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the only agenda item Tuesday for a special meeting of the Pampa City Commission.

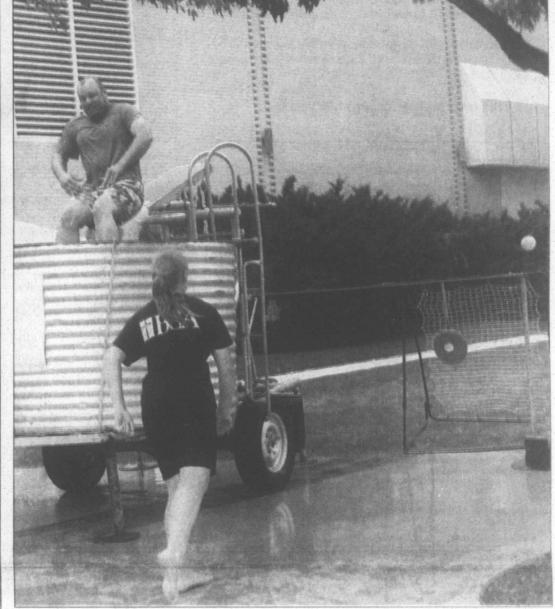
The \$382,500 bid is expected to go to G.W. James of Pampa, who was the low bidder.

Other bidders included Lewis Construction of

Dumas with a total bid of \$409,450 and Ronald R. Wagner of Kendalia with a

Lipham Construction of Hereford made only a partial bid on the seal coating

The city commission will meet in special session at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday in the commission chambers of City Hall.



Pampa News photos by MARILYN POWERS

Lexie Dorn, upper left, waits her turn at pineapple bowling while her brother Caleb takes a turn. The game was part of Centramedia's display at Saturday's Business Expo in M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium. Lance Porter, in upper right photo, reacts as his daughter Megan hits the target with a baseball to cause her dad to be dunked into a barrel of water. Proceeds from the dunking booth will be used to help pay for a trip for the youth of First Assembly of God Church to go to a national fine arts competition in Indianapolis, Ind. Pampa Police Chief Trevlyn Pitner, in lower left photo, uses a Webcam at the expo to take a photo of Tanay Patel of Rochester Hills, Mich. The photo is part of the information for a child's identification card, complete with DNA packet.



Weekend business expo termed a large success

By KERRI SMITH

Staff Writer

The eighth annual business expo sponsored by the Pampa Chamber of Commerce on Saturday was a success and everyone who attended seemed to have a good time and learn what Pampa has to offer to the community, according to Interim Chamber Executive Director Keith Pitner.

"We had 49 booths of exhibitors and we estimate that approximately 1,000 people attended the event, mainly in the morning," Pitner said. 'Several of the booths were very

Lake Meredith provides safety buoys

outstanding and the information that was provided was done in a very professional way.'

Pitner said there were many voung children who came with their parents and a few of the booths were a big hit with the younger crowd.

"A balloon artist from Lubbock was at the Innovative Staffing booth and the kids were lining up at that booth," Pitner said. "The Pampa police and fire departments were doing wonderful things for

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By DAVID BOWSER

Seal coating bids will be total bid of \$390,400.

project.

devices (ring buoys), which can be used in the case of swimming related emergency incidents. According to Dane Tantay, chief ranger

- visitor and resource protection for Lake

By KERRI SMITH

Staff Writer

near Fritch recently has prompted area offi-

cials to provide extra materials at the recre-

ational area that can be used in emergency

Rodrigo Neifo Martinez, 19, drowned at

the lake in the Spring Canyon area on June

10. Officials of the Lake Meredith National

Recreation Area have provided two U.S.

Coast Guard approved Type IV throwable

A tragedy that occurred at Lake Meredith

Meredith, said the devices have been placed at each beach regulation sign in Spring

"We want to remind the public to know your limitations while swimming and to keep close watch of small children," Tantay said. "If the need arises, the public should utilize these new personal floating devices that we have provided. We ask for the cooperation of the public to report any misuse or tampering of these vital pieces of emergency equipment."

Tantay said it is a federal violation to tamper with this property and any person found guilty of this violation can be subject to a fine up to \$5,000 and up to six months in jail.



Please join us in the MK Brown Room for a menu of grilled pork chops, green beans, scalloped potatoes, salad provided by Pampa Country Club.

The speaker will be Kevin Anderson with Halliburton.

Cost is \$8.00 a person. Please RSVP at 669-3241.







Tuesday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 87. East southeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Tuesday Night: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 70. South southeast wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Wednesday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 88. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25

Wednesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 68. South southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 90. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 67. South wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

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Heavy rain kills 2 swamps north Texas

By ANGELA K. BROWN **Associated Press Writer**

HALTOM CITY, Texas (AP) — Torrential overnight rains swamped a handful of North Texas towns today, killing at least two people, prompting hundreds of evacuations and leaving numerous people stranded on rooftops awaiting rescue.

Creeks swollen from as much as 8 inches of rainfall since midnight overflowed into the towns of Gainesville and Sherman near the Oklahoma border, leaving them largely inundated with brownish floodwaters.

In the Fort Worth suburb of Haltom City, 4-year-old Alexandria Collins died after she was swept away in floodwaters. "The current swept her from my arms," the girl's mother, Natasha Collins, tearfully told Dallas television station KXAS-TV.

Firefighters said the girl was already missing by the time they pulled her mother onto a boat. Authorities searched for more than two hours before finding her body.

In Sherman, about 60 miles northwest of Dallas near the Oklahoma border, a woman died after her car stalled in rising waters and was swept away, Sherman police Sgt. Bruce Dawsey

About 125 residents of a nursing home were being evacuated, and an unknown number of people were being rescued from an office building where the roof started caving in, Dawsey said. Authorities were telling residents of an apartment complex near a rising creek to go the second floor and wait for help, Dawsey said.

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Obituaries

Barbara Jackson Trimble, She married Herbert Trimble volunteer work. She loved 76, died Thursday, June 14, 2007, in Pampa.

Memorial services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, June 20, 2007, at Trinity Fellowship Church, with associate pastor Ronnie officiating. Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Trimble was born February 10, 1931, in Lafayette, Indiana. She had been a resident of Amarillo

Barbara Jackson Trimble, 76

on May 24, 2003, in the Lord her God with all her Amarillo at the Ronald McDonald

She was a member of Trinity Fellowship in Pampa. She was a volunteer with the Ronald McDonald House Host Mentoring Program, and was a member of the

House.

Red Hat Society.

neighbor as herself. She will be remembered as an inspiration to all those who knew her. She will be greatly missed by **Trimble**

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Survivors include her husband, Herbert She had a contagious Trimble of the home; one for several years before enthusiasm for life, which daughter, Tamy Lane of moving to Pampa in 2003. propelled her in all of her Amarillo; two sons, Steve

her family.

Westall of Amarillo and Dale Jackson of Ann Arbor, Michigan; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Kelly Jackson, and two brothers, Paul Lull and Warren Lull.

MEMORIALS: Ronald McDonald House of Amarillo, 1501 Streit Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79106.

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Emergency Services

Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 72-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today. Friday, June 15

Two traffic stops were made. An arrest was made for driving while intoxicated in connection with one traffic stop in the 2100 block of North Hobart.

Traffic complaints were received from the 2800 block of Charles, the 1000 block of East Francis and the 700 block of North Hobart. A vehicle accident was reported in

the 2200 block of Beech. An abandoned vehicle was reported

in the 1300 block of North Starkweather.

Animal control officers made stops concerning animals in the 200 block of South Nelson, the 100 block of West 30th, the 800 block of West Kingsmill, the 1200 block of South Finley, on two occasions in the 1300 block of Duncan, the 1100 block of North Perry, the 1800 block of North Zimmers, an unreported location and the 200 block of South Nelson.

Welfare checks were made in the 2300 block of Primrose, the 2300 block of Navajo, the 300 block of North 30th and the 1800 block of North Sumner.

A civil matter was reported in the police department lobby. Suspicious person calls were

received from the 100 block of North Houston and the 600 block of Hazel. Violation of a city ordinance was

reported in the 800 block of East Campbell. Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1500 block of Dogwood, the 1100

block of Sierra, the 900 block of South Schneider and the 1300 block of Coffee. Criminal trespass was reported on

two occasions in the 1100 block of North Perry.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 2500 block of Perryton Parkway. A window valued at \$700 was broken. A domestic disturbance was reported

in the 1300 block of Coffee. A patrol car window was broken out in connection with the incident. Estimated cost of damage is unknown.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 2100 block of Aspen. Minor injuries which did not require medical attention were reported in connection with the incident.

A sexual offense was reported in the 1400 block of Varnon Drive.

One alarm was reported.

Theft was reported in the police department lobby. The incident occurred in the 2300 block of North Dwight, where an English bulldog valued at \$2,500 was taken.

Theft was reported at United Supermarket, 1420 N. Hobart. Hamburger meat and vegetables were taken. Estimated value of loss is \$13.

Theft was reported in the 1000 block Burglary was reported in the 500

block of North Faulkner. Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported in the 2300 block of Beech.

Saturday, June 16 Seven traffic stops were made.

Traffic complaints were received from the 1900 block of North Christy LOST MALE Weimarner, and the 1100 block of Prairie Drive.

An abandoned vehicle was reported in the 500 block of West Brown.

Animal control officers made stops MEMORY GARDENS of concerning animals in the 100 block of Pampa, Garden Devotion West 30th, the 1100 block of Sirroco, Section C, Lot #230, Spaces 6, the 900 block of South Wells, the intersection of Cuyler and Brown streets, the 2300 block of beech, the 300 block of North Sumner and the 1800 block of Dogwood.

Agency assistance was rendered on County Road 6

Found property was reported in the 700 block of East Kentucky.

A civil matter was reported in the 900 block of South Reid.

Warrant service was attempted on one occasion, resulting in at least one

A runaway was reported in the 600 block of North Nelson.

Suspicious person calls were received from the 2500 block of Perryton Parkway, the intersection of 18th and Duncan streets, the intersection of Cuyler and Tyng streets and the intersection of Christine and Pennsylvania streets, where evading arrest/detention was also reported.

Suspicious vehicle calls were received from the intersection of Oklahoma and Love streets and the 1000 block of Charles.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 500 block of North Frost, the 500 block of Lowry, the 300 block of North 30th, the 1100 block of Duncan, the 200 block of West Craven and the 1100 block of Seneca.

Criminal mischief was reported at Pampa Mall, 2545 Perryton Parkway. A door window valued at \$40 was bro-

Criminal mischief was reported in the 2200 block of North Christy. One vehicle's trunk was keyed, and the windshield of another vehicle was broken. Estimated cost of damage is \$350. A domestic disturbance was reported

in the 700 block of East Scott. A domestic disturbance was reported in the 2400 block of Evergreen, where no injuries were reported and assault by threat occurred.

Two alarms were reported. Forgery was reported in the police department lobby.

Theft was reported in the police department lobby. Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported in the 1000 block of

Charles. The incident involved a 1991 Oldsmobile Cutlass of unknown value. Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported in the police department lobby. The incident occurred at an

unknown location and involved a Chevrolet pickup of unknown value. The pickup was found the next day in the 1300 block of Coffee. Sunday, June 17

Ten traffic stops were made. A traffic complaint was received from the 900 block of Denver. A vehicle accident was reported in

the 400 block of North Christy. Animal control officers made stops concerning animals in the 200 block of

South Nelson, the 700 block of North Wells, the 900 block of South Wells, the 300 block of Miami and the 600 block of North Zimmers.

Agency assistance was rendered in the 1000 and 1400 blocks of North Hobart.

A welfare check was made in the 100 block of West Foster.

A civil matter was reported in the 1200 block of North Wells. A suspicious person call was

received from the 600 block of Hazel. A silent/abusive 911 call was received from the 2700 block of Duncan.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1200 block of Duncan. Criminal trespass was reported in the

police department lobby and the 1300 block of Coffee.

Criminal mischief was reported at Gonzales Wheel Alignment, 125 N. Somerville, and Laramore Locksmith, 420 W. Kingsmill. The buildings were sprayed with spray paint. Estimated cost of damage at each location is \$100.

in the 1000 block of Terry Road. Domestic violence was reported in

A domestic disturbance was reported

the 2600 block of Navajo. The incident was verbal only, and no injuries were reported. Two alarms were reported.

One building check was conducted.

Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported in the 1000 block of Prairie Drive. The incident involves a 1994 Ford Thunderbird of unknown value.

Monday, June 18

One traffic stop was made.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 2500 block of Perryton Parkway. One alarm was reported.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 200 block of Miami.

Sheriff

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests today.

Saturday, June 16 Bobby Ray Jordon, 36, of Pampa was arrested in the 1300 block of West Kentucky by Pampa Police Department for assault causing bodily injury/family

Jacob N. Rowsey, 20, of Pampa was arrested by PPD on a bond surrender for possession of less than two ounces of marijuana.

Mark Haynes, 38, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO for possession of drug paraphernalia and a bond surrender for possession of a controlled sub-

William E. Kirkham, 45, of Fritch was arrested by Texas Department of Public Safety for driving while intoxicated, third or more offense.

Sunday, June 17 Juan Manuel Dominguez, 27, of Pampa was arrested by DPS for driving while intoxicated, first offense.

Adrian A. Diaz, 20, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO for minor in possession of alcohol and two counts of disrupting classes.

Seth Brenner, 21, of High Point, N.C., was arrested by GCSO for public intoxication and disorderly conduct.

Accidents

Pampa Police Department reported the following accident today. Friday, June 15

— A 2005 Chevrolet Suburban, driven by Keely S. Downs, 27, of 2223 Beech, collided with a legally parked 2001 Ford Explorer, owned by Carla D. Schiffman of 1925 N. Wells, in the 2200 block of Beech. No injuries were reported. Downs was cited for backing without safety.

Ambulance

Guardian EMS reported the following calls during the 48-hour weekend period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, June 16 7:31 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1600 block of Mary Ellen and transported a patient to BSA in Amarillo.

12 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded

to the 800 block of South Barnes and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center. 2:13 a.m. — A mobile ICU respond-

Sunday, June 17

transported a patient to PRMC. 7:28 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1300 block of Coffee and transported a patient to PRMC.

ed to the 1100 block of Varnon and

12 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block of Varnon and transported a patient to PRMC. 3:20 p.m. - A mobile ICU respond-

ed to the 800 block of 25th Street and

Fire

transported a patient to PRMC.

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 48-hour weekend period ending at 7 a.m. today. Saturday, June 16

7:45 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 700 block of West Browning on a medical assist.

Sunday, June 17 7:33 p.m. - One unit and two personnel responded to the 500 block of Frost on a gas leak.

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Pampa News photo by DAVID BOWSER

Firefighter LeRoy Cox starts up Engine Number One and turns on the flashing lights today during the regular morning routine at the Pampa Fire Department.

Bush presses Iraq to clamp down on violence

By LARA JAKES JORDAN **Associated Press Writer**

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration renewed efforts Monday to press the Iraqi government to clamp down on sectarian violence as the U.S. commander in Baghdad warned it could take as long as a decade to stabilize the country.

Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice and Iraqi foreign minister Hoshyar Zebari met at the State Department to assess the situation and plot strategy following the comments Sunday from Gen. David Petraeus.

"We have enough work to do here," Rice said, gesturing to Zebari as she declined to answer a reporter's question about U.S. aid to the Palestinians.

The meeting came just a day after Petraeus' grim assessment.

"In fact, typically, I think historically, counterinsurgency operations have gone at least nine or 10 years," he said. "The question is, of course, at what level.

Petraeus said insurgents pushing back on newly aggressive coalition military forces have led to continued violence in Iraq, describing an ebb-andrespond," Petraeus said. "That is what ming violence and said the U.S. preshas happened."

Petraeus also described a "stunning reversal" in the Anbar province, a former al-Qaida stronghold west of the city where tribes have begun to help fight the terror organization.

A Pentagon report released last week concluded that violence in Iraq edged higher during a four-month period between February and May — despite the U.S.-led security push in Baghdad.

The report also raised questions about Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki's ability to fulfill a pledge made in January to prohibit political interference in security operations and to allow no safe havens for sectarian militias.

Ryan Crocker, the U.S. ambassador in Baghdad, on Sunday called the situation in Iraq "a mixed picture, but certainly not a hopeless one." He noted frustrations among signs of progress, and cautioned against withdrawing troops too soon.

Also Sunday, the Senate's top Republican said that the Iraqis need to step up their own efforts as the U.S. scales back troops in the wake of rising violence in and around Baghdad.

ence there "will be different in the fall."

"I don't think we'll have the same level of troops, in all likelihood, that we have now," McConnell said. "The Iraqis will have to step up, not only on the political side, but on the military side to a greater extent. We're not there

Congress is waiting for another progress report, due in September, on whether the increase in U.S. troops in Iraq has been successful.

In an interview in Newsweek, al-Maliki avoided being drawn into the debate between the Bush administration and Congress. The U.S. "helped us by toppling the regime and accomplishing many steps of the political process but they still can leave," al-Maliki said. "If the consequences of staying are bigger than the consequences of leaving, they will leave."

Crocker said the Iraqis also are frustrated with their slow progress but are "very close" to agreement on a plan for managing the country's oil production and share resources.

Petraeus spoke on "Fox News Sunday." Crocker was interviewed from Baghdad on NBC's "Meet the Press." McConnell appeared on CBS' "Face the Nation."

Oil industry scaling back due to biofuels

WASHINGTON (AP) — A push from Congress and the White House for huge increases in biofuels, such as ethanol, is prompting the oil industry to scale back its plans for refinery expansions. That could keep gasoline prices high, possibly for years to come.

With President Bush calling for a 20 percent drop in gasoline use and the Senate now debating legislation for huge increases in ethanol production, oil companies see growing uncertainty about future gasoline demand and little need to expand refineries or build new ones.

Oil industry executives no longer believe there will be the demand for gasoline over the next decade to warrant the billions of dollars in refinery expansions — as sumers demand," Inhofe much as 10 percent increase said. in new refining capacity -

they anticipated as recently as a year ago.

Biofuels such as ethanol and efforts to get automakers to build more fuel-efficient cars and SUVs have been portrayed as key to countering high gasoline prices, but they are likely to do little to curb costs at the pump today, or in the years ahead as refiners reduce gasoline pro-

A shortage of refineries frequently has been blamed by politicians for the sharp price spikes in gasoline, as was the case last week by Sen. James Inhofe, R-Okla., during debate on a Senate energy bill.

"The fact is that Americans are paying more at the pump because we do not have the domestic capacity to refine the fuels con-

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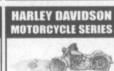
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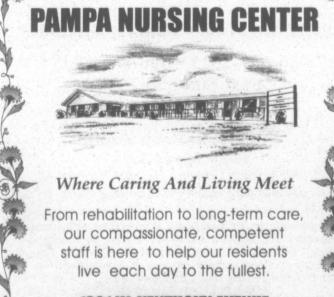
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flow of sectarian murders in Baghdad. Sen. Mitch McConnell of Kentucky "The fact is that as we go on the expressed disappointment with the offensive, the enemy is going to Iraqi government's progress in stem-

By PETE YOST

Associated Press Writer WASHINGTON (AP) -Supreme Court on Monday dealt a setback to investors suing over their losses in the crash of technology stocks

seven years ago. In a 7-1 decision, the court sided with Wall Street banks that allegedly conspired to drive up prices on 900

newly issued stocks. The justices reversed a federal appeals court decision that would have enabled investors to pursue their case for anticompetitive practices.

The case deals with alleged industry misconduct during the dot-com bubble

of the late 1990s. The outcome of the antitrust case was vital to Wall Street because damages in antitrust cases are tripled, in contrast to penalties under the securi-

The question was whether conduct that is the focus of extensive federal regulation under securities laws is immune from liability under federal antitrust laws.

An antitrust action raises "a substantial risk of injury to the securities market," Justice Stephen Breyer wrote. He said there is "a serious conflict" between applying antitrust law to the case and proper enforcement of the securities law.

In dissent, Justice Clarence Thomas said the securities laws contain lan-

guage that preserves the right to bring the kind of lawsuit investors filed against the Wall Street investment

Court rules against investors in antitrust case

In 2005, the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said the conduct alleged in the case is a means of "dangerous manipulation" and that there is no indication Congress contemplated repealing the antitrust laws to protect it.

Investors allege that the investment banks, including Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, agreed to impose illegal tie-ins, or "laddering" arrangements. Favored customers were able to obtain highly sought-after new stock issues in exchange for promises to make subsequent purchases at escalating prices. The investment banks allegedly conspired to levy additional charges for the stock.

As a result of the conspiracy, the investors say, the average price increase on the first day of trading was more than 70 percent in 1999-2000, 8 1/2 times the level from 1981 to 1996.

Private class-action lawsuits, say plaintiffs' attorneys, provide a significant supplement to the limited resources available to the Justice Department to enforce the antitrust

Lawyers for Wall Street investment banks say it is a highly technical matter where the line is drawn between legal and illegal activity in the sale of newly issued stock. It must be left to highly

rather than to courtroom juries in antitrust lawsuits brought by investors, the industry says.

trained securities regulators to decide,

The Supreme Court concluded that "antitrust courts are likely to make unusually serious mistakes" that hurt defendants. As a result, investment banks must avoid "a wide range of joint conduct that the securities law permits or encourages."

In other action, the court also added one case to its calendar for next term. It will consider whether an investor in a large 401k retirement plan can sue to recover losses to his individual account that are the fault of the plan's manager.

Other Wall Street institutions in the case before the Supreme Court were Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc.; Citigroup Global Markets Inc.; Comerica Inc.; Deutsche Bank Securities Inc.; Fidelity Distributors Corp.; Fidelity Brokerage Services LLC; Fidelity Investments Institutional Services Co. Inc.; Goldman, Sachs & Co.; The Goldman Sachs Group Inc.; Janus Capital Management LLC; Lehman Brothers Inc.; Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Inc.; Morgan Stanley & Co. Inc.; Robertson Stephens Inc.; Van Wagoner Capital Management Inc.; and Van Wagoner Funds Inc.

The case is Credit Suisse v. Billing,

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children as well. The police depart-

ment was doing 'Kid Print' for the safety of children and the fire department had 'Patches' the dog driving around talking to kids about fire safe-

While this year's expo is still fresh in the minds of the chamber, they are

going to do a careful critique and see what worked and what needs to be changed for next year.

They hope to have more local businesses participate next year and also get more of the Pampa residents to

Viewpoints

Armless judge got along nicely by using his toes

Armless judge got along nicely by using his toes

Hard-drinking, crusty Judge Roy Bean has gotten a lot of ink over the years, but he wasn't Texas' only colorful justice of the peace.

The antics of the so-called Law West of the Pecos have always made great copy for Western writers, but Norman Porter Sr., a retired school principal from South Texas, has rescued another notable Lone Star jurist from obscurity — Paul

Born April 25, 1876, in the community of Amphion in Atascosa County, Desmuke came into the world normal in every way except one — he had no arms. With the help of a loving mother, he learned to compensate for his lack of upper appendages by using his feet. Before long, he could use his feet as adroitly as others used their

As a school student, he wrote his lessons on a slate board just like the other kids, only he used his toes. If called on to solve a math problem on the chalkboard in front of the class, he stood on one foot and raised his leg up to add and subtract with the other. His disability also did not affect his voice. He led the choir at the Amphion Methodist Church. Desmuke also learned to play a mean fiddle.

His handicap apparently did not affect his personality. With one of his feet, he politely tipped his hat to the ladies or warmly shook some-

Despite his successful efforts to overcome his disability, Desmuke had his limits. He obviously couldn't use both of his feet at the same time unless seated or reclining. But people like him with severe disabilities almost always could count becoming a sideshow freak.

But Desmuke's mother, naturally wanting as normal a life as possible for her son, believed the circus life would be demeaning for him. She argued strongly and successfully against it and Desmuke honored her wishes. He got by as

Mike Cox Texas Tales



best he could until, at the age of 26, he got a break.

When the incumbent Atascosa County Precinct Three justice of the peace resigned from office in May 1902, Desmuke gained appointment as his replacement. on landing a job with a circus, From all accounts, the young JP

served his constituents well, handling a variety of statutory duties ranging from accepting criminal complaints to pronouncing people dead and ruling on their cause of death to performing marriages.

Still, a yearning for adventure or money — or both — eventually led him to sign on with the A.G. Barnes Circus and Sideshow. Somewhere along the way, he learned to throw knives with his feet and developed an act around that. He went on to be part of the 400-plus entourage with Zack Miller's 101 Ranch Wild West show.

The armless judge from South Texas also played an armless man in a silent movie called "The Sideshow" (1926) and got paid as a stunt double for Lon Cheney in "The Unknown" a year later.

After the wild west show went bankrupt at the height of the Great

Depression, Desmuke got a gig at the Century of Progress Expo in Chicago in 1933-34 with Ripley's Believe It or Not! Odditorium. In that show, Desmuke would send 10 butcher knives swooshing toward a human volunteer, each blade twanging into a backboard within an inch of the living target. Demonstrating the power of trust in a marriage, the target was his wife, Mae Dixon.

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By the early 1940s, Desmuke had come home to Atascosa County. Porter, then a youngster living in Jourdanton, saw Judge Desmuke (as he was known locally) walk into the Post Office and do something he considered quite routine but which Porter considered extraordinary.

"He slipped his shoe off, with his toes protruding through the end of his 'prepared' sock, lifted his

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Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Monday, June 18, the 169th day of 2007. There are 196 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On June 18, 1940, during World War II, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill urged his countrymen to conduct themselves in a manner that would prompt future generations to say, "This was their finest hour."

On this date: In 1586, English colonists sailed from Roanoke Island, N.C., after failing to establish England's first permanent settlement in

In 1778, American forces entered Philadelphia as the British

Revolutionary War. In 1812, the United

Victor Riesel

American labor

journalist

(1913-1995)

States declared war Frailty, thy name against Britain. is no longer In 1815, Napoleon woman.

Bonaparte met his Waterloo as British and Prussian troops defeated the French in Belgium.

withdrew during the

In 1857, Henry Clay Folger, the founder of the Folger Shakespeare Library in Washington, D.C., was born in New York City

In 1928, Amelia Earhart became the first woman to fly across the Atlantic Ocean as she completed a journey with pilots Wilmer Stultz and Louis Gordon from Newfoundland to Wales in about 21 hours.

In 1948, the United Nations Commission on Human Rights finished drafting an International Declaration of Human In 1979, President Carter and Soviet President Leonid I.

Brezhnev signed the SALT II strategic arms limitation treaty in In 1983, astronaut Sally K. Ride became America's first

woman in space as she and four colleagues blasted off aboard the space shuttle Challenger. In 1986, 25 people were killed when a twin-engine plane and

helicopter carrying sightseers collided over the Grand Canyon. Ten years ago: The Southern Baptist Convention called for a boycott of the Walt Disney Co., protesting what the convention called its "gay-friendly" policies. Sirhan Sirhan failed in his tenth bid for parole in the assassination of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy. Irineo Montoya, a Mexican laborer, was executed by the state of Texas for a 1985 killing despite protests by the

Five years ago: A Palestinian detonated a nail-studded bomb in a Jerusalem bus, killing 19 passengers and himself. President Bush sent to Congress his detailed proposal for creation of a new Homeland Security Department. Minnesota Gov. Jesse Ventura announced he would not seek a second term.

Mexican government.

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Iran: Drumbeat for war keeps sounding

against Iran has begun again, led by Sen. Joe Lieberman, the independent Democrat from Connecticut, and the usual pro-Israel crowd. Lieberman seems to be under the impression that the U.S. can bomb Iran and not get into a full-fledged war.

Well, we know all about cakewalks and how they turn into long, bloody and dreary marches. We learned nothing from Vietnam, and apparently some of the people have learned nothing from Iraq, now a cakewalk war that has lasted longer than World War II, though not with the same intensity and mass.

If the senator, who seems to be one of those who loves war as long as he doesn't have to fight it, really believes that we can attack Iran without Iranian retaliation, then he's naive. If he knows better, he's a liar, and

The drumbeat for war to lie the American people tal missiles, and the only into a second war before the other lied-into war in Iraq is even over is despicable. He

> should be shunned by all decent people.

I don't Columnist see how any honest man

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Reese

can believe that Iran is a threat to the United States or its neighbors. Iran has not invaded anyone in the past 100 years. Iran has from the beginning insisted that its nuclear program is for peaceful energy purposes, and there has been no evidence - I repeat, no evidence - to the contrary. Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty explicitly authorizes countries to enrich uranium. In other

anything illegal. Iran has no intercontinen-

words, Iran has not done

country in the Middle East with nuclear weapons is Israel. Please note that the

United States flatly refuses to endorse the idea of a nuclear-free Middle East. Iran

has signed the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty. Israel has refused to sign it. Iran admits international inspectors. Israel flatly refuses to allow international inspectors. The only country in today's Middle East with weapons of mass destruction and a history of invading and occupying other people's countries is Israel.

As for Iran's alleged threat to "wipe Israel off the map," that is propaganda based on a mistranslation. Nobody in Iran has ever

threatened to attack Israel militarily. The accurate quotes from Iranians have been simply that Israel as a Zionist state will eventually collapse, just as the Soviet Union as a communist state did. Iranian officials have even explicitly said they have no desire or intention of attacking Israel.

You should ask yourself, What is the real motive of people who deal in lies? What is the real agenda of people who wish to paint Iran as a threat to the world? (Remember what a threat they said Iraq was?) Why, if the United States is really concerned about preventing the spread of nuclear weapons, has it steadfastly refused to endorse the idea of a nuclear-free Middle East - something Iran and the Arab countries have proposed time and again?

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Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

June 11

The Dallas Morning News on Dallas going "green":

In his run for Dallas mayor, businessman Tom Leppert has proposed mandating that new public- and private-sector construction be more environmentally green, a goal he says would make the city more energy efficient and attract new businesses.

Going green is an idea with national momentum. In San Francisco, a multimillion-dollar budget promotes energy sustainability. Dozens of other cities are hiring sustainability directors and setting eco-tecture goals.

Dallas hasn't ignored the trend. The ing air quality and participation on a Jack Evans Police Headquarters and a few fire stations and libraries were built to be more energy-efficient. New city buildings over 10,000 square feet have to meet efficiency standards.

However, Dallas needs more aggressive leadership to get private developers and citizens thinking green. Fewer than two dozen for-profit office buildings in North Texas have a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design certification from the U.S. Green Building Council, the nationally recognized rating organization.

Citywide energy efficiency must be a priority for the next mayor, whether it's Mr. Leppert or council member Ed Oakley, whose green credentials include support for recycling, improv-

city committee exploring ways to encourage the private sector to construct green buildings.

Aside from the obvious environmental benefits, energy-efficient buildings and operating costs are attractive to commercial tenants. Competition comes from all over the U.S.

Frisco was the first U.S. city to adopt a mandatory residential green construction program, and major private-sector energy-efficiency projects are under way in Allen and McKinney. Austin Mayor Will Wynn wants all new homes to become so efficient that solar panels could provide basic energy needs. In Chicago, city officials are planting

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Loved ones remember Ruth Graham at service

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) to Graham spokesman Larry Billy Graham told his children and grandchildren at his wife's funeral that he was "looking forward to the ... next service here," when he will be buried at her side.

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The 88-year-old evangelist's remarks, reported in The Charlotte Observer. came at Saturday during a public service in Montreat celebrated Ruth Graham's life as a spiritual stalwart, modest mentor, and her husband's closest advi-

She died Thursday at 87 after a long illness.

of a cross-shaped walkway in the woodsy Prayer Garden at the Billy Graham Library in her husband's hometown.

family sang "Amazing Grace" and heard messages from Billy Graham and two ministers, according

"The Bible says the Lord has prepared a place for us and I know He has prepared a home for her — I hope she saves a room for me," Graham said of his wife of almost 64 years.

Ruth Graham's casket was adorned with a bed of lilies, the Christian symbol for resurrection.

Billy Graham, like his wife, will be buried in a birch plywood coffin built by inmates at Louisiana State Penitentiary in Angola, La. The Graham's son She was buried at the foot Franklin made the request after seeing the coffins on a visit to the Angola prison and being struck by their simplicity, according to a statement from the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association. The coffins cost \$215 each.

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COURTESY PHOTO

Nancy Coffee, left, recently installed Karen Slate as regent of Las Pampas Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution. The following officers were also installed: Ruth McBride, vice president; Sudie Reeder, secretary; Mary Cantrell, treasurer; Donna Burger, registrar; and Willie Mae Mangold, historian.

Zoo's bull elephant prolific father

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Just in time for Father's Day, tests show that a bull elephant known as a prodigious stud has sired another offspring.

The Louisville Zoo said the tests showed Jackson was the father of Scotty, a male elephant recently born there. Scotty's mother was artificially impregnated in 2005.

With six living offspring, the 28-

year-old Jackson holds the record for fathering the most calves at U.S. zoos. He lives at the Pittsburgh Zoo, where zookeepers regularly collect Jackson's semen and ship it around the country.

"He is extremely valuable," said Deborah Olson, director of conservation and science programs at the Indianapolis Zoo and studbook keeper for African elephants in North America.

Jackson is by far the most productive of the five male African elephants available for breeding in North America; three others have two calves

"We really appreciate the (Pittsburgh) zoo's willingness to use him for breeding," Olson said. "They never say no, they're just always right there ready to help.'

Dallas

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trees to offset hot spots where asphalt and black roofs absorb so much heat that they measurably increase air temperature.

Green is more than environmental responsibility. It's good business.

SCHEDULE A RETIREMENT REVIEW **Duane Harp** 1921 N. Hobart

Edward Jones MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING

Topless woman will accept \$29,000 in suit

NEW YORK (AP) - Awoman arrested for exposing a lesson and respect the her breasts has accepted a \$29,000 settlement from the city, her lawyer said.

arrested on a topless stroll two years ago, despite a should have the same right as men to take off their

by the name Phoenix Feeley. remained in custody for 12 hours before she was told prosecutors were not going to pursue charges.

Her attorney, Jeffrey Rothman, told the Daily News that his client won the civil rights settlement from the city, which did not admit or deny wrongdoing.

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foot almost head high,

turned the combination

with his toes, and opened

the box," Porter wrote in a

short article published by

Guild. "Sticking his long

toes into the box, he

retrieved his mail, stuck it

in his pocket and closed

the box. He slipped his

shoe back on and walked

Atascosa Writer's

"We hope the police learn rights of women to go topless," Rothman said.

Feeley told the New York Jill Coccaro, 27, was Post that she was not treated well after her Aug. 4, 2005, arrest in Manhattan's Lower 1992 state appeals court rul- East Side section. She ing that concluded women claimed in an October lawsuit that a police officer yanked her out of a patrol car by her hair and police took Coccaro, who now goes her to a hospital for a psychiatric evaluation.

> She told the newspaper she had gone bare-breasted after running the 2004 city marathon without police bothering her.

> "I've always just felt that was something natural," Feeley said of going topless. "I've kind of always done it out of practicality.

In addition to every-

thing else he could do with

his feet, Desmuke could

play a spirited game of

judge and sideshow star

spent the rest of his life in

his native Atascosa

County. He died June 19,

1949, and is buried in the

Mike Cox, a member of

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the Texas Institute of

Letters, is the author of a

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Pampa ISD will hold a public meeting at 6:00 PM, June 28, 2007 in Pampa ISD Administration Office, Carver Center, 321 W. Albert, Pampa, Texas 79065. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax School Debt Service Tax Approved by Local Voters \$1.040050 / \$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations) \$0.285000 / \$100 (Proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories

Maintenance & Operations Debt Service **Total Expenditures**

(3.17)% (decrease) 368.14% increase 5.88% increase

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)

Preceding Tax Year Current Tax Year \$1,134,922,746 \$1,177,607,317 Total appraised value* of all property Total appraised value* of new property** \$36,144,430 \$19,766,364 Total taxable value*** of all property \$987,704,906 \$943,301,277 Total taxable value*** of new property** \$19,766,364 \$36,144,430 "Appraised value" is the amount show on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code

**. "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.

*** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$53,059,996

*Outstanding principal

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$1.370000	\$0.065000 *	\$1.435000	\$4,197	\$3,239
Rate to Maintain Same	\$1.042870	\$0.0284080 *	\$1.326950	\$4,157	\$3,691
Level of Maintenance &					
Operations Revenue &					
Pay Debt Service					
Proposed Rate	\$1.040050	\$0.285000 *	\$1.325050	\$4,067	\$4,059
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*The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

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out the door."

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Finally, of course, there is the matter of deterrence. worked Deterrence against the Soviet Union's 30,000 nuclear weapons and the means of delivering them. Anybody who says Iran would not be deterred from using a nuclear handful of weapons - assuming it even developed them - is a fool or a liar.

Iran Furthermore, would gain nothing by attacking Israel, the U.S. or Europe. Americans might disagree with how Iranians choose to run

their country, but that doesn't mean that Iran's leaders are insane. They are, in fact, intelligent and well-educated.

As for the United States' latest claim that Iran is supplying weapons to the Taliban, I simply don't believe it. The U.S. government has lied and lied to the American people. It has zero credibility. Iran is a Shiite country: the Taliban are a fanatical Sunni sect. Iran volunteered its assistance during the initial American attack on Afghanistan. Why would Iran suddenly change its mind?

-Write to Charley Reese at P.O. Box 2446, Orlando, FL 32802.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$36,062	\$38,000
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$21,062	\$23,000
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$1.435000	\$1.325050
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$302.24	\$304.76
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$2.52

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is \$1.04005. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of \$1.04005.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s) \$1,000,000 \$4,000

Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)

June 18, 2007

Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have been invited to the wedding of some casual friends, "Ron" and "Barbie." We sent in our RSVP accepting the invitation, but already we're dreading the day. You see, a few weeks after we mailed it, we had dinner with them. During the dinner, Ron and Barbie blatantly informed us that they had registered for expensive shower items (I had attended the shower) so they could return the gifts for cash. During the conversation, I mentioned I'd had my eye on a pricey vacuum cleaner I had seen advertised on TV. Barbie turned to her fiance and said, "Honey, we should have registered for that so we could return it for the cash!" I was floored. So was my husband, though neither of us said a word until we were well on our way home and away from the "happy couple." If that wasn't enough, they were complaining about some blue towels they had received that they had not registered for. Barbie said they hated them and had returned them. Want to guess what my shower gift was? The blue towels, of course. I couldn't believe she was saying this to us! My husband was so disgusted he quietly excused himself from attending the bachelor party. Now he no longer even wants to go to the wedding -- let alone give them another gift. He says they make him sick. But we already sent in the card saying that we'll be attending. I agree with my husband on this. The only thing holding us back is the etiquette issue of being a "noshow." Otherwise, I couldn't give a rip about those people. What to do? --SPEECHLESS IN MICHIGAN

DEAR SPEECHLESS: After the performance you witnessed, no one can blame you for feeling as you do. Your breach of etiquette would not be in skipping the

Saturday's answer

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fund-raiser (oops! wedding); it would be to do so without first informing the couple and having them go to the expense of ordering food and drinks for you. They should be notified immediately, in a short note, that "your plans have changed, and you are not able to attend." This will get you off the hook without being rude to a couple you really don't care to associate with in the future anyway.

DEAR ABBY: I recently had surgery to correct a defect in my urethra. The medical term for it is "hypospadias." I let my coworkers know in an e-mail and provided a link to answer any questions they might have. The link had a photo, and now some people are accusing me of "inappropriate conduct." I have since sent out an apology and a warning not to go to the link.

Abby, it was not my intent to be unprofessional, but I didn't want to have 35 conversations about what the condition is, or 35 conversations about why I am walking so slowly and with a cane. How should I respond? - HEALING IN NEW YORK

DEAR HEALING: It's time to discuss this with your supervisor or the director of human resources at your company because your mistake could affect your career. While I understand your intention, you gave out far more information than your co-workers were comfortable with. You could have accomplished the same thing by simply "confiding" in one co-worker. Have you never heard of the office grapevine? It works faster than instant messaging.

For Better Or For Worse



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Beetle Bailey





Marvin



Crossword Puzzle

CROSSWORD By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS DOWN 1 Padlock 1 Glutton holders 2 Common 6 Bette of verb "Jezebel" 3 Sermon 11 Hunter in the stars

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Marmaduke



"When did Marmaduke join a 'Bone of the Month' club?" The Family Circus By Bil Keane THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"Wake up, Dolly, or you'll be late for summer vacation!"

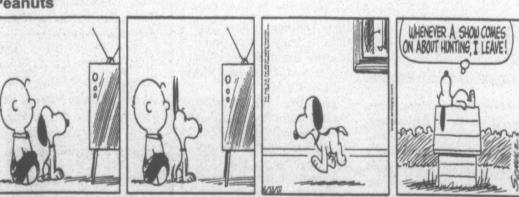
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Chamber

A message from the desk of the executive director

Dear Members,

The first day of Summer is fast approaching, and we have been enjoying one of the wettest, coolest Springs that I can remember. Not only have the



Pitner

rains almost eliminated the chance of range fires like we had last year, but they have "greened up" the entire area and have produced one of the best wheat crops in years.

June marked the start of many Spring/Summer activities in Pampa, including the Business Expo held over the past weekend. On behalf of all of the staff and board members of the Chamber, we want to thank all who participated and helped with the Expo. It was an excellent opportunity to see and visit with many of our leading companies and businesses.

Upcoming Summer events include the Panhandle Chapter of NAMI Bicyle Tour (10 to 68 miles), and the Pampa Backyard Pond Tours, all next Saturday, June 23. The big event for July, the Tri-State Senior Golf Tournament July 26, 27, and 28 has the distinction of being the oldest Senior golf tournament in the nation.

Then in August gather up your items for the City Wide Garage Sale Aug. 11, and then the Kid Pony Show Aug. 19, 20 & 21 and then the Top Texas PCRA Rodeo, Aug. 23, 24 & 25. Please remember to check your Chamber calendar/newsletter each month for listings of even more events coming up.

Remember to attend the Chamber luncheon, Tuesday, June 19. Kevin Anderson, lead service representative for Pampa's Halliburton District office, will present the program.

One of newest businesses is CVS
Pharmacy and they have just
become a Chamber member. CVS
manager, Rosemary Marciel, will be
introduced at the luncheon. Please
welcome Rosemary to the Chamber.
And, speaking of the Chamber
luncheon, if you have not done so,
please call 669-3241 for
reservations. The Country Club
will be catering for the event.

Sincerely,

Keith Pitner

Gold-coated



A Gold Coat ribbon cutting took place at Pamcell Federal Credit Union, May 21. Back row from left Roy Morriss, Bill Turner (with cap on-he is Pamcell President), Pat Montoya, Ken Rheams, Chuck White, Darville Orr, Jerry Foote, Pat Bagley, & Larry Baker. Front Row from left Manager Sherry Schaible, Sherry Cook, Neil Fulton & Gold Coat President, Gladys Vanderpool.

Luncheon info:

June 19th at 11:45 in the M.K. Brown room at the Chamber Speaker will be Kevin Anderson with Halliburton Meal provided by Pampa Country Club will include grilled pork chops, green beans, scalloped potatoes, and salad.

Public is invited. \$8 a person please RSVP at 669-3241.

Thank You! to our Business Expo sponsors

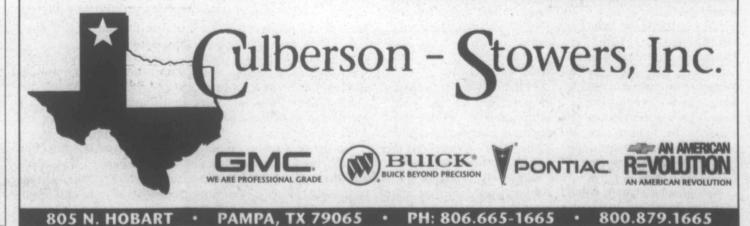
Gold: Great Plains Abstract & Title, Dish Solutions, Pampa Communications, and

Centramedia.

Silver: Shepards Crook Nursing, Panhandle Worksource, Brown, Graham & Co., Accolade Home Care, and CellularOne.

Fourth Annual Community
Wide Garage Sale is coming Aug.
11 so start cleaning out those
garages, storage sheds, and closets. The cost is \$20 per address,
which helps cover the cost of
advertising. Each participant
will receive 2 Garage Sale signs
personalized with your address
and a copy of "Garage Sale Tips"
to help organize your sale.
Deadline for entry is Aug. 3,
2007. For more information
contact the Chamber at 6693241.





Sports Day

Picking up the game again – or trying to, at least

working on a story for the upcoming 17th anniversary scramble at Hidden Hills, when I went up to the Pro Shop to visit with David Teichmann about what was

Upon filling me in about how this scramble was going to be played, David also invited me to come out and join in on the fun.

The truth was that I hadn't picked up a golf club in about six years, but out of curiosity

and excitement, accepted. In fact, the last time

played

Sports Editor

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golf SIX years ago, I was at Hidden me, but they repeatedly reas-Hills, playing the front 9.

I was 13 years old back then, and I wasn't bad for an 8-year-old.

After accepting Teichmann's invitation to play in the anniversary scramble, I told myself I would spend all week practicing, in order to save myself from a weekend of embarrassment.

I managed to make it out to the driving range one evening, but that was it.

I borrowed some clubs from my dad, which I later found out to be ladies' clubs, and took to the course early Saturday morning.

Upon arriving at Hidden you don't count my attempt Hills, wearing my American at an uphill putt on hole 3,

Earlier last week, I was hoped I would end up with a team of golfers who wouldn't try to kill me after realizing how terrible I am.

As it turned out, I was teamed up with three men who were "out there to have fun," which made the day more easy-going than I had anticipated.

Following announcements Teichmann, Armando Soto, Fabian Soto, Buster Kelley and I jumped on to the carts and seized the day.

I immediately expressed to them that t h e y shouldn't expect much out of

sured me that it was just fine.

My drives were hooking way to the right, if they ever went very far to begin with, as Kelley and I spent a good percentage of our time on many holes searching for my ball that obviously had a phobia of the fairway.

All three of the men, however, were all good sports about my lack of skill and gladly carried me along as we worked our way through the last six holes.

We bogied one hole and birdied another to break even on the first third of our day.

On the front 9, things one of us. started to look good for us, if Eagle tennis shoes, I really which I can't help but



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My teammates during Saturday's anniversary scramble at Hidden Hills, Armando Soto (left), Fabian Soto and Buster Kelley as Fabian tries to make a putt on hole 18.

remember very vividly.

Starting on hole 4, we pulled out four birdies, each of which were putted in by

Armando Soto got the ball rolling on hole 4 with a birdie put, then Buster

birdie putt on hole 5.

Much to my amazement, I made a somewhat lengthy put (for me, at least) on hole 6 for our third birdie, hopefully redeeming myself from my goof-up on Hole 3.

Then on Hole 7, which Kelley followed with a Fabian Soto had previously

claimed to be his favorite, we not only used his drive, but also his putt for our fourth-in-a-row birdie.

We stayed on par for the next five holes to finish with

I was told several times throughout the day, "All it

takes is one good shot for you to get hooked."

I had at least one pretty good putt, but I really should go back and play a few practice rounds by myself before making anyone else play with me.

Hidden Hills results

17th Anniversary Scramble Hidden Hills Golf Course June 16, 2007

21 teams competed, and everyone received a towel and balls, as well as free breakfast and lunch.

> 1st Pace (59) Bill Hammer Marvin Allison Gerrell Owens

2nd Place (60) Clint Miller Mike Crain Ethan Hutcherson James Gray

3rd Place (61) Weston Teichmann Pat Montoya Howard Wells John McGuire

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Fabian Soto tees off on hole 15 as teammate Buster Kelley looks on during Saturday's scramble.

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Hogan, Nicklaus ... Cabrera? Oakmont's Open produces a surprise winner

OAKMONT, Pa. (AP) — a U.S. Open title home to Possessing greatness is a necessity to win at Oakmont, so went the talk all week at the U.S. Open. The kind of over-the-top talent Ben Hogan, Bobby Jones and Jack Nicklaus displayed in championships winning there, that Johnny Miller owned for a day while shooting his record 63 in 1973.

So, with Tiger Woods ready to win the 13th major championship that would edge him closer to Nicklaus' record 18 majors, how could Angel Cabrera emerge from a tense final round Sunday as champion?

All together now: Who? Cabrera is 12th in European Tour career earnings, but his visibility in America probably couldn't have been much lower. Despite six previous top 10 finishes in majors, he is almost never mentioned among the top contenders in one of Europe's top events. big tournaments.

world-ranked No. 1 Woods more." and No. 3 Jim Furyk to bring

Argentina for the first time smoking like a steel mill, much like Arnold Palmer once did — that will change.

"The good thing is that I beat everybody here, not only Tiger Woods," Cabrera said Sunday, moments after putting both arms around the championship trophy and tucking it close.

Cabrera, 36, doesn't come from a country club background, growing up so poor he didn't finish elementary school. He began golfing only because his caddie's job allowed him to venture onto home-course Cordoba Golf Club. Back home, he is nicknamed El Pato — the duck for the way he walks down the fairway.

"I had to work as a caddie to put food on the table," said Cabrera, whose best previous victory came in the 2005 BMW Championship, "That's why, probably, these Now that he's stared down moments are enjoyed even

He smokes to deal with

"Well, there are some players that have psychologists, sportologists," he said. "I smoke."

Curiously, Oakmont Country Club, home to the rich, wealthy and famous, put away most of the field with its toughness, enabling the once dirt-poor Cabrera to take care of the rest as he finished at 5-over 285 for the tournament. Big and burly, Cabrera fit in well in Pittsburgh, where star athletes such as the now-retired Jerome Bettis aren't always perfect physical specimens.

Still, if one would have said his last name before the U.S. Open, many local fans would have confused him with Francisco Cabrera, the Braves bench player whose ninth-inning pinch hit beat the Pirates in Game 7 of the

1992 NLCS. No doubt it was a coincidence, but Angel Cabrera was the only contender who came out Sunday wearing yellow and black, his bright shirt almost exactly the

shade of Steelers gold. Furyk spent part of his youth in western Pennsylvania and some fans chanted his name, yet it was Cabrera who dressed the role as the hometown favorite.

"He (Cabrera) had some great golf shots, and that's what you have to do," Woods said. "He went out there and put all the pressure on Jim and I, and we fell one short."

Woods was the runner-up in a major for the second time this year; he also was at the Masters. Furyk tied for second in the U.S. Open for the second year in a row, the first to do that since Palmer in 1966-67.

Cabrera, the only player with two below-par rounds at Oakmont, owned the second-round lead following a 1-under 69 on Thursday and a 71 on Friday. But his 6over 76 Saturday left him four off the pace. That meant he went off four groups ahead of Woods and thirdround leader Aaron Baddeley, who took a triple-

bogey 7 on the first hole and on No. 13 and Woods played never contended.

At one point, five were tied for the lead after Cabrera gave back a shot with a bogey at the ninth following birdies on the fourth and fifth. But he birdied the 10th to regain the lead and once led by three shots after another birdie on the 15th.

However, Cabrera gave Furyk and Woods a chance with consecutive bogeys at the 16th and 17th, each time missing par putts of around 10 feet.

Yes, bogey on those holes made me nervous," he said. "But, well, I knew I had to hit a good drive to make par on the 18th and sit and wait."

He did that on what proved to be Oakmont's toughest hole Sunday, getting the par he needed to anish the way he started Thursday with a 1-under 69. Then, he went to the clubhouse and watched nervously as Furyk charged back into contention with three consecutive birdies starting out his final four holes.

Furyk's failed gamble on the 17th may have cost him a Monday playoff, With the tee moved up to make the hole play at 306 yards, he took out his driver but couldn't reach the green, landing in the left front rough. His bogey 5 was the only glaring mistake of his second evenpar 70 in as many days.

"Getting that close and not being able to win the golf tournament, yeah, it stings a little," said Furyk, who lost at Winged Foot last year by missing a short par putt on the 18th. "But I went down swinging.

Woods hung around all day but never gained control, finishing with only one birdie in his final 32 holes. What ultimately cost him was a double bogey 6 caused by two poor chip shots on

"Finishing second is never fun," Woods said. "You play so hard and it's just disappointing."

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

**** Your fiery nature zeros in on a chaotic situation. Listen with detachment, Understanding points to a new road. Be open to innovation and different thinking. Complete rather than begin. A suggestion might be quite appealing. Tonight: Be spontaneous.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) *** You might be considering a change that will impact your personal life. A partner could be very strong about what he or she wants. Listen well to feedback. If you don't like present options,

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) **** Your imagination, if expressed, can be a source of fun and ideas. Though you might not want to say everything that you are thinking, you will want to be a tad more spontaneous.

stop. Tonight: Relax first.

Others demonstrate their innate abilities. Tonight: Listen to everyone's ideas. CANCER (June 21-July 22)

*** Understanding takes you in a new direction. Your ability to realize goals and head in a new direction emerges. Structure your finances so they work but don't make you feel cramped. Don't be surprised if you need a plumber or someone else to clear out a mess! Tonight: Head home.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) *** Right now, if you feel like royalty in your world, act like royalty. Don't be pompous, but do express the special caring and concern that emanates from someone who is secure. Others look to you as a measure of what is right. Tonight: Decide what works.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ** Still moving a bit like a snail, you process an enormous amount of energy. Others could push very hard, but you have the strength and desire to hold your own. When the time comes to make a decision, you will be ready. Tonight: Surprise! Finally a blast of energy!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) **** You might want to approach life from a totally different perspective and see what happens. Emphasize commonality and joint effort. The way you present an issue could draw a lot of support. Do as much as you can early on. Tonight: Isn't it time to slow down?

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) **** Not everyone sees eye to eye on what is going on around you. Consider your options and listen to suggestions, but understand that in the end, you make the decision. You also accept responsibility for the outcome. Tonight: What starts out as serious becomes light. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

tion into a non-problem if you tune in to your mental abilities. Absolutely be willing to say "I don't know." Gather information, seek other opinions and note where your thinking prevents you from finding a solution. Tonight: Surround vourself with music. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

**** You can transform any situa-

**** Work with one person, revealing all that is necessary. Vulnerability will allow greater openness and flow. You might not always have the solution. Two minds simply work better than one, if no one is making the other wrong. Tonight: Be selective. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

**** You are energized and full of fun. Others seek you out, but at the same time, you zero in on who and what you want. Do nothing halfway right now. Enthusiasm from friends or associates energizes you. Tonight: Act like the world is your friend.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) *** A steady and even pace brings unanticipated results. You might be delighted by someone's take on a very important situation. Brainstorm, but don't lose track of what must be done. Keep on schedule despite distraction. Tonight: Off to the gym or relax watching a baseball game.

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VCCN JME J QLJE PCRRGEL JME KQLSL GB J QCRRCO BCHME, GB GK

WLCSW P. RGPQKLMVLSW Saturday's Cryptoquote: AS FOR BEING A GENERAL ... WITH PAPER HATS AND WOODEN SWORDS, "E'RE ALL GENERALS. — PETER USTINOV

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Summer grilling



Bob Lindsey recently won a grill from Heard-Jones. Above, from left: Sandy Nichols, Lindsey and Ada Westbrook.



Ada Westbrook at Heard-Jones recently presented BC Blackstock with a grill he won as part of a store drawing.

FEMA awards \$1 million to Houston

AUSTIN — The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) awarded \$1.02 million to the state of Texas to reimburse the city of Houston for additional disaster-related services provided to Hurricane Katrina evacuees.

Through its Public Assistance Program, FEMA reimburses state and local government units, as well as certain private nonprofit organizations, for eligible and documented disaster-related expenses. Most of the approved Public Assistance projects fund the cost of debris removal, the restoration of damaged infrastructure, and emergency actions taken during and immediately after a disaster to protect life and property.

In the aftermath of Katrina, the state of Texas has received and administered more

than \$582 million in Public Assistance grants from FEMA to reimburse state and local government units, which includes more than \$314.7 million to the city of Houston. The latest obligation funds the following project:

City of Houston — \$1.02 million to reimburse the Houston Fire Department for Emergency Medical Services associated with transporting hurricane evacuees. Expenses include equipment expenses for ambulances and supervisors' vehicles. The time period covered runs from Sept. 1, 2005 to March 31, 2006.

Under FEMA's Public Assistance Program, host cities are eligible for 100 percent reimbursement of eligible and documented costs associated with the emergency care, temporary sheltering, and interim housing of Hurricane Katrina evacuees.



Waunell Murphy, from left, of Borger, Willie Mae Mangold, Donna Burger, Karen Slate, Minelle Turner and Sudie Reeder recently toured the garden at Pioneer Cottage in Pampa. Master Gardener Rosa Bilderback of White Deer presented a program to members of Las Pampas Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution on the "Xeriscape" garden, specially-designed to save water.

Space station computers tested

By JUAN A. LOZANO Associated Press Writer

HOUSTON (AP) - A revived set of crucial computers aboard the international space station still need to undergo one more test before they are given a clean bill of

That test - set to be done Monday - will determine if the two Russian computers are ready to control the station's orientation.

Test results will help determine if space shuttle Atlantis, which has been at the space station since June 10, needs to spend another day at the outpost.

During the computer meltdown last week, Atlantis' thrusters were used to help the station maintain its position. The space station's thrusters haven't been used since the computers failed.

'That's a big step in our checkout of the computers to make sure everything is working correctly," flight director Holly Ridings said Monday. "It's one of those things we want to see before we undock."

Atlantis is set to undock on Tuesday and land Thursday in Cape Canaveral, Fla.

The Russian computers, which also control oxygen production, crashed last week. All six of the computers' processors were back online Saturday. The two processors that took longer to revive are now on standby mode and can be used if needed.

Except for an oxygen generator, all the space station systems that were powered down when the computers failed are now running.

During Monday's test, the space shuttle's thrusters will take control of the joined craft so it can change positions to dump waste and water, and then the Russian thrusters will take over. During a second part of the test, U.S. computers will send commands to the Russian thrusters.

Also Monday, Atlantis' crew was to finish packing the shuttle for its return trip to Earth. The shuttle and space station crews were set to say their goodbyes before hatches between Atlantis and the outpost are closed in preparation for Tuesday's undocking. They were given some free time Monday morning to enjoy the view on their last full

On Sunday, shuttle astronauts completed the fourth and final spacewalk of their mission to continue the construction of the space

During a nearly 6 1/2-hour spacewalk, astronauts Patrick Forrester and Steven Swanson activated a rotating joint — their top priority - on the outpost's newest segment so a new pair of solar wings can track the sun and provide power to the station. The solar arrays were delivered to the space station by Atlantis.

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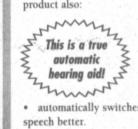
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