drink one to two glasses of alcohol a day or more than six at one sitting?"

"I enjoy a few beers now and then. But what you really should know is that I recently graduated in the top 10 percent of my MBA class at the Wharton School of Business."

"Wonderful, but what I really want to know is this: What do you normally have for breakfast?"

"Eggs, I suppose. At Wharton, my master's thesis examined technological processes that could improve your company's production efficiencies by 20 percent or more."

"When you eat breakfast,

do you prefer trans-fatty margarine on your toast or butter?"

"Margarine. I don't mean to boast, but a former employer praised me as project manager of the year."

"Excellent. Any diabetes, heart disease or high cholesterol in your family history?"

According to your blood tests,

you are prone to develop all of these things."

"Blood tests? You mean from the physical you made me take? Look, sir, I am widely regarded as one of the world's leading authorities in my field! I have impeccable credentials. Why don't you ask me about that?"

"Don't you read the

papers? The Wall Street Journal says that employer health-care costs are poised to rise 10 percent — that's according to a Price WaterhouseCoopers survey. Because of cost-shifting, companies that pay for private insurance are covering the cost of both the uninsured and the government insured."

"The government insured?"

"Medicare and Medicaid restrict fees. They also require extensive paperwork, which drives up costs. To provide care to Medicare and Medicaid patients, doctors and hospitals simply charge those who can pay — those with private insurance — more."

"I didn't know that."

"Then know this: Nearly

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Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

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El Paso Times on a border initiative to wipe out gangs:

El Paso stands to receive much-needed state help in eradicating U.S. gangs operating on our side of the border.

This would be in conjunction with an already-in-progress FBI initiative aimed at busting up the notorious Azteca gang, which is doing Juárez drug cartel work in El Paso as one part of its illegal activities.

Texas Gov. Rick Perry said, "The time has come to stop these murderous thugs in their tracks."

He said he'll ask state leaders to approve a comprehensive plan of action

when they convene again in January. At the last legislative session, in 2007, Perry was able to get \$110 million from lawmakers to help reduce border crime.

This mission would be aimed at gangs, and would cover the entire Texas border with Mexico.

As El Paso Mayor John Cook related to members of the El Paso Times Editorial Board last week, his intelligence reports indicate the Aztecas are doing drug moving and money collecting for the Juárez cartels.

The Aztecas, along with other gangs in Texas cities, are also engaging in other criminal activities. Perry said that includes murder, kidnapping, extortion and child pornography. Texas-based gangs named by Perry are the Texas Syndicate, Mexican Mafia and MS-13.

Whereas securing our borders is a

federal issue, and whereas federal dollars should be used for that, this Perry initiative involves activities generated on our side of the border.

These illegal activities jeopardize the safety of El Pasoans.

A state-backed thrust against U.S. border gangs, coupled with the FBI initiative and the always-on-going local efforts, would be good news to El Pasoans.

Perry's plan should be embraced because drugs passing into Texas are landing in all parts of Texas, and all parts of the U.S. Wipe out the gangs that make that happen on our side of the border.

It's good news here that Perry intends to use state money as a combative move against gangs. URL: <http://www.elpasotimes.com>

NOVEMBER ELECTION

Evangelicals might not go vote

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — If Christian conservatives stay on the sidelines during the fall campaign, presidential hopeful John McCain probably stays in the Senate.

Christian conservatives provided much of the on-the-ground, door-to-door activity for President Bush's 2004 re-election in Ohio and in other swing states. Without them, the less-organized and lower-profile McCain campaign is likely to struggle to replicate Bush's success. And so far, there's been scant sign that the Republican nominee-in-waiting is making inroads among these fervent believers.

"I don't know that McCain's campaign realizes they cannot win without evangelicals," said David Domke, a professor of communication at the University of Washington who studies religion and politics. "What you see with McCain is just a real struggle to find his footing with evangelicals."

Family groups in Ohio outlined their doubts about the Arizona senator in a meeting with McCain's advisers last weekend. They're concerned about his record on abortion rights and on campaign finance laws that they believe limited their ability to criticize candidates who are pro-choice on abortion.

"There's certainly a little reservation about Mr. McCain. I think the VP

choice is going to be important," said Chris Long, president of the Ohio Christian Alliance. "If they choose a conservative for the VP, that will help his campaign. It would go a long way of sending a positive message to evangelicals."

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— David Domke
University professor

Marlys Popma, McCain's director of evangelical outreach, was one of two aides who met with the forum and reminded them of McCain's record supporting school choice while opposing abortion rights and internet pornography. She said the campaign understands the interest in the vice presidential nominee, but she noted that McCain "is the one who is going to be nominating judges. He's going to be the one who is signing or not signing bills."

"John McCain is their guy," Popma

said. "John McCain's record is what will bring individuals to him. I think there are some people out there who do not know John McCain's record."

McCain's senior aides try to downplay the fissure with this part of the GOP's base. They say their internal polling data suggests McCain has the support of three-quarters of white evangelicals in swing states, slightly less than Bush finished with. They also stress that McCain is against abortion rights, even if it's not the centerpiece of his campaign.

McCain, who identifies himself as Episcopalian and attended Baptist services last weekend, has done himself no favors. He appeared ignorant of high-profile figures, especially as he sought — and then was forced to reject — the support from Ohio's Rod Parsley and Texas' John Hagee after their controversial sermons brought the candidate unwanted criticism.

"That was one of the most ill-advised faith and values adventures this campaign," said Jacques Berlinerblau, a religious scholar at Georgetown University who studies faith and the U.S. presidential campaign.

It gave religious conservatives yet another reason not to like McCain, even though he has sought a truce this time after calling televangelists Pat

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Events calendar

- The summer reading program at Lovett Memorial Library in Pampa is currently underway now through July 12. This year's theme is "Driven to Read." Participants will assemble a model race car to race on the last day of the program. For more information, call the library at 669-5780.

- Amarillo Botanical Gardens will conduct its "Music in the Gardens" featuring various musicians and vocal artists from 7:30-8:30 p.m. every Monday now through August. Gates will open at 7 p.m. Performances will last from 7:30-8:30 p.m. Visitors must provide their own lawn chairs, blankets and sunscreen. Admission will be \$4 for adults, \$3 for seniors and \$2 for children 2-12. Children under 2 are free. Membership Card holders also get in free. For more information, call the

gardens at (806) 352-6513. Summer hours for the gardens are 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, and 9 a.m.-5 p.m. week days.

- Texas Historical Commission will offer a free oral history training workshop on World War II from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. June 28 at Carson County Square House Museum in Panhandle. For more information, call 512-463-5833 or 806-537-3524.

- Copper Breaks State Park at Quanah will present its next Sun Fun and StarWalk programs June 29 at the park. Sun Fun will begin at 5 p.m. with SkyGuide volunteers facilitating the program. StarWalk will be offered at 9 p.m. at the Big Pond Campground. Jeri Turner will be the presenter. For more information, contact the park at (940) 839-4331.

Thieves target farm diesel supplies as prices soar

LORENZO, Texas (AP) — With the price of diesel skyrocketing, farmers and ranchers around the country are being targeted by ne'er-do-wells armed with syphon hoses and pumps.

Sheldon Wilder, who owns a cotton gin 30 miles east of Memphis, Tenn., has endured worse already. Twice in two weeks, he had diesel drained from saddlebag tanks on a truck at his gin. The second time the thieves left the hoses loose and what diesel they didn't steal drained out onto the ground.

"You get irritated, but that's life," he said of the combined 300 gallons taken in the thefts. "It's just people who want some money."

Western Texas cotton producer Mark Schoepf said that with the price of diesel above \$4.15 a gallon, he's decided to protect his investment. He recently bought 10 padlocks to affix to tanks that fuel the diesel motors irrigating his fields.

Many of those tanks are visible from a highway bordering his fields, making them easy

targets.

"Before, we've never kept them locked," said Schoepf, who is able to store up to 5,000 gallons to fuel his farming operation east of Lubbock. "With diesel prices that high, somebody's going to try to get it."

Schoepf isn't alone. As more motorists buy locking gas caps for their vehicles, farmers and ranchers are also having to take steps to protect their fuel.

The cost of farm diesel is less than the diesel used by truckers and the general public, and thieves either sell it or use it themselves. Some diesel thieves sometimes even use pumps built into vans that roam wide-open fields at night.

"If they're out there in the middle of the night, they're up to no good," said Steve Riley, who works at Crosby County Fuel Association. "It's going to get worse."

Wilder said there is a quasi-black market for diesel that tempts some looking to save a buck or two.

"You'd probably buy it because it'd be a good deal," he

said. "A lot of people are hurting. Their purchasing power has been eaten up by the price of gas and food."

Some farmers have had their entire tanks stolen and later found them elsewhere — empty.

Diesel designated for non-highway purposes costs about 60 cents per gallon less and contains a red dye that distinguishes it from regular diesel fuel.

Red-dye diesel can be used in agricultural equipment, such as tractors or combines, and on farms or ranches, which includes feedlots, dairy, poultry and timber operations, and commercial orchards and nurseries. A home garden does not qualify.

The Internal Revenue Service does random, periodic checks for illegal use of the red-dyed diesel at weigh stations across the country, spokesman Clay Sanford said. He said he couldn't confirm or deny whether the agency has stepped up checks.

The federal penalty for using the off-highway diesel on pub-

lic roadways is the greater of \$1,000 or \$10 per gallon of the fuel involved. Penalties increase after the first violation.

In Texas, enforcement is handled by the state comptroller's office, which also does random checks at weigh stations. If caught, violators face misdemeanor charges, comptroller spokesman Allen Spele said. From Sept. 1 through May, the state collected about \$41,000 in fines, he said.

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20 percent of every dollar spent by private insurers will cover the uninsured, Medicare and Medicaid. Our health care system is costly BECAUSE of excessive government intervention. And because health-care consumers aren't spending their own money, they don't care what things cost."

"We don't?"
"According to the National Coalition on Health Care, America spent \$2.3 trillion on care in 2007 — a whopping 16 percent of our gross domestic product (GDP). Surely some clear-headed reforms could simplify our system, reduce costs AND still cover the uninsured."
"It can?"

"But as an employer who buys private health insurance for my employees, I can't control much of that. But I can reduce my premiums by controlling what my employees eat, drink and do."

"You can do that?"
"According to the San Francisco Chronicle, one employer not only required his employees to stop smoking, he demanded it of their spouses, too. He enforced

his ban through random testing. Employees caught smoking get canned."

"But what does all of this have to do with me?"

"As your employer, I have every legal right to ask you to authorize access to your medical records. You will eat a healthful diet and forsake any bad habits that will add to our premiums."

"Well, sir, are you offering me this job or not?"

"That depends."

"Depends on what?"

"If you had to choose between an unsalted wheat cracker and a Doritos chip, which would it be?"

—Tom is a humor columnist nationally syndicated exclusively by Cagle Cartoons.

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Settlement in NY lawsuit over NBC's 'Predator'

NEW YORK (AP) — NBC Universal has settled a \$105 million lawsuit brought by a woman who claimed a televised sex sting by "Dateline NBC: To Catch A Predator" drove her brother to kill himself.

"The matter has been amicably resolved to the satisfaction of both parties," said a statement released by both sides. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

Patricia Conrad's lawsuit had claimed her brother, a suburban Dallas prosecutor, fatally shot himself after he was accused of engaging in a sexually explicit online chat with an adult posing as a 13-year-old boy.

The lawsuit claimed NBC "steamrolled" authorities to arrest Louis William Conrad Jr. after telling police he failed to show up at a sting operation 35 miles away.

NBC was working with the activist group Perverted Justice on the sting, in which people impersonating children established online chats with men and tried to lure them to a house, where they were met by TV cameras and police.

In February, a federal judge issued a scathing ruling in the case, saying a jury might conclude the network "crossed the line from responsible journalism to irresponsible and reckless intrusion into law enforcement."

U.S. District Judge Denny Chin said the lawsuit contained sufficient facts to make it plausible that the suicide was foreseeable, that police had a duty to protect Conrad from killing himself and that the officers and NBC acted with deliberate indifference.



Community Camera photo

Relay for Life

Tiffeni and Jake Martinez recently made a monetary contribution to the American Cancer Society toward the cost of luminarias for the local chapter's Relay for Life June 27-28 at Recreation Park. Christy Robinson accepted the donation on behalf of the local society. The Relay for Life fund-raiser will be held from 7 p.m. June 27 to 6 a.m. June 28. For more information, call 665-0356.

Air Force colonel acquitted of rape

WICHITA FALLS (AP) — An Air Force colonel was acquitted Wednesday of raping a civilian worker but convicted of indecent assault and other charges involving two other women at Sheppard Air Force Base.

Col. Samuel Lofton III, the base's former 82nd Training Group commander, faced up to life in prison if he had been convicted of rape. The indecent assault charges each carry a maxi-

mum sentence of five years; he was also convicted of two counts of conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman, which carries a possible one-year sentence.

The military jury of seven men and two women deliberated about five hours. The verdict did not have to be unanimous; two-thirds had to agree.

When the verdicts were read, the woman who said she was raped ran out, while another civilian worker who had accused him of assault cried and hugged her relatives.

The Associated Press does not usually identify alleged victims of sex crimes.

Prosecutors and defense attorneys declined to comment after the verdict.

Lofton was removed from his post about a year ago as he was being investigated for misusing his government travel card.

He pleaded guilty last week to 17 counts of larceny, being absent without leave nearly a dozen times and two counts of dereliction of duty.

He could be sentenced to more than 100 years in prison and dismissed from the Air Force — which would end his 27-year military career.

Sentencing for all charges was set for Thursday morning.

The conduct unbecoming charges stemmed from sexually suggestive comments and calls Lofton made to a high-ranking enlisted member when she was at her home.

The two civilian workers had testified for several hours, sometimes fighting back tears, saying that he forcibly kissed them and placed their hands on his genitals. One woman said she was assaulted twice in the fall of 2006, the other twice in the spring of 2007. Neither worked for Lofton but all worked in the same building.

During closing arguments Wednesday, lead defense attorney Maj. Mark Etheridge said the accuser's account of the rape was "impossible." She testified

that Lofton spun her around, held her back down and with his other hand, pulled her skirt up and pantyhose down. She testified that after he asked to keep her pantyhose as a souvenir, she threw them at him after wiping herself.

"They are the piece of evidence that could corroborate her account and she throws it at him? Are you kidding me?" Etheridge said. "Her story is beyond ridiculous." He also reminded jurors about several friendly and flirtatious work e-mails she sent to Lofton after the alleged incidents, even after he was removed from his post. One e-mail sent the day after the alleged rape says, "I would be foolish to say I'm not interested in a promotion."

But the military prosecutor, Capt. Brett Landry, had told jurors that the woman remained on friendly terms with Lofton because she was afraid of losing her job. He said all of the women were credible.

Briton convicted of murdering wife, baby in Mass.

WOBURN, Mass. (AP) — For more than two years, Neil Entwistle told the same story: He came home from running errands and found his wife and baby daughter cuddled in bed, dead from apparent gunshot wounds.

Never did Entwistle suggest who might have killed his wife, Rachel, and their 9-month-old daughter, Lillian Rose — not to investigators during taped interviews and apparently not to his family or friends who rallied to his

defense. But in the final days of his trial, his lawyers floated a stunning theory: Rachel Entwistle had killed their baby, then committed suicide.

Jurors rejected that defense and on Wednesday convicted Entwistle of two counts of first-degree murder and two weapons charges.

Under state law, he must be sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole. Sentencing was scheduled for Thursday morning.

Entwistle, 29, closed his eyes and shook his head slightly as the jury foreman announced the verdict.

His parents left the courtroom insisting that their son is innocent.

"We know that our son Neil is innocent, and we are devastated to learn that the evidence points to Rachel murdering our grandchild and then committing suicide," Yvonne Entwistle said outside Middlesex Superior Court.

"I knew Rachel was depressed. Our son will now go to jail for loving, honoring and protecting his wife's memory," she said.

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Court rules in favor of 2nd Amendment

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court says Americans have a right to own guns for self-defense and hunting, the justices' first major pronouncement on gun rights in U.S. history.

The court's 5-4 ruling strikes down the District of Columbia's 32-year-old ban on handguns as incompatible with gun rights under the Second Amendment. The decision goes further than even the Bush administration wanted, but probably leaves most firearms laws intact.

The court had not conclusively interpreted the Second Amendment since its ratification in 1791. The amendment reads: "A well regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear

arms, shall not be infringed."

The basic issue for the justices was whether the amendment protects an individual's right to own guns no matter what, or whether that right is somehow tied to service in a state militia.

Justice Antonin Scalia, writing for four colleagues, said the Constitution does not permit "the absolute prohibition of handguns held and used for self-defense in the home."

In dissent, Justice John Paul Stevens wrote that the majority "would have us believe that over 200 years ago, the Framers made a choice to limit the tools available to elected officials wishing to regulate civilian uses of weapons."

He said such evidence "is nowhere to be found."

Existing home sales edge up 2 percent last month

WASHINGTON (AP)— Sales of existing homes edged up slightly in May although median home prices continued to fall.

The National Association

of Realtors reported that sales of existing single-family homes and condominiums rose by 2 percent to 4.99 million units last month.

It was only the second

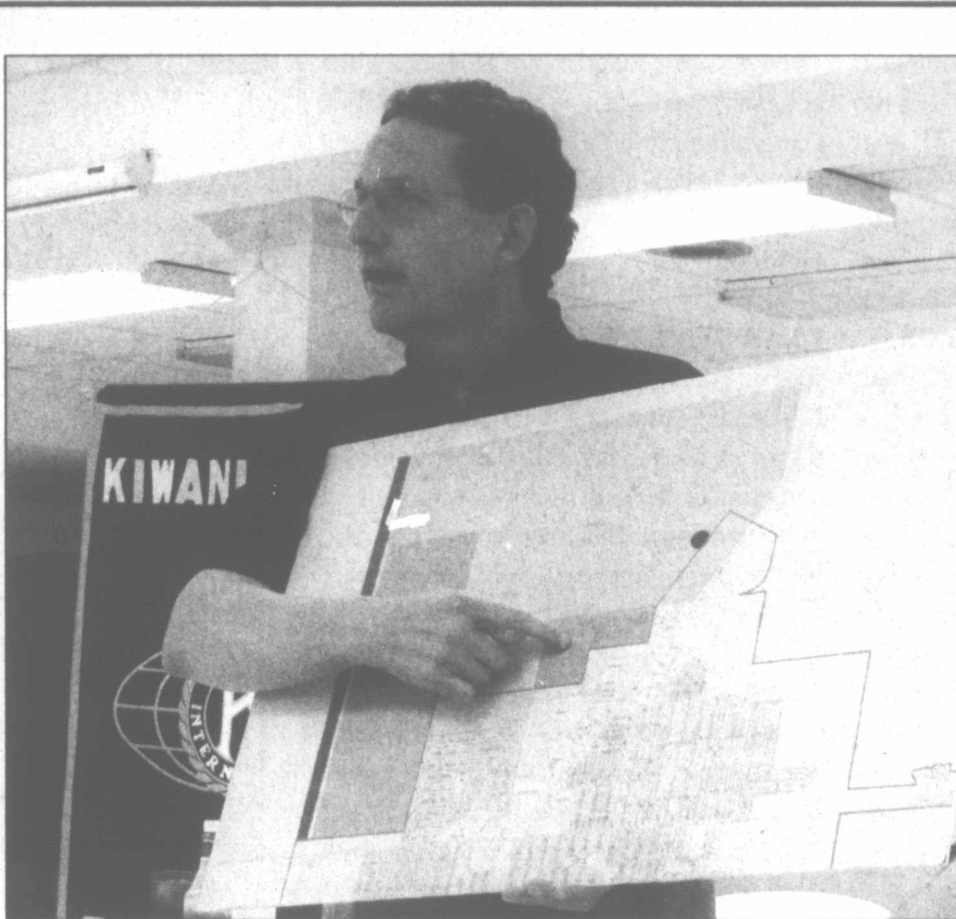
sales increase in the past 10 months, but it was not viewed as a sustained rebound. Many economists believe that prices will have to decline more before the

housing industry can mount a sustained recovery.

The median price of an existing home sold in May dropped to \$208,600, a fall of 6.3 percent from a year ago. That was the fifth biggest year-over-year price decline on records that go back to 1999.

The strength in sales reflected gains in all parts of the country except the South, where sales dropped by 0.5 percent. Sales were up 5.5 percent in the Midwest, 4.6 percent in the Northeast and 2 percent in the West.

Paul Bishop, senior economist for the Realtors, said that for the past few months sales have been rebounding in parts of the country that had been hardest-hit by the housing bust, while sales have weakened in some areas that formerly had been immune from the overall downturn.



KIWANIS CLUB. Pampa Mayor Lonnie Robbins was a recent luncheon speaker at the Kiwanis Club.

Vote

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Robertson and Jerry Falwell "agents of intolerance" during his first presidential run.

"It's hard to believe he's really changed, from his absolute disregard and disdain for the traditional guard of the religious right," Domke said.

Republican Ken Blackwell, Ohio's former secretary of state, coordinated Bush's campaign in the state and built a strong ground game from Christian conservatives. He said he appreciates McCain's bluntness but doesn't think it's helping him with the base.

"He has never identified with the evangelical and Christian movement and therefore he can, at times, misread or misinterpret certain activities in the political field of play or certain comments that are offered," said Blackwell, now at the Family Research Council, a conservative think tank. "I personally would like for John to get to the point of comfort with some of our issues and policy positions, through understanding and genuine acceptance."

High-emotion ballot initiatives banning gay marriage in 11 states helped drive conservatives to the polls in 2004. Ohio's ban helped give Bush a win by energizing the party's base in a state that every successful Republican presidential candidate has won. But only two states proposed such bans this year: Florida, a swing state, and California, which has been an easy win for Democrats in recent years.

One of the more influential figures among Christian conservatives, James Dobson, told listeners to his popular Focus on the Family radio program this week that Obama's religious views are problematic. Yet Dobson continued to vent about McCain, who has not been a vocal supporter of Arizona's state ban on gay marriage.

"This is a year when we

have a lot of frustration with both political parties," Dobson said Tuesday.

Domke's research suggests Obama could lose big among older evangelicals, particularly elite faith-based activists, who take their cues from Dobson.

Bob Heckman, who leads McCain's outreach to conservatives, said voters will see clear differences — and McCain's values better dovetail with their views than do Obama's, he added.

"Part of our job is to remind them they're down to a binary choice," Heckman said.

But Dobson has not backed off his statement that he could not in good conscience vote for McCain and has suggested he might not cast a presidential ballot.

"A lot of evangelicals would rather take a defeat than to vote for a candidate they don't trust," Domke said. "A Republican defeat, particularly McCain's defeat, would help their movement."

Although the Arizona Republican's advisers privately worry about rejection by the religious right, McCain's campaign lacks the faith-based savvy of Bush's campaigns. McCain skipped the Southern Baptist Convention Annual Meeting, a gathering that Bush addressed by video in 2004. Unlike Bush, whose campaign also threw a private reception at that meeting, McCain didn't even bother sending aides.

Meanwhile, Obama's campaign is aggressively reaching out to evangelicals.

The Illinois senator dispatched former 9/11 Commission member Tim Roemer to meet with fellow Roman Catholics. He sent Brian McLaren, one of the country's most influential pastors, to meet with fellow evangelicals. And aides have conducted more than 200 "American Values Forums," soon to be followed up with house parties and town hall-style meetings aimed at young Catholics and young evangelicals.

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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I was divorced twice before I met my present husband, "Lou." We have been married seven years. When we're with his extended family or new acquaintances, Lou makes a point in his loud, animated way of letting everyone know that he is my third husband. It's embarrassing. And because I am at a loss for words, I usually stay silent. I have asked Lou in private why he offers that information when no one asks. I think he's trying to make me look bad. I told him maybe he should have a "3" tattooed on his forehead if he's that proud. If someone pays me a compliment in his presence, Lou will say, "She really has you fooled!" But, Abby, Lou is the one who has everyone fooled. If his family knew the things he has said and done over the last seven years, they would be shocked. Early on, his first wife stopped going anywhere with him. I have reached the point where I have begun trying to avoid going out with him. How should I respond -- if at all -- when he tries to make me look bad? Perhaps I should just say, "Yes, you are No. 3. But when you talk about me like that, it makes me wish you weren't." -- **OBJECT OF RIDICULE**

DEAR OBJECT: If you haven't already done it, tell your husband privately that you don't appreciate being embarrassed in front of family and friends. Tell him that you want it stopped immediately. Your husband appears to be insecure and trying to make himself look better at your expense. If he persists, the next time it happens, smile sweetly and say, "And I'd like you all to meet my soon-to-be third EX-husband." (Come to think about it, that might not be a bad idea.)

DEAR ABBY: I am 38 years young and still single. I enjoy my friends, my freedom and rock concerts. My issue is that at the last two concerts I went to, I heard men -- or boys -- say, "Watch out. Here come the cougars!" I think this is insulting. Or is it? Can you define a "cougar"? I don't know whether I should be insulted or take it as a compliment. -- **STILL ROCKIN' IN IRVINE**

DEAR STILL ROCKIN': A "cougar" is a woman who likes to date -- and aggressively pursue -- much younger men. Whether it's an insult, an accurate description or a compliment depends upon how you wish to be perceived. But from my perspective, the comments you heard were stereotypical and "catty," to say the least.

DEAR ABBY: I am a young man who is having some trouble working for "the man" -- you know, the corporate culture. I have always worked for large companies, but have found that my current employer is not open to accepting new ideas or suggestions. I feel I'm hitting a brick wall when I look at a problem and come up with a solution, but no one will take me seriously because of my youth. Any advice on how to deal with this? -- **EAGER IN CUMBERLAND, MD.**

DEAR EAGER: When someone is hired by a company with a strong corporate culture, that person is usually expected to conform and not shake up the status quo. I can think of few things more depressing than going every day to a job where you do not feel your input is valued. Feeling as you do, you might be wise to explore opportunities at another company -- or even a field -- that is more youth-oriented.

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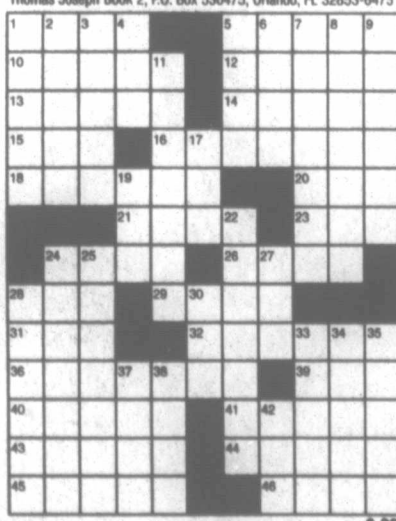
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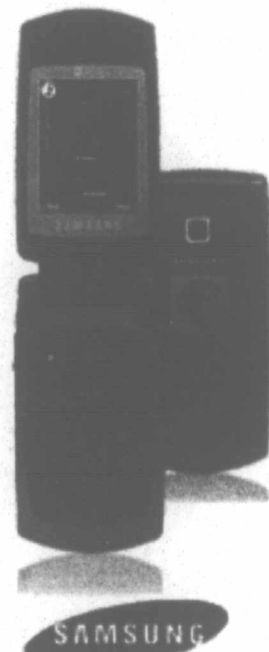
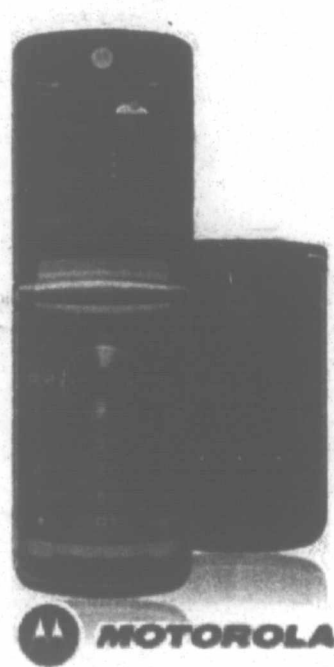


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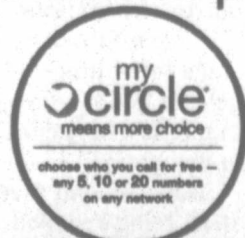
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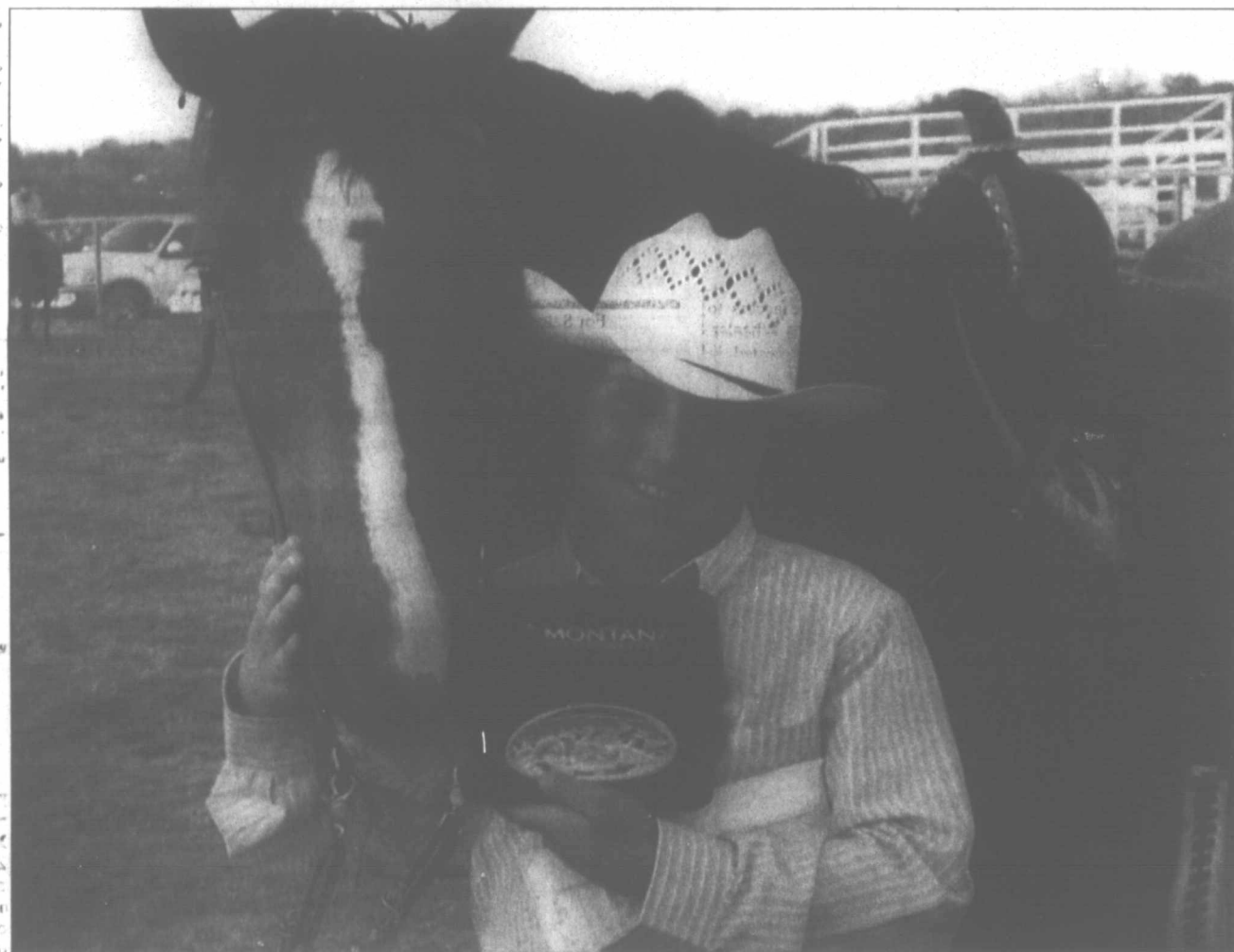
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Sports



The 2008 Cal Ripken nine and ten-year-old All-Stars pictured here will represent Pampa beginning June 28 at the District I tournament held in Amarillo. Team members are, bottom row (L to R): Solon Wilson, Ryan Lee, Ashton Robison, Kyndan Lott and Bryson Burrell. Middle row: Garrett Mullican, Adam Zuniga, Nathan Furgason, Colton Thompson, Zach Wilson, Cade Engle and Brenden Woelfle. Back row: Coaches Chris Engle, Johnny Furgason and Roy Lott.



Michael Mojica, 10, was the Hutchinson County Sheriff Posse Junior Rodeo High Point Champion for 2008 in the 9/10 boys division. He placed first in five events and second in three events winning him money, ribbons and a belt buckle.

Ramirez leads Rangers over fighting Astros

HOUSTON (AP) — Before they even took on Texas, the Houston Astros apparently were fighting among themselves.

Astros pitcher Shawn Chacon was suspended indefinitely by the team Wednesday after he reportedly grabbed general manager Ed Wade by the neck and threw him to the ground.

That was the start of a rough night for Houston, which lost 3-2 to the Rangers when Miguel Tejada grounded out with the bases loaded for the final out.

Max Ramirez got his first two major league hits and the second one — a two-run homer — put Texas up 3-2 in the fourth inning. The Astros had won two in a row after losing nine of 10.

Chacon, upset last weekend after being demoted to the bullpen, was suspended by the club for insubordination. He was quoted in a story posted on the Houston Chronicle's Web site as saying he got into a confrontation with Wade before the game.

"He is suspended pending final resolution of whatever move we end up making with him," Wade said, declining to provide further details.

Astros manager Cecil Cooper and most of his players refused to comment on the situation, but slugger Lance Berkman said things like that sometimes happen because of the emotions involved in baseball.

"It's not unprecedented," Berkman said. "This is a very highly wound sport and unfortunately it's not a sport where you can take out any frustrations on the opponent. You have to keep yourself in check and a lot of times your emotions just get the better of you. It's happened to me. It's happened to every player in the game."

In his second major league game after being recalled from Double-A Frisco on Saturday, Ramirez hit a single in the second inning. In the fourth, his two-run homer to center put the Rangers ahead 3-2.

"I can't believe I got my first base hit and my first home run," he said. "It was really exciting."

Ramirez was 0-for-3 in his big league debut on Sunday after hitting .363 with 17 homers and 50 RBIs for Frisco this season. He made his first start at catcher for the banged-

up Rangers, having played first base in his earlier game.

"We've known he was going to be able to swing the bat, but personally, I wanted to see how he handled the pitching staff and he did a great job of that," manager Ron Washington said. "You could definitely say he has a bright future."

Texas starter Scott Feldman was pulled after throwing 99 pitches in four innings. Luis Mendoza (1-2) allowed two hits in three scoreless innings.

Rangers reliever C.J. Wilson gave up double to Ty Wigginton in the ninth and walked Michael Bourn with two outs. Mark Loretta followed with a grounder and third baseman Ramon Vazquez, distracted by Wigginton running in front of him, misplayed it for an error that loaded the bases.

Tejada grounded into a routine force for the final out, giving Wilson his 16th save.

Ian Kinsler tripled and scored on a sacrifice fly by Vazquez to put the Rangers ahead 1-0 in the first. Bourn hit a two-run homer in the second that put Houston up 2-1.

Astros ace Roy Oswalt (6-8) took the loss after allowing seven hits and three runs in seven innings. Oswalt said things went better after he got a feel for Ramirez.

"He's a new guy," Oswalt said. "We don't know him too well and it took about three at-bats before I figured out what he was trying to do."

The Rangers were without both Milton Bradley and Josh Hamilton for the first time this season. Bradley hasn't started the last seven games since straining his left quadriceps June 17. Hamilton, who leads the majors with 76 RBIs, sat out after leaving the night before with knee inflammation.

Notes: 1B Hank Blalock joined the Rangers to continue treatment on his injured right hand. He was supposed to be activated from the disabled list Tuesday, but injured his right hand diving for a ball Sunday with Triple-A Oklahoma. The Rangers aren't sure when he'll return from the disabled list.

Berkman had doubles in the third and fifth, but was stranded both times. Berkman's 50 extra-base hits lead the majors.

To parents, coaches and players:
Or to anyone involved in summer sports and activities, Send your sports information and pictures to Julie Thompson at The Pampa News by calling 669-2525, faxing to 669-2520 or visit us at 403 West Atchison.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, June 27, 2008:
You could find that you are being observed by higher-ups. You might not be comfortable with all the pressure and what is happening. Stay cool and know that in the long run a steady course is a wise one. Accept responsibilities, but say no if you want to, or need to, before adding any more must-do's. If you are single, your popularity soars. You might want to get to know several of your suitors better. If you are attached, your sweetie is unusually charming. Enjoy. **TAURUS** helps you achieve the results you want.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Try out situations and be more upbeat. Your style changes, and you are able to make quite a difference. Opportunities pop professionally and/or through your leadership abilities. You have a vision that is easily followed. Tonight: Say yes to living.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Kick back. Your instincts easily could go on overload. Trust your judgment and who you are. If you are able to move in a new direction, do. Someone knows how to light a fire under you. Use this push to the max. Tonight: Try a nap first.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Zero in on what is important, more than what you want. Someone around you, a key partner, could be very hard on you. Listen to feedback from a more enlightened source, especially if it

involves money or emotions. Tonight: Where your friends are.
CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ You certainly are the envy of many! Few realize how much responsibility you carry. Listen to your inner voice when dealing with a boss. You need to defer from now on. Maintain a high profile if possible. Others seek you out massively. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You could be stunned by what comes up. If you are open to new types of thinking, you can make a difference. Be careful how you deal with someone who could be a bit more pivotal than you would like to acknowledge. Tonight: Let your mind wander.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ You might be hard-pressed to work with a key associate. You might be more tired than you realize. If someone wants to dominate, let him. Your imagination plays a large role in your interactions. You could be listening and imagining at the same time. Tonight: Dinner for two!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Defer to others, and you'll come out smiling. You find that someone really can lighten your mood and day. You could wonder what is going on behind the scenes. Think through a decision with care. You could try a different approach. Tonight: Happy among crowds.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ You need to defer to others, perhaps more than you would like. Look at how good you will feel when your day is over. Listen to someone you care about deeply. He or she seems to always have a positive suggestion! Tonight: Get key

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You eagerly await the end of the day. You also could overspend in anticipation of having a very special happening or some fun get-together. Your sixth sense kicks in with communication. You kind of know something in advance. Tonight: Let the wild child out!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ You might want to try something very different and more upbeat. Others seek you out for answers. Say yes to possibilities and no to troublesome people. Be careful with money commitments. Listen to suggestions. Tonight: Happy to head home.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Your sixth sense keeps kicking in. You must be diplomatic, especially if you feel someone says one thing but means another. Don't reflect this deception, and make him or her accountable — that is, if you value the relationship. Tonight: Strut your stuff.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Take a back seat. Know that your time will come soon enough. Take charge and clear out any problems or errands. Your finances could take some dramatic swings. Tonight: In the thick of the moment.

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1 Public

HEARD
Notice is that a public hearing will be held on June 26, 2008, at 10:00 a.m. at the Pampa Public Hearing Room, 200 S. 10th St., Pampa, Texas. The hearing is for the proposed \$840,000 scholarship program for the Pampa Correctional Academy. This notice is pursuant to the notice set forth in 1) of the Corporation B-1

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NEW Visco Memory Foam Mattress & Box. Sealed in plastic w/ manufacturer warr. Must move. \$375. 806-341-6233.

Everything To Furnish A House Plus: Sears mitre saw, evaporative cooler, classical records, new CDs, cassettes, long play record player, tools, toys, bicycles, hutch, washer, dryer. You name it, I have it!! **Fri. & Sat., 8am-7 315 S. Cuyler**

FOR Sale Nice sofa \$250. Call 440-4445

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

BOOKCASES, chests, books, VHS movies, much more. Red Barn. 1420 S. Barnes, Sat. 10-5. 665-2767.

FOR Sale: 6 in. x 41 ft. Hydraulic Auger. Call 806-845-2700.

Wheeler EMS & Parkview Hospital will be holding a CISM or Critical Incident Stress Management Class in Wheeler on Aug. 1st and 2nd. This class is to train a team that can help Emergency Workers or other individuals after a high stress incident. You do not need to be an Emergency Worker to take this course. Anyone with a desire to help people can be on this team. After an incident a debriefing needs to be done within 24 to 48 hours to really be effective and we don't have access to a team close to Wheeler. If you are interested in this Class it will cost \$85.00 which includes your book. Please call Brenda Sparlin at 826-5581 or Ken Daugherty at 826-3333 for more info. or to sign up.

Garage Sale Fri. & Sat. 8-2, 2913 Rosewood

UTILITY trailer, tv, printer, clothes, misc. Fri. & Sat. 9-5pm. In backyard at 2729 Navajo.

INSIDE Sale, Fri. & Sat. 9am. Beauty shop equip. & sup., nail tables, Holiday deco., washer & dryer. Too much to list. 1421 N. Hobart at Snips.

BIG Garage Sale, 114 N. West, Fri. 8-7, Sat. 8-7 Antiq. & Collectibles, Baby furn., lots of misc.

77 Livest/Equip. For Sale 2007 Stud Colt Paint Very Gentle 806-663-1133

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FREE 2 good home. AKC Lab. 2 yr old Male Choc. Lab. Energetic, playful. 664-3180, 669-6878.

FREE 3 mo. old male mix breed puppy. Will be med. size & needs plenty of room to run. 486-1357.

FREE male kitten. Was starving, but rescued, healthy, so adorable! 7 wks. old. 662-0558

FREE kittens, 6 weeks old. Call 669-2694.

3 Adorable Kittens to give away. 6



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Pond and Garden Tour

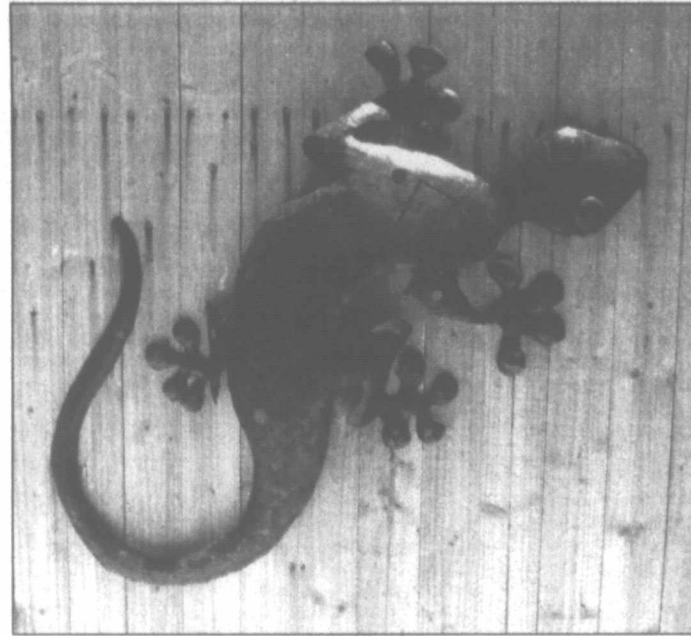
Las Pampas Koi and Water Garden Society's annual water garden and yard tour was held Saturday, with proceeds to go toward scholarships, Christmas presents for the Angel Tree program and various community projects such as the Freedom Fountain water feature at Freedom Museum USA, 600 N. Hobart. Sixteen stops were on this year's tour, including the homes of those named under these photos.



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