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| Fire <br> Pampa Fire Department responded to the following calls during the 24 -hour period ending at 7 a.m. today. <br> Tuesday, July 8 <br> 6:41 p.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist at Recreation Park. | Police <br> Pampa Police Department today reported the following incidents. <br> Tuesday, July 8 <br> Books of checks were reported stolen in the 1300 block of Duncan. <br> An unattended death was reported in the 1000 block of Cinderella. <br> A roping dummy, trailer hitch cover, rake, two tires and wheels were reported stolen |
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## AlLEGATIONS

accused of being accessories.
"We are prepared to pursue prosecution through every legal channel available," the through every legal channel avaliable.
letter read.
The citizens group said they expect a public confession from each of the parties and resignations on or before July 15
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Globe-News that the city was relinquishing
any right, title, claim or interest in the land The alternative, the letter
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 or before July 10 ," the letter read "There will be no resignations," missioners said in a prepared statement. Lane noted that with regard to the accusa tions against Dixon, the commissioner asked he city attorney, prior to Dixon's appointment as Gray County Veteran's Service Officer, if he could serve in both capacities. Under an Attorney General's Opinion Lane said, a veteran's county service office does not hold a public office for profit and is not barred from serving as a compensated city councilman. Nor is there anything in thecity charter that would disqualify Dixon from
CUTTS
four paramedics, four
EMTs, 18 basic EMTs and
one Emergency Care
Attendant.
"I don't want to touch the
fire department," Mayor
Lonny Robbins said. "I don't
want to lay off nine people,
but we're between a rock and
a hard place."
Powell said her proposed
budget, which includes keep-
ing the North Fire Station
operating, is about the same
as last year's budget, although
there are increases in some
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tures a 106 -mile ride fo tures a 106 -mile ride for
motorcyclist enthusiasts and will also help raise funds fo "Kids Club." The run starts and finishes
at Hobart Street Park with the first motorcycle out at noon and the last one out at 2 p.m. Cost is $\$ 10 \mathrm{a}$ hand with pro ceeds going to "Kids Club." Fun and games are planned throughout the day including a $50 / 50$ drawing. door prizes, a motorcycle show for American, Classics Imports, and Sports. Also planned are various motor games and foot games and dogs, soft drinks, chips, pop corn and candy
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being a city commissioner.
Lane said that under the city charter Dixon can and does noter monthly fee paid to each member of the city commission.
The charges against Curry, Lane said, are
more vague.
He said he assumes the charge is based on the part of the city charter that says no person ee appointed to a city affice.
Bob Curry, Faustina Curry's father-in-law was appointed to the Planning and Zoning Commission in 1998, Lane said, but mem bers of the Planning and Zoning Commission receive no pay for their service and all their actions must be approved by the city com mission.
Lane said there has been no violation of the city charter since the nepotism section was to prohibit relatives from being appoint
ed to positions where they would have some financial gain.
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With regard to the second letter, Lane said ing public interest to retain the property ing public interest to retain the property.
To that end, the commission passed a res olution Tuesday night stating that it is in the olution Tuesday night stating that it is in the
public interest to delay the sale of the properfor water supply and economic development purposes.
"Although the city is faced with significant budget problems and every dollar will be needed for on-going services, if any lawsuit is filed, the suit will be defended regardless of the expenses incurred," Lane said. reading the commission's statement. "The members of this commission believe that the allegations made in these two letters are an attempt
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In other business, the city commission ppointed Darville Orr to fill an unexpired term on the Appraisal District Board.

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## SPORTS



Hidden Hills Jr. Clinic set for July 17 and 18 Hidden Hills Golf
Course will host a junior clinic July 17 and 18 for ages 7 through 16. The clinic will meet from $8: 30$ a.m. to 11 p.m. each day. A $\$ 20$ fee includes snack; refreshments and prizes. The clinic will be taught by David Teichmann, golf pro,
and staff at Hidden Hills. Basketball
EAGLE, Colo. (AP) --
The sexual assault allegations against Los Angeles Lakers guard Kobe Bryant were made by a 19 -year-old Colorado woman. Eagle County Sheriff Joe Hoy confirmed the woman's age and said she
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## The 24 year-old Bryant

 is accused of sexual assault. and prosecutors are expected to decide by the end ofthe week whether to charge the week whether to charge
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Pamela Mackey, says he is Pamela Mackey, says he is
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Cal Ripkin Tourney: Why baseball is played
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { BY JOHN W. WARNER } & \begin{array}{l}\text { bunt in front of the plate. Again } \\ \text { Cross fielded the ball and }\end{array}\end{array}$
The Pampa News threw home. This time Trevino tulia got one run back in the
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Tournament here Tuesday is a
over the right center field wall, then on a single by Dalton
Rall, a walk, a passed ball prime example of why the sending the Tulia team and and a fieider's choice. Tulia got game is played. North Randall had opened I
the first inning by scoring four the first inning by scoring four runs and was sitting comfortably with a $7-2$ lead in the botlom of the fifth inning when two bunts and a dramatic threerun homer climaxed a six-run uprising and propelled Tulia to through the heart of the North two runs in the top of the an improbable 8-7 win. Randall batting order and got fourth. Shane Wieck was safe
Pampa brought their bats them three up and three down on an error. cross was hit by a with them to crank out 19 hits
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Gustin in the bottom of the Careless base running came Louie Macias started for fourth, hit Zach Maestas and back to haunt North Randall. Tulia. He allowed five runs and uncorked two wild pitches on In the first inning, two runners five hits in the first three his way to walking Claudio were returned to base after innings. He hit two batters,
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Cross, who had beaten Pampa left on base when the next two hits. He hita batter, walked one a day earlier. A bunt by Frankie batters made outs. and struck out four in three day earlier. A bunt by Frankie batters made outs, revino followed. Cross field In the second inning, the innings. Maestas slid under the throw, caught off firstafter and was making the score 7-3.
permitted to permited to double play. In the fourth game's leading hitter. Hooker take second without a throw. inning, North Randall scored a had two hits, including a douLevi Sanders cracked a single run on a fielder's choice, but ble, a run scored and three RBI to left field to bring in Cedillio, the runner at second was to lead North Randall. making it 7-4. Trevino stopped caught in a run down between Pampa sent 14 batters to the at third. Sanders alertly took second and third and tagged plate in the top of the first second when the throw into the out at third. The batter was inning to score nine times and infield went to third.

Gerado Dominguez and Lane Douglass had a double, a
Madison Wilson combined to sacrifice fly, one run scored Madison Wilson combined to sacrifice fly, one run scored
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Alex Torres was three for The game ended on an unas three including a triple, two sisted double pláy by Hayden runs scored and one RBi to Skinner, who caught a fly ball lead Pampa's hitting. Heath at shortstop and beat the runner Skinner and Wilson also had trying to get back three hits. Skinner scored thre the twin killing. times with two RBI. Wilson Pampa and North Randall John Luke Covalt tripled home today at Optimist Park. I ohn Luke Covalt tripled home today at Optimist Park:
wo runs and tallied twice. winner will play Tulia Hayden Skinner made three p.m.. tomorrow with a sect uns on two hits and two RBI. game to follow ey Trimble had two runs later if needed.
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## South Korea accuses North of reprocessing fuel rods

BY CHRISTOPHER TORCHI Assoclated Press Writer

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) - South Korea said Wednesday it believes North Korea has taken a key step toward making
nuclear weapons even as the North's envoys pledged reconciliation in talks in

South Korea's National Intelligence Service, or NIS, said the communist North had reprocessed a small number of 8,000 spent nuclear fuel rods that were stored at its nuclear facilities at Yongbyon. Reprocessing all the rods could yield enough plutonium for several atomic bombs within months, adding to a suspected arsenal of one or two nuclear bombs, experts say.
Since April, North Korea has claimed that it had all but finished reprocessing the rods. Until now, both U.S. and South Korean officials have expressed doubt放 the North Korean claim, but the satement from the South Korean intelligence agency is likely to heighten tension ver the North's suspected development of atomic bombs.
We believe hat North Korea has
spent rods," the NIS said in a report to the National Assembly. South Korea receive much of its intelligence on North Kore from the United States, which spies on the craft.
Ko Young-koo, NIS director, also said North Korea conducted nuclear-relate tests of high explosives at Yongduk-dong, a site west of the Yongbyon nuclear complex. It was unclear whether the tests were recent. South Korea has been aware of similar tests over the past decade.
Arriving in Seoul, a high-level North Korean delegation said Wednesday it wa willing to work for reconciliation with South Korea despite the approach of "the black clouds of a nuclear war.
The trademark North Korean rhetoric came on the first of four days of talks in Seoul between Cabinet-level delegations. The meetings are to promote inter-Korea projects, but South Korean officials plan oo press North Korea to agree to multilatral talks on nuclear development. "Our nation faces a stark situation as he black clouds of a nuclear war are comng toward the Korean Peninsula minute reference to the nuclear dispute.

No one can fathom the calamitous consequences if the crisis situation crosses the critical point and ignites a war, hey said in a statement. Neither the North nor the South would be free from them."
Nort Korea has used harsh rhetoric for decades, and U.S. and South Korean officials believe it's a tactic designed to esca late tension and pressure negotiating part ners into making concessions.
In an apparent reference to the U.S.-led victory in the Iraq war, the statement said the aggressive forces are getting more frantic with war fevers as a result of a war in a different region."
At the same time, the North Korean delegates said they arrived "with the sacred willingness for national reconciliaion, peace and reunification.
South Korean President Roh Moo-hyun is visiting China to try to enlist Beijing's help in peacefully resolving the nuclear standoff. China, which has leverage over North Korea because it is a major source of food and fuel for its destitute neighbor has said it wants a Korean Peninsula fre of nuclear weapons.
North Korea "has to choose the path of


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said in Beijing on Wednesday. "No nation in the international community believes hat the nuclear project will assure its ture."
Tensions flared last October when U.S. officials said Pyongyang admitted having's a secret nuclear program, in violaNor international agreements. Nort Korea says ins wing to resolve U.S. security concerns if Washington provides security guarantees. The

## U.S. envoy meets Palestinian officials to ease crisis in peace process



The United States, which pushed for Abbas' appointment
That in April, gave its backing to the embattled prime minister. White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said President Bush "The Palestinian Authority still has responsibilities Internal Palestinian politics is complicated for Palestinians, St alone outside observers," Fleischer told reporters in South Africa
Underscoring the fragile state of Israeli-Palestinian peace moves, Palestinian sources said Israeli soldiers overnight shot and killed a 27 -year-old Palestinian man, Iyad
Halanesh, and wounded his 26 -year-old wife near the West Bank town of Jenin during an operation to arrest the man's brother, a member of Yasser Arafat's Fatah movement. The Israeli army said soldiers during an arrest operation near Jenin returned fire, hitting the gunman. The army said the militant they arrested had planned to carry out a shoot ing attack Wednesday. They could not confirm the name o ondition of the man whu was shot.
On Tuesday, as internal tensions rose in the Palestinian leadership, Abbas called off a meeting with Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon set for Wednesday. Some official

Cabot awards


Grady Milton, middle, of White Deer recently acceptLuster, both of Cabot Corporation, for use and Lyn Emergency Helicopter Launch Pad to be located south of White Deer. The award from CRT was on behalf of Cabot Corp. The launch pad will be available for us for residents in the Eastern Panhandle of Texas.


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Dale Clark, plant manager, Cabot (Courtesy photo) racently congratulated Kenny Gerber, right, recipient of the 2002 Cabot Volunteer Service Award. Gerber was recognized for his service with Knights of

Also Tuesday, in a largely symbolic gesture, Abbas resigned from Fatah's central committee, Fatah officials said. In his decades as Arafat's deputy in Fatah and the LO, Abbas has resigned or threatened to resign many mes. Fatah insiders said this time, too, it was a ploy to the central committee, said Wednesday that the coyait on the central committee, said We
tee had rejected the resignation
"Abu Mazen (Abbas) will
Abu Mazen (Abbas) will not be able to continue as prime minister if he is not a member of the central commitFatah has been in turmoil over the declaration of the ease-fire 10 days ago, which also obligates its affiliated militia, the Al Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades, to honor it. Militant groups, with backing from some Fatah activists, criticized Abbas for not pressing Israel harder for release of Palestinian prisoners.
In a letter to Arafat, Abbas said he would step down as prime minister unless he received clear instructions from Fatah over how to handle contacts with Israel.
Fatah officials said Abbas' move might be a pressure tac ic aimed at forcing Fatah members to give him greater flexility in the talks.
Israel refuses to free detainees involved directly in terror attacks, including members of the violent Islamic groups
Hamas and Islamic Jihad. Abbas is said to be concerned that Hamas and Islamic Jihad. Abbas is said to be concerned that
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their three-month truce: Fatah called a six-month cease-fire. their three-month truce. Fatah called a six-month cease-fire.
Israel is holding about 7,000 Palestinian prisoners, most of them rounded up during the current 33 -month conflict.
Several hundred people missing after ferry in Bangladesh sinks


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search for Vincent Brothers 41．Atter police discovered the
three children．．heir mother and grandmother dead
Tuesday morning in their Bakerstield home．
Police Capt．Neil Mahan said Wecnesday that Brother became a possible suspect
basecd on witness statements． crime scene information and
dectails about his prior behav－ ior．He said more information
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angles．＂Malhan told ABC ＂Good Morning America．＂
Asked whether Brothers had fled．Mahan said＂Mr．
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during this time frame．＂ found Tuesclay，but police
onths and Harper＇s mother arnestine Harper， 70 Police described Brothers eparated．The two were seek－ ag＇an annuilment，but it was nclear Tuesday whether a judge had approved it Brothers is the father of the ved with the family，said Sarren Dixon，22，a nephew
Earnestine Harpe of Earnestine Harper． Police were called to the friend who had heck on the family．The bod－ ies of Joanie Harper and her bedroom：Earnestine Harper was in another room．． Neighbors said the streers
have been noisy with fire crackers for diays because of
the July 4 hol day so gunshots the July 4 holiday so gunshots might have gone unnoticed．
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## Democrats targeting GOP malpractice bill for defeat

WASHINGTON（AP）－White House－ing the amount of money attorneys could backed legislation to put caps on damage awards in medical malpractice cases hangs in he balance in the Senate，targeted for defeat by a Democratic filibuster
＂It＇s absurd to suggest that $\$ 250,000$ is adequate for someone who is paralyzed for life，＂Sen．Edward M．Kennedy D－Mass hife，Sen．Edward M．Kennedy，D－Mass．，
said Tuesday on the eve of a showdown on said Tuesday
＂This is the bill that the president will sign and will begin to make a difference in getting medical liability premiums down＂countered Sen．Mitch McConnell，R－Ky．，＂which means that health care professionals will be avail－ able to
The bill＇s supporters needed 60 votes to prevail，and GOP and Democratic aides alike predicted that wouldn＇t happen．Republicans also said they expected Majority Leader Bill Frist，R－Tenn．，to remove the measure from the floor if it failed to overcome the Democratic delaying tactics
The legislation proposed limiting non－eco－ nomic damages，commonly known as pain would be capped at the greater of $\$ 250,000$ or twice the amount of economic damages， which cover medical expenses，loss of wages， furieral expenses and similar costs．States would be permitted to enact higher limits． Additionally，the measure called for limit－

## Altrusa officers



Altrusa International Inc．，of Pampa recently installed the following officers： （Left－right）Terri Williams，corresponding secretary；Billie Dixon，vice president； Darlene Birkes，director；Billie Sue Evans，president；Sue Baker，director；Chleo Worley，director；and Terry Gamblin，treasurer．Not pictured：Maxine Watson， recording secretary；Joan Gray，director，Anne Stobbe，immediate past president； Jeannie Mitchell，assistant treasurer；and Kadda Schale，parliamentarian．

Arizona raids put heat to motorcycle gangs

PHOENIX（AP）－
Hundreds of law enforcement Hundreds of law enforcement
officers fanned out across the state and arrested 30 people including several associated with the Hells Angels motor cycle gang，authorities said Charges included murder－for hire，drug trafficking and weapons violations． Tuesday＇s raids yielded 560 illegal weapons，including silencers，pipe bombs，sawed－ off shotguns and machine guns，along with ammunition $\$ 50,000$ in cash and drugs
authorities said． authorities said．
Officials declined to say


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than a year ago at a casino in rants and had arrest warrants Laughlin，Nev．Two Hell＇s for 36 people，including 18 Angels and one Mongols motorcycle gang member
were killed and at least 12 were hurt in the fight，which remains under investigation． Agents with the Bureau of Alcohol，Tobacco and Firearms and a Phoenix police detective who infiltrated the
Hells Angels motorcycle Hells Angels motorcycle gang Mexico as recruits from year investigation，said US． Attorney Paul Charlon Attorney Paul Charlton．
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gency fee．
From the start，the bill seemed unlikely to advance far．
Frist brought it to the floor without any committee hearings or debate－the type of tactic that Republicans sharply criticized when Democrats employed it in the 18 months they recently held the majority At its core，the bill marked a clash of spe cial interests．The American Medical Association，American Insurers Association and the American Hospital Association，all of which donate millions to Republican causes， supported the measure．
Additionally，some Republican aides， speaking on condition of anonymity，said the party was hoping that advancing the legisla－ tion in Congress would repair relations with the AMA，frayed during a prolonged debate over patients rights legislation
The Association of Trial Lawyers of America，which gives to Democrats，worked to defeat the measure．
The House passed similar legislation earli－ er this year，on a largely party－line vote McConnell and other Republicans relied repeatedly on AMA material during debate on the measure，using a map of the United States to identify states that the doctors organization said were at or near a malprac－ tice crisis．

sa Food companies have be reducing the amount of trans fat in foods and the lower amount is just hat much better，Thompson Show，＂He said 13 ，Early Americans have heart disease and trans fat contributes to the and trans
＂It＇s a good first step＂said Margo Wootan of the Center for Science in the Public Interest， which petitioned FDA 10 years ago to make the change．＂People will be able to compare different products and determine which ones are worse for their hearts．＂ Wootan said the comparisons tell be easy：The labels won＇t candy bar or doughnut counts against their daily allotment of total unhealthy fat．Nor will they bear a message FDA debated this should be as low as possible
In recent weeks，FDA Commissioner Mark McClellan has promised the change，firs
proposed in 1999．Agency offi－ cials
Tuesday．
The FDA has estimated that merely revealing trans fat content on labels would save between 2,000 and 5,600 lives a year，as people either chose，healthier foods or manufacturers changed their recipes to leave out the dam aging ingredient．
Food companies already are preparing．Frito－Lay has announced it is eliminating trans fat from its popula Doritos，Tostitos and Cheetos and became the first major man ufacturer to voluntarily begin adding trans fal content to the labels of other brands earlier
WASHINGTON（AP） Until now，trans fat didn＇t get the
attention its infamous cousin urated fat，eamed through gov－ That＇s about to change，now that the govemment is requiring food labels to reveal exact levels of the attery clogger．
Doughnuts，french fries crackers and fried chicken are include trans fat．It＇s at least as dangerous to the heart as saturat－ ed fat．

Drug Administration regulations to be unveiled Wednesday will require nutrition labels to include a new line lisung the amount of trans fat in each food right under the sumer advocites and industry representatives familiar with FDA＇s decision．
Add the two lines together to leam the total of heart－risky fats in every serving．
＂We＇re trying to make the consumer a lot smarter when they go and purchase foods 10 make sure that they look at the contribute tods will not Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson said Wednesday just that much better，＂Thompson

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