

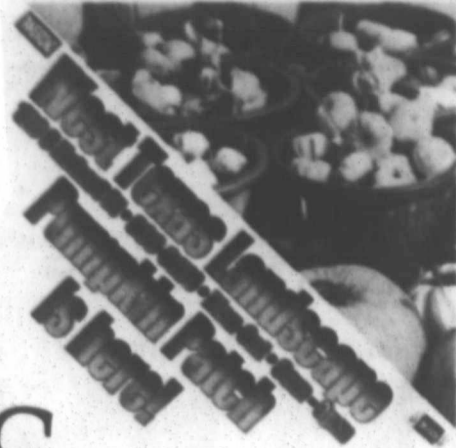
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Weaver lectures on panhandle history

BY DAVID BOWSER
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In November, 1868, soldiers under the command of Major Wallace Evans marched from Fort Bascom, north of present day Tucumcari, N.M., to what is now Roberts County in pursuit of Indians in the Texas Panhandle.

Joe Weaver, the executive director of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce, exchanged his weekday job title for that of historical lecturer Sunday afternoon at the White Deer Land Museum.

Talking to the Gray County Historical Commission, Weaver told them of the work that he and others from Pampa did at the Texas Archeological Society's Field Camp for the last two summers up on the Canadian River.

"The goal was to drive them toward a larger force which was based out of Fort Sill, Okla.," Weaver said of the U.S. Army's 1868 expedition.

In what was called the Canadian River Expedition, Evans' force marched up the north side of the river, which was the Fort Smith-Santa Fe Trail.

"Evans had more than 500 officers and men including six troops of cavalry," Weaver said. "He also had one company of infantry."

He said that in the movies, the soldiers in the west are always cavalry.

"There were a lot of western battles



staff photo by **David Bowser**
Carl Williamson of Miami, left, talks with Pampa Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Joe Weaver at the White Deer Land Museum where Weaver gave a presentation on the Texas Archeological Society Field School last summer.

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Chamber director has passion for history

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Joe Weaver, the executive director of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce spoke to the Gray County Historical Commission Sunday at the White Deer Land Museum's annex, but it had nothing to do with the chamber.

"He's interested in the Red River War in the Texas Panhandle," Davidson said. Anne Davidson, curator of the White Deer Land Museum. "It's nice to have a chamber man who really likes the history of our panhandle."

"I grew up in western Deaf Smith County,"

Weaver said. "I don't know how I got interested in history except to say that my Dad was interested. We rarely went anywhere without going to the museum. It was quite a shock, of course, when I got older. When we wanted to go to the museum, we went to the Panhandle Plains Museum in Canyon. It was a surprise always when I would go to other places, even in other states, and go to their museums, and they were not of that caliber."

Since the Panhandle Plains Historical Museum was the first museum he'd been to, it took a while to realize that

McCullar named PPD's Crime Prevention Officer

BY DAVID BOWSER
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Officer Stormy McCullar has been named the new crime prevention officer for the Pampa Police Department.

Chief Kelly Rushing said today that she will be interacting with the public with regard to the Crime Prevention and Crime Stoppers programs.

Rushing said that over the years the position had gone unfilled, but he feels that it is one of the most important in the department.

"We now have an officer in place to interact with the public," he said. "Somebody people can call when they have a ques-



staff photo by **David Bowser**
Pampa Police Officer Stormy McCullar was at her desk early today at the department's new Crime Stoppers coordinator.

How the United Way Helps.... Genesis House

One of a series of articles submitted by local organizations who benefit from the United Way Campaign.

Genesis House is one of the Pampa United Way agencies. Genesis House is a non-profit agency, dedicated to helping youth find a new beginning in life. Started in 1971, as the result of a concerned community coming together for one common goal, that goal being to provide a safe and structured environment in which troubled youth could develop the necessary to lead a successful life.

A place free of drug and alcohol abuse, lock-up and detention centers. A place free from abuse and neglect, surrounded by a staff of loving, caring individuals. Genesis House has grown to include two residential homes each licensed to house eight, one housing girls, the other housing boys, an activity building and an administration building.

The primary referral sources for the Genesis House residential program are Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (CPS) and Juvenile Probation Departments. These referrals may be youth who cannot remain in their homes due to no fault of their own or youth who are being placed as a result of their own actions. In addition to the residential program, Genesis House offers outpatient substance abuse treatment. The outpatient program consists of an eight-week educational program meeting twice weekly focusing on all aspects of a youth's life. The outpatient groups are led by a licensed chemical dependency counselor with over 20 years of work experience in the field of substance abuse. Genesis House also offers tobacco education classes for local and area youth who are required to attend state approved education classes as a result of receiving tobacco tickets. Tobacco education classes are also taught by a state certified instructor. Genesis



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PAMPA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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For the record

PAMPA FORECAST

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
		
High 66 Low 43	High 67 Low 49	High 57 Low 38
Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 35. Northeast wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south southwest.		
Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 66. Wind chill values between 27 and 37 early. Windy, with a south southwest wind 10 to 15 mph increasing to between 20 and 25 mph. Winds could gust as high as 30 mph.		
Tuesday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 43. South wind around 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.		
Wednesday: Partly sunny, with a high near 67. Windy, with a south wind between 15 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.		
Wednesday Night: A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 49. Southeast wind around 15 mph becoming southwest. Winds could gust as high as 20 mph.		
Thursday: A slight chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 57. West southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20%.		
Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 38. South southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.		

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Killer to die Tuesday for San Antonio slaying

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Twenty minutes after 22-year-old Carlos Garza was gunned down at his San Antonio apartment, a security camera at a pawn shop showed someone selling two gold necklaces that belonged to him.

The man in the videotape, identified as Reginald Blanton, was arrested four days later, convicted of Garza's murder and sent to death row.

The 28-year-old Blanton is set to die Tuesday evening for the slaying more than nine years ago. He'd be the 19th inmate Texas has put to death this year.

Blanton's lawyers are at the U.S. Supreme Court trying to halt the execution, arguing black people may have been excluded improperly as potential jurors at his trial in 2001. Blanton is black; his victim was Hispanic.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

SHERIFF

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests over the weekend.

Friday, Oct. 23.

Shunoa Uta Jacks, 22; Antonio Quantrell, 27, and Kerry Lebron Johnson, 25, all of Chattanooga, Tenn., was arrested by Texas Department of Public Safety troopers on charges of possession of marijuana.

Corey Graham, 17, of McLean, was arrested by Gray County deputies on charges of burglary of a habitation.

Randell Dale Northcutt, 27, of Clarendon, was arrested by Gray County deputies on charges of public intoxication.

Raul Rodriguez, 33, was arrested by Pampa police officers on five capias fine warrants.

Saturday, Oct. 24.

David Edward Lycke, 43, was arrested by Gray County officers on two capias fine warrants.

Sunday, Oct. 25.

James Westly Alexander Jr., 40, was arrested by Pampa police officers on charges of assault causing bodily injury.

Carisma Delaluz Soto, 19, was arrested by Pampa police officers on charges of driving while intoxicated.

Marcos Gonzales, 54, was arrested by Pampa police officers on charges of driving while intoxicated third or more offense.

Monday, Oct. 26.

Obituaries

Frances Deen Carmichael Maddox, 87

Amarillo— Frances Deen Carmichael Maddox, 87, died Saturday, October 24, 2009, in Amarillo, Texas.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, October 27, 2009, at First Baptist Church Chapel in Amarillo with Dr. Jeff Raines, associate pastor, officiating.

Burial will be at 3 p.m. Tuesday, October 27, 2009, at the Miami Cemetery with Rev. Scott Rankin, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors in Pampa.

Mrs. Maddox was

born January 19, 1922 in Whitney, Texas to Chasteen and Jeannette Dean Carmichael. The Carmichael family moved to Miami in 1928. Frances graduated from the Miami High School and then attended West Texas State College. She returned to Miami and was employed at First State Bank of Miami.

Frances married Bruce Maddox on January 11, 1942 in Miami and he preceded her in death on January 14, 1984. They were engaged in farming and ranching in Roberts County. In 1983 they

moved to Amarillo.

She was preceded in death by her parents, a brother: Jack Carmichael, and a sister: Marie Carmichael Reed. The family would like to express their appreciation to the staff at Windflower Nursing Home where Frances Deen was a resident.

Survivors include two daughters, Susan Maddox and Elizabeth Maddox both of Amarillo; one son, Robert Maddox of Miami; one grandson, Mark Nuss of Amarillo.

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John L. Organ, 77

McLean— John L. Organ, 77, died October 23, 2009, McLean, Texas.

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Organ was born December 11, 1931 to Clyde and Marchialea Organ in Pampa. He married Martha Organ on June 8, 1971 in Barber County, Kansas. She preceded him in death on April 22, 2000. He attended Pampa schools. Mr. Organ worked

for Cabot, retiring in the late 90's. Following his retirement, he worked for Crawford Roofing for 5 years. In his spare time, he liked the outdoors where he would hunt and fish. He was a mason and a Presbyterian. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy and served during the Korean Conflict. He will be missed by his family and friends.

Survivors include three sons, John C. Organ and wife Laura of

Robert Lee, Texas; Larry Organ and wife Sherry of Pampa; Kenneth Organ of Midland, Texas; one daughter, Brenda Hinson and husband Jim of San Angelo, Texas; one step-daughter, Marcel Splane of Raleigh, North Carolina; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and 2 step-sons: Wayland McPherson in 1997 and Garland McPherson in

2003.

MEMORIALS: Freedom Museum USA, 600 N. Hobart St, Pampa, Texas 79065.

SPECIAL NOTICE: The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 5 - 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 27, 2009.

Sign the on-line register at www.carmichael-whitley.com

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Hector Jesus Delgado Jr., 22, was arrested by Pampa police officers on charges of possession of less than two ounces of marijuana.

8:53 p.m.— An MICU unit responded to the 1300 block of W. Kentucky Avenue, transported one patient to PRMC.

A laptop computer with carrying case was reported in the 800 block of North Wells.

reported in the 900 block of Barnes.

A debit card was used without permission in the 2600 block of North Hobart.

FIRE

The Pampa Fire Department responded to the following calls from 7 a.m. Saturday, October 23 to 7 a.m. Monday, October 25.

Saturday

8:34 a.m.— Lift assist in the 1900 block of Charles, one unit and three personnel responded.

8:56 a.m.— Lift assist in the 600 block of Dean, one unit and four personnel responded.

3:19 p.m.— Motor vehicle accident in the 200 block of Henry, one unit and four personnel, no injuries.

8:07 p.m.— Tractor fire in the 12000 block of E. Frederic.

Sunday

7:15 p.m.— Carbon monoxide investigation in the 1000 block of Fisher, one unit and four personnel.

8:55 p.m.— Smoke scare in the 1000 block of Hobart, two units and seven personnel. Overheated central heating/air unit, no damage.

AMBULANCE

Pampa EMS responded to the following calls during the period between 7 a.m. Saturday, October 24 and 7 a.m. Monday October 26

Saturday

8:46 a.m.—An MICU unit responded to the 600 block of Deau, transported one patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

12:30 p.m.— An MICU unit responded to the 1000 block, transported one patient to PRMC.

3:00 p.m.— An MICU unit responded to Highway 60 West and Gray two, transported one patient to PRMC.

3:20 p.m.— An MICU unit responded to PRMC, transported one patient to BSA.

10:22 p.m.— An MICU unit responded to the 200 block of Henry, no transport.

Sunday

12:00 a.m.—An MICU unit responded to the 1900 block of Helton Road, transported one patient to PRMC.

7:33 a.m.— An MICU unit responded to the 1000 block of Prairie, transported one patient to PRMC.

PAMPA PD

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents over the weekend.

There were 59 traffic stops and related calls made and two accidents reported.

There were 19 animal-related calls made.

Pampa EMS reported eight ambulance runs. The Lefors Volunteer EMS reported two runs.

Friday, Oct. 23.

Officers assisted a motorist in the 900 block of North Hobart.

A motor vehicle was burglarized in the 700 block of North Zimmers.

Officers provided an escort in the 400 block of East 30th.

Firefighters made a fire prevention call at 1900 North Duncan.

The fire department reported a fire investigation in the 600 block of North Frost.

Shutters on a house in the 2500 block of North Charles were reported stolen.

Officers served a warrant in the 800 block of East Scott.

Firefighters made a fire prevention call to the 100 block of North Starkwesther.

Officers served a warrant in the 900 block of South Varnon.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 400 block of West Montagu.

Violation of a protective order was reported in the 1800 block of Mary Ellen.

An assault was reported in the 400 block of South Graham.

A bicycle was reported stolen in the 200 block of West Kingsmill.

A theft was reported at Browning and Hazel.

Harassment was reported in the 2800 block of North Charles.

Harassing phone calls were reported to the police department.

The rear window of a vehicle was reported broken out along with a window in a house in the 400 block of North Yeager.

A burglary was reported in the 2100 block of North Nelson.

About \$400 in cash was reported stolen in the 1600 block of North Faulkner.

A threat was made in the 2200 block of North Christy.

A suspicious person was reported in the 1200 block of North Hobart.

An alarm was reported in the 1300 block of North Hobart.

A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 1400 block of North Hobart.

A suspicious person was reported at 20th and Fir.

A burglary was reported in the 300 block of Miami.

Saturday, Oct. 24.

A domestic disturbance was reported.

A prowler was reported in the 2100 block of North Wells.

A narcotics violation was reported in the 100 block of West Ford.

A prowler was reported 1000 block of South Hobart.

A suspicious person was reported at Tyng and Cuyler.

A prowler was reported in the 1800 block of North Hamilton.

Disorderly conduct was reported at Banks and Oklahoma.

Officers checked buildings in the 100 block of East Craven, in the 400 block of West Foster and in the 600 block of West Foster.

A runaway was reported in the 700 block of Mora.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 2600 block of North Hobart.

A suspicious person was reported at Browning and Gillespie.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1100 block of East Kingsmill.

A suspicious person was reported in the 1100 block of East Kingsmill.

An assault was reported in the 1000 block of Prairie Drive.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 100 block West 30th.

An assault was reported in the 2100 block of North Russell.

An alarm was reported in the 200 block of West Browning.

A service call was made at 23rd and Perryton Parkway.

The back window of a vehicle was broken out in the 400 block of North Nelson.

An alarm was reported in the 500block of North Nelson.

Officers assisted a motorist in the 2100 block of North Perryton Parkway.

Books, appliances, DVDs and a CD player were reported stolen in the 300 block of North Dwight.

Carbon monoxide was reported in the 1000 block of Fisher.

A theft was reported in the 2600 block of North Hobart.

Disorderly conduct was

How the United Way Helps..... Genesis House

Continued from front page

House is more dependent than ever on community support to meet the ever-increasing financial demands associated with the program. Your donations to the Pampa United Way are one way you can help us to meet the needs of the youth we serve, the needs of youths such as Tyler. We want to share a Genesis House recent success story with you. For the purpose of anonymity, let's hereafter refer to the resident as Tyler. Tyler was a sixteen-year-old boy with a history of drug and alcohol problems. He stated his father allowed him to experiment with marijuana, cocaine, and methamphetamines. Tyler also stated that his father physically and emotionally abused him. Tyler reported he had his first drink of alcohol at age 7 and his first drug use at age 12. Tyler also reported that he experimented with inhalants. Tyler's parents had divorced. His mother has moved out of state. His only contact with her was supervised telephone calls. She too had struggled with alcohol and drug addiction as well as mental health issues. His father had gone to prison as a result of drug and alcohol issues. Tyler and his younger brother and sister had been left with their grandparents. After a fight with his younger brother where a knife and screwdriver were involved, the grandparents refused to allow Tyler to return to their home. As a result he was placed in CPS care. Tyler struggled to make passing grades in school for several years, mostly because of his lack of attendance, along with his lack of motivation to graduate. Tyler would rebel against the school rules and fight any authority. He would run away from his grandparent's home to be with his drug using friends. He continued this behavior after being placed in foster care. Tyler had not only become addicted to the drugs but he was addicted to the excitement of his lifestyle. Tyler has a history of anger issues that often resulted in him getting into physical fights. Due to his lack of anger management skills and aggressive acts Tyler was placed on probation over the assault of his brother. Tyler was referred to Genesis House, as he needed a safe structured environment where he could repair the damaged relationship with his grandparents. Tyler needed to develop anger management skills and improve his social skills. He needed to learn to respect authority and follow the rules. Tyler had significant resentments toward his parents, and needed to resolve them for his own well being. Early in his care Tyler had no contact with his parents and only a few calls with his grandparents. Later on in his treatment arrangements were made to go on a few passes but his negative behavior prevented him from going. It was several months before he was allowed a pass to return to his grandparent's home. He also began to have supervised calls with his mom on a regular basis. While a resident in the Genesis House Residential Program Tyler was involved in educational groups as well as weekly individual counseling. He improved his conduct and anger management skills, by learning new coping skills. He was able to show respect to his peers and authority and follow staff directions. Tyler was better able to accept responsibility for his own actions. Tyler went through the Genesis House Adolescent Substance Abuse Outpatient Program making little progress the first time. Tyler requested to go through the outpatient program a second time, taking it more seriously this time. Tyler increased his insight into the disease process, and increased his knowledge about the recommended program of lifestyle change. Tyler was enrolled in Pampa High School, due to his regular attendance and mandated study time his grades improved. By the last six weeks of school, much to his surprise he was making A's and B's. Tyler was a resident at Genesis House for almost a year before he was allowed to return to his grandparent's home to live. He now has plans to graduate from high school and attend a vocational college to become a mechanic. Tyler is our example of a youth that was able to find a new beginning at Genesis House. By giving to the Pampa United Way you can help other youth that may find themselves in a similar situation as Tyler.

To make a donation to this year's United Way campaign, send it to United Way Campaign, P.O. Box 20767, Pampa, TX 79066 or drop it by the office in the Chamber building: Suite 102, 200 N. Ballard.

History

Panhandle Plains Historical Museum and, of course, all the local museums." He said that a lot of the local museums weren't around when he was small. "If they were, they were just kind of stuffed in the bottom of the courthouse or something where somebody had brought some stuff in," he said. "It's great that there's been an interest in history." Weaver said that he started out as a library administrator for about 15 years. "I used to take program to schools," Weaver said. One of the programs that he did was as if he had been a participant in the Battle of Baldwin's Wagon Train, just south of Pampa. "I never had any idea at that time that I live in Gray County in proximity to that event," Weaver said. "It's been kind of neat." Weaver said that his grandmother had lived in Pampa. "She died in 1979," he said. But he and his sister would come up to Pampa from Hereford to see her. One time, they came by train.

"I think I was 12," he said. His sister was about 14. "We got off right here at the depot," Weaver said. "My grandmother picked us up." He said he's had a connection with Pampa for a long time. "We'd usually see her a couple times a year," Weaver said. Weaver's been chamber director here since June 1. "It's been a learning experience," he said. "It's been a fun experience." Weaver admitted that he's not an archeologist. "I want to clarify that to begin with," he said. "I'm not really an historian. I'm what I call a popular historian." He likes finding out how people actually lived during certain periods, and he likes to share that with others. Weaver said he likely couldn't answer any technical questions about archeology. "I have a lot of respect for these guys," he said. Real archeologists get out and dig in the dirt with toothbrushes, but he said

Lecture

that involved the infantry," Weaver said.

With a grin, Weaver said that he not only wouldn't want to ride a horse from Tucumcari to Miami, he sure wouldn't be interested in walking in the dead of winter.

The Army marched to where Monument Creek flows into the Canadian River. The problem today, Weaver said, is that there are no maps that show where Monument Creek is.

Archeologists figured out where it was. They reasoned that it was where an imposed mesa was visible from the river. The site was supposed to be near a U-shaped sand hill between a couple of other sand hills.

That's where the Army established Evans' Depot, their supply base.

"The main body of troops went on chasing Indians," Weaver said.

Evans' unit returned to Fort Bascom in February, 1869.

"The depot only existed for about three months," he said.

Weaver said the chief person responsible for finding the depot site was Alvin Lynn, an archeological steward with the Texas Historical Commission.

The site, where they began excavating in the summer of 2008, is on the Courson Ranch north of Pampa.

"Harold Courson is very generous and a very good friend of archeologists," Weaver said.

"Archeology is more than digging in the dirt," Weaver said. "It's keeping records of everything you do to the point of incredible boredom from my perspective."

He said it's fun finding stuff, but keeping records of where and how it was found was a little tedious for him.

But the archeology teams platted out the area in two meter squares and began digging 10 centimeters at a time.

"When you find stuff," Weaver said, "it's a lot of fun. If you don't find stuff, it's not."

They found a rifle barrel early on.

"That's about as exciting as you can get," he said.

Despite the excitement that day, that's about all they found for a while.

"It turned out there was nothing else in that whole area," Weaver said.

There several other areas where they found only sand.

In October, 2008, the state archeologists returned to the site to excavate the

dugouts that had served as some of the living quarters and storage areas.

"That was for me a lot more fun," said Weaver, who joined them.

It was when they started finding things at the site.

They found some women's buttons, which seemed strange. "This was a winter campaign," Weaver said. "It was only going to be a very few months so you wouldn't have many camp followers."

The women's buttons remain a mystery, he said.

But they also found a knife, a plate and a can. They also found a suspender buckle and a cartridge.

"To me, the most fun find," Weaver said, "was a pocket knife."

They found military buttons, nails and a cooking pot.

Weaver said they returned this past summer, and he was assigned to work inside the sand hill ring where the depot had been.

The problem was that there was not much that they hadn't already found plus they were down where the summer breezes didn't reach them. "It was hot," he said.

Weaver said there really wasn't too much in there, although in the whole he found the excavation interesting.

The area where Weaver worked was one of a number of locations explored by the people at the archeology field school spread out up and down the Canadian River and its tributaries.

Students to present "Choices"

"Choices," a skit presenting "choices a young person faces every day," will be performed by Pampa High School students in the high school library, Tuesday, Oct. 27 from 7 a.m. to 7:45 a.m.

The special presentation is for all parents of PHS students.

The students will also be serving cinnamon rolls, coffee and juice.

The event is part of SADD WEEK (Students Against Destructive Decisions) at the school.

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Crime

more. McCullar will be the coordinator for the Crime Stoppers program, Rushing said, and work closely with the Crime Stoppers board of directors.

"She will give people a chance to report illegal activities and still remain anonymous," Rushing said. "It will give them access to the police department."

Her duties will include educational interaction with various groups in the community, including schools, civic clubs and various community projects.

"I feel like this is a really important job," Rushing said. "She's pretty passionate about the job. We've pleased to have her."

Person of interest sought in slaying

BROWNSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Brownsville police are searching for a man who previously lived in the home of an art museum director found slain over the weekend.

Police say 19-year-old Ernesto Ivan Martinez is a person of interest, not a suspect, in the stabbing death of Brownsville Museum of Fine Art executive director Barry Horn.

Will Everett, a friend of Horn's, told the Brownsville Herald that Horn had let Martinez stay in his home until about three weeks ago when he found that Martinez had withdrawn money using Horn's debit card. Horn, 59, then ended their friendship.

A museum employee found Horn dead in his home Saturday.

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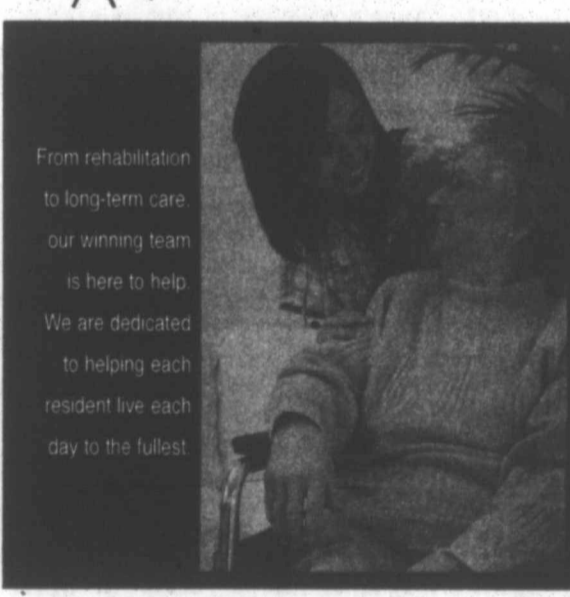
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Today in History

Today is Monday, October 26, the 299th day of 2009. There are 66 days left in the year.

Highlights in history on this date:

- 1524 - Spain surrenders Milan to the French.
- 1795 - The first jackasses arrive in America through Boston Harbor as a gift from the King of Spain to U.S. President George Washington, so they could be mated with mares and produce America's first native mules.
- 1814 - The British governor general of India declares war on Gurkhas of Nepal.
- 1896 - Italy concedes Ethiopia's independence by Treaty of Addis Ababa after a crushing defeat at Adwa earlier in the year.
- 1917 - Brazil declares war against Germany in World War I.
- 1942 - U.S. aircraft carrier Hornet is sunk after being hit by Japanese aircraft in the Solomon Islands battle.

'Each child comes with the message that God is not yet discouraged of man.'

— Sir Rabindranath Tagore
Indian Nobel Prize-winning poet (1861-1941)

- 1947 - U.S. film actors Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall fly to Washington to protest alleged violations of personal freedom by the House Un-American Activities Committee in hearings on Communist infiltration in Hollywood.
- 1955 - Republic of South Vietnam is proclaimed under Ngo Dinh Diem.
- 1962 - Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev offers to withdraw missiles from Cuba if United States removes bases in Turkey, but is rebuffed.
- 1975 - Anwar Sadat becomes the first Egyptian president to pay an official visit to the United States.
- 1979 - South Korea's President Park Chung-Hee is slain by his lifelong friend Kim Jae Kyu, the head of the Korean intelligence agency.
- 1987 - U.S. President Ronald Reagan announces an embargo on all U.S. imports from Iran because of its "unprovoked attacks" on American military forces and merchant ships.
- 1990 - President Alberto Fujimori announces a plan to employ free market incentives as a way to stop Peruvian farmers from their economic dependence on growing coca, the plant used to make cocaine.
- 1992 - An elaborate pageant for Queen Elizabeth II in celebration of the 40th anniversary of her accession to the British throne is held in London.
- 1994 - Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of Israel and Prime Minister Abdel Salam Majali of Jordan sign a peace treaty ending 46 years of hostility.
- 1996 - As eastern Zaire slides into chaos, the United Nations evacuates aid workers from the camp in Bukavu, leaving half a million Hutu refugees from Rwanda to fend for themselves.
- 1997 - Angola promises to withdraw its troops from Brazzaville, capital of the Republic of Congo, where they helped rebels oust elected President Pascal Lissouba.
- 1998 - Days after signing a peace accord with the Palestinians, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu beats a no-confidence vote in Parliament.
- 1999 - Britain's House of Lords votes to end the right of hereditary peers to sit and vote in Britain's upper chamber of Parliament.
- 2000 - Supporters of Ivory Coast's president-elect and his political rival fight bloody clashes in Abidjan over a demand for new presidential elections.
- 2001 - U.S. President George W. Bush signs a sweeping anti-terrorism bill into law, giving police and intelligence agencies vast new powers.
- 2002 - Elite Russian counterterrorism forces storm a theater in Moscow, the Russian capital, after flooding it with knockout gas, bringing an end to a hostage crisis that had begun with the theater's October 23 seizure by more than 50 Chechen guerrillas. At least 119 of the 750 hostages die.
- 2004 - Rebel leader Winter Etienne says that Haiti's U.S.-backed interim government must meet demands to rebuild the storm-devastated city of Gonaives or resign. And if not, the rebels will take up arms and the government will face another revolt.
- 2005 - Iraqi lawyers defending Saddam Hussein suspend further dealings with the Special Tribunal trying him until their safety is guaranteed, citing a recent kidnapping and murder of a lawyer representing one of the former dictator's co-defendants.
- 2006 - A riot in Congo's capital breaks out at the main jail, killing two prisoners, after authorities tightened restrictions following the escape of a dozen inmates convicted of involvement in the assassination of former President Laurent Kabila.
- 2007 - Nine French citizens who are a part of the group L'Arche de Zoe are arrested in Chad after the group tried to fly more than 100 African children to France, saying it wanted to save them from the crisis in neighboring Darfur.
- 2008 - U.S. military helicopters launch a rare attack on Syrian territory, killing eight people in a strike the government in Damascus condemned as "serious aggression."

Today's Birthdays: Domenico Scarlatti, Italian composer (1685-1757); Georges Jacques Danton, French revolutionary leader (1759-1794); William Charles Wentworth, Australian explorer (1790-1872); Mohammed Reza Pahlevi, deposed Shah of Iran (1919-1980); Bob Hoskins, British actor (1942--); Hillary Rodham Clinton, former U.S. first lady (1947--); Jaclyn Smith, U.S. actress (1945--); Natalie Merchant, U.S. singer (1963--); Keith Urban, Australian country singer (1967--).



Analysis: Agency no sure deal

AN AP NEWS ANALYSIS
WASHINGTON (AP) — Take a hard look now. A new agency that consumers were promised would make bankers, credit card companies and mortgage lenders treat them fairly will never look as strong again.

Legislation to establish President Barack Obama's proposed Consumer Financial Protection Agency cleared a key hurdle this week. But it's already been watered down from what Obama proposed and will likely become even weaker when it comes up against higher hurdles on the House floor and in the Senate. It may even die along the way.

Banks flatly oppose a new consumer agency, arguing their current regulators can handle the task. The U.S. Chamber of Commerce has weighed in with a \$2 million ad campaign against the plan. And some industry claims, particularly those from bankers back home, have proved persuasive with many lawmakers.

Ahead lie enormous obstacles: potentially debilitating amendments on the House floor and, ultimately, a tougher Senate landscape, where Republican support is essential to passage of any new financial regulation scheme.

"If they are insisting on a separate agency, a stand alone agency, it's going to be difficult to do a bipartisan bill," Sen. Richard Shelby of Alabama, top Republican on the Senate banking committee, said in an interview. "I wouldn't be interested in a stand alone consumer agency."

The committee's Democratic chairman, Sen. Christopher Dodd of Connecticut, has championed the agency and voiced frustration over the industry criticism.

There are "all sorts of ways" to address consumer protection, Dodd said in a brief interview, and emphasized the need to re-regulate large financial institutions so they can't again trigger catastrophic failures that ripple throughout the economy.

"Of all the things we're doing, this fixation and this preoccupation with that

one issue is a little misplaced," he said of attacks on the consumer agency.

Hints of looming pitfalls for a new consumer agency were evident in the debate this week before the House Financial Services Committee. Even there, where the president's party holds a 42-29 edge, Obama didn't get all he wanted. Up until the end, White House aides buttonholed individual members, fighting unsuccessfully against yet another exemption to the powers of the proposed consumer protection agency.

The panel's chairman, Massachusetts Rep. Barney Frank, acknowledged later that of all the aspects of financial regulation that he is contending with, the consumer agency was politically the most difficult. Indeed, consumer advocates applauded him for preserving as many consumer protections as he did.

Still, Travis Plunkett of the Consumer Federation of America called the bill "battered and bruised."

Obama had called for a robust agency to police the fine print of credit cards, mortgages and other services ranging from payday loans to auto financing. The president wanted to make banks offer standardized "plain vanilla" mortgages, simple no frills home loans that customers could compare to more elaborate mortgages. He wanted to make lenders communicate with their customers more clearly. And he wanted to invest the new agency with the power to examine bank books, along with the other regulators already checking banks for their safety and soundness.

As the legislation stands now, all those measures are gone or compromised.

The idea of standardized mortgages, which administration officials had held up as a key protection for consumers, proved hard to sell even to Democrats. In the end, it wasn't a matter of bowing to the big banking lobbies but rather lawmakers listening to business leaders back home — the bankers, auto dealers and Rotarians who make up the fabric of local politics

Moderate committee Democrats succeeded in exempting thousands of banks from examination by the consumer agency, though they'd still have to abide by its rules. They argued that small community banks would be overburdened with regulators and hadn't been the cause of the financial crisis anyway. But the standard measure of a community bank is one that holds assets of \$1 billion or less. There are about 7,500 such banks across the country.

The committee, however, decided to make any bank with assets under \$10 billion off limits to the new consumer agency's examiners. There were also exemptions for retailers, title insurance providers, and, finally, auto dealers, although the scope of the latter is somewhat uncertain.

It was the auto dealers exception that the White House fought to no avail Thursday. While the agency would still regu-

late firms that provide auto financing themselves, consumer advocates say dealers are the ones who make the financing pitch no matter who actually makes the loan and should be equally covered.

The Obama administration also wanted states to have the right to write consumer laws that are tougher than federal regulations. Facing opposition from some moderate Democrats, the committee adopted a compromise that gives federal regulators the right to pre-empt state laws on a case-by-case basis.

In many instances, the changes had grudging support from most Democrats but passed by voice vote with the backing of committee Republicans. Ultimately, though, only one Republican voted for the final legislation.

"In the end," said committee Democrat Emanuel Cleaver of Missouri, "we have weakened legislation that the opposition is not going to support."

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BY JACQUELINE BIGAR Daily Horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, Oct. 27, 2009. This year, you open up to many new possibilities and probabilities. Your ideas are endless. You also discover that home is where the heart is. Often, you might not want to see information, especially if it involves your personal and domestic life. Certain skeletons in your closet seem to appear. Be careful with real estate investments. If you are single, you meet people with ease. However, finding the right person could take talent. Date and take awhile getting to know someone. If you are attached, you benefit from privacy as a couple. Schedule more special time together. AQUARIUS serves as an anchor.

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)
**** Your imagination takes you to a new level of understanding. You have the ability to ground your ideas through brainstorming. You really do make headway, and quite quickly. Others have some unusual ideas. Are they workable? Tonight: Find your friends.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
**** A must appearance seems to be inevitable, though you could find that you never want to go elsewhere. Others seek you out for your opinions. Don't eliminate possibilities that surround a friend. Be open to others' input without feeling that your authority is being challenged. Tonight: In the limelight.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
**** Keep reaching out for someone at a distance. You could be overwhelmed by the possibilities that appear. If you ask a question, the answer could be a bundle of questions back. Detach and work with someone who helps you get past yourself. Tonight: Put on a favorite piece of music.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
**** One-on-one relating takes you to a new level of understanding. Certainly someone in your life adds a lot of get-up-and-go. Walk into this person's dreams and ideas. You could be enchanted by this person's thinking. Tonight: Togetherness works.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
**** Examine what is happening with associates, friends and loved ones. Suddenly, key people express a creative, dynamic side. Enjoy the brainstorming, high energy and ability to see past the obvious. Tonight: So many suggestions.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
**** An easy, steady pace helps you stay on top of your game. Realize when you have had enough or need to share more with someone. The people in your daily life express more creativity and energy than they have in quite a while. Tonight: Make it easy.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
**** Your imagination appears to have no limits. Use your abilities to relate and maximize the energy between you and another person. Your happy style and upbeat manner draw many people to you. Tonight: Infuse the moment with excitement.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
**** If you can work from home, please do. In a relaxed setting, you are able to get past a problem with a more centered approach. Sometimes too much going on makes you feel as if you are at a circus and most distracted. Tonight: Order in.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
**** You could suddenly feel overwhelmed by what is going on, whether you want to or not. You might want to screen your calls. What comes up could be most exciting if you let go of judgments. Tonight: Let your imagination loose.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
**** Optimism surrounds a business deal. The real issue is the best way to handle a problematic person. Be honest with yourself. No matter how great an idea is, there could be a risk. Tonight: Your treat.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
**** At this point, reveal your true agenda and what you perceive is going on. You remain energized and extremely creative. Don't hesitate to ask for others' impressions. Make it clear, though, that you might not use all their ideas. Tonight: As you like.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
**** Knowing when to pull back could be critical to a decision. You could be overwhelmed by everything that is on your plate. You might need to close your door or work from home. Understanding grows when you have time to think. Tonight: Do for you.

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If the high school and youth sports programs in your town aren't already having trouble paying their bills, they will soon.

And if that doesn't sound like headline-worthy news in this battered economy, just wait. You'll have your pick of headlines from the ripples it creates soon enough: fatter kids, more dropouts and less safe streets. You also won't have to wonder why the college and pro teams you follow from the couch don't seem quite as good as they used to be.

The public-private partnership that helped make youth sports part of the fabric of every neighborhood in America for decades is going broke.

"Sports are something everybody takes for granted, but already for some kids in some places, those programs are a lifeline," said Paul Caccamo, executive director of Up2Us, a coalition of school and community-based sports programs from around the country.

"It's already an endangered species in some inner cities, some rural areas and now, even middle-class suburban kids are getting hit with pay-to-play fees. We know as that cost goes up, participation goes down. ... And while we don't know for certain how

many it's affected in all those places already," he added, "it's got to be in the hundreds of thousands."

Beginning Wednesday, Caccamo and an army of do-gooders will descend on Washington, D.C., bearing that message, some provocative research and high hopes of drawing attention to the problem and bending a few influential ears in Congress and even the White House.

During two days of conferences, co-hosted by Up2Us and the Laureus Sport For Good Foundation, the people struggling to keep those programs running want to make policy-makers and the public understand how close they are to the tipping point. It's not about learning to make do with less money; in many neighborhoods, any less will mean having to do without.

"If we fail to keep our programs up and running, if we fail to expand them, if we fail to bring more money and more volunteers so we can reach more kids, there will be no one left to do it," tennis great Monica Seles plans to tell the gathering in Thursday's keynote address. "We are kind of like the proverbial canary in the coal mine, if we aren't singing loud and clear, then it is too late for everyone else."

According to a report the coalition will release

Wednesday, about \$2 billion in funding for public school sports programs will be cut over this year and next. An equal amount in private support, or more, perhaps as much as double, is expected to dry up over that span for everything from pee wee football to floor hockey leagues that play in church basements.

No matter what the final figure turns out to be, youth sports advocates contend it will be dwarfed by what society will lose if the programs disappear. Research on the direct impact sports provide in different communities is spotty, but suggestive.

By most measures, funding for physical education classes, school sports and other extracurricular activities has been steadily declining for the past quarter-century. Over that same time, the number of kids

aged 2 to 19 classified as obese is up nearly 20 percent; in the 6-to-11 group, it's tripled. Advocates can't prove there's a direct correlation, even if common sense hints at one.

Tying the loss of youth sports programs to increasing crime rates is tougher still. One study done in Los Angeles County in 2002 found that on average, 1.7 kids per 10,000 in neighborhoods with a wide range of school-based extracurricular activities wound up in trouble with the law. In neighborhoods with few programs, the rate was 30.9 per 10,000.

That's why laying the groundwork for a cost-benefit analysis is as much a priority for organizers as gaining access to lawmakers and the airwaves. They're certain it will make their case.

"Youth sports might not

be on their radar screen right now, but obesity, dropout rates and crime-prevention are," Caccamo said. "It's too valuable a tool to simply let go. In terms of effectiveness ... engaging kids on health, academics and social behavior, nothing comes close."

This isn't one of those issues you're powerless to do anything about. Advocates envision a reenergized public-private partnership, with local government making smarter spending decisions and the rest of us stepping up to fill in the gaps.

Businesses can invest more in the programs in their community. Pro athletes can donate more of their time.

You can find a team or league close to work that needs a coach or referee for a few hours each week and

volunteer.

Some opportunities are listed on up2us.org, but more will be available when the group's Web site, Save Youth Sports, is up and running.

"It's time for people to stop looking at sports as just Derek Jeter and Ryan Howard. That's a business model," said Brian Greenwood, an assistant professor of recreation, parks and tourism administration at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo and a researcher for Up2Us.

"It's really the sports that happen at the community level that this country cannot do without. We don't have the research to back it up yet, but anecdotally, we know what happens when (kids are) bored. As I tell students in my classes, 'They mess stuff up.'

Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips



DEAR ABBY: My brother, "Luke," died young due to drug addiction. When our son, "Adam," misbehaves, my husband blames me. He says Adam is going to end up "just like Luke," and it will be my fault.

My mother bailed my brother out of his problems, but I have never done that with our son. I have told my husband numerous times how cruel it is to suggest Adam could end up like Luke, but he continues to say it and then "remind" me if it happens, it will be because of me.

My husband is a wonderful man in every other way, but he doesn't seem to realize how hurtful and unnecessary his cruel words are when he compares our son to my

brother. -- SAD MOM IN TEXAS

DEAR SAD MOM: Wake up and smell the coffee. Your husband realizes exactly how cruel that comparison is, and has since the first time you expressed how deeply hurtful it was. I see nothing helpful or constructive about comparing your son to a boy who died too young and too soon. If it's said in front of Adam often, it could become a self-fulfilling prophecy. (Nothing like the power of suggestion.)

So stop feeling victimized and demand that your "wonderful" husband cut it out, because if something should happen, the fault will be HIS.

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Sports

Hereford delays Pampa from clinching playoffs

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There couldn't be a more perfect way to end the home season for the Pampa Lady Harvesters, then to clinch a playoff spot in their last home game and on senior day. Except it did not end up that way as the Lady Harvesters were swept by the Hereford Lady Whitefaces (24-26, 12-25, and 14-25).

Head Coach Libby Garza said if her team won game one it would have been a different result.

"Overall we didn't really have that many mistakes," Garza said. "I just think that we got to do a better job as a team and each individual needs to take responsibility upon themselves instead of leaning on two people or three."

Garza said her team allowed Hereford to score too many points in a row.

"And by the time we started playing again there was this huge gap and it was hard for us to climb out of the hole," Garza said.

In the first game both teams played close staying within a couple points of each other. The Lady Harvesters led 23-21 but the Lady Whitefaces took control. Hereford took the lead 24-23 prompting Garza to call a timeout. Natalie Parker tied the game for Pampa but

Hereford scored the last two points of the match.

In the second game, the Lady Whitefaces were in control from start to finish. Hereford scored four of the opening five points and expanded their lead to 14-6 causing Garza to call a timeout. The timeout didn't help the Lady Harvesters as Hereford went on a 4-1 run to expand their lead to 18-7 and coasted to a 13-point win.

At the beginning of the third game, both teams played close. The Lady Whitefaces broke the game open with the score tied at five. Hereford went on a 14-5 run to take a 19-10 lead. The Lady Whitefaces won by 11.

Sophomore Kirsten Kuhn thought the team did well in game one but needed to finish the game.

"We're having trouble doing that right now," Kuhn said. "After game one it kind of went downhill from there."

The junior varsity were swept (18-25 and 20-25) by Hereford. Coach Matt Embry said his team has been dealing with off court issues but has the talent to win.

"Our problem is we're having issues with the girls being girls," Embry said. "As a group I don't think there is a team in this district that we can't beat. I really truly believe that."

The freshman team were swept (17-25 and 14-25).

Pampa jumped out to a 15-9 lead in the first game but were outscored 16-2 the rest of the way, losing game one. Hereford was in control the second game taking an 11-4 lead and coasting to a match victory. Coach Deanna Polasek thought the first game went really well for her team.

"I was really pleased with everything they were doing," Polasek said. "They were communicating well, they were transitioning, they were setting it up really well."

Polasek said her team was a little down after they lost the first game.

"We came back and started doing some really good things," Polasek said. "It just didn't turn out the way we wanted it to."

The Lady Harvesters' final regular season game is at Canyon against the Eagles on Tuesday. If Pampa wins they clinch a playoff spot. However, if Canyon wins then the Lady Harvesters and Lady Eagles will play in a one-playoff later in the week and the winner will advance to the playoffs. Coach Garza said her girls will be ready for Canyon on Tuesday and want to accomplish their goal.

"They are ready to get going and make the playoffs," Garza said. "It's

going to be tough, their going to have a huge crowd. Canyon is a good team. We're just going to

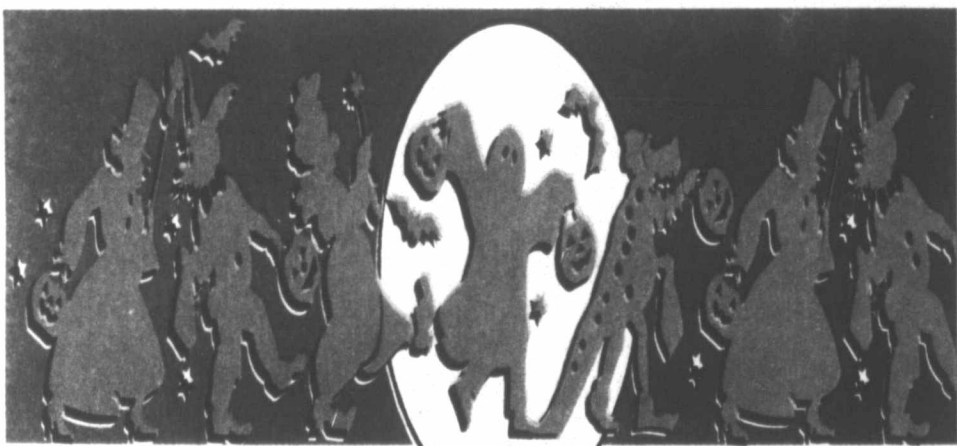
feed off the crowd and finish what we started." Seniors Cheyanne Collins, Natalie Parker,

Kara Stephens and Emilie Troxell were honored before the game and were joined by their parents.



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Senior Kara Stephens jumps to attack the ball against Hereford Saturday in her last home game. The Lady Harvesters lost and will try to clinch a playoff spot Tuesday.



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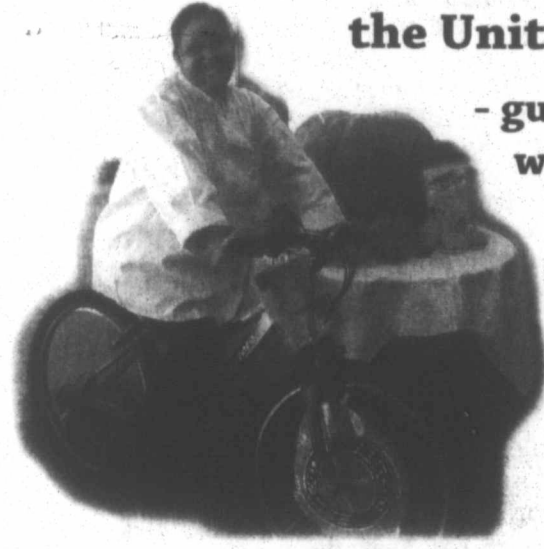
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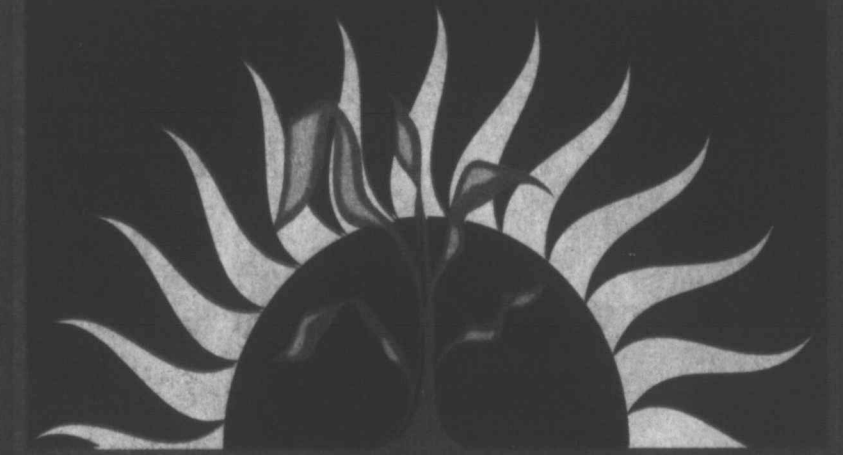
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