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Bush takes physical, goes to Texas ranch

WASHINGTON (AP) — An avid fitness buff, President Bush is getting his annual medical checkup before beginning a monthlong sojourn on his ranch in central Texas. The physical — the third of his presidency — is at the Bethesda Naval Hospital in suburban Maryland. The president was pronounced extremely fit in his last two annual exams. Bush planned to head from Bethesda by helicopter to Andrews Air Force base, also in suburban Maryland, for the trip to his ranch in Crawford, Texas.

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Bush: Tax cuts will create jobs

President claims economy improving as policies show positive effects

By WILL LESTER
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush says the economy's improved growth rate in the second quarter is a sign that his policies are starting to have a positive effect — though he acknowledges unemployment is still a problem.

"The best way to promote growth and job creation is to leave more money in the pockets of households and small businesses, instead of taxing it away," Bush said in his radio address for Saturday. "So we lowered income

tax rates, cut taxes on dividends and capital gains, reduced the marriage penalty and increased the child tax credit."

Virginia Gov. Mark Warner in his Democratic radio address said the Bush tax cuts are creating huge federal deficits while creating a financial crisis for states, which have to cut important programs or raise taxes.

The nation's gross domestic product, the broadest barometer of the economy's shape, expanded at an annual rate of 2.4 percent in the April to June quarter, government economists said this week. That was the

fastest growth rate since last summer. The president warned, however, that the jobless rate shows there is more work to do on the economy.

"This week's employment report also shows that many Americans who want to work are still having trouble finding a job," Bush said. "My administration is acting to promote faster growth to encourage the creation of new jobs. The key to job growth is higher demand for goods and services."

The nation's unemployment rate dipped to 6.2 percent in July, but businesses cut jobs for the sixth month in a

row, despite signs the economy is on the mend.

Still, Bush cited the statistics as a sign of more improvement to the economy in coming months.

"Manufacturers are receiving more orders and their inventories need to be replenished, home builders are busy meeting near-record demand, and retailers report that consumers are buying more goods," Bush said. "Many economists expect that growth will accelerate in the coming months."

The president said his administration has increased tax incentives for

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Sources say report holds Saudi links

WASHINGTON (AP) — Still-secret sections of Congress' Sept. 11 report examine interactions between Saudi businessmen and the royal family that may have intentionally or unwittingly aided al-Qaida or the suicide hijackers, according to people who have seen it.

The report suggests that one, and possibly two, Saudi men who encountered the hijackers or their acquaintances were tied to Saudi intelligence and that a Muslim imam in the United States may have been a facilitator for some hijackers, the sources said, speaking only on condition of anonymity.

U.S. investigators are setting out anew to determine if the connections are innocent coincidences in an Islamic culture that urges charitable support or a pattern of pro-terror money and patronage flowing from the wealthy kingdom that is a longtime U.S. ally, according to government officials familiar with those efforts.

Some of the most sensitive information in a 28-page classified section of the report involves what U.S. agencies are doing currently to investigate Saudi business figures and organizations, the officials said.

The congressional investigators, however, warn the leads they have dug up for the FBI and CIA to pursue are at times contradictory or circumstantial. The FBI and CIA have not substantiated ties to Saudi intelligence.

"On the one hand, it is possible that these

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A good likeness



(Pampa News photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

Chief Deputy Kelly Rushing, right, applauds as Ed Copeland unveils a portrait of his father Gray County Sheriff Don Copeland at a special gathering Friday afternoon in the Sheriff's Office. The Copeland family recently asked local artist Grant Johnson, a relative, to paint the portrait. "We're doing this because of the influence he's had on our lives, for his devotion to his job and his family and as a simple token of appreciation," Ed said. After looking at the portrait, the sheriff commented wryly, "I'm sorry to say it does look like me." Many of the Copeland family were on hand for the presentation including his wife, children, grandchildren, as well as sheriff's department staff, DPS officers, district and county officials and employees.

Walk-out could end before 30 days

By KELLEY SHANNON
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas senators who fled to New Mexico insist they'll stay gone for the full 30 days of the new special legislative session if necessary to block a vote on congressional redistricting.

But it's possible the stalemate could break before the Aug. 26 conclusion of the new special session called by Republican Gov. Rick Perry.

In Albuquerque, the "Texas 11," as the absent Democratic legislators have dubbed themselves, are breaking a quorum and halting business in the 31-member Texas Senate. They're trying to prevent Republicans from voting in a new redistricting plan that would reverse the Democrats' current majority in the congressional delegation.

Here are some ways the Senate standoff could end.

COURT ACTION

The Democrats are examining all sorts of scenarios in the legal arena that could lead to a court order ending the stalemate.

"We would be stupid not to evaluate legal options," said Renea Hicks, an Austin-based redistricting lawyer and one of a number of attorneys advising the boycotting Democrats.

Hicks wouldn't discuss specifics because the situation changes so rapidly and legal research is ongoing, he said.

The Senate Democrats could decide to file a federal lawsuit connected to the Voting Rights Act, a law that protects the rights of minority voters.

News reports this past week indicated the Democratic senators are looking at filing a federal lawsuit in the Rio Grande Valley, but the senators won't confirm that publicly. The senators, however, have repeatedly said Republican proposed redistricting plans would violate minority rights.

"We understand that they are shop-

ping for a judge, a federal judge, who will issue a temporary restraining order under the Voting Rights Act," said Dave Beckwith, spokesman for Republican Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst. The senators should settle the dispute through conciliation and consensus, not in court, Beckwith said.

Keith Hampton of Austin, a criminal defense attorney, has offered advice to the senators on the possible use of physical force to bring the legislators back to the Capitol. Hampton argues that Republican leaders cannot use force to compel the Democrats to express a political stance against their will.

By busting a quorum, the lawmakers are engaging in political expression, he said.

"They're voting with their feet," Hampton said. "They've got every right to do that."

But Dewhurst says the state constitution allows Senate officials to "compel the attendance" of absent senators.

Dewhurst circulated a memo from Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott's office containing a legal opinion backing that position.

Beckwith said the lieutenant governor's staff is scrutinizing potential legal scenarios that might arise, but he declined to give specifics.

"It would be premature," he said.

TWO-THIRDS RULE

The 11 Democratic senators have said repeatedly they will end their walkout if Dewhurst decides to reinstate the so-called "two-thirds rule."

But the lieutenant governor, who presides over the Senate, isn't giving any indication he will give in to that request.

Traditionally, the rule is in place in the Senate and requires two-thirds, or 21 senators in the 31-member chamber, to agree to bring a bill up for a vote.

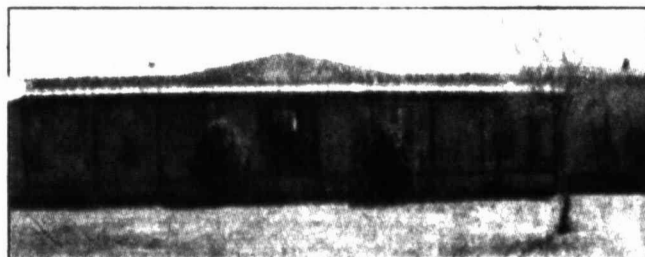
That means 11 senators can block a vote. But Dewhurst is arranging the

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OBITUARIES

SERVICES TOMORROW

Services Monday

LIBBY, Leecy — Graveside services, 3 p.m., Macedonia Baptist Church, Pelham, Ga.

WILCOX, Dustin Lee "Dusty" — Memorial services, 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

DUSTIN LEE "DUSTY" WILCOX
1961-2003

MIAMI — Dustin Lee "Dusty" Wilcox, 42, died Thursday, July 31, 2003. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m., Monday in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel in Pampa with Pastor Randy Byrd, of Barn Church in Heretford, and Pastor Andy Taylor, of Trinity Fellowship Church in Sayre, Okla., officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Born July 10, 1961, at Dimmitt, Mr. Wilcox graduated from high school at Fort Stockton in 1979. He married Pam Dietz on Sept. 10, 1982, at Cleo Springs, Okla.

For the last seven years, he was maintenance supervisor for Compressor Systems, Inc. He was a cowboy as well and was active

in junior rodeo with his children. He was a former member of Miami Masonic Lodge and enjoyed bluegrass music.

Survivors include his wife, Pam Wilcox of Cleo Springs; three sons, John Wayne Wilcox of Miami and Clayton Lee Wilcox and Thomas Lee Wilcox, both of Cleo Springs; his mother, Linda Byrd of Miami; his father, Joe L. Wilcox of Crane; a brother, Dudley Wilcox of Crane; a sister, Jody Bebb of Clayton, N.M.; and grandparents, Christell Wilcox of Dimmitt and Eupha Mae Sorenson of Wheeler.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

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LELA PEARL BECKHAM
1924-2003

Lela Pearl Beckham, 79, of Pampa, Texas, died Thursday, July 31, 2003, at Houston, Texas. Services will be at 2 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 5, 2003, at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with Dr. Randy White, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Beckham was born January 5, 1924, in Mountainair, New Mexico. She had been a resident of Pampa since 1925. She married Harold Beckham on May 7, 1944, in Pampa. He preceded her in death in 1997.

She was a homemaker. She was a member of the First Baptist Church, where she was also a member of the Sunshine Club and the Sunshine Choir.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Cheri Rene Beckham, in 1950.

Survivors include a son, Richard L.

Beckham and wife Marilyn of Houston; a daughter, Cheryl (Cheri) Duggan and husband Bill of Missouri City; four grandchildren, Amy Garcia of Amarillo, Lynn Rector of Amarillo, Steve Rector of the U.S. Air Force, and Matt Duggan of Missouri City; and seven great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 621, Pampa, TX 79066-0621.

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LEECY LIBBY
1922-2003

ALBANY, Ga. — Leecy Libby, 81, died Thursday, July 31, 2003. Graveside services will be at 3 p.m., Monday, in Macedonia Baptist Church in Pelham, Ga. Arrangements are under the direction of Hall & Hall Funeral Home, Inc., of Albany.

Mr. Libby was born July 14, 1922, at Fame, Okla., and grew up in Lefors where he enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1942, receiving numerous medals including the Distinguished Flying

Cross while serving as a fighter pilot in the Army Air Corps during World War II.

Mr. Libby moved to Albany in 1974 and was a retired construction supervisor.

Survivors include four sons, Larry Libby of Cochran, Ga., Ray Libby of Albany, Bill Libby of Nashville, Tenn., and Randy Libby of Greenville, S.C.; a sister, Leona Line of Pampa; nine grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

ON RECORD

POLICE

Pampa Police Department made the following arrests according to Gray County Jail records.

Friday, Aug. 1

Kristopher Alvin Cox, 26, 1713 Buckler, was arrested on a Gray County warrant for burglary of a habitation. He was released after charges were dismissed.

Judah Benjamin Hart, 20, 823 1/2 Somerville, was arrested for criminal trespass and theft over \$500/under \$1,500.

Saturday, Aug. 2

Ashley Dawn Ragan, 25, 501 1/2 N. Ward, was arrested for failure to identify.

James Price Butler, 22, 412 N. Cuyler, was arrested for evading arrest.

SHERIFF

Gray County Sheriff's Office Saturday reported the following arrest.

Friday, Aug. 1

Neal Andrew Webb II, 42, Lefors, turned himself in to serve a sentence for assault causing bodily injury.

AMBULANCE

Rural/Metro Ambulance reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m., Saturday.

Friday, Aug. 1

5:28 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Wells and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

9:04 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1800 block of Evergreen. No patient was transported.

FIRE

Pampa Fire Department responded to the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m., Saturday.

Friday, Aug. 1

11:19 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters went on a good intent call in the 600 block of North Christy. The nature of the call was not listed on the report.

5:36 p.m. — Two units and six firefighters responded to a lifting assist in the 1200 block of North Wells.

WEATHER

The forecast today is calling for partly cloudy skies, a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms including a 20 percent chance of rain with highs in the mid 90s and light to variable winds. Tonight should see partly cloudy skies, a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, lows in the upper 60s, south winds 5 to 15 mph, and a 20 percent chance of rain. Monday should be partly cloudy. Slight chance of thunderstorms in the afternoon.

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Faced with a deadline of Aug. 4, Department of Public Safety officials in Texas are stepping up efforts to attract trooper applicants to the agency's October recruit school. The six-month training academy will get under way Oct. 13 in Austin.

"The deadline is just around the corner, and we have an urgent need for trooper-trainees to offset retire-

ments and to fill trooper openings associated with NAFTA," said DPS Director Col. Thomas Davis Jr. "We need an immediate influx of applicants to ensure a quality, diversified applicant pool to fill our next recruit school."

Application packets are available at the nearest DPS office and extensive information is accessible at the DPS web site located at www.txdps.state.tx.us on the Internet.

Graduates who successfully complete the academy will initially be assigned as uniformed officers in one of several service areas. After gaining experience, troopers are then eligible to compete for a variety of assignments in the following divisions: Traffic Law Enforcement, Criminal Law Enforcement, Driver License, Administration and Texas Ranger.

To apply for the school, an

individual must be a U.S. citizen, must be at least 20 years of age by the date of acceptance into the academy, and must have completed 90-hours of college credit. Law enforcement, jailer or military experience may be applied toward fulfilling the college requirements.

All applicants' undergo extensive background checks.

For more information, log onto www.txdps.state.tx.us or call toll-free 1-866-898-7667 (TXTROOP).

Sen. Duncan to sit on higher ed panel

Sen. Robert Duncan will be one of 16 members of the Interim Joint Committee on Higher Education, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst announced recently.

The committee will evaluate elements within the state's higher education system including equity and adequacy, cost and student income levels, and administration.

"It is vital to the future of this state that we keep higher education track," said Duncan.

Duncan's Senate District 28 includes Texas Tech University, Angelo State University, South Plains College, Howard College, Clarendon College, Texas State Technical College, Western Texas College, Lubbock Christian University and Wayland Baptist University.

The committee is to prepare a report of its findings by Nov. 1.

JOHN ... WHAT'S CAVITATION?

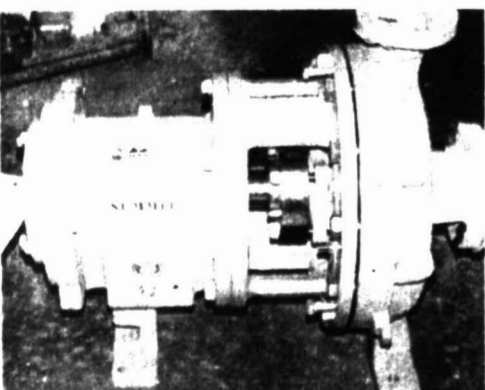
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kinds of connections could suggest, as indicated in a CIA memorandum, 'incontrovertible evidence that there is support for these terrorists' ... On the other hand, it is also possible that further investigation of these allegations could reveal legitimate, and innocent, explanations for these associations."

Nonetheless, FBI Director Robert Mueller acknowledged to lawmakers in a secret session that he had learned from Congress about new evidence.

"I am saying the sequence of events here, I think the staff probed and as a result of the probing, some facts came to light here and to me, frankly, that had not come to light before," Mueller told the joint House-Senate intelligence inquiry in one closed hearing last October.

Top Saudi officials are calling for the public release of the still-secret section of the report, and say it is ridiculous to suggest the royal family would deliberately fund an al-Qaida movement dedicated to its overthrow.

"There is no there, there," said Adel al-Jubeir, a Saudi foreign policy adviser.

He said his government hasn't seen the classified section of the report written by a joint House-Senate committee, but based on the Saudis' own investigation "we believe the reason the intelligence community insisted on classification of that section is it could not confirm or agree with what the joint inquiry report says."

Suspected terrorist leader Osama Bin Laden, a Saudi by birth, was excommunicated from his homeland in the mid-1990s for his advocacy of violence against the United States and his threats to overthrow the Saudi royal family for allowing U.S. troops on Saudi soil during the 1991 Gulf War.

FBI officials are seeking to question, anew, Saudi businessman Omar al-Bayoumi, who during his time in San Diego threw a welcoming party for eventual hijacker Khalid al-Mihdhar and Nawaf al-Hazmi and who put down money for their deposit and first month's rent.

Al-Bayoumi left the United States two months before the suicide hijackings and settled in Britain, where Prince Turki al-Faisal, a member of the royal family was serving as ambassador after a stint as chief of Saudi

intelligence, according to officials familiar with the report. Several such connections to Saudi government officials — as well as an uneven flow of money to him — have led some in Congress to question if al-Bayoumi was a Saudi intelligence agent. Al-Jubeir denies any such connection.

Saudi officials say British and U.S. officials questioned al-Bayoumi immediately after the Sept. 11 attacks and released him. A lawyer for three central witnesses in the hijacking investigation says the FBI also may have an interest in videotapes al-Bayoumi took of numerous events at an Islamic center in San Diego, including the party for two hijackers.

Al-Bayoumi "had a video camera at that party. He and his video camera were inseparable. In fact, one of my clients even held the camera for a while at that party," attorney Randall Hamud said in an

interview Friday. The report also notes al-Bayoumi worked with a Saudi government aviation official whose son's picture was found on a computer disk along with pictures of many of the 19 hijackers, most of whom came from Saudi Arabia. FBI officials questioned the son last year.

Congressional officials questioned in the report the nature of the work al-Bayoumi did for his Saudi pay and why money to him spiked when he was befriending the hijackers, according to officials who have seen it.

The classified report as well as other sensitive intelligence gathered by U.S. investigators focuses on a series of financial transactions and movements by Saudi citizens and royalty.

For instance, Prince Bandar, the U.S. ambassador to the United States, and his wife, Princess Haifa al-Faisal, wrote tens of thousands of dollars of checks to a Saudi named Osama

Basnan and his wife, Magda Ibrahim Dweikat, who were in San Diego around the time of the hijackers' stay.

Al-Jubeir said Bandar gave charitable donations to Basnan to help cover his wife's medical bills starting in 1998 and that al-Faisal separately gave regular monthly payments to Dweikat, who used her maiden name that did not call attention to her marriage to Basnan.

Al-Jubeir said Saudi investigators traced every payment — which totaled more than \$100,000 — and found evidence two or three of the princess' checks to Dweikat were signed over to al-Bayoumi's wife. Saudi officials found no evidence that money was transferred to the hijackers or even used by al-Bayoumi when he assisted the hijackers, he said.

He said the money the prince and princess gave was among millions they've donated to help Saudis living in the United States. He added the Saudis believe al-Bayoumi was repaid by the hijackers for his initial money.

FBI officials obtained information about Basnan, who was charged with visa violations after Sept. 11 and eventually sent back to Saudi Arabia, "clearly indicating that Basnan is an extremist and Bin Laden supporter," the congressional report concludes.

In classified sections of the report, congressional investigators also trace his movements after Sept. 11, raising the possibility he went to Houston to meet with a Saudi figure with intelligence ties who had come with royal family members when they met with President Bush in Texas.

Among other connections, the report states that an imam who had been on the FBI's radar before Sept. 11 served as a spiritual adviser for two of the hijackers and his mosques may have facilitated the hijackers on both coasts.

The congressional report says the FBI dropped pre-September inquiries about the imam, which it does not name, "despite the imam's contacts with other subjects of counterterrorism interest and reports concerning the imam's connection to suspect organizations."

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BUSH

equipment purchases that give small businesses an additional reason to invest.

"We are starting to see results from our actions," Bush said. "My administration's economists believe that if we had not passed tax relief, our unemployment rate would have been nearly one percentage point higher, and as many as 1.5 million Americans would not have the jobs they have today."

He said three Cabinet members on their tour of the Midwest — Treasury Secretary John Snow, Commerce Secretary Don Evans, and Labor Secretary Elaine Chao — heard people tell them that the economy is improving.

Democrat Warner saw the current economic situation quite differently. He said Republicans had promised to cut taxes, eliminate the national debt and get the economy booming.

"Instead, the real record is that our country lost 3.1 million jobs and their policies have turned the \$236 billion surplus they inherited into a \$455 billion deficit," Warner said.

Warner said that after the federal government "spent almost 10 years getting rid of our national budget deficit, the president's economic policies create new deficits and will saddle future generations with debts that our children and grandchildren will be paying for years to come."

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order of bills in this new special session so that the two-thirds rule is not needed to take up congressional redistricting.

That angered Senate Democrats, who in the first special session in July used the two-thirds tactic to prevent redistricting from coming before the full Senate.

Dewhurst notes that in three previous legislative sessions on redistricting, in 1971, 1981 and 1992, there was no two-thirds rule. He also said that over the past 50 years there have been more than 20 special sessions without a two-thirds rule.

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The Democrats also say they will return to Texas if Perry removes redistricting from the agenda of the current special session.

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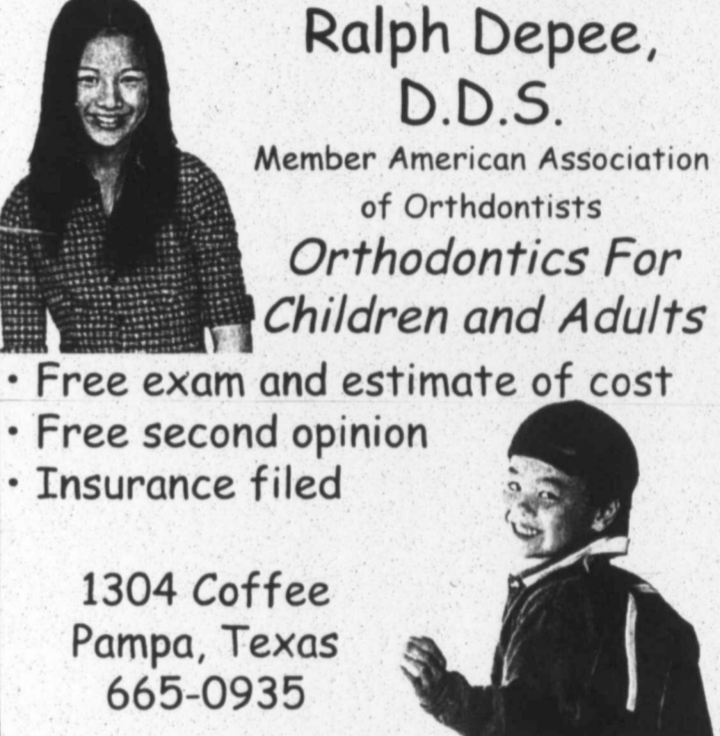
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TEXAS EDITORIAL

In favor of Propositions 6, 16

From the Houston Chronicle:

Among the 22 proposed constitutional amendments on the Sept. 13 statewide ballot, Proposition 6 and Proposition 16 both would allow Texas homeowners to convert a home equity loan into a reverse mortgage. The Chronicle recommends a vote for each proposition.

In 1997, Texas voters approved a constitutional amendment authorizing banks to lend consumers money secured by an owner's equity in a home. In order to give homeowners maximum protection against predatory lenders, legislators required that a home equity loan be refinanced only with another home equity loan. Reverse mortgages were not established in Texas until several years later.

If either Proposition 6 or 16 passes, qualified Texans who would have preferred to take out a reverse mortgage but instead took a home equity loan could convert it to a reverse mortgage. Reverse mortgages are available only to borrowers who are at least 62 years old, and reverse mortgages enjoy more consumer protection than other financial instruments. Unlike equity loans, monies from reverse mortgages are paid out over time and require no monthly payment from the homeowner. Repayment does not come due until the term of the loan expires, the homeowner no longer owns and lives in the house, or the homeowner dies.

Volatile financial markets have caused many retired Texans' investment income to shrink. Paying off a home equity loan with a reverse mortgage would decrease their monthly financial obligations and enable them to receive a monthly income from the lender.

Proposition 16 goes further than Proposition 6 and would allow homeowners to establish lines of credit secured by their home equity. Such lines of credit would carry lower interest rates than other types of loans, and could not be linked to credit card debts, protecting the homestead against multiple creditors.

Every homeowner should think twice before placing his homestead at risk of foreclosure. However, lines of credit secured by home equity would give homeowners a safe, flexible, affordable, well-regulated method of borrowing several times without having to draw up several loan agreements.

Propositions 6 and 16 both deal with home equity lending and reverse mortgages, but have separate legislative histories. Passage of one does not depend upon passage of the other. However, the Chronicle recommends a vote for both this September.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

"We are healed of a suffering only by experiencing it to the full."

— Marcel Proust, French author (1871-1922).

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Due to volume and repetition, we will limit submissions from the same person to two letters per month.

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Quit whining, start working

Friday, we received a news release from the Republican Party of Texas telling us they're sending "care" packages to the Democrats holed up in an Albuquerque, N.M., motel waiting for the Republicans to give up on their redistricting bill.

The tongue-in-cheek package includes what Texas Republicans believe is behavior-appropriate items for the 11 Democratic Texas senators who walked out of a special session of the Senate so there would not be a quorum available to vote on redistricting:

- Pamper's brand "Custom Fit Cruisers" diapers because they "need underwear that reflects their childish behavior."

- Baby rattles so they'll "have something to hold as they shake their fists in the air;"

- Child leashes "to keep them firmly attached to the national Democrat Party leaders who ordered and are controlling the walkout;" and

- Pacifiers "to curb the incessant Democrat whining."

In my opinion, both parties are guilty of childish behavior and whining. I don't know what the rest of the world thinks, but I'm getting pretty sick of all of this.

First, I know that the Democrats believe they are best representing the



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EDITOR

constituents by blockading the Republicans' efforts (that are also controlled at the national level) to redraw congressional lines. The Democrats feel that if the redistricting is allowed, Republicans will have the advantage.

What sickens me is that both parties seem more interested in having the advantage for their party than they do about what's best for the people they are supposed to serve.

I know they'll argue that by promoting their respective party beliefs they are doing what's "best" for the people.

To me, the energy spent on all this bickering could be better used working.

Not only is backbiting and fighting happening in our state, but at the national level as well.

This administration cannot do anything without being attacked by Democrats and the liberal media. Every effort is being undermined by persons with an obvious agenda to see Bush's popularity decimated before the

November 2004 presidential elections.

I'm all for a healthy system of checks and balances. No one should be so all powerful that he or she can make any decision without question. But what is happening now seems so obviously to be politically-directed. I question the questioners.

Who in their right mind would think that a country the size of California could go through what Iraq has experienced these last four months and immediately be up and on their own with a new democracy by this time?

California can't seem to be able to do it without a devastating war on their land, language and culture barriers, and after 150 some-odd years in the union.

Democrats, face facts. Running away is not the answer. Some day your tactics may be turned against you. What will you say then?

Right now, there are more Republicans in the Texas Senate and the House of Representatives because there are more Republican voters. The House has already passed a redistricting plan.

Get in there, cast your vote, represent your constituents and if you fail to win, take it like an adult.

It's a lot like the Panhandle weather. If you don't like the way it is right now, give it a few minutes. It will change.



Dawn of the 'hydrogen' economy

Way back in 1953, our family bought our first new car. It was a beautiful brown and tan Bel-Air Chevrolet and I loved to talk mom into giving me the keys, a few dollars out of our restaurant's cash drawer and go see if some of the girls in our town wanted to take her for a spin. Back then I never dreamed that the automobile, and the energy it consumed, would someday be a monumental problem for our nation in terms of air pollution, maintaining our highway system and finding an adequate supply of fossil fuels to keep up with the demand.

You, no doubt, have been hearing about the development of the hydrogen fuel cell and the fact that energy from this source does not pollute the environment. The really good news, at least to consider, is that hydrogen fuel cells have the potential to provide all the energy needed for every human being on earth in the coming decades. Even at current levels, the energy needs of all the nations throughout the world are straining the limits of what can be produced using fossil fuels.

According to most authorities in this field, we are fast reaching the peak of the supply of coal, oil and natural gas found on earth. When the peak is reached and we start down the other side, the law of supply and demand kicks in and prices will soar as supply dwindles. By contrast, hydrogen is the lightest and most ubiquitous element found in the universe. When harnessed as a form of ener-



JIM DAVIDSON
COLUMNIST

gy, it becomes the forever fuel. It never runs out, and because it contains not a single carbon atom, it emits no carbon dioxide.

A few weeks ago I received the most enlightening book I have ever received or read on this subject. The book is titled, "The Hydrogen Economy" and was written by Jeremy Rifkin. Mr. Rifkin is the president of the Foundation on Economic Trends in Washington, D.C. and has authored a number of other books that have been translated into 15 different languages. In his new book Mr. Rifkin takes us on an eye-opening journey into the next great commercial era of history.

He sees the dawn of a new economy powered by hydrogen that will fundamentally change the nature of our market, political and social institutions, just a coal and steam power did at the beginning of the Industrial Age. You know he is, on to something when you learn that the major automakers have already spent more than \$2 billion developing hydrogen cars, buses and trucks, and the first mass-produced vehicles are expected to be on the road in just a few years.

We are not just talking about transportation here. In the hydrogen era, says Rifkin, every human being could become the producer as well as the consumer of his or her own energy—so called "distributed generation." When millions of end-users connect their fuel-cells into local, regional, and national hydrogen energy webs (HEW's) using the same design principles and smart technologies that made possible the World Wide Web, they can begin to share energy "peer-to-peer" creating a new decentralized form of energy use.

Another tremendous advantage of this new technology is the prospects for less dependence on Middle East oil that will diffuse the dangerous geopolitical game being played out between Muslim militants and Western nations. Incidentally, this book will also give you some real insights as to why we are in such a mess with Arab nations today. Hydrogen energy will also dramatically cut down on carbon dioxide emissions and mitigate the effects of global warming. And because hydrogen is so plentiful and exists everywhere in earth, every human being could be "empowered," making it the first truly democratic energy regime in history. But there is a catch. We must prevent the 'giants' from taking this technology over. Read the book, "The Hydrogen Economy" if you want to know more.

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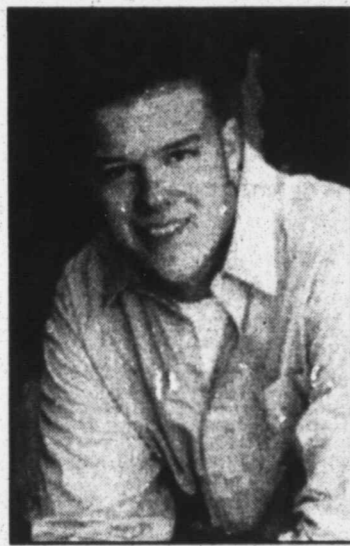
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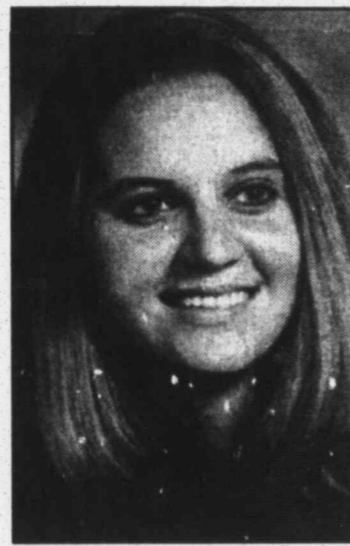
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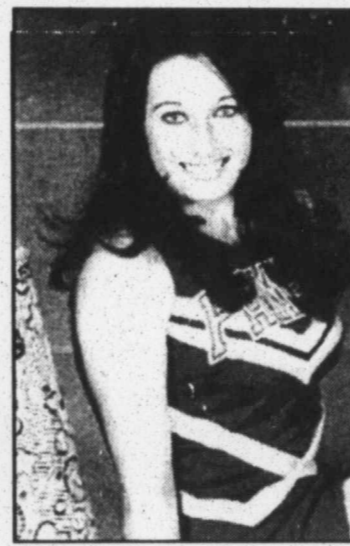
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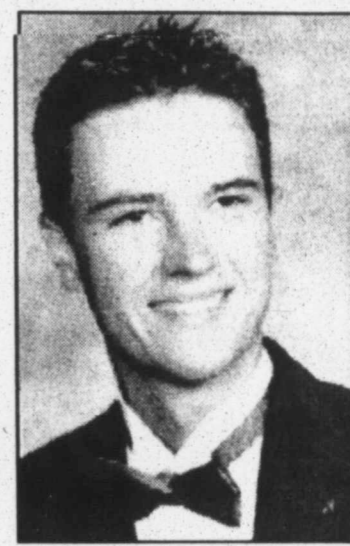
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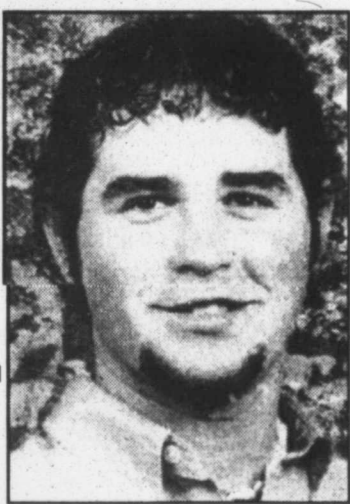
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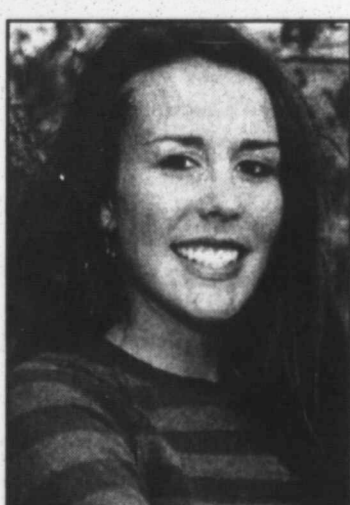
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Local API chapter announces scholarship recipients

The Panhandle chapter of American Petroleum Institute recently awarded \$15,650 in scholarships to area high school graduates and college students for the 2003-04 academic year.

The scholarships were bestowed upon children of current API members on the basis of academic achievement and need.

Recipients are required to enter as full-time college students in the fall and must maintain good academic standing throughout the school year.

The 2003-04 scholarship recipients, their parents and the colleges or universities they plan to attend are as follows:

Lauren Acker, daughter of Greg and Lisa Acker of Pampa, Texas Tech University;

Montgomery Barnett, son of Carolyn Barnett of Canadian, Asbury Theological Seminary;

Robert Belcher and Suzanna Belcher, children of Nancy Krister of Amarillo, TTU and Texas Christian University, respectively;

Ben Dvorak, son of Robert and Connie Dvorak of Pampa, Oklahoma State University;

Hether Elkouri, daughter of Kathy Elkouri of Canadian, Amarillo College;

Taryn Fallon, daughter of Ben Fallon of Pampa and of Todd and Melinda Ritthaler of Woodward, Okla., University of Oklahoma;

Tianna Hardin, daughter of Terrel and Debbie Hardin of

Canadian, OSU;

Daniel Heuston, son of Bill and Treasa Heuston of Pampa, McMurry University;

Lindsay Kerr, daughter of Mike and Julia Kerr of Amarillo, TTU;

Travis Lancaster, son of Michael and Kim Lancaster of Pampa, TTU;

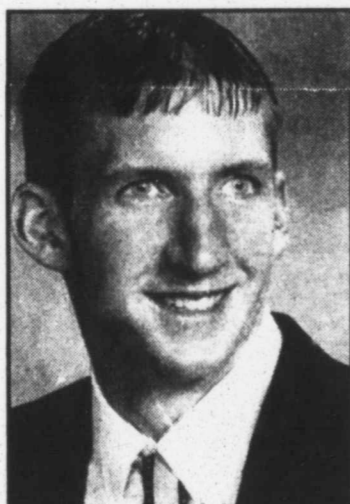
Heidi McKinney, daughter of Chuck and Betty Mathias of Borger, TTU;

Jessica Nicolet, daughter of Dan and Sherrie Nicolet of Pampa, Southwest Texas State University;

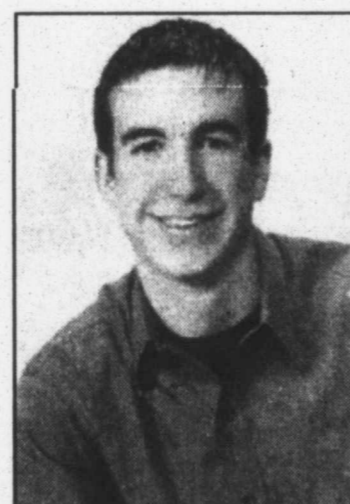
Cory Pittman, son of Burl and Melanie Pittman of Canadian, West Texas A&M University;

Matthew Robben and Russell Robben, sons of Bill and Paula Robben of Pampa, both Texas A&M University;

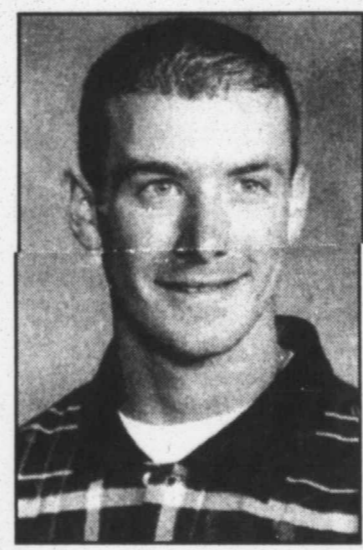
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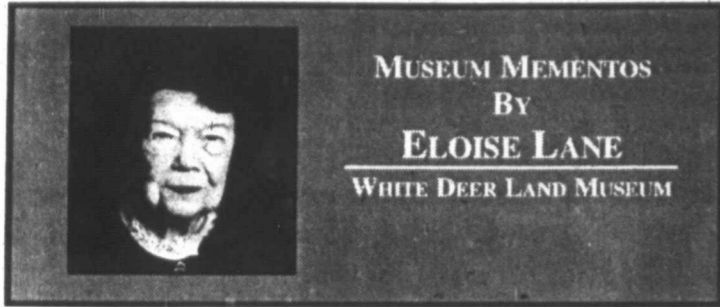
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Pioneering area businessmen's spirit lives on in progeny



MUSEUM MEMENTOS
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Floyd V. Studer, son of J.C. and Ella Studer, was a schoolboy in Canadian, Texas, when he found the tooth of a prehistoric mastodon in the river banks near his family's Anvil Park Ranch home. He was so excited at finding this curious object that he began a lifelong search for clues to the existence of occupants of the Panhandle before the time of written records.

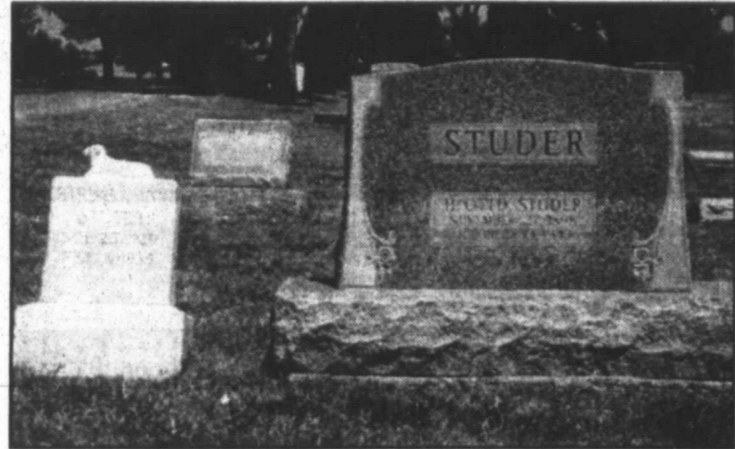
In 1907, when he was 15, his history teacher at Canadian Academy took some boys exploring along the Canadian River in search of prehistoric sites and artifacts. They found on the cliffs pueblo ruins consisting of rock-slab walls and many indications of ancient inhabitants. Later this "Buried City" proved to be only a small part of a vast complex of prehistoric vil-

lages along the Canadian River Valley.

Floyd studied the buried ruins, brought them to the attention of leading archeologists, and was active in the excavation of some of them. In 1925, he moved to Amarillo where he pursued a career in insurance and banking, but his avocation, archeology, brought him many honors and claimed much of his time and thought.

Surveying, mapping, photography and digging of the ruins became a lifetime pursuit, and he became well-known as an expert on area history. He traveled by many means — including horseback, buckboard, and walking — and wore out four automobiles covering remote parts of the Panhandle.

Strapped to the floor of an air-



(Courtesy photo)

plane, he made early aerial photographs of prehistoric sites including Alibates. His journals recount a wealth of interesting experiences and even dangers, caused by blizzards, accidents far from help, and rattlesnakes in dust-laden caves.

Floyd was instrumental in establishing the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum at Canyon. In 1932, he was elected director of scientific research and for many years was curator of archeology. It was believed that the museum might not have had a history division if it had not been for Floyd Studer.

At first, Floyd tended to be more interested in the ruins of living quarters in the villages than in the flint quarries. But after the discovery of the Folsom archeological site in New Mexico, he began to realize the importance of the flint "factories." He began to talk about his dream that some day there would be a national monument at Alibates. Faithfully, he told and retold the significance of Alibates' history.

Because of his great concern, Floyd addressed many groups on the subject of Alibates. In 1961, he spoke to the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce, giving the history of the site and making a plea for assistance in persuading Congress to name it a national monument or a national park.

The Alibates National Monument Committee was organized in Amarillo in 1962, and on Aug. 31, 1965, Congress passed the bill authorizing national monument status for the Alibates area.

The Alibates Library at the monument includes the complete collection of Floyd V. Studer papers and some of his personal books.

John F. Studer, brother of Floyd V. Studer, was born Nov. 23, 1896, at Canadian. He was a veteran of World War I when he came to Pampa in 1923 to practice law. Due to the resignation of Charles C. Cook, he was appointed county attorney effective Nov. 1, 1924. Later, he was elected and held that office until 1930.

H. Otto Studer, brother of Floyd V. and John F., was born Nov. 27, 1898. He was also a veteran of World War I when he came to Pampa to join John as a lawyer.

On June 12, 1926, John married Dolly Crutchfield of White Deer. Their infant son, John, died

on Nov. 28, 1928. On Nov. 30, 1927, H. Otto Studer married Annie Laura Sawyer, daughter of dentist Dr. A.R. Sawyer and his wife Emma.

The Pampa (first) city directory for 1929 shows John and Dolly Studer living at 629 N. Somerville; Otto and Annie Laura Studer living at 918 Mary Ellen, and the law office of John F. and H. Otto Studer at the First National Bank building (now Bank of America.)

Both John and Otto were members of Pampa Lions Club. Otto was president of Pampa Country Club in 1930 and later was vice president and a member of the finance committee.

On Feb. 4, 1935, 5-year-old Barbara Ann Studer, daughter of Otto and Annie Laura Studer, died of influenza. She was a favorite of hundreds who knew her because of her sweet personality. With her younger brother, Stanley, she attended the Sunday school of the First Presbyterian Church.

Flower ladies at Barbara Ann's funeral service included Mrs. P.O. Sanders, Mrs. Clarence Barrett, Mrs. Julian Barrett, Miss Margaret Buckler, Miss Virginia Faulkner, Mrs. John Sturgeon, Mrs. W.J. Smith, Mrs. C.B. Low, Mrs. Arthur

Swanson, Mrs. Bert Curry, Mrs. J.M. Lybrand, Mrs. M.C. Overton and Mrs. John Studer.

About 1937, Otto moved to Austin to become chairman of the Texas Industrial Accident Board. He was a friend of Texas Gov. James V. Allred who appointed him to that position, and Otto was named honorary lieutenant colonel on the governor's staff.

On Sept. 1, 1943, Otto resigned from the accident board to enter private practice at Austin, but on Oct. 30 he died in an Amarillo hospital. Two days later, he was buried in Pampa's Fairview Cemetery beside his daughter, Barbara Ann.

At the time of Otto's death, John, a lieutenant in the army, was stationed at Fort Huachuca, Ariz. By 1946, he had returned to his residence at 1220 Christine and his law office in the First National Bank building. Later, his office was in the Rose Building and then in the Combs-Worley Building. He was again county attorney in 1949-1950.

Dolly M. Studer, John's wife, died on Oct. 20, 1970, and was buried near members of the Crutchfield family at Fairview.

John died of an apparent heart attack on Sept. 1, 1974, in St. Vincent's Hospital at Santa Fe, N.M. He was buried beside his wife at Fairview. His survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Frankie Ann Fuller of Borger; one sister, Miss Lola Studer of Canadian; one brother, Oscar Studer of Rogers, Ark.; and three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

2CARE to raffle special 'getaway package,' includes several area towns

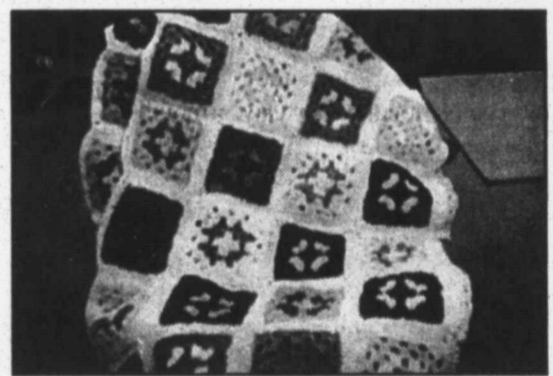
In an effort to raise funds while at the same time promoting the Texas Panhandle, 2Care for Moms and Babies will raffle off a special "Panhandle Exploration Getaway" package. The drawing will be held Aug. 26, and tickets will be sold through the 22nd.

According to Judith Loyd, local VISTA volunteer spearheading the 2Care program in Pampa, 2Care is jumping on the bandwagon to promote the Texas Panhandle as a tourist destination. The region, she said, is not only being touted by various groups and individuals within the state but a recent film was made in the area for nationwide distribution.

A segment of the film will air in Europe in the spring of 2004, she said.

The 2Care fund-raiser includes maps and brochures for points of interest in the northern Panhandle with coupons, gift certificates, prizes and accommodations good throughout participating towns.

Tickets are \$1 when purchased individually or six for \$5 or 13 for \$10. Proceeds will bene-



(Courtesy photo)

This afghan is being raffled as part of a special fund-raising vacation package, a promotion to benefit 2Care for Moms and Babies of the Texas Panhandle.

fit the Baby's Coming Shops throughout the area for mothers and expectant mothers enrolled in the 2Care program which is administered by Coalition of Health Services and funded through grants from Texas Department of Health and March of Dimes.

Towns covered in the getaway package are Pampa, Lefors, White Deer, Clarendon, Spearman, Perryton, Panhandle, Wheeler, Fritch, Stinnett, Borger, Dumas, Dalhart, Groom, Miami, Canadian, Shamrock and McLean.

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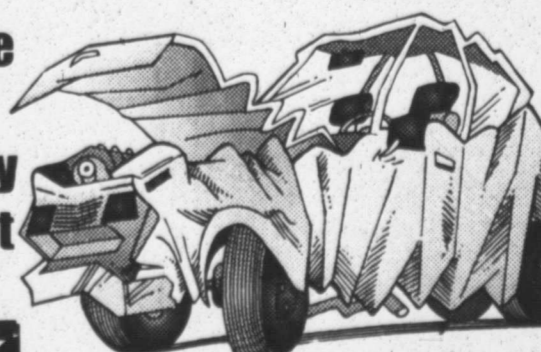
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NIA Guides. National Institute on Aging is offering "Talking with Your Doctor: A Guide for Older People." The 30-page booklet is available in single or bulk copies. Also available through NIA is the 36-page booklet, "Who? What? When? Resources for Women's Health and Aging" to help women as they age. For more information, call the NIA Information Center weekdays between 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., toll-free at 1-800-222-2225 or TTY at 1-800-222-4225.

PETFINDER.COM. Petfinder.com, the Internet's largest and oldest virtual animal shelter, is available to those seeking to adopt a pet. The Internet service includes a multitude of shelters in Texas and nationwide. The website allows users to search by kind of animal, breed, gender, size and age. Results of the search are ranked in proximity to the user's zip code.

PIE. Pacific Intercultural Exchange is seeking host families for foreign exchange students. The students, age 15-18, have spending money and carry accident and health insurance. PIE reps match students with host families through an informal in-home meeting. Host families may deduct \$50 per month for income tax purposes. For more information, call 1-800-631-1818.

PRS. Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services conducts a monthly informational meeting for individuals interested in becoming a foster or adoptive parent every second Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m., at its office (6200 I-40 West) in Amarillo. Contact Darla Ingram at (806) 354-6230 for more details.

School-to-Career Program. Texas AFL-CIO has announced the "School to Careers" project for high school students interested in union apprenticeship programs. To learn more about the benefits of union-sponsored apprenticeship training programs, contact the local Texas Workforce Commission or call (512) 470-0918.

SHARE. SHARE! High School Exchange Program, sponsored by Educational Resource Development Trust, is seeking host families for foreign exchange students for a semester or for a year. The hosts must provide housing and meals. The students are covered by medical insurance and have their own spending money for personal expenses. For more information, call

Yvette Coffman at the Southwest Regional Office, 1-800-941-3738.

Stuttering Foundation. Stuttering Foundation of America is offering a free copy of its brochure "The Child Who Stutters at School: Notes to the Teacher." For more information, contact the non-profit foundation by mail: Stuttering Foundation of America, P.O. Box 11749, Memphis, TN 38111; or phone 1-800-992-9392. The brochure is also available at www.stutteringhelp.org on the World Wide Web.

TCA Web site. A list of "10 Hot Summer Cultural Events" can be accessed via the Texas Commission on the Arts website at www.artsonart.com — the most comprehensive arts calendar on the Internet in Texas. Visitors to the site can search the database by city, region, date, topic or organization name as well as access a travel planner section that allows visitors to hyperlink to vendors to rent a car, make airline reservations or book hotel rooms.

TG Web Site. Texas Guaranteed Student Loan Corp. (TG) has revamped its "Adventures in Education" website located at <http://www.adventuresineducation.org> or <http://www.aie.org> on the Internet. Although the site is targeted to middle school, high school and college students as well as high school counselors, each section can assist parents in helping their children prepare for college. TG is a public nonprofit corpo-

ration that helps create access to higher education for millions of families and students through its role as an administrator of the Federal Family Education Loan Program. Its mission is to provide information to help families and students realize their educational and career dreams.

Tuition Assistance. U.S. Commission for Scholastic Assistance — College Bound is an organization with a listing of over 700 different private scholarship sources for college students. Many scholarships pay the entire tuition; other can be applied towards tuition, living expenses and/or other fees. Most scholarships can be used at junior colleges, career and vocational schools, 4-year colleges, graduate schools, medical and law schools. For more information, send a SASE (business size, #10) to: The U.S. Commission for Scholastic Assistance, P.O. Box 668, O'Fallon, IL 62269.

World Heritage. World Heritage, a non-profit student exchange program, is currently seeking a local community representative to provide high school exchange students with program support. For more information, call Ande Bloom at 1-800-888-9040 or visit www.world-heritage.org on the World Wide Web.

MUSEUMS, MILITARY

82nd Airborne. The 82nd Airborne Division Association is seeking new members. Airborne is the only requirement for membership. The Association holds a national reunion each year plus many mini-reunions, picnics and dinner dances. For more information, write AIRBORNE 2001, 5459 Northcutt P, Dayton, OH 45414-3742; or call S.R. Gossett (WWII) at (937) 898-5977.

Freedom Museum USA. Freedom Museum, USA, 600 N. Hobart is open from 12-4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. Revolutionary War to Kosovo. All branches of service are represented. For more information, call 669-6066.

Harrington House. The 2001 tour season for Harrington House, 1600 S. Polk, Amarillo, is in full swing. Built in 1914 by cattlemen John and Pat Landergin, the house was acquired in 1940 and preserved by Don and Sybil Harrington. The hour-long tours are conducted from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, April through mid-December. There is no admission fee. For more information call (806) 374-5490.

The Old Guard. Current and former members of the U.S. Army's oldest Infantry Regiment, the 3d U.S. Infantry or "The Old Guard Association" (also known as TOGA) are being sought for

membership in the association. For more information, write to: Membership Committee, The Old Guard Association, 1000 Winchell Rd., Drawer 22, Aurora, OH 44202; or visit www.oldguard.org on the Internet.

Old Mobeetic Jail Museum. Old Mobeetic Jail Museum in Mobeetic offers various volunteer opportunities to interested individuals. For more information, call (806) 845-2028.

PPHM Story Time. Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum in Canyon will present "Story Time" at 2:30 p.m. every second Saturday of each month except December and January on the second floor of the museum. For more information, contact PPHM at (806) 651-2244.

USS Columbus. USS Columbus Veterans Association is seeking Navy and Marine Corps shipmates who served on the USS Columbus (CA-74/CG-12) 1944-1976 and the USS Columbus (SSN-762) past and present. Contact Alvin S. Lewis, president, 726 E. Covina Blvd., Covina CA 91722-2955; (626) 339-3568; e-mail homeport@lewisengraving.com

White Deer Land Museum. White Deer Land Museum (112-116 S. Cuyler) winter visiting hours are 1-4 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday. No charge for admission; elevator provided.

COMMUNITY REVIEW

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Campaign seeks to get Americans healthy by getting them walking

By JOSEPH B. VERRENGIA
AP SCIENCE WRITER

DENVER (AP) — When the choir rises, Lucille Johnson's heart burns with faith and she feels herself pulled down the path of righteousness as fast as her sneakers will carry her.

"Order my steps in your word, dear Lord," their voices surge, repeating one of contemporary gospel's popular hymns. "Guide my feet in

your word. Show me how to walk in your word."

Johnson smiles down at the tiny \$20 plastic monitor clipped to her skirt. "31,995," the pedometer reads, documenting the number of steps she's taken in a week. Nearly 13 miles.

Johnson, 48, is one of 150,000 people in Colorado in a program determining whether modest physical effort will prevent weight gain — now recognized as America's second-leading cause of preventable death behind smoking.

On Thursday, the pedometer program expands nationally. Hill hopes to have 1 million people signed up for "America on the Move" who will begin walking at least 2,000 additional steps a day, about a mile, to burn 100 calories.

And they'll trim another 100 calories a day from their diets. That's the equivalent of ordering a regular sack of french fries instead of supersizing.

Note: You can still have the fries. Just fewer of them.

Johnson, who directs health programs for the Metro Denver Black Church Initiative, started wearing a pedometer more than a year ago. She not only stopped gaining weight, but when she increased her daily walking to about 10,000 steps she lost

more than a dozen pounds and cut back her hypertension medicine.

Now she considers the paths of health and redemption to be intertwined. "It's the same as the gospel," she says. "God doesn't care where you are when you start. You will reap the reward."

Mixing religion with science makes most researchers acutely uncomfortable. But it's a message that resonates in Johnson's community. She's distributed 1,600 pedometers to extra-large parishioners in 32 black churches in Denver.

Nearly every state is conducting some kind of public health trial, including pedometers, to encourage exercise and weight loss.

Colorado is America's leanest state, but even its obesity rate has more than doubled since 1990 to 14.9 percent.

"I looked in the mirror and I didn't see the girl I used to be," Johnson said. "I started walking and things started to shift around. I've dropped a couple of sizes."

Can such a modest plan lasso a lumbering nation?

Even its scientific architects aren't sure. Obesity is perhaps the least understood medical crisis.

For decades, physicians have known that tobacco causes lung cancer, emphyse-

ma and cardiovascular deaths. And while doctors universally recommend moderate exercise and a balanced diet, metabolism is so mysterious and people's habits so fickle that researchers cannot say precisely why some Americans are inflating while others aren't. Or, whether losing weight really will help anyone live longer.

Results from the Colorado walking effort are being submitted to scientific journals. Researchers studied more than 1,000 participants from populations as varied as urban black churches, a middle school, a smokestack city with a large Hispanic population, and ranching families in a High Plains town.

Over 16 weeks, 85 percent of all participants raised their activity level by a total of 2,000-2,500 steps a day, the researchers say. But it will take a year to see if they stabilize, or even lose pounds, and it will take several years to see if the weight loss is sustained.

Like the Colorado experiment, only a fraction of America on the Move participants nationwide will be enrolled in a supervised study. Others can follow the same recommendations independently by registering on the program's Web site, individually or in a group. The self-reported data will be analyzed regularly, too.

James Hill, the program's co-founder, says it's the first effort at systematically studying "how you stop obesity from getting worse."

"Our idea is dirt simple," says Hill, director of the Center for Human Nutrition at the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center. "The mistake we've made in weight-loss programs is telling people they need to change too much. You don't have to do all of your steps at once."

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Doctors at Texas Heart Institute promote pump

By JUANA LOZANO
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

HOUSTON (AP) — Doctors at the Texas Heart Institute hope the success they've recently had with sending patients home after they received an experimental heart pump will result in a dependable alternative to transplants.

At a news conference recently, physicians with the institute, based at St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital, made their case for the benefits of the Jarvik 2000 heart pump with the help of Richard Brown, who received the device in April and was one of the first patients in the country sent home when he left the hospital last month.

"I feel like I'm a blessed man," said Brown, 58, who was stricken with congestive heart failure after developing a virus in February. "Since I've gotten the pump, I feel just about as well as I did before I got really sick."

Currently the heart pump is part of a federally approved study to evaluate it as a bridge to transplantation. But Dr. O.H. Frazier, chief of cardiopulmonary transplantation for the institute, believes the device, which is about the size of a "C" battery, can be an alternative to transplants for patients whose health has not deteriorated too seriously. Only around 2,300 donor hearts are available each year and about 4,000 people are on the national patient waiting list.

"We hope this technology will replace transplants for many of these patients. We've always looked at it (as an artificial heart) but it's a different type," he said.

Since the heart institute became the first place to begin a clinical trial of the device, the pump has been implanted in 32 patients at the hospital. Since April, three of these individuals, including Brown, have been able to go home while they await a heart transplant.

"It's something of a milestone to have a patient leave a hospital and carry on a fairly normal life," said world renowned heart surgeon Denton Cooley, who founded the institute in 1962. "Seeing these results indicates there may be a time when these devices will be a permanent transplant."

Cooley said comparing it with similar devices, the Jarvik 2000 shows the most promise.

Frazier said he even prefers using the Jarvik over the HeartMate, a heart pump he helped pioneer at the institute.

The Jarvik "has a greater potential for (patient) recovery, it doesn't compete against the heart but gently takes over the workload," he said.

The device, made of titanium and steel, is a valveless, electrically powered pump that fits directly into the heart's left ventricle and continuously pushes blood throughout the body.

A small cable exits the body through the abdominal wall and connects to a small battery and controller. The device was created by Dr. Robert Jarvik, who also invented the first permanently implantable artificial heart.

Brown, who's getting ready to retire from his job in Houston as a maintenance electrician for the U.S. Postal Service, said he's still not used to carrying the battery — plus a spare — and the controller and other equipment everywhere he goes.

"Sometimes I walk off without the batteries," said Brown, who sought medical help after noticing that simply climbing a set of stairs at work left him out of breath. "It changed my life...it brought me back to the point I was before. I'm not in a hospital bed. I'm still alive."

Brown now spends his mornings walking, riding a stationary bike and lifting weights.

Frazier said the heart pump's many advantages — its small size, less invasive surgery to install it — make it a better option than transplants for many patients.

"The problems now aren't scientific. This pump works beautifully," he said. "The problem is regulatory. I'm convinced this could have an enormous impact. It could do this right now. It's just dealing with these regulatory issues."

Frazier said he's talked with Jarvik, who is getting ready to present a proposal to the Food and Drug Administration for a study to look at the heart pump as a permanent support device.



CHIROPRACTIC OUTLOOK

by Dr. Mark W. Ford, Jr.

PREPARE YOUR BODY FOR EXERCISE

Before a strenuous activity, stretching exercises will make the body more limber and relaxed. Stretching, however, will not cure maladjustments or subluxations in the spinal chord. Chiropractors often see people who complain that, even though they religiously exercise, they still experience pain in their backs, necks, legs and shoulders. They do not realize that they also need regular chiropractic adjustments to keep fit.

Subluxations in the spine can begin at birth and worsen over the years. This can lead to underlying degenerative changes in the joints. The joints may start to dry out, break down and become difficult to move. Before long, an individual has problems just walking, let alone participating in a sport or a heavy workout.

Regular adjustments by a Doctor of Chiropractic can help joints regain their health and arrest further deterioration. If you suffer from chronic aches and pains, make an appointment with a chiropractor as soon as possible. This will maximize exercise benefits and make you feel better than ever, both physically and mentally.

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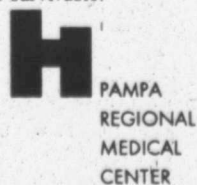


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The step you credit for already doing

Hill is seeing that he can many years ago mark Framingham heart study, tracking research: 1948. In fact, obesity heart from that Boston

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Hill is encouraged to change now wait for new in superlatives in a lab, he speaks of America Move become movement.

"If it does," says, "we're in a nation."

Statistics already are.

Obesity-related cost \$117 billion and contribute deaths annually

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Lights. "Kickfest." Movies and be

actors and be moviemakers on West Texas in Canyon or start of the "Kickfest" film. Sponsors Panhandle Film the three-day include two screenings as well and a celebrity Big Texan S Amarillo.

"We want area residents or part of the Roger Lindel dent. "It will the public to not an actors, about the movie will be an (people to advise or directing credit

The festival the Fine Art WTAMU will get under way at 8 a.m. 15. A screening 9 a.m. in West

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WALKING

The step counter gives you credit for what you're already doing."

Hill is seeking a community that he can evaluate over many years akin to the landmark Framingham, Mass., heart study, which has been tracking residents since 1948. In fact, some previous obesity health data came from that Boston suburb.

A big difference, he acknowledges, is that when the Framingham project was launched, researchers didn't know the risks of jelly doughnuts for breakfast, or cigarettes. It was decades before they began recommending aggressive treatment of high blood pressure and high cholesterol, as well as changing risky behaviors.

Hill is encouraging people to change now rather than wait for new data. Speaking in superlatives rarely uttered in a lab, he enthusiastically speaks of America on the Move becoming "a social movement."

"If it doesn't work," he says, "we're in big trouble as a nation."

Statistics suggest we already are.

Obesity-related ailments cost \$117 billion to treat, and contribute to 300,000 deaths annually, according

to federal estimates.

Two out of three adult Americans are overweight, the government says, and they're gaining nearly 2 pounds every year. A quarter of them get virtually no exercise.

Among children, 15 percent are too fat. Children as young as 6 are being diagnosed with type 2 diabetes commonly associated with adults.

For African-Americans, the problem of expanding waistlines is grimmer still: 60 percent of black men and 77 percent of black women are too heavy, doubling their already-elevated risk of diabetes and other diseases.

Regardless of who you are, probably 100 genes control your metabolism, the complex system that converts food into fuel for cells, burning some and storing the rest for later.

It's a system that emerged with the rise of mammals 65 million years ago and evolved in modern humans tens of thousands of years ago.

Its message to our upright-walking ancestors was to eat whenever they found food. They foraged for every precious calorie. (If you think the forest is nature's supermarket, just look at how reality TV show contestants look after a month in the wild.

There's a reason the program is called "Survivor.")

Even after World War II, many of our grandparents still were hauling water and supplementing their emerging grocery store diets with vegetable gardens and small game. Their children walked to school and did chores.

Now food always is available. And it's not roots, berries and bugs. It's chips and dip. Burgers and fries. Pizza and beer.

Kids play video games. Segway, the hottest new gadget, is an upright scooter that eliminates the simplest stroll to the mailbox.

"Our bodies have never had to develop a system to avoid weight gain," said Hill, who walks 11,000 steps a day, about 4 1/2 miles. "We have genes to tell us to rest, but we probably don't have a gene to tell us to be more active."

Trial lawyers are suing Big Food the way they went after Big Tobacco. But Hill doesn't pin all the blame on restaurants and snack-makers.

Technology, perversely, has boosted inactivity along with productivity. Hill says some obese people walk just a few hundred steps a day.

"They're going from bed to the car to the elevator to the desk and then back to the TV," he said.

Second annual film festival in offing at WT

Lights. Camera. "Kickfest." Movie directors, actors and behind-the-scenes moviemakers will converge on West Texas A&M campus in Canyon on Aug. 15, the start of the second annual "Kickfest" film festival.

Sponsored by Texas Panhandle Film Commission, the three-day event will include workshops, film screenings and panel discussions as well as receptions and a celebrities banquet at Big Texan Steak Ranch in Amarillo.

"We want to encourage area residents to join us for all or part of the festival," said Roger Lindley, TPFC president. "It will be a chance for the public to meet some veteran actors, and learn more about the movie business. It will be an opportunity for people to advance their acting or directing careers."

The festival will be held in the Fine Arts building at WTAMU with activities to get under way with registration at 8 a.m., Friday, Aug. 15. A screening will follow at 9 a.m. in WTAMU Intimate

Theater. Workshops will include acting, lighting and special effects, screen writing and, for the adventure-minded, how to be a Hollywood stunt person.

Among the actors slated to attend will be Buck Taylor, best known for his portrayal of Newly on the long-running TV western "Gunsmoke." An accomplished artist, Taylor will have some of his artwork as part of a silent auction to be held during the Saturday evening banquet.

Also present will be director Earl Bellamy whose credits include "Laramie," "Laredo," "The Lone Ranger," "Rin Tin Tin," "The Monroes," "Rawhide," "Sergeant Preston of the Yukon," "Sheriff of Cochise," "Wagon Train," "Tales of Wells Fargo," "The Virginian," and many others.

Hollywood stuntman Dean Smith, who worked on many John Wayne and James Stewart movies, will teach a 1 1/2 hour workshop during the festival. Smith, purported to be director John Ford's favorite stuntman, also

trained trick horses for the movies.

"One of the biggest events at this year's Kickfest will be an actors and directors interactive workshop," Lindley said. "It will be taught by Joel Asher, one of the nation's premiere acting and directing coaches."

A highlight of the festival will be the awarding of the Lifetime Achievement Award during the Saturday evening banquet. Last year's recipient was former Texas Gov. Preston Smith.

Lindley said the TPFC seeks to attract and to facilitate production of motion pictures, television programs, commercials and film/video productions in the Texas Panhandle, and to create and offer job opportunities for qualified production talent as well as to provide information about local services related to production.

For a schedule of events and more information about the film festival or Texas Panhandle Film Commission, call (806) 679-1116 or log onto www.filmntexas.biz on the Internet.

"Over a decade, you gain 20 pounds. Then 20 more. Bill Gates probably is as responsible as McDonald's."

On the Move critics draw different conclusions. Obesity isn't the result of flabby willpower, they say.

Food-seeking is a basic animal behavior that is hard-wired deep in our genetic code.

Appetite might not be as automatic as breathing, but it is as potent as thirst and could be more compelling than sex. Willpower naturally shrivels when we are surrounded by enticing foods and our genes are commanding us to eat.

And if we do manage to shed a few pounds, the same genes drive us to retain fat again.

Geneticist Jeffrey Friedman of Rockefeller University doesn't wonder why so many people today are fat. He wonders why anyone is thin.

"There is a basic biological framework that regulates weight," Friedman said. "Why is it we don't question this basic drive in any other mammal, but we somehow imagine it is not equally relevant or powerful in ourselves?"

To Friedman, walking and dieting whittle the edges of the obesity problem. He believes the solution lies in manipulating hormones and other chemical cues controlling appetite.

Since the mid-1990s,

Friedman and others have discovered three hormones related to metabolism and hunger management, besides the old warhorse insulin. And they're looking for more.

Future therapies would block production of these hormones, or biochemically control the brain's appetite center, known as the hypothalamus, by fiddling with its hormone receptors. However, early experiments on this have had mixed results.

Hill says most heavy people don't have an obvious metabolic disorder caused by genetic mutations.

For years, Lucille Johnson simply ate more than she burned off.

A single mother of two, she confused being busy with being physically active. "You don't get a lot of steps in your car," she admitted.

Now she rises at 5 a.m. to walk before her daughters go to school. After recuperating from injuries in a December car wreck, she's adding dance classes to get back to 10,000 steps a day.

"Once I was chopping col-

lard greens and my girls ran upstairs to find out what the racket was all about," she said. "I was marching in place. Had to get my steps."

As for those greens, Johnson first trimmed 100 calories by limiting fatty snacks like cookies and cheese. Now she is reformulating her favorite soul foods, eliminating lard, ham hocks and bacon drippings.

"So much of African-American culture revolves around celebrating with food," she said. "In the slave days, we got the scraps. We made them into our recipes, but not all of that food is good for you."

Her daughters, a high school freshman and a sixth-grader, are tall and willowy. She gave both girls step-counters in hopes they will regularly outwalk their mother and remain thin.

"That's my prayer," she says.

On the Net:

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SPORTS

Parcells' first Cowboys camp 'seems like prison'

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The first bus leaves the Dallas Cowboys' hotel at 5:55 a.m. The last one gets back after 9:30 p.m. Curfew is at 11.

On most days, daylight hours are spent inside the Alamodome. Everything is there: meetings, weightlifting, meals and, of course, practices — two a day, every day, for eight straight days.

As the first break in the schedule approached, a day off Sunday, more players began spending time on beds and sofas set aside for siestas. But no one dared let fatigue show on the field, and forget about seeking refuge in the training room.

Welcome to Camp Parcells, a 19-day run that running back Troy Hambrick says "seems like prison." Yet it's welcomed by veterans

excited that Bill Parcells is up to his old tricks as he begins rebuilding this fallen franchise.

"This is pretty much the way football should be: No favoritism, no guys having days off, everybody responsible for what they need to be doing every day," quarterback Quincy Carter said. "He's a proven winner, so we believe in everything he's doing around here."

Parcells is running this camp the same way he's run them with the New York Giants and Jets and the New England Patriots.

It's worked. Parcells' teams have made the playoffs in eight of his 15 seasons. He won two Super Bowls with the Giants, reached another with the Patriots and got with-

in a game with the Jets.

The Cowboys have an illustrious history. But since winning a fifth Super Bowl in 1995, Dallas has won one playoff game — in 1996. The last three seasons have all been 5-11.

There hasn't been a strict coach since Jimmy Johnson left although Barry Switzer, Chan Gailey and Dave Campo tried being tough. They didn't fool the players, though.

That all changed when Parcells arrived.

"You can tell when somebody's putting a lot of lettuce and tomatoes on your sandwich. You don't want that. You just want the meat," receiver Antonio Bryant said. "Coach Parcells is a meat guy. He gives us straight meat."

The best example is the

daily injury report.

In three seasons under Campo, the list was loaded with muscle pulls and other aches and pains. Through Parcells' first 12 practices, only three made the list, all for legitimate reasons.

Bryant missed a morning workout because he was in Dallas for surgery to remove bone chips from his left pinky. He practiced that afternoon.

Receiver Randal Williams missed three sessions to be with his wife for the birth of their first child.

Defensive end Darrell Wright, an undrafted rookie, broke a bone in his left hand one morning and rode a bike alongside the field that afternoon while wearing a cast.

"When you see guys tak-

ing the day off for whatever reason, it makes you think, 'Hey, maybe I can get a day someday.' We don't have that attitude now," linebacker Dexter Coakley said. "That's going to help us become champions."

Players might be staying healthy because they came to camp in great shape.

Parcells set a weight limit for each player before he got to camp.

Before the first practice, there was a weigh-in and three 100-yard shuttle runs. It was the stiffest conditioning test since Johnson sent anyone he deemed out of shape to the "asthma field" to run unlimited laps.

"These are the rules. You follow them or you pay the consequences," defensive tackle La'Roi Glover said.

NOTEBOOK

CROSS COUNTRY

PAMPA — Pampa High School cross country workouts are scheduled to start at 8 a.m. Monday.

Cross country prospects, freshmen through senior boys and girls, should report to coach Mark Elms at Harvester Stadium.

FOOTBALL

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — First-round pick Jerome McDougle ended a one-week holdout by signing a six-year contract with the Philadelphia Eagles.

The contract would pay McDougle up to \$12.6 million with incentives over the first five years, including a \$6.1 million signing bonus. A sixth year is voidable if he attains certain performance incentives.

GOLF

GRAND BLANC, Mich. (AP) — Chris DiMarco knows the difference between being a solid golfer and a good one on the PGA Tour is winning.

"Any time you win, it gives yourself credibility," DiMarco said Friday after an 8-under 64 gave him a two-shot lead in the rain-delayed second round of the Buick Open.

DiMarco was at 13-under 131, two strokes in front of David Sutherland and Paul Gow and five shots ahead of Tiger Woods, who was 5 under through 15 holes, when the second round was suspended by darkness.

Woods was one of 78 players who were unable to finish the second round and had to return Saturday morning. After the cut was made, threesomes were to start from both Nos. 1 and 10 in the afternoon.

DiMarco hasn't won a tournament in 44 starts. He is also trying to win for the first time in seven attempts when he shared or held the lead after 36 holes. He wants to do so with the same demeanor that the No. 1 golfer in the world displays.

"Does Tiger ever look nervous when he plays? No, he doesn't," DiMarco said. "And that's my goal."

Woods started the second round 3 under — 10 strokes behind DiMarco — in his final tuneup before playing the PGA Championship in two weeks, his last chance this season to win a major.

He cut into the deficit at No. 1, while overcoming a difficult lie — his left foot on grass and his right in the sand — holing out from a greenside bunker for an eagle.

When his ball trickled down a hill left to right and found its way to the cup, the crowd cheered and a fan yelled: "Good start, Tiger!"

Flashback

1977: Steve McDougall was high scorer with 12 points as Pampa defeated Dumas 38-20 in 8th grade basketball action.

Football is here



Pampa's Seth Foster (3) gets set to make a play on a Lubbock Estacado player in last year's home football opener at Harvester Stadium. Foster, a junior, will join other prospects when the Harvesters hold their first practice at 6 p.m. Monday. Equipment checkout begins at 8 a.m. for seniors, 9 a.m. for juniors, 10 a.m. for sophomores and 11 a.m. for freshmen. Varsity players are used to wear green shorts while junior varsity and freshmen players need to wear gray shorts. This year's motto is "Together We can." Pampa's first game is Aug. 29 at home against Perryton.

Bowie leads by two strokes at Women's British Open

LYTHAM ST. ANNES, England (AP) — If Heather Bowie is going to hold on at the Women's British Open for her first pro title, she'll have to fend off the likes of Annika Sorenstam, Karrie Webb and Se Ri Pak.

Bowie shot a 6-under-par 66 Friday, giving her a two-stroke lead at 8-under 136 after two rounds at the Women's British Open. Pak, a four-time major winner, was tied with Wendy Ward in second place at 138, and Webb and Sorenstam also

were within four shots.

Bowie's best finish so far has been a tie for second in April at El Caballero, Calif.

"I'm trying to respect the golf course but not be afraid," she said. "It's a fine line that I have to walk. If I can continue to walk it, I should be OK."

Among the five players behind them at 5 under were Webb, the defending champion and winner of six majors, and this year's Nabisco champion, Patricia Meunier Lebourg of France.

Tied for ninth at 4 under was Sorenstam, a five-time major winner who slipped four shots off the lead after being just one behind on Thursday.

Faring worst of all was Diana Luna of Italy. She shot a tournament-record 23-over 95, the highest score in the event since officials began keeping records 17 years ago. The previous worst was 92.

Bowie birdied five of the first 10 holes on the tricky links course and birdied the tough

par-4 17th. She has a chance to emulate Hilary Lunke, who made the U.S. Open her first LPGA Tour victory by winning at Pumpkin Ridge a month ago.

Lunke was far off her game, failing to make the cut of 3-over 147. She carded a 74 for an 8-over total of 152.

Bowie scored a 65 in the second round at last year's championship at Turnberry — tying her best score as a pro.

"I'd say that was my best competitive round and this one was just as good," said Bowie,

of Fort Worth, Texas. "I don't know what it is about Fridays at the British. But the previous two years I played very poorly so I didn't give myself high expectations last year or this year."

Sorenstam and Webb had 72s on another day of surprisingly easy conditions for most of the round.

Pak, who carded her second 69 and won this title two years ago, said she has learned from her Lytham debut five years ago.

Astros halt Marlins' six-game winning streak

MIAMI (AP) — A two-out balk and a home run that hit the foul pole helped end the Florida Marlins' winning streak.

Jeff Kent homered off the left-field foul pole in the second inning and Jeff Bagwell came home on a balk as the Houston Astros stopped the Marlins' six-game winning streak with a 2-1 victory Friday night.

Florida had won nine of 10 games before Friday.

"It had to end sometime, we knew it would happen," Marlins manager Jack McKeon said. "It was one of those games. We're used to those low-scoring games. We

just didn't get the breaks tonight like we've been getting and we didn't earn them."

Tim Redding (8-9) gave up one run and six hits in seven innings. He struck out five and walked one. Octavio Dotel pitched a scoreless eighth before Billy Wagner entered the game in the ninth. Despite walking two, the Houston closer picked up his 32nd save in 35 chances.

Josh Beckett (5-5) allowed two hits in seven innings, struck out nine and didn't issue a walk.

"A 2-1 ballgame and a total of 10 hits, that's a pitcher's game," Redding said. "Beckett had a bunch of

strikeouts and I was fortunate to have quite a few myself and not a lot of walks, which is obviously a bonus."

Beckett wasn't impressed with his strikeout total.

"I threw strikes when I needed to but the main thing is we lost," he said. "You can't be too happy about that."

He was also hard on himself because of the fourth-inning balk which allowed Bagwell to score the decisive run.

"I was thinking too much," he said. "I single-handedly lost the game."

Bagwell wound up with a standup triple in the fourth

inning when he hit a line drive that diving center fielder Juan Pierre could not catch.

With two outs, Bagwell took a big lead off third base since Beckett was pitching from a full windup and Mike Lowell was not covering the bag.

"The pitcher gets nervous when he sees you get so that far down the line," Bagwell said. "And who knows what happens, whether you get a balk or score on a wild pitch."

The Marlins got a strange run of their own in the fifth.

With one out, Beckett squared to bunt Alex Gonzalez to second. As the ball rolled toward first base,

Bagwell followed it along the line, waiting for it to roll foul — but it never did, giving Beckett a hit.

One out later, Luis Castillo slapped a ball up the first-base line that appeared to be rolling foul. But the ball angled back into fair territory, and Castillo beat Bagwell's tag for an RBI single.

"I don't think I've had two hits in one inning go that short a distance combined and result in a run," Redding said. "That's making good pitches and having unlucky results."

The Astros made it four straight wins over the Marlins.

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Halladay's run ends at 15 straight wins

By The Associated Press

Roy Halladay's run is over, courtesy of the defending champs.

Halladay's 15-game winning streak ended when the Anaheim Angels beat the Toronto Blue Jays 5-0 Friday night on a combined four-hitter by Ramon Ortiz and Ben Weber.

The World Series champions scored three runs in the first two innings, sending Halladay (15-3) to his first loss in 19 starts since April 15 at Yankee Stadium.

"It was a lot of fun," Halladay said. "But you don't win that many games by yourself. You have to have a lot of things go right for you. The team did back me up every time out and I did get a lot of breaks. The team deserves an awful lot of the credit for it. I understand that during the season, you're going to lose some games."

The Angels got three hits from David Eckstein and a pair of RBI groundouts by Scott Spiezio to become the first team this season besides the Yankees to beat Halladay, who was 0-2 after six starts.

The right-hander allowed five runs and nine hits in 6 2-3 innings, with six strikeouts and no walks. He has a 7.75 ERA in six career starts against Anaheim.

"I got beat by a good team," Halladay said. "They did a good job of getting guys on and moving them over."

Elsewhere in the AL, it was Oakland 3, New York 2 in 10 innings; Baltimore 2, Boston 1; Chicago 12, Seattle 1; Tampa Bay 9, Kansas City 6; Minnesota 10, Detroit 4; and Texas 10, Cleveland 3.

Halladay needed one more win to tie Roger Clemens and five others, including Hall of Famers Walter Johnson and Lefty Grove, at 16 straight wins without a loss in one season.

The record is 19 in a row, shared by two New York Giants pitchers — Tim Lincecum (1888) and Rube Marquard (1912). Clemens also had a 15-game winning streak with the Blue Jays, a club record that Halladay matched last Sunday against Baltimore.

Ortiz (13-8) won for the ninth time in 12 decisions, allowing three hits and stranding seven runners in scoring position over seven innings.

Athletics 3, Yankees 2, 10 innings

At Oakland, Calif., Miguel Tejada recaptured a bit of the

magic that made him last season's AL MVP, hitting a two-out homer in the 10th off Antonio Osuna (2-3).

Yankees starter Mike Mussina outpitched Tim Hudson and left with a 2-1 lead, but a two-out error by second baseman Alfonso Soriano allowed the Athletics to tie it in the eighth.

Aaron Boone went 1-for-4 in his debut at third base for the Yankees, while Jose Guillen was 0-for-4 in his first game in right field for the A's.

Keith Foulke (8-1) was the winner.

Orioles 2, Red Sox 1

At Baltimore, Pat Hentgen took a three-hitter into the ninth inning, and the Orioles held on to beat Boston.

Vying for his first shutout since 2000, Hentgen (4-5) was lifted after giving up a leadoff homer to Johnny Damon. Jorge Julio got his 25th save.

Tony Batista and Brook Fordyce hit run-scoring singles for the Orioles against John Burkett (8-5).

White Sox 12, Mariners 1

At Seattle, Carl Everett, Paul Konerko and Carlos Lee homered to back Bartolo Colon, and Chicago won for the fifth straight time.

Everett had five RBIs as the White Sox pulled within one percentage point of Kansas City for the AL Central lead. Chicago has won 13 of 14 since trailing the Royals by eight games on July 17.

Colon (9-9) won his third start in a row. Freddy Garcia (9-11) lost his fifth consecutive decision.

Devil Rays 9, Royals 6

At Kansas City, Mo., Travis Lee homered and drove in four runs as Tampa Bay won its fourth in a row.

The Royals lost their fourth straight, matching their worst skid this season. Raul Ibanez homered and drove in five runs for Kansas City.

Rangers 10, Indians 3

At Arlington, Texas, Mark Teixeira and Todd Greene hit two homers apiece as the Rangers tied a team record with seven.

Michael Young, Alex Rodriguez and Rafael Palmeiro also connected for Texas, which had seven homers for the third time in club history. Teixeira had three hits and four RBIs.

John Thomson (9-10) went eight innings to win for the fifth time in six decisions. Billy Traber (5-6) allowed three homers and six runs in two innings.

SCOREBOARD

BASEBALL

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East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	72	37	.661	—
Philadelphia	61	47	.565	10 1/2
Florida	59	50	.541	13
Montreal	56	54	.509	16 1/2
New York	44	65	.404	28

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	59	50	.541	—
St. Louis	57	52	.523	2
Chicago	55	53	.509	3 1/2
Pittsburgh	50	57	.467	8
Cincinnati	50	59	.459	9
Milwaukee	44	65	.404	15

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	68	41	.624	—
Arizona	56	53	.514	12
Colorado	56	56	.500	13 1/2
Los Angeles	54	54	.500	13 1/2
San Diego	42	68	.382	26 1/2

Thursday's Games

Milwaukee 4, N.Y. Mets 3
San Diego 10, Pittsburgh 7
Montreal 3, St. Louis 2
Chicago Cubs 9, San Francisco 4
Philadelphia 7, Los Angeles 3
Cincinnati 5, Colorado 4, 10 innings
Atlanta 7, Houston 4

Friday's Games

Chicago Cubs 4, Arizona 3, 14 innings
Pittsburgh 12, Colorado 11
Montreal 8, Milwaukee 4
Philadelphia 6, San Diego 0
St. Louis 8, N.Y. Mets 2
Cincinnati 5, San Francisco 3
Atlanta 2, Los Angeles 0
Houston 2, Florida 1

Saturday's Games

St. Louis (Tomko 6-7) at N.Y. Mets (Seo 5-7), 1:20 p.m.
San Francisco (Foppert 7-8) at Cincinnati (Hall 0-0), 1:20 p.m.
Los Angeles (Ashby 2-8) at Atlanta (Hampton 7-5), 4:05 p.m.
Arizona (Batista 7-6) at Chicago Cubs (Estes 7-8), 4:05 p.m.
San Diego (Peavy 8-8 and Roa 1-2) at Philadelphia (Wolf 11-5 and Silva 3-1), 2:50 p.m.
Houston (Robertson 10-4) at Florida (Pavano 7-10), 6:05 p.m.
Colorado (Jennings 10-8) at Pittsburgh (Meadows 1-1), 6:35 p.m.
Milwaukee (Manning 0-0) at Montreal (Vazquez 8-7), 7:05 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Los Angeles (Ishii 9-5) at Atlanta (Ru. Ortiz 15-4), 1:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Sheets 10-7) at Montreal (L. Hernandez 10-7), 1:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Stephenson 5-10) at N.Y. Mets (Griffiths 0-1), 1:10 p.m.
Colorado (Oliver 9-6) at Pittsburgh (D'Amico 6-10), 1:35 p.m.
Houston (Fernandez 0-0) at Florida (Redman 9-4), 1:35 p.m.
San Diego (Ol. Perez 4-4) at Philadelphia (Padilla 10-8), 1:35 p.m.
Arizona (Webb 7-4) at Chicago Cubs (Clement 8-9), 2:20 p.m.
San Francisco (Zerbe 1-1) at Cincinnati (Haynes 2-11), 8:05 p.m.

American League

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	66	41	.617	—
Boston	63	45	.583	3 1/2
Toronto	54	55	.495	13
Baltimore	51	55	.481	14 1/2
Tampa Bay	41	66	.383	25

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Kansas City	57	50	.533	—
Chicago	58	51	.532	—
Minnesota	54	54	.500	3 1/2
Cleveland	45	64	.413	13
Detroit	28	79	.262	29

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	66	43	.606	—
Oakland	63	46	.578	3
Anaheim	53	55	.491	12 1/2
Texas	46	63	.422	20

Thursday's Games

Tampa Bay 7, Toronto 6
Oakland 3, Cleveland 1
Seattle 4, Detroit 0
Minnesota 10, Baltimore 9, 10 innings
Texas 7, Boston 3, 11 innings
Chicago White Sox 8, Kansas City 6, 11 innings
N.Y. Yankees 2, Anaheim 1, 10 innings

Friday's Games

Baltimore 2, Boston 1
Minnesota 10, Detroit 4
Texas 10, Cleveland 3
Tampa Bay 9, Kansas City 6
Anaheim 5, Toronto 0
Chicago White Sox 12, Seattle 1
Oakland 3, N.Y. Yankees 2, 10 innings

Saturday's Games

N.Y. Yankees (Weaver 5-8) at Oakland (Zito 8-8), 4:05 p.m.
Boston (Lowe 11-4) at Baltimore (Lopez 3-6), 7:05 p.m.
Detroit (Maroth 5-15) at Minnesota (Reed 5-9), 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Bell 2-2) at Kansas City (K. Wilson 5-1), 7:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Ja. Davis 7-8) at Texas (Benoit 6-5), 8:05 p.m.
Toronto (Thurman 0-0) at Anaheim (Washburn 8-10), 10:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Wright 0-4) at Seattle (R. Franklin 7-9), 10:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Boston (Wakefield 8-5) at Baltimore (Helling 6-7), 1:35 p.m.
Detroit (Roney 1-6) at Minnesota (Santana 4-3), 2:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Gonzalez 4-4) at Kansas City (May 5-5), 2:05 p.m.
Toronto (Escobar 6-6) at Anaheim (Shields 2-1), 4:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Buehrle 9-10) at Seattle (Meche 11-7), 4:05 p.m.
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AMERICAN LEAGUE

BATTING—Suzuki, Seattle, .338; Mueller, Boston, .328; Bradley, Cleveland, .327; Mora, Baltimore, .325; Nixon, Boston, .322; MRamirez, Boston, .322; Mordonez, Chicago, .321.
RUNS—CDelgado, Toronto, 86; Wells, Toronto, 85; Garcia, Boston, 85; MRamirez, Boston, 82; Rodriguez, Texas, 79; ISuzuki, Seattle, 78; ASoriano, New York, 78; BBoone, Seattle, 78.
RBI—CDelgado, Toronto, 106; Wells, Toronto, 94; Anderson, Anaheim, 87; BBoone, Seattle, 87; JaGiambi, New York, 83; MRamirez, Boston, 79; Matsui, New York, 77.
HITS—Suzuki, Seattle, 153; Garcia, Boston, 142; MYoung, Texas, 139; Wells, Toronto, 139; GAnderson, Anaheim, 134; Mordonez, Chicago, 130; Matsui, New York, 129; Baldelli, Tampa Bay, 129; ASoriano, New York, 129.

DOUBLES—Huff, Tampa Bay, 38; GAnderson, Anaheim, 36; Mueller, Boston, 34; Matsui, New York, 33; Bradley, Cleveland, 33; Wells, Toronto, 32; Mordonez, Chicago, 32.

TRIPLES—Garcia, Boston, 12; CGuzman, Minnesota, 10; Baldelli, Tampa Bay, 7; Byrnes, Oakland, 7; MYoung, Texas, 6; Rivas, Minnesota, 6; DYoung, Detroit, 6.

HOME RUNS—CDelgado, Toronto, 31; JaGiambi, New York, 30; Wells, Toronto, 28; BBoone, Seattle, 28; Rodriguez, Texas, 26; MRamirez, Boston, 25; Thomas, Chicago, 25; RPalmiero, Texas, 25.

STOLEN BASES—Beltran, Kansas City, 30; Crawford, Tampa Bay, 29; ISuzuki, Seattle, 27; ASoriano, New York, 27; ASanchez, Detroit, 22; Damon, Boston, 20; Baldelli, Tampa Bay, 18.

PITCHING (11 Decisions)—Halladay, Toronto, 15-3, .833, 3.42; DWells, New York, 12-3, .800, 3.68; Hawkins, Minnesota, 9-3, .750, 2.53; Moyer, Seattle, 14-5, .737, 3.50; DLowe, Boston, 11-4, .733, 4.84; Pineiro, Seattle, 13-5, .722, 3.03; Louisa, Chicago, 13-5, .722, 2.27.

STRIKEOUTS—Clemens, New York, 144; Mussina, New York, 141; PMartinez, Boston, 137; Halladay, Toronto, 133; Louisa, Chicago, 122; Pettitte, New York, 122; Wakefield, Boston, 122.

SAVES—Foulke, Oakland, 28; Urbina, Texas, 26; Julio, Baltimore, 25; MacDougal, Kansas City, 24; Guardado, Minnesota, 24; DBaez, Cleveland, 23; Percival, Anaheim, 23.

TODAY'S MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS

NATIONAL LEAGUE

BATTING—Pujols, St. Louis, .372; Helton, Colorado, .351; Guillen, Cincinnati, .337; Renteria, St. Louis, .337; Sheffield, Atlanta, .327; Vidro, Montreal, .326; Bonds, San Francisco, .326.

RUNS—Helton, Colorado, 99; Pujols, St. Louis, 97; Furcal, Atlanta, 89; Sheffield, Atlanta, 86; Bonds, San Francisco, 79; AJones, Atlanta, 77; Bagwell, Houston, 73.

RBI—PrWilson, Colorado, 106; Pujols, St. Louis, 98; Lowell, Florida, 87; Helton, Colorado, 87; Sheffield, Atlanta, 85; Thome, Philadelphia, 82; Sexson, Milwaukee, 81.

HITS—Pujols, St. Louis, 151; Helton, Colorado, 146; Renteria, St. Louis, 140; Pierre, Florida, 136; PrWilson, Colorado, 130; LCastillo, Florida, 130; Grissom, San Francisco, 130.

DOUBLES—Pujols, St. Louis, 37; SHGreen, Los Angeles, 37; MGiles, Atlanta, 36; PrWilson, Colorado, 36; Helton, Colorado, 36; LGonzalez, Arizona, 36; Biggio, Houston, 33.

TRIPLES—Furcal, Atlanta, 8; CPatterson, Chicago, 7; SFinley, Arizona, 7; LWalker, Colorado, 7; Wigginton, New York, 6; Podsednik, Milwaukee, 6; AGonzalez, Florida, 5; JEncarnacion, Florida, 5; Payton, Colorado, 5; Lofton, Chicago, 5.

HOME RUNS—Bonds, San Francisco, 33; JLopez, Atlanta, 30; Pujols, St. Louis, 29; Lowell, Florida, 29; Sexson, Milwaukee, 29; Edmonds, St. Louis, 29; PrWilson, Colorado, 28.

STOLEN BASES—Pierre, Florida, 52; DRoberts, Los Angeles, 25; Renteria, St. Louis, 25; Podsednik, Milwaukee, 22; EYoung, Milwaukee, 20; Lofton, Chicago, 20; Goodwin, Chicago, 19.

PITCHING (11 Decisions)—Willis, Florida, 10-2, .833, 2.50; RuOrtiz, Atlanta, 15-4, .789, 3.58; WWilliams, St. Louis, 14-4, .778, 3.46; Reitsma, Cincinnati, 9-3, .750, 4.27; Schmidt, San Francisco, 11-4, .733, 4.44;

Robertson, Houston, 10-4, .714, 4.74; MRedman, Florida, 9-4, .692, 2.89.
STRIKEOUTS—Wood, Chicago, 182; JVazquez, Montreal, 160; Prior, Chicago, 150; Schmidt, San Francisco, 150; Nomo, Los Angeles, 136; Wolf, Philadelphia, 125; Millwood, Philadelphia, 125.
SAVES—Smoltz, Atlanta, 41; Gagne, Los Angeles, 35; Wagner, Houston, 32; Biddle, Montreal, 26; MiWilliams, Philadelphia, 25; Worrell, San Francisco, 23; Williamson, Cincinnati, 21; Loofer, Florida, 21; Benitez, New York, 21; Mesa, Philadelphia, 21.

Women's National Basketball Association

At A Glance

By The Associated Press

All Times EDT

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	17	6	.739	—
Indiana	13	10	.565	4
Charlotte	13	11	.542	4 1/2
Connecticut	13	12	.520	5
Cleveland	12	13	.480	6
New York	9	13	.409	7 1/2
Washington	6	19	.240	12

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	18	7	.720	—
Houston	14	9	.609	3
Seattle	14	10	.583	3 1/2
Minnesota	13	11	.542	4 1/2
Sacramento	13	12	.520	5
San Antonio	9	16	.360	9
Phoenix	4	19	.174	13

Friday's Games

Cleveland 73, Phoenix 56
Washington 48, Connecticut 45
Detroit 62, New York 60
San Antonio 63, Houston 53

Saturday's Games

Indiana at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Seattle at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Phoenix at Washington, 2 p.m.
Cleveland at New York, 4 p.m.
Indiana at Connecticut, 7 p.m.
Charlotte at Sacramento, 9 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

Friday's Sports Transactions

American League

OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Placed RHP Jim Mecir on the 15-day disabled list. Purchased the contract of RHP Chad Harville from Sacramento of the PCL.

National League

PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Purchased the contract of OF Tike Redman from Nashville of the PCL. Assigned INF Freddy Sanchez to Nashville.

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Placed LHP Kirk Ruetter on the 15-day disabled list. Recalled LHP Jeff Urban from Fresno of the PCL.

National Basketball Association

DENVER NUGGETS—Announced the Los Angeles Clippers declined to match the offer sheet to G Andre Miller.

MIAMI HEAT—Signed F Samaki Walker.
SAN ANTONIO SPURS—Re-signed C Kevin Willis.

National Football League

CAROLINA PANTHERS—Signed OT Matt Willig to a one-year contract. Placed OT Melvin Tuten on injured reserve.

CLEVELAND BROWNS—Signed CB Michael Lehan to a five-year contract. Agreed to terms with DL Antonio Garay on a five-year contract.

GREEN BAY PACKERS—Signed WR Rob Johnson. Placed DE Earl Cochran on injured reserve.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS—Signed RB Frank Moreau. Released CB Ben Kelly.

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS—Signed C Rob Murphy. Released C Ben Nowland.

National Hockey League
BUFFALO SABRES—Signed F Eric Boulton to a two-year contract. Announced D Henrik Tallinder accepted a one-year qualifying offer.

CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS—Re-signed D Steve McCarthy.
EDMONTON OILERS—Re-signed F Marty Reasoner and F Raffi Torres to two-year contracts.

LOS ANGELES KINGS—Signed C Sean Avery and RW Scott Barney to one-year contracts.
PITTSBURGH PENGUINS—Signed C Milan Kraft and RW Matt Bradley. Named Todd Lepovskiy manager of media relations.

TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING—Signed an affiliation agreement with Hamilton of the AHL and renewed their agreement with Pensacola of the ECHL.
COLLEGE
FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL—Named Stephen Rubin track and field coach.

UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR

'LEGACY'

The M.K. Brown "Legacy" book is currently on sale at White Deer Land Museum, Hastings and the Chamber of Commerce.

PHIM EXHIBITS

This summer, Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum in Canyon will exhibit "Neighbors: Texas Artists in New Mexico" and "Three Pueblo Painters" from June 21 through Oct. 5 at its location in Canyon.

ARC SWIM LESSONS

Gray County chapter of the American Red Cross and the City of Pampa will be offering swim lessons throughout the months of June and July and the beginning of August at M.K. Brown Pool for a variety of age and experience levels, starting with ages 3 through 5. Each two-week class will be 30 minutes in length and cost \$35. To enroll or for more information, call the local Red Cross office at 669-7121.

OHS/WIC

Stay-at-home moms who would like to work a few hours a week may be eligible for a part-time position as a breastfeeding peer counselor for Outreach Health Services Women, Infants and Children program. Applicants must have a high school diploma or equivalent and a telephone, must have successfully breastfed an infant and must be a current or former WIC client. For more information, call 1-800-200-7121.

TDHS VOLUNTEERS

Texas Department of Human Services is seeking volunteers for its Texas Works Services Program. Tasks are varied and placement is based upon the volunteer's interest, capability and availability of openings. Hours are flexible. For more information, contact Beth Miller at 665-1863.

STARS OVER TEXAS

The cast, staff and crew of "Lone Star Rising," the outdoor musical staged at Lake Meredith National Recreation Area near Fritch, will present its "Stars Over Texas Revue" Monday nights, June 17-Aug. 12, at the Ambassador Hotel in Amarillo. For more information, call (806) 274-9050 or visit www.lonestarrising.com on the Internet.

SQUARE HOUSE

Throughout the month of August, Carson County Square House Museum in Panhandle will feature the work of photographers Louise Daniels, former instructor at Amarillo College, and Jim Jordan, director of Southern Lights Gallery on the campus of AC. A reception will be held for the two from 2:30-4 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 10, in the museum's Hazlewood Gallery. For more information, call (806) 537-3254.

HOLLINGHEAD REUNION

The Hollingshead family reunion will be held August 2003 at Moorestown, N.J. The first Hollingsheads arrived in the American colonies around 1700. If you are a descendant or know one who might be interested, more information is available from Brian Hollingshead at HYPERLINK_hollingshead@telus.net or write: 2692 Mountview Place, Burnaby, BC, V3J 1E3, Canada.

AG EXPO

High Plains Ag Expo is slated Aug. 5-7 in Dumas. The show will offer equipment demonstrations, product comparisons and on-site company representatives. Exhibitor categories include Tractors, Livestock Equipment, Application Equipment, Tillage Equipment, Hay Equipment, Irrigation Equipment, Seed and Chemical, Trailers and more.

BLACK-EYED PEA FESTIVAL

The 15th annual Black-Eyed Pea Festival will kick-off Saturday, Aug. 9, at Hollis, Okla. The event, sponsored by Harmon County Historical Museum, will include "The Black-Eyed Pea Opry" at 7 p.m., Friday and Saturday at Hollis High School, music, dancing, a parade, a health fair, an old iron tractor pull, games, an arts and crafts show and much more.

YOUTH/PARENT RALLY

Beginning at 6 p.m., Aug. 13, at First Baptist Church, Worth The Wait will co-host a free abstinence rally for youth, their parents and individuals interested in volunteering with WTW. The guest speaker for the evening will be Lakita Garth, model, guest on Politically Incorrect and consultant on the "Bernie Mac Show." Prizes will be awarded and refreshments served.

COIN CLUB COLLECTOR'S SHOW

Golden Spread Coin Club will hold its annual collector's show and sale fund-raiser from 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 16, and from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 17, at Amarillo Civic Center. Door prizes will be given away and a drawing conducted during the event which will feature coins, gold, silver, jewelry, stamps, knives, antique glassware and collectible. Tickets will be \$1 apiece or six for \$5. For more information, call (806) 352-8281 or (806) 355-1702.

RISE&SHINE AWARDS

Post@ Cereals is once again sponsoring its "Rise & Shine Awards" for children who "rise" to the occasion in nourishing their communities and "shine" in their accomplishments. Nominations are open for children between 5 and 18. Youth may nominate themselves (or be nominated by another person) by submitting an essay of no more than 250 words describing why they deserve to be a recipient of an award. Essays will be judged based on community/neighborhood involvement (25 percent), persuasiveness of essay (35 percent) and outcome of action (40 percent). Five winners will be selected from each participating state. **Deadline for entries is Aug. 25.** For more information write: Post Cereals "Rise & Shine" Awards, c/o Hunter Public Relations, 41 Madison Ave., 5th Floor, New York, NY 10010-2202. Entries may be submitted via e-mail to riseandshine@hunterpr.com.

PPGA PAGEANT

Panhandle Peanut Growers Association is seeking entries by Aug. 28 for its scholarship pageant, open to all girls in high school. The pageant will be staged Sept. 6 at Wellington. Contestants will be judged on poise, interview, sportswear and evening gown. Entry fee is \$50. Photos and information about participants will be featured in The Wellington Leader. For more information or to obtain an entry form, call (806) 447-2709 or The Wellington Leader at (806) 447-2550.

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

The Texas Department of Health will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) and chickenpox (varicella). Flu vaccines may also be offered at designated clinics. The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged

will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The following clinics will be offered: 9:30 a.m.-12 noon and 1-4 p.m., Aug. 6 and 20, TDH, 736 S. Cuyler, Pampa.

HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center has announced the following upcoming breast cancer screening clinics: April 22, Shephard's Crook Nursing Agency, Pampa. Participants will receive a low-cost, self-exam mammogram and a breast health appraisal along with individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are by appointment only. For more information, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

USS MADDOX

USS Maddox Destroyer Association (DD-168, DD-622, DD-731)

is seeking members for a reunion celebration Sept. 4-7, 2003, at Buena Park, Calif. For more information, contact Cliff Gillespie, 215 Wichita Ave., #605, Huntington Beach, CA 92648, (714) 560-5283, cwgilles45@aol.com.

USS LONG BEACH

USS Long Beach CGN-9 Association, Inc., is planning a reunion celebration Sept. 8-14 at the Radisson Hotel and Suites in Buffalo, N.Y. For more information, call (866) 3352-2469 or (716) 569-2314; e-mail LBCGN9@aol.com; or visit www.uslongbeach-assoc.org on the World Wide Web.

ACT EXAM

The next ACT Assessment will be administered on Sept. 27. The postmark deadline for college-bound high school students is Aug. 22. A late registration postmark deadline will be extended to Sept. 5 and will include an extra fee. For more information, log onto www.act.org on the Internet.

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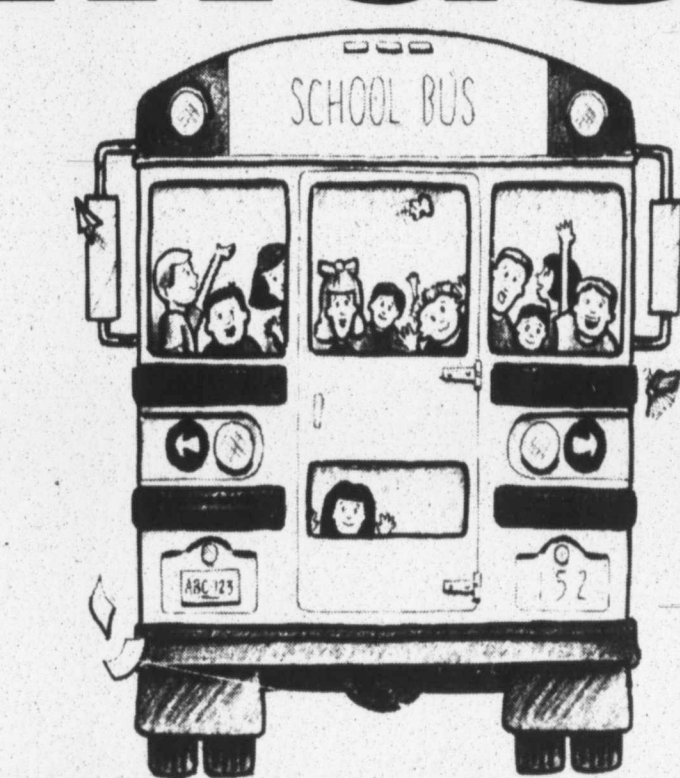
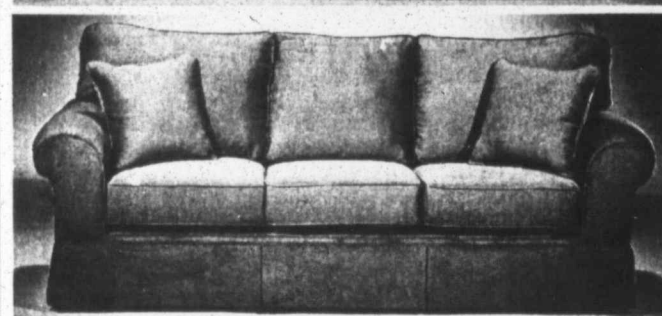
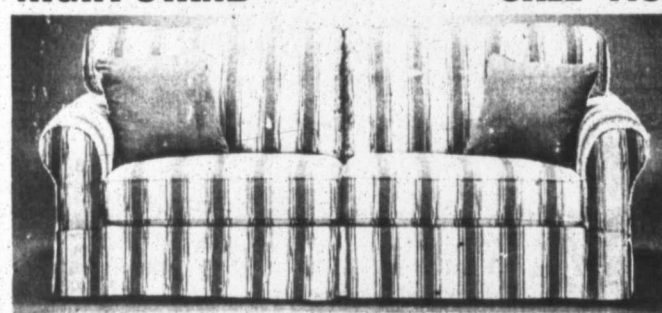
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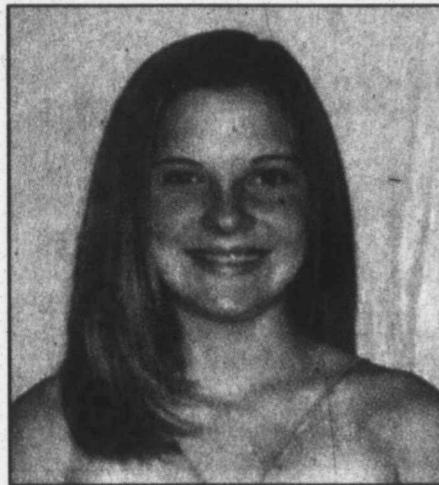
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COMMUNITY

NEWSMAKERS



Nicole Schroeder



Amber Ebenkamp

Nicole Schroeder and Amber Ebenkamp were each chosen as state finalists in their respective age categories in the National American Miss Texas Pageant staged this weekend at Hotel Inter Continental in Dallas.

The pageants are open to qualifying girls up to 18 years of age, and winners will receive \$1,000 in cash, a crown and banner, a bouquet of roses and air transportation to compete in the national pageant at DisneyLand in California.

Schroeder's activities include basketball, shopping and watching movies.

Ebenkamp's honors, activities and accomplishments include Miss Photogenic, sportswear model, Miss Spirit, volunteer service, piano, flute, softball and basketball. She volunteers at Good Samaritan House and senior citizens center.

Each year, National American Miss pageant awards thousands in scholarships and prizes to recognize and to assist the development of young women nationwide.

Pageants are conducted in each state for girls between the ages of 4 and 18, in five age groups.

Schroeder is the 16-year-old daughter of Jason and Kim Schroeder. Ebenkamp is the 12-year-old daughter of Daphne and Kevin Ebenkamp.



Tom Palmer

Navy Chief Personnelman Tom Palmer, son of Barbara and Wendell Palmer of Pampa, recently graduated from Pacific Graduate School of Psychology with a master's of science degree in psychology.

Palmer ranked among the top six distance learning students credited with completing the intensive two-year program. Additionally, Palmer received the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal for his meritorious service as Regional Training and Operations Department Leading Chief Petty Officer for the Commander, Naval Reserve Readiness Command Region South, Fort Worth.

In September, he and his family will be transferred to the Commander, Naval Reserve Recruiting Area Center, Great Lakes, Ill., where he will serve as Regional Quality Assurance Leading Chief Petty Officer.

(See NEWSMAKERS, Page 24)



Willie Alamo 'Gip' Gipson

BY DAVID BOWSER
FEATURE WRITER

The warm late morning sun flooded the barbershop in the Combs-Worley Building. Gip, the venetian blinds casting a striped shadow on the wall behind him, sat sipping from his white foam

Calling it quits

Longtime barber saying final hurrah to the barber business ...

that's where he had a job.

Walking across the marble floor of the shop, he stood behind his barber chair, leaned against the blue leather back of the chair and talked about his life in Pampa.

Gipson hasn't always been in the Combs-Worley Building.

"I've been all over town," he said. "I've been here four times."

This time, Gipson's cut hair here for the last eight years.

The past five decades are filled with memories of good times and bad, of changing hairstyles and the people he's met.

"I was working on a little kid one time," Gipson said. "I had him sitting on a board, and he turned around on the board and looked at me and said, 'Gip, have you ever had a real job?' He wasn't over five or six years old."

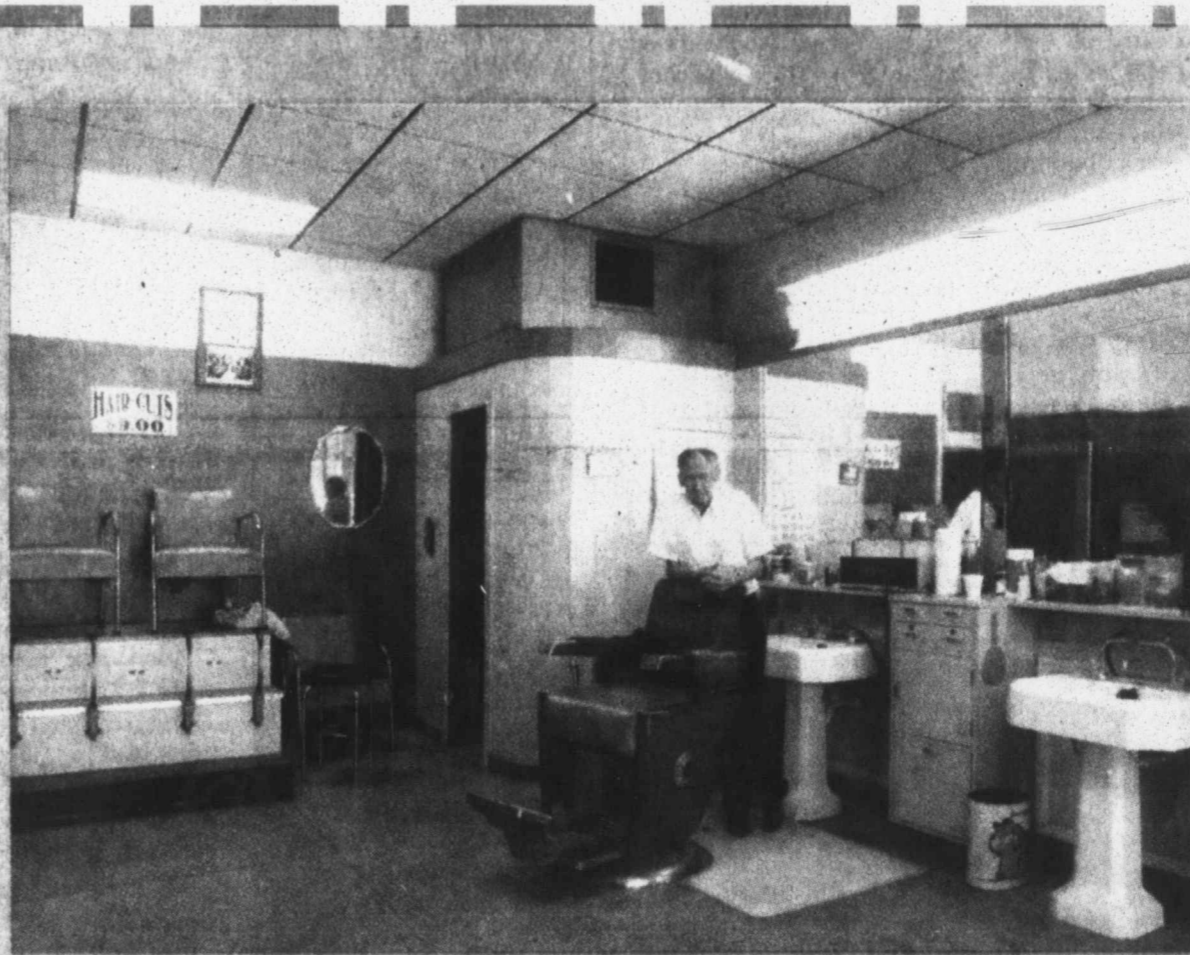
Gipson remembers when kids would come in with their Dads and

The past five decades are filled with memories of good times and bad, of changing hairstyles and the people he's met.

For the time being, he said he plans on working mornings two days a week, at least until he gets his house sold.

"Tuesdays and Saturdays," Gipson said.

After he and his bride, Daphne, get the house sold, they're moving to Palestine in East Texas.



(Photo by David Bowser)

Willie Alamo Gipson, 84, enjoys the warm summer sunshine as it floods into barber shop in the Combs-Worley Building this week. 'Gip' is retiring after 55 years of barbering, the last eight in the Combs-Worley barbershop.

coffee cup.

"Everybody calls me 'Gip,'" he said. "Most of them don't even know my name."

Willie Alamo 'Gip' Gipson, 84, has cut hair in Pampa for more than half a century.

Born on April 6, 1919, in Guthrie,

Gipson said he doesn't know how he came to be named Alamo.

"I don't know," Gipson said. "I just barely was there."

Raised in Crosbyton, he went to barber college in Amarillo after World War II.

"I started, I guess, in 1947 and finished in 1948," Gipson said.

He said with a grin that he ended up in Pampa because

get their summer haircut, what was known then as a burr.

"Little old kids, most of 'em just wore burrs," Gipson said. "You'd just take your clippers and burr it off."

The older kids, the teenagers, wore flat tops.

"We gave a lot of flat tops back in the 1950s," Gipson said.

There was the long hair of the 1960s and 1970, then the return to shorter hair, including over the past few years, the burr.

Gipson admitted that he's been through a variety of hairstyles.

"And a variety of prices, too," Gipson said.

When he started barbering in Pampa, the cost of a haircut was 75 cents. The price of a shave was 50 cents then, but barbershop shaves aren't fashionable anymore.

"I haven't shaved a man in 15 years, I guess," Gipson said. "At least that."

His clientele aren't customers as much as friends. Late in the morning, they come wandering into the barbershop, get trimmed and talk.

Gipson said he's going to miss them when he moves.

"Down where it's nice and warm," Gipson said. "It stays warm down there nearly all the time."

He said his son-in-law down there told him they had a sleet storm in Palestine one time and nearly scared everybody to death.

Once he gets down into East Texas, he said he plans on doing absolutely nothing. He said he's looking forward to taking it easy.

He and Daphne will live out in the country north of Palestine.

"It's about 10 miles out of Palestine," he said. "Out in the woods. It's beautiful down there."

Daphne's mother is in a nursing home down there.

"I have really enjoyed Pampa," Gipson said.

He said when he and Daphne first started talking about moving to Palestine, it would be a simple matter.

"I thought we'd just get up and leave, and nobody would know anything about it," Gipson said. "but the longer I go, the harder it gets. I've got so many friends here."

AUGUST 3, 2003

LIFESTYLES

Martha White Cornbread Challenge can help earn you cash

AMARILLO — Come take the challenge, the Martha White Cornbread Challenge, at the Amarillo Tri-State Fair. Compete for \$275 in cash prizes awarded locally and a chance to win a

finalist spot in the Cook-Off at the 2003 National Cornbread Festival in Tennessee.

One national winner is selected from all first, second and third place winning

recipes from 25 state and county fairs. That national winner is a finalist in the Martha White@Lodge@Cast Iron National Cornbread Cook-Off and will receive a \$500 travel allowance and the opportunity to compete for the \$3,000 cash grand prize and a FiveStar® gas range. The National Cornbread Cook-Off will be held in South Pittsburg, Tenn., in April 2004.

The contest calls for an

original main dish recipe using at least one cup of any variety of Martha White Corn Meal or one package of Martha White-(or Gladiola®) Cornbread Mix. All entries must be cooked in a cast iron skillet. Martha White Awards \$150 and a commemorative

gift for first place, \$75 for second and \$50 for third. All three winners will receive a ribbon, apron and an award certificate.

Judges select winners based on taste (30 percent), appearance (25 percent), originality/creativity (25 per-

cent), and ease of preparation (20 percent).

The contest is open to cooks 18 years or older. (Must turn 18 by Jan. 1, 2003.) For complete contest rules, call Amarillo Tri-State Fair entry office at (806) 376-7767.

MENUS

WEEK OF AUGUST 4-8

PISD Summer Program Lamar/Wilson only MONDAY

Breakfast: Breakfast pizza.

Lunch: Pizza dippers or macaroni/cheese, corn, spinach, pineapple.

TUESDAY

Breakfast: Waffle sticks.

Lunch: Sloppy Joes or macaroni/cheese, English peas, salad, pears.

WEDNESDAY

Breakfast: Biscuits.

Lunch: Chicken fajitas or macaroni/cheese, pinto beans, Spanish rice, apples.

THURSDAY

Breakfast: Cinnamon rolls.

Lunch: Bologna sandwiches or macaroni/cheese, carrot sticks, lettuce/tomatoes, peaches.

FRIDAY

Breakfast: Cereal, toast.

Lunch: Corn dogs or macaroni/cheese, French fries, vegetarian beans, apple-sauce.

Senior Citizens MONDAY

Chicken fried steak or mozzarella chicken bake, mashed potatoes, buttered squash, spinach, beans, butter pecan cake or chocolate pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

TUESDAY

Corned beef/cabbage or chicken leg quarters, yukon potatoes, Italian green beans, beets, beans, strawberry cake or lemon

icebox pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

WEDNESDAY

Roast beef brisket/brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, fried okra, macaroni/tomatoes, beans, lemon cake or apple/raisin cobbler, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

THURSDAY

Chicken strips or barbecue beef/onion rings, potato salad, corn cobettes, broccoli, baked beans, triple chocolate cake or bread pudding, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

FRIDAY

Catfish/hushpuppies or chili rellenos/cheese sauce, potato wedges, California blend, beans, walnut brownies or tapioca cups, slaw, tossed or jello salad, garlic toast, hot rolls or cornbread.

Meals On Wheels MONDAY

Spaghetti/meat sauce, green beans, bread sticks, blueberries.

TUESDAY

Polish sausage, cheese grits, mixed greens, cake.

WEDNESDAY

Tater tots casserole, cabbage, blackeyed peas, pumpkin bars.

THURSDAY

Ham, okra/tomatoes, pinto beans, pudding.

FRIDAY

Barbecue meatballs, baked beans, potato salad, pears.

LIFESTYLES POLICY

1. The Pampa News will not be responsible for photographs used in announcing births, weddings, engagements or anniversaries. We also reserve the right to refuse publication of photographs of poor quality. Photographs cannot be returned unless they are accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope. They may be picked up in the office after appearing in the paper.

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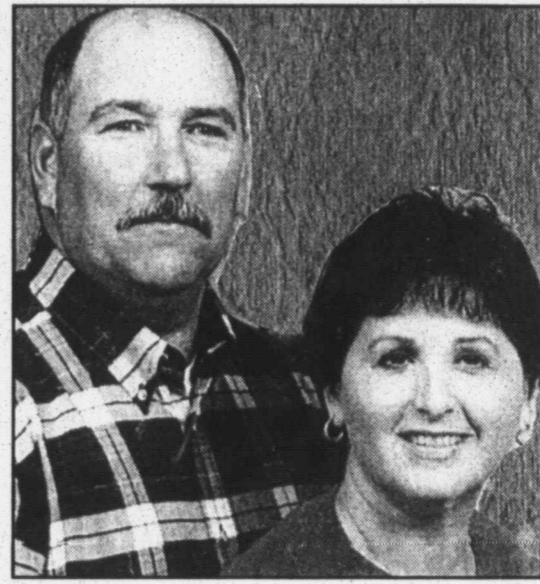
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ANNIVERSARIES



Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lancaster



Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lancaster

Lancaster anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lancaster of Pampa will observe their 25th wedding anniversary Aug. 4.

Michael Lancaster and Kim Smith were married Aug. 4, 1978, in Central Baptist Church of Pampa. They have lived in Pampa for 25 years and belong to First Baptist Church.

Mr. Lancaster is a 25-year employee of Natural Gas Pipeline/Chesapeake Energy. He is a member of Texas Association of Sports Officials and American Petroleum Institute.

Mrs. Lancaster is employed at Pampa Middle School where she has worked for 14 years. She is a CASA volunteer.

Children of the couple are Todd Lancaster of Amarillo and Travis Lancaster of Lubbock.

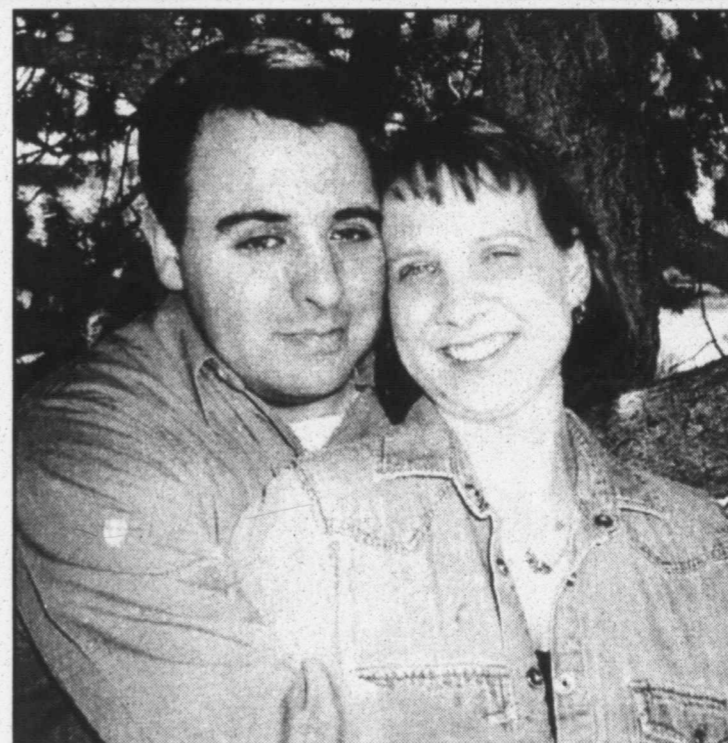
ENGAGEMENTS

McKee-Caswell

Tiffany Ann McKee and Peter Timothy Caswell plan to wed Saturday, Aug. 9, in Cordell, Okla.

The bride-elect, of Lubbock, is the daughter of Ron and Marita McKee of Cordell. She holds a degree from Lubbock Christian University and is currently employed in Lubbock.

The prospective groom is the son of Jimmy and Janet Caswell of Pampa. He, too, holds a degree from Lubbock Christian University and is currently employed in Lubbock.



Peter Caswell and Tiffany McKee

Miller-Kidd

Katie Leann Miller and Brandon Bradford Kidd plan to wed Saturday, Oct. 4, in Briarwood Church of Pampa.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Dannie and Terry Miller, both of Pampa. She graduated from Pampa High School in 1999 and holds an associates degree in counseling/psychology from Frank Phillips College. She is presently pursuing a bachelor's degree in psychology from Southwestern



Katie Miller and Brandon Kidd

Assemblies of God He graduated from Pampa University.

The prospective groom is currently a sergeant of correctional officers at Rufe Jordan Rhonda Kidd, both of Lefors. Unit in Pampa.

Bridal Selection

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Liz Prior ~ J.B. Horton

Marci Hansen ~ Christopher Stellman

April Brown ~ Sean Mashburn

Holly Offerman ~ Jeff Henderson

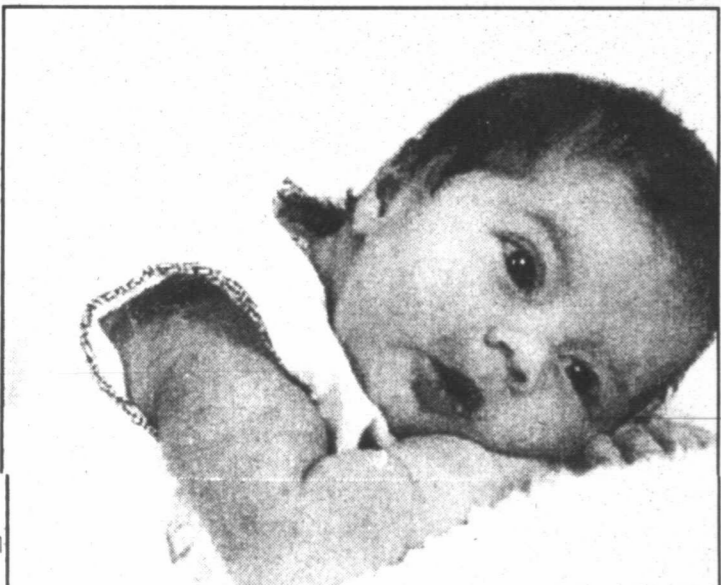
Mindee Stowers ~ Joel Ferland

Amanda Kludt ~ Erick Anderson

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CRADLE CALL



Mackenzy L. Bragg

Mackenzy Bragg

Mackenzy Lei Bragg was born at 10:26 p.m., June 14, at Plano Medical Center in Plano, Texas, to Shelly and Bradford Bragg of Plano.

Mackenzy weighed 8-pounds, 3-ounces at birth and was 20 3/4-inches long.

Mackenzy is the grand-

daughter of Randy and Donna Stubblefield of Pampa, Debra and Jack Githens of Hinton, Okla., and Robert and Linda Bragg of Oklahoma City, Okla.; and is the great-grandson of Wilfred and Ethel Stubblefield of Pampa and the late Frank and Lola Roach.

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Arts association to hold exhibition at NCWHM

OKLAHOMA CITY — The Traditional Cowboy Arts Association Exhibition and Sale is scheduled to open September 27, 2003, at the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum in Oklahoma City. Items not sold during the opening evening will be available for purchase through the close of the exhibition on December 7.

The prestigious show, which debuted in 1999, offers the finest in Western saddles, bits, spurs, braided rawhide gear and exquisite silver work by 14 master craftsmen. The association began when gear makers gathered in Idaho to discuss their concerns about the decline of new talent in the traditional Western fields of cowboy gear. Collectors from around the U.S. and Canada have been enthusiastic patrons of the sale.

Active members of TCAA include: Dave Alderson, silversmith; Mike Beaver, rawhide braider; Mark Dahl, bit and spur maker; Mark Drain, silversmith; John C. Ennis, bit and spur maker; Scott Hardy, silversmith; Dale Harwood, saddlemaker; Bill Heisman, bit and spur maker; Leland Hensley, rawhide braider; Ernie Marsh, bit and spur maker; Steve Mecum, saddlemaker; Cary Schwarz, saddlemaker; Chuck Stormes, saddlemaker; Nate Wald, rawhide braider.

Alderson, who joined the association this year, became interested in silver engraving in 1978 and studied with California bit and spur maker Bill Wimmer. He worked in the shops of Bits of Silver and Fritch Brothers Silversmiths until he went on his own in 1989.

In addition to offering fine crafts, the artisans will conduct educational programs this year that focus on the Western bit, exploring reining traditions throughout the West as well as nuances of bit design that need to be passed on to the current generation of horsemen and bit makers.

Bit and spur maker Greg Darnall of Emory, Texas, and legendary bridleman Dick Deller from Clements, California, will give presentations on the Western bit on Saturday, September 27. The seminars will be held in the Museum's S.B. "Burk" Burnett Board Room. Darnall will conduct the morning seminar at 10:30 a.m. Deller will conduct the 1:00 p.m. session. Co-authors Dick Deller and Merilee Morrell recently published *One Man's Opinion About Spade Bits and How They Work*, a well-received book analyzing the spade bit and discussing why

it was the bit of choice in the past by many horsemen. Admission to the seminar is free with paid Museum admission.

"Form, Function and Design: The Mechanics of Bits," a three-day workshop and round table discussion will be held at the Museum September 24-26, prior to the opening reception and sale for the exhibition. The program, led by Mark Dahl, Ernie Marsh and Bill Heisman, will be an intense examination of the design, fit and fabrication of the Western bit. At this historic meeting of full-time bit makers from across the West and Canada, participants will question current practices and share ideas and techniques while discussing common ground.

TCAA is unique in that it stresses the active perpetuation of time-honored Western crafts as both a vital art form and a priceless historical resource. Officers of the organization rotate on two-year terms and all active members share an equal role in the direction of the organization. Current TCAA president Chuck Stormes explained that as financial support for the organization grows, educational programs will expand. Future plans include educational publications, an archive to preserve knowledge concerning Western crafts and in time, a permanent facility providing workshops throughout the year.

For reservations or more information about TCAA activities, call Edwina Johnston at (405) 478-2250, Ext. 219. Accredited by the American Association of Museums, the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum, the nation's premier Western heritage museum, is located in Oklahoma's Adventure District at the I-35 and I-44 Junction.

Clay-Crosswhite

Jamie Christine Clay and Erich Alan Crosswhite, both of Pampa, were wed July 26 in Alamo Heights Baptist Church in San Antonio with Gary Covin officiating.

The maid of honor was Lizette Navarrete. The bridesmaids were Staci Clay, Carrie Clay and Lindsay Langford, all of Pampa. Diane Covin of Blanco and Jessica Warder of Grand Prairie. The flower girls were Violet Covin of San Antonio and Autumn Matthews of Allen.

The best man was Jeremy Felton of Bentonville. The groomsmen were Lance Matthews of Allen and Eric Grusendorf, Jesse Glaesman, Josh Paul and Jimmy Story. The ring bearers were Kai Covin of San Antonio and Reagan Matthews of Allen.

The ushers were Chad Covin and Clay Covin, both of San



Jamie Christine Clay

Antonio, and Cory Fowler of Pampa. The candlelighters were Timothy Covin of San Antonio and Kelsi Matthews of Allen. Registering the guests was Kimberly Porter of Pampa.

Diggs-Hart

Lenzi Jo Diggs and Donnie Ray Hart, both of Lubbock, were wed July 5 at First Baptist Church in White Deer with Chuck Gilliland, youth minister of the church, officiating.

The matrons of honor were Layci Danner of Amarillo and Hayli Ketchum of White Deer, both sisters of the bride. The bridesmaids were Jo Erin Garmany of Houston and Kendra Liegl of Fort Worth. The flower girls were Riley Mitchell, Merrit Mitchell, both cousins of the bride of White Deer, and McCaleb Hart, sister of the groom of Wolfthorh.

The best man was Chad Reynolds of Lubbock. The groomsmen were Bryan Bennett, Chad Fox and Cole Roberts, all of Lubbock. The ring bearer was Kienan Ketchum, nephew of the bride of White Deer.

The ushers were Brian



Lenzi Jo Diggs

Benyhill of Gilbert, Ariz., and Tye King and Dallas Grimes, both of Lubbock. The candlelighters were Clint Shobert and Cole Shobert, both cousins of the groom of Wolfthorh.

Registering guests were Kaycia Mitchell, cousin of the bride of White Deer, Texas, Rebecca Diggs, cousin of the bride, of White Deer, Texas, and Whitney Hodge, cousin of the groom, of Lubbock, Texas. Music was provided by pianist Shela Terry of White Deer and soloist Carmen Terry of Lubbock.

A reception was held following the ceremony in Sacred Heart Parish Hall in White Deer with Emily Bennett, Amanda Freeman, Heather Reynolds and

Music was provided by Amber and Jason Jones of Pampa, Buddy Covin of Canyon, Gary and Theresa Covin of Edna and John Covin and George Covin, both of San Antonio.

A reception was held at 24 McFaddin Sendero Ranch with Rita Covin and Karengayle Cox, both of Blanco, Cristal Covin of San Antonio and Jamie Mudra of Sugarland serving the guests.

The bride is the daughter of Paul and Mary Clay of Pampa. She graduated from Pampa High School and is presently a senior at Texas Tech University, where she is majoring in English and minoring in education.

The groom is the son of Rick and Sandy Crosswhite of Pampa. He graduated from Pampa High School and is currently working as a systems engineer at Dattio Technology Consultants in Lubbock.

The newlyweds planned a honeymoon trip to Puerto Rico and intend to make their home in Lubbock.

Shauna Roberts, all of Lubbock, serving the guests.

The bride is the daughter of Marla Mitchell of White Deer and of Wayne and Sherry Diggs of Colorado Springs, Colo.; is the granddaughter of Joe D. Mitchell and of Mary K. Diggs, both of White Deer; and is the great-granddaughter of Ed and Erma Riley of Wheeler. She graduated from Texas Tech University in 2002 and is currently an English teacher and a coach at Hutchison Junior High School in Lubbock.

The groom is the son of Bobby and Debra Lea of Lubbock and of Marlon and Jeri Kate Hart of Wolfthorh; is the grandson of Donnie and Barbara Shobert and of Davis Hart and Kay Elliott, all of Lubbock; and is the great-grandson of Gladys Shobert and Zola Wood, both of Lubbock. He graduated from Texas Tech in 2000 and is currently a sales representative for Innovex Pharmaceuticals of Lubbock.

The newlyweds planned a Caribbean honeymoon cruise to the Bahamas and intend to make their home in Lubbock.

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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Fiance's Debt Is Roadblock To Couple's Trip Down Aisle

DEAR ABBY: Last night, after we had been engaged for three months, my fiance, "Blake," informed me that he owes \$25,000 to creditors. He said part of that debt is because he bought and sold a condo (at a loss) six years ago — and he felt he needed a nicer car after we met. What concerns me, in addition to his huge debt, is that he gave me an \$8,000 engagement ring.

Blake is pressuring me to get married, but I am having second thoughts. Will I be responsible for his debts if we are married? Should I marry him, or should I wait until he pays off his creditors?

FEELING INSECURE
IN TORONTO

DEAR FEELING INSECURE: Your concerns are valid. Your fiance appears to be romantic, but not very practical when it comes to financial matters. Before the engagement goes any further, I urge you to consult an attorney who can explain any possible obligations you will — or will not — assume by marrying him. Please don't wait. It will be money wisely spent.

DEAR ABBY: I am 80 years old and all alone. Cancer took my wife 11 years ago. I am still healthy and in control of my affairs. I have been trying to carry on without my wife, but there isn't much to live for. I just returned from putting my truck in the garage, and I hated coming back into my empty house.

I wish that every human being in the world could be as lonesome as I am tonight. If this were true, there would never be another war, or killing, or robbery, or any form of deceit. I feel certain that everyone would say, "I am satisfied with what I have, because I never want to be as sad or as lonesome as that old man."

LONESOME IN TEXAS

DEAR LONESOME: I'm glad you wrote to me because 11 years is too long to be alone and grieving. Since you are of sound mind and body, it's time to re-enter society — and by that I mean put yourself in

situations where you can help your fellow man, meet new people and have some fun.

Volunteering is a wonderful way to start. Call your local hospital, library, museum or senior center, and see what openings are available. It will be a way to do something worthwhile for your community and the beginning of a new life for you. Trust me.

DEAR ABBY: I recently met "Shelly," the girl of my dreams. She is everything I ever wanted in a girlfriend and more. This is the greatest relationship I have ever had in my life — and she feels the same.

Shelly is leaving for college in September and I still have one more year of high school. I know in my heart it will never work with me here and Shelly there — but I am not ready to lose the love of my life.

Abby, please give me some advice. I know my heart is going to break when Shelly leaves.

LOVESTRUCK
IN ST. LOUIS

DEAR LOVESTRUCK: I hope Shelly has a wonderful freshman year in college — and that you have an exciting senior year in high school. Over the years I have heard from many teens in your situation. They have maintained their friendships by staying in contact through phone calls, writing letters and e-mails. What they haven't done is demand an exclusive relationship.

Now is the time for both of you to develop new friendships with people of both genders. Exclusivity ties you down and is not fair to either of you. When you develop new interests, you will have that much more to share when you do get together.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

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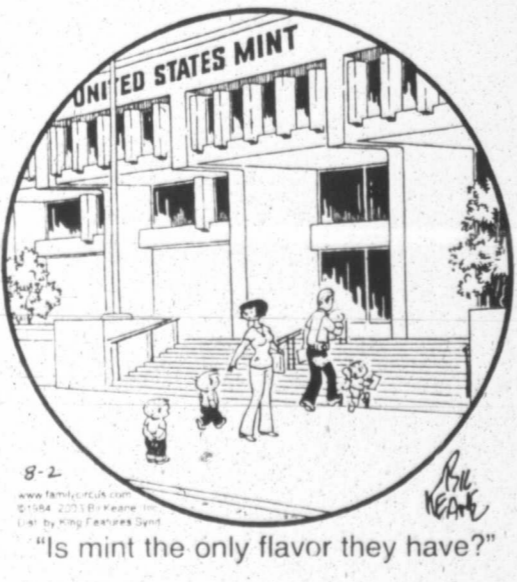
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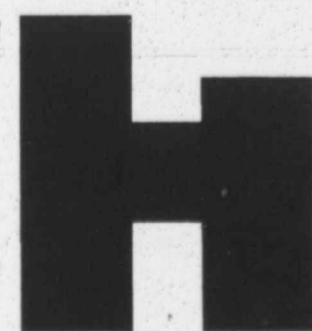
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- St. Vincent de Paul Elementary 2003-2004 Supply List**
- EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION - 3 YR OLD CLASS**
- 16 count crayons labeled
 - Scissors-Fiskars with metal blades
 - Waterbased markers
 - Plastic supply box/cigar box
 - Photo of child
 - 2 boxes of Kleenex
 - 3 glue sticks
 - 1 bottle white glue
 - Prang water colors
 - Change of clothes in a plastic bag - 1 summer set/1 winter set
 - 1 pkg. multi-colored construction paper
 - 1 pkg. manila paper (12x18)
 - 1 folder with pockets
 - Back pack
- PRE-KINDERGARTEN - 4 YEAR OLD CLASS**
- Photo of child
 - Change of clothes in plastic
- bag - 1 summer set/1 winter set
- Scissors - Fiskars with metal blades
 - Crayons - 16 count
 - Two pencils - regular #2
 - Plastic supply box/cigar box
 - 3 glue sticks
 - 1 bottle of glue
 - 2 boxes of Kleenex
 - Paint shirt
 - 1 pocket folder
 - 1 pkg. multi-color construction paper
 - 1 pkg. manila paper (12x18) or white construction paper
 - Waterbased markers
 - Back pack
 - water colors
- DAYCARE SUPPLY LIST**
- 2 boxes of Kleenex
 - 3 and 4 years old, blanket and pillow for nap time
- Please label supplies INDIVIDUALLY (including 16 crayons). This way we know who has lost their crayon or pencil when it is found on the floor. THANK YOU!*

- ST. VINCENT ELEMENTARY KINDERGARTEN**
- Package #2 Pencils
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 - Construction paper: One package, any size, multi-color
 - 16 count crayons
 - 2 glue sticks
 - Plastic scissors (Fiskars)
 - Supply box
 - Book bag
 - Paint shirt (mom or dad's older shirt)
 - 2 large boxes of Kleenex
 - Markers
 - Map colors & sharpener
 - 1 bottle of Elmer's glue
- Please label all items with child's name.*
- FIRST GRADE**
- 2 large boxes of Kleenex
 - Plastic supply box
 - 2 glue sticks
 - 1 bottle of Elmer's glue
 - 2 folders with pockets
 - Crayons - 48 count
 - Sharp point scissors
 - Six #2 pencils

- Eraser
 - Ruler
 - Map colors and sharpener
 - School bag
 - Paint shirt (mom or dad's older shirt)
 - Construction paper: One package, any size, multi-color
- SECOND GRADE**
- Crayons - 24 count
 - 5 #2 pencils
 - 2 pads of handwriting paper
 - Markers, eraser
 - 1 half-inch 3-ring binder
 - 2 glue sticks
 - 3 large boxes of Kleenex
 - Supply box (compartment-ed)
 - 2 2-pocket folder
 - 1 spiral notebook
 - Colored pencils (map colors)
 - Sharp point scissors
 - 6 oz. Elmer's glue
 - Ruler (metric and standard)
 - Paint shirt
 - Construction paper: One package, assorted colors
- Please label all items with child's name.*

- THIRD GRADE**
- 1 6-oz. Elmer's glue
 - 2 large glue sticks
 - Five #2 pencils
 - Eraser
 - Sharp point scissors
 - Map colors
 - 2 pkgs. notebook paper, wide-ruled
 - Crayons - 24 count
 - 2 spiral notebooks
 - 3 boxes of Kleenex
 - 2 2-pocket folders
 - 1 half inch 3-ring binder folder with brads for computer
 - Supply box (compartment-ed)
 - Markers
 - Paint shirt
 - Ruler - metric and standard
 - 1 pkg. multi-colored construction paper
- Please label all items with child's name.*
- FOURTH GRADE**
- 5 #2 Pencils
 - 1 med. bottle white glue
 - 1 large glue stick
 - Sharp point scissors
 - Map colors - bright colors
 - Crayons - 24 count

- 2 pkgs. notebook paper
 - Ruler - metric and standard
 - 3 boxes of Kleenex
 - Large supply box
 - 2 spiral notebooks
 - 2 pocket folders
 - Eraser
 - 1 pkg. multi-colored construction paper
 - Markers, one red pen
 - Paint shirt
- Please label all items with child's name*
- FIFTH GRADE**
- 1 med. bottle white glue
 - 1 large glue stick
 - 5 #2 pencils, red
 - Sharp point scissors
 - Map colors - bright colors
 - Crayons - 24 count
 - 2 pkgs. notebook paper
 - Ruler - metric and standard
 - 3 boxes of Kleenex
 - Paint shirt
 - 2 pocket folder
 - Large supply box
 - Eraser
 - 2 spiral notebooks
 - Markers
 - 1 pkg. multi-colored construction paper

BILLBOARD MUSIC CHARTS

By The Associated Press

Weekly charts for the nation's best-selling recorded music as they appear in next week's issue of Billboard magazine. Reprinted with permission. (Platinum signifies more than 1 million copies sold; Gold signifies more than 500,000 copies sold.)

- Hot Country Singles and Tracks**
(Compiled from a national sample of monitored country radio by Broadcast Data Systems)
- "It's Five O'Clock Somewhere," Alan Jackson & Jimmy Buffett. Arista Nashville.
 - "Red Dirt Road," Brooks & Dunn. Arista Nashville.
 - "No Shoes, No Shirt, No Problems," Kenny Chesney. BNA.
 - "Celebrity," Brad Paisley. Arista Nashville.
 - "Beer For My Horses," Toby Keith Duet With Willie Nelson. DreamWorks.
 - "My Front Porch Looking In," Lonestar. BNA.
 - "Forever and For Always," Shania Twain. Mercury.
 - "Real Good Man," Tim McGraw. Curb.
 - "What Was I Thinkin'," Dierks Bentley. Capitol.
 - "99.9% Sure (I've Never Been Here Before)," Brian McComas. Lyric Street.
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- Top Country Albums**
(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)
- "Mud on the Tires," Brad Paisley. Arista Nashville.
 - "Red Dirt Road," Brooks & Dunn. Arista Nashville.
 - "Unleashed," Toby Keith. DreamWorks (Nashville). (Platinum)
 - "From There to Here: Greatest Hits," Lonestar. BNA.
 - "Up!," Shania Twain. Mercury (Nashville).
 - "No Shoes, No Shirt, No Problems," Kenny Chesney. BNA. (Platinum)
 - "Wave on Wave," Pat Green. Republic/Universal South.
 - "Greatest Hits Collection, Vol. 1," Trace Adkins. Capitol.
 - "Honkytonkville," George Strait. MCA Nashville.
 - "Melt," Rascal Flatts. Lyric Street. (Platinum)
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- Hot R&B/Hip-Hop Singles and Tracks**
(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports and radio playlists)
- "Crazy in Love," Beyonce (feat. Jay-Z). Music World.

- "Right Thurr," Chingy. Disturbing tha Peace.
 - "In Those Jeans," Ginuwine. Epic.
 - "P.I.M.P.," 50 Cent. Shady.
 - "So Gone," Monica. J.
 - "Frontin'," Pharrell Featuring Jay-Z. Star Trak.
 - "Get Low," Lil Jon & the East Side Boyz (feat. Ying Yang Twins). BME.
 - "Into You," Fabolous (feat. Tamiya Or Ashanti). Desert Storm.
 - "Like Glue," Sean Paul. VP.
 - "Love at 1st Sight," Mary J. Blige (feat. Method Man). Geffen.
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- Top R&B/Hip-Hop Albums**
(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)
- Soundtrack: "Bad Boys II." Bad Boy.
 - "Mo'Nin'," Mya. A&M.
 - "Jackpot," Chingy. Disturbing tha Peace.
 - "Dangerously in Love," Beyonce. Music World. (Platinum)
 - "Chapter II," Ashanti. Murder Inc.
 - "Dance With My Father," Luther Vandross. J. (Platinum)
 - "After the Storm," Monica. J. (Gold)
 - "Kings of Crunk," Lil Jon & the East Side Boyz. BME. (Gold)
 - "Get Rich or Die Tryin'," 50 Cent. Shady. (Platinum)
 - "Da Unbreakables," Three 6 Mafia. Hypnotize Minds.
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- Hot Rap Tracks**
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- "Right Thurr," Chingy. Disturbing tha Peace.
 - "P.I.M.P.," 50 Cent. Shady.
 - "Get Low," Lil Jon & the East Side Boyz (feat. Ying Yang Twins). BME.
 - "Into You," Fabolous (feat. Tamiya Or Ashanti). Desert Storm.
 - "Magic Stick," Lil' Kim (feat. 50 Cent). Queen Bee.
 - "Like Glue," Sean Paul. VP.
 - "Shake Ya Tailfeather," Nelly, P. Diddy & Murphy Lee. Bad Boy.
 - "Get Busy," Sean Paul. Black Shadow/2 Hard/VP/Atlantic.
 - "Let's Get Down," Bow Wow (feat. Baby). Columbia.
 - "Like a Pimp," David Banner (feat. Lil' Flip). SRC.
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- Hot Dance Music - Club Play**
(Compiled from a national sample of dance club playlists)
- "Pavement Cracks (Remixes)," Annie Lennox. J/RMG.
 - "Hollywood (Remixes)," Madonna. Maverick.
 - "Dirty Sticky Floors (Junkie XL, Passengerz, Lexicon Ave. Mixes)," Dave Gahan. Mute.
 - "Alright," Murk (Oscar G. & Ralph Falcon). Tommy Boy Silver Label.
 - "Music Revolution," The Scumfrog. Effin.
 - "Addicted," Mia. MiaDreamworld.
 - "Don't Make Me Come to Vegas (Timo Maas Remix)," Tori Amos. Epic.
 - "I Wish I Wasn't (Remixes)," Heather Headley. RCA.
 - "So Gone (Scumfrog Mixes)," Monica. J.
 - "Brass in Pocket," Ultra Nate. Blufire.
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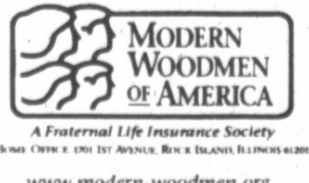

- Hot Latin Tracks**
(Compiled from national Latin radio airplay reports)
- "Jaleo," Ricky Martin. Sony Discos.
 - "Fotografia," Juanes (feat. Nelly Furtado). Surco.
 - "Tu Amor o Tu Desprecio," Marco Antonio Solis. Fonovisa.
 - "Un Siglo Sin Ti," Chayanne. Sony Discos.
 - "Quitemonos la Ropa," Alexandre Pires. Ariola.
 - "Puedes Contar Conmigo," La Oreja De Van Gogh. Sony Discos.
 - "Casi," Soraya. EMI Latin.
 - "Actos de un Tonto," Conjunto Primavera. Fonovisa.
 - "Mariposa Traicionera," Mana. Warner Latina.
 - "Tal Vez," Ricky Martin. Sony Discos.
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- Top Contemporary Jazz Albums**
(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)
- "Come Away With Me," Norah Jones. Blue Note. (Platinum)
 - "Ultimate Kenny G," Kenny G. BMG Heritage.
 - "The Journey Within," Bernie Williams. GRP.
 - "The Greatest Hits of All," George Benson. Rhino.
 - "Come On Up," Brian Culbertson. Warner Bros.
 - "Salt," Lizz Wright. Verve.
 - "Into My Soul," Kirk Whalum. Warner Bros.
 - "Hard Groove," Roy Hargrove Presents the RH Factor. Verve.
 - "Radio Contact," Acoustic Alchemy. Higher Octave.
 - "Shades of Blue," Madlib. Blue Note.
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Vaquero superstitions live on during South Texas swelter

By LYNN BREZOSKY
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

HARLINGEN (AP) — It wasn't that long ago that small children were kept inside during the "dog days" of summer for fear the fiery sun would weaken them to disease. People didn't cut their hair. They put off surgery.

But the traditions and superstitions associated with the six-week stretch of high dry summer between July and September have slowly faded with modern life and air conditioning.

"If you ask somebody who is 20 years old what the canicula is, he'll say 'what is that, a movie?'" 53-year-old landscaper Frank Gonzales said. "But people who have been here a long time, they know. Especially people who are outside all the time. It's a matter of life or death."

Canicula is the Latin name for the "dog star," the luminous dot of Canis Major seen over Texas these days as the sun rises. It's believed Spanish missionaries dubbed the time the "dog days" — when the apparent second sun in the horizon meant the hottest, driest times of summer were to follow.

Tony Ramirez, a Laredo-based ethnobotanist who researches how native cultures used native plants for rituals and healing, said some indigenous peoples linked the hot period to visits by the mythical serpent-like creature roaming their universe.

It was an apt explanation for days in South Texas that can easily top 105 degrees, he said.

"There's definitely a consuming fire to the season," Ramirez said. "It's a much more pow-

erful force than anything man can control."

Spaniards over the centuries mimicked the Mayan and Aztec rhythms of planting, adopting early September as the prime time for planting. As ranching took hold in Texas, more patterns were set. Cattle were branded in the hot, dry air, then left to loll as ranchers busied themselves cutting sundried mesquite into fence posts.

Anglo settlers heeded the instincts of the Mexican and Indian natives, tuning into the almost daily talk of when the canicula might end.

In some cases, that prediction was made in January during a period known as the cavanuela, a remnant of an ancient belief that the weather pattern for the year could be decoded during the first month.

Climatologists love the legend of the canicula, meteorologist Kurt Van Speybroeck said, but long ago concluded it had nothing to do with the stars.

What's really being experienced, he said, is an annual westward expansion of known the Bermuda High. During August the still mass of air tends to hang as far south as Central America and as far north as the southern United States.

"People always try to find some reason why things are happening and sometimes it's just coincidence. And really, that's what it is. A coincidence," Speybroeck said.

Gonzales, the landscaper, said the canicula's rhythms were lost

with the emergence of dryland crops like cotton and grain sorghum.

A cotton farmer's son, Gonzales said the dog days to him meant the miseries of the harvest. One of his jobs was taking water to the workers. He would freeze bowls of water into chunks of ice that would melt as he crossed the fields.

"We continued working, but it was just at a slower pace," he said. "It was just so hot. A lot of people would get sick."

As a landscaper, those things still hold true for Gonzales during the canicula. While his work doesn't stop, his clients learn to accept that there may be some waiting.

For example, he has designed a bed alongside a road that will stay barren until the inevitable September rain breaks the canicula. Only then, he said, is it sensible to plant the seeds for Texas bluebonnets.

He also won't transplant anything that's been raised in a greenhouse; it wouldn't be tough enough for the August sun. In general, he avoids stirring the soil and exposing the roots during the extended heat.

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Mary Margaret McAllen Amberson, who recently collaborated on a history of the McAllen ranch, namesake of the fast-growing city of McAllen, said she swears by the canicula-minded advice of another landscaper who works for her father.

"I'll say something like 'I want to plant these plants' and he'll say 'wait until the end of the canicula, there'll be a good rainstorm.' He's usually right."

Houston Citizens' Assistance program making a difference

By JOHN WILLIAMS
HOUSTON CHRONICLE

HOUSTON — The bed of Bernie Guerra's 21-year-old Chevrolet Custom DeLuxe creaks and growls as he wheels the blue, three-quarter-ton truck along the side roads of his neighborhood.

Guerra would have traded the aging vehicle for one with a reliable air conditioner and a smoother ride years ago — but for one thing.

The scratched paint and bruised fenders are more practical for the duty that Guerra has performed since he retired as a foreman for a paint company six years ago.

Guerra spends hours each day patrolling his isolated East End neighborhood, called Manchester, looking for trash, high weeds and other nuisances that mar a community he wants to be attractive.

A broken box spring, discarded tire or other refuse left along the narrow roads might end up in the bed of Guerra's pickup.

Like the truck, Guerra groans a lot — emitting a mix of salty language and constructive criticism for which this singled-minded neighborhood activist is legendary among those who know him.

He complains to city officials who don't maintain ditches, to private companies who don't mow their properties and to his own neighbors who throw trash on the ground instead of in garbage cans.

Guerra — who also works for Rhodia Inc., a nearby sulfuric acid manufacturer, to maintain a park the company built several years ago — is a results-oriented squeaky wheel.

He has gotten signs erected directing heavy trucks around the residential neighborhoods to nearby Ship Channel industries.

He persuaded Valero Refining Co. to donate land and money for a senior citizen center and food pantry he is planning. He talked the city into placing a new air conditioner at the Hartmann Park recreation center.

He organizes mowing crews, pulls trash from ditches and confronts messy neighbors, appealing to their civic pride in an effort to make the neighborhood look a little better.

All the while, the Custom DeLuxe makes constant trips to a nearby dumping station.

"I want this to be a community where the people are proud to be here," Guerra said. "Sometimes I wonder why I work so hard at it. But in the end, someone has to."

It's a tough chore. The Manchester neighborhood sits practically beneath the Sidney Sherman Bridge, that giant expanse of East Loop 610 that crosses the Houston Ship Channel.

The bridge is just to the west of Manchester.

To the north and east are the refineries and other industries along the Ship Channel.

To the south are railroad tracks like the one that helped get the community started in the 1860s as a switch for the Texas and New Orleans Railroad.

It is a poor neighborhood where most residents are either aging Mexican-Americans, or young immigrants from Mexico or Central America.

Still, Guerra has seen a comeback in recent years. Houses are getting fresh paint, new siding or improved roofs. Decorative fences are going up, gardens planted.

But another problem has worsened even as people are paying more attention to their homes.

Guerra, 68, a second-generation Mexican-American who grew up in nearby Magnolia before moving to Manchester 25 years ago, said the level of trash along the streets and in the parks has increased in recent years as more immigrants move in.

"It's a cultural thing," Guerra said. "In their old countries, it means nothing to drop trash anywhere. You eat food and drop it on the ground."

"I am trying to start an educational campaign that that's not the way it's done in this country."

New residents also put their heavy trash on the streets long before the monthly city pickup.

It is not uncommon to see ditches lined for weeks with aging lumber, rotting furniture and discarded auto parts.

So Guerra cajoles his new neighbors to do better.

And he suggests that Spanish-language television stations produce and air public service announcements telling newcomers to properly dispose of their trash.

If the "Don't Mess With Texas" campaign helped make the state cleaner, Guerra reasons, a similar campaign aimed at Hispanic immigrants could help beautify Houston.

"This isn't a wealthy neighborhood," he said, "but that doesn't mean we can't take pride in it."

In the meantime, Guerra is pushing for a bridge over the railroad tracks, for Union Pacific to clean up its properties and for the city to better maintain rights of way in Manchester.

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

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Yesterday's Cryptoquote: THE MARKET IS A PLACE SET APART WHERE MEN MAY DECEIVE EACH OTHER. — GREEK PROVERB

Horoscope BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, Aug. 4, 2003:

This could be an action-packed year, with little time to stop and relax. Much that surrounds you could seem confusing or hazy. If you're a woman, you might not see the man in your life clearly. If you're a man, you might experience an identity crisis of some sort. No matter what your sex, you could be thinking of a career change. Your instincts come through with family and investments. If you are single, check out someone you meet carefully, because this person might not be all he or she seems. You will have a tendency to put your sweetie on a pedestal, no matter what your status. If attached, you will find your partner to be intuitive and assertive. He or she wants what he or she wants. ♄CORPIO can be an anchor.

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

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LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Your family plays a large role in what goes on. You might want to listen a little more to a family member, as well as your instincts, regarding a financial matter. Otherwise, you might not be comfortable with what comes down the pike. Tonight: You need some quiet time.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Clear out your messages. Don't stand on ceremony with an associate or friend. You'll get a lot done quickly, especially if you focus. Someone on the work scene or in your day-to-day life could be deceptive. You might not realize it. Take off your rose-colored glasses. Tonight: Catch up on friends' news.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Curb your spending and get your finances in better shape. You might not be sure what is happening with a child or loved one. What you can count on is that you're not getting the whole story. If single, be realistic about someone in your life. Tonight: Bills.

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★★★★ Your playful and fun manner takes you down quite a few paths right now. Others' suggestions inspire you, though you might need to make a selection or key choice. What is good for one person might not be good for another. Tonight: Kick up your heels. Forget tomorrow.

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CANCER (June 21-July 22)

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
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GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
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CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Your imagination dips into realms where others don't necessarily choose to go. Others find you to be very serious and extremely constructive. Don't hold back. Ask questions and express your opinions. Inquire and find an expert. Tonight: Answer calls and mail.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Your family plays a large role in what goes on. You might want to listen a little more to a family member, as well as your instincts, regarding a financial matter. Otherwise, you might not be comfortable with what comes down the pike. Tonight: You need some quiet time.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Clear out your messages. Don't stand on ceremony with an associate or friend. You'll get a lot done quickly, especially if you focus. Someone on the work scene or in your day-to-day life could be deceptive. You might not realize it. Take off your rose-colored glasses. Tonight: Catch up on friends' news.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Curb your spending and get your finances in better shape. You might not be sure what is happening with a child or loved one. What you can count on is that you're not getting the whole story. If single, be realistic about someone in your life. Tonight: Bills.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
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2713 Rosewood	\$49,900.....2/1 7/5/2 - 1322 SF/GCAD
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2131 N. Nelson	\$39,900.....3 or 4/1/2 - 1725 SF/GCAD
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710 Willston, White Deer	\$28,000.....5/2/None - 1887 SF/GCAD
407 Chamberlin, Skellytown	\$27,000.....3/2/2 - 1320 SF/GCAD
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This grilling season costing consumers more

By ELLIOTT MINOR
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

ALBANY, Ga. (AP) — Summer is America's grilling season, when the smell of prime sirloin broiling over gas flames or charcoal drifts through neighborhoods.

But this summer, consumers will have to pay more

for the finer cuts of U.S. beef. Increased demand, helped by a popular high-protein diet, has raised the average retail price for grade A beef cuts, such as steaks and roasts, to \$3.61 per pound, 30 cents more than a year ago, according to the University of Georgia.

Beef demand peaks from

Memorial Day to Labor Day and the increased demand often means higher prices, but this year they are higher than normal, said Curt Lacy, a university livestock economist.

He attributes some of it to competition with foreign consumers, particularly Asia and Mexico, who have developed a taste for U.S. beef and are willing to pay top dollar to get it.

Gregg Doud, chief economist for the National Cattlemen's Beef Association, said U.S. beef production hit a record 578 million pounds during the week of June 6 and second-quarter sales set another record at \$9.45 billion.

"The price is higher and the supply is higher, which is a really remarkable situation," Doud said. "This industry has worked for close to 20 years on research and technology. This has happened in a situation where we've had very low prices. It's taken a lot of innovation ... to recapture a percentage of the diet."

A high-protein diet developed by Dr. Robert C. Atkins also has helped. He was often ridiculed by the scientific community, but 15 million copies of his book have been sold since it was published in 1972.

A month after Atkins' death in April, the New England Journal of Medicine reported on two studies that found that people on his high-

protein, high-fat, low-carbohydrate diet lose twice as much weight over six months as those on a standard lowfat diet.

Consumers appear to have moved beyond the fat fears of the 1980s and early 1990s and now are focusing on variety and taste, said John McKissick, another University of Georgia livestock economist.

"It appears that a good

steak is very tasty to a lot of consumers," he said. "And apparently consumers are still smiling while they're paying (higher prices) because beef demand continues to go up."

Demand for Canadian beef is normally high around the world, but many countries, including the United States, have banned it because of a single case of mad cow disease detected in May.

"We don't know how long

that's going to last, but that's a reduction of about 4 percent of our supply that would have come out of Canada," McKissick said.

A Canadian investigation found no evidence that the disease had spread beyond the single cow, and Prime Minister Jean Chretien asked President Bush earlier this month to lift the ban, which is costing Canadian producers millions of dollars a day.

Women of First Baptist gearing up for fall retreat

New Beginnings Christian Retreat Center near Channing will be the site of Christian Women's Fall Retreat slated Sept. 19-21. The theme of the weekend event — to be led by Debbie Skinner, author and speaker — will be "Living a Hope Filled Life," based on Hebrews 12:2-3.

This is the sixth annual retreat sponsored by First Baptist Church. The weekend activities are open to any woman seeking inspiration and a break from the normal routine. A patriotic stars and stripes theme will be carried out throughout the event.

Skinner — speaker, artist, dramatist and musician — will not only conduct worship time but will provide a watercolor art lesson as part of an optional craft experience. She and husband Carey live in Amarillo.

Registration forms and cost information are available at First Baptist Church, 203 N. West, in Pampa. Deadline to register is Aug. 31. Early registration is encouraged as space is limited. For more information,



Debbie Skinner

contact the church office at 669-1155 or call Kathryn Green, retreat director, at 669-0148.

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NEWSMAKERS

WACO — Baylor University recently announced its Dean's Academic Honor List for the 2003 spring semester.

To be eligible for the honor list, undergraduate students must maintain a 3.7 or higher grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours at the university.

Students named to the list include **Farcett Wynelle Patrick** of Pampa.

TULSA, Okla. — Oral Roberts University in Tulsa recently announced **Sarah Fraser** as among students named to its President's Honor Roll.

Fraser, daughter of Mike and Dottie Fraser of Pampa, graduated from Pampa High School in 2002 and is a sophomore at ORU, majoring in finance.

To further expand his business knowledge and to gain access to more services to offer customers, **Larry Hadley** of Pampa attended the National

Auctioneers Association's 54th International Auctioneers Conference and Show held recently in San Antonio.

Touted as the largest event of its kind in the world, the annual conference drew a crowd of more than 1,300 who gathered to learn the latest developments in the marketing specialty that is auctioneering.

The event featured more than 60 informational seminars, a technology summit and a series of roundtable discussions. Specific topics included finding success in family business succession, elements of a successful fund-raising auction

event, introduction to real estate auctions, auto auction technology and more.

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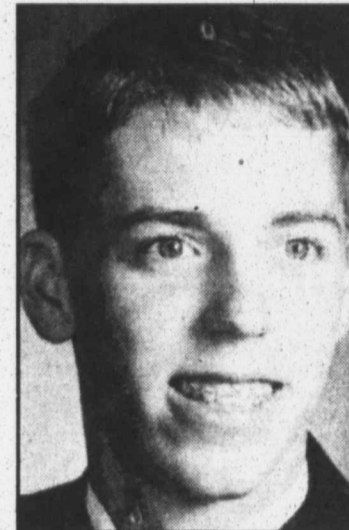
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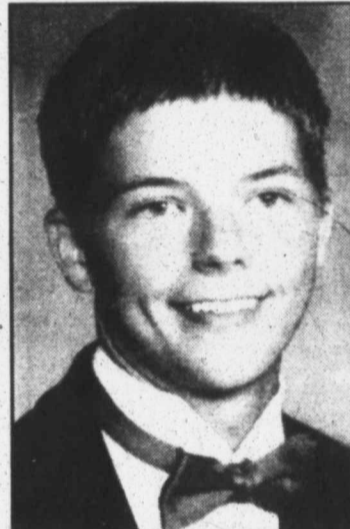
Cara Swart, daughter of Ron and Kay Swart of Miami, WTAMU;

Carmen Terry and Tyler Terry, children of Tam and Sheila Terry of White Deer, both TTU;

Kerry Turner and Kevin Turner, sons of Greg and Donna Turner of Pampa, OSU and Texas A&M, respectively.

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Kerry Turner

awarded over \$231,650 scholarships in past years to students who are relatives of its members. Funds are raised through an annual golf tournament.



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