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School board approves election administrator, band and choir trips

By KERRI SMITH
Staff Writer

School board members approved participating with other Gray County entities to fund an election administrator, approved the band and choir trips, revised the 2007-2008 school calendar and reviewed campus handbooks from each school at a regular meeting Thursday evening.

A representative of Pampa School District will become one vote on the Election Commission and the district will pay a portion of the cost of the position, 8.75 percent, as well as a fee to help replace aged equipment.

The district's portion of the costs of the position is \$4,529 per year and the cost for the fund to replace equipment is \$3,081 per year. The

replacement amount may not be collected each year.

The band trip to New York City and the choir trip to St. Louis, Mo., and Branson, Mo., were both approved for the 2007-2008 school year.

Revisions were made to the 2007-2008 school calendar due to a conflict with TAKS tests and when a holiday and snow days were scheduled. The snow/make-up days will now be May 5 and May 26. A holiday that was scheduled for Oct. 22 was changed to Oct. 8 so the students can be in class on the latter date for TAKS tests.

Board members discussed and approved a resolution of support for the completion

Summertime heat



Pampa News photo by DAVID BOWSER

Under the glare of the rising sun, a pump jack nods on the horizon east of Pampa. The ball of fire that rose this week promised hot, dry August weather after a cool, wet start for the month.

City gets update on Atmos infrastructure program

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

The Pampa City Commission this week heard their update on Atmos Energy's annual GRIP filing.

Pampa City Manager John Horst said GRIP is an acronym for Gas Reliability Infrastructure Program.

City commission action will be needed prior to Sept. 25, he said.

Horst went over the filing with the commission during a work session following their regular meeting Tuesday.

Atmos representatives will be at the commission's Aug. 30 meeting to give a presentation as to why the natural gas company needs to raise prices.

"This is allowed by law," Horst said. "The purpose of the GRIP filing is for Atmos to make a sufficient profit to keep their infrastructure up to date."

According to Stephen Walker, a rate analyst with Atmos, the August 2007 bills will reflect \$7.96 charge for infrastructure.

A consultant hired by the city will also be at the Aug. 30 meeting to point out areas that he thinks shouldn't be covered.

Horseshoe winners



Pampa News Photo by KERRI SMITH

The search for the Golden Horseshoe concluded Thursday afternoon when Kevin and Sydney Taylor found the hidden item at Freedom Museum U.S.A. underneath a tank. They will receive box seats for all performances of the Top O' Texas Rodeo and will ride in the parade on Saturday morning. This is the third time the family has found the golden horseshoe, the first was in 1997 and the second was in 1998. Rodeo Association Treasurer Scott Hahn presents the tickets to Sydney.

Horst tells commission it's time to redo city's per diem

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

Pampa City Manager John Horst made a case for increasing the per diem paid city employees and officials when they travel to training classes and seminars during a work session following the city commission's meeting Tuesday evening.

"We have been at \$30 per diem since before I came to work here," Horst told the commission.

That rate has served the city for about 25 years.

"Prices have risen and we would like to redo the per diem," Horst said.

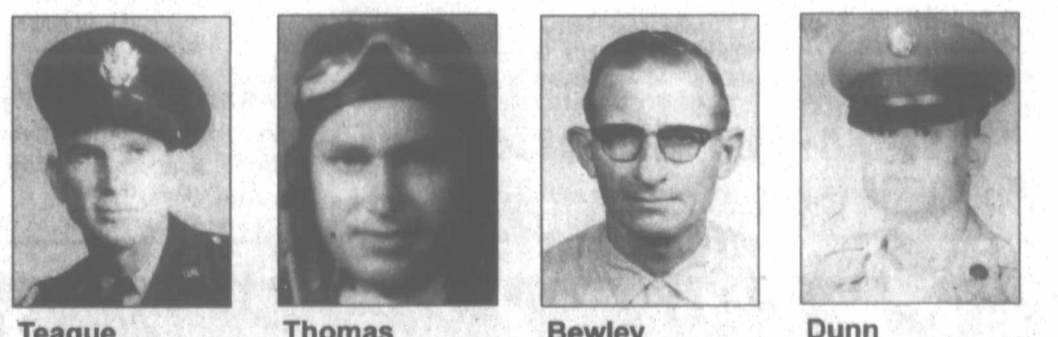
He said he wanted to bring it up during the work session so the commission could be thinking about it for future action.

Horst asked the commission to consider changing the daily payment to either a flat \$39 or consider following a federal program that alters the amount depending upon where the employee is. The latter would allow for higher rates in more expensive cities and lower rates in less expensive cities.

Per diem is paid to cover breakfast, lunch and dinner plus incidental expenses while traveling.

The U.S. General Services Administration allows a minimum of \$39 for three meals and incidentals for less expensive destinations such as Amarillo, up a sliding scale to \$54 in cities like Austin to \$59 for Dallas to \$64 for cities like New York City.

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These veterans will be honored at the Panhandle Veterans Hall of Honor at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Old Pampa Hardware Bldg., 120 N. Cuyler. All are invited to attend the catered banquet. Pictured from left: Weldon W. Teague, served 27 years during WWII and Korea; Garth B. Thomas, served during WWII and in the Marine Corps Reserves; Ira Bewley, served in the Navy during WWII and helped fight the Japanese; and Richard E. Dunn, who served in the Army during Vietnam and was wounded while rescuing fellow soldiers.

NEXT DAY FORECAST

Saturday	Sunday	Monday
Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy	Sunny

Saturday: A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 86. Southeast wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Saturday Night: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 67. Southeast wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Sunday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 90. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Sunday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 71. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Monday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 93. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

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

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The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa.

OXY	54.34	+1.24
BP PLC ADR	64.20	+1.20
Cabot Corp	38.34	-0.08
Celanese	33.39	+1.02
Cabot Oil Gas	32.77	+0.43
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XCEL	20.61	+0.27
Anadarko	48.50	+1.02
XOM	82.91	+2.24
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Obituaries

Services tomorrow

SCOTT, Aulsie Lee — 2 p.m., First Baptist Church Chapel, Plainview.

Doyle Wayne Doggett, 75

Doyle Wayne Doggett, 75, of Pampa, Texas, died Aug. 16, 2007, at Amarillo, Texas. Memorial services will be at 3 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 19, 2007, at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Renae Haiduk, Methodist minister, officiating. Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors. Mr. Doggett was born Jan. 1, 1932, in Comanche. He was a graduate of Pampa High School. He married Marie Buta on

Jan. 15, 1954 in Honolulu, Hawaii. He had been a resident of Pampa since 1957, moving from Hawaii. He was an operator at Celanese, retiring on April 1, 1992, after 27 years of service. He was a member of the Top O' Texas Masonic Lodge #1381, AF&AM. He was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force, serving during the Korean Conflict. Survivors include his wife, Marie Doggett, of the home; two daughters, Jeannette Miller and husband Charlie of Pampa, and Donna Stamp and husband Tom of Amarillo; one son, Tommy Doggett and wife Lori of Houston; five grandchildren, Ty Stamp and wife Irene of Denton, Evan Miller of Los Angeles, Calif., Heath Miller and wife Kara of Amarillo, Travis Doggett and Cameron Doggett, both of Houston; two step-grandchildren, Lisa Wilson and husband Mike of Amarillo; one Jesse Stamp of Amarillo; one great-granddaughter, Perrigrin Stamp of Denton; and two stepgreat-grandchildren, Taylor Tice and Kyler Tice, both of Borger.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Alvin and Katie Doggett. MEMORIALS: Texas Oncology, Attn: Valerie, 1000 S. Coulter, Amarillo, TX 79106. SPECIAL NOTICE: The family will be at 2325 Beech in Pampa. —Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

Elizabeth Ruth Flynt, 84

PASADENA, Texas — Elizabeth Ruth Flynt, 84, died Aug. 17, 2007, at Pasadena, Texas. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa. Mrs. Flynt was born June 14, 1923, in Moore, Okla. She married James Flynt on

September 8, 1940 in Wheeler; he preceded her in death in 1989. She had been a resident of Pampa from 1941 until 2003 when she moved to Pasadena. She worked as a clerk for the A.S.C.S. office in Pampa, retiring after 30 years of service. She was a

member of the Central Baptist Church. Survivors include one daughter, Nannette Strain of El Paso; one son, James E. Flynt, II and wife Becky of Pasadena; one sister, Lucille McDonald of Perryton; four grandchildren, Elena Skillingstad of Hermosa,

S.D., Lee Strain of El Paso, Emily Flynt and Kyle Flynt, both of Pasadena; and six great-grandchildren. —Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

Aulsie Lee Scott, 96

Funeral services for Aulsie Lee Scott, 96, will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18, 2007, at the First Baptist Chapel with Scott Rankin officiating. Burial will be in Plainview Cemetery under the direction of Wood-Dunning Funeral Home.

Mrs. Scott passed from this life Thursday morning, Aug. 15, 2007, at Pampa Nursing Center in Pampa, Texas. She was born the oldest of twin daughters to the late Jack and Mamie Dodd in Randolph, Texas, on March 8, 1911.

She married William Harris Scott and they lived in Fannin County until just before World War II. Later they lived in Burkburnett, Childress and Pampa. After her husband's stroke, they owned and operated a Texaco Service station and garage, then later a restaurant in Pampa. They also owned a restaurant on Highway 66 at Alanreed when I-40 was being built.



Scott

In the early 1960s, they moved to Plainview. Due to her husband's health, she worked for Furr's grocery in the meat department and later worked for Page's Grocery Store in the meat department until her retirement. Mrs. Scott was a devout Christian, a long-time member of First Baptist Church in Plainview, and at the time of her death, a member of Hobart Baptist Church in Pampa. Her beloved husband, her parents and grandparents, aunts and uncles and many loved ones including her beloved twin sister, Audrey Glee Smith, who died April 20, 2007, are deceased. Aulsie led an amazing life and touched so many hearts in so many ways. She was blessed with a long productive life. She was a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister and friend to many. Survivors include three daughters, and two sons-in-law, Billie Lam of Plainview and Wanda and Willis Watson and Carolan Lee and Kenneth Hall of Pampa; eight grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild. The family will be at Belinda Brown's residence, 3604 Garland St. Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. today at Wood-Dunning Funeral Home chapel.

Emergency Services

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

Don Allen Bailey, 63, of Pampa was arrested by

GCSO for possession of drug paraphernalia and failure to change address.

Christopher Woodward, 21, of Pampa was arrested by Pampa Police Department on a probation violation for aggravated assault.

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Tommy Ray Carver, 50, of Pampa was arrested by PPD for no driver's license, disorderly conduct and criminal mischief.

Steven Rivera, 41, of Pampa was arrested by PPD for public intoxication, disorderly conduct and criminal mischief.

Jose Lopez, 49, of Pampa was arrested by PPD for fraudulent use and possession of identifying information, and public intoxication.

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Thursday, Aug. 16
 8:22 a.m. — Four units and eight personnel responded to the 700 block of North West on a rubbish fire.
 3:38 p.m. — Five units and seven personnel responded to the 300 block of Henry on a structure fire.

Friday, Aug. 17
 4:03 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded on One Medical Plaza on a LifeStar standby.

Guardian EMS ambulance reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Thursday, Aug. 16
 7:56 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 500 block of North Nelson and transported a patient(s) to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

Friday, Aug. 17
 2:09 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block

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Michael Reed
Goober's Drilling
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"Yes - I like the calf riding."

School

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of the Loop connecting Highway 70 and Price

Road. They also voted in favor of moving toward paperless payroll by using the Pentamation Employee Access Center. A resolution for participating in the 2013 purchasing cooperative with

the education service centers from Regions 20 and 13 was approved so certain food and commodities purchased may be cheaper. The principals from all of the elementary schools, jun-

ior high school and high school were on hand to answer any questions regarding their campus handbooks that were presented for review by the board.

The 2007 tax rate of \$1.32505 was approved and a contract with Brown, Graham and Co. for auditing services for 2006-2007 financial statements was approved in the amount of

\$32,500. Drug and alcohol survey results were presented by Suzanne Pingel, who is the homeless and drug education liaison from Pampa High School.

Per diem

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"This is the U.S. General Services Administration analysis as to what meals cost in various cities," Horst said.

Horst recommended the GSA program.

He explained that the per diem is calculated and paid to the employees or officials

before they leave and they need not return receipts. If they go over the per diem, they have to pay for it out of their own pockets. It is not a reimbursement program.

If the city went to a base of \$39, Horst said that would be a 30 percent increase.

"But that's over the last 22 to 23 years," he said.

Horst said they have run into problems in a couple of cities where the per diem wasn't enough to cover

meals and expenses.

Pampa Police Chief Trevlyn Pitner said having lunch with the other participants at workshops is an important part of networking, and he's aware of times when Pampa employees could not afford to talk over lunch at some hotels. Pitner said that at times, seminars are held at hotels that are not near inexpensive restaurants and cafes, so participants eat in hotel restaurants, which can be expen-

sive.

"Nobody's getting rich on per diem," said Pampa Fire Chief Kim Powell.

Horst said that any meals included in a seminar or workshop would be subtracted from the per diem.

The per diem payments have not been large in the past. Horst said that on an annual basis, it has cost the city \$3,000 to \$4,000 a year.

"It's not a great big expense," he said.

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of South Dwight and transported a patient PRMC.

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Seven traffic stops were made with one arrest.

Traffic complaints were reported at the intersection of Hobart and Somerville and in the 2800 block of North Charles.

Animal control officers made stops concerning animals in the 1000 block of North Frost, the 1000 block of South Sumner, the 600 block of West Wilkes, the 100 block of South Faulkner, the 600 block of North Zimmers, the 800 block of East Frederic, the 100 block of South Sumner, the 300 block of South Cuyler, the 300 block of South Miami, the 700 block of North Lefors, the 2100 block of North Hamilton, the 1900 block of North Zimmers, the 900 block of

South Varnon and the 1100 block of Garland.

Suspicious persons were reported in the 1000 block of East Frederic, twice in the 100 block of South Gillespie, the 1900 block of North Banks and the 1400 block of West Somerville.

Suspicious vehicles were noted in the 2600 block of North Seminole and the 1000 block of South Varnon.

An abandoned vehicle was reported at the intersection of Foster and Osage.

Thefts were reported in the 2800 block of North Charles, where \$60 in cash was stolen; the 1600 block of North Sumner, where two archery bows valued at \$1,315 were taken; the 1000 block of South Christy; and the 1400 block of North Hobart.

Possession of drug paraphernalia was reported in the 300 block of South Henry.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 300 block of South Starkweather and the 1400 block of West Somerville, where an arrest was made for public intoxication and disorderly conduct-language. A window valued at \$100 was broken.

Civil matters were reported in the 500 block of West Brown and the police department lobby.

Escort service was provided in the 200 block of North West.

Agency assistance was provided in the 12000 block of East Frederic and in the 900 block of South Wells.

A silent/abusive emergency call was received from the 1700 block of East Harvester.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 1300 block of Terrace.

A missing person was reported in the 2700 block of Seminole.

Warrant service was attempted at two locations. Two attempts to serve papers were made.

Harassment complaints were received in the police department lobby and the 1800 block of North Lea.

Motorist assistance was provided at the intersection of Hobart and McCullough. Violation of a city ordinance was reported in the 1800 block of North Chestnut.

Burglaries were reported in the 1000 block of North

Profs to research flooding, watersheds

By RAFAEL McDONNELLI
UNT News Service

The heavy rains that drenched parts of North Central Texas, South Texas and the Texas Hill Country this spring and summer show the importance of learning how watersheds connect to each other to predict flood damage and save lives. Two professors of computer science and engineering at the University of North Texas have received a \$75,000 award from the National Science Foundation for research into this field.

Dr. Bill Buckles and Dr. Xiaohui Yuan will use LiDAR, or light detection and ranging, to focus on watersheds in urban environments. LiDAR is an optical remote sensing technology used in the construction and development of digital terrain and digital elevation models.

"When we started this research, we were focusing on both urban and lowland flooding, but now we are focusing on urban environments. We are interested in

determining the watershed drainage of a specific area, and how the various watersheds leak over to each

other," Buckles says. "This is very important in post-disaster assessment."



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Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

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The members of the governing body voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:
FOR: Judge Richard Peet, Comm. Joe Wheeley, Comm. Gary Willoughby, Comm. Gerald Wright, Comm. James Hefley
AGAINST:
PRESENT and not voting:
ABSENT:

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	4.94% increase
Debt Service	(2.92)% (decrease)
Total Expenditures	4.83% increase
Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value as calculated under section 26.04, Tax Code	
	Preceding Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$1,573,968,433
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$17,394,321
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$1,377,369,990
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$17,349,321

BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness \$1,225,000

TAX RATES

Adopted tax rate for the preceding tax year	\$0.445623	per \$100 in value
Proposed tax rate for the current tax year	\$0.473260	per \$100 in value
Difference in the proposed tax rate and the adopted tax rate for the preceding tax year	\$0.027637	per \$100 in value
Percentage increase or decrease in the proposed tax rate and the adopted tax rate for the preceding tax year	6.20%	Increase

These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

Comparison of Residence Homestead Values

Average appraised and taxable values on residence homesteads are compared from the preceding tax year and the current tax year.

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Average residence homestead appraised value	\$34,244	\$36,230
Homestead exemption amount for the taxing unit (excluding special exemptions for persons 65 years of age or older or disabled)	\$3,000	\$3,000
Average taxable value of a residence homestead (excluding special exemptions for persons 65 years of age or older or disabled)	\$31,244	\$33,230

Comparison of Residence Homestead Taxes

The taxes that would have been imposed in the preceding tax year on the residence homestead at the average appraised value (excluding special exemptions for persons 65 years of age or older or disabled) are estimated to be \$139.23. The taxes that would be imposed in the current tax year on a residence homestead appraised at the average appraised value in the current tax year (excluding special exemptions for persons 65 years of age or older or disabled), if the proposed tax rate is adopted, are estimated to be \$157.26. The difference between the amount of taxes on the average residence homestead in the current tax year, if the proposed tax rate is adopted, and the preceding tax year would be an increase of \$18.03 in taxes.

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown 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.

Viewpoints

'Badge fraud' robs consumers and peace officers

Pro-law enforcement charities and other non-profit organizations provide critical financial assistance to the brave men and women who protect our homes and neighborhoods. While many of these organizations provide assistance to family members of officers who make the ultimate sacrifice, some unscrupulous individuals may prey on your generosity for their own gain.

Consumers and small businesses are defrauded when scammers falsely claim to be collecting donations on behalf of law enforcement or public safety organizations. In the worst cases, the money winds up in the con artists' pockets rather than going to deserving charities. This type of scam

is called "badge fraud."

Badge fraud often begins with a telephone or mail solicitation carefully crafted to appeal to your good intentions. Solicitors claim they are collecting much-needed funds for fallen police officers, fire fighters or other public safety personnel. In some cases, the charity is non-existent. In others, the charity is real, but only a small portion of your donation actually helps officers or their families.

The Office of the Attorney General will not tolerate badge fraud. In 2004, we joined forces with Harris County Attorney Mike Stafford to halt the fraudulent telemarketing practices and financial improprieties of the Texas Police Officers

Alliance (TPOA).

TPOA's telemarketers promised donors that their financial gifts would provide death benefits for families of slain Texas police officers, including scholarships for their surviving children. Our investigation revealed that of the nearly \$300,000 collected by the charity, only \$500 was dispersed to officers' families. Those meager benefits were distributed only after the Office of the Attorney General sent TPOA a civil investigative demand requesting information.

As for the claim that con-

tributions were being used to create scholarships, the defendants failed to perform even the minimum requirements for establishing a scholarship, including notifying law enforcement agencies that funds would be available. In light of these abuses, we felt it was our duty to take legal action to protect Texas consumers.

Another common scam involves con artists who target the business community by offering to sell "advertising" in non-existent law enforcement magazines. Some small businesses have

complained to our office about receiving invoices for ads that they never ordered or authorized. When business owners asked to see the ads, the sellers steadfastly refused to produce them.

Badge fraud steals money from generous Texans and hard-working peace officers. Worse, it erodes public trust in legitimate charitable organizations. Everyone loses with badge fraud. An official-sounding organization name is a common ploy. Fraudulent charities often have names that are very similar to the names of well-known, trusted and legitimate organizations.

Charities are not generally required to register in Texas, but those that claim to benefit peace officers are subject

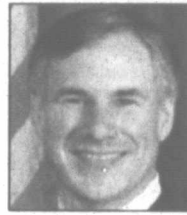
to special provisions of the Texas Law Enforcement Telephone Solicitation Act. These charities must register with the Office of the Attorney General. In addition, the Public Safety Solicitation Act requires certain organizations to register, pay a fee and post a bond with the Secretary of State.

Registration with the SOS or with the Office of the Attorney General does not guarantee that the charity is trustworthy, however. Do not be afraid to ask for a written statement about the way your contribution will be used. A legitimate charity will welcome your interest. Let's give, but let's give wisely.

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Greg Abbott

Texas attorney general



Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Aug. 17, the 229th day of 2007. There are 136 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

Two hundred years ago, on Aug. 17, 1807, Robert Fulton's North River Steamboat (popularly, if erroneously, known to this day as the Clermont) began heading up the Hudson River on its successful round-trip between New York and Albany.

On this date:

In 1863, federal batteries and ships began bombarding Fort Sumter in Charleston harbor during the Civil War, but the Confederates managed to hold on despite several days of pounding.

In 1896, a prospecting party discovered gold in Canada, a finding that touched off the Klondike gold rush.

In 1915, a mob in Cobb County, Ga., lynched Jewish businessman Leo Frank, whose death sentence for the murder of 13-year-old Mary Phagan had been commuted to life imprisonment.

(Frank, who'd maintained his innocence, was pardoned by the state of Georgia in 1986.)

In 1942, during World War II, U.S. Eighth Air Force bombers attacked Rouen, France.

In 1943, the Allied conquest of Sicily was completed as U.S. and British forces entered Messina.

In 1969, 256 people were killed as Hurricane Camille slammed into the Gulf Coast.

In 1978, the first successful trans-Atlantic balloon flight ended as Maxie Anderson, Ben Abruzzo and Larry Newman landed their Double Eagle Two outside Paris.

In 1985, more than 1,400 meatpackers walked off the job at the Geo. A. Hormel and Company's main plant in Austin, Minn., in a bitter strike that lasted just over a year.

In 1987, Rudolf Hess, the last member of Adolf Hitler's inner circle, died at Spandau Prison at age 93, an apparent suicide.

In 1996, the Reform Party announced Ross Perot had won its nomination to be its first-ever presidential candidate.

Ten years ago: President Clinton urged both sides in the United Parcel Service strike to "redouble their efforts" to reach a deal, but hours later, negotiators recessed their intensive talks.

Five years ago: In Krakow, Poland, tens of thousands of adoring Poles gave Pope John Paul II a joyous welcome home as the ailing pontiff began the 9th visit to his native country during his papacy.

'Jealousy is all the fun you think they had.'

— Erica Jong
American author

AS PRESIDENT, OBAMA SAYS HE WOULD MEET WITH DICTATORS...

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Berry produced a great crop of literature

I remember the first time I read Wendell Berry. I was so overwhelmed by his good sense, his eloquence, his logic and his knowledge that I felt like writing only one final column, which would contain a single sentence repeated over and over: "Read Wendell Berry."

Alas, I have to make a living, so despite Berry saying everything I thought or was trying to think about 1,000 times better than I could say it, I continue to write. The good news is that you're not stuck with me. You can go to your local bookstore or library and read the works of this Kentucky farmer, who ought to be declared one of America's national treasures.

One of the things Berry knows that is so easy for us urbanites to forget is that human life is inextricably tied to the land. Most of us

buy our food in the supermarkets, neatly washed and packaged. It is easy to overlook the labor involved in planting, nurturing and harvesting all that food. It is easy not to even think about what conditions are necessary for the farmer to produce that food. Very likely, if our species becomes extinct, it will not be because of nuclear weapons or germ warfare. It will be because of our wasteful, careless use of the land. So much of it is being scraped away, paved over, poisoned, allowed to erode or deprived of its natural water supply that unless we wake up, the few dying survivors will find themselves living their last days

on a desiccated planet like Mars.

All land is not the same. Soil is originally the remains of eroded rocks. Until it acquires enough organic matter, it won't grow plants.

This valuable topsoil is easily washed away or blown away. It is easily depleted of

its nutrients by overplanting. It can be permanently poisoned by heavy use of pesticides and herbicides. It needs not the callous exploitation of corporate agri-giants, but the love and care of the men and women who live on it.

One solution to our energy problem would be to grow the food close to where people who consume it live. If

we get our food from farms within 10 or 15 miles of our homes, millions of gallons of fuel used to transport it long distances would not be needed. It was not that many decades ago when that was the way it was. When I was a child, we bought our milk and butter from a local dairy, and vegetables and fruits from local farmers. There was even a community canner where people could go and can food for the coming winter.

One way to achieve that type of system would be to run all of the land planners — I call them land scammers — out of the country. Send them to Chad or Somalia or some other appropriate hell-hole. Then draw a line around the urban development core and say: more. From now on, outside this

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Charley Reese

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Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

■ Aug. 6

San Antonio Express-News on Perry's veto of faculty and staff health benefits at community colleges:

Gov. Rick Perry's veto of \$154 million in funding for faculty and staff health benefits at community colleges could affect the pocketbook of most taxpayers in the state.

The funding veto does not mean the expense disappears from community college budgets.

It just means the districts will have to make up the difference through other means. That most likely will mean tuition increases or increases in prop-

erty tax rates unless state leaders find another approach.

The state's 50 community college districts have launched a lobbying effort and engaged the help of their legislators in hopes of getting the governor to reconsider his actions.

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and House Speaker Tom Craddick are amenable to having the funding restored, but their votes on the Legislative Budget Board are not enough. They need the support of the governor on this one, and it is questionable that Perry will change his mind.

Perry has said the community colleges are inflating the numbers of employees entitled to state-paid health benefits despite claims to the contrary from college officials.

That issue should have been resolved to the governor's satisfaction during the session. Perry's veto came after the session, limiting options for a remedy.

However, the firestorm sparked by the veto offers hope: Legislative hearings are on the way as a bipartisan group of lawmakers pushes for a resolution that doesn't leave colleges holding the bag.

The veto of the community college funds was one of 55 the governor exercised this summer. Community college officials say they were blindsided.

Community colleges are political lightweights, but that is no reason to shortchange the districts and their students.

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Praise & Worship

A Weekly Series Highlighting Pampa's Churches



Salvation Army Church

Church name: The Salvation Army Church, 701 S. Cuyler, 665-7233.

Minister: Captains Mark and Laura Martin.

Services: Sunday — 10 a.m. Sunday School, 11 a.m. Morning Worship; Wednesday — 6 p.m. Adult Bible Study; Thursday — 6 p.m. Junior Bible Study; Friday — 6 p.m. Teen Bible Study.

Activities: Pancake breakfast at 9 a.m. the first, second and third Sundays of each month; Fourth Sunday lunch, which is a potluck meal provided by the congregation; Vacation Bible School during spring break; summertime sponsor for community center kids going to camp; hope to have a day camp in the summer and after school tutoring program in the fall.

Members: 30.

Denomination: Founded by Wesleyan Methodist Minister in 1865 and became The Salvation Army in 1869 in London, England.

How long here: Since 1929.

Goals: A building to house community center activities.

Other activities: Social services office open 10 a.m.-12 p.m and 1-4 p.m.; food and clothes vouchers available on Monday and Wednesday; emergency rent and utilities on first and third Mondays only; disaster relief efforts with the mobile canteen unit whenever necessary; family store to raise money to help fund social services programs.

Main goal: Preach and teach the gospel and share the love of Jesus with everyone we meet and to help meet the needs of the less fortunate.

Church message: Salvation through Jesus Christ and meeting human needs in His name.

Responsible parties: Captains Mark and Laura Martin, staff and volunteers.

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Religion

Almighty's D-Day may not be too far in the future

In the New Testament is an expression used by the writers many times. It is the expression "that day" or "the day." When the Allied forces invaded Normandy, it was called "D-Day." When Japan surrendered to the American forces, it was called "VJ Day."

All the New Testament writers were looking for a climactic day that they referred to as "that day." The early New Testament Christians continually talked about and looked forward to "that day."

Dr. Jimmy Flynn

Evangelist



For example, in 2 Timothy 1:12 the apostle says: "I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him

against that day."

The apostle was indicating that all of his past sins had been forgiven because of Christ, and that God was able to keep him until some climactic day in the future.

In 2 Timothy 4:8, Paul (referring to crowns and rewards that Christians shall receive in the future for their faithfulness here) wrote: "Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day."

In urging all Christians to attend church, Paul wrote in Hebrews 10:25, "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together as the manner of some is, exhorting one another and so much the more as ye see the day approaching."

As that day approaches, we should be sure to assemble. Exhort each other in the scriptures and help to build each other up in the most holy faith. The day is near ...

Again, in urging Christians to work more earnestly and faithfully for their Lord, the apostle warns in Romans 13:12, "The night is far spent, the day is at hand."

What kind of day were they looking for? What is this climactic day in history that the entire Bible talks about, and that almost every New Testament writer

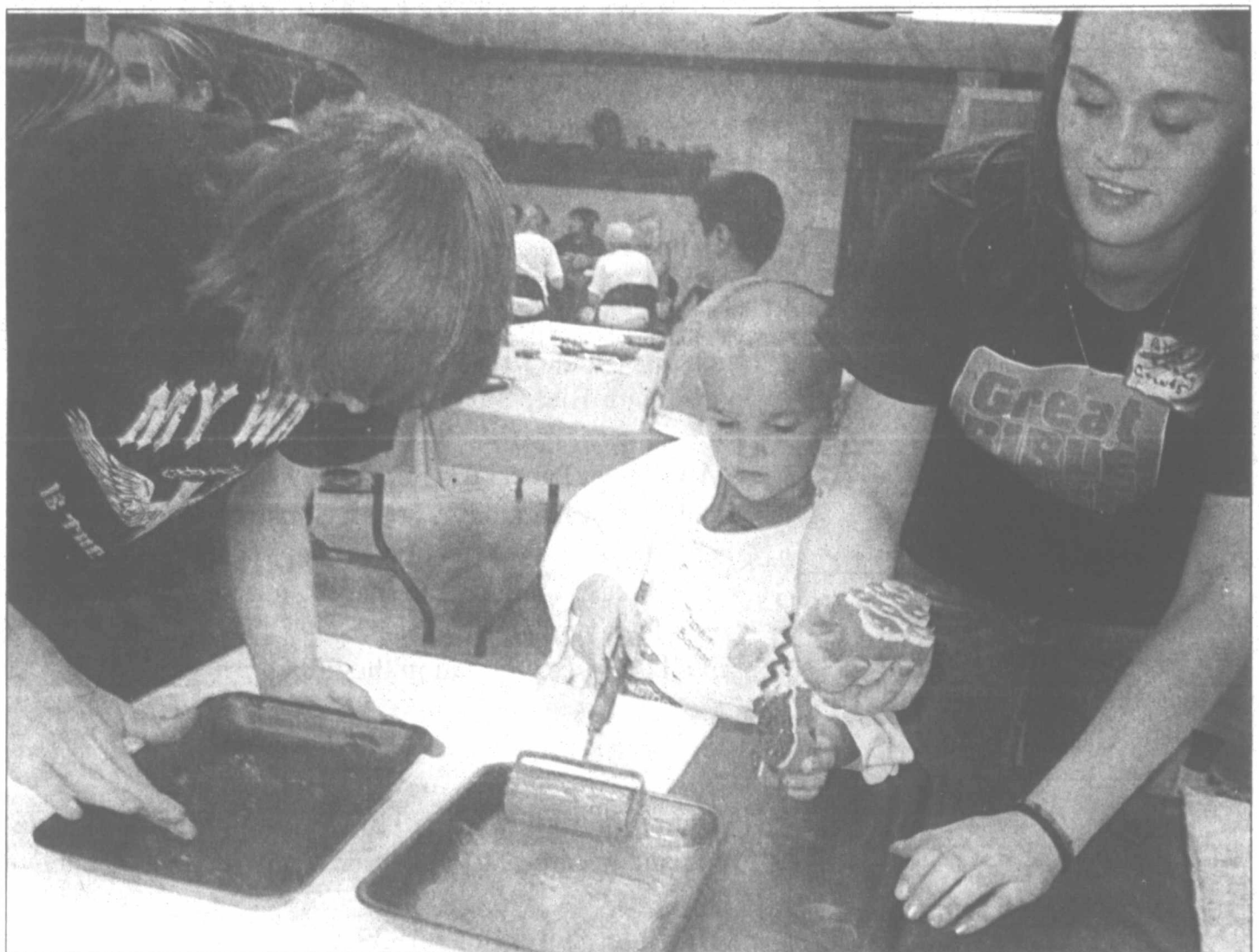
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VBS



COURTESY PHOTO

Colin Sutherland took his work as crew leader to heart by helping Molly Nelson complete her personalized pillow case for the crafts class at Vacation Bible School recently. Four churches sponsored the Bible school — St. Matthew's Episcopal, First Christian, First Presbyterian and Hi-Land Christian.



COURTESY PHOTO

Crew leaders Daryl Moore and Allie Ramey worked hard at helping Thayer Barton complete his personalized pillow case for the Vacation Bible School recently sponsored by St. Matthew's Episcopal, First Christian, First Presbyterian and Hi-Land Christian.

Church briefs ...

New Day, a gospel music ministry team based in Rockwall, Texas, will appear in concert at 10:30 a.m. Sunday in Lighthouse Covenant Fellowship, 1733 N. Banks.

New Day specializes in a variety of Christian music, from traditional southern gospel to more contemporary sounds.

The group consists of Bob and Pam Reeves, Kelly Matthews and Jim Matthews. Kelly's husband travels with New Day as road manager and sound technician.

Both Bob and Jim are ordained ministers.

New Day's mission is to share the gospel, and to uplift and encourage the believer.

Pastors Ed and Jennie Barker welcome one and all to attend the upcoming concert Sunday.

AMARILLO — Larry and Jodi's Good-Time Gospel Jamboree will feature "The Franz Family," a bluegrass gospel group from Berryville, Ark., at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 23 at The Church at Quail Creek in Amarillo. Admission is free. For more information, call (806) 935-7247.

MINISTER'S MUSINGS

Success does not mean one is saved

The first person in today's article was a strong believer in the Ten Commandments and worked hard at practicing them. He was successful in his business and searched diligently for spiritual truth.

So was he saved? No! He was the rich young ruler in Luke 18:23. He walked away from Jesus full of sadness. Why? Because he was lost and had to face the fact that his possessions were more important to him than Christ.

Example No. 2: This husband and wife were church members, regular attenders, tithers and even sold some of their possessions to help the needy. So were they saved? No! In Acts 5, Ananias and Sapphira were struck dead by God. Why? Because pretending to be committed to Christ was more important to them than actually being committed.

Did you notice that Jesus didn't seem very nice in Luke 18, and that God seemed downright mean in Acts 5? Want to know why they "seemed" that way? Because we have lowered our expectations of what it means to be "faithful." So low, that even the actions of the Father and the Son often seem un-Christian.

So who has the problem? The Father? The Son? Or us? That's right, it's us.

I cease to be amazed at how many church people think that obeying the Ten Commandments is proof of their commitment. That would be first grade stuff in a legiti-

mate life devoted to Jesus. Equally silly are those who think that regular church attendance and tithing are signs of total commitment to Christ. That might be third or fourth grade stuff, but not more than that.

Jesus' expectations of his disciples were high, very high. Take a look at Luke 9:59-62. There Jesus invited two people to follow him. Each one had a reason why he couldn't follow at that time. One had to go bury his father, one to say good-bye to his family. Now don't those sound like GREAT excuses? Wouldn't you accept them?

Well, Jesus didn't. In fact, each man received a rebuke for not immediately following him.

I don't know what it is going to take, but believers (especially in America) need desperately to get a new image of faithfulness in our brain and our heart and our spirit. And we need to get that new image from Jesus Christ. I believe that if it didn't break His heart, Jesus would laugh at what many Christians call total commitment.

Did you report for duty this morning when you awoke? Every faithful disciple of Jesus Christ did. That is what a faithful servant of Jesus does every day. Did you realize that he expects his faithful servants to report for duty seven days a week? He doesn't just own his disciples on

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Mike Sublett
Hi-Land Christian



"Are Ye Able"

Dr. Earl Marlatt had a long and distinguished career in the higher education institutions of Methodism. He was at Boston University from 1925-1945, and from 1946-1957, he was professor of philosophy and religious literature at Perkins School of Theology at Southern Methodist University. In fact, a small chapel off the sanctuary of the main chapel at SMU is named in his memory. He wrote this hymn in 1926 and originally gave it the name "Challenge." He wrote the text after a tune entered in a school contest by a fellow student at Boston University School of Theology. The tune got very little attention and certainly did not win the contest.

Ref: Rev. Linda K. Morgan-Clark

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Agriculture adds fuel to food, feed and fiber supply

By KAY LEDBETTER
Extension News

BUSHLAND — Agriculture has a challenge in front of it: the opportunity to help meet the energy needs of the future, said the director of Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.

Dr. Mark Hussey, speaking at the "Alternative Energy Sources from Agriculture" field tour on Aug. 8 at research facilities near Bushland, said agricultural research has helped meet the food, feed and fiber needs of this nation for more than a century.

Now it is being called on to help meet another need.

"I'm confident, as we look to the future, agriculture will be looked to as a provider of food, feed, fiber and fuel," Hussey said.

The challenge by President George W. Bush is to replace 30 percent of the current petroleum use in this country by 2030, he said.

Grain-based ethanol production will begin in the Texas Panhandle early next year, Hussey said. This, and other ethanol production nationwide, is important in meeting the country's short-term need for renewable fuels.

But the entire corn crop produced in the nation is not enough to meet the president's goal, he said. It is going to require the conversion of biomass from grasslands, shrublands and dedicated energy crops, such as



Texas Agricultural Experiment Station photo by KAY LEDBETTER

Dr. Brent Bean, Texas Cooperative Extension agronomist, discusses sorghums and silages and their potential for use in the bioenergy industry during a field day at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and U.S. Department of Agriculture-Agriculture Research Service facilities west of Bushland.

sweet and high biomass sorghums.

Meeting the 30 percent goal will take 1 billion tons of biomass per year, Hussey said. That is 140,000 tractor-trailer loads full of biomass delivered to a refinery 365 days a year.

"It's a tremendous chal-

lenge," he said. "Some folks liken it to the Manhattan Project.

"The research we saw today was really setting the stage."

Issues such as logistics still have to be researched and worked out, Hussey said. "How do you move

those feedstocks to the refinery, and how do we store, pretreat and convert it to liquid fuels efficiently?"

How long before conversion of these grasses and sorghums into ethanol is realistically possible?

"Some folks think three to six years," he said.

support of the feeding industry," Hussey said. "We had a chance to look at native grasslands and shrublands."

No single crop or method of fuel conversion is the answer to meeting future energy needs, he said. Regional-based solutions will be best, with a combination of feedstocks considered.

"We talk about agriculture being from field to fork," Hussey said. "In the future, I think we'll be talking about field to fuel tank."

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Hilton causes frenzy with clothing-line launch

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Police and city workers were called in to handle the crowd and a lane of traffic was closed as Paris Hilton unveiled her clothing line Thursday at a trendy boutique.

The heiress, author, singer, perfume designer and reality-TV star unveiled the line at Kitson, a boutique known for its celebrity clientele. The lane was closed for pedestrians' safety, a city spokesman said.

Clad in a gold sequin mini-dress,

Hilton, 26, emerged from a black SUV to a throng of fans who spilled into the street. Inside the store, Hilton was all smiles.

"It's a dream come true to have my own clothing line," she said. "It's just Paris style: fun, bright and flashy."

The collection, which Hilton described as "really comfortable" and "really affordable," includes shoes, T-shirts and jeans. Hilton said she spent a year submitting and approving designs.

Flynn

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refers to? What is the D-Day that the Bible promises the Christians and about which it warns the sinner?

Our political leaders, diplomats and world leaders are warning us that there is a possibility of World War III breaking out at any time.

One American government leader has said that our smallest hydrogen bomb is 1,000 times larger and more destructive than the atomic bomb that fell on Hiroshima. He went on to say that there is no assurance that we could

stop North Korea bombers and rockets from destroying major American cities overnight.

Even though we can retaliate from some of our widely scattered bases throughout the world, New York, Chicago, Pittsburgh, San Francisco, Seattle and other cities would be completely destroyed in the meantime, and our entire nation could be paralyzed.

The book review section of the New York Times had an article entitled "The Literature of Doom." It began as follows: "Fantasy. A fantastic picture is hand-writing on the wall compared to today's literature of doom."

Some of the titles were "No Place to Hide," "Must We Hide?," "There Will be

No Time," "Manual for Survival," "War and the Bomb," "Must Destruction Be Our Destiny?," "After Doom - What?" and "Little World Good-bye."

Even our most optimistic intellectuals are beginning to admit that the world's D-Day is now on the horizon. The Bulletin of Atomic Scientist has admitted the human race could be annihilated.

Are you troubled? Is the possibility of an all-out destructive war what the New Testament writers had in mind when they talked about "that day?"

No, not at all. The D-Day of the New Testament writers meant the glorious Second Coming of Jesus Christ to the earth in 2 Thessalonians 7:10.

Sublett

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Sunday. He owns them 24/7/365.

Now with this view of faithfulness it is easy to see why Matthew 7:13-14 is just as true today as it has ever been. "Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it."

Anyone who says that MANY will be saved is a liar or completely ignorant of the scriptures. Either way, stay away from them.

And anyone who regretfully tells you that few will be saved, thank them for the reminder. It will encourage us to ask Jesus to fill us with His view of faithfulness and to deliver us from this watered-down version of "easy believism" that will escort multitudes into the very gates of hell. God bless.

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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: Say there's this guy who's about 30, who has a stepmother who is younger than he is. (She's 27.) They have a warm, happy, close, loving friendship -- nothing abnormal or unusual. Then the father dies, having had no children with her. Is it wrong for the guy to develop a romantic interest in her? And what about her? Would it be wrong for her to take up with her former stepson? I have never experienced a deeper, more romantic kind of love than I have with my former stepmom. Dad had himself a prize catch. She's built, pretty, understanding and a great cook -- and the way we've been going, we might be married sometime soon. I just can't decide if it's right or wrong. What do you think? -- **SMITTEN IN NORTH TEXAS**

DEAR SMITTEN: What you have in mind is unusual but not unheard of. You are not her biological son, so there is no reason why you could not marry if you wish. In fact, it could work out very well since your feelings for each other evolved from an already-established friendship. I say, go for it -- but be prepared for some teasing.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I received a wedding invitation from my nephew's son, whom we have never gotten to know very well. Included in the invitation was a deposit slip to a bank savings account "in lieu of gifts"! We later learned that everyone on the guest list received a deposit slip, even the grandmother. Is this proper? This is the first time we have ever heard of this, and frankly, we were rather insulted. -- **PUZZLED IN COLORADO**

DEAR PUZZLED: Please waste no more time feeling offended. The family who issued the wedding invitation is obviously grossly ignorant about the basic rules of etiquette. According to "Emily Post's Etiquette" (17th Edition), when issuing wedding invitations, "any mention of gifts or listing of gift registries is unacceptable." I am sure you dealt with the solicitation you received as you would any other. Just be glad they didn't have your bank account number, or you would have found enclosed with your invitation a notice stating that your account had already been debited \$125 to cover the cost of your dinner.

DEAR ABBY: I recently found a bottle of antidepressants in my parents' medicine cabinet, prescribed for my mother. I want to ask her why she has them, but I am afraid she might get angry. Is it rude to ask? If my mom does have depression, I would want to do everything I could to keep her happy. Should I ask her, or just forget about the pills? -- **CONCERNED ABOUT MOM IN ILLINOIS**

DEAR CONCERNED: If you ask your mother about the antidepressants, you had better be prepared to tell her why you were in her medicine cabinet. Indeed, she might feel invaded. Personally, I think you should refrain from asking. Obviously, your mother does have depression or the meds would not have been prescribed for her. However, I do like your idea of doing all you can to keep her happy.

For Better Or For Worse



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By THOMAS JOSEPH

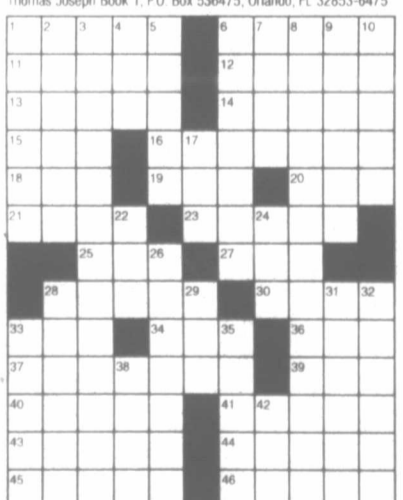
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THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane

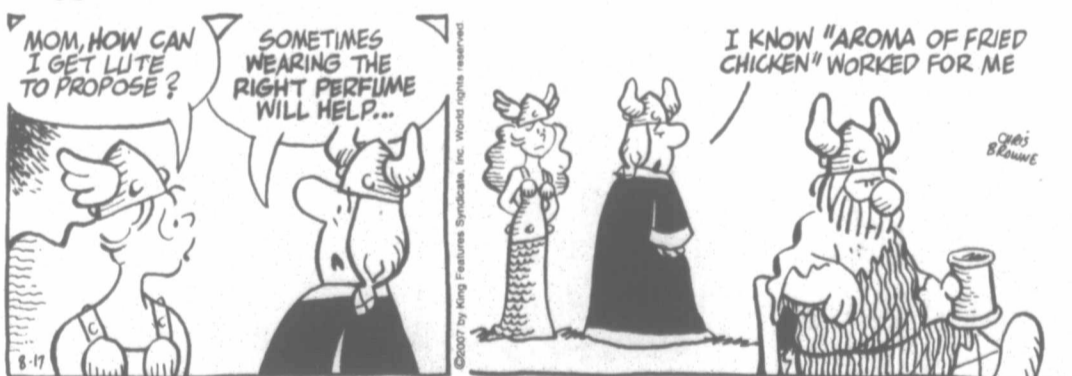


"Bye, Grandma! Bye, Granddad! Don't cry -- we'll be back to visit some other time!"

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Sports Day

More bad newz for Michael Vick

As much as I would hate to further wear out the old "sinking ship" analogy, things are looking worse and worse for Michael Vick as this morning, even more rats have hit the ground running with plea bargains.

Two of Vick's co-conspirators pleaded guilty in the dogfighting case this morning, following suit of Tony Taylor's guilty plea last month, consequently leaving Vick to be the last man standing in his own defense.

As of this morning, Vick has yet to enter a plea as he awaits charges of organized crime to be filed against him next week.

Apparently this alleged organized crime of his is lacking as far as organization goes, or his entourage

wouldn't be jumping ship so soon.

One really can't expect much adherence from an illegal enterprise that so cleverly calls themselves "Bad Newz Kennels," though, can they?

If Vick's newly guilty co-defendants can keep their incriminating stories together, he will almost surely be put away.

This of course might make the impending death of his NFL career the least of his worries.

And as far as the public is concerned, Michael Vick is one guilty dog.

One dog toy manufacturer has even gone as far as producing a Michael Vick



Jordan Reagan
Sports Editor

chew toy, the proceeds of which will go to an animal shelter. With an appreciation for satiric irony and \$11 to spare, dog lovers all over the country can purchase a chew toy in the likeness of today's most infamous alleged dogfighting entrepreneur.

The public seems eager to let their dogs have at him, as the toys are on backorder through mid-September.

Assuming Vick will face a jury come time for a trial, (I don't really know much

about how legal proceedings such as these work) I doubt that 12 jurors could be picked that won't already have their minds made up, or at least have a strong opinion of the high-profile case.

The new evidence and testimonies that will arise from Vick's guilty co-conspirators won't help much, either.

It's obvious what he should do, should he reach a decision by next week when his new charges will be filed against him -- take the best deal he can get.

But if Michael Vick were good at making decisions, he would be facing a new season with the Falcons instead of (more than likely) time behind bars to begin with, right?

Hidden Hills results

Senior 2-Man Scramble
Hidden Hills
Golf Course
Aug. 15, 2007

6th Place (68)
Jim Cantrell
D.D. Lofton

A&B Flight

1st Place (62)
Nolan Lemaire
Dick Dunham
2nd Place (63)
Eldon Maxwell
Carl Johnson
3rd Place (65)
Tom Lindsey
Bob Young
4th Place (67)
Ronnie Wood
Lucio Moreno
5th Place (67)
Whitey White
Jerry South

C&D Flight

1st Place (75)
Gary Herr
Gerrel Owens
2nd Place (76)
Nathan Lancaster
Richard Abbott
3rd Place (77)
Marvin Allison
Darrell Hinkle
4th Place (77)
Duane Cash
Bob Brandon
Cloest to the Pin
Butch Shepard (#6)
Doug Reeves (#15)

Pilot declared smoke emergency before NASCAR plane crashed in Florida

SANFORD, Fla. (AP) — A pilot of a NASCAR plane was planning an emergency landing due to smoke in the cockpit seconds before communications cut off and the aircraft crashed, killing five people, a newspaper reported Friday.

"Zero One November declaring an emergency. We need ... smoke in the cockpit ... we need to land at Sanford," said one of two men aboard the Cessna 310, according to a recording

obtained by The Daytona Beach News-Journal. "Zero One November" refers to the plane's tail number.

The man then said, "Zero One November, we're going to shut off all radios and elec..." before communications cut out, according to the recording obtained through a Freedom of Information Act request.

Air traffic controllers in Orlando responded with "Roger, you can land any runway at Sanford. They

know you're coming." It's not clear if the men, Michael Klemm and Dr. Bruce Kennedy, heard the response.

About three minutes elapsed between the plane's last radio communication and the first 911 calls reporting the crash, the newspaper reported.

The recording confirmed witness accounts that the plane was smoking as it plunged to the ground, which were detailed in a pre-

liminary report by federal investigators.

The National Transportation Safety Board has not yet determined which man was piloting when the plane crashed July 10. A final ruling on what caused the crash is not expected until next year.

NTSB investigators have sent electrical components from the cockpit to the agency's Washington lab for more examination.

Optimist club football to meet Monday

Parents, coaches and persons interested in Pampa Optimist football will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday at the Optimist Club to organize the season, according to Kevin Davis, Optimist vice-president.

Currently the Pampa Optimist Youth Club sponsors flag football for boys and girls in the first and sec-

ond grades and tackle football in a third and fourth grade division and in a fifth and sixth grade division.

"We have had several people suggest that we change our third and fourth grade program to flag football," Davis said. "We would like to get feedback from parents and coaches about this idea."

Also weight provisions

have been proposed which would limit the weight of a player carrying the football.

Registration and the cost of the program are other subjects which will be discussed.

The Pampa Optimist Youth Club is a Pampa United Way agency.

Giambi no-punishment decision fine — if it loosens up more lips

By JIM LITKE
AP Sports Columnist
We could have done without commissioner Bud Selig's self-serving plug on behalf of Jason Giambi and his charitable work.

Considering that George Steinbrenner is paying the Yankee slugger \$23 million this season for what amounts to a part-time job — injuries have limited Giambi to less than half of New York's games — giving something back is not just the right thing to do, it's practically an obligation.

That said, Selig made the right call Thursday letting Giambi off with time served and the sting of public scorn for what was, after all, a nearly four-year-old admission that he used performance-enhancing drugs. Giambi owned up to that during a federal grand jury appearance in the BALCO investigation in the winter of 2003, then apologized publicly — sort of, anyway — at the start of spring training a little over a year later.

We don't know how much more he said to Selig's hand-picked steroids investigator, former Sen. George Mitchell, during their recent meeting. But with the commissioner's threat of further discipline hanging over

Giambi's head, his cooperation apparently was enough — once Selig factored in the big lug's charitable instincts.

"He's doing a lot of public-service work, and I think that's terribly important," Selig said from an owners' meeting in Toronto. "I think it's more important for us to keep getting the message out. He was, I thought, very frank and candid with Sen. Mitchell, at least that was the senator's conclusion. Given everything, this is an appropriate decision."

Whether it's a smart one as well won't be known unless or until more of Giambi's fellow users agree to come forward and share what they know about the game's supersized era. The message has been getting out for nearly a half-dozen years now, and the best guess on the number of juicers might still be the 50 percent figure Jose Canseco parlayed into a best-seller.

Punishment isn't the goal of Mitchell's open-ended investigation, nor should it be. Otherwise, Mitchell would be going after the cheaters who were already caught, like Rafael Palmeiro, or Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa, who raised more questions than answers during an appearance before

a senate committee.

Besides, the feds are still sifting through the evidence collected after busting former Diamondback pitcher Jason Grimsley and Mets clubhouse attendant Kirk Radomski. For the moment, let's leave the question of determining appropriate penalties to them.

The rest of us are already resigned to the fact that the last 15 years of baseball have been juiced. What we want to know, more than how many ballplayers should be punished, is how many were juiced.

Baseball is always touting its tradition and ties to the past, how the chance to compare the pitchers and hitters from different eras links one generation of fans to the next. But as the ambivalence over Barry Bonds' home-run trots make increasingly clear, most of us regard that century-old tie to the past as hanging now by a few slender threads. If the Mitchell commission collects enough evidence to provide some context, we can make our own decisions on whether it's worth mending.

The problem right now is that Giambi is the only ballplayer who's been compelled to unburden himself.

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Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The City of McLean will hold a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 8.00 percent (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax calculated under Chapter 26, Tax Code). Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The public hearing will be held on August 23, 2007 at 1:00 PM and August 27, 2007 at 1:00 PM at McLean City Hall, 220 Main Street, McLean, Texas.

The members of the governing body voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:

FOR: Peggy Baer-Mayor, Betty Taylor, Molly McDowell, Patti Brass, Mindy Reeves, Lynn Reeves
AGAINST:
PRESENT and not voting:
ABSENT:

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	6.69% increase
Debt Service	0.00% increase
Total Expenditures	6.69% increase

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value

as calculated under section 26.04, Tax Code

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$16,431,770	\$17,676,670
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$27,969	\$146,580
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$12,583,820	\$13,518,187
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$27,969	\$146,580

BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness \$0.

TAX RATES

Adopted tax rate for the preceding tax year	0.680000	per \$100 in value
Proposed tax rate for the current tax year	0.661978	per \$100 in value
Difference in the proposed tax rate and the adopted tax rate for the preceding tax year	\$(0.018022)	per \$100 in value
Percentage increase or decrease in the proposed tax rate and the adopted tax rate for the preceding tax year	(2.65%)	(Decrease)

These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

Comparison of Residence Homestead Values

Average appraised and taxable values on residence homesteads are compared from the preceding tax year and the current tax year.

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Average residence homestead appraised value	\$17,371	\$20,558
Homestead exemption amount for the taxing unit (excluding special exemptions for persons 65 years of age or older or disabled)	\$0	\$0
Average taxable value of a residence homestead (excluding special exemptions for persons 65 years of age or older or disabled)	\$17,371	\$20,558

Comparison of Residence Homestead Taxes

The taxes that would have been imposed in the preceding tax year on the residence homestead at the average appraised value (excluding special exemptions for persons 65 years of age or older or disabled) are estimated to be \$118.12. The taxes that would be imposed in the current tax year on a residence homestead appraised at the average appraised value in the current tax year (excluding special exemptions for persons 65 years of age or older or disabled), if the proposed tax rate is adopted, are estimated to be \$136.09. The difference between the amount of taxes on the average residence homestead in the current tax year, if the proposed tax rate is adopted, and the preceding tax year would be an increase of \$17.97 in taxes.

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown 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.

Royals rally in the eighth to beat Rangers 6-2

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Ryan Braun needed 25 appearances before he collected his first major league victory, but it was worth the wait.

Braun pitched 2 2-3 innings of two-hit shutout relief and Mark Teahen drove in the tiebreaking run on an eighth-inning fielder's choice as the Kansas City Royals beat Texas 6-2 Thursday night to snap the Rangers' three-game winning streak.

John Buck added a three-run double in the four-run eighth.

"It took a little longer than I was hoping, but luckily, things happened," Braun

said. "I was able mainly to just get ahead of the hitters a lot quicker than some other outings this year. I was able to get them to swing at the first pitch and get some early outs."

Braun worked out of a bases-loaded jam in the fifth, retiring Marlon Byrd on a fly ball to end the threat. He allowed only two singles during a critical part of the game and was the pitcher of record when the Royals broke through in the eighth.

"Braun was outstanding," Royals manager Buddy Bell said. "Our pitching's has really been pretty doggone good. (Braun) is a kid with a good arm. We need to bring

him in situations like this, rather than mop-up situations, so we can see what he's got. Really, he was about as good as he could get tonight. We needed it too."

With the game tied at 2, the Royals got themselves in position for Braun's victory when they put runners on first and third in the eighth against reliever Willie Eyre on consecutive singles by Mark Grudzielanek and Billy Butler.

Teahen hit a chopper to first baseman Brad Wilkerson, who threw to the plate. But Grudzielanek slid around the tag of catcher Jarrod Saltalamacchia for the go-ahead run.

Rangers manager Ron Washington said Saltalamacchia was in the proper position despite being an inexperienced major league catcher.

"He was trying to make sure he got the ball and Grudzielanek got by him," Washington said. "Grudzielanek made the play by being aggressive. We were inches away from getting out of the inning."

Kansas City went on to load the bases in the eighth and Buck cleared them with his double to right-center, giving the Royals a 6-2 advantage.

Buck had been in a 2-for-16 slump before the double.

"We made some adjustments because teams are just junk-balling me to death," Buck said.

Alex Gordon homered for the Royals and had three hits for Kansas City.

Eyre (4-6) gave up four runs and three hits in two-thirds of an inning.

Washington had limited bullpen options. His top three relievers — Frank Francisco, Joaquin Benoit and C.J. Wilson — were unavailable because of a recent heavy workload.

"We had to get someone else to step up," Washington said. "Willie got some ground balls that found holes and then left one up to

Buck."

Rangers spot starter John Rheinecker pitched into the eighth inning. He was the fill-in for scheduled starter Brandon McCarthy, who was placed on the 15-day disabled list Wednesday due to a stress fracture in his right shoulder.

Rheinecker gave up two runs and six hits, struck out two and walked three in 7 1-3 innings.

The Royals got a run in the first on Butler's RBI groundout.

Frank Catalanotto tied it at 1 when he hit starter Leo Nunez's second pitch into the right field seats for his ninth homer of the season.

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By taking any further punishment off the table, Selig might be able to coax other players to do the same. It's the only reason to give Mitchell more time to complete a thankless job.

Skeptics never expected that the former senator's investigation would amount to much. Selig has ordered club executives and general managers and perhaps even

a few owners to talk to Mitchell, but the guess here is that most of them said they had plenty of suspicions, but no proof. If that's all that Mitchell concludes, then Selig, too, can plausibly deny that he knew there was a problem, let alone a supersized one.

What we do know is that during this era, everybody in the game was focused on squeezing every last dollar out of the game. The long ball was like a gift from heaven after the disenchantment sown by the strike and canceled 1994

season. Ballplayers, front-office people and owners did everything within the rules to keep them flying into the seats.

Most of the new ballparks that were built since then had short home-run porches and several owners sought, and received, exemptions from Selig to make them shorter still. The salary scale for middle-infielders who hit home runs was as bulked-up as the players themselves.

Here's hoping that Giambi wasn't the only one who took something out of

those oversized pay envelopes and gave it to a charity or two. Or that he's the only one willing to sit down with Mitchell and spill the beans about some of what he knows.

It hardly seems like too much to ask, especially now that the commissioner is in such a charitable mood.

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Lowe pitches Dodgers to 6-2 win over Astros

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Derek Lowe's final bullpen outing a few days before his start against the Houston Astros was, in a word, awful. That didn't bode well for a starting pitcher who hadn't won in almost two months.

But it was a different matter once he took the mound Thursday night.

Lowe pitched seven shutout innings to earn his first victory since June 22, and the Los Angeles Dodgers extended Wandy Rodriguez's road miseries by beating the Houston Astros 6-2.

"That's a long time not to win," said the 34-year-old right-hander, who went 0-5 with three no-decisions between victories. "You've got to go out there and believe you can win. The early runs were key for me."

Jeff Kent hit a two-run double in the first to give the Dodgers an early lead, and added two more doubles later to raise his career total to 530, putting him in 28th place on baseball's all-time list.

Rafael Furcal had two singles and two RBIs for the Dodgers, who won their second straight game after losing 18 of their previous 24 to fall a season-high 6 1/2 games behind first-place Arizona in the NL West.

"We all know the hole

we've put ourselves in and know the kind of baseball we have to play the rest of the way," Lowe said. "We understand what we're up against. It's definitely going to be a tough task. Everyone in here believes we have the team to do it."

Lowe (9-11) allowed five hits while walking none and striking out two. He faced 22 batters — one over the minimum — despite allowing two singles each by Mike Lamb and Craig Biggio and another by Lance Berkman. The Dodgers backed him with a season-high four double plays.

Rudy Seanez worked the eighth before Roberto Hernandez made his 1,000th career appearance, becoming the 12th big league pitcher to reach the milestone.

Hernandez issued one-out walks to Mark Loretta and Berkman in the ninth before Carlos Lee hit an RBI double. Lamb then reached on an error by second baseman Ramon Martinez, allowing Berkman to score, before Takashi Saito got the final two outs for his 31st save in 34 chances.

"It's not the way I wanted to do it, but it was a win," the 42-year-old Hernandez said. "Sometimes, I'm amazed I'm still competing at this level. I appreciate all the opportunities I've had."

Phillies closing in on NL East-leading Mets

By The Associated Press

Philadelphia outfielder Jayson Werth figures if the Phillies can keep winning series, quietly building momentum in the NL East, they'll eventually surpass the New York Mets.

They already overtook Atlanta for second in the division — again.

Cole Hamels pitched 6 2-3 shutout innings for his 14th win, tying for the NL lead, and the Phillies beat the last-place Washington Nationals 6-2 on Thursday night to close within three games of the division-leading Mets.

New York blew a five-run lead in a 10-7 loss to Pittsburgh, while Atlanta lost 9-3 to the San Francisco Giants to remain 3 1/2 games back.

The Phillies, who have won three straight series, have swapped places with the Braves seven times in the last 10 days.

"Our objective the rest of the way is to win every series," Werth said. "We didn't play our best the last three games as far as offense goes. The pitching was there for all three games."

Hamels (14-5) allowed four hits, struck out six, walked two and pitched into the seventh inning for his sixth straight start. He has won five of his last six decisions.

"He couldn't throw his fastball for a strike," said Nationals third baseman Ryan Zimmerman, who went 0-for-4. "But he's a good pitcher, and good pitchers make good pitches when

they need them."

Brett Myers pitched a perfect ninth for his 11th save.

Nationals rookie Joel Hanrahan (2-1), making his fourth career start, struck out a career-high eight batters and allowed only four hits in five innings in taking the loss.

In other NL games, it was St. Louis 8, Milwaukee 0; the Chicago Cubs 12, Cincinnati 4; Arizona 5, Florida 4; the Los Angeles Dodgers 6, Houston 2; and San Diego 11, Colorado 9.

Carlos Ruiz hit a two-run homer in the second, and Howard and pinch-hitter Greg Dobbs had RBIs for the Phillies, who took two of three from the Nationals despite scoring nine runs and striking out 36 times in the series.

"That is pretty good, isn't it?" manager Charlie Manuel said with sarcasm.

The Phillies nearly blew a 4-0 lead in the eighth. Tom Gordon gave up home runs to Ronnie Belliard and Dmitri Young and walked Austin Kearns before being replaced by J.C. Romero, who allowed a single by Ryan Church.

The inning ended on a double play when right fielder Chris Roberson caught a liner and threw to second to double off Kearns, whose right hamstring had cramped just as he tried to reverse direction to get back to the base.

"I went to go back," Kearns said, "and when I planted, my foot kind of gave out."

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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of W.H. Earp, Deceased, were issued on August 13, 2007, Cause No. 9426, pending in the County Court of Gray County, Texas, to: Earlene Earp, Independent Executrix. All persons having claims against this Estate, which is currently being administered are required to present them to me within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. To: Earlene Earp, c/o Vanessa Buzzard Attorney at Law Peterson Farris Pruitt & Parker, P.C. 208 N. Russell Pampa, TX 79065
Vanessa Buzzard Attorney for Earlene Earp State Bar No. 03547900 208 N. Russell Pampa, TX 79065 Telephone: 806/665-9764 Fax: 806/665-9756 H-26 Aug. 17, 2007

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MAINTENANCE Man needed. Must have own tools & transportation. Plumbing exp. a must!! Call 665-1875.

21 Help Wanted

SIVALLS Inc. is looking for Welder Fabricators. Welding and drug tests req. Benefits: health ins., profit sharing, 401K, 8 paid holidays and 10 days vacation per year. 806-665-7111, Pampa.

EXPERIENCED Roustabout hands & experienced maintainer operator needed. Apply in person Electric Motor & Equipment, 725 S. Price Rd.

CROSSROADS MARKET & DELI Morning & evening shifts avail. Clerks & Cooks needed. Competitive wages. Gas mileage allowance. Good atmosphere! Apply in person: 101 Commercial St. Miami, Tx. 868-3221.

POST OFFICE NOW HIRING. Avg. Pay \$20/hr. or \$57K annually including Federal benefits and OT. Paid Training, Vacation, FT/PT. 1-866-483-6490. USWA.

MCLEAN CARE CENTER has the following openings:

Nurse Aides Transport Driver Night Laundry/Housekeeper Benefits include 401k and Paid Vacation. Certification Classes for nurse aides who are employed by our facility. Call 806-779-2469 or come by 605 W. 7th in McLean to apply.

PART-TIME Secretary needed for small Construction Company. Computer skills & Quick Books a must. Send resume to: Box 52 c/o Pampa News, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, Tx. 79066.

21 Help Wanted

Chiropractic Office is expanding our team! You can make the difference! Direct patient care position. On the job training! Fax Resume to 665-0537

TRUCK MECHANIC Needed. Apply in person at: ProPetro Services 1133 N. Price Rd. No Phone Calls!!

DRIVERS Needed!! Central Refrigerate Service, Inc. CDL training available. \$0 down-Earn \$\$\$ within 3 weeks! 800-567-3867.

MECHANIC WANTED D.E. Chase, Inc., is looking for an experienced truck mechanic. Top pay with benefits. Must pass drug screen. CDL a plus but not required. Apply in person at 1445 S. Barnes.

COOK position avail. for dependable hardworking individual with exc. references. PT/Daytime hours holidays off, pleasant working environment. Apply at St. Matthew's Day School, 727 W. Browning, 665-0703.

WAREHOUSE/DELIVERY Person Needed. Drivers License Required. Apply in Person. Johnson Home Furnishing, 801 W Francis.

DOMINO'S PIZZA now hiring!! Delivery drivers positions avail. Apply at 1332 N. Hobart.

21 Help Wanted

VERY experienced person needed in all areas of residential remodeling. Call 440-3083 for more information.

NEED DRIVER w/ Class A or B CDL License HAZMAT Endorsement & Good Driving Record

Uniforms Health Ins. Paid Vacations After 1 yr. DOT Drug Testing & Physical Required We Pay Top Wages!

Apply in Person No phone calls please

TRIANGLE WELL SERVICE 129 S. PRICE RD. PAMPA

WANTED: Childcare for Nursery, Birth-2 yr. Pd. position. Highland Baptist Church, 1301 N. Banks, 665-3300, Mon.-Fri. 9-1.

PAMPA Country Club is now hiring for wait staff and kitchen help. Apply in person at Pampa Country Club. No phone calls please!!

TAYLOR TAYLOR Food Mart is now hiring a manager/traine for the Lefors location. Please contact 806-379-9000, ext. 104 or apply at 201 E 2nd or online at: taylorfoodmart.com

FULL Time RN or Weekend RN and Full-Time LVN needed at Parkview Hospital Home Health, in Wheeler. Please call 826-1370 or come by 306 E. 9th St. for an application.

21 Help Wanted

W&W Fiberglass Tank Co. Inventory Assistant. Data Entry, Delivery & Warehouse Maintenance. Clean Background & Driving Record. Drug Testing Required. 100 N. Price Road.

FULL Time Crime Victim Coordinator position avail. Working knowledge of computer programs and grant-writing required; travel involved; multi-tasking, heavy report writing, coordinating and scheduling abilities a must; legal knowledge and bi-lingual a plus. Fax resumes to 669-8050.

OUTREACH Health Services is hiring providers to care for the elderly and disabled in their homes in the Pampa area. Must be 18+. No exp. necessary. Please contact Mary at 800-800-0697 or 806-373-0986. EOE.

SONIC DRIVE-IN is now accepting applications for dependable, mature, enthusiastic, friendly crewmembers for morning shifts—all positions! Apply in person at 1404 Hobart EOE

Titan Needed - a well organized person; very comfortable using various computer programs; able to multi-task as they respond to and process data within time constraints. Pre-employment general physical exam and drug screen required. EOE.

Contact Titan P.O. Box 2316 11785 Hwy. 152 Pampa, Texas 79065 hr@titanspecialties.com

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21 Help Wanted

UNION Tank Car is taking appli. for Car Repair Mechanic. 401k, pd. vaca-tion, medical ins. For info. call 806-663-4677.

NEWSPAPER Carriers needed. The Amarillo Globe-News is in need of carriers for the Pampa city area. Area route avail. It ranges 1 1/2 hrs. to 2 1/2 hrs. in length. Early morning hours is time of commitment. You must have a valid Texas driver's license, reliable transportation and proof of current liability insurance. **Serious inquiries only!** For more info. including what each route makes, please call Frank Hazlewood, 806-680-9735.

21 Help Wanted



TAYLOR Food Mart is now hiring CSR'S, Asst. Managers, Manger Trainees at all Pampa locations. Please contact 806-379-9000, or apply at 1324 N. Hobart or online at: taylorfoodmart.com

Attend our on site job fair on Aug. 17th from 10-2pm.

21 Help Wanted

FREE Diet Samples lose up to 30 lbs. in 30 days. www.easyletlose.com

MEDICAL MANAGER Mid-size medical office is seeking a front desk / schedule manager. A minimum of 1 year relevant exp. req. Insurance exp. a plus. Fax confidential resume with salary and benefits history to 806-669-6688. Introductory cover letters are appreciated.

NEEDED Immediately! Part time nanny for 10 month old. Background check & references req'd. 669-3187 or 683-9554

21 Help Wanted

PART-TIME babysitter needed. \$6.00/hr. 669-6700.



Unarmed Security Officers needed for local post. Must pass: FBI background check, Texas DPS fingerprint check & drug test. Apply in person at **National Oilwell Guard Shack Hwy. 60, Pampa**

21 Help Wanted

NEEDING dependable, responsible babysitter. Must be at least 18 years old. References required. Call 663-1707.

MANAGER needed in Borger, for Apt. Complex. For more information call 806-665-1875.

OVERHEAD Door Co. needs 1 or 2 employees w/ good mechanical knowledge & work ethics. Must be a valid drivers license and pass drug test. Apply in person, Rasco Constr., 1000 S. Price Rd., Pampa

HOUSEKEEPER needed. For residential, Weekly or biweekly. References required. Call 669-2062.

SHOP Tech needed. Apply at CDI Energy Services, 627 S. Price Rd. Must have good driving record & pass drug test!

NEED someone for general duties at Vogue Cleaners. Must be dependable. Apply in person, 1542 N. Hobart.

PART-TIME TELLER needed Mon.-Fri., 1pm.-6pm. and every other Sat. 9am.-12pm. Must have 1 or more year's teller or cashier experience.

Apply **Amarillo Community Federal Credit Union** 900 N. Hobart Pampa, TX 79065

OFFICE Scanner Needed Now! Office exp. req. Up to \$10 / hr. ! Located in Miami, TX!! Call Melissa, 806-359-1111



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GARAGE SALE 2143 N. Sumner Friday 8-3 Saturday 8-7

GARAGE Sale, Sat. 8-12. Lots of everything, 2328 Evergreen

GARAGE SALE 734 S. Barnes Fri. & Sat. 8-4 Lots of junk!!

1116 Duncan Sat. 8-12 Reduced Prices

SAT. 8-1, 1033 S. Christy, size 16/18 & XL women's clothes, home interiors, boys clothes, bed & bath stuff.

50 Building Suppl.

White House Lumber 101 S. Ballard 669-3291

53 Machinery/Tools

WANTED Old Oil Engine, possibly still sitting in pump house (hit-miss). 10 hp & up. Must be complete. Portable engine on cart a +. Rusty or piston stuck ok! 848-992-1764.

60 Household

AUGUST SPECIAL All Pillow-Top Mattress Sets in stock 15% off, 15 to 20 yr. War. Starting @ \$189. Layaways avail. w/ no interest! 806-677-0400

WHITE elec. stove, \$150, sectional w/recliners on both ends, \$150, sofa bed & matching chair, \$125, full size floatation waterbed mattress, all size moving boxes, 669-2062.

FLORAL Couch for sale. \$200. Call 665-2216.

69 Misc.

ADVERTISING Material to be placed in the Pampa News MUST be placed through the Pampa News Office Only.

MEMORY Gardens of Pampa, Garden Devotion Section C, Lot #230, Spaces 6, 7, 8. Call 665-7489.

WINK & Karan invite you to store your rv at Crossways Storage, 12072 E. Frederic, 662-6089

RED Barn buy and sell, 1420 S. Barnes. 665-2767

LITTLE Tike treehouse playhouse \$50, Step 2 slide playhouse \$95, Little Tikes cottage playhouse \$85, wooden swing & stand \$85. 486-1017

LARGE concrete bird bath and bench \$100, screened gazebo \$50, patio table, chairs, umbrella \$50, 2 push blade mowers \$25-\$35. 486-1017

69a Garage Sales

SKELLYTOWN CITY WIDE GARAGE SALE Sat. Aug. 18th 8am.-? Maps available at Mama Honey's Cafe

BIG Cub Scout Garage Sale, corner of Hwy. 60 & Swift, White Deer. Saturday 8/11 & Saturday 8/18 10am-5pm.

INSIDE House Sale: Fri. & Sat. 9-? 707 Gardenia, White Deer. 883-3021.

GARAGE Sale: Fri. & Sat. 9-? 410 Horn, White Deer. 883-6071.

BACK To School Garage Sale. School supplies, brand name clothing, nice bedding, jewelry, household items. 1825 N. Christy. Fri. 5pm-dark, Sat. 8-7

GARAGE Sale. Tools, air mat, sleep bag, household items, 4 17" tires, misc. '94 Mitsubishi \$300. 618 N. West, street behind Advanced Auto. Wed-??

GARAGE Sale Sat. 8-1 2321 Cherokee

5 family carport sale, burritos, sodas, baby clothes, tools, 1997 pick-up for sale, all size of clothes, Sat. only 7:30am-4pm, 421 N. Nelson.

GARAGE Sale, over 50 cake pans, dog cage, 2 web TV's and other items, 1005 S. Dwight, Fri. 9-5, Sat. 9-12.

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GARAGE Sale: 506 Red Deer. Lora of misc.! Fri. & Sat., 8am.-5pm.

YARD SALE Fri. & Sat. 8am 1115 Charles

2316 DOGWOOD Fri. Night 5-8 & Sat. 8-2 Dually wheels & tires, treadmill, pick up tool box, twin matt. set, couch, neon coors sign, car top carrier, reel to reel, LP collect. Clothes: 10-12 boys, M-L mens, 0-5 teen girl, 12-16 womens, toys. LOTS of misc!

2235 Christine, Sat. 9-12 Clothes for girls, teen, ballet & tap, boys newborn to 2T, microwave, 1981 Mercedes Benz.

GARAGE SALE 4pm-7pm Friday 2521 Mary Ellen 100s of VCR Tapes

CHURCH GARAGE SALE. SAT. ONLY 8-2 610 NAIDA

SAT. 8:30-4pm. Little bit of everything! 922 Love

1317 E. Foster, Fri. & Sat. Lots of items, Low Prices! Open 7am. Welcome! Come & See!

5 pc. dinette set, baker's rack, bar stools, bdr. furni., 5550 hp desk jet printer, Christmas decor, antiques, scrubs. Sat. 7-7 1429 N. Zimmers.

2 sofas w/ hideaway beds, lots of knick knacks, guitars, dishes, clothes. Sat. 8am., 1810 N. Price Rd.

SAT. Only, 8-4, 1813 N. Sumner. Proceeds to benefit cancer patient. Something for everyone!

SAT. 8-12. 2017 Christine. Computer desk, dryer, bar stools, misc.

LOTS of everything from baby items to tools!! Sat. 8am.-? 1224 E. Kingsmill.

1817 N. Christy, Sat. 9-? + sz. men & womens and little boys clothes. Furni. & lots more!

GARAGE SALE 1828 EVERGREEN Sat. only 7 till noon Laser level \$500, dishwasher, stover, bathroom cabinet, collectibles, & clothes

4 family sale. Furn., decor., boys & women clothing, lots of misc. Sat. 8-?? 1031 Sierra.

SAT. Only, 9am. Lots of nice boys infant-toddler clothes, toys & access., furni., misc. 2601 Navajo.

GARAGE SALE 833 E. DENVER Fri. & SAT. 8-7

25 yrs worth of stuff, Eshom Rd. off S. Barnes, follow the signs, Sat. 9-5, Sun. 12-5

601 E. 19th Sat. 9am-? Household, Christmas decor, exercise equip., lawn mowers, vacuums, clothing, tools & misc.

70 Musical

BUNDY Alto Sax & case for sale. Only used 2 years, still in excellent condition, new pads. Call 883-3041 for more info.

75 Feeds/Seeds

SWATHING & Baling. Also looking for hay on the halves. Call 806-883-2152

77 Livest/Equip.

WHEAT Hay, 41 round bales at \$40 each. 2007 wheat crop. 375-2366 or 665-7164.

80 Pets & Suppl.

M&M K-9 Kennels Quality Puppies at a Reasonable Price! Reg. Puppies for sale. Shots & Dewormed Bichons: 2 ma., 2 fe. 13 wks. \$200, \$250 Lhasa Apso: 1 ma., white, \$250 Pekingese: 2 ma., 16 wks. black & wh. and black \$200

Basset Hounds: 1 ma., tri, \$200 **Maltese:** 1 ma., 13 wks.-small \$350 **Chihuahua,** 2 ma., black & white, tri, \$150 **Mini Dachshunds:** 2 ma., 1 fe. black & tan and red, \$200, \$250

Can e-mail pictures Can deliver Call or e-mail (580)-655-4688 or (580)-497-7526 or mmk9kennel@hotmail.com

80 Pets & Suppl.

FREE puppies to good home. Half Basset Hound (not sure on other half) 440-6328 or 669-9402.

BLUE FRONTED AMAZON PARROT (prefers men) 5 yrs. old with cage, \$500 Call 669-2828

7 free kittens to good home. Will be 6 weeks on Sunday. 886-1930.

CUTE free kittens, litter, box trained. Call after 6pm. 665-6744.

95 Furn. Apts.

All real estate advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation, or discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, or intention to make any such preference, limitation, or discrimination." State law also forbids discrimination based on these factors. We will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. All persons are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised are available on an equal opportunity basis.

RANCH House under New Management. Daily & weekly rates. Dblc. & single rooms avail. Refrig., microw., cable & internet. 669-1616.

96 Unfurn. Apts.

LAKEVIEW Apt. 1 & 2 bdr. unfurn. apt. Call for availability. References & deposit req. 669-4386

NUMEROUS Houses, Apts., Duplexes & Commercial properties thru-out Pampa for rent. Call 665-4274 or 665-1875.

THE Schneider House, now leasing apts. Seniors or disabled, utilities included. Stop by 120 S. Russell or call 665-0415.

97 Furn. Houses

WATERFRONT Lake Greenbelt, 3/3/3. Lrg. elegant br. home, w/ private dock. Built by JC Daniels, close to golf course. Serious inq. only. Lease \$9500 mo. 806-353-8429.

98 Unfurn. Houses

CONDO 3 bdr., 1 1/2 bath, washer / dryer hook-up, fpl., swimming pool. 1143 E. Harvester. 665-3788 or 665-6936. Avail. Aug. 15, 2007.

CUTE 2 Bedroom House For Rent. Security deposit required. References required. 610-929-1761

NICE 2 bedroom house, 1312 Garland. \$450 mo., \$400 dep. Call 665-1976.

99 Stor. Bldgs.

TUMBLEWEED Acres, self storage units. Various sizes. 665-0079, 665-2450.

102 Bus. Rent. Prop.

OFFICE Space for rent, ask about 3 months free rent. 669-6841.

DOWNTOWN office space for rent. Utilities & cleaning service provided. Ample parking. 669-6823.

4,000 sq. ft. on N. Hobart office or retail space for lease, best location. Will build out to suit tenant. 2218 N. Hobart. For information, call 467-9600.

103 Homes For Sale

Twila Fisher Century 21 Pampa Realty 665-3560, 440-2314 669-9007

1510 N. Wells. Newly remodeled and updated! 3 bdr., 2 ba., covered back patio. For appt. call 665-2130 or 806-206-7666.

2123 Beech. Beautiful brick home! 2 bedroom, 1-3/4 baths, central air & heat, garage. Great shop w/ carport, storm cellar in fenced yard. For appt. call 806-874-3290, 670-7564

817 S. Texas, White Deer. 3 bdr., 1 1/4 ba., white brick. Cent. h/a, single car garage. Fenced back yard. 806-883-6511, 898-6946

103 Homes For Sale

FIXER Upper w/ garage on corner lot. 852 E. Craven. \$5200. Call 669-3498 or 663-9338.

HIGHEST CASH PAID FOR HOUSES! CALL 665-1875

IN Skellytown. 309 Ash-ready to move into! 2 br 1 ba, 2 living areas, central heat & air, attached, garage, car port, new roof. 4 extra lots, all fenced. 848-2200 for appt. \$34,900.

Investor Special! 1432 Hamilton 3 bdr., 1 ba. c. heat w/ ref. air. Newly Remodeled \$29,000 No Owner Finance 440-1698

LEASE with option to buy. 3/1/1. Totally updated and super nice!! 2127 Nelson. \$58,900. 665-5667.

NEWLY remodeled 1700 sq. ft. brick home. 1818 Evergreen. 3 / 1.75 / 2, new appl., new roof, new flooring thru-out. Fireplace. Huge back yard. Call 662-2029.

OWNER FINANCE Low Down & Low Monthly Payment

1012 Duncan 3 bdr., 1 ba.

1333 Garland 2 bdr., 1 ba. Habla Espanol Call Joe 806-336-1740

ROD DONALDSON AGENT 663-2800 Quentin Williams Realtors 669-2522

Hwy. 60 East 2-1 Acre Lots MLS 05-7161

6 Acres New Price! \$50,000 OE

Old Movie Theater 10,500 sq. ft. MLS 07-7683

1112 S. Nelson 2 bdr. 1056 sq. ft. \$15,000 OE Your Listing Could Be Here!! Anyone can sell you a house, let me find you a home!!

112 Farms/Ranches

Live Water on Lake Creek

467 acres in Donley County, near Lelia Lake or 8 miles E. Of Clarendon. Big trees, beautiful scenery, deer, turkey, quail, fishing ponds. New fence, barns and corrals. Must see to appreciate. Day or nite: 806-676-6503; 806-248-7224; 806-204-0059; or 806-662-2511.

113 RV Parks.

RED DEER VILLA RV RANCH by day, wk. mo. 2100 Montagu W. Lrg. lots-must see. 669-1122.

114 Recre. Veh.

1991 40 ft. Bounder Class A Motorhome. Washer, dryer, full ba. Walk around qu. bed. All the comforts of home! Runs great. \$13,000 or best offer. 669-2585.

3/2 wheel trailers (1 cycle, 1 dolly, 1 reg.) 616 Bradley. 664-6618

MOTORHOME for sale. Extra nice! Priced to sale. 616 Bradley. 664-6618.

115 Trailer Parks

TUMBLEWEED Acres, Storm Shelters, fenced, stor. bldg. avail. 665-0079, 665-2450.

120 Autos

2000 Saturn SL2. Good clean car. 105,000 miles. Good gas mileage. Good school car! \$4000. Call 886-8449, 665-2245.

121 Trucks

1995 Chev. K1500 4x4-in-Miami. Great condition! \$6150. Would make great hunting vehicle. Call 662-0723 or 868-4504.

2005 White Dodge Ram, Quad Cab, 4 wheel drive, 43,000 miles, \$19,800. Call 806-665-7500, 663-3306 cell

MUST Sell '02 Chevy SWB. V-6, auto, Alpine stereo, 65k mi. NICE!! 664-1700 after 5pm.

122 Motorcycles

2005 Yamaha V-Star Classic 1100, in Miami. Not even broke in good! Only 1200 miles. \$7850. Call 662-0723, 868-4504.

Home HealthCare

is now taking applications for **HOME PROVIDER (PAMPA AREA)**

CALL 1-800-892-3301 (ASK FOR MINERVA) OR Apply in person at 1201 N. Hobart, Space D (Coronado Center)

Front Desk / Receptionist

Very busy medical office has immediate opening for an outgoing, high energy person. This is a fast-paced-people job requiring basic computer skills. If you have a good work record and want family friendly hours, please fax your resume to: Fax: 665-3511

PART TIME INSERTER

Needed immediately! About 20 hrs. per week. Must work every Sat. & be 18 yrs. old.

Apply in Person **The Pampa News** 403 W. Aichison Pampa No phone calls please

Petroleum Bulk Drivers

Eastex Crude Company is taking applications in Pampa, TX. Applicants must have a Class "A" CDL with Hazmat and Tanker endorsements. •Home Daily •Full Benefit Package (903)856-2401 x-137 (800)443-8580 Clint

MECHANICS

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Abbott

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POINTS TO REMEMBER

- Giving to charities:
- Don't fall for high-pressure tactics!
 - Who is getting the donation?
 - Is the organization bonded and registered?
 - Ask for written information.
- Read the Attorney General's brochure, "Giving to Charities," or file a complaint

in the Charities and Non-Profits Section of our Web site at www.oag.state.tx.us

Contact the Secretary of State's Office to see if a public safety organization is registered: (800) 648-9642, www.sos.state.tx.us.

Information on charities operating nationally: Better Business Bureau, Wise Giving Alliance, www.give.org; and American Institute of Philanthropy, www.charitywatch.org.

Information on this and other topics is available on the Attorney General's Web site at www.oag.state.tx.us.

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line, only farms and ranches."

Another step would be to force our government to enforce its own law on country-of-origin labeling. When you go into a store to select food for your family, you are entitled to know if it was grown by American farmers, who adhere to standards, or by some absentee owner under

incredibly filthy conditions in a foreign country.

In one of Berry's poems, he says he decided to turn his back on the horrors and arguments of politics and to serve the earth. He does that. He farms and he writes. He has produced a wonderful crop of writing that anyone can harvest in a bookstore or library. You will find that his writing is nutritious for both the mind and the spirit.

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

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Community colleges serve more than half the students enrolled in higher educa-

tion institutions in Texas, totaling more than 1 million students a year.

Undermining their mission by cutting state funding and forcing them to scramble to make up the shortfall adversely affects the state's higher education goals.

URL: <http://www.mysa.com>

Events calendar

• **Clarendon College-Pampa Center** is currently taking enrollment for an upcoming CPR Basic Life Support Class. The class is designed for health-care professionals according to guidelines set forth by the American Heart Association's International Emergency Cardiovascular Care. The class will be conducted from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Sept. 15 in Pampa Center Room 106. Participants completing the one-day course will receive an AHA card valid for two years.

For more information, call the college at 665-8801.

• **STS Foundation** is looking for host families for a group of students coming to the area this fall. The students come from all over the world with their own spending money and insurance. Families are needed for the full 10 months or for just a few weeks. For more information, call 1-800-522-4678 or e-mail info@stsfoundation.org.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Lefors ISD will hold a public meeting at 7:00 PM, August 28, 2006 in the Lefors High School Library, 209 E. 5th Street, Lefors, Texas 79054. 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	\$1.040000/\$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax	\$0.300000/\$100 (Proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Approved by Local Voters

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	12.99% increase
Debt service	100.00% increase
Total expenditures	40.54% increase

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

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$133,171,474	\$132,489,322
Total appraised value** of new property**	\$175,027	\$95,270
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$124,536,374	\$123,472,049
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$175,027	\$95,270

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown 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* \$2,000,000

*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	\$0.000000	\$1.370000	\$11,343	\$2,450
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$1.066400	\$0.300000	\$1.366400	\$8,355	\$7,367

Proposed Rate

\$1.040000 \$0.300000 * \$1.340000 \$8,204 \$7,350

*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.

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

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$15,185	\$17,432
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$5,185	\$7,432
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$1.370000	\$1.340000
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$71.03	\$99.59
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$28.56

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 \$1.340000. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of \$1.340000.

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)	\$944,448
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$0

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