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## Sheriff's deputies kept busy during weekend

By MARILYN POWERS  
Staff Writer

Gray County sheriff's deputies were kept busy over the weekend with smashing, stealing and substances.

The sheriff's office is investigating a report of criminal mischief which was received Friday. Vandals broke out windows of a vacant rent home in the 1100 block of Varnon Drive. The estimated cost of damage is \$90, according to Gray County

Sheriff's Office Lt. Joe B. Hoard.

The case remains open and under investigation.

Sometime near midnight on Saturday, deputies stopped a vehicle for reportedly running a red light at the intersection of Foster and Cuyler streets.

"The officer checked the occupants," Hoard said. "One, David Lopez Adame, had warrants against him."

Adame, 34, of Memphis was arrested on warrants for failure to

comply upon striking a fixed object, failure to maintain single lane of travel, two counts of no Texas driver's license and violation of a court order concerning no running water, according to Gray County jail records.

"Victoria Olivas, the driver, was checked for intoxication, and she apparently was not intoxicated," Hoard said.

"Upon searching the vehicle, the deputy found a small amount of a green leafy substance believed to be

marijuana," he said.

Olivas, 21, of Pampa was arrested. Both she and Adame were charged with possession of less than two ounces of marijuana.

One or more thieves took their chances Sunday when three scratch-off lottery tickets were taken from the Taylor Mart in Lefors, according to sheriff's office reports. Each scratch-off was valued at \$3. The case remains open and under investigation.

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## T. Boone Pickens gets another reinvestment zone

By DAVID BOWSER  
Staff Writer

PANHANDLE -- The Carson County Commissioner's Court today approved a reinvestment zone for Mesa Power.

Mesa Power, L.P., had requested that the northeast corner of the county be designated a reinvestment zone for alternative or renewable energy and power facilities eligible for tax abatement under the state's tax code.

It is the fourth reinvestment zone in Carson County. County Judge Lewis Powers said the first reinvestment zone was for the White Deer Wind Farm. The second one extends east from Conway in the southern part of the county. The third one was for High Plains, L.P., next to Pantex.

Following a brief hearing this morning with few public comments, the Carson County Commission unanimously approved Mesa's request to designate about a 50 square mile area in the northeast corner of the county as a reinvestment zone.

ment zone.

The only people speaking during the 15-minute public hearing today were Monica Coffey, a Dallas lawyer representing Mesa and Jack Black, the business manager of the White Deer School System.

Coffey outlined the legal boundary for the reinvestment zone. It extends roughly five miles west from the Gray County line and 10 miles south from the Hutchinson County line.

It essentially extends from the White Deer Wind Farm north and east to cover the northeastern corner of Carson County.

Carson County Attorney Scott Sherwood said the southwest corner of the reinvestment zone meets the northeastern corner of the White Deer Wind Farm.

Last fall, Gray County approved a reinvestment zone for Mesa across the northern third of Gray County.



Pampa News Photo by DAVID BOWSER  
Wind generator next to traditional windmill at dawn near White Deer, Texas, in the Texas Panhandle.

### GRAY COUNTY

## County to consider burn ban at meeting

By MARILYN POWERS  
Staff Writer

A possible burn ban for Gray County is among several items on county commissioners' agenda when they meet at 9 a.m. Tuesday in the second-floor courtroom at Gray County Courthouse, 205 N. Russell.

Texas Forest Service's daily fire danger map shows the northwestern half of the county in a zone of moderate fire danger.

The Pampa area has received no measurable precipitation in 2008, according to information gathered by an automated weather station near Recreation Park. In December, .91 inch fell, while .16 inch was received in November. October's and

September's totals were 4.23 inches each. The Pampa area received approximately 24.14 inches of precipitation in 2007.

Commissioners will hear the sheriff's racial profiling report for 2007, along with a treasurer's report and investment report.

A loan and a transfer of funds from the county's general fund to the debt service fund is also on the agenda, along with elected officials' bonds and payment of bills and salaries.

Commissioners may also authorize the county treasurer to file the quarterly request for county reimbursement from the state concerning juror fees, and remove the district clerk's name from the authorization.

## Three Texas killers lose U.S. Supreme Court appeals

HOUSTON (AP) — A former Houston security guard convicted of a shooting spree that left four people dead, including his ex-girlfriend and her two children, was among three condemned Texas prisoners to lose appeals Monday before the U.S. Supreme Court.

The justices refused to review the case of Virgil Martinez, convicted of the October 1996 rampage at his former girlfriend's mobile home near Alvin, south of Houston. The court also declined to hear the cases of David Lewis, convicted of killing a Lufkin woman during a burglary of her home almost 21 years ago, and Jeffery Lee Wood, convicted of killing a convenience store clerk during a January 1996 robbery in Kerrville.

The court actions move all three men close to execution although none has a scheduled death date.

Prosecutors in Texas have withheld requesting execution dates pending the outcome of a Supreme Court case out of Kentucky that challenges the drugs used in lethal injections as unconstitutionally cruel. The justices heard arguments

on that case last week and a decision is expected by the end of the court's term in June.

In the case of Martinez, now 40, witnesses saw him shoot his ex-girlfriend, Veronica Fuentes, in the front yard of the Alvin trailer park. Police found 10 to 12 bullets in her body. Her two children, Cassandra, 3, and Joshua, 6, were dead in their beds. Both had been shot in the head at point-blank range.

Records show Martinez also shot John Gomez, 18, a neighbor, seven times as he ran to Fuentes' aid. Before he died, Gomez was able to tell police Fuentes' ex-boyfriend shot him.

Martinez was convicted of three counts of capital murder and sentenced to death. Brazoria County prosecutors combined the slayings of Victoria Fuentes and Gomez into a single capital murder charge.

Police concluded a single 9mm gun fired all of the bullets. Police recovered a holster for a 9mm gun in Martinez' car and a box designed to house the same caliber weapon in

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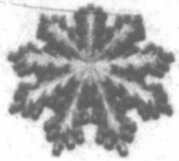
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**Tuesday**



Sunny

**Wednesday**



Snow chance

**Thursday**



Partly sunny

**Tuesday:** Sunny, with a high near 58. Wind chill values between 20 and 30 early. West southwest wind between 5 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

**Tuesday Night:** Mostly cloudy, with a low around 26. Wind chill values between 14 and 24. South southwest wind 15 to 20 mph becoming east northeast. Winds could gust as high as 30 mph.

**Wednesday:** A 30 percent chance of snow. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 33. Windy, with a north-northeast wind between 15 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

**Wednesday Night:** A 20 percent chance of snow. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 18. North-northwest wind between 5 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

**Thursday:** Partly sunny, with a high near 36. West-southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

**Thursday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 20. South-southwest wind around 10 mph becoming north-west.

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**States, MySpace agree to add safety measures**

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — MySpace.com has agreed with more than 45 states to add extensive measures to combat sexual predators.

An official familiar with the multistate agreement said MySpace, the huge online social networking Web site, has agreed to include several online protections and participate in a working group to develop age-verification and other technologies.

The official said MySpace will also accept independent monitoring and changes to the structure of its site.

The agreement is scheduled to be announced today in Manhattan by attorneys general from New Jersey, North Carolina, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Ohio and New York.

The official spoke on con-

dition of anonymity because the agreement hadn't yet been announced.

The attorneys general have been seeking greater controls for online networking sites to prevent sexual predators from using those sites to contact children.

There was no immediate comment from MySpace, a unit of News Corp.

Investigators have increasingly examined MySpace, Facebook.com and similar social networking sites that allow people to post information and images on the Web and invite contacts from others.

Last year, New York investigators said they set up Facebook profiles as 12- to 14-year olds and were quickly contacted by other users looking for sex.

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**Obituaries**

**Services tomorrow**

**MYATT, E.A. "Ed"** — 2 p.m., First Baptist Church, Pampa.

**Roger Emil Cole, 56**

Amarillo — Roger Emil Cole, 56, of Amarillo, died Jan. 12, 2008, in Amarillo. No services are scheduled at this time, but the family will greet visitors from 4 to 6 p.m. Tuesday at Rector Funeral Home, Osage Chapel. Cremation and arrangements are by Rector

Funeral Home, 2800 S. Osage St., Amarillo. Mr. Cole was born July 30, 1951, in Shamrock. He served in the U.S. Army from 1972 - 1975. He then moved to Amarillo. He did custodial and maintenance work in many capacities over the years.

Survivors include two sisters, Phillis Garner and husband Dale of Pampa, and Becky Voight and husband Allan of Hartley; three nieces, Destiny Gomez of Dalhart, Terri Contreras of Amarillo, and Carri Hardin of Claude; three nephews, Jeremy Voight of

Charleston, Ill., Carmen Contreras of Amarillo, and Cameron Contreras of San Antonio.

The family requests memorials be made to Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, 600 W. 11th, Amarillo, Texas 79101.

**Noah Hernandez, infant**

Noah Hernandez, infant son of Noel and Anabel Hernandez of Pampa was stillborn on Jan. 12, 2008, in Amarillo

Graveside services will be held at 11

a.m. Jan. 14, 2008, at Fairview Cemetery with Rev. Francisco Perez, pastor of St. Vincent dePaul Catholic Church, officiating. Arrangements are by Carmichael-Whatley

Funeral Directors.

Survivors include his mother and father, Noel and Anabel Hernandez of the home; a maternal grandmother, Socorro Chavez of Pampa; paternal grandpar-

ents, Jesse and Elena Hernandez of Pampa; paternal great grandparents, Hipolito and Felisitas Natividad of Pampa.

**Jim Maple, 77**

Jim Maple, 77, of Pampa, Texas, died Jan. 12, 2008, in Pampa. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Maple was born July 22, 1930, in Delaware, Okla. He married Martha Bullard on Dec. 20, 1957, in Pampa. He has been a resident of Pampa since 1940. He graduated from Lefors High School in 1948.

He was a member of the

Highland Baptist Church and was an Instrument pipe fitter through the Plumbers and Steamfitters Union #196 in Amarillo for 50 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents Henry and Edna



Maple

Maple and a brother Melvin Maple.

Survivors include his wife Martha Maple of the home; one daughter, Connie Rippetoe and husband Roy of Pampa; one son, Kenny Maple and wife Tammye of Pampa; one sister, Nina Pearl Dawes

of Pampa; one brother, Don Maple of New Martinsville, W.Va.; two granddaughters, three great-grandchildren, three step grandchildren, and one step great-grandson. Memorials can be made to Highland Baptist Church, 1301 N. Banks, Pampa, Texas 79065.

—Sign the online register book at [www.carmichael-whatley.com](http://www.carmichael-whatley.com).

**E.A. 'Ed' Myatt, 88**

E. A. "Ed" Myatt, 88, of Pampa, Texas, died Jan. 12, 2008, in Pampa. Services are scheduled for 2 p.m. Jan. 15, 2008, at the First Baptist Church, with Rev. Doug DuBose and Butch Shepherd, officiating. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Myatt was born June 7, 1919, at Konowa, Okla., to Cecil and Hattie Myatt. He was a 1936 graduate of Pampa High School. He married Rose LaNelle Williams on Dec. 25, 1939, in Pampa. Ed was a veteran of the U. S. Air Force, serving in China from 1942-1950, and he was a recipient of the Bronze Star.

He and his family returned to Pampa in 1950 and he went into business with his father as co-owner of Friendly Men's Wear until 1957. Ed spent the next 37 years primarily in the oil and gas industry as an investor and producer. He

was awarded a lifetime membership in the American Petroleum Institute (A.P.I.) Pampa Branch.

He was a past president of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce, a city commissioner of Ward 1 for two years, and Mayor of Pampa for two years from 1958-1960. He participated in the following projects, and improvements in Pampa: the Pampa Youth and Community Center project, the Coronado Inn Hotel, the improvement of Highway 70 and the building of the Hobart Street underpass. Ed was the chairman of the drive to provide the permanent home for the Chamber of Commerce.

Ed was a member and served on the Board of Directors of the Pampa Lions Club. He thoroughly

enjoyed the game of golf, and he served as State secretary and treasurer of the Texas Association of Left-handed Golfers. He was also a member of the Tri-State Golf Association for many years. He was a member of the Pampa Country Club for more than 50 years, serving nine years on the Board of Directors.

Ed had been a member of the First Baptist Church since 1933 and was a member of the Everyman's Bible Class for over 50 years.

The family would like to express their thanks to all of the family and close friends who have assisted during Ed's lengthy illness, particularly Sandy and Leonard Warren and Ed's sister Betty Bohlander. They would also like to thank BSA Hospice for all of the help and sup-

port they have given. He was preceded in death by his mother Hattie Myatt in 1969 and his father Cecil Myatt in 1997.

Survivors include his wife Rose (Rosie) Myatt of the home; two daughters, Marilyn Cook and husband Bo of Houston and Martha Cunningham and husband Pete of Waxahachie; two grandchildren, Chris Cunningham and wife Joanna of Waxahachie, and Eric Cunningham of Dallas; three sisters, Betty Bohlander of Pampa, Jenny Ralls and Norma Healy and husband Frank, all of San Antonio.

Memorials can be made to the American Heart Association, 6605 W. I-40, Suite A-6, Amarillo, Texas 79106, or BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, Texas 79065.

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

**Bernice Y. Olson, 87**

Bernice Y. Olson, 87, of Pampa, Texas, died Jan. 13, 2008, in Pampa. Memorial services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2008, at the First United Methodist church, with Rev. Jeff Taylor, officiating. Mrs. Olson's wish was to be cremated, and her and her late husband's ashes be mixed together and placed in Ouachita Lake in Arkansas, a favorite place for them. Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors. Mrs. Olson was born

Feb. 10, 1920, in LaCross, Kan., to Thomas and Ruth Benbow. She graduated from high school and attended college at Fort Hays University in Hays, Kan., until she met and married her love of a lifetime, Cecil Olson on July 6, 1938. He preceded her in death on May 22, 2005.

Mr. and Mrs. Olson were married 66 years in this life and are now reunited in Heaven. They

moved to Pampa in the fall of 1963 from Great Bend, Kan. They established Tubing Testers, Inc. in Sept. 1963 and were involved in that business until 1984, at which time they retired. She was a Methodist for over 70 years.

Survivors include two sons, Kent Olson and wife Phyllis of Phoenix, Ariz., and Kim Olson and wife Judy of Greenwood, Ark.; one

daughter, Pamela Brown of Dallas; one brother, Lyle Benbow of Kansas City, Mo.; one sister, Rachel of Medford, Ore.; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Memorials can be made to Good Samaritan Christian Services, 309 N. Ward, Pampa, Texas 79065, or Shepherd's Helping Hands, 819 W. Francis, Pampa, Texas 79065.

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Olson

**Emergency Services**

**Pampa PD**

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 72-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

**Friday, Jan. 11**

Thirty-eight traffic stops were made.

A traffic complaint was received from the intersection of Highway 60 and Price Road.

Motorist assistance was rendered in the 300 block of Miami and the intersection of Hobart Street and Perryton Parkway. At least one arrest was made in connection with the incident in the 300 block of Miami.

Vehicle accidents were reported in

the police department lobby, the 1500 block of North Hobart, the 800 block of North Hobart, the 600 block of East Frederic and the 300 block of North Hobart.

Animal control officers made stops concerning animals in the 1000 block of South Banks, the 1300 block of Garland, on four occasions in the 500 block of North Russell, on two occasions in the 500 block of North Cuyler, the 500 block of North Somerville, the 2600 block of Seminole, the 2500 block of Chestnut, the 100 block of North Hobart, the 1200 block of South Hobart, the 600 block of North Frost, the 1000 block of Duncan, the 1800 block of North Sumner, the 1900 block

of Grape and the intersection of 27th and Beech streets.

Two attempts to serve papers were made.

Agency assistance was rendered in the 400 block of Pitts.

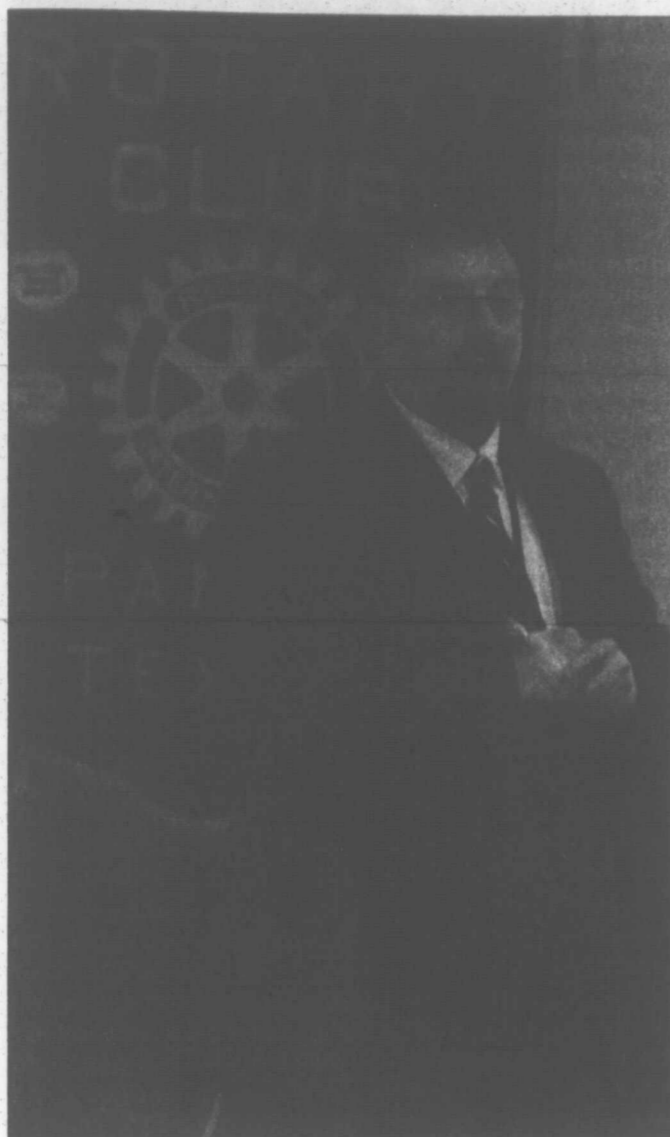
Welfare checks were made on two occasions in the 300 block of North Dwight.

Civil matters were reported in the police department lobby and the 1500 block of Williston.

A suspicious person call was received from the 400 block of West Brown.

A suspicious vehicle call was received from Recreation Park, 1600

## Presentation



Pampa News Photo by SEAN SMITH

**Rick Till gives presentation to Pampa Rotary Club concerning community response to infectious diseases. Mr. Till works out of the Canyon office and discussed responses to infectious diseases on local, state, and federal levels.**

## Appeals

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his mother's home. The murder weapon never was recovered.

In earlier appeals, Martinez unsuccessfully challenged the searches that recovered the box and holster.

Martinez was arrested at a mental hospital in Kerrville two weeks after the slayings. The killings were linked to Fuentes' breakup with Martinez two months earlier.

Martinez fled to Del Rio after the shootings and then wound up at the mental hospital in Kerrville under an assumed name after he called Del Rio police to complain he heard voices telling him to kill.

In the Lufkin case, Lewis, now 42, was convicted of shooting 74-year-old Myrtle Ruby in the face with a

sawed-off .22-caliber rifle. The pair ran into one another in the hallway of the woman's Lufkin home as she returned from a church choir practice and while he was burglarizing the place.

Records show he then stole her car, drove to his uncle's home and went on a hunting trip. He was arrested when he returned and confessed. At the time of the slaying, he had been paroled from prison on mandatory supervision after serving about six weeks of a two-year sentence for burglary in Brazoria County.

His capital murder conviction and death sentence were reversed in 1993 by the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals because part of his court record was lost. He was retried later that year, was

convicted and again sentenced to die. In 2000, a federal court allowed him to appeal on grounds his legal help at the second trial did not adequately question a psychiatrist and because a state refused admission of what he argued was newly discovered evidence. A federal appeals court later denied those claims.

In the third case rejected Monday, Wood and his roommate, Daniel Reneau, were convicted of the death of Kriss Keeran, 31, who knew both men.

Evidence showed Reneau entered the store before dawn on Jan. 2, 1996, and shot Keeran once in the face with a .22-caliber pistol. Then joined by Wood, they robbed

the store of more than \$11,000 in cash and checks. Both were arrested within 24 hours.

At his trial, Wood had refused to allow any evidence on his behalf at the punishment phase of the trial. Then in his appeal, he argued the trial court judge violated his rights by refusing to allow him to represent himself and that his trial attorneys were incompetent.

Court records show Wood, now 34, was waiting outside the store and came in after Keeran was shot, then both fled with the store safe, a cash box and a video recorder containing a security tape showing the robbery and slaying.

Evidence showed the pair had planned the robbery for a couple of weeks and unsuccessfully tried recruiting Keeran and another employee to stage a phony robbery.

Reneau was executed in 2002.

**Martinez was arrested at a mental hospital in Kerrville two weeks after the slayings.**

## Man dies while trying to slide down escalator

LOS ANGELES (AP)—A man died after falling several stories in a Hollywood shopping mall while apparently attempting to slide down the banister of an escalator, authorities said.

The victim's friends told officials investigating the Saturday night incident at the Hollywood and Highland Center that the

man "had been drinking quite a bit," said Los Angeles police Officer J. Boyer.

Boyer said the man lost his balance and plunged several stories onto the steps of a moving lower-level escalator.

The man was not identified. He was taken to a hospital where he was declared dead from a head injury.

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## Record

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E. Highway 60. Violation of a city ordinance was reported in the 1800 block of North Dwight.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 2200 block of North Dwight, the 2600 block of North Hobart and the 300 block of Canadian.

Assault was reported in the police department lobby. Injury to the victim's nose required medical treatment.

Two alarms were reported.

One building check was made.

Theft was reported in the police department lobby.

Burglary was reported in the 1000 block of South Christy. A door was kicked in at a residence and vehicle keys were taken.

**Saturday, Jan. 12**

Forty-three traffic stops were made. Stops in the 400 block of West Brown and the 700 block of East Kingsmill resulted in arrests.

A traffic complaint was received from the 700 block of South Somerville.

Animal control officers made stops concerning animals in the 2000 block of Alcock, the 500 block of North Somerville, the 500 block of North Russell, the 1000 block of Huff Road, the 2200 block of Lynn, the 2100 block of North Wells,

the 800 block of East Craven, on two occasions in the 1800 block of North Banks, the 700 block of North Zimmers, the 800 block of Locust and the 1800 block of Lynn.

Agency assistance was rendered in the 2300 block of Cherokee, the 11800 block of West Highway 60 and the 400 block of East Atchison. Arrests were made in connection with the incidents in the 11800 block of West Highway 60 and the 400 block of East Atchison.

A missing person was reported in the 1500 block of North Faulkner.

A runaway was reported in the 400 block of North Ward.

Suspicious person calls were received from the intersection of 23rd and Charles streets, the intersection of Kingsmill and Hobart streets, the 200 block of North Naida, the 1000 block of South Banks and the 1100 block of West Crawford.

Prowlers were reported in the 2300 block of Charles

and the 2000 block of Coffee.

A silent/abusive 911 call was received from the 1800 block of North Hamilton.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1000 block of South Christy, the 500 block of East Atchison and on three occasions in the 300 block of Miami.

Harassment was reported in the 1000 block of Varnon Drive. The incident included verbal harassment and threats by voice mail.

Harassment was reported in the 100 block of South Sumner.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 300 block of North Dwight. A vehicle windshield valued at \$300 was broken out with a rock.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 600 block of East Francis. A back door was kicked in. Estimated cost of damage to door and door frame is \$100.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 1100 block of Terry Road. Minor injury to an arm which did not require medical attention was reported in connection with the incident.

Domestic disturbances were reported in the 1500 block of Coffee, the 1100 block of Huff Road and the 2100 block of Beech. Arrests were made in connection with the incidents on Coffee and Beech streets.

One open door was checked.

One alarm was reported. A gas drive-off was reported at Allsup's, 140 S. Starkweather. Fuel valued at \$21.37 was taken.

Burglary was reported in the 1200 block of Farley.

**Sunday, Jan. 13**

Nine traffic stops were made. Stops in the 800 block of South Barnes and the 900 block of North Somerville resulted in arrests.

A traffic complaint was received from the intersection of Crest and Jupiter streets.

Vehicle accidents were reported in the 400 block of Doucette and the 2800 block of Charles.

Animal control officers made stops concerning animals in the 200 block of West Kingsmill, on two occasions in the 800 block of Locust, the 1000 block of Neel Road, the 700 block of North Roberta, the 2100 block of Mary Ellen, the 1000 block of East Foster, One Medical Plaza, the 100 block of

South Wells and the 300 block of North Wells.

A welfare check was made in the 1800 block of North Dwight.

Agency assistance was rendered in the 2600 block of North Hobart.

Found property was reported in the 2100 block of Dogwood.

Suspicious person calls were received from the intersection of Barrett and Crawford streets, the 1600 block of North Hobart, the 1300 block of North Hobart and the 1000 block of Varnon Drive. At least one arrest was made in connection with the incident at the intersection of Barrett and Crawford streets.

A silent/abusive 911 call was received from the 600 block of Sloan.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1300 block of Garland.

An alarm and criminal mischief were reported at Deb's Quick Stop, 1106 W. Alcock. A plate glass window valued at \$300 was damaged.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 500 block of North Starkweather. Both persons involved in the incident suffered facial injuries.

Domestic disturbances were reported in the 1000 block of North Sumner and the 800 block of South Barnes.

Assault was reported in the 800 block of North Dwight.

Two alarms were reported.

Theft was reported in the 1900 block of North Hobart.

Burglary of a residence was reported in the 700 block of East 14th. A leather jacket valued at \$200 and a radio scanner valued at \$40 were taken.

Burglary was reported in the 100 block of Prairie Drive. A VCR and AM/FM/CD player, both of unknown value, were taken. A front and back door jamb and front window were damaged. Estimated cost of damage is \$340.

Burglary was reported in the 1000 block of Neel Road. A big-screen television valued at \$1,500, along with a digital camera, watch and portable television were taken.

Burglary was reported in the 600 block of Plains.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 1200 block of Charles. A bank book with a replacement value of \$5, and 10 compact discs valued at \$150, were taken.

**Monday, Jan. 14**

Five traffic stops were made.

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# Viewpoints

## Beckham bombed in America, but do we still hate soccer?

Just about a year ago, Major League Soccer was drafting a \$250 million contract with David Beckham, in what they thought would be a foolproof way to get American sports fans into soccer. Just about a year ago, I wrote a column for this newspaper, wondering if it would really work, and if football fans everywhere might be tuning in to futbol games as well. Now, one year later, we realize how silly it was to think that one European A-list celebrity could make Americans like soccer. It's about as silly as saying that Jessica Simpson is the reason that the Cowboys lost to the Giants on Sunday.

Now it seems that Major

League Soccer's investment in Beckham was a flop, and that Americans hate soccer even more. I don't think that's true, though. I think that we, as Americans, are finally coming to realize that celebrities are not all that they're cracked up to be. Not once in this past year did I ever see David Beckham or the Los Angeles Galaxy making headlines on SportsCenter, but their games were almost always covered on Entertainment Tonight, along with Britney Spears' latest crazy outburst and celebrity birthdays. I even remember how excited people were when he made his first goal, and how hilarious it was to listen to people who did not understand that

his position as a right wing-back was not one that scores many goals. It's like wondering why a center never scores many touchdowns in football.

What David Beckham proved this year is that Major League Soccer really underestimated the American population when they thought he might make soccer a popular sport in the states. Sure, there are a lot of people in this country that are infatuated with celebrities and all things famous, but Americans are starting to get fed up with

Paris Hilton's jail sentences and Britney Spears' haircuts flooding the news headlines. David Beckham helped prove this year that sports fans especially do not want their world invaded by



Jordan Reagan

Sports Editor

celebrity and fame. One thing we did learn this year is that the celebrity endorsement didn't cut it. I don't know what it is that soccer needs to do to gain popularity in America, but I do know that if there's one thing that Americans love more than celebrities, it's violence. That's why we love football!

Perhaps Major League Soccer could spice up the game a little bit with a few modifications to fit our taste. Maybe placing some of O.J. Simpson's missing memorabilia or letting a few angry pit bulls loose on or around the field would get more people watching, or at least Michael Vick.

Maybe soccer will just never be what football and baseball are to America. Maybe there's something in our blood as Americans that causes us to be bored while watching a black and white ball be kicked around a field in a low-scoring game. Maybe soccer just needs the right star to bring it up in the states - not a European import, but a homegrown,

red-blooded American whose job is to score goals and score a lot of them. Maybe that would get us to watch.

One place that soccer does have a home is at Pampa High School. They have been scrimmaging and playing in tournaments for the past couple of weeks, but next week, they start playing close to home, and begin their district season early in February. Just as in every high school sport, there are no lame gimmicks or celebrity endorsements. Harvester soccer is soccer in its purest form, so if you haven't gotten the chance to catch them in action, get out and see them this season.

## Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Monday, Jan. 14, the 14th day of 2008. There are 352 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 14, 1784, the United States ratified a peace treaty with England, ending the Revolutionary War.

On this date:

In 1639, the first constitution of Connecticut - the "Fundamental Orders" - was adopted.

In 1858, French emperor Napoleon III escaped an attempt on his life.

In 1900, Puccini's opera "Tosca" had its world premiere in Rome.

In 1943, President Franklin Roosevelt, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and French General Charles de Gaulle opened a wartime conference in Casablanca.

In 1952, NBC's "Today" show premiered, with Dave Garroway as the host, or "communicator," as he was officially known.

In 1953, Josip Broz Tito was elected president of Yugoslavia by the country's Parliament.

In 1963, George C. Wallace was sworn in as governor of Alabama with a pledge of "segregation forever."

In 1968, the Green Bay Packers of the NFL defeated the AFL's Oakland Raiders, 33-14, in Super Bowl II.

In 1969, 27 people

aboard the aircraft carrier USS Enterprise were killed in an explosion that ripped through the ship off Hawaii.

In 1970, Diana Ross and the Supremes performed their last concert together, at the Frontier Hotel in Las Vegas.

Ten years ago: Whitewater prosecutors questioned Hillary Rodham Clinton at the White House for 10 minutes about the gathering of FBI background files on past Republican political appointees. (Sources quoted the first lady as saying she knew nothing about any such collection of files.) NBC agreed to pay Warner Brothers \$13 million per episode to retain the highly rated TV show "ER."

Five years ago: Kmart Corp. announced its biggest round of cutbacks yet, saying it would close 326 more stores and eliminate 37,000 more jobs in hopes of getting out of bankruptcy by the end of April 2003. (Kmart emerged from Chapter 11 protection in May 2003.) Thousands of General Electric Co. employees across the country began a two-day strike to protest higher health insurance costs.

*'If all mankind minus one, were of one opinion, and only one person were of the contrary opinion, mankind would be no more justified in silencing that one person, than he, if he had the power, would be justified in silencing mankind.'*

— John Stuart Mill  
English philosopher  
(1806-1873)



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## Bhutto wooed, schmoozed U.S. government

The U.S. government played a part in the return of Mrs. Benazir Bhutto to Pakistan. For what reason, I don't know, but it was clearly a mistake on everyone's part. The woman paid with her life.

She had been schmoozing the Washington crowd for years. She had even hired a public-relations firm to help her do it at one point. In the past, the U.S. had pressured the Pakistani government to accept her as prime minister. She didn't last long in that office despite two terms and was ultimately exiled on charges of corruption and incompetence. Her husband has a notorious reputation for corruption. Her father was hanged, and two of her brothers were murdered.

I don't think democracy lost a champion. I think she was just another representative of a feudal family that has always seen the government as an opportunity for personal enrichment. As for the crisis in Pakistan, it is a Pakistani crisis, not ours, and we should keep our nose out of Pakistan's internal

affairs.

The deal is this: When President Bush decided to overthrow the government of Afghanistan, the Pakistan dictator, Pervez Musharraf, was approached in the usual imperial manner - would you rather be bombed or accept a few billion dollars to help us? Musharraf wisely decided to accept the few billions and has kept his end of the bargain. Part of his unpopularity is directly because he is seen as an ally of the U.S. We should keep our end, pay up and shut up. God knows, every time we have dumped an ally, we have ended up with an enemy in his place.

If Musharraf can stay alive (he's survived nine assassination attempts) and stay in power, then we should accept that and keep quiet about democracy. He was a dictator when we asked for his help and a dic-

tator when he gave us that help. In that respect, he's no different from America's "friends" in the Arab world - dictators every one, despite their royal trappings.

Bush, of course, isn't really interested in democracy, despite his blather about it. The only two freely elected Muslim governments in the region - those of the Palestinians and the Iranians - he won't have anything to do with.

He's tried to overthrow the elected leader of Venezuela. Bush is the kind of politician who you need to disregard what he says and watch what he does. Bush maintains an almost pathological distance between what he says and what he does.

I'm against the empire, but if we're going to be stuck with one, we'd better at least find a competent emperor. Bush just can't cut the mustard. He's like an over-the-hill Nero, so full of

himself that he can't see the world around him. The military is deteriorating before his eyes. He's got us stuck in two countries with no exit strategy. In the meantime, the economy appears to be going south with the geese, and American prestige is going with it. We should all pray that the country can survive another year of incompetent leadership.

Any competent martial artist will tell you that timing is everything. The days of empire are past. Bush may like to imagine himself as Winston Churchill, but he's not anywhere close, nor does he seem to realize that the British Empire was fading fast even when Churchill was in office. A nation can afford only so many wars and the debt and taxes that go with them. In today's world, even the winners lose money on wars, though a few favored corporations get an inordinate amount of blood money.

Peace and prosperity are possible; war and prosperity no longer are.

Charley Reese  
Columnist



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## Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

Jan. 7

Fort Worth Star-Telegram on the force of Africa:

Consider that the African continent - more than 20 percent of the world's land area and some 5,000 miles from Cairo to Cape Town - could accommodate in its 11 million square miles the territory of the United States, Europe, India and Japan and still have about 2 million square miles left over.

Consider that Africa is inhabited by more than 2,000 ethnic groups, or tribes, and that its 680 million people speak about 750 tribal languages as well as a half-dozen imported European languages, making it the world's most linguistically complex continent.

Consider that the boundaries of

Africa's 50-plus countries - including Madagascar and other island groups - were largely drawn by European colonizers in the second half of the 19th century with little regard for the natural divisions created by tribe and language.

Consider all this, and you have some idea of why governance in Africa is a problematic undertaking. Consider that tribalism still plays a huge role in African life and that politicians and their supporters manipulate it to their advantage, and you have some idea of what's going on in Kenya, long considered one of Africa's most stable and prosperous countries.

Rioting over a disputed election during the past week has killed about 300 Kenyans and driven an estimated 100,000 from their homes. The killing, mostly along ethnic lines, has raised fears that Kenya might experience the genocide that has plagued other African countries.

The catalyst for the current turmoil in Kenya, an East African nation of some 37 million people, was the Dec. 27 national election, which pitted President Mwai Kibaki against opposition leader Raila Odinga.

Kibaki is a member of the Kikuyu tribe, Kenya's dominant ethnic group with about 22 percent of the population. Odinga is a Luo, whose people comprise about 13 percent of Kenyans, making the Luos the third-largest of Kenya's more than 40 tribal groupings.

Early results indicated a win for Odinga, whose father, Jaramogi Oginga Odinga, was vice president in Kenya's first post-independence government under President Jomo Kenyatta, a Kikuyu. But later returns turned the tide toward Kibaki, who had succeeded Daniel arap Moi, Kenya's second president, on Dec. 30, 2002.

# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

**DEAR ABBY:** After 30 years as a widow, I married a wonderful, gentle, caring man. The problem is his son, "Byron." Byron is a 50-year-old druggie who doesn't work and sponges off his father by making promises he never keeps. My husband forgives him over and over because Byron is his only son. But the fighting is going to cause my husband to have a heart attack. His son rants, screams and threatens. I have personally heard him make death threats. I finally lost my temper and told Byron exactly how I feel. Now he is refusing to come over, refuses to help his father in any way and blames me. I know what he is doing, and it breaks my heart to see my husband in such pain. What can I do to mend the fences? Everything I said to his son is the truth. Please guide me. -- **HEARTSICK IN SEATTLE**

**DEAR HEARTSICK:** Your husband's "child" is an addict. One of the things addicts do -- and quite adeptly -- is manipulate those around them into enabling them to continue their habit. The harder a person tries to protect the addict, the more it makes the addict able to continue his/her self-destructive behavior. The reason Byron acts the way he does is because it has always worked. Believe it or not, your husband needs help right now as much as -- or more than -- his son does. An excellent place to find it would be the Nar-Anon Family Groups, a support group founded in 1967 that offers insight and support to families and friends of addicts. It provides a safe place for members to share their experience, hope and strength with each other. To locate a group in your area, call toll-free (800) 477-6291 or visit its Web site at [www.Nar-Anon.org](http://www.Nar-Anon.org).

**DEAR ABBY:** I am 44, a newly single mother of three young children. Two years ago I discovered that my husband had been leading a double life -- including lying, cheating, stealing and substance abuse.

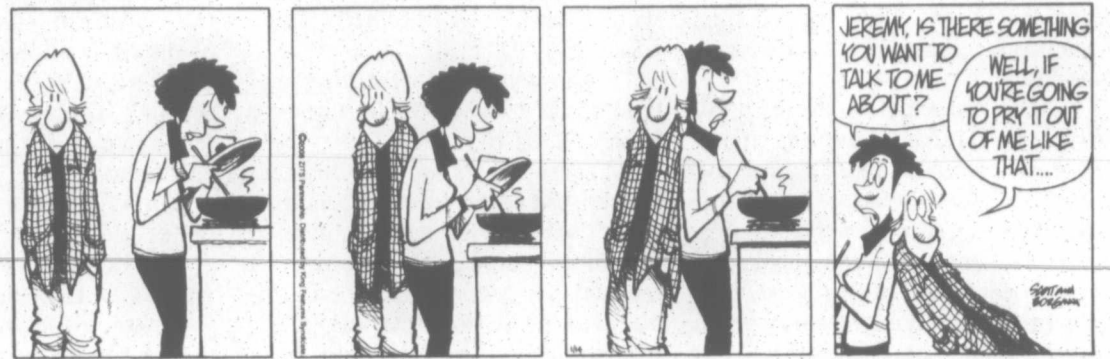
One of his affairs was with my favorite cousin, "Charlotte." I had always looked up to her. The news was devastating. Equally devastating is the reaction of my family. They consider Charlotte to be a "victim" of my former husband. They say I should get over it and move on. They want to invite her to family functions, including my youngest sister's wedding, in which my children and I have been asked to participate. Since the affair, Charlotte has continued to be an alcoholic. She has never attempted to apologize appropriately. Once she did, but she was drunk and refused to take responsibility for her actions. Out of respect for my feelings, I think Charlotte should be excluded from the wedding. If she is invited, I'm not sure my children and I will attend. What do you think? -- **OUTRAGED IN SAN FRANCISCO**

**DEAR OUTRAGED:** You should thank your higher power that you're rid of the substance-abusing, morally challenged philanderer you married. He had the affair with Charlotte because she was handy, vulnerable and addicted by alcohol. She has tried to apologize, but because she was drunk couldn't get her message across. Does this absolve her? No! But until Charlotte sobers up, expecting an "appropriate" apology is as unrealistic as asking someone with a broken leg to tap-dance. Take part in the wedding and allow yourself to have a good time. Stop nursing your anger for Charlotte and direct it where it belongs -- at your ex. Do this if not for yourself, then in the name of family unity. No woman is an island, and with your current mind-set, you're only isolating yourself.

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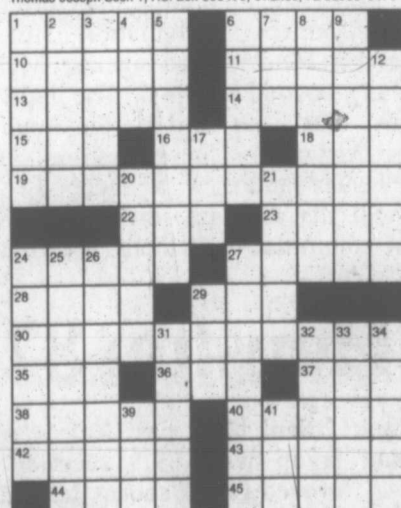
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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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  - 12 Intense fear
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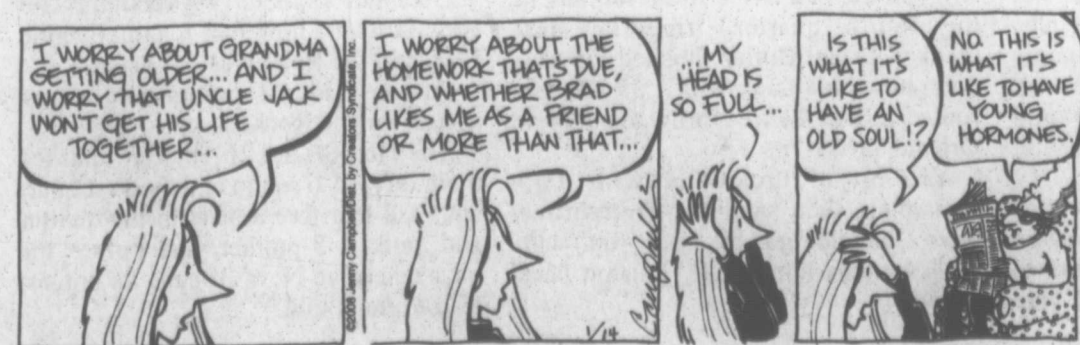


## The Family Circus

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## Flo & Friends



# Sports

## Dallas Cowboys crumble in playoffs again

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Tony Romo can go wherever he wants with Jessica Simpson now. Eli Manning and the New York Giants knocked him and the Dallas Cowboys into the offseason Sunday.

Having to wait out long, slow drives by Dallas, Manning made his few chances count, throwing two touchdown passes to Amani Toomer and getting a 1-yard touchdown run from Brandon Jacobs for a 21-17 victory that put New York into the NFC championship game for the first time since the 2000 season.

"I won't get tired of hearing that this week," Manning said. "No one's given us much credit and probably still won't. But that's OK. We like it that way."

Manning is heading to his first

NFC championship game, at Green Bay next Sunday. Manning had a much better day than his brother, Peyton, whose Indianapolis Colts were stunned by the San Diego Chargers.

"I know he was watching and rooting for me," said Eli, who was 12-of-18 for 163 yards.

Cornerback R.W. McQuarters intercepted a pass into the end zone with 9 seconds left, turning away a last-ditch drive by Romo. It marked his second straight disappointing finish to a playoff game, following his flubbed hold of a short field goal in Seattle last January.

"It hurts," said Romo, who was 18-of-36 for 201 yards with a touchdown. "It's tough right now."

Terrell Owens came to his quarterback's defense, even crying

behind dark sunglasses with a quivering bottom lip while declaring, "You can point the finger at him, you can talk about the vacation (with Simpson), and if you do that, it's really unfair. That's my teammate. ... We lost as a team."

Dallas' failure is huge. The Cowboys just wasted a 13-3 season, which matched the best in team history. They're the first No. 1 seed in the NFC to lose in this round since the NFL went to the 12-team playoff format in 1990. They also became the seventh team to lose a playoff game against a team they'd

beaten twice in the regular season — joining Dallas' 1998 club.

Worst of all is the extension of all the skids: Romo now 0-2 in the playoffs, coach Wade Phillips 0-4 and the team 0-for-the-postseason since winning a wild-card game in 1996. The Cowboys have dropped five games since.

The Cowboys might be headed to a stormy offseason. Team owner Jerry Jones said Thursday he would keep Phillips regardless of what happened in the playoffs. Now that will be tested, especially with highly valued assistant coaches Jason

Garrett and Tony Sparano interviewing for jobs elsewhere.

Critics may point to Romo's trip to Mexico last weekend with his latest celebrity girlfriend as a disruption, but the problems went a lot deeper. There were all kinds of penalties that hurt Dallas drives and helped New York's, sloppy tackling on defense and special teams, dropped passes and wasted timeouts.

The Giants loved every bit of it.

New York gave up 45 and 31 points in the first two meetings, in part because the defensive front that produced an NFL-best 53 sacks went hard after Romo but missed and wound up allowing big plays. This time, the Giants were content to give up short yardage, and the Cowboys accepted the invitation.

*'You can point your finger at [Romo], and if you do that, it's really unfair. That's my teammate. We lost as a team.'*

— Terrell Owens  
Dallas Cowboys

## At Palo Duro



Pampa junior Cobran Harris (22) brings the ball past half court during Friday night's game against the Palo Duro Dons. Also pictured here is senior Wayne Parker (15).



Sophomore Carlyn Teichmann looks to pass the ball to a teammate from the sideline during Friday night's game at Palo Duro. Also pictured here is the Lady Harvesters' head coach, Troy Fry, kneeling at far right.

## Undermanned Chargers stun Indianapolis, 28-24

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — A trip to New England in the dead of winter hardly captivates San Diegans.

The Chargers can't wait.

The franchise that couldn't win a postseason game for more than a decade finds itself one step from the Super Bowl. Make that one huge leap, because after sending home the defending champion Indianapolis Colts 28-24 on Sunday, the Chargers go for the AFC title next weekend against the unbeaten New England Patriots.

"I'm pretty sure we'll be huge underdogs, but it's still going to be fun, just to get the opportunity," said LaDainian Tomlinson, who had better recover quickly from a bruised left knee that sidelined him in the first half against Indy. "All the rest of the teams have had their opportunity to play New England, and we'll get another opportunity to do so in the AFC championship

game. What a better way to go back there."

If the Patriots, who routed the Chargers 38-14 in Week 2, expected a rematch of last January's conference title game with the Colts, they can't be depressed to see San Diego traipsing across the country. An undermanned San Diego, to boot, with Tomlinson, quarterback Philip Rivers (right knee), tight end Antonio Gates (toe) and defensive end Luis Castillo (rib) hobbled.

Not that anyone expects condolences from the 17-0 Patriots, who don't do sympathy well.

"That was a tremendous win today by San Diego," Patriots coach Bill Belichick said. "Going out on the road and winning in Indy today shows the kind of mental toughness they have."

"We're prepared for everybody. As we saw today, any number of players could be in the game."

Including Billy Volek at

quarterback and Michael Turner, a \$2.35 million insurance policy for Tomlinson who paid off Sunday. Volek led San Diego 78 yards on eight plays for the winning score with 4:50 remaining, with Volek sneaking in from the 1. The Chargers' big-play defense, led by linebackers Shawne Merriman, Shaun Phillips and Stephen Cooper, then held on downs at its 7, and stopped Indy again in the final moments to preserve their eighth straight win.

Last year, the Chargers surged into the postseason with a league-best 14-2 record, only to flop in the first round against New England. It cost Marty Schottenheimer his coaching job, replaced by Norv Turner.

Under Turner, they were just 5-5, but haven't lost since. Of course, the Patriots haven't lost since the preseason.

## Roger Clemens not committing to deposition with House committee

NEW YORK (AP) — Roger Clemens' lawyer wouldn't commit Sunday to having the pitcher give a deposition to congressional investigators, even as he said the seven-time Cy Young Award winner remains willing to testify in open session before a House committee investigating denials that he used performance-enhancing drugs.

Clemens' lawyer, Rusty Hardin, was likely to meet this week with staff of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, which has asked him to testify Feb. 13 along with his accuser, former trainer Brian McNamee. The committee wants to take depositions from the pair along with Yankees pitcher

Andy Pettitte, former Yankee Chuck Knoblauch and Kirk Radomski, the former Mets clubhouse attendant who has admitted supplying players with steroids and human growth hormone.

Hardin wouldn't directly answer questions about a deposition.

"There has been absolutely no change in Roger's willingness and indeed desire to testify under oath before Congress in a public hearing at a date of the Oversight Committee's choosing," Hardin said in a statement. "Any suggestion that he or we are having any second thoughts about that is absolutely false. All other pre-appearance issues and scheduling we will discuss privately with the committee

and do not think it is appropriate to discuss those matters publicly."

McNamee told baseball drugs investigator George Mitchell that he injected Clemens with steroids and HGH in 1998, 2000 and 2001, allegations the pitcher denies.

ESPN.com, citing an unidentified individual familiar with the inquiry, reported Hardin is hedging on whether Clemens will give a deposition because it could interfere with the defamation suit Clemens filed against McNamee on Jan. 6. The individual also said Hardin might not give the committee the recording of a Dec. 12 interview involving McNamee and Clemens' investigators.

## New Orleans rallies to beat Houston 87-82

HOUSTON (AP) — Chris Paul had 19 points and 11 assists and made four free throws in the final 15 seconds to lift the New Orleans Hornets to an 87-82 victory over the Houston Rockets on Sunday.

David West scored 26 points and grabbed 12 rebounds for the Hornets, who snapped the Rockets' five-game winning streak. The Hornets have won seven consecutive road games and seven of their last nine meetings with Houston, a divisional rival.

Yao Ming had 30 points, 16 rebounds and six turnovers for the Rockets, who lost for the third time in the 10 games Tracy McGrady has missed with a sore

left knee. McGrady is expected to return for Saturday's game against San Antonio.

The Hornets trailed most of the second half — outscored 22-2 during a Houston run — until Tyson Chandler stripped the ball twice from Yao late in the fourth quarter, triggering fast breaks. Rasual Butler finished the second one with a dunk with 1:35 left, got fouled and hit the free throw to put New Orleans up 81-78.

Yao hit a turnaround with 1:19 remaining, then sank two free throws after Chandler got his sixth foul with 34.3 seconds left to put Houston back ahead.

Paul blew past Rafer Alston for a layup with 29.3 seconds left. Yao missed a hook shot at the other end, and Paul went 4-for-4 from the free-throw line down the stretch to secure the victory.

Chandler grabbed 14 rebounds for New Orleans, now just a game behind Dallas in the Southwest Division.

Alston had 12 points and seven assists for the Rockets.

The Hornets led 26-18 after Paul led them on a 14-6 run to end the first quarter. Paul had five assists in the quarter and sank a 3-pointer just before the buzzer to give New Orleans its biggest lead to that point.

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DATED this 9th day of January, 2008.

William M. Blake,  
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**ARIES (March 21-April 19)**

\*\*\*\*\* You are likely to react to what-ever pops in your head. Evaluate more carefully, especially if you hit a roadblock. You will experience many opportunities this year. Don't worry if every single one doesn't pan out. Tonight: Pay a bill or two. TAURUS (April 20-May 20) \*\*\*\*\* Though you could be a touch more reticent than usual, you might want to make plans that assume you will be willing to take a stand. Your perceptions, leadership and presence will be in demand soon enough. Tonight: Nap and then decide. GEMINI (May 21-June 20) \*\*\*\*\* Zoom in and take a stand. Your ability to integrate information could take you in many different directions. Realize that others demand that you take

a strong stand. If you're wanting to lead, you must represent their ideals. Tonight: Ask yourself what you really want.

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

\*\*\*\*\* How you deal with someone could change dramatically in the next few days. Your vision and ideas about what is possible could change radically. Someone often challenges you. Listen to this person's perspective. Tonight: A must appearance. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) \*\*\*\*\* Take an overview, and you will be far more content. Your ability to look past the obvious defines your actions. Others often admire your perspective and mind-set. Be willing to take a leap of faith. Trust yourself. Tonight: Relax your mind, be it surfing the Net or listening to music. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\*\*\* Work individually with others. You might not need to have all the answers. Look at all the possible ramifications and end results, no matter how far-fetched. New doors open up out of the blue. Your creativity soars as the days go. Tonight: In the whirlwind of life. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\*\*\*\* You and a partner alternate between differing and acting like a duo. Though both approaches bring results, they reflect what you are picking up on from others. Manipulations might not work, but understanding will draw responses. Tonight: Know where someone is coming from. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) \*\*\*\*\* Listen to new ideas and let others participate in a project too. The more energy that swirls around; though initially appearing chaotic, the more it infuses energy into your ideas and plans. Don't close yourself off, but rather open up.

Tonight: Invitations and calls come in late.

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

\*\*\*\*\* Your ideas pop up from out of left field. Your ability to understand what is going on comes through. Your willingness to see the problem in a situation helps you face facts. Realize when you have had enough and walk away. Tonight: Beam in what you want. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \*\*\*\*\* Anchor in on basics, no matter what might be going on. Sometimes it is difficult to resolve a problem or come up with answers when others challenge you or you are a bit overwhelmed. Tonight: Go for some R and R. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\*\*\* Ask all the necessary questions to get answers that have been long overdue. Your current perspective might no longer work for you. You might want to center yourself before answering. Tonight: Clear your desk and answer messages. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\*\*\*\* Tally up expenditures before saying yes to an idea or a new venture. You could be overwhelmed by all you hear later. Take some quiet time to sort through reality. If you are on top of your game, the results will demonstrate that. Tonight: Curl up with a good book.

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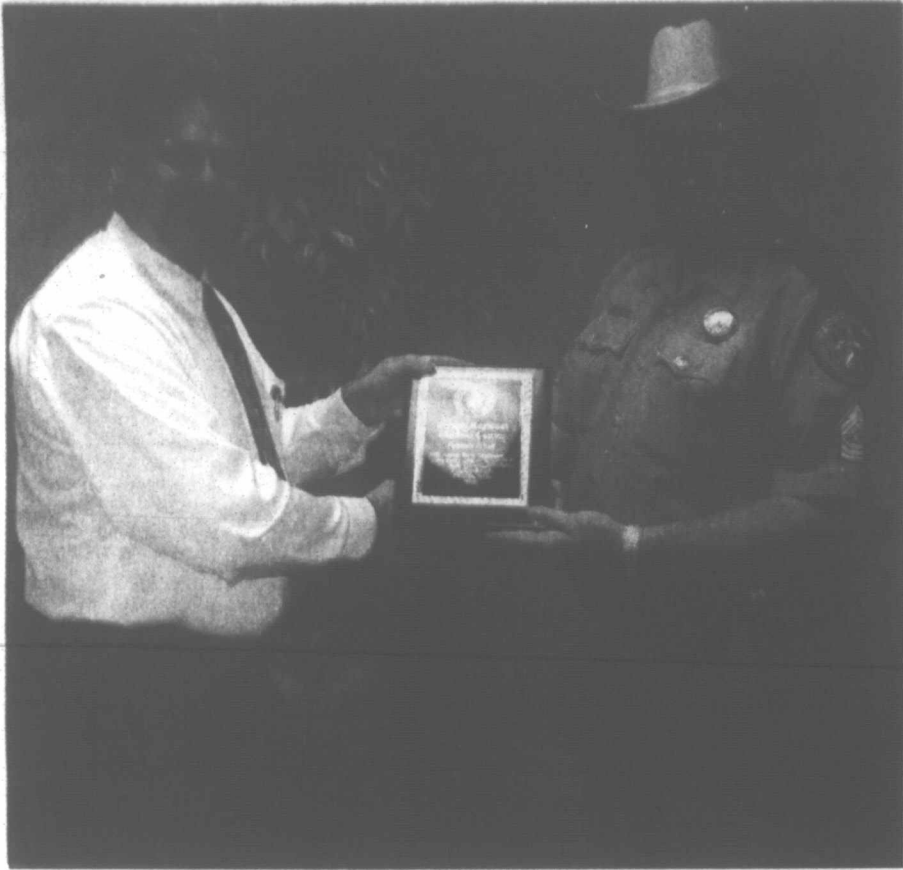
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# Schools closed as New England prepares for another snowy blast

BOSTON (AP) — New England's first major winter storm of 2008 snarled the Monday morning commute with heavy snow and closed hundreds of schools.

Following the snowiest December on record in some parts of the region, and a spell of spring-like warmth, meteorologists said as much as 14 inches of snow was possible in southern New Hampshire and areas west and north of Boston.

Many communities declared snow emergencies in advance of the storm and Boston Mayor Thomas Menino ordered only essential city employees to report to work. The city had about 5 inches by midmorning.

Snow piled up quickly in central and western Massachusetts, where the National Weather Service reported 9 inches in Amherst and 11 inches in Winchendon, in north-central Massachusetts. Pine Plains, N.Y., near the Connecticut state line, reported 7 inches, and Burlington,

Conn., had 6.5 inches. Hundreds of public and private schools canceled classes for the day in anticipation of the snow in Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Vermont, Maine, Connecticut, Rhode Island and parts of eastern New York.

School officials were taking no chances, especially after a Dec. 13 storm in which many youngsters in Providence, R.I., were stuck on buses for hours. That storm also caused monumental traffic jams around Boston.

More than 100 flights were canceled at Boston's Logan International Airport, as were some flights at Maine's Portland International Jetport.

"We are open, but capacity is very low because airlines made decisions yesterday and (Monday) morning to cancel many of their flights," said Phil Orlandella, a spokesman for the Massachusetts Port Authority.

Utilities reported some power outages, including more than 36,000 homes and businesses

blacked out in Connecticut, said Mitch Gross, a spokesman for Connecticut Light and Power. Some 4,500 power customers were blacked out in northeastern Massachusetts, and about 9,000 had no power near Springfield, in western Massachusetts.

"It's the issue of heavy wet snow taking down trees or tree branches, which are taking down wires," Gross said.

Authorities said major highways were slick and a number of accidents and spinouts were reported. But volume was lighter than usual as many commuters apparently heeded storm forecasts.

"Right now, we're not seeing the traffic that we would normally see on a Monday," said Massachusetts State Police Lt. Eric Anderson.

So far this winter, Concord, N.H., has gotten 54 inches of snow, nearly 44 inches has fallen at Portland, Maine, and Bangor, Maine, has totaled 49 inches.

## Church gives \$145,000 to underpaid policemen

ODESSA, Texas (AP) — A local church has given \$145,000 to the Odessa Police Department for the money to distributed among "underpaid" officers, a church leader said.

The Rev. Don Caywood of Odessa Christian Faith Center handed the money over to police Chief Chris Pipes at a Sunday service. The department will distribute \$1,000 checks to 145 employees.

"It became obvious our men and women in blue are underpaid," Caywood told the congregation during the service.

Caywood said the church, which has a weekly attendance of about 1,600, raised most of the money since late October. Caywood said he was inspired after hearing of officers battling for better pay and benefits.

The donation also reflected the community's respect for police in the aftermath of the September deaths of three officers who were gunned down in the line of

duty. Cpls. Arlie Jones, 48, John "Scott" Gardner, 30, and Abel Marquez, 32, were shot while responding to a domestic disturbance call at the home of Larry Neil White, 58. White has been indicted on three counts of capital murder and three counts of attempted capital murder for the alleged shooting.

"We want their morale to soar," Caywood said in a story for Monday editions of the Odessa American.

Pipes said he was amazed by the gift. "The magnitude of thank you equal to the magnitude of the gift ... I don't have those words," Pipes said.

Cpl. Z. Saldana was among a group of patrol officers surprised by the checks at a Sunday afternoon briefing.

"For us to receive (the money) out of the generosity of their hearts ... there are no words to express what we feel for them," Saldana said.

## Multiple stars have babies over weekend

LOS ANGELES (AP) — David Alan Grier is the father of a new baby girl, according to published reports.

The actor and comedian's wife Christine Y. Kim gave birth to the girl Thursday afternoon, People magazine reported.

Luisa Danbi Grier-Kim — "Danbi" means "sweet rain" in Korean — was 7 pounds, 6 ounces at birth.

Grier was a cast member on TV's "In Living Color" and has appeared in other programs and films. Kim is a curator at the Studio Museum in Harlem. The two wed in July.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — "The Simple Life" just got more complicated for Nicole Richie: She's a first-time mom.

Richie, 26, gave birth Friday at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center to a daughter named Harlow Winter Kate Madden, People magazine reported on its Web site.

The father is Richie's 28-year-old boyfriend, Joel Madden, of the rock group Good Charlotte.

Richie, the socialite daughter of singer Lionel Richie, is perhaps best known for costarring with Paris Hilton in the reality show "The Simple Life."

Last year, she spent 82

minutes in jail after being convicted of driving under the influence of drugs. She was arrested in December 2006 after witnesses reported seeing her Mercedes-Benz SUV headed the wrong way on a freeway in Burbank.

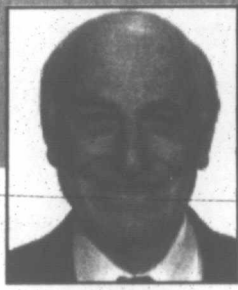
Courtney Thorne-Smith LOS ANGELES (AP) — Courtney Thorne-Smith has given birth to a baby boy, the actress' publicist said Sunday.

The father is Thorne-Smith's husband Roger Fishman, a media consultant. The couple named the boy Jacob Emerson Fishman.

Thorne-Smith, 40, is known for roles in several TV shows including "Melrose Place," "Ally McBeal" and "According to Jim."

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Christina Aguilera has given birth to a boy, the pop singer announced on her Web site Sunday. The baby was born Saturday night and weighs 6 pounds, 2 ounces. Aguilera, 27, was "resting and doing well," according to the message on her Web site.

Aguilera and Bratman married in 2005. The four-time Grammy Award winning singer has said she learned she was pregnant during her recent "Back to Basics" tour.



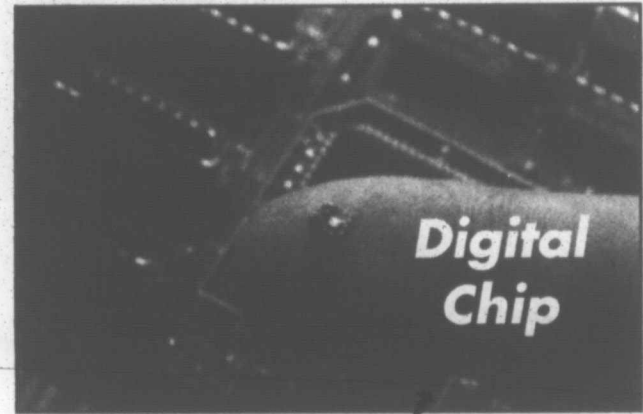
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