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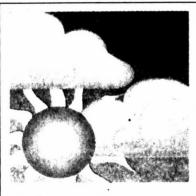
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High today 95 Low tonight 70 For weather details see Page 2

Booster Club meets tonight

PAMPA — Booster Club will meet at 7 tonight in the athletic building. Parents of football players are urged to attend.

Shrine Club meets Friday

The Pampa Shrine Club will meet Friday night at 6 p.m. Please bring a covered

Miami school sets budget meets

MIAMI - Members of the Miami school board set dates and times for upcoming budget hearings at a recent meet-

A budget hearing is set for 7 p.m., Aug. 14, 30 minutes prior to the regularly scheduled school board meeting at 7:30 p.m., Aug. 14. A second special meeting is set for Aug. 31 at 8 p.m.

Following a 45-minute executive session, the board reconvened and hired one teacher and accepted the resignation of another.

No tickets match in Lotto Texas game

No ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twiceweekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50 were: 3-16-30-35-44-46

Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$21 million.

· Vernon Duane Alexander, 60, former Washington Atomic Power Company employee.

 Dortha Calcote, 70, employee of Mahnken Drug. · Curtis H. Pond, 96, retired home improvement contrac-

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Chisum works on courthouse rehab funding

By NANCY YOUNG **Managing Editor**

State Representative Warren Chisum is attempting to help his home county get results from a state agency.

Gray County Judge Richard Peet was notified in May by the Texas Historic Preservation Program that the county had received \$3.8 million for a courthouse restoration project.

Gray County had submitted a master plan for the grant program. Archi Texas, an architectural planning and historic preservation firm, was hired by the county commission in 1999 to follow in the preservation of the 70-year-old structure. The most immediate need recommended by the firm was replacing the wiring which was put in at the time of construction of the building.

According to the architects' and county commission's understanding, the county would be required to furnish 15 percent of the cost of the restoration. Total project cost for all items in the restoration project per the original application was estimated to be \$5.3 mil-

(See CHISUM, Page 2)

Origin of two fires called 'suspicious'

Pampa fire officials continue to investigate two separate "suspicious" structure fires fought by firefighters Saturday night.

Pampa Fire Chief Kim Powell said today that Fire Marshal Gary Stevens had termed both fires as "suspicious" in nature and that his investigation of the two Saturday night blazes was continuing. Stevens was not in the office today, she said.

According to Pampa Fire Department records, three fire units and 11 firefighters were called to a structure fire at 932 S. Hobart at 8:31 p.m., Saturday. Firefighters found the residence, completely involved in flames upon their arrival, Powell said. The house is owned by Margaret Nash, who is believed to be in a nursing home, she said, adding that the house was destroyed.

Two hours later, two units and eight firefighters responded to another structure fire at 1200 E. Kingsmill, according to fire reports. Powell said an outbuilding behind the vacant residence was also "completely involved" by the time firefighters arrived on the scene. The building was destroyed with damage estimated at \$3,000. The fire chief said the buildings are owned by the John Ellis estate.



Jodi Seeley, Canyon, is the new Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas 2000.



Ashley Winton, Pampa, is the new Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas Queen 2000.

Seely, Winton selected new TOT Rodeo queens

Top O' Texas Rodeo Association has announced results from the 2000 Miss Top O' Texas Rodeo Queen/Teen Pageants. (See related story Page 3).

OUEEN PAGEANT

MISS RODEO TOP O' TEXAS: Jodi Seeley, Canyon. Prizes: Saddle, Ace Transportation, Richard Philpitt; tiara, Bob Clements, Inc., Mary and Neil Fulton; buckle, Clark Carr and Sons Memorial; horseshoe ring, Rheams Diamond Shop, Ken Rheams; sash, Jamie and Tommy Winborne; appointment book, Brandy and Ray Adamson Miss Rodeo Top O', Texas 1998); scholarship, Amanda Jacobs Memorial, Cabot Corp., Saunders Construction, Sharon Haynes, CPA.

RUNNER-UP: Stacy Huddleston, Pampa. Prizes: Buckle, Pampa Chamber of Commerce Tourism Committee.

DIVISION WINNERS: Huddleston, Ticket Sales Category; Seeley, Appearance, Personality and Horsemanship Categories. Prizes: Saddle pads, Ogles Western Tack and Rodeo Equipment, and Leatherwork, Will Daniel,

"Horsemanship"; jackets, Top O' Texas Rodeo Association, "Ticket Sales"; leather purse, Farmers Insurance, Paul Clay, and spurs, Cindy and Doug Kemph, "Personality"; jewelry, clothing, gift certificates, "Appearance."

TEEN PAGEANT MISS RODEO TOP O' TEXAS TEEN 2000: Ashley Winton, Pampa. Prizes: Saddle, JLB Ranch, James Bradley; tiara, Complete Travel Inc., Dana Terry; buckle, CN Ranch, Carla and Randy Norris; horseshoe ring, Rheams Diamond Shop, Ken Rheams; sash, Tommy and Jamie Winborne.

RUNNER-UP: Jamie Shroeder, Pampa. Prizes: buckle, Brenda and Mike Guess.

DIVISION WINNERS: Winton, Ticket Sales, Appearance, Personality and Horsemanship Categories. Prizes: Saddle pads, Ogles Western Tack and Rodeo Equipment, and Leatherwork, Will Daniel, "Horsemanship"; jackets, Top O' Texas Rodeo Association, "Ticket Sales"; jewelry, clothing, gift certificates, "Appearance" and

Parade winners

results from the 2000 Top O' Texas Rodeo Parade held Saturday in downtown Pampa.

BEST CIVIC CLUB OR ORGANIZATION: Fellowship of Christian Cowboys, first place; Texas National Guard, second place.

MOST TYPICAL RANCH ENTRY: Jim Harper, first place; Cathy Schiffman, sec-

ANTIQUE TRACTOR: Steve Devoll, first place; Danny

Martin, second place. MOST ATTRACTIVE COM-

Association has announced Creek, first place; Tradin' City, second place.

BEST RIDING CLUB: Crown of Texas Arabian Horse Club, first place; Santa Rosa Palomino Riding Club, second place; Gray County 4-H Horse Project, third place.

CLASSIC CARS: Robert Benyshek, first place; orange Bell Air Chevy (no name available); Gerald Laughlin, third

Winners may pick up trophies at the rodeo office, 200 N. Ballard, from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Pampa ISD board to review interlocal Medicaid contract

Pampa Independent School District's (ISD) board of education is set for 6 p.m., Tuesday, July 18.

Board members plan to meet in the board conference room at Carver Center, 321 W. Albert, and consider the following

• An interlocal agreement for Medicaid Administrative Claiming (MAC). Schools are reimbursed by Medicaid for administrative costs associated

A special meeting of the with health-related outreach Corporation, is asking that activities, such as locating, identitying and referring at-risk children, assisting families in accessing Medicaid services through education, public awareness and seeking appropriate providers to care for children. MAC's generated an estimated \$15,000 for

> the Denton ISD consortium for Dumas are members of the MAC since March 1998. The plan

school year.

Denton ISD combine with Aldine ISD because of administrative problems at Denton ISD and to provide a larger, stronger consor-

Denton ISD declined to consolidate and is asking its member schools to join them as they con-Pampa ISD during the 1999-2000 tract with Houston ISD Medicaid Finance and Consulting Service Pampa ISD has been a part of Group. Hereford, Canyon, and Aldine ISD Consortium.

(See PAMPA ISD, Page 2)

A chance to grab big brother's ear proves much more enticing to 9-month-old Alice Abraham than does the action in the rodeo arena. She and brother Lewis, 2 and a half, were with their parents Dawn and Eddie Abraham of Canadian.

Police look for woman robbery suspect today

Police were searching for a woman today for questioning in connection with a reported robbery Saturday night. Officers said Amy Hernandez, 27, of rural Gray County, was

attacked Saturday night in the parking lot of Wal-Mart and her wallet was taken.

Hernandez said she was walking across the parking lot about 8:45 p.m. Saturday when a woman, described by police only as a white female, grabbed the wallet from Hernandez' hand and began to run. Hernandez ran after her, caught her and managed to get the wallet back.

Police said Hernandez suffered several bruises in the encounter along with a scrape to an ankle.

Assault reports result of Saturday night fight

A Saturday night fight resulted in the report of two assaults today. Police officers were this morning investigating the circumstances surrounding a fight at a Pampa night spot Saturday after a 30-yearold woman was asked to leave.

Officers said the woman was asked to leave the club in the 600 block of West Foster because she had become belligerent. The man with the woman, a 47-year-old corrections officer, reportedly also

The two were forcibly ejected from the club. Officers said several punches were thrown.

The corrections officer complained Sunday morning to police that he suffered bruises to his left eye, nose and jaw.

The manager of the club reported scratches to her cheek and a cut to the inside of her mouth.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

Funeral Directors Ivy Chapet, Amarillo.

CALCOTE, Dortha Louise Pannell — 11 a.m., First Baptist Church, Wheeler. **POND**, Curtis H. — 10 a.m., Boxwell Brothers

Obituaries

VERSON DUANE ALEXANDER

Verson Duane Alexander, 60, of Pampa, died Saturday, July 15, 2000, at Vancouver, Wash. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa. Mr. Alexander was born Nov. 23, 1939, at

Amarillo and graduated from Pampa High School in 1958. He worked for Joy Manufacturing in Buffalo, N.Y., and Seattle, Wash., and was employed with Washington Atomic Power Craven. Company of Vancouver for 14 years.

He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving in the 101st Airborne Division of the Rangers, and belonged to First Baptist Church of Pampa.

He was preceded in death by his father, Verson T. Alexander, in 1988; and by a sister, Linda Janell Alexander, in 1946.

Survivors include a daughter, Kristin D'Oca of Tucson, Ariz.; two sons, Chad Alexander of Kennewick, Wash., and Robert Brent Alexander of Vancouver; his mother, Johnnie Alexander of Pampa; a former wife, Darla Alexander of Kennewick; a sister, Lora Baggerman of Pampa; and a brother, Charles Alexander of Pampa.

The family requests memorials be to First Safety on charges of driving while intoxicated Baptist Church, 203 N. West, Pampa, TX 79065; or and possession of drug paraphernalia. to a favorite charity.

DORTHA CALCOTE

WHEELER — Dortha Louise Pannell Calcote, 70, died Saturday, July 15, 2000, at Shamrock. Services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Toby Henson officiating. Burial will be Kelton Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler.

Mrs. Calcote was born Nov. 18, 1929, at Mobeetie, to Eddie and Gladys Standridge Pannell. She attended school at Briscoe and had been a Wheeler County resident most of her life. She married Bobby J. Calcote on Aug. 10, 1947, at Briscoe; he died July 6, 1973. She had worked for Mahnken Drug in Shamrock for the past 25 years and belonged to First Baptist Church of Wheeler.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Betty Dean Pannell, and by a brother, Freddie Pannell. Survivors include two daughters, Marla Gave Lax of Shamrock and Donnie Lynette O'Gorman of Red River, N.M.; a son, Bobby D. "Butch" Calcote of Wheeler; her parents of Wheeler; a sister, Imogene Murray of Childress; a brother, Eddie John Pannell, Jr., of Briscoe; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to First Baptist Church of Wheeler.

CURTIS H. POND

AMARILLO — Curtis H. Pond. 96, a former Wheeler resident, died Sunday, July 16, 2000. Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors Ivy Chapel with the Rev. Robert Field, pastor of Southeast Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Park Cemetery.

Mr. Pond was born at Heidenheimer. He married Lessa Revious in 1925 at Texola, Okla.; she died in 1987. He had been an Amarillo resident since 1945, moving from Wheeler, and was an independent home improvement contractor prior to retiring. He was a Mason and a member of First Baptist Church, serving as a deacon.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Nina Cheadle, in 1994.

Survivors include two daughters, Dorothy Halford of Amarillo and Billie Campbell of Fort Collins, Colo.; a son, Henry Pond of Amarillo; a brother, J.T. Pond of Spearman; 11 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Craig Methodist, Windflower Unit, 5500 W. 9th Ave., Amarillo, TX 79106.

Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Fires

Pampa Fire Department responded to the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, July 15

5:44 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a smoke scare in the 600 block of East Browning. The brakes on a vehicle had gotten hot and were smoking.

8:31 p.m. – Three units and 11 firefighters responded to a house fire in the 900 block of South Hobart.

11:34 p.m. – Two units and 8 firefighters responded to a structure fire in the 1200 block of East Kingsmill.

Sunday, July 16

4:34 a.m. – Two units and six firefighters responded to a report of smoke in the 2400 block of Cherokee.

9:25 p.m. - One unit and two firefighters responded to a downed power line in the 600 block of North Frost.

Stocks

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	Texaco	51 7/16	dn 5/16	
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Police report

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

Saturday, July 15

A Gray County woman suffered scraps and bruises during a robbery in the Wal-Mart parking

Sunday, July 16

Dents and scratches were reported to the right front fender of a Ford F150 pickup in the 1100 block of Terrace.

A fight was reported in the 600 block of West Foster.

A domestic quarrel was reported in the 220 block of Evergreen.

A color television set valued at \$50 was reported taken from a residence in the 800 block of East

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests during the 72-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Sunday, July 16

Steve Corey Organ, 35, was arrested by the Texas Department of Public Safety on charges of public intoxication and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Shawn Weatherford, 29, 1101 S. Christy, was arrested by the Texas Department of Public

Burl Meadows, 22, 835 S. Talley, was arrested by the Texas Department of Public Safety on charges of driving while intoxicated.

Ronnie Louis Atkinson, 30, 400 E. Foster, was arrested by Pampa Police on charges of public intoxication.

Bruce Christian, 20, 1710 Aspen, was arrested by Gray County deputies on charges of assault with bodily injury and minor in possession.

Ty Adam Kidwell, 21, 733 Lefors, was arrested by Gray County deputies on charges of driving while intoxicated.

Ambulance

Rural/Metro made the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday. Saturday, July 15

8:07 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 900 block of South Hobart for fire standby. 10:51 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center and transported one to

Baptist St. Anthony-West. 11:30 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of Kingsmill on a fire standby.

Sunday, July 16 12:30 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the

1500 block of Dogwood; no transport. 1:36 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Highway 60 east to Clyde Carruth Pavilion; no transport.

11:05 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block of S. Prairie and transported one to PRMC 5:41 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Wells on a medical and transported one to Golden Plains Hospital in Borger.

Accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents during the 72-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Friday, July 14

A 1996 blue Dodge Neon driven by Forrest Gilchrist King, 18, 515 N. Russell, was in collision with a 1988 blue Mercury Topaz driven by Tabitha Charmine Fick, 31, 1101 Francis, shortly before 4 p.m. Sunday at the intersection of Alcock and Hobart. Officers said Fick was westbound on Alcock. King was eastbound on Alcock and making a left turn onto Hobart. Fick was released Friday after treatment for minor injuries at Pampa Regional Medical Center. King was cited for failure

A 1983 Chevy S-10 pickup driven by Roy Neal Smith, 16, 2306 Mary Ellen, was in collision with a 2000 Chrysler 300 four-door sedan driven by Malisa Ann Cottrell, 31, 2312 Rosewood, shortly after 3 p.m. Sunday in the 1200 block of North Hobart. Officers said Smith was pulling out of a parking lot. Cottrell was southbound on Hobart.

Smith was cited for failure to yield. Sunday, July 16

A 1995 red Dodge Caravan driven by Misty Dawn Alvey, 29, 2375 Navajo, was in collision with a 1996 blue Ford Mustand driven by Shalyn Sue Garner, 16, 700 E. 17th, about 2:30 p.m. Sunday in the 1900 block of North Grape about 75 feet south of East 20th. Officers said Alvey had just turned off East 20th and was southbound on Grape. Garner was northbound on Grape. Alvey told officer's she was distracted by a young child in the van. Alvey was cited for failure to yield half of the roadway.

A 1943 Jeep driven by Travis Eugene Reed, 16, 1409 N. Zimmers, was in collision with a 1988 Chevrolet Silverado pickup driven by Janet K. Sanders, 55, 423 N. Sumner, about 11 p.m. Sunday in the 500 block of North Hobart. Officers said both cars were southbound. Sanders was turning right at the time of the collision. Reed was cited for following too close.

Carson County

Carson County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrested for the week of July 10 through July 16.

July 10-16, 2000 James Chaney, 26, Pampa, was arrested for

possession of a controlled substance. Stephanie Moug, 39, of Branson, Mo., was arrested on a Missouri warrant for theft by

Randy Braidfoot, 42, of Panhandle was arrested for driving while intoxicated, first offense.

Donald Stokes, 41, Hugoton, Kan., was arrested on a Hall County warrant for driving while intoxicated, second offense.

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by Peet to F. Lawerence Oaks, executive director was not done in a timely manner," he said. the Texas Historical Commission, Peet said Gray County only has \$450,000 in tobacco settlement money on hand.

He requested the state allow the county have 10 years to completely restore the courthouse as requested in the application. Proposing that the county spend \$846,095 in the first three years, and thouse with the county match being \$486,000.

He said the county originally had a three phase project with phase one and two costing \$4.8. He said the new project cost of phase one and two a viable project for Gray County.

Concerned the historical commission wasn't completed. going to approve the proposal, Peet visited with

Smith, legislative liaison in the governor's office with the counties to get the restoration complete. for assistance. "The commissioners court didn't fully understand where the 15 percent was com- respond in a timely manner.

However, the county was notified a few weeks ing in. Too, the historical commission sent out later that there was a misunderstanding of the requests for the grant applications before the criactual money on hand. According to a letter sent teria for those grants was sent to the counties. This

Chisum added that Gray County needs to stretch out their 15 percent over a 10 year time frame so they want have to incur indebtedness to

complete the needed restoration. "The legislature approved \$75 million for the courthouses in Texas to participate in this restora-tion project," he said. "I reminded Smith when we use the remaining seven years to restore the cour-rebuilt the capital, we did the remodeling over a 10-year period. I think in view of that the historical commission will work with Gray County to get through this problem."

Chisum related there are many "hidden costs" would be \$4.6, and would cover all the significant in these projects such as the possibility of the historical restoration items and yet would still be office staffs being required to move out of the courthouse for two-three years to get the project

He said the legislature was happy to have the money for the grant program for courthouse Chisum said last week he had contacted Terrill restoration and now he feels the state will work

Chisum said he feels the governor's office will

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PAMPA

The school board will consider three options: 1. continue with the Denton ISD, but change billing agents (10% administrative fee):

2. join Aldine ISD consortium with the same billing agent (11% administrative fee); or 3. join LaPort ISD consortium and change billing

agents (20% administrative fee).

School administrators recommend that Pampa ISD stay with the current agent, Medbill

Corporation, and join the Aldine ISD Consortium. Bids for bakery, dairy and commercial pizza. Administrators recommend the board accept bids for the products from Ben K. Keith for commercial prepared pizza and dairy products, and from Earthgrains for baked goods.

 Sale of tax delinquent properties: \$100 for a vacant lot at 201. E. Ford; \$500 for 416 N. Wells; \$1,050 for a vacant lot at 517 N. Christy; \$500 a vacant lot at 519 N. Christy; \$50 for 543 W. Maple; \$50 for a vacant lot at 533 W. Maple; \$200 for 612 S. Gray; and \$400 for a vacant lo9t at 925 E. Murphy. The administration recommends that the offers be accepted as presented.

• And, a board planning workshop for the 2000-

2001 school year.

Woman dies when struck by auto

SHAMROCK — Services will be Tuesday for a when she was hit by the southbound vehicle. Kelton woman killed in a vehicle-pedestrian accident north of Shamrock Saturday night.

Dortha Louise Pannell Calcote, 70, was hit by a vehicle shortly before 10 p.m. Saturday as she direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler. walked across the highway north of Shamrock. Amarillo Department of Public Safety troopers

said she was crossing U.S. Highway 83 from west to east almost a mile north of Shamrock when she stepped into the traffic lanes of oncoming vehicles. vehicle was within the speed limit at the time of the accident.

Officers said Mrs. Calcote was in a dark dress of Wheeler.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday in First Baptist Church of Wheeler with the Rev. Toby Henson offi-

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ciating. Burial will be Kelton Cemetery under the

County resident most of her life. She married Bobby J. Calcote on Aug. 10, 1947, at Amarillo troopers said evidence indicates that the Briscoe. Mr. Calcote died July 6, 1973. Mrs. Calcote worked for Mahnken Drug in Shamrock for the past 25 years. She belonged to First Baptist Church

News in brief ...

presidential decision

WASHINGTON Whether or not Republican presidential candidate George W. Bush picks a vice presidential candidate who opposes abortion, Vice President Al Gore contends Bush would take away a women's

choice on abortion. "I will protect a woman's right to choose. Governor Bush has sworn to take away a woman's right to choose," Gore, the Democratic presidential nominee, said Sunday on NBC's "Meet The

"He has told (conservative religious leaders) Jerry Falwell and Pat Robertson that he will make appointments that will be very pleasing to them. That's not difficult to interpret."

Despite the urging of conservative Christians that he pick an mics in several key states, includanti-abortion running mate, Bush ing Iowa, New Hampshire and said Sunday that his vice presidential selection would be based on factors other than abortion,

Bush was responding to James Dobson, president of Focus on the Family, who said recently that the likely Republican nominee, "cannot and will not" be elected president if he "does not energize his by picking a person who opposes abortion.

Bush said he gets "all kinds of interesting advice.'

"I'm going to pick somebody who can be president of the United States and somebody with whom I can get along," he told ABC's "This Week" in a rare talk show appearance.

Bush said he hasn't decided whether he'll announce his runthe GOP nominating convention in Philadelphia starting July 31.

Christian right on vice played critical role in City. presidential primaries

WASHINGTON (AP) ry elections this year, a new report finds, with conservative groups battering John McCain in South viding crucial support to Al Gore in Iowa.

"If the level of ferocity of the primaries is any indication of the cross party battles in the fall, we are in a for a very bloody fight," said the report, "Getting Inside the Outside Campaign," released Monday.

The research was led by David B. Magleby of the Center for the Study of Elections and Democracy at Brigham Young defended his record Sunday. University. It was based on tracking of election activity by acade-South Carolina, which hosted the first three elections of the 2000 primary season. The Pew Charitable Trusts provided financing.

Much of the communications to voters were through television commercials but the report also documents extensive use of mail carefully targeted to certain types 6836.Kelly Beavers, RMT. of voters.

In Iowa, the AFL-CIO and the Iowa State Education Association president, the report said.

homes, and union households 665-2373, lv. msg. for appt. received a five-minute video feaning-mate choice before or during tured AFL-CIO president John Sweeney endorsing Gore. The AFL-CIO and union allies sent 35 full-time organizers to Iowa and Ins welcome. 665-6035, 665-1878 they parked a tractor-trailer next

Bush brushes aside Report: Interest groups to the Gore headquarters in Iowa

State now projects budget Outside groups played an surplus; earlier overruns unprecedented role in key prima- covered, comptroller says

AUSTIN (AP) — A state budget surplus projected five months early would more than pay for a Carolina and labor unions pro- \$610 million in overruns that some groups had blamed on Gov. George W. Bush's earlier tax cut.

> Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander confirmed Sunday that the state will collect at least \$1.1 billion more than expected during the budget cycle that ends Aug. 31, 2001. Bush, the likely Republican can-

> didate for president, had been accused of fiscal irresponsibility in granting a 1998 tax cut. But Bush

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CHAIR MASSAGE at Chez base" of conservative Christians to homes, e-mail, targeted phone Tanz, upper back, neck and calls and radio spots, which are shoulders. All day, Wed., July 19. cheaper than TV and can be more Call Susan for appointment. 669-

> **CLOTHING ROOM Mary El-**"worked hard" to help the vice len & Harvester Church of Christ (building across the street, south They sent four mailings to local of Pampa High School), open caucus goers, to about 25,000 Tues., July 18th, 9-1 p.m., or call

> > REV. BOB'S Appliances, 2000 W. Alcock. Lay-A-Way & Trade-

Weather focus

PAMPA — Partly sunny today with a 30 percent chance of rain, a high of 95 and variable winds at 5-15 mph. Tonight, mostly cloudy with a 60 percent chance of rain and south winds at 5-15 mph. Partly sunny tomorrow with a 20 percent chance of rain, a high near 100 and south winds at 10-20 mph. High yesterday 101; the morning low was 70.

STATEWIDE — Relentless heat returns to this week's forecast, with little if any rainfall expected to give relief for parched Texans.

Early-morning temperatures on Monday ranged from the 60s in the Panhandle to 80s along the coast and in the Edwards Plateau.

The National Weather Service posted a heat advisory for all but northwest parts of North Texas. through Tuesday, with tripledigit readings expected in many

Winds were generally southerly at less than 10 mph.

Daytime highs should range between 100 and 108, with lows overnight from the mid-70s to low 80s.

The extended forecast through along the Rio Grande.

Friday calls for sunny and hot days followed by mostly clear

evenings. Highs are expected from the upper 90s to around 105 in the

north and west. A chance of showers and thunderstorms was forecast for the Panhandle and South Plains, with some locally heavy rainfall

possible. In the Guadalupe Mountains and Big Bend, a slight chance of afternoon showers and thunderstorms was predicted, with highs between 85 and 95 degrees in the mountains to near 110

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Emotional H. Clinton denies slur

CHAPPAQUA, N.Y. (AP) - A tense moment the night President Clinton lost a Congressional bid in Arkansas 26 years ago has returned to embroil Hillary Rodham Clinton in controversy.

A book due out this week accuses the first lady and Senate candidate of using an anti-Semitic slur that night — an allegation Mrs. Clinton firmly

"I wanted to unequivocally state it never happened," she said during a news conference outside her home Sunday.

The accusation is in the forthcoming book, "State of a Union: Inside the Complex Marriage of Bill and Hillary Clinton," by former National Enquirer reporter Jerry Oppenheimer.

Oppenheimer quotes Paul Fray, who worked for Bill Clinton's unsuccessful

Congressional campaign in that Mrs. Clinton called him a after Clinton lost "Iew bthe election.

Fray's wife said she witnessed Neil McDonald, claimed to have heard the slur as he stood outside the room. Previous biographies have mentioned the argument but none mentioned any

Though Fray is not Jewish, he said one of his relatives was.

A visibly angry and emotional Mrs. Clinton questioned the credibility of Fray and the others cited in the book. Her campaign released copies of a handwritten letter, dated July 1, 1997, that Fray allegedly wrote Mrs. Clinton.

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In the letter, Fray states: "I have wronged you. I ask for your forgiveness because I did say things against you, and called you names, not only to your face — but behind your back ... names that are unmentionable.'

Fray adds: "At one time in my life, I would say things without thinking, without factual foundation ... I beg your forgive-

Mrs. Clinton said she was releasing the letter to show that "there's a history of these kinds of charges coming from the people in question. They've been false in the past. They're false

sort of statements Fray was apologizing for in the letter.

In Monday's New York Times, Frav acknowledged writing a Clinton but said he would have to see it first to determine if what she released was what he

The Clinton campaign also released a statement from the president in which he said, in part: "I was there on election night in 1974 and this charge is simply not true. It did not hap-

Clinton also defended his wife in an interview in Monday's Daily News.

'She might have called him a " Clinton told the newspaper. "I wouldn't rule that out. She's never claimed that she was pure on profanity. But I've never heard her tell a joke with an ethnic connotation."

Oppenheimer on Sunday defended his claim. He told CNN that his research found that "Mrs. Clinton, who says she's never used such language, heard that kind of language while growing up.

Mrs. Clinton indicated that her advisers had debated the best way to respond to the allegations. Before her news conference, the allegation had not been widely reported outside of local

newspapers. "We had a lot of difficult conversations about it, because my policy for the last eight years has largely been just to absorb whatever insult, whatever charge, whatever accusation anybody says, and not respond because they are so outrageous and so

unfair," she said. She said she decided to issue a f force denial to ensure that nyone who tries to get someone else to believe this will at least have to say, 'Well, she says

it's not true." You're darn right it's not true. It's absolutely false," she said.





Arkansas in 1974, as claiming Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas Teen Candice Caldwell and Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas Jaimie Reed gave farewell speeches during the annual Queens Luncheon and Style Show Thursday. The two young women ended the incident, and a third person, their reigns Saturday night when the new queens were crowned.



(Pampa News photo by Nancy Young)

She wouldn't comment what Megan Poole, Jamie Schroeder and Ashley Winton, all of Pampa, were introduced at the Queen's Luncheon and Style Show. The teens were seeking the 2000 Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas Teen title in conletter of forgiveness to Mrs. nection with the 54th Annual Top O' Texas Rodeo.

Crash anniversary quiet

BOSTON (AP) — It was one out all week and we haven't had year ago that a late night plane a problem yet." crash off the coast of Martha's Vineyard killed one of America's Carolyn, 33, and Lauren, 34, favorite sons, and left an entire released a statement from her nation to grieve.

deaths of John F. Kennedy Jr., his not mark the anniversary pubwife Carolyn Bessette Kennedy, licly. and her sister Lauren Bessette, passed quietly as relatives and friends mourned in private.

"We don't need to be reminded or have a memorial," said Anne McGhee, a Harvard University ' Piper Saratoga fell into the waters professor who has a home on Martha's Vineyard. "We just

A small driftwood memorial was erected Sunday on the Vineyard's Philbin Beach, closest to the area where the plane went down July 16, 1999.

Aside from the wooden cross, bearing the names "John, Carolyn and Lauren," little else was done to mark the anniver-

No Kennedy fanatics camped out in front of the political famiy's compound in Barnstable's Hyannis Port section. No flowers were left on the stoop of the New York apartment where Kennedy lived.

"It's been very, very quiet," said Barnstable Police Officer James Ellis. "We've had patrols



Ann Freeman, mother of home in Greenwich, Conn., last But the first anniversary of the week saying the family would

> Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., an uncle to Kennedy, 38, planned to spend the weekend at

> the family compound. John Kennedy's single-engine late at night, seven miles south of the Kennedy home on Martha's Vineyard as he was flying from New Jersey to attend his cousin Rory Kennedy's wedding. The National Transportation Safety Board determined the cause of the crash was pilot error and said Kennedy likely became disoriented in the night sky.

Queens Luncheon, style show featured models in western dress

Managing Editor

Beautiful young women and teens in western attire dominated the Queen's Luncheon and Style Show held Thursday at the Community Building. Competing for the titles of the Miss Rodeo Top

O' Texas 2000 and Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas Teen, the seven young ladies modeled their western garb for the audience who had crowded into the M. K. Brown Room of the Community Building.

Jodi Seeley of Canyon, Shaylon Sanford of Skellytown, Stacy Huddleston of Pampa and Abigail Blakeney of Amarillo competed for the Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas 2000 title.

(See Page 1 for winners) Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas Teen 2000 contestants were Megan Poole, Ashley Winton, and Jamie Schroeder, all of Pampa. The three young teens will be entering Pampa High School as freshmen

Each of the contestants demonstrated their mod-

eling skills as well as their speaking ability for the crowd. Modeling attractive and stylish western wear against a background of traditional western decorations, the young contestants were animated and spirited.

Describing their hometowns, the young women provided lively, interesting information about each place the girls call home.

Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas 1999 Jaimie Reed, 19, of Pampa and Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas Teen 1999 Candice Caldwell, 15, of Fritch gave emotional farewell speeches as they are ending a year of scores of appearances representing the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association.

Reed is a junior at Northwestern and Caldwell a sophomore at Sanford-Fritch High School.

Judged equally on appearance, personality, horsemanship and ticket sales, the new queens were announced at the Saturday night performance of the rodeo as the activities come to an end in the 54th Annual Rodeo.



Four young women are vying for the 2000 Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas to be announced during the Saturday night Top O' Texas Rodeo performance. Shaylon Sanford of Skellytown, Stacy Huddleston of Pampa, Jodi Seeley of Canyon and Abigail Blakeney of Amarillo were presented during the annual Queen's Luncheon and Style Show Thursday. Judging is based on appearance, personality, horsemanship and ticket sales.

Three dead, two missing in drownings

SOMERVILLE, Texas (AP) — Three children wading in a lake stepped over the edge of a opoff, and they and two adults who went to rescue them all drowned or were missing and presumed

drowned. bodies of Elasar The Manzanares, 37, and his 11-yearold daughter, Lupita, were recovered after the tragedy Sunday at Lake Somerville, a popular recreation site. A search was to resume Monday for his 8-year-old son, Jorge, and 9-year-old nephew, Kevin Manzanares.

Jose Rangel, 22, who tried to help rescue them, died later at St. Joseph Regional Health Center in Bryan.

The swimming hole has been the site of numerous drownings in recent years, Burleson County Sheriff Gene Barber said.

The family came to Welch Park at about 4 p.m. and the children began wading in the lake but later began having difficulty staying above water, Barber said. Manzanares, Rangel and a third man attempted to rescue them. The third man started having trouble swimming and returned to



"He said that when he turned

already under water," Barber said. Lake Somerville is about 25 back around, the others were miles southwest of College Station.

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COLUMNIST

that wasn't her fault. She just

At our 20th high-school reunion.

former classmate asked me, "Hey,

whatever happened to that girl who

killed that kid?" I responded, "That

girl was our class secretary and my

best friend, and that kid was my

no car needs a heavy foot on the gas

while navigating a residential area.

And for good measure, before start-

ing a car, walk the long way around

to the driver's door so you can check

behind the vehicle. Investing a few

extra seconds for safety may save a

precious child's life - and your own

P.S. If you print this, I will clip it

and anonymously mail it to a couple

of neighbors - mothers who should

know better than to race around our

see. Your message is one I hope move ahead. Take responsibility only for

you; you gain as a result. A partner stuns

*** * Others behave in the most

unexpected manner. You could be shak-

ing your head for a long time. Revel in a

decision that makes another euphoric.

Together you naturally make music, pro-

fessionally and emotionally. Creativity

touches your work. Tonight: Out and

because a lot of ground needs to be cov-

ered. You might change your mind about

a project, not being able to nail down the

details. Demand precision. Understand

what others need and want. You ulti-

mately gain from a reversal. Tonight:

**** Keep talking when others

close down. You have the correct tech-

nique to open others up. Your creativity

makes another smile, as you lighten up

any difficult situation. Unexpected

actions turn your world topsy-turvy.

Remember, you like excitement!

* * You prefer to be anchored, bu

events that come down the pike shake up

your foundations. Financial matters

could be involved. Make strong deci-

sions for your future. Examine your

long-term goals carefully. A boss

demands attention; be smart and give it.

Tonight: Bring extra work home

Tonight: Put on your dancing shoes.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

** Carefully pace yourself,

you. Tonight: Listen to another's side.

neighborhood.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Exercise

LONELY SISTER IN

CHESAPEAKE, VA.

Please remind your readers that

couldn't forgive herself.

letter to you a hundred times, but have never been able to finish it. 1

hope you will print it. When I was 16, my mother had a baby - my only sister. Mom was almost 40 and my brother was 12. After we adjusted to the shock my sister became the joy of our life. Her smile could banish the gloomies. and she was a treasure to us all.

Sadly, less than two years later only three weeks after my high school graduation), my best friend who lived next door — accidentally backed her car over my sister. killing her instantly. My little sister had escaped from our back yard without our family's knowledge. It was the worst day of my life, and worse still for my friend. My parents did their best to comfort her, but her large family included her own baby sister who was nearly the same age as mine and was a constant reminder of the tragedy.

Abby, people drive through our neighborhood far too fast. I want to run after them and shout, "Don't you know you could never stop at this speed if a child ran in front of your car? Don't you know that if you kill a child, there will be two deaths? Your life will be over, too."

My family recovered from my sister's death, but my friend never did. The accident ruined her life. She had been at the top of her class, and everyone expected a bright future for her. Instead, she lived through failed counseling, broken marriages, and her career crashed - all because of a tragic accident

Horoscope

TUESDAY, JULY 18, 2000

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll

★★★★ The unexpected occurs. Stay

goal-directed and listen to a friend. Make

meetings, network with others and exam-

ine what needs to happen. Your persist-

ence takes you to the finish line, but you

will have to handle an unexpected curve

* * * You believe you are on the right

course. Carefully review a longtime deci-

sion. Revel in the moment, especially

since you like your present professional

status. Hop over a jolt at the office, and

you'll cruise through any additional

*** * You see right through what

others consider an impossible situation.

When others are in chaos, use your abili-

ty to mobilize. Your directness and

actions save the day. Make calls and

spread news. If you must, check in with

a lawyer or accountant. Tonight: Hop on

★★★★ Use care with associates and

problems. Tonight: In the limelight.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

the Internet.

or two. Tonight: Where the gang is.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

5-Dynamic; 4-Positive;

every driver will take to heart. Abigail

> who are in our 50s, have two terrific friends who are in their 30s. They are generous, considerate and polite, but have a habit that drives us crazy. Whenever they visit, we usually wind up in the kitchen where they sit their backsides on the counter to talk and visit. There are chairs and barstools in the area. Proper seating should not be a prob-

this impolite? If so, how do we correct the situation?

HOMER IN SAN DIEGO

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into chaos, making strong decisions for success. Establish how flexible you are. done! Let another free-associate. Tonight: Catch up with a friend's news. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

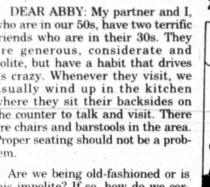
extremes. Recognize that you might need to establish limits, whether you are comfortable or not. An unexpected expense could put you in the red. Take charge and do your finances yourself. Be responsible. Tonight: Do your budget.

* * * * Your unpredictability sometimes surprises even you. Your personality draws others. Establish better understanding with those in your work environment. Pitch in if necessary. Your nerves could undermine your best intentions. Take a walk to clear stress if need

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

Astronaut John Glenn (1921), singer Martha Reeves (1941), publishing exec-

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of hospitality than you are used to extending. As long as their backsides are covered, I see nothing wrong with their sitting on the counter. However, since it offends you, request that your guests seat themselves where you prefer. (An alternative would be to spray the counter with bleach before

Good advice for everyone - teens to

a sure winner. You toss your schedule Screen calls, if you are to get any work * * * Another tends toward financial

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

be. Tonight: Just ask

* * A lot goes on in your mind, but at the moment it might be best to keep your opinions to yourself. Another's actions startle you. Before analyzing and judging this person, see what is going on with you. Why the strong reaction? Make time for a special friend. Tonight: Get plenty

BORN TODAY

utive Steve Forbes (1947)

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For Better or For Worse





Garfield



Beetle Bailey



Marvin



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DEFINE BETTER!

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JUST LOOK IT THAT SKY, STILL WISH YOU'D FIX HELGA ...

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WOW! IMAGINE OWNING A CAR LIKE THAT!





The Family Circus



grow up, I don't know how I'll

Crossword Puzzle

financial dealings. You might not always .SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

agree with their decisions. Listen to your *** * Your ability to adjust to

sixth sense. Prepare to take action and another's agenda and needs marks you as

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By THOMAS JOSEPH **ACROSS** 41 Matador's PECOS 1 Whirl 5 Part player **DOWN** 1 Barbecue wood parts 2 Wine-

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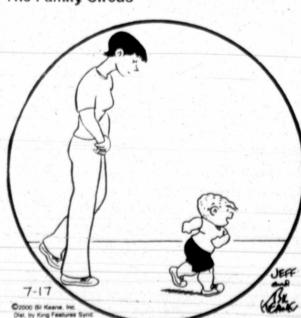
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"I wanna do so many things when get 'em all done."





LET'S GO IN, IT WON'T COST ANYTHING JUST TO HAVE

MEDICAL

TDH answers the question: Who should be tested for Hepatitis C?

"Hepatitis C is a virus spread by direct contact

with infected blood. We encourage people to get test-

ed for the virus if they have ever used injection drugs

not prescribed by a doctor, or if they received dialysis,

or had a blood transfusion or solid organ transplant

before 1992 when blood was first screened for hepati-

tis C," said Sharilyn K. Stanley, M.D., associate

commissioner of Disease Control and Prevention

with the Texas Department of Health

AUSTIN - The scenario is frightening — a virus causing a disease of the liver lurks in the body, sometimes for decades without symptoms. The treatment is difficult - injections three times a week for 6-12 months, often resulting in strong side

The long-term results of infection for some can lead to cirrhosis of the liver, a transplant or even death. This is hepatitis C. Hepatitis C is the most common chronic blood borne infection and the leading cause of liver transplants in the United States. In this

information resulting in confusion. That is why the facts are so

"Hepatitis C is a virus spread by direct contact with infected blood. We encourage people to get tested for the virus if they have ever used injection drugs not prescribed by a doctor, or if they received dialysis, or had a blood transfusion or solid organ transplant before 1992 when blood was first screened for hepatitis C," said Sharilyn K. Stanley, M.D., associate commissioner of Disease Control and Prevention with the Texas Department of Health.

In addition, people with hemophilia who received clotting factor concentrates before 1987, those exposed to hepatitis C-infected blood through needle sticks or open sores and children born to mothers infected with hepatitis C are at risk of infection and should be tested. People with human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) or sexually transmitted diseases should also consider being tested since there is a high co-infection rate. Many of those infected experience no symptoms; although some people have symptoms that appear briefly 6-7 weeks after infection. Symptoms include: nausea, jaundice (yellow skin and eyes), dark urine, light-colored stools, stomachache, loss of appetite, mild fever, flu-like illness and fatigue. are also encouraging new treatments being developed," said There is no vaccine for hepatitis C. Contact your health care Stanley.

provider for further information on hepatitis C testing.
"Some people are need-

lessly concerned about hepatitis C and misinformation has been circulating," said Stanley. "In the United States the general population is not at risk of contracting hepatitis C through vaccinations, dental work or body piercing when universal safety precautions are practiced. Sterilization of instruments, disposable needles and good hand washing prevent the spread of the virus," said

Hepatitis C cannot be environment, it is not surprising that there is a lot of misleading transmitted through donating blood. Since July 1992, the blood supply has been screened for the virus and any infected blood is destroyed. Furthermore, the virus is not spread through casual contact such as hugging, shaking hands or using telephones used by infected persons. Erroneous reports claim that veterans and emergency workers are more likely to be infected with hepatitis C. However, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention studies indicate these groups have no higher rate of infection with the virus than individuals of the same age and sex in the general population.

In response to House Bill 1652, TDH implemented a series of blinded studies on blood samples to determine the rate of hepatitis C infection in the state's general population and to gather data on infection rates of high risk populations. Results from these studies should be available by the end of 2000 and will be used to develop education efforts to inform the public about prevention and set up effective counseling and testing programs.

Even though the virus is currently difficult to treat, there is hope for people who test positive for hepatitis C. "Those with the hepatitis C virus can make behavioral changes to help prevent further damage to their liver, such as not drinking alcohol. There Video games tough on kids' hands

HOUSTON-Video games can be a fun way for children to escape the heat, but the constant assault on the hands - particularly the thumbs - can contribute to problems years

"Not only is it easy for kids to get hooked on interactive video games, but the repetitive motion can cause injuries and can lead to problems such as tendinitis," said Dr. Adrienne Tilbor, a physical medicine and rehabilitation specialist at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston.

Kids can become so engrossed that they do not take breaks or engage in other activities. Parents can help by setting time limits for usage. Children also should be encouraged to pursue a variety of pastimes that contribute to overall good health and development.

Conduct playground check to ensure safety

HOUSTON-Some play environments may not be as safe as they appear to be - including your neighborhood playground Here are some tips to ensure your child's

· Be sure your child plays on ageappropriate equipment. • Make sure play equipment is anchored safely to the ground and there are no protrusions, worn or defective parts or sharp edges. •Look for surfaces under equipment that minimize fall-related injuries hardwood - fiber mulch or chips, pea gravel, sand and synthetic material such as shredded rubber. Remove drawstrings on clothing. necklaces and other items around the neck that could course strangu-

"Take time to check the playgrounds at your child's daycare center, camp and school," said Dr. Julie Boom a pediatrician at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston. Ensure your child is properly supervised and report safety hazards to the appropriate person or

Incorporate electrical safety into pool rules

HOUSTON-Most parents are familiar with the basic tenets of pool safety - no rough games, diving headfirst into the pool or leaving small children unattended. However, being aware of outdoor electrical hazards is equally impor-

Mixing water and electricity can have serious consequences," said Dr. Mark Ward, an emergencyroom physician at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston. "Always keep electrical toys and appliances, including radios, away from water.'

Hands should be dry before using any electrical device. Remind children who are wet or standing in water never to touch electric cords or switches. Use extension cords rated for outdoor use and keep them away from pools. Be sure outlets near water sources have ground fault circuit interrupters to protect against shock.

Turn your home into a poison-free zone

HOUSTON—It's an alarming statistic. More than 1 million children were unintentionally poi-

soned in 1998, and 90 percent of those poisonings occurred in the

According to Dr. Joan Shook, director of the emergency center at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston, unintentional poisonings are 100 percent preventable. "All household products, med-

ication and alcoholic beverages should be locked away and out of reach of children," Shook said. "When they are in use, potentially poisonous items should never be left unattended."

Shook advises parents never to refer to taking medicine as eating

"It's better to say it's medicine so your child can develop a distinction between the two," she said.

AD/HD can impact develop-

HOUSTON - One out of 20 children develops some form of atten-tion-deficit/hyperactivity disorder (AD/HD), according to Dr. Kevin Krull, a neuropsychologist with the Learning Support Center at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston. It is the single most common disorder to affect children.

AD/HD is a brain-based disorder, which appears to have a hereditary predisposition Symptoms can last into adulthood but can be managed by lifelong treatment or adjustment. Krull urges parents to visit a pediatrician if they suspect their child is having difficulties with self-control, distractibility or general attention problems.

"If AD/HD goes unrecognized or untreated it can seriously impact a child's development," said Krull. "It can put children at risk for impaired socialization skills, lower IQ higher school dropout rates and an increased likelihood of drug or alcohol abuse."

Nasal plastic surgery indi-cated for some preteens, early teens

HOUSTON—Most medical textbooks advise postponing nasal plastic surgery until at least the age of 16. But doctors at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston say extreme cases can, and should, be handled with surgery during the preteen and early teen-age years.

"It's our opinion and experience that nasal surgery should be done earlier if the child has chronic nasal obstruction, deformities secondary to injury or an excessively large or small nose," said Dr. Samuel Stal, chief of plastic surgery at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston.

Children are extremely conscious of their physical differences, which influences their self-image. As they become teens, they experience rapid growth spurts and hormonal

changes.
"The increased development of increase the prominent position of features, including the nose," Stal said. "This can be a source of embarrassment for youngsters who consider their noses to be abnor-



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Screening teens for cholesterol means fewer problems later

By JAY LINDSAY **Associated Press Writer**

no apologies for his sweet tooth. He likes candy, particu-He's only 14.

on their side, but genetics and Heart Association. diet could be against them

ed screening for the Boston Heart Foundation, said a pre- diers killed during the Korean public health officials. disposition to heart disease can and Vietnam wars showed BROOKLINE, Mass. (AP) — be detected early. At-risk arterial blockage in veterans as recent screening, Tracey Bennett "Beano" Zylber makes young people, she said, are like young as 18. A 1997 study of Martin, 15, decided to get testthe Titanic.

You may be ship-shape now, larly gummy bears, and eats but the iceberg is out there," with barely a thought of the she said. "The earlier you make high cholesterol. consequences. And why not? small course adjustments, the better off you are."

School recently, getting his fin- heart disease can be detected at ry of heart disease. Cholesterol health, not slenderness. ger pricked and his cholesterol birth, in blood taken from levels can fluctuate wildly durlevel tested. It wasn't his idea, umbilical cords, said Dr. ing puberty, which means high Beano said, crediting his moth- Timothy Bricker, of Texas or low results could change er, but doctors say it's a good Children's Hospital and a with adulthood. one. Teens might have youth spokesman for the American

Several studies also show that when it comes to heart disease. teens are not too young to suffer

Autopsies of American sol- teen risks grab the attention of the autopsies of young people ed because her family has a showed fatty deposits in the history of heart problems. The major arteries of those with

Some doctors think it's not said teen girls already hear too necessary to test teens other much about. She said the low-Beano was at Brookline High A genetic tendency toward than those with a family histo-cholesterol diet emphasizes

Dr. Laura Hemphill, who the physical effects of danger- they reach adolescence. The

Bricker thinks it's important healthy. to screen children early for heart disease and to teach them "heart healthy" habits before problem, he said, is that other

nothing wrong with being were doctor visits for teens

found to be at risk. Early prevention can have huge cost benefits, Hemphill said. Even teens with genetic leanings toward heart disease can lower their risk with a good diet.

Whether they will is another 'They're immortal," Hemphill said, describing the

One teen participating in the

screening had her thinking

about her diet, something she

"I think it's natural for girls

to want to be thin and

healthy," she said. "There's

Included in the screening

typical teen mindset. Ben Cooper, 15, admitted he whatever he wants, though tries to avoid eating at McDonald's more than once a

He said he'd be willing to change his habits if he was convinced they were unhealthy. He rejected the notion that teens are too high on life to listen to advice on poor eating

Teens will listen to adults, he said, "If they yell at us enough."

conducted the privately fund- ously high cholesterol levels.

Study suggests avoiding mites can keep asthma at bay feeding and avoiding pets, sec- the children remain asthma-free. ondhand smoke and other

disease in infants, a study sug-Babies at high risk for developing asthma were about one- hood

measures were taken. shown that asthmatics can

dust mites and other triggers, there has been little evidence up to now to suggest that such measures can actually prevent The researchers, led by Moira enough," Evans said.

Chan-Yeung of the University of Asthma causes episodes of British Columbia, said more wheezing and difficulty breath-

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things known to trigger asthma Friday's Archives of Pediatrics attacks may help prevent the & Adolescent Medicine, published by the American Medical Association.

Dr. Richard Evans, a childasthma expert at third less likely to develop asth- Children's Memorial Hospital in ma in their first year when such Chicago, said that because asthma is thought to be inherited While previous research has and is difficult to diagnose in babies, he suspects many of the reduce symptoms by avoiding infants who seemed asthma-free in the study will eventually develop the disease.

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CHICAGO (AP) - Breast- study is needed to determine if ing because of spasms in the lungs. It affects more than 17 The findings appear in million Americans, including at least 5 million under 18.

The researchers studied 545 high-risk Canadian children from birth through age 1. With about half the children, measures were taken to cover dustmite prone mattreses, remove pets from the home, and encourage parents to avoid smoking and to breast-feed. Cows' milk is a common allergy

Thirty-eight children in the prevention program developed possible or probable asthma, compared with 49 of the other youngsters.



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SPORTS

Notebook

OLYMPICS

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) - At the U.S. Olympic track and field trials, Marion Jones won the 100 meters and the long jump. Marla Runyan became the first legally blind competitor to earn a spot on any U.S. Olympic team, finishing third in the 1,500 meters. And Michael Johnson won the 400 meters in 43.68 seconds, the fastest time in the world this year.

BASEBALL

CLEVELAND (AP) — It was tough to judge who was happier in the Houston clubhouse after the Astros beat the Cleveland Indians — pitcher Scott Elarton or manager Larry Dierker.

Elarton won his fifth straight start and Craig Biggio and Daryle Ward homered in a 5-1 victory Sunday that stopped the Indians' fourgame winning streak.

BOXING

LONDON (AP) — Lennox Lewis stopped Francois Botha at 2:39 of the second round Saturday night to retain his WBC and IBF heavyweight

titles. CYCLING

COURCHEVEL, France (AP) — Defending champion Lance Armstrong stretched his lead at the Tour de France by 50 percent on a day when Italy's Marco Pantani captured the 15th stage. Armstrong finished 50 seconds behind in fourth place, but he extended his advantage over Jan Ullrich from 4 minutes, 55 seconds to 7:26.

GOLF

DEARBORN, Mich. (AP) -Ray Floyd birdied two of the last three holes to win his sec-Senior Players Championship title by one stroke when Dana Quigley bogeyed the last hole.

Floyd's last win came in this championship in 1996. He shot a 6-**under-pa**r 66 for a 15-under 273 total. Quigley (71) tied for second with Larry Nelson (67). Defending champion Hale Irwin (66) tied Mike McCullough (69) at 275.

AUTO RACING TORONTO (AP) — Michael Andretti won his sixth Toronto Molson Indy, beating Adrian Fernandez to the finish line nearly the length of the front

straightaway for his 40th

career victory. Paul Tracy was third. BASKETBALL

WESTFORD, Mass. (AP) -Toronto Raptors star Vince Carter must pay sports apparel manufacturer Puma more than \$13.5 million in damages for breach of contract, a Boston arbitrator ruled. Carter signed an endorsement deal with Puma in 1998 shortly after being drafted by the Raptors, but announced late last year that he had terminated the



Senior -**All-Stars to** play district champions tonight

By JIMMIE CLARK For The News

PAMPA - The Pampa Senior League Softball All-Stars are slated to take on District champion Alpine tonight during a sectional tournament in Graham, Texas.

A best two of three series will see the winner advance to the state tournament in Waco beginning July 28.

The Pampa All-Stars are primed to make softball history since no Pampa team has ever advanced out of the sectional round to a state playoff in Little League/structured softball.

Pampa's Lindsey Ledbetter leads the team with an .800 batting average going four for five at the plate during the District I Tournament held in Dumas.

Stacey Johnson has been a solid performer with a .692 batting average. Johnson leads the team in RBI's and extrabase hits with six. Stephanie Clark, Casey Fisher and Haley Bowen are hitting over

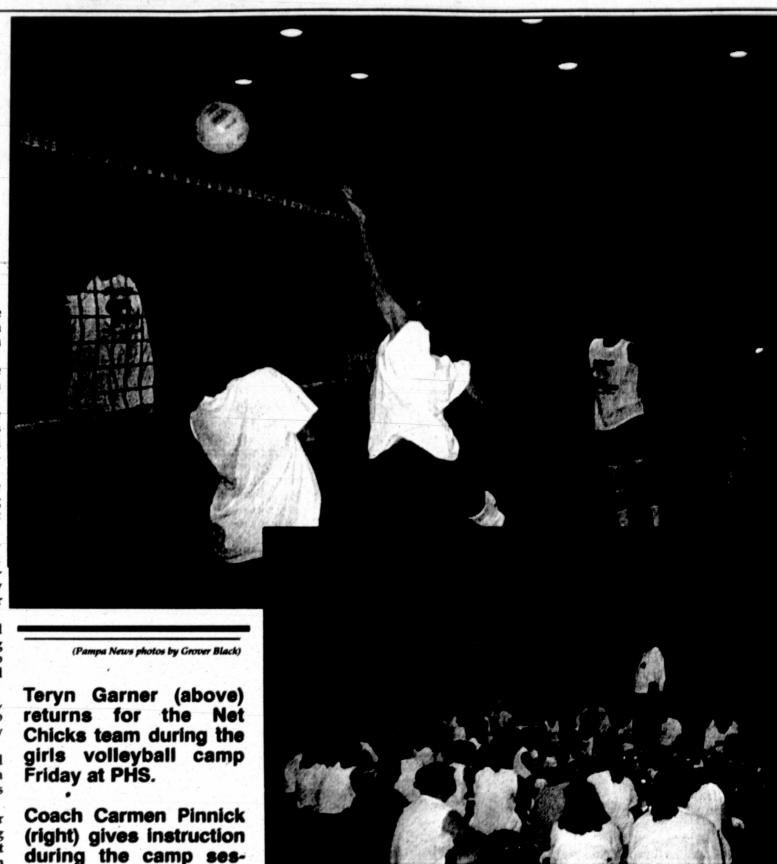
Clark and Chelsey Davis have teamed up to give Pampa a formidable pitching duo as they have limited the opposition to just 11 base hits while Pampa has racked up an impressive 27 hits in three contests.

In addition to exceptional pitching, Pampa has played solid defensively to help keep the opponents' bats relatively quiet.

The Pampa Little League Softball Champions will join the seniors in Graham as they vie for a sectional championship as

The Little League Champs qualified for the sectional tournament by downing Borger 12-2 last week at the Optismist Park, then getting into a run-fest with Borger on Tuesday winning 25-24 for the championship.

They are set toplay Tuesday night in a bracket with five other teams.



Optimist team wins first round of state tournament Cal Ripken 9-10 All Stars defeat Seminoles 13-5 in Pampa's Saturday game

By JOHN W. WARNER

For The News

TULIA - There are black stars rising over Pampa.

The black clad Optimist Cal Ripken 9-10 All Star Baseball Team defeated the Saturday in the first round of the West Texas State Cal Ripken 9-10 Tournament.

Colby Greenhouse led Pampa offensively with a double, a single, two runs scored and two RBI. Mark Stone contributed a two-run homer. Aaron Carr and Shavius a pair of Pampa errors. Kelley each scored twice for Pampa. Carr also had a hit and one RBI.

Darius Kimberling allowed one four and walked four. Stone, Kelley and Carr pitched an inning each.

Thomas, retired the first seven Pampa batters in a row before Carr beat out a bunt in the third inning for the first hit of the game for either side. Rusty Snider followed with another bunt which Thomas threw into center field putting runners on the game away when their bats finally

second and third.

Pampa a 2-0 lead. "I had to do something different to get

things going," said manager Ron Carr in explaining his strategy.
Kimberling retired Seminole in order in

Seminole 9-10 All Stars 13-5 in Pampa the first inning. With one out in the second, he walked a batter. However, he batter to hit into a 1-6-3.

the bottom of the third on three walks and

Pampa added two more runs in the fourth inning.

After two were out, Copeland and Carr unearned run and no hits in three innings walked. Copeland scored and Carr moved An error, a triple and a wild pitch in the of work to gain the win. He struck out to third on wild pitches. Snider walked bottom of the fifth narrowed the score to and stole second. A pitch got by the catcher. Carr started home but retreated to Seminole's starting pitcher, Cassidy third. Snider hustled back to second sliding under a throw as Carr scored to make the score 4-1 in Pampa's favor.

Stone came on in the fourth to strike out three of four Seminole batters.

In the top of the fifth inning, Pampa put

econd and third. started working. Kelley started the rally Both scored on wild pitches giving when the right fielder dropped his fly ball enabling him to scamper to second. A solid double by Greenhouse down the left field line scored the first run of the inning. Stone followed with a sharp grounder in almost the same place but the ball kept

Stone literally flew around the bases erased him three pitches later forcing the and went air borne to avoid the catcher's tag for the inside-the-park home run. Seminole narrowed the score to 2-1 in Colden Fortenberry and Shane Davis walked. Fortenberry scored on three wild pitches. Davis followed him in when the catcher's attempt to get Fortenberry went past the pitcher who was covering home. Pampa led 9-1.

> 9-3. Kelley came in to pitch with a runner on and no outs. He got the next hitter to ground to Stone at short. Stone faked a throw to first and caught the runner leading off second for the first out. Kelley struck out the next batter. Three pitches later Carr gunned down the runner trying

to steal third to end the inning. Kimberling led off the sixth for Pampa

Kelley was save on a fielder's choice which was not only too late to get Kimberling but allowed him to score when it went past the shortstop and through the center fielder. Kelley took second on the error and scored on a single by Greenhouse. Stone and Shane Davis sandwiched walks around a strikeout to load the bases. Copeland and Carr also walked forcing in tow more runs and giving Pampa a 10-run lead.

Seminole scored two meaningless runs in the bottom of the sixth on five walks. Carr, who pitched the inning, regained his control to strike out two of the last three batters to end the game.

The four Pampa hurlers limited Seminole to one hit and three earned runs. Pampa's alert defense nabbed four runners including a caught stealing by Greenhouse and a quick throw from first baseman Copeland to Carr covering at second to get a runner out who had wan-dered too far from the base.

The tournament is expected to continue until Wednesday or Thursday.

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Square House Y2K4 exhibit

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stant state of learning.

PANHANDLE - The Carson County Square House Museum in Panhandle is currently exhibiting "Y2K4" through Aug. 25 in the Hazlewood Gallery of the museum. "Y2K4" features an eclectic group of artists and a wide variety art genres including Deanne Conner (Matney), John Romero, Patrizia da Milano and Joseph Holmes. Each come from varied backgrounds and bring their experiences to the exhibit. A reception for the artists will be held from 2:30-4 p.m. Sunday July 9 in the gallery. The public is invited to attend and meet the

Conner is a published poet, a psychotherapist and a college instructor. She began painting at age 10 and exhibited for the first

time at the Blue Door Gallery in Taos, N.M. She and basic design. He currently works at the has traveled extensively and shows this in her art. American Quarter Horse Association as the She considers that art keeps her in a constant state

John Romero, a poet, a painter and a songwriter, 537-3524.

expresses his artistry in a spiritual message. His works are influ-Conner is a pubenced by a number of artists lished poet, a psyincluding Conner. Between art exhibits and poetry readings chotherapist and a colthroughout the Southwest, lege instructor. She Romero is steadily involved in his began painting at age artistic endeavors. 10 and exhibited for

Patrizia da Milano brings the spiritual history of Italy to the Southwest and expresses the emotions involved through her art. She has become recognized through her many paintings of crosses and other works exhibiting religious connections.

A native of Louisiana, Holmes, has lived in the Panhandle for five years. After receiving his master of fine arts degree from Louisiana State University, he taught several classes in watercolor, painting

equine color specialist.

For more information, call the museum at (806)

Museum appoints new executive director

PANHANDLE — Carson in Panhandle. County Square House Museum Board of Directors recently years of experience with volunappointed Viola Moore as its teer organizations led Moore into new executive director.

director since January 1999, master of arts degree in history introducing Line Camp, an historical day camp for children 7- University and is currently com-12 years of age, as well as reintroducing trunk programs in in cultural geography. area schools.

Louisiana — including Audubon involvement in the museum," State Commemorative Area and Moore says. "I look forward to Moore and husband, Dale, have the Museum of Natural Science working with the exceptional two daughters and three grand-- prior to accepting the position board and volunteers as we con-children.

A lifelong love of history and curatorial work. She holds a Moore has served as education bachelor of science degree and a from West Texas A&M pleting doctoral work from LSU

She has worked in museums in expand the extent of community Handweavers and Dianthus

tinue the legacy of excellence which is such a trademark of the Square House."

Moore is a member of Texas Association of Museums, Southeastern Museum Conference, Mountain Plains Museum Association, of Association American University Women, Sigma Tau Delta, Phi Alpha Theta, Bayou "My immediate goal is to Yarn Benders, Palo Duro

Club. A Panhandle resident,

Cabot Oil and Gas awards scholarship to local teen

HOUSTON - Cabot Oil & Gas Corp. recently company for the term of the scholarship. awarded a two-year college scholarship to Lindsey Mitchell of Pampa. Mitchell graduated from ogy. Mitchell is the daughter of John Mitchell, field operator in Cabot's West Region.

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"I am pleased that Cabot is able to provide this benefit to the children of our employees," said Ray Pampa High School and will attend Dallas Baptist Seegmiller, chairman and CEO. "This program College in the fall where her major will be psychol- allows us to recognize students for their academic achievements and, at the same time, provide financial assistance for the education of our future lead-

Cabot Oil & Gas Corp., headquartered in year. Each recipient receives \$1,500 per semester. Houston, is a leading domestic independent natur-After completing college or otherwise becoming al gas producer and marketer with substantial ineligible, the recipients will have five years to interests in the onshore Texas and Louisiana Gulf repay 25 percent of the money received. All Coast, Rocky Mountains, Appalachia and in the scholarship recipients, including Mitchell, are Mid-Continent. For additional information, visit Internet homepage



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The Pampa Chamber of Commerce

Chamber will host sheep dog trials

Top of Texas Sheep Dog Trials Top O' Texas Rodeo Arena August 12, 2000 6:00 p.m. August 13, 2000 8:00 a.m.

The West Texas Sheep Dog Association is pleased to announce a new event that will be taking place here in Pampa on August 12th and 13th at the Top O' Texas Rodeo Arena. The Top of Texas Sheep Dog Trials is sanctioned by the Texas Sheep Dog Association and the West Texas Sheep Dog Association. This is a competition that will hopefully grow in future years to become a big draw for our community.

In recent years there has been a tremendous growth in interest in herding dog trials in North America as well as in Europe, Australia, and Great Britain where stockdog competitions originated in the 1870s. The first trials in the United States started in 1880 and rarely is there a weekend in the U.S. that there is not a stock dog competition of some

There are many breeds of dogs that have been used for herding livestock over the centuries but very few are still primarily bred for their working ability. Two breeds that are still bred for herding purposes include the Border Collie from England and Scotland and the Kelpie from Australia. These will be the two breeds competing in the Top of Texas Sheep Dog Trials. Both the Border Collie and Kelpie breeds are famous for their intelligence and work ethic which will make for very interesting competition. Approximately 70 dogs are expected to be entered for this event.

At this upcoming competition in Pampa, the dogs will be herding Burkes Goats. First place plaques will be awarded in the following classes; Open, Open Ranch, Ranch, Nursery and Novice. For additional information regarding cost of entry as well as rules and requirements, call George Wallace (806) 665-5516.

The Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce is very supportive of and excited about Pampa



hosting the Top of Texas Sheep Dog Trials and look there are no admission fees. Take the opportunity forward to the growth of this competition in the stop by the Top O' Texas Rodeo arena during the future. The public is invited to attend and best of all trials and watch some truly amazing performances.

Dear Chamber Members,

The first ever Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce Business Expo/Dairy Festival was a tremendous success this first year thanks to the hard work and organizational talents of our event Chairman Blake Howard and all of the sixty plus Businesses and Organizations that participated at the M.K. Brown Auditorium.

We started the morning off with a parade at 9 a.m. in downtown Pampa and ending at the Coronado Shopping Center. The parade was excellent and we greatly appreciate all of our entries for braving the cold damp weather and making it so much fun. We had more than thirty participants which was outstanding and well worth the effort.

There were wall-to-wall people at the Expo for a good portion of the day looking over all of the many offerings that were available. There was something for everyone - from a variety of food and drinks to furniture, personal care items,

home improvement products and information and a variety of organizations. A good time was had by all and we already have requests for booths for next year. We could not have asked for a better beginning to this yearly event.

In addition to Blake Howard and our participants, there are many people to thank for helping create such a successful Expo. Bill Hildebrandt, (Community Services Director for the City of Pampa), Jim Juengerman, and the staff at M.K. Brown Auditorium eagerly provided us with help at every turn. We could not have done it without them. Many of our Top O' Texans Gold Coats and Chamber Board members were on hand to provide service wherever they were needed including slicing watermelon that was generously donated to the Chamber by

Albertson's, Frank's Food, Homeland, and United Supermarket. We also thank Pokey the Clown for spending many hours outside in less than comfortable weather conditions entertaining kids and adults alike. It was great to have Donnie Hooper and Phil Londagin KGRO/KOMX on hand doing live remotes throughout the day. We appreciate Amarillo Coca-Cola for providing us with soft drinks to sell during the day. Also, a big Thank You to Kriss Kross Quilting of Pampa and in particular to seamstress Melba Lynch for the great job they did in repairing Mootilda, our inflatable dairy cow, after she was damaged during a storm one evening. Last but certainly not least, Thank You to our Chamber Staff Gwenda Watson, Shirley Jernigan, and Lester Lynch for all of their hard work leading up to and including the Expo and Festival itself. If we have neglected to thank anyone, please accept our apolo-

Sincerely,

President

P.S. Congratulations to Mrs. Clarine Hill in winning \$1000.00 in Pampa Bucks at the Expo.

Thanks to the following for their part in the June Chamber of Commerce Luncheon: Ann Davidson of the White Deer Land Museum for her dynamic and fascinating presentation of the history of the Top O' Texas Rodeo. Lonnie Robbins of Trinity Fellowship Church for providing the invocation. The Single Tree Restaurant for the excellent meal they provided. Bob Clements, Inc. (Neil & Mary Fulton) for sponsoring the luncheon.

The Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce Monthly Luncheon will be on Tuesday, July 18, 2000 in the M.K. Brown Room of the Pampa Community Building at 200 North Ballard. The Luncheon will begin at 11:45 a.m. The Sponsor will be Williams Energy Services, the speaker Darlene Birkes will discuss local historical markers, and the meal well be catered by Dos Caballeros. The cost is \$6.50. For reservations call the Chamber of Commerce at 669-3241.



Chamber Board member Blake Howard and Toni Howard of Best Kept Secrets enjoy the festivities at the Business expo June 17 at the M.K. Brown Auditorium.

Meeting schedule ...

July 18: The Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce monthly luncheon will be held in the M.K. Brown Room of the Pampa Community Building at 11:45 a.m. Call for reservations at 669-3241. Sponsor will be Williams Energy Services, the meal will be catered by Dos Caballeros, and the speaker, Darlene Birkes, will be discussing Pampa

Historical Markers. July 20: Board of Directors will meet in the Nona S. Payne Room of the Pampa Community Building

July 25: Tourism Committee will meet in the Nona S. Payne Room of the Pampa Community

at 10:30 a.m.

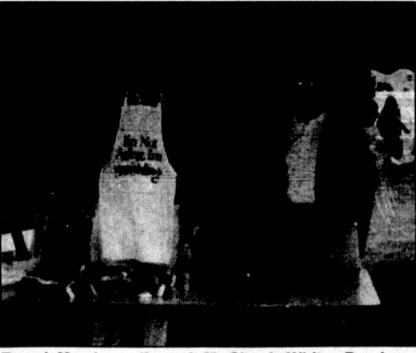
Building at 2:00 p.m.

August 1: Membership Committee will meet in the Nona S. Payne Room of the Pampa Community Building at 12:00 noon (Dutch Treat Lunch).

August 2: Retail Committee will meet in the Nona S. Payne Room of the Pampa Community Building at 8:30 a.m.

August 8: Executive Board will meet in the Nona S. Payne Room of the Pampa Community Building at 10:30 a.m.

All Chamber of Commerce members are welcome to attend any or all meetings.



Board Members (from left) Chuck White, Dr. Jerry Lane, and Jack Peoples man the watermelon booth at the Business Expo/Dairy Festival 2000.

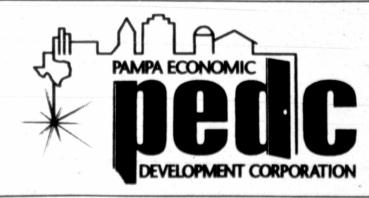
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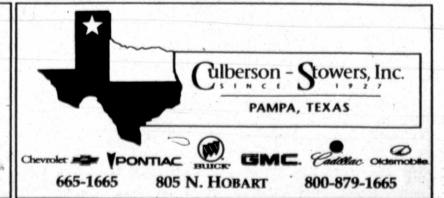
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