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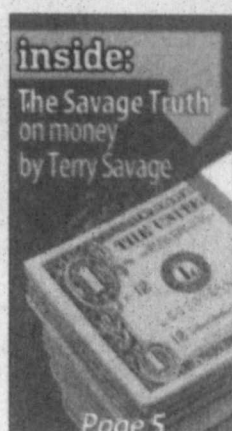
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Pink Out Community Pep Rally Thursday

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The Pampa Independent School District's annual celebration of breast cancer support will culminate this year with Thursday's Pink Out Community Pep Rally, set for 7 p.m. Thursday at McNeely Fieldhouse.

The rally, which will double as the school's regular pep event for the football team's Senior Night home game against Perryton on Friday, serves to raise local awareness and honor those currently

fighting cancer, cancer survivors and their families.

Pampa High School administrative assistant Sandee Stokes said that though October is traditionally National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, the rally is in honor of anyone who has fought or is fighting any type of the disease.

"We invite cancer survivors and their families, not just breast cancer," said Stokes. "It's for everyone."

There will be a hamburger cookout from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. in front

of the commons at the high school before the cookout. Burgers are free, though the school is requesting donations to benefit the local chapter of the American Cancer Society.

The pep rally is the second of its kind for the high school, after a successful Pink Out in 2009. The school was able to raise approximately \$2,250 for the ACS last year. Cali Gibson, president of SADD at PHS, said that the students hope to raise that number to \$3,000 this year.

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Pampa High School Pink Out Community Pep Rally

When: Cookout 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday in front of the commons at PHS; pep rally following at 7 p.m.

Where: McNeely Fieldhouse

What: Rally in honor of those currently battling cancer, as well as for cancer survivors and their families

EARLY BIRD



staff photo by David Bowser



State Rep. Warren Chisum gets his Voter Registration Card from election official Ora Hedrick during early voting at the Gray Count Courthouse today. Hedrick is using the Electronic Poll Book, a miniature laptop computer instead of the bulky voter books that have been used in the past, to identify registered voters this election. Election Administrator Linda Lewis said the new procedure has streamlined the voting process. "It's quicker than in the past when we had to look people up in books," Lewis said. "It really speeds the process up." Voters can use either their Voter Registration Card or Texas Driver's License. Early voting runs through Oct. 29.

Preparation begins for tree lighting

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Shepherd's Helping Hands, the Downtown Business Association and Shepard's Crook Nursing are organizing Pampa's first annual Christmas on Main and Lighting of the Tree for Dec. 4.

An organizational meeting is planned for 6 p.m. today in the M.K. Brown Room at the Pampa Chamber of Commerce, according to Erica Garcia of the chamber.

Myra Jimenez with Shepherd's Crook Home Health Care said today that Shepherd's Helping Hands are planning a Christmas Bazaar for the celebration with booths for rent to retailers, clubs or civic organizations.

Jimenez said the Christmas tree will be placed on the south side of the Gray County Courthouse.

"This should enable businesses from other areas of Pampa to showcase their inventories as well as offer other groups a venue for fundraising," Garcia said. "We are hoping groups will help us provide activities such as carriage rides, Christmas characters walking along the streets, caroling and Christmas skits."

Among the activities planned, Garcia said, are Breakfast with Santa, Soup with Mrs. Claus, children's crafts at the library and a Christmas parade.

Jimenez said that the gathering tonight is an informational meeting to discuss ideas and suggestions for the Christmas celebration downtown.

Public hearings today for phone tower, rezoning

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There will be a special meeting this afternoon of the Pampa City Commission to address questions about a communications tower at Harvester Stadium and rezoning an area on South Nelson from Commercial to Residential.

The city commission will meet at 4 p.m. today to hold public hearings on the issues in

Commission Chambers at Pampa City Hall, 201 W. Foster.

The first hearing concerns a communications tower at Harvester Stadium, the stadium across the street from Pampa High School.

Clearwire Communications and Pampa Independent School District are requesting a Special Use Permit that would allow Clearwire Communications to erect a cell tower that would also be used as a lighting tower for the football field. It would replace an existing

light pole.

The second public hearing concerns a request by Trinity Fellowship to rezone 905 S. Nelson from Commercial to Single Family 3. The church is proposing to use the property for a residential development.

The commission will then go into session to consider the two proposals.

The city commission will also consider approving a list of disbursements by the city dated Sept. 30, 2010.

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Doug Boyd Motors has donated this beautiful fire-engine-red 2008 low mileage Ford Focus to be auctioned at the Country Fair on October 16 at the M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium

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For the record

Obituaries

PAMPA FORECAST

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		
High 76 Low 53	High 70 Low 51	High 71 Low 47

Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 48. East northeast wind around 5 mph becoming south southwest.

Wednesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 76. West wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south.

Wednesday Night: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 53. South southwest wind around 10 mph.

Thursday: A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny, with a high near 70. South southwest wind between 5 and 15 mph.

Thursday Night: A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 51. Southeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Friday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 71. East southeast wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south southwest.

Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 47. South southwest wind around 5 mph becoming west northwest.

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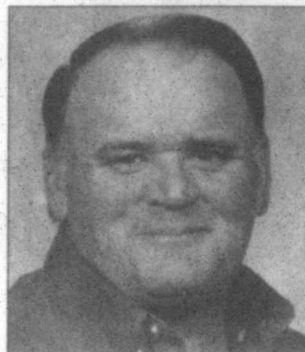
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Michael Ray "Mike" Young, 57

LEFORS—Michael Ray "Mike" Young, 57, died October 18, 2010, in Lefors.

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Young was born October 1, 1953, in Pampa to Farris E. and Bonnie L. Young. Mike married Anna Corley on February 27, 1970, in Pampa. They were blessed with five children. He attended Barber College, but loved to work outside. He spent over 20 years working in the oilfield. He then worked for the City of Lefors, National Oilwell and Titan Specialties. Mike was employed by the Texas Department of Transportation at the time of his death. He was an avid bass fisherman and a member of the High Plains Bass Anglers. He was active in the community, serving his third term in office after being elected Mayor of Lefors in 2006. He was assistant fire chief on the Lefors Volunteer Fire Department, and was a member of First Baptist Church of Lefors.



Young

Mike loved his family. He enjoyed family events and visiting with his children and grandchildren. He was a wonderful husband, father, grandfather and friend.

Survivors include his wife, Anna Young of the home; two daughters, Ronna Smith and husband Brian of Pampa, and Missy Ebben and husband Paul of Amarillo; two sons, Michael F. Young and fiancé Kayla Peevy of Pampa, and Chad Young of Lefors; four grandsons, Coby Smith and Tyler Smith, both of Pampa, Michael Young and Chandler Ballard, both of Amarillo; five granddaughters, Keeli Ebben, Allyssa Ebben, Lauren Ebben, and Breanna Campbell, all of Amarillo, and Kyla Young of Mo; two sisters, Marilyn Burke and husband Steve of Tulsa, Okla., and Debby Barnes of Pampa; a brother, Terry Young and wife Beverly of Lefors; brother-in-law, Jim Corley and wife Becky of Pampa; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. Mike was preceded in death by a son, David Young in 1994; his father, Farris Young in 1997; a brother, Rickey Young in 2002; and his mother, Bonnie Young in 2009.

Memorials may be made to Lefors Volunteer Fire Department, 107 N. Main, Lefors, TX 79054, or Interim Hospice, 1901 Medi-Park Drive, Suite 1058, Amarillo, TX 79106.

Sign the online register at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Police Department

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. today.

Police reported 27 traffic-related calls, two accidents and two abandoned vehicles.

Animal Control Officials reported 16 animal-related calls.

Pampa EMS reported six medical calls.

Monday, Oct. 18

An alarm was reported in the 100 block of West Kingsmill.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 100 block of East Harvester.

A theft was reported in the 1400 block of North Hobart.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 700 block of East Scott.

Officers assisted another agency in the 1600 block of West Somerville.

Fire investigators launched an investigation in the 2200 block of Dogwood.

A grass fire was reported in the 100 block of Rider.

Officers performed a welfare check in the 900 block of East Browning.

A theft was reported in the 300 block of East Brown.

A gas drive off was reported in the 300 block of

North Hobart.

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

A theft was reported in the 400 block of Hill.

City crews shut off the water in the 1100 block of West Sandlewood.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1400 block of West Somerville.

A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 2200 block of North Zimmers.

A suspicious person was reported in the 200 block of North Russell.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 800 block of East Locust.

A burglary was reported in the 1800 block of

North Zimmers.

A prowler was reported in the 200 block of West Craven.

Tuesday, Oct. 19

Suspicious persons were reported at Maple and Barrett, at Browning and Starkweather, at Tuke and Russell and in the 200 block of North Starkweather.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrest during the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. today.

Monday, Oct. 18

Martha Leah Towles, 49, was arrested by police on charges of theft under \$50 and failure to appear.

O'Donnell unaware of First Amendment?

WILMINGTON, Del. (AP) — Republican Senate nominee Christine O'Donnell of Delaware on Tuesday questioned whether the U.S. Constitution calls for a separation of church and state, appearing to disagree or not know that the First Amendment bars the government from establishing religion.

The exchange came in a debate before an audience of legal scholars and law students at Widener University Law School, as O'Donnell criticized Democratic nominee Chris Coons' position that teaching creationism in public school would violate the First Amendment by promoting religious doctrine.

Coons said private and parochial schools are free to teach creationism but that "religious doctrine doesn't belong in our public schools."

"Where in the Constitution is the separation of church and state?" O'Donnell asked him.

When Coons responded that the First Amendment bars Congress from making laws respecting the establishment of religion, O'Donnell asked: "You're telling me that's in the First Amendment?"

Her comments, in a debate aired on radio station WDEL, generated a buzz in the audience.

"You actually audibly heard the crowd gasp," Widener University political scientist Wesley Leckrone said after the debate, adding that it raised questions about O'Donnell's grasp of the Constitution.

Erin Daly, a Widener professor who specializes in constitutional law, said that while there are questions about what counts as government promotion of religion, there is little debate over whether the First Amendment prohibits the federal government from making laws establishing religion.

"She seemed genuinely surprised that the principle of separation of church and state derives from the First Amendment, and I think to many of us in the law school that was a surprise," Daly said. "It's one thing to not know the 17th Amendment or some of the others, but most Americans do know the basics of the First Amendment."

O'Donnell didn't respond to reporters who asked her to clarify her views after the debate. Her campaign manager, Matt Moran, later issued a statement saying that O'Donnell wasn't questioning the concept of separation of church and state.

"She simply made the point that the phrase appears nowhere in the Constitution," Moran said.

During the exchange, she said Coons' views on creationism showed that he believes in big-government mandates.

"Talk about imposing your beliefs on the local schools,"



O'Donnell

she said. "You've just proved how little you know not just about constitutional law but about the theory of evolution."

Coons said her comments show a "fundamental misunderstanding" of the Constitution.

The debate, their third in the past week, was more testy than earlier ones.

O'Donnell began by defending herself for not being able to name a recent Supreme Court decision with which she disagrees at a debate last week. She said she was stumped because she largely agrees with the court's recent decisions under conservative chief justices John Roberts and William Rehnquist.

"I would say this court is on the right track," she said.

The two candidates repeatedly talked over each other, with O'Donnell accusing Coons of caving at one point when he asked the moderator to move on to a new question after a lengthy argument.

"I guess he can't handle it," she said.

O'Donnell, a tea party favorite who stunned the state by winning the GOP primary last month in her third Senate bid in five years, called Coons a liberal "addicted to a culture of waste, fraud and abuse."

Coons, who has held a double-digit lead in recent polls, urged voters to support him as the candidate of substance, with a track record over six years as executive of the state's most populous county. He said O'Donnell's only experience is in "sharpening the partisan divide but not at bridging it."

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Berman out of Speaker race

TYLER (AP) — There's one less conservative challenger to Texas House Speaker Joe Straus' leadership.

State Rep. Leo Berman had declared his candidacy for challenging the San Antonio Republican. Instead, the Tyler Republican told the Tyler Morning Telegraph on Monday that he's withdrawing from the race and endorsing state Rep. Warren Chisum's candidacy.

Chisum entered the race last Wednesday, saying his experience is needed as lawmakers confront the mounting budget shortfall and contentious redistricting. The Pampa Republican says he wants to make sure experienced leaders are in place to tackle the budget shortfall in 2011, estimated to be \$18 billion or more.

Straus cobbled together support as speaker last year from Democrats and Republicans, but a bloc of conservative Republicans never fell in line behind him.

White says Perry abused system

AUSTIN (AP) — Democrat Bill White is accusing appointees of Gov. Rick Perry of pressuring professional staff of the Texas teacher retirement system to make potentially risky investments that gave business to politically connected companies.

A government whistleblower memo White's campaign released Tuesday describes a series of ethical lapses and insider deals at the \$100 billion Teacher Retirement System of Texas, where private investment managers that made huge contributions to Perry allegedly got special treatment.

The leaked memo was written by a former TRS director of private market investments. Executives associated with the companies have given thousands of dollars in campaign contributions to Perry, records show.

White is treating the memo as an October surprise in the 2010 governor's race, and he plans a news conference Tuesday. Neither the Perry campaign nor TRS immediately responded to calls for comment.

Kino wanted to 'line pockets'

AUSTIN (AP) — Prosecutors say a South Texas lawmaker wanted to "line his pockets" while using his power to help a businessman later convicted of Medicaid fraud.

State Rep. Kino Flores pleaded not guilty Tuesday as his criminal trial began in Austin. The Democrat is accused of multiple perjury and ethics violations dating to 2003.

Travis County Assistant District Attorney Gregg Cox told jurors that in one instance, Flores took a bribe from the owner of a chain of Rio Grande Valley medical clinics in exchange for favorable legislation.

Flores' attorneys denied those charges during opening arguments. They say Flores was paid for legitimate work involving other interests of imprisoned businessman Eliseo Sandoval.

Flores plans to testify. He faces up to two years in prison if convicted.

BP waives spill claim cap

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — BP PLC has informed a federal judge that the company is waiving a \$75 million cap on its liability for certain economic damage claims spawned by the massive Gulf oil spill.

A court filing Monday by BP lawyers says the company is waiving the statutory limitation on liability under the 1990 Oil Pollution Act even though it denies engaging in any gross negligence in connection with the April 20 explosion on the Deepwater Horizon rig and resulting spill.

Last Friday, U.S. District Judge Carl Barbier gave a BP lawyer a week to state in writing whether the company will agree to waive the cap. Plaintiffs lawyers had expressed concern that the company was sending mixed signals on the cap.

Barbier is presiding over more than 300 consolidated lawsuits over the rig blast and oil spill.

Falcons checked for spill taint

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND (AP) — Once nearly wiped from the wild in North America by widespread pesticide use, Peregrine falcons have rebounded across the continent. Now, scientists are studying whether the predators are running into trouble from BP's oil spill.

The research may also help determine the health of species lower down the food chain in the Gulf of Mexico.

The falcons, along with bald eagles and brown pelicans, nearly vanished from the wild before the pesticide DDT was banned in 1972. Since predatory birds are at the top of the food chain, smaller amounts of DDT that tainted their prey built up to higher dosages in their bodies and caused egg shells to thin, threatening reproduction.

All three species have since been removed from the federal endangered list, but scientists are concerned that some migrating Peregrine falcons passing through the Gulf from their nesting grounds in Alaska and Greenland may be affected by remnants of the oil spill.

Wealthy districts get best teachers

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A survey that measures teacher quality in Texas has found that students in underachieving poor and minority districts are more likely to have under-qualified teachers than those in better-performing, wealthier white districts.

"In other words," David de la Garza, president of the group, tells the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, "the students who are most in need of the most-qualified teachers are the least likely to be taught by them."

The Association of Texas Professional Educators presented the report Monday, citing "substantial" differences in teacher quality at more than 5,700 schools surveyed.

The study measured data from the 2008-2009 school year. It took into account teacher certification test scores, years of experience and length of time in the same teaching position.

BP to tie bonuses to safety

LONDON (AP) — BP employees' performance on safety issues will be the only measure for awarding fourth-quarter bonuses, the British oil company said Tuesday as it tries to tighten performance and clean up its image after the Gulf of Mexico oil spill.

In a statement sent to employees Monday, CEO Bob Dudley said the bonus policy was intended to reinforce the message that safety is the company's priority and to insure that "a low-probability, high-impact incident such as the Deepwater Horizon tragedy never happens again."

Perry, White vote, hit campaign trail

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — Swooping into traditionally Democratic territory in South Texas, Republican Gov. Rick Perry praised tea party activists and urged straight-ticket GOP voting as polls opened statewide.

His Democratic rival, Bill White, also took advantage of the first day of early voting in Texas by holding get-out-the-vote rallies Monday in Houston, San Antonio and Dallas.

Both candidates started the day by voting for themselves, then asked voters to do the same.

Before a raucous crowd at a rustic barbecue restaurant in Corpus Christi, Perry showcased his endorsement by former Democratic gubernatorial candidate Farouk Shami and asked supporters to back Republican candidates.

"If you've got any questions, just vote straight Republican," Perry said. "Your chances of getting small government, fiscal conservatives into office is pretty good."

White, Houston's former mayor, and his wife, Andrea, voted at a Houston community center, and White later told reporters he did not cast a straight Democratic ticket.

"I usually tend to go through office by office and position by position," he said. "We need to get away from this strident partisanship and the sound-bite politics."

Before Perry voted in Austin with his wife, Anita, the governor made a campaign stop with several Republican candidates for statewide offices, including U.S. Sen. John Cornyn and Attorney General Greg Abbott.

Perry's South Texas trip was similar to one he took shortly before his 2006 election victory over Democrat Chris Bell. Cameron County gave 64 percent of the vote to President Barack Obama in 2008, but the heavily Hispanic county split between Perry and Bell in the 2006 governor's race, with sizable blocs of voters going for two independent candidates.

Perry predicted he would win the county this year and noted that he had been spending time in the region.

"We don't give up any area of the state. We go compete everywhere," he said.

Shami, a Houston hair care magnate, got only 13 percent of the vote in the Democratic primary in March. He endorsed Perry, saying his conservative credentials made Perry the best pro-business candidate.

White, stressing his own business credentials, called the endorsement "a bit odd."

"Mr. Shami gathered his supporters after the primary and expressed unequivocal support for my candidacy, and was harsh in his criticisms of Mr. Perry during the primary," White said.

Shami said he's known for months that he would support Perry. Shami said he didn't like his dealings with White and the Democratic Party, and he called Perry "a man that keeps his word, a man that is a proud Texan." Shami also joked that Perry had "good hair because he uses Chi," referring to his business.

Recent polls have shown Perry leading White, but in a surprisingly tight race in conservative Texas.

Monday was the first opportunity to cast a ballot. The early voting period ends Oct. 29, and

Election Day is Nov. 2.

Like Perry, White is venturing into his opponent's strongholds, with trips planned to conservative East and West Texas this week. But the Democrat, swimming against a tea party-fueled tide of anger, kicked off the early voting period with a focus on turning out his base — with rallies and events in predominantly black and Latino areas.



"Viva White!" yelled state Sen. Leticia Van de Putte, D-San Antonio, at an event that drew more than 200 mostly Latino voters to the Arizona Cafe on San Antonio's west side. As patrons lunched inside on fideo soup, chips and salsa and tortillas, White stressed his support for Hispanic causes in an interview with Spanish language television outside.

"I've always fought for the rights of Latinos in Texas," White said in relatively fluent Spanish. "It's important to have a governor who understands the Latino experience in Texas."

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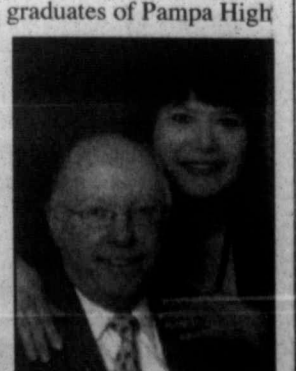


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- Active member of First United Methodist Church, Pampa, for over 35 years – including Lay Preacher and Sunday School Teacher
- Married to wife Gladys for over 35 years. Two sons – both graduates of Pampa High School - Keith (diagnosed with form of Autism) graduated in 1998 lives at home and Stephen graduated in 2000, former Pampa Harvester Basketball player, Teacher/Coach at West Texas High, Stinnett

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Today in History

Today is Tuesday, Oct. 19, the 292nd day of 2010. There are 73 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 19, 1960, the United States began a limited embargo against Cuba as President Dwight D. Eisenhower banned exports to the communist-ruled nation covering all commodities except medical supplies and certain food products.

On this date:

In 1765, the Stamp Act Congress, meeting in New York, drew up a declaration of rights and liberties.

In 1781, British troops under Gen. Lord Cornwallis surrendered at Yorktown, Va., as the American Revolution neared its end.

In 1812, French forces under Napoleon Bonaparte began their retreat from Moscow.

In 1951, President Harry S. Truman signed an act formally ending the state of war with Germany.

In 1960, the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. was arrested during a sit-down protest at a lunch counter in Atlanta. (Sent to prison for a parole violation over a traffic offense, King was released after three days following an appeal by Robert F. Kennedy.)

In 1967, the U.S. space probe Mariner 5 flew past Venus.

In 1977, the supersonic Concorde made its first landing in New York City.

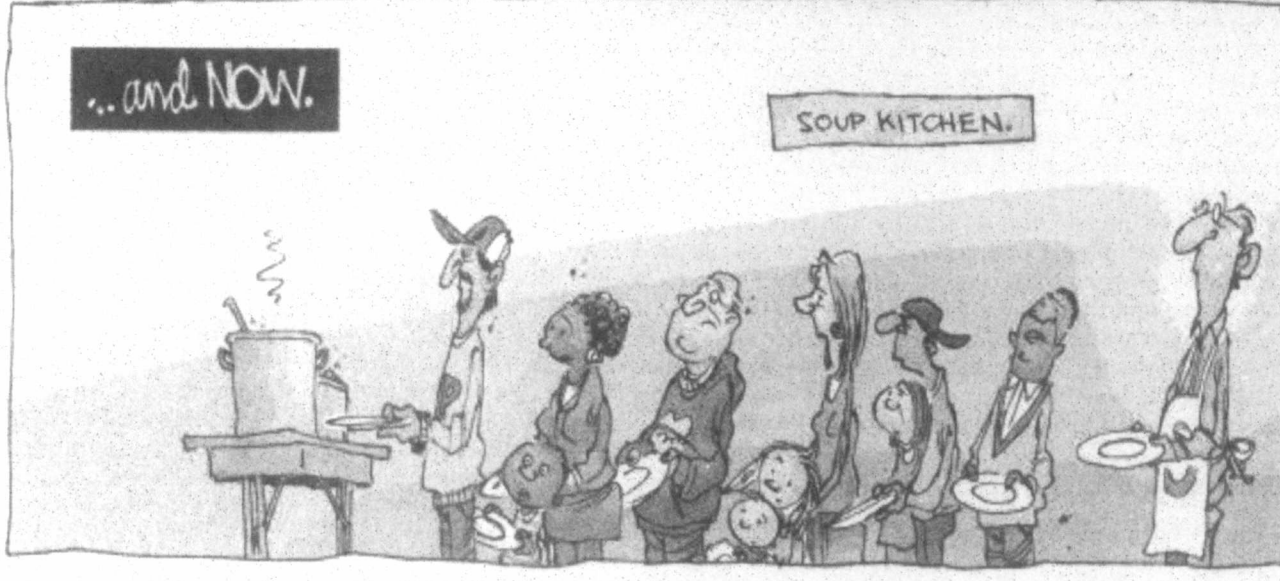
Ten years ago: A government advisory panel of scientists declared that PPA (phenylpropanolamine), an ingredient used in dozens of popular over-the-counter medicines, could not be classified as safe, saying it could be the cause of several hundred hemorrhagic strokes suffered annually by people under 50.

Five years ago: A defiant Saddam Hussein pleaded innocent to charges of premeditated murder and torture as his trial opened under heavy security in the former headquarters of his Baath Party in Baghdad.

One year ago: The Justice Department issued a new policy memo, telling prosecutors that pot-smoking patients or their sanctioned suppliers should not be targeted for federal prosecution in states that allowed medical marijuana.

Today's Birthdays: Former U.S. ambassador to Russia Robert S. Strauss is 92. Author John le Carre is 79. Artist Peter Max is 73. Author and critic Renata Adler is 72. Actor Michael Gambon is 70. Actor John Lithgow is 65. Singer Jeannie C. Riley is 65. Rock singer-musician Patrick Simmons (The Doobie Brothers) is 62. Rock singer-musician Karl Wallinger (World Party) is 53. Republican National Committee Chairman Michael Steele is 52. Boxer Evander Holyfield is 48. TV host Ty Pennington ("Extreme Makeover: Home Edition") is 46. Rock singer-musician Todd Park Mohr (Big Head Todd and the Monsters) is 45. Actor Jon Favreau is 44. "South Park" co-creator Trey Parker is 41. Comedian Chris Kattan is 40. Rock singer Pras Michel (The Fugees) is 38. Actor Omar Gooding is 34. Writer-director Jason Reitman is 33. Actor Benjamin Salisbury is 30. Actress Gillian Jacobs is 28.

Thought for Today: "Speech is civilization itself. The word, even the most contradictory word, preserves contact — it is silence which isolates." — Thomas Mann, German author (1875-1955).



Life gets better, but politics gets worse

"High school, for me, it sucked," Kristel, a 27-year-old lesbian who grew up in Honolulu, confided in her videotape; it was "kind of a hostile environment." The good news is: "These people who treat you like crap now, in a few years, they're not going to matter."

Kristel's video is part of the "It Gets Better" project, started by a gay Seattle couple, Dan Savage and Terry Miller, who use YouTube to tell troubled gay and lesbian youths that their lives will get much better when they grow up.

It's a great idea — conceived by two individuals seeking to give hope to anguished teens. They used the power of free speech in a way that might prevent suicides like that of 18-year-old Rutgers University student Tyler Clementi, who killed himself after a roommate allegedly videotaped and broadcast Clementi having an intimate encounter in his dorm room. Now for the bad idea — and it goes to the sort of opportunistic overkill that follows tragedies like Clementi's.

Sen. Frank Lautenberg, D-N.J., has seized on this story to advocate for a new federal law. Lautenberg hasn't written a bill yet, but his office sent out a press release announcing "a new legislative effort to ensure that colleges and universities have in place anti-harassment policies, which are



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not currently required by federal law." It also would require schools that receive federal funds "to recognize cyberbullying as a form of harassment."

Why? I asked his office. Rutgers already has a student

code of conduct with a list of offenses that can lead to expulsion. The list includes "intentionally or recklessly endangering the welfare of any individual" — but more to the point, "making or attempting to make an audio or video recording of any person(s) on University premises in bathrooms, showers, bedrooms, or other premises where there is an expectation of privacy with respect to nudity and/or sexual activity." Under "prohibited conduct," Rutgers lists "cyberbullying."

"I was a little puzzled" by the Lautenberg press release, Robert L. Shibley, senior vice president of the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education, told me. "As terrible as the Tyler Clementi case was — and it was — it was already forbidden by harassment policies that every university in America has on the books."

And: "You don't need a new

law to know that that's illegal." In fact, New Jersey prosecutors have charged two students with two counts each of invasion of privacy.

Shibley is concerned — and rightly so — that a new law would "attempt to ban speech that is protected by the First Amendment." Wouldn't be the first time a student code of conduct was used to stifle politically incorrect speech. In 2007, a San Francisco State University student board filed a complaint against conservative students who held an "anti-terrorism rally" — at which they stepped on Hamas and Hezbollah flags — because they exhibited "hateful religious intolerance."

When I mentioned that Rutgers already has the policies Lautenberg advocated, spokeswoman Gail Ribas responded, "It would be a national law."

No, it would be a national imposition. It would be another feegood bill that a headline-happy senator offered without appearing to have asked himself whether the law would be redundant, necessary or likely to help. Like so much that comes out of Washington these days, it would be clutter.

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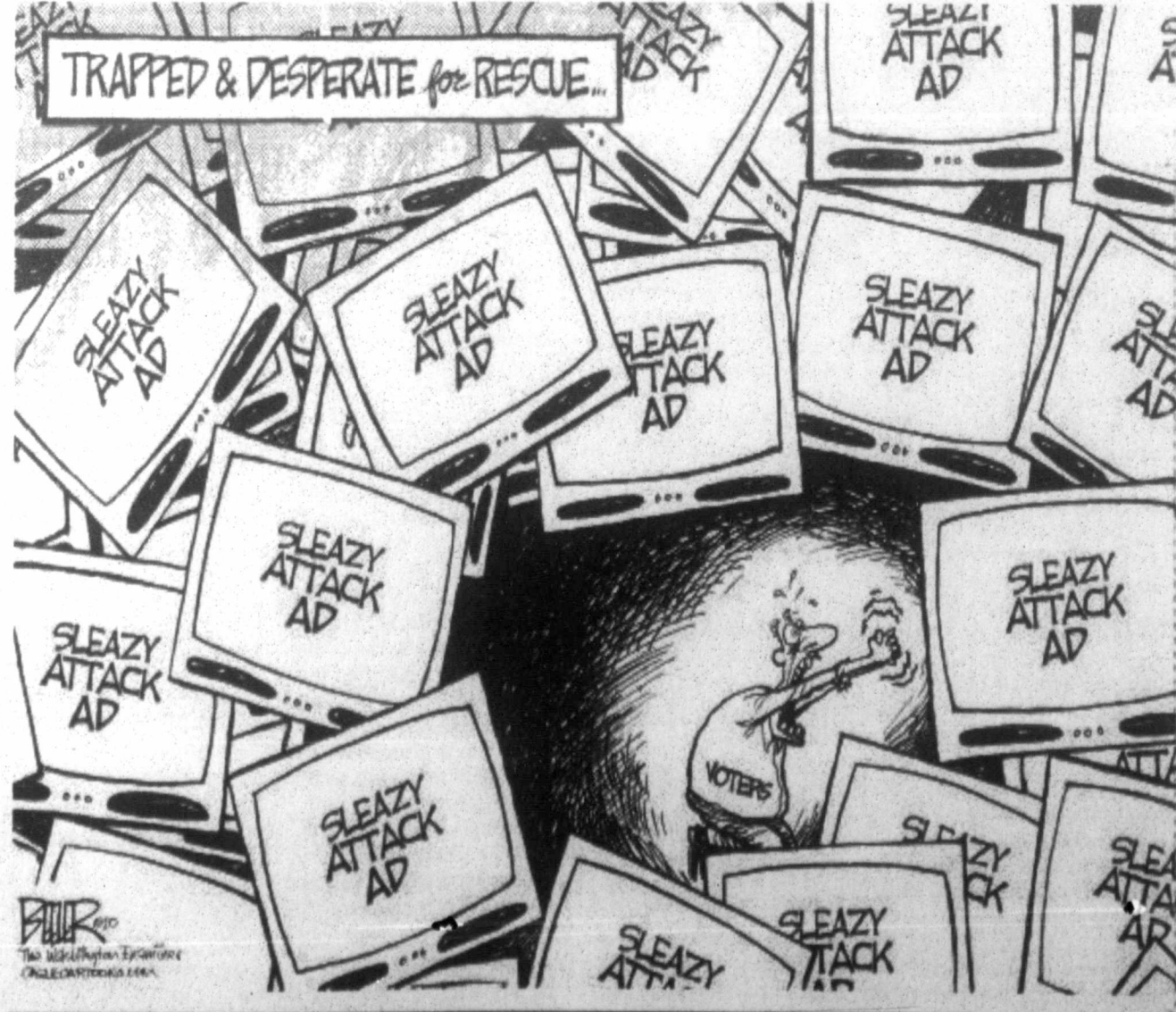
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Everybody loves a 'sale' — except in stocks

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You've heard the expression "timing is everything." That holds true in the stock market as well as in life. Most people have bad timing when it comes to investing because they're led by their emotions. So it might be better to say that when it comes to investing, the most important thing is "time in the market," not "timing the market."

Financial Engines, the 401(k) plan adviser used by 120 of the Fortune 500 companies to offer individualized investment advice to plan participants, has just examined the portfolios of more than 2.8 million plan participants in 272 employer plans.

The latest report is dismal — not only because of the downturn in the markets two years ago, but because employees panicked and instead of continuing to invest, they cut back on their contributions and chose "safer" funds.

As a result, Financial Engines projects that the typical participant will be able to replace only 45 percent of pre-retirement income — compared with a 70 percent goal.

Sure, it's obvious that people are scared of the market, since this has been the first prolonged recession and bear market that most working people have seen in their lifetimes. In the 1970s, the Dow stayed below 900 for a decade — but it didn't matter so much then because most people worked toward guaranteed pensions. Individuals didn't have responsibility for their own 401(k) contributions and investment choices.

Human nature couldn't do much damage to those pensions compared with the havoc that emotion can wreak with IRAs and 401(k)s. Here's what the study found:

Employees have cut back their contributions so much that 39 percent don't put away enough to get the full employer match. That's up from 33 percent in 2008.



Workers are so scared about the market — or so stressed by debts or job loss in the family — that they're literally walking away from "free money" in the employer match. That just doesn't make sense, especially if you're clipping coupons and cutting spending in other areas of your life. Don't leave that money on the table.

It's a strange but well-documented psychological phenomenon that people rush to buy everything on sale — except for stocks.

It seems that the human psyche doesn't equate spending money on something like a car that — no matter how good the deal — loses value when you drive it out of the showroom, with taking the risk of losing actual dollars in the stock market. The car is a sure loser, while the stocks have a high probability of increasing in value, depending on how long you hold them.

Yet, those who buy stocks "on sale" have a much greater probability of winding up with better results in the end than those who rush in to buy as the market is making new highs.

T. Rowe Price did a compelling study that I first wrote about a few years ago. It bears repeating. They compared the end results for four investors who each contributed \$500 per month to a retirement plan for 30 years, using an S&P 500 index fund.

Two of those investors started out just before two of the worst bear markets in history — 1929 and 1970. The others started out in 1950 and 1979 — just before two great bull markets.

The surprising result: The ending account balances of the two investors who started in bear markets

were more than double those of the two investors who began contributing at the start of decades with strong bull markets.

Then, as now, it was discouraging to keep investing monthly in a market that showed poor returns. The S&P 500 actually had a negative (-0.9 percent) return from 1929 to 1938. And the stock market had a far below average 5.9 percent return in the decade of the 1970s.

The big difference? All those years of buying shares at low prices gave the investors more shares. Then when the market did soar, they were in a better position to gain from the next bull market.

I'm quite sure you're thinking that it's different this time. Many people look at our national debt and figure America is going down the drain. But I'm quite sure it felt equally hopeless in the 1930s (when, yes, eventually a war boosted the economy) or in the 1970s (when an unpredicted technology boom rescued the economy).

We have no idea what will come along next. I'm betting on something that will be exciting and positive. Maybe it will come from nanotechnology — a new kind of fuel or energy device that will ignite the next boom. Or maybe you're right, and our free-enterprise system will never recover.

If you're right, and the greatest economic engine in history disappears, you'll have more to worry about than your stock investments. But if history repeats, as it always does in slightly different ways, and America once again prospers, then you will have missed out on a lifetime opportunity to invest.

And that's The Savage Truth.

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Border Patrol arrests go down 17 percent

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano said Monday a 17 percent drop in Border Patrol arrests this year shows heightened enforcement is slowing illegal immigration.

The Border Patrol made about 463,000 arrests during the federal government's fiscal year that ended Sept. 30, down from 556,032 the previous 12 months. It marks the fifth straight year of declines.

Border Patrol arrests are down 72 percent from nearly 1.7 million in 2000. The agency typically makes about 97 percent of its arrests along the 1,952-mile border with Mexico, with nearly all the rest coming along the Canadian border.

Napolitano said the weak economy helps explain why fewer people are getting caught crossing the border illegally, and she also credited enforcement against employers. But she said a big reason is enforcement under President Barack Obama — including bringing the Border Patrol to an all-time high of 20,500 agents and dispatching 1,200 National Guard troops.

"The manpower, the technology, the infrastructure all has enabled us to be able to really slow that flow of illegal immigrant traffic," she said at a news conference at the San Ysidro border crossing with Tijuana, Mexico.

Napolitano also said more drugs, weapons and illicit cash were being seized along the Mexican border.

"We now have a border more secure than ever before, and these efforts are only going to continue in the weeks, months and years ahead," she said.

Peter Nunez, a former U.S. attorney in San Diego who advocates a more restrictive immigration policy, noted that border enforcement has been building for 15 years. In the mid-1990s, President Bill Clinton launched a crackdown in San Diego and El Paso, Texas, that pushed migrants to remote mountains and deserts and made Arizona the busiest corridor for illegal crossings.

President George W. Bush doubled the size of the Border Patrol to 20,000 agents and, at one point, had 6,000 National Guard troops assigned to the border.

"It's been a long process over several administrations," said Nunez, who teaches immigration policy at University of San Diego. "They are reaping the rewards."

Enrique Morones, an activist who supports looser immigration policies, said the economy is the main reason for the five-year decline in arrests.

"If there are fewer jobs available, fewer people come," said Morones, president of Border Angels, which provides water to migrants crossing the border.

Morones said enforcement has discouraged people from crossing the border illegally to a much lesser extent. He said the crackdown has led to the deaths of many migrants who tried to evade the Border Patrol by crossing in remote areas in stifling heat.

Border Patrol arrests fell 42 percent in the San Diego region this year, to 68,568 from 118,708. The department did not provide numbers for other regions.

BP to drill in deeper water, assess risk

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — BP and the industry will drill in deeper waters and go farther in their search for oil reserves, and must understand the risks so they can mitigate them in the future, a BP executive said Tuesday.

Mike Utsler, the chief of BP's restoration effort along the oil-stained Gulf Coast, also admitted to a standing-room-only crowd at an industry-sponsored conference in Florida that the oil giant was slow to engage local leaders in its response to the Gulf spill.

However, he defended the use of dispersants to break down the oil and blamed a piece of equipment maintained by another company — the blowout preventer — for failing to act as the last line of defense.

Also at the Clean Gulf conference, there was stinging criticism of media coverage of the spill from Coast Guard Rear Adm. Mary Landry, who was federal on-scene coordinator of the response until she was replaced May 31.

Landry, commander of the Coast Guard's 8th District based in New Orleans, said she believes the media caused a distraction to responders by focusing so much on who was in charge of the response — BP or the government. She suggested that job cuts in the news business and the effort to break big stories and boost ratings contributed to the tone and quality of the coverage.

"The media has a challenge in how it's been rationalized and how they compete for their livelihood," Landry said. "Nobody's trying to hide anything here. We also are not trying to raise alarm where there's no need to."

As for who was in charge, Landry said it was the government.

"I think it was pretty clear to BP who was in charge," she said.

Landry also said responders were worried about the stress levels of people along the coast and the "misinformation and how that causes you to do work that distracts you from doing the work that's important."

She did not offer specifics or single out media reports she found objectionable.

"No matter what we could do, we couldn't balance reporting," Landry said. "Could we just have some balance in the reporting? That's all we are looking for."

The Coast Guard has said Landry's replacement as on-scene coordinator had been planned since the start of the response.

On other topics, Landry said that six months after the worst offshore oil spill in U.S. history, the Gulf ecosystem is on its way to being healed.

That was cold comfort for Plaquemines Parish, La., President Billy Nungesser, who noted during a break in the conference that oil continues to wash up on the shores of his parish.

"I had to leave the room, my blood pressure went up hearing that everything is beautiful," Nungesser said. "I knew that it would be a dog and pony show, but I had to come and give by 2 cents worth."

After the April 20 Deepwater Horizon rig explosion, which killed 11 workers, more than 200 million gallons of oil were released by BP PLC's well a mile beneath the sea. The gusher was capped in mid-July, but not before dealing a disastrous blow to the entire region. The well was not permanently sealed until September.

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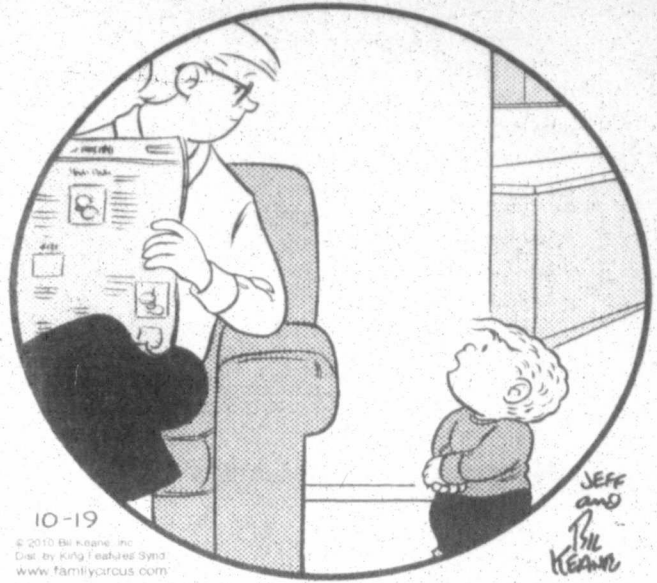
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"Just so you know — if you're not doin' anything, I'm not doin' anything either."

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daily horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, Oct. 20, 2010:

This year, you move in a new direction, though at times not as quickly as you might like. You are in a period of completion tied to 28 years ago. Know what you need to let go of in order to make your life work. Look at what isn't working, and gracefully let go. If you are single, you rethink your priorities and express more interest in others and dating than you have in many years. If you are attached, the two of you will open up to a new level of understanding if you can pull back from your issues and learn to respect each other more. Tap into your instincts. They are lucky for you. ARIES can be challenging.

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 might want to listen more than act in the morning. You will want to move a project forward after you have shored up some of the details. Pressure builds, whether you want it to or not. Still, choose your timing. Tonight: All smiles.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Use the a.m. to your benefit. Though many could be surprised by your actions, or you theirs, you don't see the path through the problem. Do a better job of listening to others' points of view this evening. Tonight: Take some much-needed personal time.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ Many people respond in surprising ways to you taking a stand or assuming more responsibility. Though a meeting could be full of bellyaching or sharing, you'll get a better lay of the land. You have the drive to complete a project. Tonight: Where the action is.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ You could understand a lot more of what is going on behind the scenes. You'll see much more than in the past if you kick back and observe. Take action in the afternoon. Others respect how you approach a situation. Tonight: A must beginning.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Together with a close associate you open up new doors and possibilities. Don't take anything as given unless it is written and signed. Check in with an expert or two if need be. You will

find answers. Tonight: Take in new vistas.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Others will dominate the scene. Whether you fight them or join in is your choice. You will discover that by going along with their program, they can see how strong their ideas are. Have a conversation late in the day. Tonight: Dinner for two.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ You know what you are doing and where you are heading. An unexpected bump in the road could cause a problem, but it doesn't need to be an obstacle. Network and socialize later today. Tonight: Say "yes" to an offer.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ Your creativity to flow and flourish. Your ability to understand what is happening helps you find a solution. Understanding evolves if you can remain stable and direct. Tonight: Relax in a favorite way.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Be sensitive to a domestic matter. You might want to shake loose, but have no possibility of it. Allow greater flow between you and those close to you. Not everything can be about work. Tonight: Let your hair down.

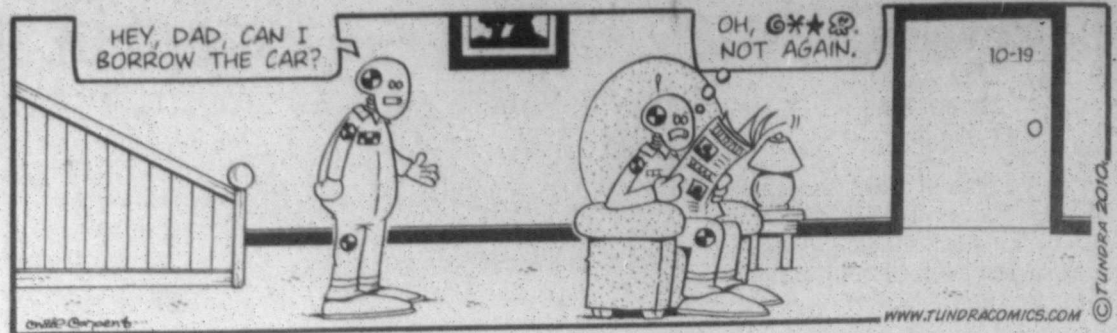
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Keep expressing your ideas, even if you get an off-the-wall reaction. You are laying the foundation for a new venture. Lie back in the afternoon, and see what comes toward you. You are changing, and people are changing with you. Tonight: Head home.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Reach out for someone at a distance or an expert whom you trust ultimately. You might change your mind about a situation with the more information you get. Follow through on what is happening behind the scenes. Tonight: Visit with friends.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
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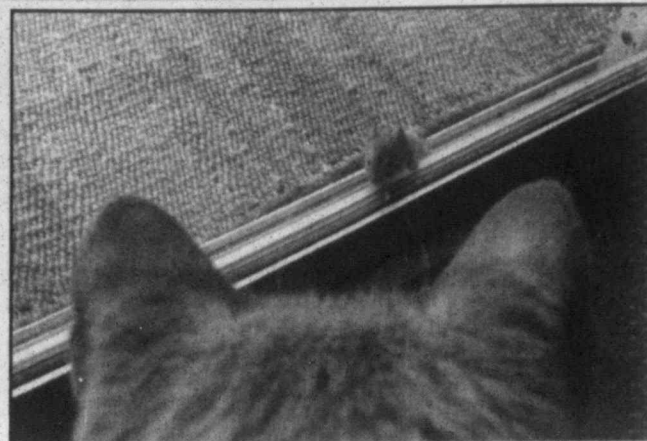
Lois Minnick (from left), Teresa Mayes, Debbie Davis, Pam Lash, Kathy Guthrie and Darlene Holmes pose in front of a craft display at Lovett Memorial Library showcasing some of the items up for purchase at this year's Little Red School House craft sale, set for the first weekend of November.

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Authorities seize 105 tons of pot at border

TIJUANA, Mexico (AP) — Mexican security forces seized at least 105 tons of U.S.-bound marijuana in the border city of Tijuana on Monday, by far the biggest pot bust in the country in recent years.

Soldiers and police grabbed the drugs in pre-dawn raids in three neighborhoods after police arrested 11 people following a shootout, army Gen. Alfonso Duarte Mujica said at a news conference.

The marijuana was found wrapped in 10,000 packages, which were displayed to journalists by soldiers in masks. Duarte said the drug had an estimated street value in Mexico of 4.2 billion pesos, about \$340 million.

Duarte said authorities were still counting and weighing the packages and the amount could increase. He said the drugs — wrapped in different colors and labeled with apparently coded phrases and pictures that included Homer Simpson — would be incinerated immediately after the weighing and counting is completed.

The bust began when Tijuana municipal police on patrol came under fire from gunmen in a convoy of vehicles, Duarte said. One police officer and one suspect were injured.

Police arrested 11 people who were traveling in the convoy and called the army and state police for reinforcements, Duarte said.

He said the detainees led the security forces to three different neighborhoods in the city, which is across the border from San Diego, California. The drugs were found stored in tractor trailers and houses.

Duarte said local criminal gangs were gathering the drugs to smuggle into the United States. He did not identify any of the gangs or say where the marijuana originated.

Although Mexican drug cartels smuggle marijuana from South America, the drug is increasingly produced in Mexico.

Cannabis production in Mexico increased 35 percent to 12,000 hectares (29,652 acres) in 2009, from 8,900 hectares (21,991 acres) the previous year, according to the U.S. State Department's 2010 International Narcotics Control report.

The report attributed the increase to drug cartel efforts to "diminish reliance on foreign suppliers."

The Tijuana bust dwarfed marijuana seizures of recent years. Major pot seizures this year in Tijuana and other parts of the country have amounted to about a dozen tons each.

Before this seizure, soldiers in Baja California state, where Tijuana is located, had confiscated a total of 115 tons of marijuana this year.

The seizure comes as overall marijuana confiscation and crop eradication has dropped in Mexico.

Security forces seized 1,385 tons of marijuana in 2009, down from a yearly average of 2,000 tons in previous years, according to the U.S. report. It said Mexico eradicated 14,135 hectares (34,927 acres) of cannabis in the first 11 months of last year, compared to 18,663 hectares (46,116 acres) in all of 2008.

The report said the decline comes as Mexican security forces focus more on hard drugs like methamphetamines — but also as resources are increasingly deployed to confront drug cartel violence.

Upon taking office in December 2006, President Felipe Calderon deployed tens of thousands of troops and federal police to fight drug cartels in their strongholds. An unprecedented 28,000 people have been killed in drug gang violence since.

Before the intensified crackdown, marijuana eradication had averaged about 30,000 hectares (74,130 acres) a year, according to the State Department report.

The Tijuana bust came a little over a week after Calderon visited the border city and called it a success in his drug war.

Violence peaked in Tijuana in 2008 amid a showdown between two crime bosses — Fernando "The Engineer" Sanchez Arellano and Teodoro "El Teo" Garcia Simental, a renegade lieutenant who rose through the ranks by dissolving bodies in vats of lye.

Garcia was arrested last January. While killings have continued, the most gruesome displays of cartel violence — decapitations, hangings and daylight shootouts — subsided.

Last week, in the wake of Calderon's visit, several bodies were found beheaded and hanging from bridges in Tijuana, leading to fears that the cartels were resuming brutal tactics to send a message that the government is not in control.

Drug gang violence continued elsewhere in Mexico. Gunmen stormed two homes and killed nine people in one neighborhood of Ciudad Juarez, a city across from El Paso, Texas, the Chihuahua state Attorney General's Office said in a statement Monday.

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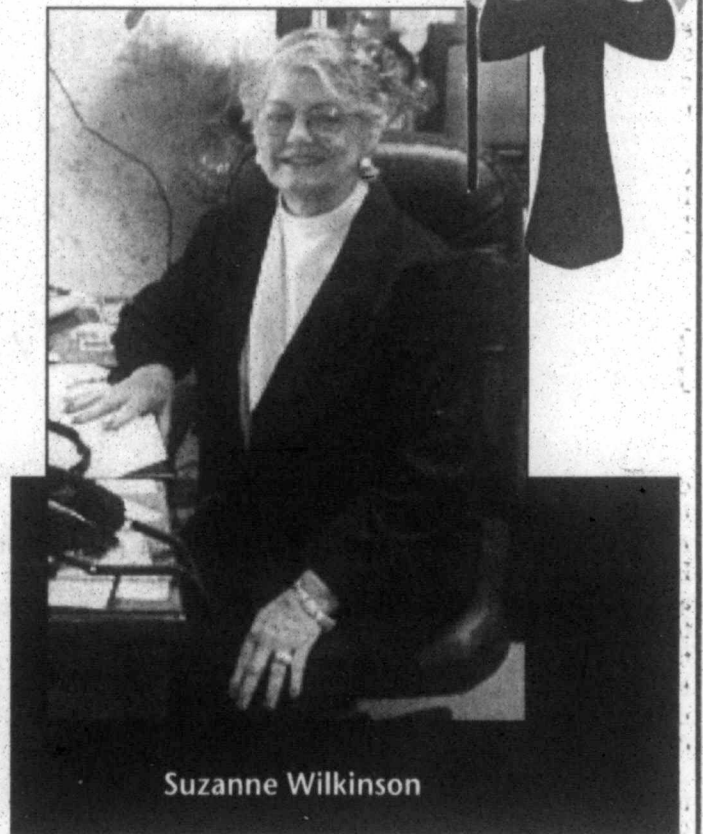
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Sports

Eubank developed new favorite sport in high school

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When Pampa High School senior Taryn Eubank was growing up, she was all about basketball. When she was in junior high, much to her surprise her mom signed her up for a volleyball camp.

"I told her my exact words, Eubank said. "Mom, I suck at volleyball. I don't want to go." Since then I just liked it and caught on fire for it."

Today, mother ended up knowing best as Eubank is the lone senior on the Lady Harvesters and is trying to lead them to their first playoff berth in over 10 years.

Eubank said it was evident she was going to be on the Lady Harvesters when she was in eighth grade.

"It got really intense," Eubank said. "My goal for eighth grade was to get off the freshmen team. I really wanted to make JV but ended up on varsity. It was really exciting but I was extremely intimidated and scared."

Eubank said getting to play with the older girls helped her become a senior leader today.

"I've been playing with older girls most of my career," Eubank said. "I learned a lot from them and it's helping me become a better leader."

Head volleyball coach Libby Garza, who started during Eubank's sophomore year, said Eubank has been a leader ever since she got here.

"She's always led by example," Garza said. "She's always worked hard and done everything I've asked of her and beyond. She's just one of those kids a coach dreams of having and having a whole team of."

Garza said Eubank has adjusted well to her role as a senior leader.

"This year was little harder because she had to step up as a vocal leader," Garza said. "It's a little outside her personality and character on the court, but she has really done a good job of keeping them focused and on track."

Eubank said it was exciting to be the oldest but had to get used to more responsibility.

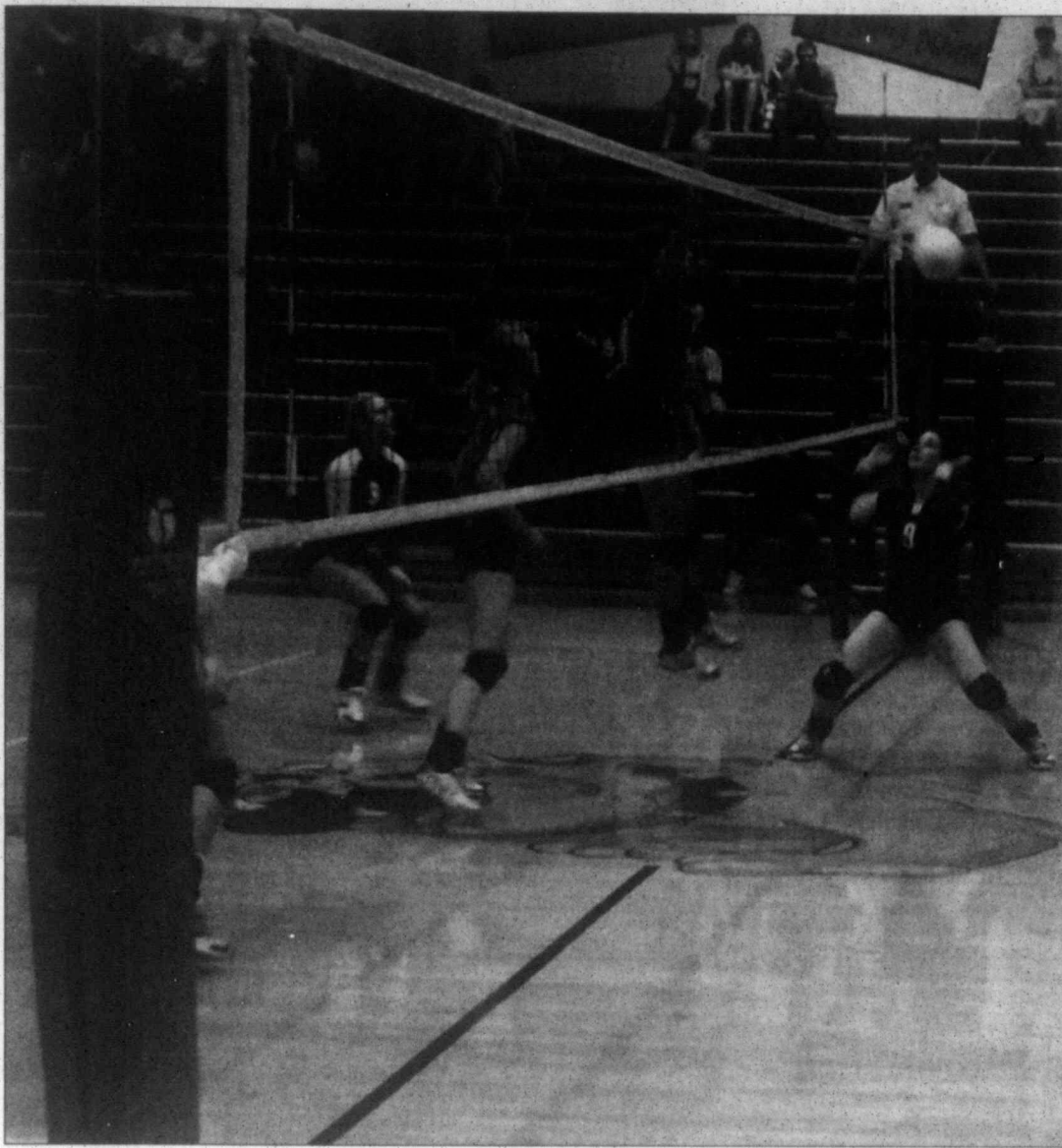
"It's different having to step up and be a vocal leader because I always led by example," Eubank said. "Now I have to be both since I'm the only senior."

Garza said Eubank is one of the best setters in the state and is someone from whom she can continue to expect great things.

"She may not be the fastest on the court, but she is going to give it her all to get the ball up," Garza said. "She will do that for every ball that comes across the net. Her hard work, attitude and mental toughness have definitely gotten her there."

As of press time, this season Eubank has 820 assists, 434 digs, 106 kills, 35 blocks and 26 aces. Eubank said volleyball is now her favorite sport.

"I definitely like volleyball more," Eubank said. "I'm hoping to go to college somewhere, I got some offers."



staff photo by Andrew Glover
Taryn Eubank sets a ball for her teammate against Borger September 28. volleyball became Eubank's favorite sport when she started playing in junior high.

Final three games most challenging for Lady Harvesters

The second round of district was more challenging than the first for the Pampa Lady Harvesters. The third and final round of district will be the toughest test to date, as the Lady Harvesters look to lock up a playoff spot and district title.

This round will be tougher because all three opponents have seen Pampa one more time than previously. All three opponents took a game



ANDREW GLOVER

from the Lady Harvesters and the games Pampa won were closer. This means their opponents will be more knowledgeable and probably more confident. The key for Pampa is to stay composed, put their opponents away and focus on one team at a time.

In all situations in the next three games the Lady Harvesters must stay composed. This is something Pampa has done well so far in district. In the second round of games, the Lady Harvesters finished well in all three matches. It's almost a guarantee they will deal with plenty of adverse situations but they will need to keep it together. It will especially be true when

they start playing in the playoffs. Two of the last three games out on the road, and the last thing Pampa needs in those environments is for the crowd to be in it.

In these last three games, the Lady Harvesters need to close the door on their opponents especially when they develop a five or more point lead late in the match. In last week's games against Borger and Perryton, Pampa would get up by six, but allow their opponent to get right back in the game. That's something this squad cannot do the rest of the season. Everyone is fighting to keep their season's alive and if they get a momentum swing it could spell trouble. When Pampa gets those five

point or more leads they need to continue the momentum and shut down their opponent.

The only game the Lady Harvesters need to have their focus on is the one they are playing. These first six games of district have shown, no one can be overlooked. If that happens, then we might not be playing for the district title October 26. The first task begins tonight and that is beat the Borger Lady Bulldogs.

These final games will provide the toughest test to date for the Lady Harvesters. Between 8:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. Oct 26 in Dalhart, we will know how Pampa did with this test.

Lee pitches Rangers past Yanks

NEW YORK (AP) — Pitching in the postseason is supposed to be stressful. Cliff Lee is making this all look so easy.

The ace of October overpowered the New York Yankees again, striking out 13 and sending the Texas Rangers to an 8-0 victory Monday night for a 2-1 lead in the best-of-seven AL championship series.

Josh Hamilton hit an early two-run homer off Andy Pettitte and started a six-run outburst in the ninth with a leadoff double. Lee allowed only two singles in eight innings and became the first pitcher to reach double digits in strikeouts three times in one postseason.

"It's tough to be better than that," Yankees slugger Mark Teixeira said.

Mr. Automatic improved to 7-0 with a 1.26 ERA in eight postseason starts. Three of those wins have come against the power-packed Yankees, including two in last year's World Series for Philadelphia.

New York won the other four games against the Phillies to take home its 27th

championship, but now faces a tall task to repeat. The Yankees must win three straight against the resilient Rangers to advance without facing Lee in a decisive Game 7 at Texas.

"I'm not satisfied," Lee said. "We still have some work to do here. A lot of fun to come into New York and get this first one. Hopefully we can come out here tomorrow and pick up where we left off."

It'll be a tough act to follow after Lee and the Rangers handed the Yankees the most lopsided shutout loss in their storied postseason history. The left-hander also joined Orlando Hernandez (8-0) and Orel Hershiser (7-0) as the only pitchers to win their first seven postseason decisions.

About the only slip-up all night for Lee came when he stumbled as he stepped up to his seat at the postgame podium.

"Booby trap right here," he said with a grin.

Find out in tomorrow's edition if the Lady Harvesters clinched a playoff spot and an update on the District 1-3A volleyball race.

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Dallas bomb plot suspect may take stand at hearing

DALLAS (AP) — A 20-year-old Jordanian man who tried to bomb a downtown Dallas skyscraper could take the stand Tuesday as a federal judge considers his sentence.

Attorneys for Hosam Smadi said their client may testify during the second day of his sentencing hearing. On Monday, his father testified that Smadi became deeply depressed after his mother's death four years ago, even sleeping by her grave, and doctors provided dueling conclusions of whether Smadi suffered from mental illness.

The hearing at the federal courthouse in Dallas is just blocks away from the 60-story office tower where Smadi parked and tried to detonate what he believed was a truck bomb in September 2009. It was decoy provided by undercover FBI agents.

Smadi pleaded guilty in May to attempted use of a weapon of mass destruction, and acknowledged in plea documents that he tried to carry out the attack. He could face life in prison, but if U.S. District Judge Barbara Lynn accepts the plea deal, Smadi would likely receive a 30-year sentence and then face deportation.

In arguing for a lighter sentence Monday, his public defenders portrayed Smadi as troubled and depressed. They said he exhibited signs of depression and mental illness when his parents separated and suffered a breakdown after his mother died of cancer in 2006.

FBI officials, however, told a different story. After monitoring Smadi for nine months, agents believed he was a committed would-be terrorist determined to connect with al-Qaida or Hamas.

Doctors also offered opposing views. A psychologist testifying for the defense, Xavier Amador, pointed to interviews in which Smadi said he saw a devil in his home who tied his hands and grabbed his mouth. Smadi also told the doctor that he felt certain he helped his dying mother survive a year longer, thoughts Amador said were "delusional and grandiose."

But prosecutors' psychiatrist, Raymond Patterson, said Smadi "makes up psychiatric symptoms" and seemed to weather the divorce of his parents and death of his mother.



Smadi

His father, Maher Smadi, testified that he often beat his son with his fists and a

chain, and once tried to run him down with a car. The father said he sent Hosam Smadi to the U.S. in March 2007, because their relationship was strained and he wanted the teenager to get an education and "start a new life." Maher Smadi said he visited his son near San Jose, Calif., less than a year later and was upset to find him smoking, drinking and cursing Islam. His son moved to the Dallas

area a short time later. Smadi's father and 12-year-old sister broke into loud sobs when he was led into the courtroom at the start of Monday's hearing wearing an orange prison jumpsuit with his ankles chained together. Smadi was polite, occasionally speaking to the judge.

Mohammad al Zughoul, a former neighbor of the Smadis in Jordan, said in tearful testimony that his

neighbors were a happy family until a rumor began circulating that the elder Smadi's wife was involved in an affair with another neighbor. The rumor infuriated Maher Smadi, who acknowledged he began beating his wife and four children.

"Hosam had a lot of suffering," al Zughoul said. "He was taking the responsibility of fighting his father. It destroyed Hosam — this

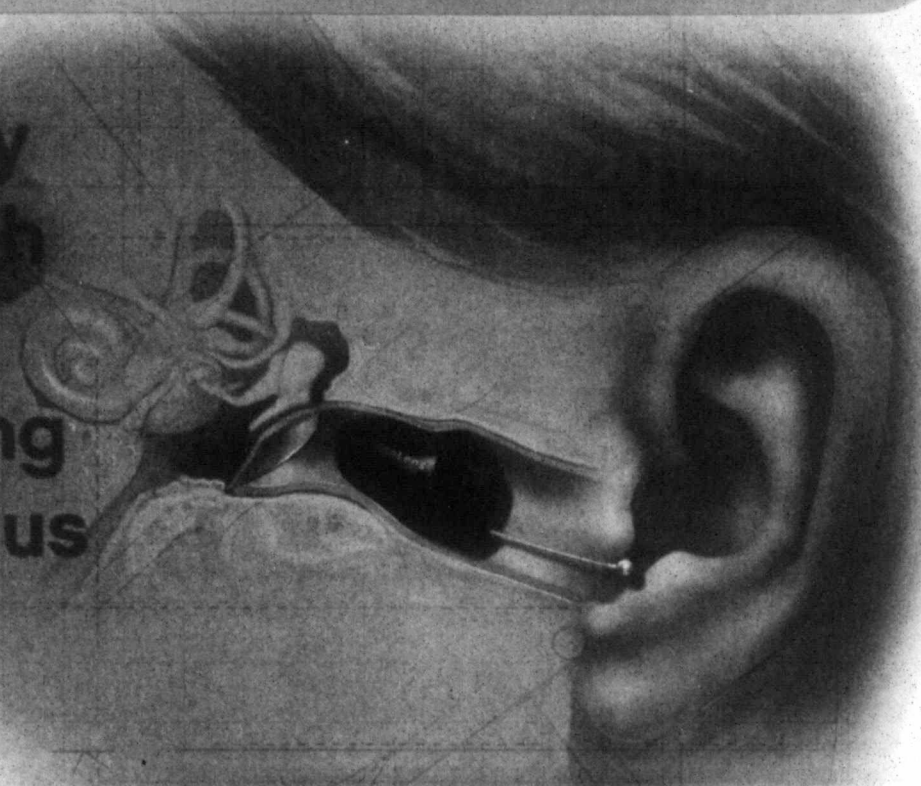
rumor — and I know he is still suffering from that."

According to the plea documents, the younger Smadi acknowledged leaving what he thought was a truck bomb in a garage beneath the Fountain Place building in Dallas. Smadi said he parked the truck, started a timer connected to the decoy provided by undercover FBI agents, then rode away to watch the explosion.

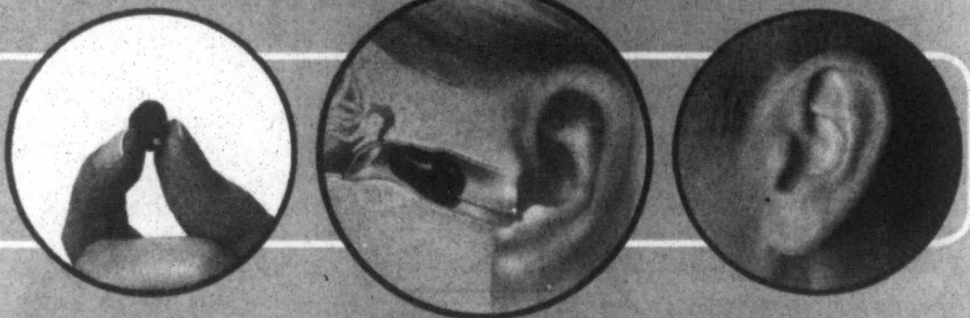
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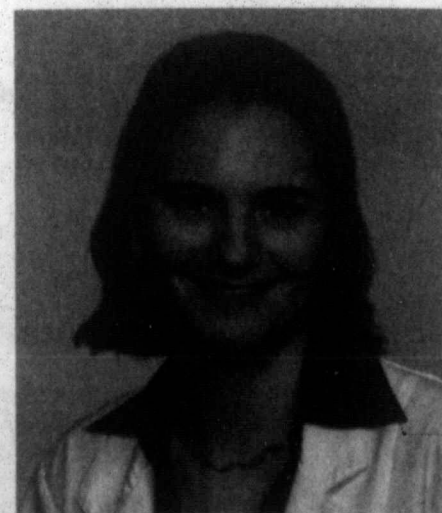
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