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### No winner in Lotto game

No ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The ticket was worth an estimated \$4 million. The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: 5-7-11-18-28-39. Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$6 million.

### Three men slain during pool game

BRYAN (AP) — Police were looking Monday for the driver of a pickup hauling 55-gallon drums for a weekend shooting that left three dead and two injured.

Two of the men killed were brothers. They were playing pool with a group described by family members as old friends in an open garage at a home in Bryan.

Shortly before 4 a.m. Sunday the man "put his pool stick down and started shooting," said Bryan police.

Killed were Victor Salinas, 36; his brother Francisco Salinas, 51, and Cornelio Alvarado Cisneros, 41.

Brigido Galvan Avila, 43, was listed in serious condition, while Daniel Montoya, 43, was in stable condition.

- **Jessie Florine Castleberry**, 72, former employee Senior Village in Perryton.
- **Hazel Dell Ford**, 88, former teacher.
- **Jackie 'Ma'am' Jackson**, 68, former Roberts County District Clerk.
- **H.J. 'Jay' Johnson**, 80, retired steel plant manager.
- **Blois Nix Rogers**, 81, home-maker.
- **L. Dean Sims**, 59, employee of Cavazos Junior High School.
- **Glenn W. Underwood**, 71, warehouse manager for Fund Seeds.

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## A little jammin'



(Pampa News photos by David Bowser)

Eudell Gifford of Lefors was one of the ones pickin' at Old Mobeetie during the traditional jam sessions in the camp grounds around the old jail museum.

## Festival of music, fun will repeat next year

By DAVID BOWSER  
Staff Writer



Betty Kaiser of McLean fanned herself in the shade of the elm trees at the Old Mobeetie Texas Music Festival.

OLD MOBEETIE — Joe VanZandt and members of the Old Mobeetie Texas Association will begin planning their next music festival this week even though the dust has barely settled on last weekend's event.

"We had a little weather scare," VanZandt said Saturday as the blue grass music of the Star Canyon band waited on the cool evening breeze.

There were showers here at Old Mobeetie as workers set up the public address system on Friday, but the skies cleared as the band Texas Country took to the stage to open the show.

Showers returned Friday night to settle the dust and cool things off, said VanZandt, chairman of the music festival. A north breeze on Saturday made for a perfect setting. The towering elm trees and the mulberry tree planted next to the jail more than a century ago by Temple Houston's wife shaded the crowd from the clear blue skies.

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## PISD beefs up safety policies

Bomb threats sparked changes

By DEE DEE LARAMORE  
Staff Writer

A review of Pampa Independent School District's school safety initiative was among six administrative reports presented to the Board of Education recently.

Dr. Dawson Orr, school superintendent, prepared the school safety review at the request of Dr. Jay Johnson, school board president.

"This all stems from the spring of 1999 when we received several bomb threats," Dr. Orr told board members.

After the threats, the school district hired a school safety specialist from San Marcos to evaluate the district's safety practices, Orr explained.

At a workshop later that summer, the consultant reviewed safety policies with the school administration, counselors, Pampa Police Department personnel, and city emergency management officials.

The consultant pointed out several problems including, Orr said, "that we didn't have a locked door policy after students entered the school, our visitor procedure wasn't well done, and [had] things like overgrown shrubbery near windows where people could hide."

On the second day, a crisis management plan was presented, Orr said.

The crisis management plan included procedures for locking doors after students enter the building, name tags for all authorized school personnel, a visitor check-in procedure and an alarm procedure.

"As a result of this we've developed a closer working relationship with the police and fire departments," Orr said, adding that now in the event of a bomb threat, the school district's buildings are evacu-

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## Summer busy time for county juvenile service

### 120 youth now on probation

By NANCY YOUNG  
Managing Editor

"As long as you keep a kid busy they aren't getting into trouble," said Chief Juvenile Probation Officer Albert Nichols.

"They're too tired at night."

Gray County Juvenile Probation Department currently has approximately 120 youngsters assigned to their department. The young people, ages 11-17, have committed offenses ranging from Class C truancy to felony offenses which include aggravated assault and sexual assault on minors.

"We have everything Dallas has except on a smaller scale," said Nichols. He says he sees an increase in juvenile offenses during the summer.

"We have many kids who

come from single-parent homes and they don't have the supervision during the summer that they need," he said. "These kids need a lot of help and motivation."

Nichols said all young people need to be kept busy. "I would like to see Pampa people get behind a program for more activities for our kids," he said.

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— Albert Nichols  
Chief Juvenile Probation Officer

He said while there is an active summer softball program in the community, he thinks there needs to be more activities to draw the children's interests.

Juveniles who have gotten into trouble and are under the direc-

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## Man faces assault charges

A Pampa man was free on bond today after being arrested Sunday morning on assault charges.

Luis David Estrada, 23, 922 E. Browning, was arrested about 10:23 a.m. Sunday after motorists reported a man hitting a woman as they drove in a car in the 400 block of North Lefors.

Officers said a 19-year-old woman suffered a bloody nose, a swollen right eye, a cut lip, a bite to a finger on her left hand and a scratch to the top of her right foot.

Estrada was arrested in the 1000 block of East Browning. Gray County Justice of the Peace Bob Muns set bond for Estrada on charges of assault causing bodily injury at \$1,500.

## Tools valued at \$1,500 stolen

A summer cleaning resulted in the report of a burglary being investigated by Pampa police officers today.

Authorities said today that Janet Lea Hoover, 37, 112 N. Nelson, was cleaning out her garage Saturday when she discovered a number of tools and a tool box were missing.

Officers said the Craftsmaster tools and red tool box were valued at \$1,500.

Police said today that it appeared some one entered the building by the garage door some time between July 1 and July 29, and took the tools and tool box.

## National High School Rodeo champion

Kaily Richardson of Pampa lived up to her motto, "Ride tall; ride proud; ride to win" and rode to win the pole bending event at the National High School Rodeo (NHSR) Finals in Springfield, Ill., Sunday. Richardson topped the scores with a winning time of 19.483 seconds. After a week of competition, the Pampa cowgirl led the field with an overall average of 58.279. This was the first appearance in the NHSR finals for Richardson, who will be a sophomore at Pampa High School this fall. Richardson is the daughter of Jim Richardson of Pampa and Lillian Gross of Midland. She's the granddaughter of Susie Osborne, Pampa, and the late Butch Reynolds and Joyce Howard of Glazer, and the late David Richardson.

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# Daily Record

## Services tomorrow

**CASTLEBERRY, Jessie Florine** - 1 p.m., First Baptist Church, Wheeler.  
**JOHNSON, H.J. "Jay"** - 2 p.m., First Baptist Church, Pampa.

## Obituaries

**JESSIE FLORINE CASTLEBERRY WHEELER** - Jessie Florine Castleberry, 72, died Sunday, July 30, 2000, at Perryton. Services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Wyatt Carpenter, pastor of Emmanuel Southern Baptist Church of Liberal, Kan., officiating. Burial will be in Wheeler Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler.

Mrs. Castleberry was born at Lakeview and attended Wheeler schools. She married Willie Wallace Castleberry in 1949 at Pampa; he died in 1994. She lived at Wheeler from 1963 until moving to Pampa in 1972.

She had been a Perryton resident since 1991. She worked for Marie Foundations and for Senior Village in Perryton.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Nancy Ann Castleberry, in 1951.

Survivors include three daughters, Diana Lee Parker of Forgan, Okla., Mary Brown of Decherd, Tenn., and Patricia Vigil of Amarillo; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Emmanuel Southern Baptist Church, 1550 N. Western, Liberal, KS 67901; or to World Family Harvest Church, 2511 Paramount Blvd., Amarillo, TX 79109.

**HAZEL DELL FORD** - Hazel Dell Ford, 88, of Pampa, died Friday, July 28, 2000. Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Todd Dyess officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Ford was born Oct. 25, 1911, at Mena, Ark., to John and Ruth Wallace. Her formal education was at East Texas State University in Commerce. She was employed as a teacher in Shady, Ark., for seven years.

In 1935, her marriage to Coyle Ford brought her to Pampa where she has resided for the past 65 years.

In past years, she was an active member of First United Methodist Church, Altrusa Club and Order of the Eastern Star #65. For many years, she enjoyed gardening and horseback riding.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Dan Wallace; and by two sisters, Margaret Wallace and Mary Wallace.

Survivors include her husband, Coyle, of Pampa; a daughter, Carolyn Ford Taylor of Taos, N.M.; a son, Gerald J. Ford of Dallas; seven grandchildren, Maegan Ford, Jordan Ford, Jeremy Ford, Amy Ford, Michele Marcon, Georgia Atkinson and Jenifer Veal; and six great-grandchildren.

**JACKIE 'MA'AM' JACKSON** - MIAMI - Jackie "Ma'am" Jackson, 68, died Saturday, July 29, 2000, at Canadian. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in First Christian Church with the Rev. Jack Gindorf officiating. Burial will be in Miami Cemetery under the direction of Stickleby-Hill Funeral Directors of Canadian.

Mrs. Jackson was born Nov. 27, 1931, at Cheyenne, Okla., to Scott and Beatrice Steere. She graduated from Cheyenne High School and attended Southwestern Oklahoma State University at Weatherford.

She had been a Miami resident since 1957. She married Wilford "Pater" Hill Jackson on May 3, 1958; he died June 30, 1995.

Mrs. Jackson worked for the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service and was secretary for the County-District Clerk's Office in Roberts County prior to being elected county-district clerk and serving the county in that office for 32 years, retiring on Jan. 1, 1995.

She attended First Christian Church and played the piano and organ for several years.

Survivors include two daughters, Triska Gross of Eunice, N.M., and Tammye Maple of Pampa; two sons, William Jackson and Wade Jackson, both of Miami; and seven grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to First Christian Church of Miami or to BSA Hospice.

The body will be available for viewing until 8 p.m. today at the funeral home and from 9:30 a.m. until service time Tuesday at the church in Miami.

**H.J. 'JAY' JOHNSON** - H.J. "Jay" Johnson, 80, of Pampa, died Sunday, July 30, 2000. Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in First Baptist Church with Dr. Randy White, pastor, and the Rev. John Glover, associate pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Johnson was born Aug. 20, 1919, at Memphis, Texas, to Adgar and Rusha Godfrey Johnson. He graduated from Pampa High School in 1938 and attended Amarillo College. He married Evelyn Morehead on Sept. 6, 1946, at Pampa. He worked for Cabot-Ingersoll Rand for 45 years, retiring as manager of Ingersoll's steel plant on Aug. 31, 1984.

He was past president of Meals on Wheels, Pampa Senior Citizens, Pampa Top of Texas Kiwanis Club and Pampa Knife and Fork Club. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge and was a 32nd degree Mason. In addition, he belonged to Gideons International and was a deacon and former Sunday school teacher at First Baptist Church of Pampa.

He was a World War II U.S. Army Air Corps veteran, enlisting Jan. 22, 1942, and serving in North Africa, Corsica, Italy, and Austria. A master sergeant, he was sergeant major of the 320th air service group of the 12th Air Force, receiving his discharge on Nov. 18, 1945, at Tyler, Texas.

He was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Lindsey Marie Johnson, on Sept. 27, 1983.

Survivors include his wife, Evelyn, of the home; three daughters and sons-in-law, Dr. Jodi and Max Taylor of Colorado Springs, Colo., Janis and Jay Spearman of Pampa and Mary Beth and Bob Rafferty of Plano; a son and daughter-in-law, Dr. Jay and Linda Johnson of Pampa; a sister, Lois DeMeritt of El Paso; eight grandchildren, Laura and Anna Johnson, Jared, Jordan and Jaelyn Spearman, Shay Rafferty, Aaron Kassover and Elana Schoninger; and a great-grandchild, Morgan Schoninger.

The family requests memorials be to First Baptist Church Sanctuary Renovation Fund or to Gideons International Pampa Camp, P.O. Box 2222, Pampa, TX 79066.

**BLOIS NIX ROGERS** - SHAMROCK - Blois Nix Rogers, 81, died Friday, July 28, 2000. Services were to be at 10 a.m. today in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Jack Lee, pastor of the church, and Joe Jernigan, pastor of Calvary Christian Fellowship Church, officiating. Burial will be in Hillcrest Cemetery at McLean under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors of Shamrock.

Mrs. Rogers was born in Wheeler County to Oscar Nix and Winnie Isaacs and graduated from Shamrock High School. She married J.B. Rogers in 1941 at Sayre, Okla.; he died in 1970. The couple settled in Ulysses, Kan., in the late 1950s.

She was a homemaker and a member of First Baptist Church of Ulysses.

Survivors include two sisters, Mavis Bentley of Samnorwood and Sug Stapleton of Brenham; and a brother, Keg Nix of Shamrock.

**L. DEAN SIMS** - LUBBOCK - L. Dean Sims, 59, a former Wheeler resident, died Friday, July 28, 2000. Services were to be at 10:30 a.m. today in Resthaven Funeral Home's Abbey Chapel with Paul Jantzen, of Trinity Church, and the Rev. Wayne Sheffield, of Wheeler Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be at 4:30 p.m. in Wheeler Cemetery at Wheeler.

Mr. Sims was born at Dalhart and graduated from Wheeler High School. He later attended Texas Tech University and McMurry University and had been a Lubbock resident since 1985, moving from Amarillo. He worked in administration at Cavazos Junior High School.

He belonged to Trinity Church where he was a former Sunday school teacher.

Survivors include a daughter, Tracy Sims of San Antonio; a son, Steven Sims of Lubbock; his mother, Amelia Sims of Arlington; two sisters, Joyce Haddox of Austin and Carolyn Jolly of Arlington; a brother, Kent Sims of Wheeler; and a grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to American Cancer Society or to a favorite charity.

**GLENN W. UNDERWOOD** - PLAINVIEW - Glenn W. Underwood, 71, father of a Miami resident, died Friday, July 28, 2000. Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in Seth Ward Baptist Church with the Rev. Jim Ritter officiating. Burial will be in Parklawn Memorial Garden with Masonic graveside rites. Arrangements are under the direction of Memorial Park Funeral Home.

Mr. Underwood was born at Munday. He married Joann Smith in 1948 at Lubbock. He had been a Plainview resident since 1957, moving from Farwell, and was warehouse manager for Fund Seeds.

A 32nd degree Mason, he was past master of Farwell Masonic Lodge at Bovina and Arch J Keys Lodge in Plainview.

He was a Baptist and a veteran of the Korean War.

Survivors include his wife, Joann; a daughter, Glenda Palmer of Plainview; two sons, Galen Underwood of Plainview and Terry Underwood of Miami; a sister, Mary M. Miller of Gas City, Ind.; a grandchild; and a great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to the hospice program in Plainview.

## Police report

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

**Saturday, July 29**  
The theft of about \$90 in cash was reported by a fast food restaurant in the 1400 block of North Hobart about 10 p.m. Saturday.

Indecency with a child was reported about 5 p.m. Saturday in the 1000 block of South Christy.

**Sunday, July 30**  
A domestic argument was reported about 2:30 p.m. Sunday in the 1000 block of South Christy.

The left rear glass was broken out of a 1987 Plymouth Voyager between 6 p.m. Saturday and 8 p.m. Sunday in the 900 block of Brunow.

An 18-year-old Pampa man suffered a scraped and bruised elbow in a fight about 9:30 p.m. Sunday in the 500 block of Zimmers.

A burglary was reported in the 100 block of North Nelson.

An assault was reported in the 400 block of North Lefors about 9:30 p.m. Sunday.

About \$25 damage was reported done to a yard in the 1700 block of North Coffee when someone drove a vehicle across a lawn sometime before 7:20 a.m. Sunday.

## Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Anthony Grain of Pampa.			
Wheat	2.29	up	1/8
Milo	2.33	up	1/8
Corn	2.77	up	1/8
Soybeans	3.62	up	1/8
The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of completion:			
Occidental	19.7/16	dn	1/64
Fidelity Magell	131.52	dn	1/8
Puritan	18.87	dn	1/8
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa.			
Amerco	52 15/16	dn	1/16
Cabot	32 1/2	up	3/8
Cabot O&G	18 15/16	up	3/8
Chemco	81 9/16	up	3/64
Coca Cola	62 3/8	dn	5/16
Columbia/HCA	34 5/8	up	1/4
Enron	75 1/2	up	5/16
Halliburton	45 3/4	up	1/64
IRI	10 5/8	up	1/16
KMI	34 1/8	up	1/8
Kerr McGee	56 3/16	up	1/16
Limited	21 1/2	dn	1/16
McDonald's	32 5/16	up	5/16
Exxon Mobil	30 3/4	up	3/4
New Atmos	19 5/8	dn	1/16
NCE	34 3/8	up	5/16
OKI	26 13/16	up	1/2
Pennco	16 1/2	dn	1/8
Phillips	50 13/16	up	15/16
Pioneer Nat	11	dn	1/8
SR	74	up	11/64
Tenneco	5 13/16	up	1/8
Texasaco	51 5/16	up	31/64
Ultramar	22 11/16	dn	1/16
Wal Mart	57 7/8	dn	13/16
Williams	41 11/16	up	43/64
New York Gold	278.40		
Silver	4.95		
West Texas Crude	28.18		

## JUVENILES

tion of the juvenile probation system are keeping busy this summer performing a variety of community service duties. The probation officers are working to keep these young people busy and off the streets.

Picking up trash adjoining the highway is one of the functions the pre-teens and teens are doing. An eight-mile stretch of Highway 70 has been adopted by the juvenile department and is being maintained by the youthful offenders.

Seven young people were filling sacks of trash from the grassy areas adjoining the highway recently. The youngsters spent the day gathering refuse which had been tossed from vehicles by passing motorists.

Supervised by probation department personnel, the young people were transported in a Pampa Independent School District van to and from the area they were assigned to clean. Each child took a sack lunch and ate their lunch at the site.

Other areas youthful offenders clean and work in while attaining their community service hours are city parks, city lake, rodeo grounds, and Lake McClellan. Nichols said soon the juveniles will start helping Gray County by picking up right-of-way areas before county crews begin mowing.

Community service hours are also being received by 10-12 juveniles who are working at the schools this summer stripping floors and cleaning desks.

However, Nichols said any hours the youngsters spend at church are counted as community service hours. "That is a good place for the kids to be," he said. "We're going to let them count any hours they are there."

He said while they usually see an increase in the numbers of children in the summer, that juvenile crime in Gray County is down. "It has been exceptionally calm," he said. "I just hope it's not the

calm before the storm." Nichols said the decrease can be attributed to the fact the state approved more money for more juvenile officers three years ago. "I think we are seeing the benefit in that," he said.

He said lack of discipline at home is a large part of the juvenile offender problem. "Juveniles don't get discipline at home, there's no corporal punishment in school. The first time many of these kids see discipline is when they go to court," he said.

"Drugs are part of the problem. Marijuana is the drug they usually begin with and it leads to other drugs," he said. "I wish we could get rid of the drugs. They have sure sent some kids down the wrong road."

Nichols said alcohol is also a problem among young people in Pampa. "There's always been a problem with usage of alcohol in Pampa," he said. He said there are funds to send kids to drug treatment facilities if they really want the help.

One program the juvenile department uses as a deterrent is to take all the juveniles in the local juvenile system through the Jordan Unit. They get a short course in what it's like to be a prisoner at the facility from riding a bus to the facility just like the inmates take to issuance of uniforms, and hoeing weeds, he said. "It's effective for a few," he said.

Juvenile officers are on call 365 days a year. Nichols said when a juvenile is found to be involved in illegal activity, a juvenile officer must be called in. That officer then makes the decision to lock them up, let them go home or take them into custody. He said the Canadian Boot Camp has been utilized by many Gray County juveniles.

Nichols and his staff of four juvenile officers are working to help the juveniles work out their problems and get out of the juvenile system. Sometimes the youngsters never get into any more trouble, other times they return.

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## PISD

ated and turned over to the police department. "They make the decision when they are clear or not," he said.

Pampa Police Department's school liaison, Officer Colby Brown, presented training and orientation for staff at every campus to help them identify at-risk students or risky situations prior to the 1999-2000 school year, the superintendent said. "We will be doing that again this year," he added.

Also, Orr said, a check list issued by the Texas Attorney General's office has been incorporated into the PISD crisis management plan which lists characteristics of students who may be more prone to violence.

In addition, the school district has received funding for a juvenile probation officer to come work with students who are on probation and has a contract with the Texas Mental Health Authority for students with certain family issues to receive counseling, Orr said.

"We're open to having a parent meeting sometime this year and let them hear about what's been done," he concluded.

Cay Warner, principal at Lamar Elementary, explained a pilot math program for second through fifth graders to be conducted at her school this year.

A survey of successful math programs throughout the state kept returning to the Sharon Wells math program, developed by a Lubbock math teacher, Warner told board members.

A delegation from the Math Vertical Team went to Lubbock to talk to schools using the program.

"Teacher training is a very valuable component of the program," Warner said, explaining that every six weeks, the math teacher is trained on what will be taught for the next six weeks. "They focus on problem solving strate-

gies," she said. "The Math Vertical Team has approved this," Orr said. "The Stetson team will evaluate it's effectiveness beyond the TAAS scores."

Orr said although the training of the teachers is expensive, "we're able to pay for this through federal dollars."

"This is money that applies to our problem," Warner said, explaining that most federal funding goes to improve reading skills. She said students at Lamar Elementary have good reading scores, but some students' math scores are lower than they should be.

Sharon Wells, developer of the program, has also allowed Pampa ISD to "piggyback" with Lubbock ISD for the training," she added.

"We're thankful for that. It's a considerable savings," she said. Assistant Superintendent Jane Steele reported the success of a class size reduction grant at Lamar and Wilson elementary schools for kindergarten and first grades.

Student teacher ratio has been lowered to 1 to 22, she said, adding "with the money to add teachers in kindergarten to first grade, we've been able to lower it even further."

A report based on the literacy coordinators' observation and testing indicates prereading skills have improved for kindergarten students and many first grade students were reading above grade level as they enter second grade.

"After the testing in October we'll have better data," Steele said. "I'd rather give you hard data based on standardized tests, but we won't have that until October."

Steele said the district received a waiver to continue the program for the 2000-2001 school year.

Business Manager Mark McVay submitted an audit report of Insurance Management Services (IMS), the school dis-

trict's health provider. "I'm pleased to tell you that basically they didn't find anything," he said.

IMS handles approximately 13,000 employee health insurance claims annually, more than 50 claims per day, McVay said. "That's a huge volume, something around \$2 million," he said.

An audit is not required, he said. "But I feel it's prudent to do. It's good to have safeguards out there."

Of the claims reviewed, the audit conducted by QBA Consulting Corporation found \$380 in duplicate payments and a \$200 indemnity plan underpayment which was paid on April 4, for a financial accuracy of approximately 99.94 percent.

At the suggestion of the auditors, PISD is implement a refund log and procedure for monies received and a quality assurance program which includes internal reviews, audits of claims over the analyst money limit, as well as random audits every 100th claim.

McVay also told the board of a legislative action which requires school districts to rate their financial accountability to the state. Using the model proposed in Senate Bill 875 of the 76th Legislature, McVay rated Pampa ISD for the fiscal year ending Aug. 31, 1999.

"In essence we would have passed all 22 questions," he said. "We would be a 'superior achievement' school."

McVay said a school district could fail five of the questions and still receive a standard achievement rating, but added that in his opinion, "If you answer any one of the questions 'false,' you're in trouble."

The true-false questions included such things as percent of operating expenditures for instruction more than 54 percent, percent of total tax collections greater than 96 percent, no evidence of default on debt payment.

## Fires

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

**Saturday, July 29**  
8:05 a.m. - One unit and two firefighters responded to Price and Alcock streets on a diesel spill.

2:22 p.m. Two units and six firefighters responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center on a false alarm.

8:47 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to the 1100 block of Crane on a carbon monoxide check.

## Crime Stoppers 669-2222

## Weather focus

PAMPA - Sunny today with a high of 90 and east winds at 5-15 mph. Fair tonight with a low in the mid 60s and light winds. Tomorrow's high will be 92. Yesterday's high was 87; the overnight low 61.

STATEWIDE - A rainy start to the week across parts of Texas followed the passage of a weak cool front.

Isolated showers fell Monday across the Panhandle and South Plains, with scattered showers and thunderstorms across parts of the Permian Basin. Scattered rainfall also

developed in the Coastal Bend and far South Texas, while storms were dissipating between Hondo and Cotulla.

Early-morning temperatures were in the high 50s to 80s.

Extremes were 57 degrees at Marfa and 82 at Galveston, Palacios and Rockport. It was also 67 at Denton; 69 at Junction; 77 at Dallas, Temple and Killeen; and 73 at both Odessa and El Paso.

A stationary front stretched from southwestern Arkansas to South Central Texas.

Winds were mostly southeasterly to southwesterly at 5 to 10 mph, with light and variable conditions in the South Plains

## City Briefs

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K- FOR 4 yr. old children. 3 mornings wk. Enrollment - Aug. 18. Classes begin Sept. 6. Limited class size. Community Christian School. 665-3393.

Partly cloudy to cloudy skies were expected through Tuesday with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms across most areas of West and South Texas.

Daytime highs through Tuesday should range from the upper 80s and lower 90s in the Panhandles to the mid 90s across the south, except for 70s in the northern mountains and near 105 degrees along the Big Bend of the Rio Grande.

Lows overnight were expected in the 60s across the north with lower 70s in the south and mid 50s in the Guadalupe Mountains.

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# Calendar of events

## PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL

Pampa Area Literacy Council office is open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information, call 665-2331.

## CLEAN AIR AL-ANON

Clean Air Al-Anon will hold weekly meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, call 669-3988.

## TRALEE CRISIS CENTER

Tralee Crisis Center will offer Volunteer Training for people interested in working with victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and other crime victims. For more information, call Diane Wells at 669-1131 or 1-800-658-2796.

## PLANNED PARENTHOOD

Planned Parenthood of Amarillo and the Texas Panhandle is extending clinic hours in Pampa. The clinic is now open from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, 408 W. Kingsmill Ave., #175-A. Special evening hours until 6 p.m. are available by appointment. For more information or for an appointment, call 665-2291. Planned Parenthood is a not-for-profit health care organization serving women and men in 17 offices covering 26 counties in the panhandle.

## PHS EXAMS

Pampa High School students wanting to earn credit by examination may test Aug. 4. Those students planning to take the exam need to register with their high school counselor immediately, according to Billie Lowrey, 669-4800.

## CITY-WIDE GARAGE SALE

The City of McLean will hold its second annual city-wide garage sale from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 5. Free maps of all sites are available at the McLean Post Office, Texaco Country Corner or Taylor Mart. For more information, call the McLean Chamber of Commerce at (806) 779-0000.

## ALTRUSA STYLE SHOW

Pampa chapter of Altrusa Club International is hosting its eighth annual Style Show at 10 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 5, in the Heritage Room of M.K. Brown Auditorium. Tickets are \$10 per person. Tickets can be bought from any Altrusa member or at the door. Proceeds go to help fund local charitable organizations supported by the Altrusa Club.

## HIGH PLAINS FOOD BANK FUND-RAISER

The First Annual Wedding/Travel Expo, to benefit the High Plains Food Bank, will be from 1-4 p.m. Aug. 6 at the Amarillo Civic Center Grand Plaza. The wedding portion of the show will include the following vendors — wedding cakes, bridal gowns, limousines, tuxedos, photography and much more. A silent auction and a drawing for a Sandals Honeymoon Land Package will also be held.

## PEACE FARM

The Peace Farm in Amarillo will be sponsoring a Garage Sale Aug. 10-12, a photo exhibit with Alan Pogue beginning Aug. 2 and a Hiroshima anniversary observance. To donate items to the garage sale or for more information regarding these upcoming events, call (806) 335-1715.

## GREEN THUMB

Green Thumb is launching a search to identify and recognize outstanding employers of America's senior workers. GT will honor three outstanding employers representing small, medium and large businesses during its National Prime Time Awards activities Oct. 3-6 in Washington, D.C. The deadline for nominations is July 30. Details and on-line applications are available at [www.prime-time2000.org](http://www.prime-time2000.org). Eligibility criteria: 1) employers who hire older workers 65 and over for 20 or more hours of paid employment per week at minimum wage or higher (this does not include older workers whose employment is subsidized through local, state or federally-funded programs); 2) nominations for affiliates, franchises, partnerships and divisions should be consolidated and submitted through

corporate headquarters if possible; 3) business size — up to 50 employees (small), up to 1,000 (medium), and over 1,000 (large); 4) winners must be willing and able to travel to Washington for the 2000 event. Applications may be mailed to (if not submitted online): Diane Long, Green Thumb, Inc., 2000 N. 14th St., Suite 800, Arlington, VA 22201.

## 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). 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: 10 a.m.-12 p.m., 1-4:30 p.m., Aug. 2, 9 and 12, Family Health Care, 600 W. Kentucky, Pampa; 1-4 p.m., Aug. 22, Family Clinic, McLean.

## TES APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

Texas Folklife Resources is currently accepting applications for its Apprenticeship program. The Apprenticeships in the Folk Arts program encouraged the continuation of Texas traditional arts by providing master artists funds for training qualified apprentices. Texas traditional arts or folk arts are those art forms learned informally, often passed from generation to generation. Deadline for application is Sept. 1. All participants must be residents of Texas. For more information or for an application, contact Caroline Herring, program coordinator, at: Texas Folklife Resources, 1317 South Congress, Austin, TX 78704; or call (512) 441-9255.

## NATURE HIKES

Palo Duro Canyon State Park will offer several nature hikes throughout the month of June. The following hikes are scheduled: 9 a.m. July 15, "Wildflower Safari," at Paseo Del Rio trail head; 9 a.m., July 8, "Botany Basics," and July 29 nature hike, both at Givens, Spicer and Lowry Running Trail; and 9 a.m., July 22, Sunflower Trail hike, Sunflower Trail. Each hike will begin at 9 a.m. Participants are urged to bring water, a hat, bug spray and good walking shoes. For more information, call the park at (806) 488-2227, ext. 49.

## HERITAGE FEST

Lake McClellan will host "Heritage Fest" Sept. 23 at the lake. The event will feature performers and displays.

## COUNTRY DOCTOR AWARD

Staff Care, Inc., is seeking nominations for the 2000 Country Doctor of the Year Award. Nominees will be judged on the following criteria: Scope of care; continuity of care (nominees must have served their communities for a minimum of five years); rural location (communities of 25,000 or less); and dedication. For nomination forms or for more information, call 1-800-685-2272.

## HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center has announced the following breast cancer screening clinics: July 28, Shephard's Crook Nursing Agency, 916 N. Crest, and Aug. 14, First United Methodist Church Educational Building, 201 E. Foster, 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.

## CLARENDON COLLEGE

Clarendon College is accepting applications for its Licensed Vocational Nursing Program of the 2000-01 school year. Early applications are encouraged to insure prospective students get a place in the fall class. Students may attend nursing classes on either the Clarendon or the Shamrock campuses. For an application, contact

CC (806) 874-3571. For more information, call Director Vickie Moore on the CC campus or 1-800-687-9737.

## AREA AGENCY ON AGING

Area Agency on Aging of the Panhandle is seeking volunteers to serve as advocates for nursing home residents as part of its Ombudsmen program. The Ombudsmen will visit residents of long-term care facilities and help resolve complaints involving residents rights, quality of life and quality of care. Once accepted into the program, volunteers complete a three month internship including intensive training and supervision in preparation. Ideal candidates will have strong sense of fair play, excellent problem-solving skills, good relationships with older people and the ability to devote two hours a week to the residents served by the Ombudsman program. For more information, contact Jeff Price, regional Ombudsman, or Shirley Sheldon, Ombudsman Program Aide, at 1-800-642-6008; or write P.O. Box 9257, Amarillo, TX, 79105.

## 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.

## AISE

American Intercultural Student Exchange is a non-profit educational foundation seeking local host families for high school foreign exchange students for the 2000-01 school year. The students, which come from 25 countries throughout the world, live with American families and attend local high schools during their 10 month exchange. Host families provide the students with a place to sleep, meals and a family atmosphere. For more information, call 1-800-SIBLING or visit AISE website, [www.aise.com](http://www.aise.com).

## CASE

Hosting a high school exchange student in August 2000 is like bringing the world to your doorstep. U.S. Government sanctioned, CSIEP-listed non-profit educational organization is seeking families of all types; retired couples, couples with children, single parent families and childless couples. Students will be arriving from various counties, ALL of whom speak English. You can choose a male or female between the age of 15 and 18. You will have the support of a LOCAL Area Representative with you throughout the exchange. Students arrive sometime in August (depending on when school starts). Your new son or daughter will attend your local high school for either 5 or 10 months. All students have their own medical insurance. As a host family, you agree to provide room and board and to include your student as a member of your family. For information, contact Joyce toll-free at 877-846-5848.

## 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.

## USS BAYFIELD

The USS Bayfield APA33 will hold its annual reunion Sept. 10-14. For more information, contact Jim Davlin at (409) 925-2268.

## USS COLUMBUS

The USS Columbus will hold its reunion Oct. 4-9 at Fort Mitchell Ky. For more information, call (605) 787-4038. Mailing address: Pa Condon, Asst. Secretary, P.O. Box 270, Piedmont, SD 57769-0270.

## MS SOCIETY

The Multiple Sclerosis Society offers a monthly program for people with MS every third Thursday of each month. Some of the topics covered include: "Moving Forward: A Program for People Newly Diagnosed with MS," "When MS Progresses," "Intimacy and MS," "Life after Diagnosis: A Wellness Approach" and much more. A transcript is provided at the site after each program. For more information, call 1-800-FIGHT-MS or (806) 468-7500 or contact the National MS website at [www.nmss.org](http://www.nmss.org) and select Educational Programs.

## National Brahman-Hereford Conference in offing

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The American Brahman Breeders Association and the American Hereford Association and their Texas affiliates have announced plans for a joint conference to be held Saturday, Aug. 12 at Windy Hill Ranch, three miles southwest of Madisonville, Mo. The conference will be held in the ranch's indoor barn-cutting horse facilities.

ABBA President Coleman Lock of Hungerford, Texas, said, "The last time the ABBA

and the Hereford Associations got together was in 1979 at the Dudley Bros. Ranch in Comanche." Lock said, "With the industry's swing of back to the basics of putting maternal ability first on a cowman's shopping list, that it is only natural that ABBA and AHA repeat the event of the past."

Speakers from academia, NCBA, the feeding industry, beef retailing and Brahman-Hereford producers will conduct a program that will interest those who produce the

Brahman-Hereford and those who use them in the commercial world.

There will be live cattle displays of the produce of the Brahman-Hereford female, and near ready to harvest cattle from the feed yard to see what they look like when they're finished. Hereford and Brahman breeders from all over the country will give Bull Bucks and DAM Dollars to lucky winners at the end of the program. These awards will be purchase certificates for up to \$1000,00

and more off of the purchase of bulls and ABBA Certified Females in the participating breeder's production sales or in consignment sales.

Program moderator will be Dr. John R. Beverly, who will be recently retired after 32 years of service to the Agriculture Program of the Texas A&M University System.

Featured speakers will be Dr. Bill Turner, Dr. John McNeill and Dr. Dan Hale, all from Texas A&M. Dr. Bo Reagan, vice president of NCBA's Research Section, and Steve Harper of HEB will speak of the future in terms of consumer demands. F1 breeders will tell of the kind of bulls that they use in their programs, while commercial producers will tell why they use the never equaled F1 Brahman-Hereford cow.

Feed yard operators will tell it like it is about the half quarter-blood cattle in their feed yards from South Texas to the Panhandle of Texas.

For more information or to make reservations, call Mary Pennington at the ABBA office at (713) 349-0854 or Amy Cowan at the AHA office at (816) 842-3757.

## AgriPartner Report

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service AgriPartner Report for the week of July 24 is as follows:

—Southwestern and European corn borer moth activity dramatically increased. Many fields of non Bt corn will likely reach the economic threshold for egg and larvae. Spider mite activity in general continues to increase, yet over all infestation levels are relatively low. Continue to monitor this pest for rapid increase.

Corn earworm moth activity as indicated by pheromone traps continues to decline. Larvae in corn ears now will soon leave the ear and pupate in the soil. Moths emerging from these pupae will seek out sorghum, soybeans, late corn or cotton in which to lay the next round of eggs.

—Greenbugs are increasing in sorghum. An insecticide application to control greenbugs is justified on sorghum in the boot to heading stage when 20 percent of the plants have one dead function-

al leaf. No parasitized greenbug (mummies) have been reported.

—Fall armyworm activity is up in the eastern areas of the Texas Panhandle. Heavy infestation exist in alfalfa. Whorl feeding damage is obvious in both grain and forage sorghum. Fall armyworm can occasionally spill over into cotton fields located next to heavily infested alfalfa or sorghum.

Beet armyworm moth activity continues to be reported. The heaviest infestations are in dry land fields in the western areas of the panhandle.

—Cotton aphids are rapidly increasing in the southern portion of the Texas Panhandle. TDA has authorized the use of Furadan 4 to control the pest.

## August 5<sup>th</sup> Street Party Downtown Pampa

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## Farmers' Market Week in Lone Star State

AUSTIN — This week through Aug. 5 is "Farmers' Market Week" in Texas, Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs has announced.

Texas is the nation's second-leading state in agricultural production.

"Texas producers grow a wide array of produce, which is available at farmers' markets across the state," Combs said. "Besides providing a convenient, one-stop shopping location for both consumers and growers, farmers' markets give Texans an opportunity to pick from the widest selection of fresh fruits, vegetables and other homemade products such as jams, jellies, plants and gift baskets."

Combs praised the quality of Texas products sold at local markets as well as the economic ben-

efits farmers' markets provide for Texas producers and the towns and cities where the markets are located.

The Texas Department of Agriculture certifies farmers' markets in Texas. Fifty-seven certified markets are located in 54 cities and towns across the state. Certified farmers' markets added an estimated \$8 million to the Texas economy in 1999.

"Farmers' Market Week is an excellent time for individuals and families to meet local growers and learn about Texas agriculture," Combs concluded.

A complete list of certified farmers' markets in Texas is available via the TDA website at [www.agr.state.tx.us](http://www.agr.state.tx.us) in the "Events" section.

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Watch for ...  
School Supply Lists in Thursday, Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup> Pampa News

# Private Matters Become Public in Wireless World

**DEAR ABBY:** I read your column every day and appreciate the forum you provide for people to reach a large audience in an objective and effective way. I witnessed something the other day that could cause financial harm, and I feel your readers should be warned to be more careful.

My family had lunch in a busy fast-food restaurant. Seated at a table next to us was a gentleman conducting business over his cell phone. Since the restaurant was busy and loud, he raised his voice to be heard on the phone. Abby, he gave his credit card number, the expiration date, the name on the credit card and which credit card he was using! Anyone could have written that information down and used it for his or her own purposes.

Please warn your readers to be careful about giving out private information where it can be overheard.

CONCERNED IN ANAHEIM

**DEAR CONCERNED:** Consider them warned. A lapse of judgment like that can wreak havoc on one's financial history. Readers, beware — you never know who might be listening.

**DEAR ABBY:** I have been involved with a man since last November. I have opened up every aspect of my life and my home to him. Because of his work, he travels quite a bit, and while he is gone, he



**Abigail Van Buren**

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

doesn't stay in contact. As long as he is "working" out of town, he won't call. When he returns, he calls to let me know. Sometimes days — or even weeks — have gone by without any word from him.

I'm at the end of my rope. I have tried explaining to him on several occasions how this makes me feel; nothing has helped. My friends tell me to lose him, but I really love the guy. Short of exploding on him the next time he calls, what should I do?

SLEEPLESS IN OKLAHOMA

**DEAR SLEEPLESS:** Exploding won't help. Distancing yourself might.

He knows how you feel about his disappearing act. By not calling, he is giving you an unmistakable message: out of sight, out of mind. Although you have "opened up every aspect of your life and home" to him, he has not reciprocated. Your friends may be on to something. Lose this loser. He will never make you happy.

**DEAR ABBY:** I could not agree more with your advice to "Had It in Houston" regarding the unruly neighbor child. The girl's neglectful parents would send her over "uninvited and unwanted" whenever they saw the family outdoors together.

I encountered a similar situation. This is how I handled it. I told the child, "Honey, your face is dirty — let me wash it," or, "Honey, we don't speak to one another like that, we say this ..." or, "Sweetheart, if you cannot obey the rules here, you will have to go home now. I'm sorry." Or, "It's time for you to go home now. We'll see you tomorrow."

Abby, "Houston" must realize that this is a child, not an adult guest. Different rules apply. Also, what goes in their ears comes out of their mouths — so use your firm, kind, gentle voice.

EVERYBODY'S MOM, EL CAJON, CALIF.

**DEAR MOM:** You're a generous and caring woman. Having read your letter, I can only conclude that "everybody" is lucky to have an adult like you in their lives.

For an excellent guide to becoming a better conversationalist and a more attractive person, order "How to Be Popular." Send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby Popularity Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

## Horoscope

TUESDAY, AUG. 1, 2000

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19)

\*\*\* What was a challenge yesterday quickly becomes an aggravation. A cost could be involved with work. Getting uptight undermines decisions. Why not put your best foot forward? Go whole-hog into a project. Spin into and use your multiple resources. Phones ring off the hook. Tonight: A well-deserved rest.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)

\*\*\* Don't get uptight about family. Focus on the positives, as you normally do. Your role with finances could be enhanced. Understand and explain your perspective to others about how you determine a risk. Give a child or loved one more play. If single, do something to make yourself feel more desirable. Tonight: Your treat.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)

\*\*\*\* What sounds like a harsh statement could be. You might also be overly sensitive. Pull back from the source of the comments. Your personality melts others. Make an effort to mellow out. A family member cheers you up. Let your sunny side emerge. Tonight: Head home.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)

\*\*\* You might need to say no to a friend who thinks you are Mommy or

Daddy Warbucks. Establish limits once and for all. Head into work, make calls and reach out for a loved one. Your instincts serve you well. Trust your decision-making process. Tonight: Talk to your best friend.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)

\*\*\* Don't create goblins where there are none. Professional demands could be less weighty than you think. Emphasize what has to be done. Positive thinking, brainstorming and networking prove to be moneymakers. Others stand back, observing. Tonight: Out where the crowds are.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

\*\*\*\* Listen to your inner voice about news from a distance. If you feel that something is off, it probably is. Take a deep breath and put your best foot forward. Success empowers you. Go to a boss and ask for what you want. You gain professionally. Tonight: Take charge.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

\*\*\* The morning hours allow someone to test your limits. You cannot seem to come to an agreement with a difficult associate. Say all you want, but know that it makes no difference. Take your time before coming to a conclusion. You might not be ready to make a major decision yet. Tonight: Vanish into your thoughts.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

\*\*\*\* You take charge, but at what cost? As a result, another has attitude. Aim to bring others together by scheduling a meeting. Network and aim for what you want. Others enjoy your gregarious nature. Success happens. Listen to a partner. Tonight: Out with your sweetie.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

\*\*\*\* You drag as the day begins, but expect to soar once you hit work. All the action perks you up. Understand what needs to be done in order to enlist others' support. A boss admires your clear thinking and direct approach. Schedule a meeting. Tonight: Work as late as necessary.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

\*\*\*\* A child or loved one creates a last-minute snafu in your plans. Take an overview. Don't let one incident mar what could be an unusually successful workday. Cruise into work, swimming through paperwork and calls. Take time to think through a decision. Tonight: Ask questions and seek answers.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

\*\*\*\* Another knows what to say in order to get a reaction. Emphasize what is positive in your life. Touch base with a special loved one who always puts a smile on your face. Creativity charges a partnership as well as a financial tie. Together you find many answers. Tonight: Make nice.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)

\*\*\*\* Get past a momentary sluggishness. Once you get into work and start dealing with others, you'll perk up. You have a great deal of inner creativity and resourcefulness. Don't let anyone slow you down or cause you to reverse course. Your inner compass works. Tonight: Loll around your house.

**BORN TODAY**

Grateful Dead's Jerry Garcia (1942), designer Yves St. Laurent (1936), author Herman Melville (1819)

## Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS DOWN

- 1 Engine parts
- 5 Serving of whiskey
- 9 Sum
- 10 Speedy
- 12 Scent
- 13 Last Greek letter
- 14 Become conscious
- 16 Fishing aid
- 17 Make a sweater
- 18 Renounce under oath
- 21 Illinois Indian
- 22 Bends low
- 23 Complete range
- 24 Swiss dwelling
- 26 Marry
- 29 Afternoon nap
- 30 Long skirt
- 31 Before, in poems
- 32 Beginning matter
- 34 Was sore
- 37 Stand
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- 39 Colors
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Saturday's answer

- 19 Boxing match
- 20 Make notes
- 22 Shaker fill
- 23 Balloon fill
- 24 Traveling show
- 25 Donkey cry
- 26 Walking in water
- 27 Lives
- 28 Has a meal
- 29 Map areas
- 30 Singer
- 33 Has a meal
- 35 Actress
- 36 Bear's lair

## STUMPED?

For answers to today's crossword, call 1-900-454-7377! 99¢ per minute, touch-tone/rotary phones. (18-only.) A King Features service, NYC.

## Marmaduke



"I know you've been chasing cars."

## The Family Circus



"Cut and paste? I did that in kindergarten, but it was messier."

## For Better or For Worse



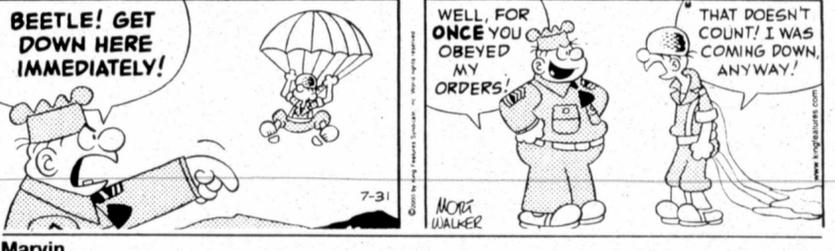
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## Marvin



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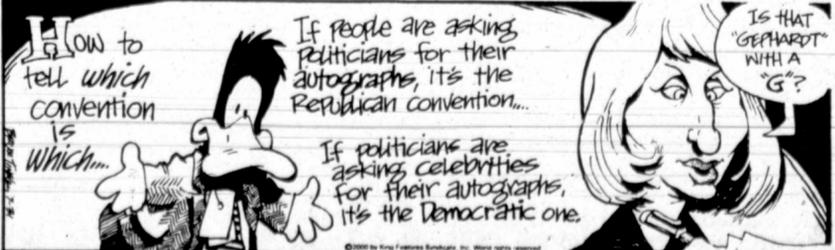
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### PHYSICALS

**PAMPA** — Pampa Athletic Physicals will be held Saturday, Aug. 5 at the Pampa Middle School from 8 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

These physicals are for seventh and ninth grade students only.

Each student-athlete will need to have insurance information with them in order to fill out forms.

There is no charge for the physical, but this will be the only free one for the coming year.

All Pampa High School and Middle School coaches will be in attendance, so that parents will have an opportunity to meet them.

The physicals will be administered by local doctors and The Pampa Regional Medical Center.

### BASEBALL

**PHILADELPHIA (AP)** — The Philadelphia Phillies acquired right-hander Kent Bottenfield from Anaheim for left fielder Ron Gant and cash. Gant led the Phillies with 20 homers. He batted .254 with 38 RBIs. Bottenfield is 7-8 with a 5.71 ERA.

**ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP)** — The AL Central-leading Chicago White Sox acquired catcher Charles Johnson and DH Harold Baines from Baltimore for catcher Brook Fordyce and three minor league pitchers Saturday night. Johnson is hitting .294 with 21 homers and 55 RBIs. Baines, 41, is hitting .266 with 10 homers and 30 RBIs in 72 games. He has already done two stints with the White Sox, from 1980-89 and 1996-97. The team retired his number in 1989.

**PITTSBURGH (AP)** — The St. Louis Cardinals acquired left-handed reliever Jason Christiansen from the Pittsburgh Pirates for minor league infielder Jack Wilson. Saturday, the Cardinals got right-handed reliever Mike Timlin from Baltimore.

### FOOTBALL

**CANTON, Ohio (AP)** — Three San Francisco 49ers — linebacker Dave Wilcox, safety Ronnie Lott and quarterback Joe Montana — were inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame on Saturday. Also enshrined were Raiders defensive lineman Howie Long and Pittsburgh Steelers owner Dan Rooney.

### GOLF

**HOWLAND, Ohio (AP)** — Dorothy Delasin became the LPGA's youngest winner in 25 years when she birdied the last hole to force a play-off with Pat Hurst, and then beat her with a par on the second extra hole to win the Giant Eagle LPGA Classic.

The 19-year-old Delasin is the youngest winner on the tour since Amy Alcott took the Orange Blossom Classic at age 19 in 1975. Delasin closed with a 5-under-1 or 67 for an 11-under 205 total. Hurst finished with a 70.

**JERICHO, N.Y. (AP)** — Bruce Fleisher shot a 3-under-par 69 for a tournament record total of 18-under 198 and a two-stroke victory at the Long Island Classic.

Fleisher repeated as champion in the Senior PGA Tour event, his fourth win of the year. He moved past Hale Irwin and into first place on the money list with \$1,837,906 in 21 events. Dana Quigley (67) was second at 16-under 200, one stroke in front of Allen Doyle (69).

**SILVIS, Ill. (AP)** — Michael Clark held a one-stroke lead in the final round of the John Deere Classic when foul weather forced players off the course. Uncompleted rounds were scheduled to begin Monday at 9:30 a.m. EDT.

Clark finished nine holes at 2-under-par, leaving him at 17-under overall with half the course still to play. The only leader who finished the round was Steve Lowery, who carded an 8-under-par 63 for an overall final score of 16-under 268.

# All-stars end tournament in fifth place

**VAN BUREN, Ark.** — Pampa's 9-10 All Stars ended the five-state Cal Ripken Southern Sectional Tournament in fifth place Sunday after an impressive win over Jonesboro, but a disappointing 9-0 loss to Springdale, Ark.

"It's been a good run," said exhausted Ron Carr, team manager. "We are impressed with Pampa's program and especially their fans," said one of the Jonesboro coaches.

Bill Hightower, father of All Star Kenny Hightower summed it up by saying, "These boys don't really realize just how much they have accomplished."

It seemed like *deja vu* in the Pampa Optimist 9-10 All Stars game against Jonesboro, Ark., here Sunday.

Colden Fortenberry came in to pitch in the fourth inning and shut Jonesboro down just as he had against North Randall County Red the day before. Aaron Carr pitched the sixth inning and got the final out, again, with the bases loaded and Pampa clinging to a two-run lead.

Pampa 9-10 All Stars gained respect for the Optimist program by defeating Jonesboro 8-6. Four Pampa pitchers combined to hold the Arkansas state champions to one hit as the Jonesboro coach exclaimed his team had never faced so many hard throwing pitchers.

In the second game, Pampa faced Springdale, Ark., and simply ran out of gas. Springdale won 9-0, handing Pampa both of

its losses in the double-elimination tournament. Pampa wound up in fifth place in the five-state sectional tournament, advancing further than any other 9-10 team from Pampa has ever gone, according to Texas State Commissioner Jim Davis.

In the opener, Jonesboro's lead-off hitter made it to second base on a throwing error. He advanced to third on a ground out and scored on another Pampa throwing error giving Jonesboro a brief 1-0 lead.

In the bottom of the first, Darius Kimberling beat out a bunt on the first pitch. Shavius Kelley bunted the next pitch and collided with the second baseman trying to cover first.

The throw went into the right field corner allowing Kimberling to score all the way from first. Kelley was down for several minutes, but anxious Pampa fans burst into applause when he got up and continued in the game. Colby Greenhouse and Mark Stone followed with singles scoring Kelley and giving Pampa a 2-1 first inning lead.

Kimberling mowed down the Jonesboro hitters in order striking out two in the second inning. After two were out in Pampa's half of the second, Kimberling slammed a single to right field. He stole second on the next pitch. He went to third when Kelley was safe on an infield hit and scored on a wild pitch.

Jonesboro took the lead in the third inning. Stone came in as pitcher and struck out the first

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batter. He walked the next two and wild pitched one home. A fielder's choice allowed another run to score. A hit batter filled the bases with still just one out. Kimberling returned as pitcher and was greeted with a fielder's choice which scored a run but got an out. A single up the middle brought in another run making the score 4-3 in Jonesboro's favor despite their only getting one hit in the inning.

Pampa tied the score in the bottom of the third. Mark Stone led off with a double and moved to third on a ground out hit by Colden Fortenberry. An attempt to get Stone at third resulted in an overthrow on which Stone scored easily.

Fortenberry came in to pitch the top of the fourth inning in the tie game. A walk, a ground out and two wild pitches handed Jonesboro a 5-4 lead.

Pampa, which scored in every inning, came right back in the bottom of the fourth. Shane Davis was safe on an error. Colby Copeland walked. The runners moved up on a passed ball. After a ground out, Kelley walked to fill the bases.

Greenhouse delivered his second hit of the contest, a two-run single to right center. Stone followed with a single in almost the same place. Kelley scored but Greenhouse was thrown out at the plate. Pampa was out in front 7-5.

In the fifth inning, Fortenberry allowed one baserunner via a walk but shut out the visiting team. Fortenberry aided his own cause by leading off the bottom of the fifth with a single to right center. He advanced to second on a wild pitch.

Dakota Gowin moved Fortenberry to third with a ground out. Shane Davis hit a grounder to the second baseman who threw too late to get Fortenberry at the plate. Pampa led 8-5 after five innings.

Fortenberry threw four straight balls to open the sixth inning and was lifted in favor of Carr. Carr walked a batter and struck out a batter. Then he walked two more narrowing the score to 8-6, loading the bases and putting the leading run on first base. He faced the number three hitter in the order who spanked a one-strike pitch to left field where Rusty Snider came in a few steps and gathered the ball in for the second out. Pampa fans heaved a deep sigh of relief. Carr got the clean-up hitter on a soft pop up which he took himself to earn his second save in a row in the tournament.

The winning pitcher for the second day in a row was Fortenberry. He gave up two runs and no hits. He walked four and struck out two in two innings pitched. Kimberling allowed one unearned run in 2 2/3 innings. He gave up Jonesboro's lone hit. He struck out four and did not walk a batter. Stone walked two, hit one and struck out one being

charged with three runs in one-third of an inning. Carr walked three and struck out one in the inning he pitched.

Stone and Kimberling paced Pampa's 11-hit attack with three hits each. Stone had a double, scored once and had two RBI in a perfect day at the plate. Kimberling tallied two times. Kelley made two hits and two runs. Greenhouse slammed two hits which resulted in two RBI. Fortenberry had the other hit for Pampa as well as a run scored. Shane Davis and Copeland scored the other two Pampa runs.

The nightcap was a totally different story. Pampa hit the ball. They had only two batters strike out. However, Springdale seemed to be in the right place at the right time. An example occurred when Greenhouse slammed what looked like a single to right with runners at second and third and two outs. The right fielder charged the ball and got the speedy Greenhouse by a step at first base to keep Pampa out of the scoring column. Kimberling, Fortenberry, Gowin and Copeland collected the only Pampa hits.

Kimberling, Kelley, Carr, Stone and Gowin pitched for Pampa as Manager Ron Carr searched for somebody who could shut down the Springdale hitters, who slugged 14 hits. Pampa showed the effects of having played a tight game in the afternoon heat and then coming back against a fresh Springdale team.

# 'Boys lose preseason opener

**IRVING (AP)** — In his first two professional quarters, Plaxico Burress sent quite a message to NFL cornerbacks.

The Pittsburgh Steelers' top draft pick caught two passes over smaller guys, one in the end zone. He ran over someone after another catch.

A 5-yard reception became a 20-yarder when his defender was flagged for roughing.

Burress' immediate impact helped the Steelers beat the Dallas Cowboys 38-10 Sunday night in the preseason opener for both teams.

Cleveland beat Philadelphia 33-22 in Sunday's only other preseason NFL game.

The Cowboys trailed 14-10 when they turned things over to youngsters and backups. The second-tier players committed four second-quarter turnovers and the Steelers cashed them all in for 24

points. Neither team scored in the second half.

Burress played with the first and second teams. No matter who else was on the field, he stood out, making four catches for 60 yards and a touchdown, and drawing another 36 yards in penalties, leading to another touchdown.

"Everybody says that I make it look easy," Burress said. "But it is definitely not easy."

Burress came in on Pittsburgh's second series and quarterback Kordell Stewart couldn't wait to break in his new target. He threw to Burress on the first snap and three of the first six.

The first one was high, but Burress snagged it from above rookie cornerback Mario Edwards for 29 yards.

Then Burress turned a short pass into a 24-yard gain by running over Dallas' top draft pick, Dwayne Goodrich. Two plays

later, Stewart threw to Burress in the end zone and Edwards was flagged for interference. Pittsburgh moved 21 yards to the 1, and Jerome Bettis scored for a 7-0 lead.

Burress' next catch came on the final drive of the first half. It was a short one from Kent Graham, but a 15-yard roughing penalty made it a big gain.

The drive ended with Burress using his body to snag a 2-yard touchdown lob over second-year corner Duane Hawthorne that gave Pittsburgh a 38-10 lead. Burress spiked the ball near Hawthorne and drew a 15-yard penalty for taunting.

"Coach pulled me aside and told me not to do it again," Burress said.

The blowout spoiled the debut of Cowboys coach Dave Campo. His consolation is that he still has five weeks to prepare for the debut that counts.

"I'm not concerned," Campo said. "I'm not happy with the score, but it's not the No. 1 goal. There's going to be individual performances that were good."

Dallas showed little of the new offense it's breaking in, unless the new plan emphasizes linebacker-merged-fullback Robert Thomas. Thomas caught three of Troy Aikman's six completions for 21 yards.

Aikman's first possession ended when he lost a fumble on a blind-side sack after left tackle Flozell Adams missed a block.



Gene Goss Engine & Machine is sponsoring this Under 6 Girls Soccer Team from White Deer, participating with the Pampa Soccer Association. Team members are, back row from left: Zan Walker, assistant coach; Taylor Dalton, Katelyn Royce and Missy Royce, head coach. Front row from left: Shelby Walker, Celby Snapp and Shelby Broaddus. Not pictured are Bailey Baker and Sarai Soria.

## Fire 76, Miracle 55

**PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)** — Sophia Witherspoon scored 17 of her game-high 27 points in the second half, as the Portland Fire defeated Orlando 76-55 Sunday night, the Miracle's fifth straight loss.

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**Steve Stauffacher** of Lefors displays his "Big Bass" winner, a 3.82-pound bass he caught at Lake Greenbelt.

# Lefors couple win July Bassmasters tourney

A husband-wife team from Lefors took top honors at the Top O' Texas Bassmasters July tournament at Lake Greenbelt.

Steve and Maxine Stauffacher took first place with 12.6 pounds overall.

Steve Stauffacher earned the "Big Bass" award with his catch of a 3.82 pound bass. Bill Crook and Rodger Watson

shared second place honors with 6.31 pounds. Mike Young and Floyd Lott came in third with 4.54 pounds.

Nine members and one guest participated in the July event.

The August tournament is set for Fort Cobb on Aug. 5 and 6. New members are welcome. For more information, call Bill Crook at 669-2764.

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Music festival chairman Joe VanZandt and Mistress of Ceremonies Becky Reed discuss the program for the Old Mobeetie Texas Music Festival while waiting for the next band to be introduced.



Pampa's John Mann led the Majic City Cowboys Saturday night in their renditions of Bob Wills' country swing. Many of the band members played with Wills during the 1950s and 1960s.

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"It was a lot better than the 100 degrees we've had the last two or three years," VanZandt said. The annual event has in the past been produced by a blue grass association out of Amarillo, but when they declined to put the festival on this year, the Old Mobeetie Texas Association decided to produce it.

"Everybody really pitched in," VanZandt said. The association renovated the band stand and built new showers for campers.

VanZandt said this was the first time the association has staged the festival. He said it has been a learning process.

"We're going to get together and draw up a list for next year," VanZandt said, "as soon as this is

over."

The Old Mobeetie Texas Association was organized in 1972 to restore the Old Mobeetie Jail and to create a museum here at one of the Texas Panhandle's earliest communities. The Old Mobeetie Texas Music Festival is the primary fund raiser for the association.

Despite their first year of staging the three-day show, it appeared to go off without a hitch.

The bands included Texas Country from Wickett, Tex.; the Star Canyon Band from San Angelo, Tex.; Cimmaron from Wheeler, Tex.; Mary McDonald and a Touch of Grass from Stonewall, Okla.; Harmonica Wry Grass from Amarillo, Tex.; The Beacons from the Lighthouse Baptist Church, and the Majic City Cowboys from Pampa.

"It has gone amazingly smooth," VanZandt said.

## Republican convention opens with Mrs. Bush, Powell on stage

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Brimming with confidence and boasting of harmony, Republicans raised the curtain Monday on a political pageant to send George W. Bush into battle to break the Democrats' eight-year lease on the White House.

"Today begins day one of the Bush-Cheney era," declared Jim Nicholson, chairman of the Republican National Committee. He promised that the four-day meeting would be "a different kind of convention for a different kind of Republican."

"We are more united, more enthused, more excited about our prospects this fall than I can ever remember," Nicholson said.

Thousands of people swarmed into the convention hall for the midmorning opening session. But at least half the seats were empty as many delegates waited for Monday night's festivities.

The convention floor was ablaze with colors. Hawaiian delegates wore leis. Many women sported hats and scarves with stars and stripes.

Far from the convention hall, there were scattered protests and attempts to cause disruptions as delegates tried to make their way in. Seven people protesting a military-sponsored school in Georgia were arrested outside City Hall.

The highlights of the first day were to come Monday night with appeals to women, minorities and moderates by the Texas governor's wife, Laura, and retired Gen. Colin Powell, one of the GOP's biggest stars.

"I think I have an opportunity to say things about George that

other people don't know about him or can't tell about him," Mrs. Bush said on NBC's Today show.

Her husband also will make an appearance before the Republican National Convention's delegates Monday night through a satellite link from his bus caravan that will arrive here Wednesday.

"We're on our way to Philadelphia and we're on our way to victory!" Bush exulted at an Ohio rally Sunday.

Texas Lt. Gov. Rick Perry will put Bush's name in nomination, said Perry's spokesman Eric Bearnse. Perry would become governor if Bush wins the White House and would serve out the remainder of Bush's term through 2002.

Thousands of red, white and blue balloons hung in nets high above the floor of the First Union Center in anticipation of Bush's acceptance speech Thursday. Three gigantic television screens lined the stage to project larger-than-life images of convention speakers. The overarching theme: "Renewing America's Purpose. Together."

New polls showed Bush leading Democrat Al Gore anywhere from five to 12 percentage points. An NBC News-Wall Street Journal poll that came out Monday gave Bush a 47 percent to 42 percent lead in a two-way race, or a 44 percent to 38 percent margin if other likely candidates were factored in. Democrats tried to burst Bush's bubble with television ads in 17 battleground states attacking running mate Dick Cheney's conservative voting record.

Bush described his vice presi-

dential pick as "a solid man, a man of integrity," and Cheney defended himself on Sunday television talk shows. Cheney acknowledged that might vote differently now on issues ranging from gun control to women's rights.

"It's hard to figure how someone could change his position on all of those issues without undergoing a partial lobotomy," said Ed Rendell, co-chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

Cheney, arriving in Philadelphia, told several hundred sign-waving supporters that "one of the things I feel best about ... is my record."

Republicans boasted that the party was more united than at any time since the 1984 re-election of Ronald Reagan. "It's very important to us that there is unity and a feeling of optimism about winning the White House," said Gerald Parsky, chairman of the California delegation, who said many Republicans in his state voted for Ross Perot in 1992 and stayed home in 1996.

In the spirit of harmony, Sen. John McCain released his delegates and urged them to give Bush's campaign "the same amount of enthusiasm and participation you did for our primary campaign." He said the nation does not like "sore losers."

McCain's supporters groaned in disappointment and a few said they could not back Bush. "I don't think I can vote in good conscience for Bush. I think he's sending the wrong message," said James Manning, a McCain delegate from New York.

Monday night's speeches by Laura Bush, a former librarian, and Powell, a black military leader who rose to become chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, are the opening of a concerted effort to soften some of the party's hard edges of the past.

Mrs. Bush is expected to focus on literacy, an issue she has championed from the governor's mansion. The first day's theme is "Leave No Child Behind."

One of the first pieces of business was ratifying the GOP's platform of policy principles, a manifesto that reaffirms a desire to ban abortion with no exceptions and toughens language against gay rights and family planning counseling for teens. At the same time, it eases some stands, dropping calls for abolishing the Education Department and setting a more welcoming tone for immigrants.

"This platform is putting the flesh on compassionate conservatism," said Wisconsin Gov. Tommy Thompson, the platform chairman, using Bush's slogan.

This marks the first political convention in Philadelphia since 1948 near the dawn of the television era. A half century later, major TV networks are slashing back their reports on grounds that there's no suspense about the outcome. That hasn't deterred cable outlets from saturation coverage.

Democrats will open their convention in Los Angeles on Aug. 14.

## Pampa comes up short in Sectional opener

VAN BUREN, Ark. — The Springdale, Ark. 9-10 All-Stars used a 5-run third inning to come from behind to defeat the Pampa Optimist 9-10 All-Stars 6-4 in the opening round of the Cal Ripken 9-10 Southern Sectional Tournament here Friday.

A hit batter and four consecutive walks proved to be Pampa's undoing as the youngsters from Springdale managed only two hits in the third inning, and five the entire game.

Pampa jumped out to a 3-0 lead with two outs in the third inning.

Aaron Carr — who scored Pampa's first run the West Texas Cal Ripken 9-10 State Tournament in Tula two weeks ago — led off the inning with an infield hit. He went to second on a groundout by Shane Davis. A fake bunt allowed Carr to steal third. The next batter struck out. Colby Copeland laced a single to right center, scoring Carr. Rusty

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Snider followed with a single to right. Copeland hustled to third, sliding under the throw as Snider took second. Darius Kimberling lined a single to right, scoring both runners and took second on a futile throw to the plate. Shavius Kelley followed with an infield hit, but the shortstop faked a throw to first and caught Kimberling off second for the third out.

The Texas team upped its lead in the third inning, but also missed an opportunity to score more.

Mark Stone walked with one out and went to second on a passed ball. An out later, Shane Davis was hit by a pitch. Colden Fortenberry then got the best hit of the game, a solid double over the head of the left fielder. Stone scored easily on the play. However, perfect relay throws from left field to the shortstop to

the catcher nailed Davis at the plate to snuff out the rally.

Pampa's starting pitcher, Kimberling, was impressive the first two innings. He struck out two of the first three batters he faced in a perfect first inning.

Springdale threatened in the second when the first batter singled and the second batter drew a walk. Kimberling started a 1-6-3 double play by fielding a groundball and firing to Stone at second, who relayed to Copeland at first to complete the twin killing. After an infield single failed to get a runner home, Kimberling struck out the next batter for the third out.

In the fatal third inning, the first two Springdale batters singled. The next batter hit into a fielder's choice for the first out. Kimberling hit the next batter loading the bases. A wild pitch brought in the first run. A fielder's choice resulted in another run scoring with the batter safe at first. Four consecutive walks

and some wild pitches produced three more runs before Stone could come in and put the fire out. He caught a flyball and tagged a runner out trying to steal home.

Springdale led 5-4 despite only getting two hits in the inning.

The winners padded their lead in the fourth without a hit. A walk, a passed ball, a stolen base and a wild pitch produced the final run of the game.

Pampa threatened each of the last three innings.

Kimberling reached base on an error in the fourth inning. He failed to score just as in the first inning, when he led off with a bunt single. Stone was left stranded in the fifth after reaching base on a walk.

Dakota Gowin, pinch-hitting, beat out an infield hit in the sixth inning. Kenny Hightower was inserted as a pinch-runner. He moved to second on a passed ball, but got no further.

For the game, Pampa collected seven hits, including two by Kimberling. There was one hit each by Carr, Kelley, Fortenberry, Copeland and Snider.

Kimberling gave up four hits in two and one-third innings. He struck out three, walked five and also hit a batter. Stone allowed one unearned run in one and two-thirds innings. He walked three and struck out one, allowing only one hit. Carr pitched a perfect fifth inning, striking out one.

The Pampa All-Stars outhit Springdale 7 to 5 and only made one error in the field. They simply came up short in the scoring department.

Pampa was scheduled to face North Randall County Texas Red last night in the double-elimination tournament. The two teams met in a doubleheader in the West Texas Cal Ripken 9-10 State Tournament with Pampa winning 7-2 and 10-3 last week.

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## A&M group: Plans progress for alternative bonfire off campus

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Students involved in a group working to keep the Texas A&M University bonfire alive say plans are rapidly progressing to build a log stack off campus this fall, in spite of a two-year moratorium on the annual tradition after last year's deadly collapse.

Texas A&M officials are critical of the students' plans for an alternative bonfire and said they will not support their efforts, the Bryan-College Station Eagle reported in Sunday editions.

The 2 million-pound bonfire stack collapsed during construction on Nov. 18. It killed 12 Aggies and injured 27 others, some severely.

In May, a five-member commission appointed and funded by Texas A&M to investigate the deaths blamed flawed construction techniques and a lack of adequate supervision of students assembling the stack. In June, A&M President Ray Bowen announced the 90-year bonfire tradition would continue, but not until at least 2002 and not without major changes, including far greater university supervision and a professionally engineered design.

Will Clark, one of the board members of Keep the Fire Burning, said students, former students and community members need to see a bonfire burn in order to heal and to move on.

"That's what is prompting us to do this: The

Aggie spirit and love for bonfire can't be turned off," he said. "When Dr. Bowen released his findings, that was a challenge for us to come up with a safe plan. We still have much to do, but we think it can get done. If the engineers tell us there are problems though, we will pull back and plan for 2001."

Members of Keep the Fire Burning say they have been meeting with professional engineers, lawyers, fire safety officials and security companies.

The group has chosen Nov. 22 as the event date.

Joe Dyson, one of the group's board members, said a professional engineer has been donating his time to design several options for a safe bonfire, basing his models on standards set by Bowen. He would not identify the engineer.

Students would cut their own logs, which would be contrary to Bowen's plan that no students be involved in chopping down trees and the bonfire stack would be smaller, Dyson said.

The group hopes to finance the project through donations. Past bonfires have cost as much as \$70,000.

Dyson and other board members declined to release details about the exact designs under consideration or the location, saying only that several Brazos County landowners have offered their property.

"different kind of convention for a different kind of Republican" — in line with Bush's theme of being a "compassionate conservative" focusing on issues like education and Social Security.

"My job is to lift the spirit of the country," Bush said at a rain-soaked rally at a suburban baseball field in Cincinnati. "My job is to set our sights high. My job is to say a united nation can achieve that which we want: to make sure people are not left behind," Bush told the ballpark rally.

In a break with tradition, the convention will begin a rolling roll call of the states Monday night, spreading out the state-by-state declarations of support over several nights instead of making the audience endure what usually is an hours long process.

**GOP: Brimming with confidence and harmony**

**PHILADELPHIA (AP)** — Brimming with confidence and boasting of harmony, Republicans are raising the curtain on George W. Bush's convention with opening-night appeals to women, minorities and moderates by the Texas governor's wife, Laura, and retired Gen. Colin Powell, one of the GOP's biggest stars.

"We're on our way to Philadelphia and we're on our way to victory!" Bush exulted at an Ohio rally on a bus trip to the Republican National Convention. He'll make nightly appearances by satellite links on the road before arriving in town Wednesday.

Thousands of red, white and blue balloons hung in nets high above the floor of the First Union Center in anticipation of Bush's acceptance speech Thursday. Three gigantic television screens lined the stage to project larger-than-life images of convention speakers. The over-arching theme: "Renewing America's Purpose. Together."

New polls showed Bush leading Democrat Al Gore anywhere from seven to 12 percentage points. Democrats tried to burst Bush's bubble with television ads in 17 battleground states attacking running mate Dick Cheney's

conservative voting record.

Bush described his vice presidential pick as "a solid man, a man of integrity," and Cheney defended himself on Sunday television talk shows. Cheney acknowledged that might vote differently now on issues ranging from gun control to women's rights — prompting Democrats to seize on his turnaround.

"It's hard to figure how someone could change his position on all of those issues without undergoing a partial lobotomy," said Ed Rendell, co-chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

Cheney, arriving in Philadelphia, told several hundred sign-waving supporters that "one of the things I feel best about ... is my record."

**Raging Sierra Nevada blaze tops 60,000 acres**

**RIDGECREST, Calif. (AP)** — A tiny mountain town went up in flames and eight homes were destroyed as a 63,270-acre wildfire continued its weeklong rampage through the Sierra Nevada.

The blaze that roared through Sequoia National Forest was only 15 percent contained late Sunday, and firefighters estimated it would take two weeks to surround, said Lee Bentley, a U.S. Forest Service spokesman.

More than 1,500 firefighters set

backfires, sprayed foam and cut brush as they battled the spreading blaze that began July 22. Eight firefighters have been injured, and the fire has cost more than \$3 million.

On Saturday, the fire took out houses and trailers in Pine Creek, part of a more broadly scattered community known as Kennedy Meadows, about 120 miles north of Los Angeles. It earlier burned eight outbuildings and lodges.

Some of the village's 43 permanent residents had headed a mandatory evacuation issued days ago — but not all. The wife of a Pine Creek recluse, Ed Wilson, called the local Grumpy Bear's Restaurant to see if anyone knew of his whereabouts. She had last heard from him on Tuesday.

A U.S. Bureau of Land Management crew sent a fire truck to check up on Wilson. He was fine, and his home on the edge of the scorched area was untouched.

"We called his wife and she was very relieved," said Jan Gant, who owns the log cabin-style restaurant with her husband, Pat.

**Group: Elderly drug costs to explode without Medicare coverage**

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — In the past eight years, Americans age 65 and older have watched their

prescription drug costs double, with prices expected to more than double again in the next 10 years, a health care advocacy group said.

Without prescription drug coverage by Medicare, fewer seniors will be able to afford the dozens of prescriptions they must fill each year, said Families USA, which lobbies for universal health coverage.

A study commissioned by the group and released Monday said Americans 65 and older pay an average of \$1,205 a year for prescriptions — up from \$559 in 1992 — and will shell out \$2,810 apiece by 2010.

Prescription drugs now account for about 10 percent of seniors' health costs — and will likely rise to 13.3 percent in 2010, the report said.

Older Americans account for only 13 percent of the nation's population but pay 42 cents of every dollar spent on prescription drugs, it said. They also pay more per pill because their purchases account for only 34 percent of total prescriptions.

"When they go to the pharmacy, they pay higher prices for their drugs than anyone, because there's no one bargaining on their behalf," said Ron Pollack, Families USA executive director. The study said the average

senior's cost per prescription has risen dramatically, from \$28.50 in 1992 to \$42.30 now, and is projected to jump to \$72.94 in 2010.

**Venezuelans re-elect Chavez, consolidate his 'social revolution' for the poor**

**CARACAS, Venezuela (AP)** — Venezuelans set off fireworks and danced in the streets Monday to celebrate the re-election of President Hugo Chavez, whose "social revolution" has given new hope to the country's poor and whose fiery rhetoric has terrified the wealthy.

Still pending were results of congressional races, which were crucial to Chavez's plans to complete his overhaul of Venezuela's political and social landscape. Partial results from Sunday's vote indicated his allies captured 13 of the country's 23 governorships and the capital's mayorship.

A clearer picture of the opposition's ability to maintain a voice in Venezuelan politics was expected to emerge later Monday with results of the congressional races.

With 77 percent of the votes counted, the National Electoral Council gave 59 percent to Chavez and 38 percent to his main challenger, former Zulia Gov. Francisco Arias Cardenas.

Turnout among the 12 million eligible voters appeared higher than expected, although no official numbers were released.

"Hugo, I am sure that nothing and no one can stop you now," Cuban President Fidel Castro told his friend Chavez in a chummy telephone conversation Saturday.

Outside the presidential palace, a nine-piece salsa band lit up and people danced in the streets, hugging complete strangers and yelling "We won!" Thousands more, many of them wearing the president's trademark red paratrooper's beret, swarmed through the gates, screaming Chavez's name.

"You really love me, don't you?" a smiling Chavez asked from a balcony draped with the Venezuelan flag. To the cheers of the crowd, he pledged: "Everything I have in life, I give to you."

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# MEDICAL

## Pharmacy helps people who cannot afford prescriptions

By PAT LEISNER  
Associated Press Writer

PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla. (AP) — Wayne Carr was a dry waller for 24 years before his doctor discovered he had an enlarged heart, had him quit work and put him on medicines that cost \$155 a month.

With no income, Carr could not afford the prescriptions. For weeks, he managed with help from his family. He looked for a job, but there wasn't much demand for a 48-year-old unskilled laborer seeking light work.

"My last paycheck was early May. Since then, I've been bumming it," Carr said as he waited in line recently at a pharmacy where people who can't afford to pay for prescription drugs get them free.

The St. Vincent de Paul Community Pharmacy opened two months ago to help needy people without insurance so they don't skip medications or have to choose between a pill and a meal.

The free pharmacy, opened one day a week, already has 70 clients.

The high cost of prescription drugs is an issue stretching far beyond this fast-growing south-

west Florida community of 150,000.

In Florida, where the 2.8 million seniors make up 18 percent of the population, the topic drew impressive attention during the Legislative session. Lawmakers gave the elderly a break, allowing those with Medicare cards to get slightly cheaper rates at certain pharmacies.

The price of prescription drugs is heart of a grass roots campaign by the country's largest senior advocacy group, the AARP, which seeks coverage for the 13 million Medicare beneficiaries lacking drug insurance.

The issue has been shaping up as an election year item with House Republicans and the Clinton administration pushing competing proposals: the GOP favoring a mix of private and government coverage and the Democrats favoring a government-run benefit.

Dr. Mark Asperilla, who specializes in internal medicine and infectious diseases, is the medical director of the St. Vincent de Paul Community Pharmacy here and the only doctor on the eight-member pharmacy board.

The pharmacy is stocked primarily through donations — sample drugs from doctors, drugs from manufacturers through their indigent assis-

tance programs and donations from not-for-profit companies. Fund raising provides money to buy drugs at cost if necessary, he said.

Not everyone who applies for free drugs gets them. "We have very strict guidelines," Asperilla said, adding 10 percent of those screened are turned away.

During an eligibility interview, applicants provide documents showing income and household expenses. Income cannot exceed expenses. They give a general medical history, listing all drugs they take.

Prescriptions are checked with their physicians. Sometimes teams are sent out to gather or verify background information. Volunteer pharmacists dispense drugs to those who qualify.

"We do as good a check as you could hope to do," said Tom Ferrara, 71, executive director and catalyst of the program. St. Vincent de Paul is a worldwide charitable organization operated by lay Catholic men and women to help the needy.

Ferrara said 70 percent of those helped are senior citizens with multiple prescriptions who skip or borrow a pill, cut a dose in half to stretch it, cut back on food or air conditioning to pay for drugs, or simply go without critical medications altogether.

On a recent day, about a dozen people came to the small storefront pharmacy. Carr needed temporary help with blood pressure and heart medications. He has qualified for unemployment insurance, but hasn't gotten it yet. He is applying for disability insurance, a process that, if successful, takes several months.

A 65-year-old uninsured retired cabinet maker was clutching a baggie with five empty vials of medicines. He couldn't stretch his \$471 a month Social Security check thin enough to cover the \$85 a month drug bill.

The county helps people who meet certain criteria — but only for one month. Ferrara's program often kicks in afterward to get cash-strapped patients a second month of drugs. Meantime, he works with doctors' offices as a patient advocate doing paperwork for people to apply for prescription assistance through drug manufacturer programs.

"We are pioneering here in Florida and are still trying to perfect the program. One day we would like to set up a charitable franchise," Asperilla said.

"The Salvation Army addresses food; Goodwill addresses clothing; we address health," he said.

## Children's health briefs

### Heat rash common in hot, humid weather

HOUSTON — Heat rash is aptly named because it tends to occur in the summer when children perspire heavily. The rash generally appears as small red bumps on a child's chest, stomach and back.

"Heat rash occurs when there is excessive sweating after the sweat pores become blocked," said Dr. Moise Levy, chief of dermatology at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston. "The rash, also known as prickly heat or summer rash, can cause some discomfort because of itching and stinging but generally goes away within a few days."

Calamine lotion and cool baths or compresses can help ease itching and stinging. To absorb moisture, try cornstarch or other powders. A cool rag to affected areas also is helpful. Discourage your child from scratching, which can lead to infection. Dress your child in as little clothing as possible or select lightweight, absorbent fabrics such as cotton.

### Ensure family's safety when boating

HOUSTON — Before launching your boat into your favorite waterway, take time to launch something even more important — a boating-safety list. Dr. Frank Hill, a pediatrician with Texas Children's Pediatric Associated in Houston, offers the following tips to keep your family safe.

Take a boating safety course, inspect your boat to ensure it is in good shape, monitor weather reports before departure and while at sea, ensure everyone on board wears a life jacket, regardless of swimming ability, never operate a boat while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, if water skiing, stay away from swimmers, cover up from the sun and use generous amounts of sunscreen.

"Always tell someone where you are going and when you plan to return," Hill said. "And don't forget to pack plenty of drinking water and a first aid kit."

### Fitting your child's fitness into your schedule

HOUSTON — Time is precious and finding time to raise healthy, active kids can seem like a challenge. But according to Dr. Pat Vehrs, exercise physiologist and director of the Texas Children's Hospital Wellness Center in Houston, encouraging activity in kids is not so much a matter of time as a matter of commitment.

"Parents who are trying to instill healthy, active lifestyles for their kids need to be committed to that idea," he said. "It only takes about 30 to 40 minutes a day for parents to encourage physical activity in their kids."

As a guideline, kids should be physically active as a part of school, play and chores at least five days a week, said Vehrs. In addition, vigorous physical activity should be encouraged at least two to three days a week. Parents can help by being flexible, providing resources, planning noncompetitive activities, serving healthy foods and becoming actively involved.

### Supervise children on escalators

HOUSTON — Escalators are a great way to get from one floor to another, but they can cause injuries if used carelessly.

"Escalators are not toys and should be used as intended," said Dr. Donna Moro-Southerland, an emergency-room physician at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston. "Injuries most often result from falls or when hands, feet or shoes become trapped in the escalator."

When getting on, hold the handrail and your child's hand. Step in the middle of the step and face forward. Do not allow your child to run up and down or sit on the steps. Be sure backpack straps, jacket drawstrings and shoestrings do not get caught in the escalator. Know where the emergency stop buttons are located at the top and bottom of the

escalator. If your child is in a stroller, or you are carrying packages, use the elevator.

### Be alert to changes in teens' weight and eating habits

HOUSTON — Significant changes in a teen's weight or eating habits could signal potentially serious food-related problems.

"It's common for teens to ski an occasional meal," said Becky Gorham, a research dietitian with the USDA/ARS Children's Nutrition Research Center at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "But dramatic weight loss or gain, sudden interest or preoccupation with exercise, food, calories, body weight or size indicate that food is becoming a problem."

Teens with eating problems might wear oversized clothing to hide weight loss or gain, visit the restroom frequently after meals, exercise compulsively or excessively, develop food rituals like cutting food in tiny pieces, avoid social occasions that involve food, or appear moody or depressed.

Early treatment is key to preventing eating problems from developing into eating disorders.

Bulimia, or induced vomiting, and anorexia nervosa, or intentional starvation, are very difficult to treat and can be life-threatening disorders.

"If you think your child is developing food-related problems, seek help from your healthcare professional immediately," Gorham said.

### Good hand-washing habits help kids stay healthy

HOUSTON — Parents can help children stay healthy by emphasizing the importance of frequent hand washing.

Close contact in the classroom allows many illnesses to quickly spread from one child to the next. Some of the most common are upper respiratory tract infections, chicken pox, conjunctivitis or pink eye, head lice, and scabies.

Because children are often contagious before their illness is known, contact can't be completely avoided. But, frequent hand washing cuts the risks.

Dr. Jan Drutz, an associate professor of pediatrics at Baylor College of Medicine, encourages parents to teach their children to wash their hands periodically throughout the day, particularly before eating or handling food.

Dr. Drutz also suggests the children learn to limit close contact with classmates who appear ill.

### Pint-sized portions cut mealtime stress

HOUSTON — Scaled-back portions can help parents sidestep mealtime battles with finicky tykes.

"Children who are poor eaters can be overwhelmed by adult-size portions," said Dr. Karen Cullen, a behavioral nutrition researcher with the USDA/ARS Children's Nutrition Research Center at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. Pint-sized portions also allow for positive mealtime interactions when toddlers ask for more.

According to Cullen, a good rule-of-thumb is one tablespoon of vegetables, fruit or meat per year of life for children under 6 years of age. Cullen also advises parents to adopt a "big picture" attitude. "It's what a child eats over several days, not at single meal, that's important," she said. Allowing young children to listen to their bodies' hunger cues could also help them avoid overeating and weight problems later in life.

For children who are routinely not hungry at mealtime, Cullen suggests keeping an eye on snacks. Too much fruit juice or snacks too close to meals can ruin small appetites. Also consider limiting beverages to one-half cup at the beginning of meals, serving more once a child begins eating.

When children who refuse to eat at mealtime complain of hunger an hour later, parents are advised to hold their ground and avoid becoming short-order cooks. "Offer some fruit or vegetables with dip, but avoid preparing a meal. The child won't starve and limits need to be teamed," Cullen said.

## TDH: Emergency medical help available at all times

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Those three numbers often mean the difference between life and death, day in and day out. Emergency medical help can be reached by telephone most everywhere in Texas 24 hours a day. These emergency response teams provide a lifeline from the ill and injured to medical care, according to Kathy Perkins, chief of the Bureau of Emergency Management at the Texas Department of Health.

"Nearly 45,000 trained, certified emergency personnel are part of the Texas Emergency Medical Services," Perkins said. "These highly trained medics treat patients from the emergency scene to the hospital and are an integral part of our emergency care system for victims of sudden and serious illness or injury."

Minutes count in an emergency, and what individuals do in an emergency situation even before EMS arrives makes a significant difference to an ill or injured person, Perkins said.

Recognizing a medical emergency is one of the first steps. Auto wrecks, chest pains or serious falls with broken bones signal emergency conditions to many people. But other situations are no so obvious. Call 9-1-1 immediately if any of these conditions are present: serious bleeding, unconsciousness, signs of a heart attack, burns, neck or spine injuries, not breathing, choking, broken bones, head, chest or abdominal injuries.

Common sense and knowing the victim also are important to assessing an emergency, Perkins said. "Factors such as stressful events, a pre-existing medical condition or abnormal behavior may signal an emergency situation exists for an individual."

How you make the emergency call also is important. Remain calm or have another person make the call. Give the 9-1-1 dispatcher whatever facts are requested. This information usually will include the address of the emergency and possibly a nearby cross street, your name and the telephone number at your location, the name of the ill or injured person and what is wrong. Have someone wait near the street or in a parking lot to direct EMS to the victim. Most important—stay on the line until the dispatcher tells you to hang up.

Remember not to move the ill or injured person unless that person is in immediate danger. Do not give the person anything to eat or drink and do not allow him or her to smoke. Keep the person calm and still.

The Texas Trauma System consists of 173 trauma centers across Texas, coordinating a patient's in-hospital care so that the ill or injured person receives the type of care needed.

"While we can be proud of the emergency medical services in Texas," Perkins said, "prevention is still the best way to avoid accidental or premature death." Learning CPR and the Heimlich maneuver are ways to begin. Other healthy lifestyle habits also help. These include: using seat belts and child safety seats, keeping immunizations current, eating right and exercising, driving at safe speeds, avoiding alcohol use while driving, and keeping guns locked in a safe place.

To receive a copy of TDH's brochure "When Minutes Count: A Citizen's Guide to Medical Emergencies," contact the TDH Bureau of Emergency Management at 1100 W. 49th St., Austin 78756 or call 512-834-6700.

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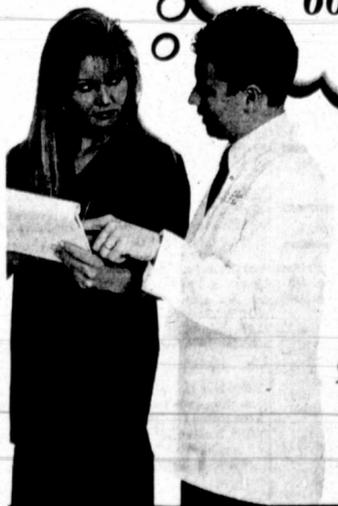
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