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## Pampa residents indicted on counterfeiting charges

By MARILYN POWERS  
Staff Writer

Three Pampa residents were indicted Tuesday by a federal grand jury in Amarillo on 44 counts of manufacturing counterfeit U.S. currency.

Brandon Lee Baxter, Ryan Wohlford and Judy Janne Hawkins were indicted in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas, Amarillo Division. Each was indicted for one count of conspiracy to manufacture counterfeit currency and 43 counts of manufacturing counterfeit currency, aiding and abetting.

The conspiracy charge of the indictment states that from Aug. 1 to Aug. 28, 2007, the three knowingly and intentionally acted together and with other persons known and unknown to

manufacture and traffic in counterfeit currency.

As part of the conspiracy, Wohlford and Hawkins allegedly bought paper and computer ink cartridges for Baxter to use in the printing of counterfeit currency. Wohlford and Hawkins allegedly cut out counterfeit currency that Baxter had printed on his computer. Baxter allegedly gave Wohlford approximately \$1,000 in counterfeited currency. Wohlford allegedly gave Baxter six authentic \$20 bills to use as patterns in the manufacture of counterfeit currency. Baxter allegedly manufactured \$15,000 in counterfeit currency at his residence at 825 Talley in Pampa.

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## Day at Rec Park



Pampa News photos by MARILYN POWERS

Ducks and geese at Recreation Park lake represent a variety of colors, sizes and breeds. These were unable to find a human from whom to beg bread or other food Wednesday afternoon as a cold front dropped temperatures and chances of wintry precipitation were forecast.

## PHOTOGRAPHY

### Photo contest under way

By KERRI SMITH  
Managing Editor

Do you enjoy photography? Do you have some great pictures of family and friends? If so, you need to get your cameras and photos out because the annual Pampa News photo contest is once again under way.

"The Pride," which is an annual special section that is scheduled to be inserted in The Pampa News on March 31, includes a section titled "Images." This section is devoted to photos of people doing things they love in Pampa.

The deadline for this photo contest is 5 p.m. March 14. The winner that is chosen will receive \$100 in Pampa Bucks and will have their photo published on the cover of the Images section.

This contest is open to all amateur photographers, but the photos must have been taken in Pampa. The photos may show people working, playing, relaxing or cele-

brating a special occasion. Photos of animals or scenery with no people in them will not be considered for this contest and will not be printed. Entrants are not limited as to the number of photos they may submit.

Entries may be prints or digital images burned on a CD in "jpeg" format. These may be mailed or brought by The Pampa News office and dropped off. Photos sent via e-mail will not be considered. Photos submitted on a CD should be of the contest entry only and not of a whole bunch of other pictures.

Each person in the photo must be identified by name and a brief description of what they are doing in the photo should be included as well. A date and place where the photos were taken should also be included. The photos should be from 2007 or 2008.

If a person other than the person

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## Two arrested for drugs after local traffic stops

By MARILYN POWERS  
Staff Writer

Two traffic stops Wednesday evening by Gray County sheriff's deputies led to the arrest of two Pampa residents for possession of illegal substances.

At 6:23 p.m., a deputy stopped a vehicle on Huff Road for committing a traffic violation, according to sheriff's department reports.

"When the deputy stopped the vehicle, the lady driver said she didn't have a driver's license," said GCSO Lt. Joe B. Hoard.

The woman gave her consent to search the vehicle, and the search yielded a

white powdered substance believed to be cocaine, along with a cigar containing marijuana, Hoard said.

Nikki Falana Session, 31, was arrested and booked into Gray County Jail on charges of possession of less than two ounces of marijuana and possession of less than one gram of a controlled substance.

At 10:28 p.m. Wednesday, deputies stopped a vehicle on Alcock Street for a reported traffic violation and asked the driver's permission to search the vehicle.

"The driver was searched  
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## Pig snout



Pampa News Photo by KERRI SMITH

This little porker was very curious what was going on outside of his pen at 'horse alley' recently.

## PISD to discuss waivers

By KERRI SMITH  
Managing Editor

School board members for the Pampa Independent School District will possibly approve a request to the Texas Education Agency for an expedited waiver for the 2008-2009 school year at a regular school board meeting at 6 p.m. tonight at Carver Center, 321 W. Albert.

The board will discuss and possibly approve the calendar for the 2008-2009 school year, which consists of only 177 teaching days instead of the required 180 days.

One portion of the waiver requests that the 177 teaching days be allowed if the three "lost" teaching days are substituted with three additional staff development days for employees.

The second part of the expedited

waiver, if approved, will allow campuses in the district to have up to six early dismissals if the campus employees spend the remainder of the work day in professional development.

The third and final portion of the waiver would allow campuses to use a modified schedule on TAKS days so that only students who are being tested are on the campus during the time of testing.

According to the district, all of these waivers have been used successfully in the district in the past.

The school calendar that is being considered for the 2008-2009 school year would begin classes on Aug. 25, 2008, and the last day of class would

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**NEXT DAY FORECAST**

Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Sunny	Sunny	Sunny

Friday: Partly sunny, with a high near 51. Wind chill values between 25 and 35 early. West-southwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Friday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 31. Wind chill values between 24 and 29. Southeast wind around 10 mph.

Saturday: Partly sunny, with a high near 59. South wind 10 to 15 mph becoming north-northwest. Winds could gust as high as 25 mph.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 35. North wind around 5 mph becoming calm.

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 65. North-northwest wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south between 15 and 20 mph. Winds could gust as high as 25 mph.

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 36. South-southwest wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

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**BP blast may be linked to health decline**

TEXAS CITY, Texas (AP) — The BP PLC refinery explosion that killed 15 people and injured scores of others in 2005 also affected how people living near the plant rated their health, according to a new study.

Residents within a 12-square-mile area of the refinery suffered a perceived decline in mental and physical health following the blast, according to a study published this month by the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston.

"We know that it's not just people who have loved ones affected by an accident, but it's the community as well," said Kristen Peek, the study's primary author.

Peek said most people interviewed for the study were not directly affected by the March 2005 explosion but still rated their perceived health more poorly in the months afterward. Actual results from the study are not yet ready to be released, she said.

The blast that injured more than 170 people happened as researchers had already begun collecting health data on people living near petrochemical plants for a broader study.

Researchers who had interviewed 550 Texas City residents since July 2004 went back and revisited with 315 of them from May to August 2005.

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**Obituaries**

*Services tomorrow*

**ENNIS, Mary Marie Parker** — 10 a.m., Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

**Lester Cochran, 92**

Lester Cochran, 92, of Pampa, Texas, died Feb. 20, 2008, at Pampa. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Cochran was born June 17, 1915, in Marion County, Ala. He married Opal Winegeart on Nov. 13, 1938, in Memphis, Texas. She preceded him in death on Jan. 22, 2008.

He had been a resident of

Pampa since 1959.

Lester worked for Curtis Well Service as a mechanic. He was a Baptist. He coached baseball for many years at the Pampa Optimist Club.

Survivors include six sons, Dexter Cochran and wife Betty of White Deer, Mar Cochran and wife Betty, Ted Cochran and wife Lea Ann, Ed Cochran and wife

Patty, and Kirby Cochran and wife Rita, all of Pampa, and Danny Cochran, of the home; three daughters, Carolyn Nelson and husband Van of Nacogdoches, LaGwenda Walker and husband Gary, and Lesa Greer and husband Jene, all of Pampa; two sisters, Betty Jean Dunn of Amarillo and Dorothy Alexander of Abilene; one brother,

Thomas Jefferson Cochran, Jr., of Lubbock; 24 grandchildren; 41 great-grandchildren; and seven great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by three great-grandchildren, Justin Graves, Tyler Johnson and Bailey Brame.

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

**Mary Marie Parker Ennis, 59**

Mary Marie Parker Ennis, 59, of Pampa, Texas, died Feb. 19, 2008, at Pampa.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Feb. 22, 2008, at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with Pastor Doug Yates, of the First Church of the Nazarene of Plainview, and Pastor Jimmie Cole, of the First Church of the Nazarene of Pampa, officiating.

Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Ennis was born Jan. 26, 1949, in St. Albans, W.Va. She was reared in St. Albans, W.Va., where she attended St. Albans High School.

She started her nuclear medicine training at the South Charleston Medical Center in West Virginia. She worked as an X-ray technician most of her life.

She was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene.

She came to Pampa in 1990 from Fayetteville, N.C. She married C.L. Ennis, Jr., on April 19, 1991, in Pampa at the Assembly of God Church. He preceded her in death in 2001.

One of her main passions was to play the accordion and Christian music, and she



Ennis

also liked to paint T-shirts and give them to the grandchildren.

Survivors include one brother, Ralph Parker and wife Ruth of Fayetteville, N.C.; three nieces, Carol Doud and husband Tom of Pampa, Angela Semprott and husband Jack of Clearwater, Fla., and Robin Williford and husband Wayne of Fayetteville, N.C.; two nephews, Michael Jenkins and wife Merry of Pampa, and David Parker and wife Carrie of Fayetteville, N.C.; two grandsons, Morgan Ennis Jr.,

and wife Starla of Amarillo, and Josh Ennis of Pampa; two granddaughters, Sarah Ennis of Pampa and Tandy Ennis of Fritch; sister-in-law, Charlene Rich of Pampa; several aunts and uncles; several grandnieces and grandnephews; and 11 great-grandnieces and great-grandnephews.

MEMORIALS: First Church of the Nazarene, 510 N. West, Pampa, TX 79065, or Odyssey Hospice, 6900 I-40 West, Suite 150, Amarillo, TX 79106.

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

**Emergency Services**

**Pampa PD**

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

Twenty-nine traffic stops were made. Stops in the 1400 block of North Hobart, the 1100 block of Garland and the intersection of Denver and Finley streets resulted in arrests.

A traffic complaint was received from the intersection of Alcock and Hobart streets.

Vehicle accidents were reported at the intersection of Harvester and Charles streets, the 100 block of North Cuyler, the intersection of Kentucky and Williston streets, the intersection of Randy Matson and Hobart streets, and the 100 block of South Faulkner.

Animal control officers made stops concerning animals at the intersection of Barnes and Ballard streets, and the 900 block of Denver.

Welfare checks were made in the 1100 block of Varnon Drive and the 900 block of Schneider.

Suspicious person calls were received from the inter-

section of Elm and Barrett streets, the 300 block of South Cuyler, the 200 block of South Hobart and the 400 block of Graham. At least one arrest was made in connection with the incident in the 300 block of South Cuyler.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 2800 block of Charles, the 800 block of East Browning and the 2200 block of North Nelson.

Harassment was reported in the 1100 block of Rider.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 1000 block of North Wells. At least one arrest was made in connection with the incident.

A domestic disturbance, assault on a family member and interfering with a 911 call were reported in the 1100 block of Seneca. Minor injuries which did not require medical attention were reported in connection with the incident.

Two alarms were reported.

Theft was reported in the 400 block of Powell. Taken were a Social Security card and birth certificate.

Theft was reported in the police department lobby.

Tools valued at \$200 were taken from an unreported location.

**Sheriff**

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

**Wednesday, Feb. 20**  
 Nikki Falana Session, 31, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO for possession of less than one gram of a controlled substance and possession of less than two ounces of marijuana.

Jarren David-Thomas Long, 22, of Pampa was arrested in the 300 block of South Cuyler by Pampa Police Department for no seat belt - passenger and failure to appear.

Clinton Lee Ladd, 23, of Pampa was arrested in the 1100 block of Garland by PPD for a seat belt violation and a capias pro fine for no valid driver's license.

Terry Wayne Rapstine, 44, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO for possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of one or more grams but less than four grams of a controlled substance.

**Thursday, Feb. 21**

Jeanette Yvette Venegas, 22, of Pampa was arrested in the 1000 block of North Wells by PPD for failure to control speed and failure to appear.

Rebecca Jane Carpenter, 35, of Pampa was arrested in the 700 block of Finley by PPD for no valid driver's license.

**Fire**

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

**Wednesday, Feb. 20**  
 8:25 a.m. — One unit and four personnel responded to the 600 block of Lefors on an odor investigation.

12:49 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the intersection of Williston and Kentucky on a motor vehicle accident.

5:21 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the intersection of Hobart and Randy Matson on a motor vehicle accident.

**Lottery rejects push to stop ticket sales where smoking allowed**

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Lottery Commission will continue allowing tick-

ets sales in stores that permit smoking after earlier weighing a ban urged by anti-smoking and civil rights activists.

Lottery officials rejected efforts Wednesday by groups concerned that secondhand smoke prevents people with disabilities or illnesses related to smoke from buying tickets at some locations.

"We are discussing ways we can educate the public about where the nearest smoke-free location might

be, such as posting the information on our Web site," commission spokesman Bobby Heith said.

Less than 10 percent of 16,000 lottery retailers surveyed allow smoking, Heith said.

Talk of a ban intensified after Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott issued an opin-

ion that the practice could make the state vulnerable to civil rights lawsuits.

The issue has been smoldering since 2006 when Billy Williams, 77, of Lewisville, complained to lottery officials that he suffered an asthma attack after buying a lottery ticket at a store that allowed smoking.

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## Record crude oil prices cause Texas retail gas prices to spike

HOUSTON (AP) — Record-high crude oil prices this week have caused retail gasoline prices to skyrocket in Texas and nationally. Regular self-serve gasoline soared 12 cents this week to an average of \$2.99 per gallon, according to the weekly AAA Texas gasoline price survey Thursday. Nationally, prices soared 11 cents to \$3.09 per gallon, according to the survey. "Eight of the eleven Texas regions surveyed posted double-digit increases, with Texarkana spiking 18 cents," said auto club spokeswoman Rose Rougeau. "Crude oil prices surged above \$100 a barrel this week on speculation and the possibility of OPEC reducing its output at an upcoming meeting.

However, analysts believe an increase in oil inventories would remove some of the edge off of oil prices, helping to slow the increase in retail gas prices." San Antonio has the lowest average in this week's survey at \$2.95 per gallon, up 9 cents from last week. Texarkana has the most expensive gas in the state at \$3.06 per gallon, up 18 cents from last week. These are average per-gallon prices of regular, self-serve gasoline in Texas and nationally, as well as the change from last week, according to the AAA Texas Weekend Gas Watch issued Thursday: Amarillo — \$3.050, up 12.8 cents Austin-San Marcos —

\$2.989, up 9.9 cents  
Beaumont — \$3.007, up 9.8 cents  
Corpus Christi — \$2.952, up 16.8 cents  
Dallas — \$2.981, up 13.7 cents  
El Paso — \$2.962, up 10.2 cents  
Fort Worth — \$2.977, up 13.3 cents  
Galveston-Texas City — \$2.966, up 11.7 cents  
Houston — \$2.972, up 12.7 cents  
San Antonio — \$2.947, up 9.0 cents  
Texarkana (Texas only) — \$3.063, up 17.8 cents  
State — \$2.990, up 11.9 cents  
Nationally — \$3.086, up 10.7 cents

## Justin Timberlake set for role as Corpus Christi minor league player

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — The new star of the Corpus Christi Hooks minor league baseball team will never hit a home run, but he's a bona fide major leaguer in one way: salary. Multimillionaire pop star Justin Timberlake will portray fictional Hooks player Carlton Garrett in the upcoming movie "The Open Road." The six-time Grammy winner recently tried to meet in Austin with actual players of the Houston Astros' Double-A team, but schedules didn't align. "Justin wants to portray what it's like playing for the Hooks, playing for an Astros minor league team and playing at Whataburger Field," Hooks president J.J. Gottsch said. But the 27-year-old Timberlake won't be at Whataburger Field anytime soon. Shooting began Tuesday in Hammond, La. "The Open Road" is the story of a young man trying to reconnect with his

father — a legendary athlete, played by Jeff Bridges — as he struggles to get home to his ailing mother. Mary Steenburgen and Kata Mara are also in the film. Writer-director Michael Meredith, the son of former Dallas Cowboys quarterback Don Meredith and a former University of Texas at Austin student, drew on his Texas ties for the concept, Gottsch said. While most of the real Hooks are preparing for spring training, Gottsch remained hopeful that a handful of players may be able to consult with Timberlake — No. 31 in the movie — about his role. Last year, Timberlake voiced a character in the Mike Myers opus, "Shrek the Third." His other film credits include "Model Behavior" (2000), "Edison" (2005), "Black Snake Moan" (2006) and "Alpha Dog" (2006).

### ARTWORK

## Hand-painted horses part of rodeo

HOUSTON (AP) — The cows came first. Then the boots had their turn. This year, mustangs will reign. By the end of this month, a herd of 28 hand-painted horses will go on display across Houston, all part of the pre-rodeo hype organized by the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. The public art part public relations, part charity event is an outgrowth of the 1999 Cow Parade in Chicago, which quickly became a national phenomenon. Two years later, Houston sponsored its first cow parade with local corporations and charities paying artists to decorate fiberglass bovines. Other cities have organized displays of painted guitars, corn and salmon. Last year, Houston's rodeo followed suit with larger-than-life cowboy boots scattered around town. This year, organizers decided on the equally Wild West-themed mustangs. "The hope is to have them out in the community and just build a little good will, let them know that we embrace our Western heritage in the city," said Charlene Floyd, head of the committee behind the mustang

exhibit. A few of the horses will make a showing downtown for a pre-rodeo event Feb. 26, but the rest will be on display during the rodeo at Reliant Stadium next month. "This one was on Jay Leno," Houston artist Kermit Eisenhut said, pointing out a picture of one of his boots that Leno, as part of a joke, showed a picture of on his late-night talk show last year. Eisenhut was working on the exhibit's last mustang, a mare called Towering Bronco, that's sponsored by Hines, an international real estate firm based in Houston. Once completed, the horse will be covered in images of downtown skyscrapers and buildings the corporation helped develop. "There is the Wortham Center on the belly," Eisenhut said, pointing. "The Williams Tower is on the tail." Towering Bronco is Eisenhut's 12th mustang. Last year, he made 15 boots and in 2001 completed 14 cows. Usually the fiberglass forms take about three days to create, he said from his makeshift studio in the corner of a downtown auto body shop.

Eisenhut started painting there after neighbors complained that he was hauling life-size cows in and out of his apartment. From his new location, the 54-year-old artist can pay the shop mechanics to put a shiny, clear car finish on each new piece. After the horses' stint at the rodeo, the art objects will make their way back to their owners, many of whom will auction them off for charity or put them on display in their business lobbies. In the past some residents have even taken a particularly attractive boot or cow home with them, Eisenhut said. "I hear a lot of 'Oh, is that yours out in my neighborhood?'" he said. "I am like, 'It could be, I don't know where a lot of mine ended up.'" He and other artists would like to see the city or rodeo sponsor a new art object each year. But Floyd said she thinks they'll take a break next year. Perhaps for the rodeo's 80th anniversary, in 2012, they'll bring in something new, she said. "Our next project might be a Western hat," Floyd said. "But we'll see."

## Clinton campaigns in South Texas

HIDALGO, Texas (AP) — Hillary Rodham Clinton, back in South Texas after stinging defeats in other parts of the country, told a crowd in Hidalgo that she would end the program known as "No Child Left Behind." An estimated crowd of 6,000 screamed in appreciation for Clinton Wednesday night as she harkened back to her days registering voters for the Democratic Party in South Texas 35 years ago. Clinton told the crowd she loved coming to South Texas. The crowd, packed with high school students, roared

when Clinton said she would make college affordable for every young person in the United States. President Bush created "No Child Left Behind," which includes federal progress requirements.

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## Jury

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The remaining 43 counts involve aiding and abetting the manufacture of counterfeit currency and lists each counterfeit bill allegedly manufactured by the trio. The counterfeit cur-

rency consisted of two \$10 bills, 25 \$20 bills, six \$50 bills and 10 \$100 bills. "This began with a case in which Gray County Sheriff's Office executed a search warrant and then turned the case over to the Secret Service," said GCSO Lt. Joe B. Hoard. A call to the Secret Service office in Lubbock confirmed that a Secret Service agent was assigned to the

case against the three Pampans. Baxter, Wohlford and Hawkins were arrested and booked into Gray County Jail on Aug. 28, 2007 on charges of forgery of a national government instrument, according to jail records. "Our charges were dropped when the case was turned over to the Secret Service," Hoard said.

## Photo

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entering the photos in the contest is in any of the pictures, a signed release from each of those persons granting permission to publish their likeness must also accompany the photos, unless they are young chil-

dren, and in that case the parents of that child must provide permission. Entries must include the name, address and day-time telephone number of the person submitting the photos where they can be reached in case of any questions. Photos that do not include the required information and releases will not be considered in the contest. Photos need to be mailed

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## Drugs

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for weapons prior to searching the car," Hoard said. "Deputies found

drug paraphernalia in his jacket pocket, and he was placed under arrest." The vehicle was then searched and the man was brought to Gray County Jail. "During another search of the man at the jail, a plastic bag containing a crystalline substance was found," Hoard said. The substance is believed

to be methamphetamine. Terry Wayne Rapstine, 44, was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of one or more grams but less than four grams of a controlled substance. Both Session and Rapstine remained in jail awaiting arraignment as of press time.

## PISD

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be May 29, 2009. If approved, students will get three days out of class for the

Thanksgiving holiday. The Christmas break would be a two-week period from Dec. 22, 2008 through Jan. 2, 2009. Spring break would be the week of March 16, 2009. Board members will also consider approving a dyslexia handbook. This book

would provide information about how the dyslexia program is handled in this district to teachers, parents and the community. Also on the agenda for tonight's meeting is consideration of property and casualty insurance, a budget

amendment, a school health advisory council and administrator's contracts. The board will hear reports on board credit hours, personnel management and the budget planning calendar.

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# Viewpoints

## There are all flavors, varieties of mail

I love getting mail, except, well, um, not bills. I love getting catalogs, but not circulars and coupons. Mail comes in many flavors and varieties. A good letter, for example, is the BEST kind of mail. A scooter promotion for someone on Medicare is the worst, especially if that someone (being me) is quite a few years shy of retirement age.

Though I am completely unwilling to share here the exact length of time I've been on this planet, let me now say ... I am not 60! Far from it. All scooter advertisements, rebates, etc., forward to my mother. She is 70. Something. (Er, sorry, Mom. You don't look a day over 50.)

The other day a scrap of mail from the United States Postal Service caught my eye two-seconds before I trashed it. The red "Identity theft prevention tips" on the envelop halted my hand mid-fling. Tsk, tsk, tsk. Identity theft seems to be a growing (and scary) problem for more and more Americans.

I must admit that, along with tornadoes, fire, burglars and spiders, identity theft ranks among my worst fears. Below are some tips lifted verbatim from the aforementioned mailing.

Deter identity thieves by safeguarding your information.

- Shred financial docu-

ments and paperwork with personal information before you discard them.

**Skyla Bryant**

News Editor

- **Protect your Social Security number.** Don't carry your Social Security card in your wallet or write your Social Security number on a check. Give it out only if absolutely necessary or ask to use another identifier.

- **Don't give out personal information** on the phone, through the mail, or over the Internet unless you know who you are dealing with.

- **Never click on links** sent in unsolicited emails;

instead, type in a Web address you know. Use firewalls, anti-spyware, and anti-virus software to protect your home computer; keep them up-to-date. Visit OnGuardOnline.gov for more information.

- **Don't use an obvious password** like your birth date, your mother's maiden name, or the last four digits of your Social Security number.

- **Keep your personal information** in a secure place at home, especially if you

have roommates, employ outside help, or are having work done in your house.

Common Ways ID Theft Happens: Skilled identity thieves use a variety of methods to steal your personal information, including:

1. **Dumpster Diving.** They rummage through trash looking for bills or other paper with your personal information on it.

2. **Skimming.** They steal credit/debit card numbers by using a special storage device when processing your card.

3. **Phishing.** They pretend to be financial institutions or companies and send spam or pop-up messages to get you

to reveal your personal information.

4. **Changing Your Address.** They divert your billing statements to another location by completing a "change of address" form.

5. **"Old-Fashioned" Stealing.** They steal wallets and purses; mail, including bank and credit card statements; pre-approved credit offers; and new checks or tax information. They steal personnel records from their employers, or bribe employees who have access.

Did you know there is a task force on identity theft? To find out more, log onto [www.ftc.gov/idtheft](http://www.ftc.gov/idtheft).

## Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Feb. 21, the 52nd day of 2008. There are 314 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 21, 1965, black Muslim leader and civil rights activist Malcolm X, 39, was shot to death inside the Audubon Ballroom in New York by assassins identified as members of the Nation of Islam.

On this date:

In 1885, the Washington Monument was dedicated.

In 1907, Anglo-American poet W.H. Auden was born in York, England.

In 1916, the World War I Battle of Verdun began in France as German forces attacked; the French were able to prevail after 10 months of fighting.

*'There is nothing more horrifying than stupidity in action.'*

— Adlai E. Stevenson  
American politician and diplomat (1900-1965)

In 1925, The New Yorker magazine made its debut.

In 1947, Edwin H. Land publicly demonstrated his Polaroid Land camera, which could produce a black-and-white photograph in 60 seconds.

In 1972, President Nixon began his historic visit to China as he and his wife, Pat, arrived in Shanghai.

In 1973, Israeli fighter planes shot down Libyan Arab Airlines Flight 114 over the Sinai Desert, killing more than 100 people.

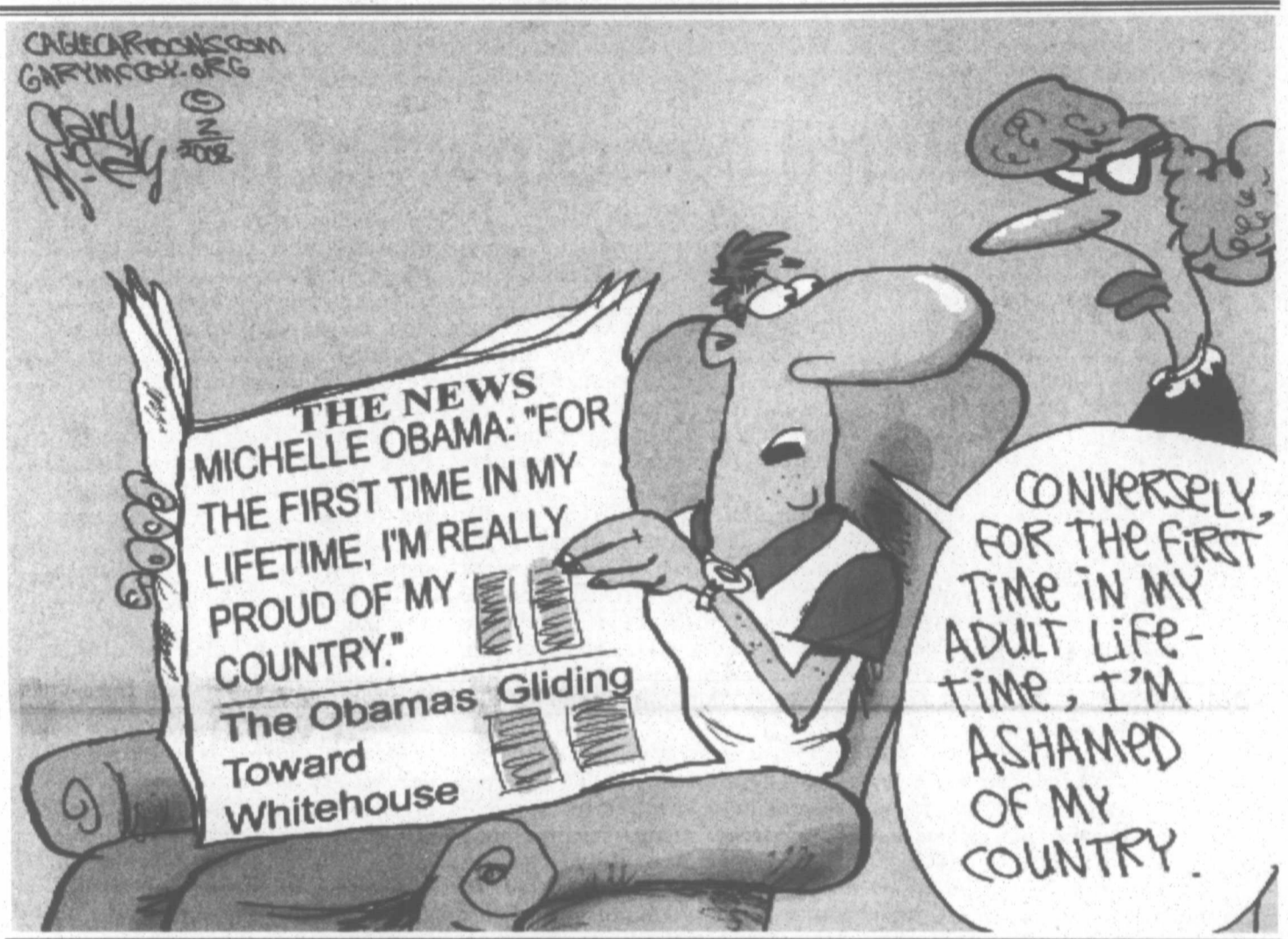
In 1975, former Attorney General John N. Mitchell and former White House aides H.R. Haldeman and John D. Ehrlichman were sentenced to 2 1/2 to 8 years in prison for their roles in the Watergate cover-up.

In 1995, Chicago adventurer Steve Fossett became the first person to fly solo across the Pacific Ocean in a balloon, landing in Leader, Saskatchewan, Canada.

In 2000, consumer advocate Ralph Nader announced his entry into the presidential race, bidding for the nomination of the Green Party.

Ten years ago: U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan began formal talks with Iraqi officials in the standoff over weapons inspections.

Five years ago: The owners of The Station nightclub in West Warwick, R.I., where 100 people perished in a fast-moving fire the night before, denied giving the rock band Great White permission to use fireworks blamed for setting off the blaze, although the band's singer insisted the use of pyrotechnics had been approved. Chief U.N. inspector Hans Blix ordered the destruction of dozens of Iraqi missiles with ranges that violated U.N. limits.



## Many comparing Obama to Reagan

Martin Anderson has been watching a certain politician this primary season who reminds him a lot of his former boss.

"He's doing a brilliant job," says the Hoover Institution fellow who served as senior public policy adviser in Ronald Reagan's 1976 and 1980 presidential campaigns.

"He is the only person out there that's talking like Reagan. In terms of his approach, and what he's doing, he's doing exactly what Reagan did and no one notices."

Anderson's not talking about John McCain or Mike Huckabee. He's talking about Barack Obama — the only Democrat on Earth who can save America from four more torturous years of Clintonism.

Others have spotted resemblances between Sen.

Obama's and President Reagan's superior oratorical and communication skills, though they are obviously opposite in style, delivery and message. But Anderson arguably knows the real Reagan better than anyone else alive.

Not only did he travel tens of thousands of miles with him on campaign trails, but since 2001 he's co-authored three books that used thousands of radio commentaries, letters and speeches Reagan wrote to prove that Reagan was never the empty suit he was said to be.

And as for those who still think Reagan was a passive player in the demise of the U.S.S.R., Anderson's current

book project will soon show otherwise.

Anderson and his wife Annelise have been given access to classified minutes of more than 330 meetings of the high-powered National Security Council, which met in the 1980s to plot the defeat of the Soviets. Reagan was not only the chairman of those meetings, Anderson said, he "made all the decisions, ran the whole shop."

Getting back to Obama, Anderson said his campaign strategy also echoes what candidate Reagan did.

"Obama wants the Democrats but he also wants the people in the middle. He wants the Republicans. This is the reverse of Reagan.

Reagan said, 'Look, I want the Republicans, but I'll take the ones in the middle and I want all the Democrats.'

"They're both saying, we are doing this not for the Republican Party or the Democrat Party but the whole country."

Meanwhile, as Obama has been trying to seduce independent and (very) liberal Republicans, the Reagan remnant has obviously failed to find a new hero to save the Republican Party.

The candidate who's said the nicest things about Reagan, Anderson said, is Obama. Obama caught hell from other Democrat candidates for saying Reagan had the vision-thing but even the hard left sees the Reagan in Obama.

Nation magazine writer Christopher Hayes, for

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## Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

Feb. 9  
San Antonio Express-News on McCain as the right choice for the GOP nomination:

John McCain seems like an unlikely candidate, let alone undisputed front-runner, for the GOP nomination in 2008. Yet for Republicans, the choice should be clear. McCain is the best nominee to lead the Republican ticket in November.

The Arizona senator's tendency to be a political maverick has earned him the mistrust of some party loyalists. The campaign finance reform measure that bears his name and his advocacy for

comprehensive immigration reform and climate stewardship are considered to be examples of his past apostasy by some opponents.

In a general election, these may actually be attractive points for independent voters.

On core conservative issues, however, there should be no doubts about McCain. And since his own brush with scandal shortly after arriving in Congress in the 1980s, he has been an outspoken advocate for accountability and ethics.

McCain's strong opposition to profligate spending and wasteful earmarks also has been unpopular on Capitol Hill another example of his maverick spirit. But the Republican Party and the nation would be better off if his counsel

had been followed.

National security issues have in large measure defined the McCain campaign. And it's on this point, more than any other, that he separates himself from his principal challenger.

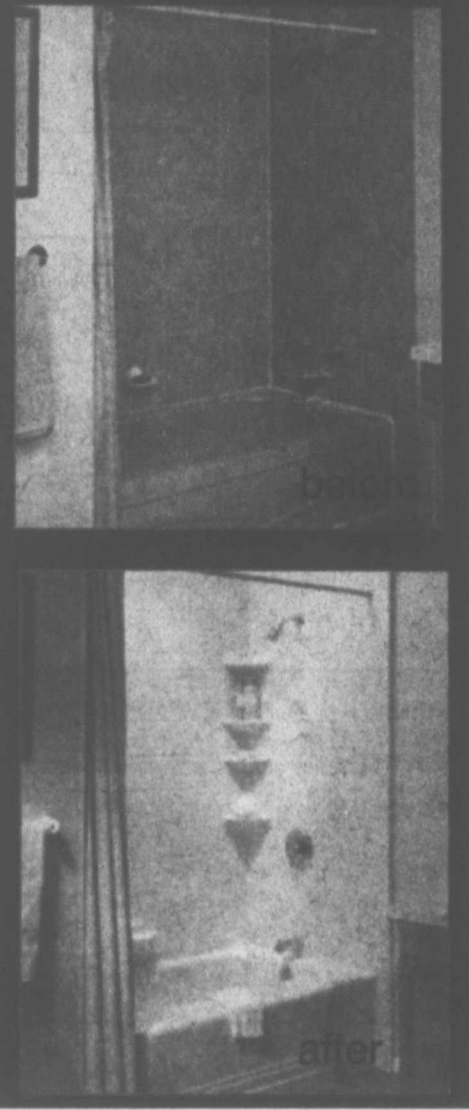
Military service is not a prerequisite for entering the White House. But McCain brings a vast amount of personal and political experience that makes him uniquely qualified to address the nation's foreign policy challenges.

A year ago, he staked out an unpopular position on Iraq, judging that a precipitous American withdrawal would make matters worse while a new commander with a new strategy and addi-

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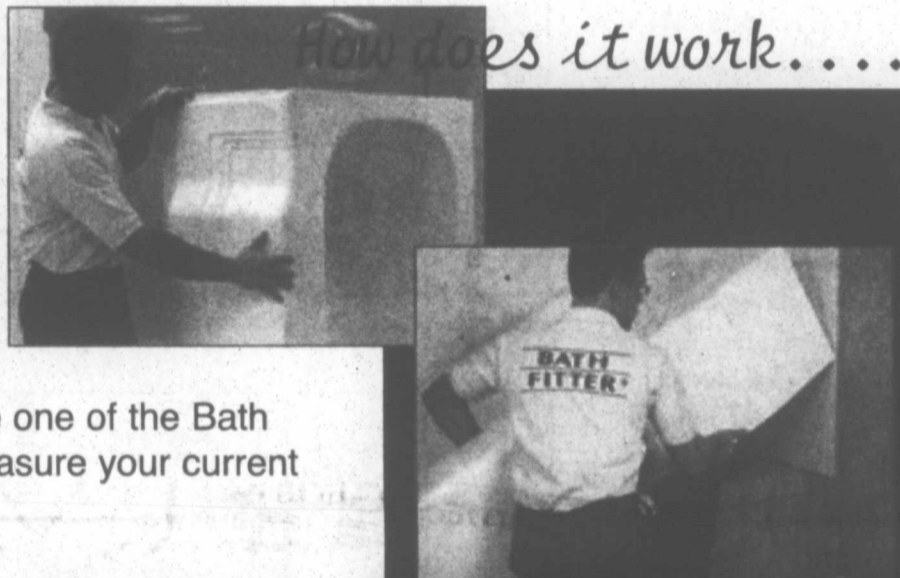
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# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

**DEAR ABBY:** Although I agree with you that "Dee-Voted Friend in D.C." (Dec. 26) needs to stop lying to her friend and building up false hopes, I think you missed the mark with the rest of your advice. Believe me, Dee knows she's overweight and that it's negatively affecting her social life. She's just not ready to deal with it. "Dee-Voted" didn't indicate that Dee has even asked for her advice or help, so maybe she should consider her own motivation. Does she really just want to help her friend, or does she want Dee to conform to her standards? Abby, friendship is acceptance. If she's truly a friend, "Dee-Voted" will simply enjoy Dee and remain supportive until that special guy who can appreciate her comes along. Believe me, he's out there. — **G.D. IN BOZEMAN, MONT.**

**DEAR G.D.:** You make a valid point. Although most of those who responded disagreed with my advice to "Dee-Voted," I feel it is important to address the issue of the health risks -- heart disease, diabetes, stroke, joint pain -- related to people who are overweight or obese. Read on:

**DEAR ABBY:** As a chubby person myself, I'm sick and tired of the myth that extra pounds mean you can't find love. I have never been a thin person, but I've rarely been a single person. I firmly believe that there is a shoe for every foot, and finding that shoe has more to do with having confidence and being true to yourself than being thin. I have known many women who have lost 50 pounds or more only to find the problem wasn't their appearance. It was something much deeper in their personalities. If Dee is striking out with the men in her life, my advice is to look in a different social circle for a date. If the men she's aiming for can't see past her size, I'm

not sure why she'd want to be with them anyway. — **CHUBBY AND LOVED, ALEXANDRIA, VA.**

**DEAR ABBY:** Do you think Dee isn't aware she's overweight? I'm a lot like her, only I'm 100 pounds overweight. Dee should drop this "friend." Nobody needs friends who are condescending or pity them. Instead of trying to find a man in a bar or restaurant, where appearance is all that is considered, she should try other avenues. There's plenty of love for everybody, and chances are it's not only her weight that's keeping the right men away. For me, it was the chip on my shoulder -- the belief that I wasn't good enough because I was fat. Once I made peace with that, I've had them ... **KNOCKING DOWN MY DOOR IN MICHIGAN**

**DEAR ABBY:** There's no way to delude yourself into thinking you're not fat if you are. Dee is reminded of that fact when she goes to the mall and shops in plus-size stores and departments. She knows what's reflected in the mirror. I've been fat all my life, and I have never lacked for male companionship when I really wanted it. Dee needs to believe that she's beautiful, talented and funny, and that she is worthy of love and respect, no matter what size her jeans are. When that happens, she'll find "Mr. Right." — **PLUS-SIZE AND HAPPY**

**DEAR ABBY:** Many cultures embrace being plus-sized as a beautiful thing. As a man, I would choose a larger woman over a "twig" any day of the week. Dee is beautiful regardless of weight. One day someone like me will come along and prove that she is loved for who she is. — **ERIC IN COLORADO**

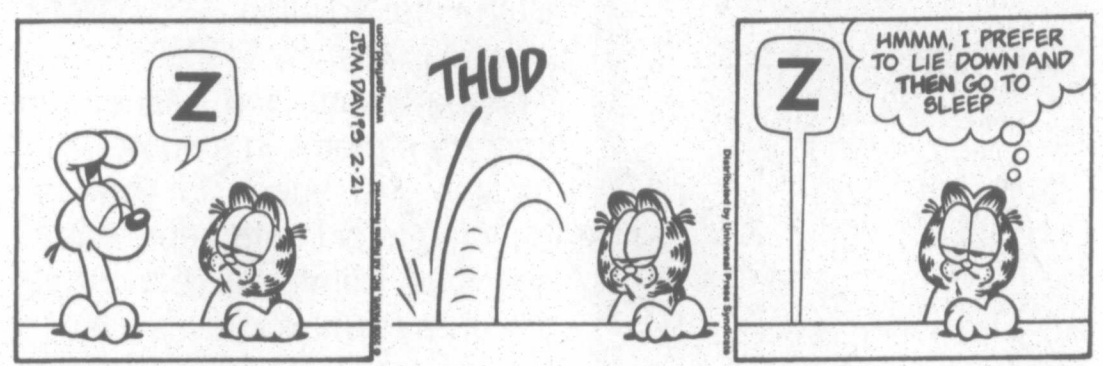
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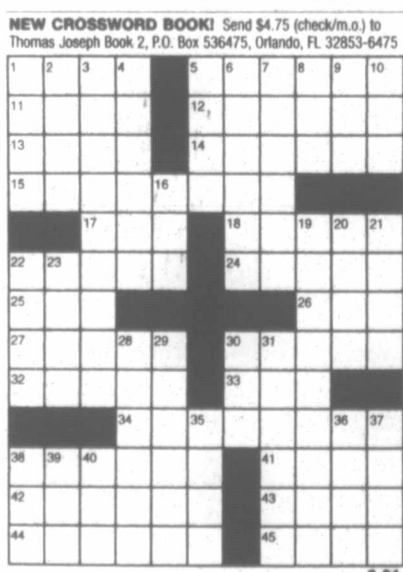
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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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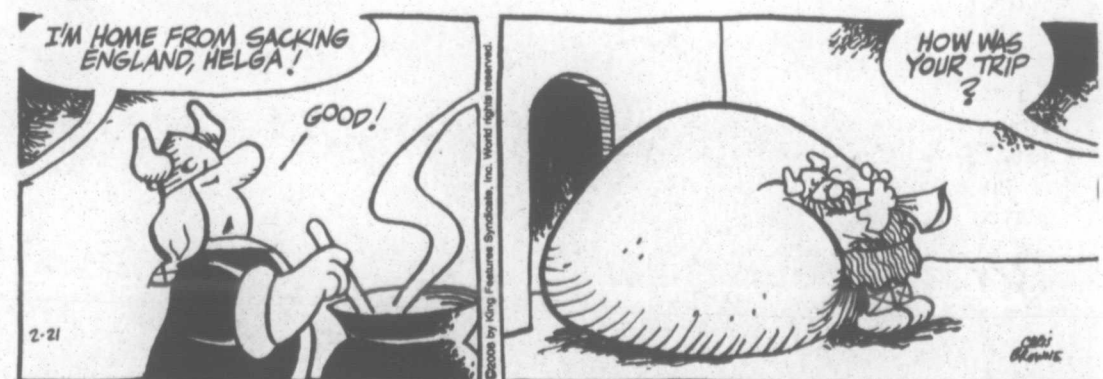
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# Sports

## Bufs

### Bufs defeat Javelinas for sixth straight victory

CANYON, Texas — Junior point guard Kyle Shields narrowly missed his first career double-double, ending play with 14 points and nine rebounds Wednesday night, as the West Texas A&M men's basketball team notched its sixth straight victory, defeating Texas A&M-Kingsville 69-51 at the First United Bank Center.

The win, which is WT's 11th in its last 12 contests, improves the team's overall record to 19-6, which includes a 9-1 mark in Lone Star Conference South Division play. The Javelinas, meanwhile, fall to 16-9 on the year and 5-5 in league action.

One major factor in the contest was the Bufs' ability to control the boards. WT held a 44-26 advantage in the rebounding column allowing it to post a 22-2 lead in second chance points.

Senior Andre Hill enjoyed a solid night, contributing 12 points on 5-of-8 shooting and six rebounds while collecting two blocked shots on the defensive end. Classmate Robert Lee was also potent, chipping in with 10 points

and two blocks.

After jumping out to a 7-2 lead in the contest, the Texas A&M-Kingsville shooters went cold as they were held off the scoreboard by a the Bufs' powerful defensive effort for the next 4:16. The drought allowed the Bufs to build a 12-7 lead with a 10-0 run.

A lay-up by Adan Montalvo gave the Javelinas a 14-12 advantage, but the lead was short-lived as a thundering dunk by the Bufs' Hill tied the game at 14-14.

The Bufs used the momentum from the dunk to produce a 15-5 run which left them in possession of an eight-point lead at 27-19 with 5:48 to play.

Texas A&M-Kingsville recovered to make a small run prior to halftime, but the Bufs ended the half on a surge as junior Keon Grant nailed a three-pointer with 38 seconds to play and Tyler Cooper's fast break lay-up with only 20 seconds remaining gave the Bufs a 10-point advantage, 38-28. The Javelinas, however, got a short jumper from Stephen Story as time expired to head to the locker room down only eight.

Grant started the scoring starting in the second half, draining another shot from long distance with 17:51 on the clock after both teams came up empty on their first few possession of the period. The junior from Pembroke, Ky., finished the night 2-of-4 from three-point range with six points and five rebounds.

A pair of free throws from Hill gave the Bufs a double-digit advantage, 51-40, with 10:43 to play. Another powerful dunk by Hill, this time after a fast break miss by Lee, pushed the Bufs' lead to 18, 62-44, with 3:20 remaining in the contest.

The lead swelled to as many as 20 on two Pierre Barlow free throws with 2:52 to play, putting the game out of reach of the Javelinas.

The Bufs return to action on their home court this weekend when they face No. 12 Tarleton State in a showdown of the top two teams in the LSC South standings. WT also will be out for a measure of revenge as their only loss in conference play came against TSU earlier this season.

### Duke lacrosse team sues school, city

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — More than three dozen current and former Duke lacrosse players claim in a lawsuit they suffered emotional distress during the furor over the now-discredited rape case against three of their teammates.

Attorneys planned to file a federal lawsuit Thursday in North Carolina that accuses

Duke University, the City of Durham and several school and police officials of fraud, abuse, and breach of duty for supporting the prosecution of the case.

Lead attorney Chuck Cooper said the private university turned its back on the players to protect the school's image.

"These young men want

an acknowledgment that they were wronged by institutions and individuals that they trusted to treat them honestly," Cooper said in a statement. "They were victimized by a corrupt investigation that ignored or suppressed evidence that would have cleared them."

### Boys soccer defeats Canyon, 6-0

By Katherine Flanary Sports Editor

In game that didn't give the Canyon Eagles a chance, the Harvesters beat Canyon 6-0.

At the half, the score was 2-0, and in the second half, the last four goals were scored.

Rusty Snider scored the first two goals, while Tanner Dyson scored the third and fifth goals. Cesar Marrufo scored the remaining two goals.

"It was a great team effort for the boys getting their first win in district this year," Coach John True said in an email. "The defense played well, staying fairly

organized at times, not giving the keeper too much to do."

In the Lady Harvester's game against Randall Tuesday, the girls did not have a chance to score.

"We had a few opportunities on counter-attacks, but were unsuccessful scoring," Smith said.

Three of the Lady Harvester's starters are out for the season with injuries.

"We are holding things together well without those girls, even though we would love to have them playing," Smith said.

Smith went on to say that the girls played well against

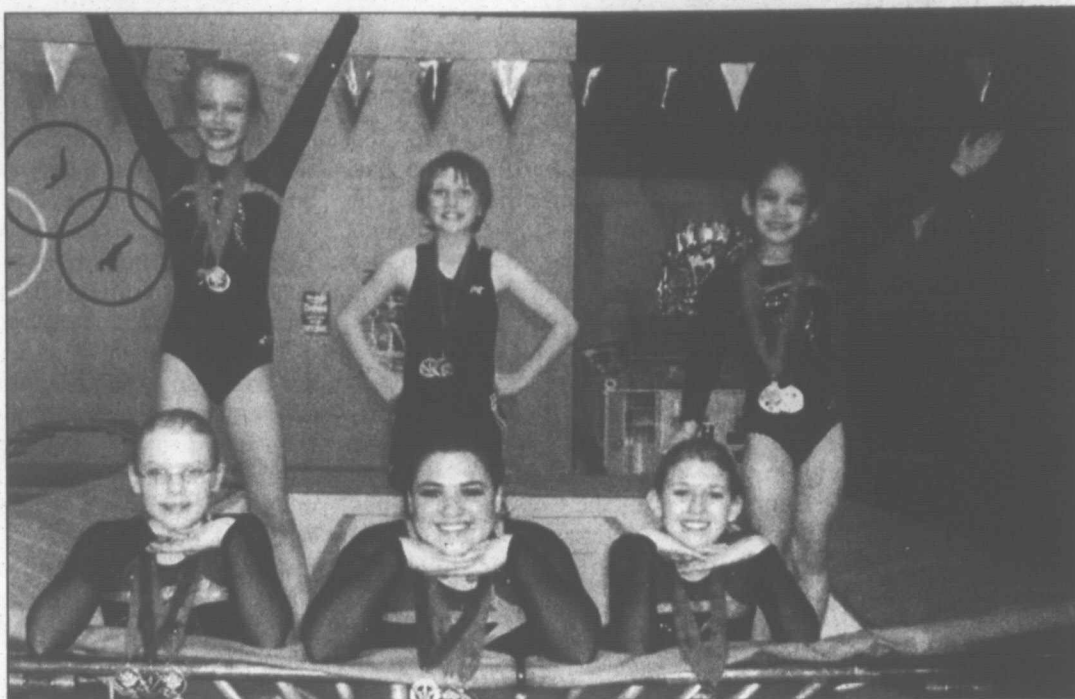
Randall, but since the team is young, mistakes were made that come with that youth.

"I thought the girls played with a lot of heart and fought through some circumstances that were out of their control," Smith said.

The Lady Harvesters play Canyon today at 4 p.m. at Travis Elementary.

About today's game, Smith said, "Canyon is a quality, well coached team that will bring a lot of intensity to the game. If we can match the intensity and play to our potential, then we have a great chance to win the game."

## Gymnastics



Courtesy Photo

The following M.G. Flyers, gymnasts from Madeline Graves, were at the first qualifying gym meet in Lubbock recently. Pictured are as follows, bottom, left to right: Cheyenne Williams (third tumbling, eighth trampoline, ninth double mini), Danielle Zuniga (third tumbling, fifth double mini), Jacie Ketcherside (fifth tumbling, fourth trampoline, fourth double mini). Top, left to right: Sara Shoenrock (fifth tumbling, eighth trampoline, fifth double mini), B.J. Ketcherside (second tumbling, second trampoline, fifth double mini), Gracey Durham (seventh trampoline, eighth double mini, second floor).

### Paul spoils Kidd's Dallas debut

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Perhaps Chris Paul and the New Orleans Hornets don't need any blockbuster trades to keep pace with their Western Conference rivals.

Paul had 31 points, 11 assists and a career-high nine steals, spoiling Jason Kidd's debut with Dallas and lifting the New Orleans Hornets to a 104-93 victory over the Mavericks on Wednesday night.

"We were excited that we would be their first game (with Kidd)," Paul said. "We knew it was going to take some time for them to get used to playing with those guys and we took full advantage of it."

Kidd, acquired Tuesday from New Jersey, looked out of sorts at times, committing six turnovers.

"He made some great passes and some of the time guys weren't looking for the ball," Dallas coach Avery Johnson said. "This is kind

of like a mini-training camp. We just don't have a lot of time. But at the same time, we need every practice and every game for everybody to get on the same page and everybody to get used to playing with Kidd."

Kidd has had one full practice and one game-day shootaround with his new team. He finished with eight points and five assists.

"I caused a couple of breakdowns," Kidd conceded. "We can build on this. ... I have some bad habits. I just have to make some adjustments and look at the game. I just need to keep getting the feel of everybody and go to practice tomorrow."

Meanwhile, Paul's dazzling performance on both ends of the floor had the enraptured crowd on its feet, raining down chants of "M-V-P!" for their own All-Star point guard while a banner offering similar sentiments flapped from the upper deck.

"It's fun to watch. I was getting pumped up," said Hornets center Tyson Chandler, who at one point early in the fourth quarter was jumping along the sideline, arms raised triumphantly, while waiting to check into the game. "Tonight was unbelievable. The guy was all over the place. He took a personal challenge to go out and just, I mean, he was incredible. I haven't seen anything like that in a while."

While Paul dribbled surgically through Dallas' defense, Peja Stojakovic and Bobby Jackson shot with precision from the perimeter, combining for eight of the Hornets' 10 3-pointers as New Orleans won its fifth straight.

Stojakovic made three 3-pointers and finished with 18 points, while Jackson hit five and wound up with 17 points.

## Boys Soccer



Pampa News photo by KATHERINE FLANARY

David Soto rushes to defend the Harvesters. The Harvesters soccer team won their game Wednesday against the Canyon Eagles, 6-0. The boys are scheduled to play Friday at 7 pm against Palo Duro at Dick Bivins in Amarillo.



Pampa News photo by KATHERINE FLANARY

Angelica Pena works hard to get the ball into the Lady Harvester's possession during Tuesday's game. The ladies did not score during their game. The Lady Harvesters have a game today at the Soccer Complex at 4 pm.

# College Board sues Texas test prep company over exams

(AP) — The owner of the SAT and PSAT exams sued a Dallas-area test-preparation company Wednesday, accusing it of illegally obtaining copies of "live" test questions that it then used to help students practice.

The lawsuit, filed in federal court in Dallas, alleges that Karen Dillard's College Prep company improperly used copyrighted College Board material to create its own test-prep curriculum.

It also alleges that company employees were given copies of the PSAT administered last October that were provided by a Plano, Texas, high school principal whose brother works at the company.

The company's owner countered that it was being bullied by the College Board, which she said had broken its promise not to sue if the company cooperated in an investigation and was trying to drive a test-prep competitor out of business.

The College Board's lawsuit said some students' scores could be canceled if — though through no fault of their own — they were allowed to practice on a test form that was later part of their scored exam.

The lawsuit, alleging copyright infringement, could bring attention to the burgeoning test-prep industry, which some critics contend gives well-off students an unfair advantage on entrance exams.

"We are outraged by the deceptive and unlawful tactics, knowingly practiced by KDCP," said Edna Johnson, senior vice president of the College Board, a not-for-profit membership group of high schools, colleges and educational groups.

"Most distressing to us is that students and their parents put their faith in this expensive prep process that

was ultimately based on stealing the College Board's work product," she said.

Karen Dillard said the College Board approached her four months ago about questions she had distributed after buying them from the organization, thinking she could copy them for educational purposes.

She said she stopped distributing those questions after that. She denied she had ever used "live" tests — exams the College Board has not officially "retired" and are not supposed to circulate.

*The lawsuit also claims the company sold or tried to sell some copyrighted materials to another test-prep company and even to unspecified Texas school districts.*

According to the lawsuit, executive director Matthew Novotny obtained a copy of the PSAT administered Oct. 17 from his brother, Michael Novotny, the principal of T.C. Jasper High School in Plano. The PSAT is generally taken by younger students as practice for the SAT, though it is used to select National Merit Scholarship recipients.

Dillard denied wrongdoing, saying the exam was sent to the company unsolicited and was never provided to students. She called any suggestion of unfairness absurd because PSAT exam books are released anyway.

"Their motivation to do this is their total monopoly in the test prep business," she said. "They want a total monopoly."

Michael Novotny, who is not named as a defendant, declined to comment.

The SAT is administered seven times per year, and questions and portions of the exam are sometimes reused. Test-site administrators are instructed to collect all test forms and lock them away.

The lawsuit also claims the company sold or tried to sell some copyrighted materials to another test-prep company and even to unspecified Texas school districts.

KDCP has campuses in Dallas, Plano and Colleyville, Texas, and according to the lawsuit charges as much as \$2,299 for test prep services. Johnson said the College Board was approached by a whistle-blower inside the company, whom Paul Morico, an attorney for KDCP, called a "disgruntled employee."

Johnson said the College Board has canceled test scores of customers in the past when it has discovered that SAT tutors have access to improper materials.

However, "We have never come across a test prep company that appears to have based its entire SAT and PSAT curriculum on stolen materials," she said. The lawsuit alleges the company was well aware of the copyright infringements, referring to test material as the "PVA," which stood for "Pirated Version."

The allegations come as some express alarm about the rapidly expanding test-prep industry, which critics say capitalizes on the sometimes frantic anxiety students and parents feel about applying to college.

The College Board maintains that students don't necessarily need an expensive preparation course.

## BEEF

### Texas cattlemen discuss recall

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — The recall of tons of ground beef paints a "black eye" on the meat processing industry but animal treatment like that depicted at a West Coast slaughterhouse isn't typical, say Texas cattle ranchers and those who watch the market.

Most believe it's unlikely the recall, the largest ever in the U.S., will impact markets for ground beef.

Undercover video taken at the Westland/Hallmark Meat Co. of Chino, Calif., shows workers shocking, kicking and shoving debilitated cattle with forklifts, prompting the government to pull more than 71,000 tons of beef.

In Texas, the nation's leading cattle producer, ranchers and officials were incensed. They also were quick to contend the incident is isolated and that the recall pertained to animal welfare, not food safety.

"Our animals are the most important thing to us and as you look at that (video) it paints the industry with a black eye," Texas Beef Council executive vice president Richard Wortham said. "This goes around every principle that our industry has."

The California plant processes dairy cows and the meat does not enter the retail market, said Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association executive vice president Eldon White said Wednesday. Schools were the buyers, he said.

"I'm sure there'll be processors that will move quickly to fill the void," said White, adding producers were concerned that schools might remove beef entirely from their menus. "And that's an unnecessary step at this point in time."

When allegations against the company arose in early February — before the video surfaced — Texas agriculture officials ordered schools to stop serving the company's beef to students. In all, 462 Texas districts and other entities enrolled in the school breakfast and lunch programs reported they had meat that was subject to the recall.

Two former employees at the California plant were charged Friday. Five felony counts of animal cruelty and three misdemeanors were filed against a pen manager. Three misdemeanors

— illegal movement of a non-ambulatory animal — were filed against an employee who worked under that manager. Both were fired.

No charges have been filed against the company, but federal investigation continues.

There was no immediate downturn in the futures market, said Jim Gill, market director for the Amarillo, Texas-based Texas Cattle Feeders Association. Live cattle won't be traded until Thursday and Friday, he said.

"I don't think it'll have any impact at all," he said.

A spokesman for the Oakland-Calif.-based National Meat Association said various beef industry groups are gathering to discuss the incident. Some of the conversation could be about mounting a public relations effort to restore consumer confidence, NMA spokesman Jeremy Russell said.

"Everybody looks bad when something like this happens," he said. "It's awful."

Ranchers, far removed from meat processing plants, also say they hate to hear about cattle being mistreated.

Amarillo rancher Jay O'Brien said he's fired cowboys for lesser abuses. "The idea of somebody abusing cattle is something we can't stand."

U.S. Department of Agriculture spokesman Keith Williams has said his department has evidence that Westland did not routinely contact its veterinarian when cattle became non-ambulatory after passing inspection, violating health regulations.

But Williams said the recall was primarily to revoke the USDA's seal of inspection for the meat — not because of the risk of illness.

The industry needs to revisit animal welfare and food safety issues, said Mike Miller of Denver-based CattleFax, which provides cattle and beef industry statistics and market and economic analysis.

"You just can't afford things like this," Miller said. "We've got to hold our industry to a high standard. We've got to discuss these things and address them so that they don't happen again."

"If it's a consumer concern, it's got to be a concern to the industry."

## Gray wolves coming off endangered list

BILLINGS, Mont. (AP) — Gray wolves in the Northern Rockies are being removed from the endangered species list. The move follows a 13-year restoration effort that led the animal's population to soar.

An estimated 1,500 wolves now

roam Idaho, Montana and Wyoming. That's a dramatic turnaround for a predator that had nearly vanished from the United States in the early 20th century.

The removal from the endangered list was announced Thursday by the U.S. Department of Interior.

The loss of federal protection allows states to move forward with public hunts for the animals, possibly as soon as this fall.

Environmental groups have said they will sue the federal government to keep the animal listed.

## Kitty heads home after 3-week-long journey in locker

PHOENIX (AP) — A cat who took a three-week cross-country ride to Arizona in a storage container is headed home to

Florida. Arizona Humane Society officials say the 2-year-old gray cat crawled into the locker in Pompano Beach,

Fla., while a man loaded it for a move to Phoenix.

The container spent time in a Florida warehouse and on a semitrailer before being delivered to a Phoenix facility.

A worker heard a cat meowing inside the container Tuesday. The cat, named Meatloaf, was hungry and thirsty but unharmed. The man who was moving remembered a similar cat

near his old apartment.

Meatloaf's owners had put up posters around their neighborhood. The apartment manager remembered them when Humane Society called.

Officials will give Meatloaf time to recover before flying him home.

## Pilots rescued after crash

PENSACOLA, Fla. (AP) — Two fighter jets crashed into the Gulf of Mexico during a training mission Wednesday, but the pilots ejected and were later rescued, the Air Force said.

Eglin Air Force Base spokeswoman Shirley Pigott said the pilots were rescued after their single-seat F-15C Eagles disappeared Wednesday afternoon off the Florida Panhandle, about 35 miles south of Tyndall Air Force Base.

The Air Force has not determined if the planes collided. Weather in the area was clear.

Coast Guard Petty Officer James Harless said a Coast Guard rescue jet located one pilot and radioed the location to a fishing vessel, which picked him up. A Coast Guard helicopter then hoisted the pilot off the vessel.

That pilot told rescuers he saw the other pilot also eject, but lost him in the clouds, Harless said. He told them the approximate location for the

second pilot, who was found by a Coast Guard helicopter, Harless said.

The conditions of the pilots were not immediately available, he said. They were being taken to Eglin base hospital.

Harless added that no debris from the jets has been found yet.

The Air Force grounded all of its F-15s — nearly 700 — after the catastrophic failure of an F-15C during a routine training flight in Missouri in November. The pilot safely ejected.

Most were back in service by January, but others were grounded indefinitely after defects were found.

The Air Force began using the F-15C in 1979. The planes, built by McDonnell Douglas Corp., were deployed to the Persian Gulf in 1991 in support of Operation Desert Storm and have since been used in Iraq, Turkey and Bosnia.

The planes can fly up to 65,000 feet and each costs about \$30 million, according to the Air Force.

AXYDLBAAXR  
is LONGFELLOW

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

2-21 CRYPTOQUOTE

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O H U F Z L G H R O J W C V K T K  
R F C Q C X C Q C Z I J L G M J C V W C  
X F G O T E I C X Z W X C V V

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Yesterday's Cryptoquote: IF A SAILOR HAD A WIFE IN EVERY PORT, HE'D ALSO HAVE A WIFE IN EVERY COURT. — SOURCE UNKNOWN

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Feb. 22, 2008:

You move into an unusually dynamic and action-packed year. Often you might wonder which way to turn or which is the best way to proceed. At times you might feel stalemated or confused. You juggle many different needs and requests. Emphasize long-term goals and objectives. If you are single, you'll draw many people into your life. Through a friend or new associate, you could meet someone with ease. If you are attached, you'll make friends easily. Be careful: You could make your sweetie jealous. Be smart: Don't incur his or her wrath. VIRGO often challenges your approach.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★ You could be miffed by the scattering of energy. Select the must-dos, and handle one item after another. Trust in your ability to cheerlead and to get others enthusiastic. You might even need a push yourself. Tonight: Head on home, even if it is Friday night.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ You might feel playful, but others are way too serious. Know that you cannot change them. Accomplish as much as possible; creativity plays a strong role. Do only what's necessary. Tonight: Let the fun begin.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★ Center yourself emotionally, and you might be able to handle some of the emotional waves that head in your direction. Pressure comes from the top. A boss "knows" that he or she is right. Use care

when dealing with this authority figure. Tonight: Make plans for tomorrow.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Stay active and ask necessary questions. Your perspective develops as more news heads in your direction. Verify what you are hearing. Surprise: You could be hearing a totally different version of the same sequence of events. Tonight: Share news.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Use care with all your financial dealings. If you aren't comfortable with new information heading your way, stop. The facts might not be there. Use the opportunity to do your own research. A friend or associate is fired up. Tonight: Where your friends are.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ You might feel more energized than many. You are still jumping through hoops trying to deal with random acts of unpredictability. Develop a sense of humor, and you might find life's tides easier. Trust your instincts. Tonight: All smiles.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Don't act like or even believe that everything should have been done by yesterday. Let go of common propaganda and be realistic. Sometimes life presents too many obstacles. Don't blame yourself; simply accept the situation. Tonight: Get some extra zzz's.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★★ While others might appear to be chasing their tail, you accomplish necessary tasks. In fact, you are best on your own, as others might have a lot cluttering up their lives. Creative bursts could point to a strange path. Tonight: You are the happening.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★ Others don't intend to pressure you. Their requests, however, could feel like pressure, but that is your perspective. Let go of the opinion, and you might enjoy how others view your abilities and competence. Tonight: A must appearance.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Take an overview, especially if you notice that a lot of people are plugged into a situation. Let go of a need to have others do what you want. You might learn a lot if you just relax a little. If you're feeling tense, take a walk or get some exercise. Tonight: Treat your mind to relaxation.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ You could have difficulty communicating your thoughts. Others seem to be in their own world. Quite possibly, you are as well. Give yourself and others the space to whirl in your own ideas. Tonight: A child or loved one could be on the warpath before you know it!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ You might find others difficult, but on the other hand, could they see you as touchy and unpredictable? Try to update your perspective, and you just might be delighted by the net results. Express the real you. Tonight: So many choices.

BORN TODAY

German philosopher Arnold Schopenhauer (1788), Sen. Edward Kennedy (1932), actor John Mills (1908)

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**OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT**  
USDA  
**FOREST SERVICE**  
Cibola National Forest  
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**Grasslands Oil and Gas Leasing Analysis**  
The Cibola National Forest is preparing an Environmental Assessment for oil and gas leasing on the National Grasslands administered by the forest. The Proposed Action would authorize the Bureau of Land Management to offer leases for oil and gas exploration and development on the Kiowa and McClellan Creek National Grasslands, and the Lake Marvin Unit of the Black Kettle National Grassland. The proposal also provides for a non-significant amendment to the Cibola National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan (Forest Plan), which would add Lease Stipulations for the protection of surface resources to the Lands and Minerals direction for the National Grasslands. The proposed action and associated analysis can be ob-

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tained from the Cibola National Forest Supervisor's Office, in Albuquerque, New Mexico, and on the Internet at: <http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/cibola/projects/>. The purpose of this comment period is to provide an opportunity for the public to provide early and meaningful participation on this environmental analysis prior to a decision being made by the Responsible Official, Nancy Rose, Forest Supervisor. Comments will be accepted for 30 calendar days following publication of this Legal Notice in the Clayton, NM, *Union County Leader*; The *Canadian Record* in Canadian, TX and the *Pampa News* in Pampa, TX. This publication date is the exclusive means for calculating the time to submit comments on the proposed action. Those wishing to comment on this proposal should not rely upon dates or timeframes provided by any other source. Only those who provide comment or otherwise express interest in the proposed action during the comment period will be eligible as appellants. Interest expressed or comments provided on this project prior to or after the close of this comment period will not constitute standing for appeal purposes. Comments must meet the requirements of 36 CFR 215.6. Written comments should be addressed to Forest Supervisor Nancy Rose, Cibola National Forest, 2113 Osuna Road, NE, Suite A, Albuquerque, NM 87113-1001; fax comments to (505)346-3901. Comments may be submitted by email in word (.doc), rich text format (.rtf), text (.txt), and hypertext markup language (.html) to [comments.southwestern.cibola@fs.fed.us](mailto:comments.southwestern.cibola@fs.fed.us). Comments may also be hand delivered weekdays 8:00 am-4:45 pm at the above stated address. To be eligible for appeal, each individual or representative from each organization submitting comments must either sign the comments or verify identity upon request. Comments received in response to this solicitation, including name and addresses of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record on this proposed action and will be available for public inspection. Comments submitted anonymously will be accepted and considered; however, those who submitted anonymous comments will not have standing to appeal the subsequent decision under 36 CFR Parts 215 and 217. Additionally, pursuant to 7 CFR 1.27(d), any person may request the agency to withhold a submission from the public record by showing how the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) permits such confidentiality. Persons requesting such confidentiality should be aware that, under the FOIA, confidentiality may be granted in only very limited circumstances, such as to protect trade secrets. The Forest Service will

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The City of Lefors is currently taking applications for a Full-Time Utility Dept. Employee. The applicant must have a class B CDL prior to employment. Exp. in water, wastewater and gas utilities, as well as heavy equip. operation, is preferable. Applicant must be willing to obtain necessary water and wastewater licenses. A completed application is required and will be accepted until 5:00p.m. on Mon. March 10th, 2008. Salary is commensurate with exp. Appl. may be picked up at Lefors City Hall, 101 N. Court, Lefors, TX. Mailed applications should be postmarked the day before the job vacancy closes and sent to P.O. Box 383, Lefors, TX, 79054. If more info. is needed, please contact Lindy Forsyth, City Secretary, 806-835-2200.

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• **The Amarillo Art Institute** is offering a variety of classes for children and adults this spring. Classes include Clay for Kids, Basics of Drawing and Painting, Silvery Jewelry Design and Fabrication, and more. For further details or to register, call (806) 354-8802.

• **Participants have until Feb. 29** to enter the Miss Irish Rose Scholarship Pageant to be staged during the March 14-16 Saint Patrick's Celebration in Shamrock. The pageant is open to girls between the ages of 14 and 18. Eighteen-year-olds must still be in high school. The 2008 Miss Irish Rose, along with her three runner-ups and Miss Congeniality, will receive a scholarship to the college of their choice. For more information, call Betty at (806) 334-0929, Dana at (806) 662-5405 or Shamrock Chamber of Commerce at (806) 256-2501.

• **Miss Texas International Pageant System** is currently seeking entrants for

the Miss Pampa International 2008 Pageant. The deadline for applications is March 1. Contestants will compete in personal interview, fitness wear, fun fashion wear and evening gown. To find out more or to request an application, call (210) 403-0589 or log onto [www.misstexasinternational.com](http://www.misstexasinternational.com) on the Internet.

• **The Red Hat Dollies Society** of Pampa will meet for coffee at 9:30 a.m. March 4 at Harvester Donuts. For more information, call Rita at 669-9916, Vivian at 669-9297 or Emilie at 669-3580.

• **Pampa Book Club** will review the following books in the coming months: "Night" by Elie Wiesell, March 12; "A Tree Grows in Brooklyn" by Betty Smith, April 9; and "Walking Drum" by Louis L'amour, May 14. The club meets at 10 a.m. the second Wednesday of each month in the Texas Room at Lovett Memorial Library in Pampa.

## McCain

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tional resources could improve the security situation.

It's safe to say that if his judgment were wrong and the surge failed to demonstrate unmistakable results, McCain would not be in the running today. His judgment was correct. And he

would bring a similar judgment of policy to the broad range of issues the United States confronts in the foreign policy arena.

Other candidates have held more appeal to elements of the Republican Party's conservative base. And McCain, like all candidates, has his weaknesses, not least his susceptibility to rage.

This year, however, the old warrior and occasional non-conformist is the best person to lead his party. URL: <http://www.mysa.com>

## Obama

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example, believes Obama can do for liberalism what Reagan did for conservatism — resurrect it and make it the country's political majority.

Of course, that dream will never happen, because if Obama bests Hillary — which every American should pray happens — he'll have to move from the left to the center.

It hardly matters who wins. Except for

the war in Iraq, their politics are essentially the same big-government Democrat drivel. Neither President Obama nor President Clinton II could damage America any more than George W. Bush has.

But unlike Hillary — who thinks she already knows everything and had her fling with Goldwater conservatism as a teen — there's still hope for Obama to wise up.

After all, Reagan was once a Democrat.

—Bill Steigerwald is a columnist at the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review.



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