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# Public hearing on county budget set Friday

By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer

Public hearings on the proposed fiscal year 2008 budget for Gray County will be held at 9 a.m. Friday and 9 a.m. Monday in the secondfloor courtroom at Gray County Courthouse, 205 N. Russell.

All taxpayers who own property in Gray County may attend the hearings and express their thoughts and

opinions on the proposed budget, ty budget. said County Judge Richard Peet.

"We will hear their concerns. It is not a meeting where we will respond," Peet said.

The last meeting for county commissioners to discuss the proposed budget prior to the hearings was scheduled for 9 a,m. today.

"It's going to be a little higher, I suspect," Peet said of the 2008 coun-

The total 2007 county budget was approximately \$9.8 million, Peet said, whereas this year's proposed budget is about \$10.6 million. Of that, last year's general fund was \$6.8 million, and the proposed 2008 general fund amount is \$7.2 million, Peet said.

The county road and bridge fund may also be raised. Last year's budg-

et allocated \$1.6 million for the road and bridge fund, and this year's proposed total is \$1.9 million.

All amounts for the 2008 budget are preliminary amounts until after the two public hearings and the commission's vote on a final budget, Peet

Commissioners are expected to

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#### Horse shoes



therapy wear tennis shoes when they go to visit disabled and challenged children and adults. For more information, call 806-655-5465.

# **Literacy Council** celebrating 21 years

By KERRI SMITH Staff Writer

The Pampa Area Literacy Council turns 21 years old this month. Approximately 300 students in the local area have been learning to read and write through tutoring provided by the program since August 1986.

The program was started by the Friends of the Library and the current coordinator is Mary Jo Fiveash. There are currently six students and seven tutors.

"This program teaches the basics of reading and writing and is phonics based," Fiveash said. "Many of the students that come to us for help have some type of learning disability or are learning English as their second language."

A new class for ESL students will begin on Sept. 18.

The class will meet from 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. every Tuesday at Woodrow Wilson Elementary School. The usual number of students in each class is between eight and 15. Melody Clairmont will be the teacher and Carol Dunham will be the backup teacher. The class will be taught in a classroom setting as opposed to the other training that is done on an individual basis.

"Basic literacy is a very private and individual thing," Fiveash said. " The tutor works at the pace of the student since everyone learns at a different pace and has different goals they want to reach. The tutor and student usually meet in the library one or two times a week for about an hour each

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# The miniature horses that Seven Star Horse and Family Center use for equine

Water issues continue to swirl for area entities **By DAVID BOWSER** decade, Pickens has expounded his Staff Writer wish to pump that underground AMARILLO -- Mesa Water, a water and sell it to thirsty urban group organized by Roberts County

areas downstate. rancher and Dallas businessman In his initial wrangling to do that, Boone Pickens, holds about 200,000 he battled the Panhandle Ground acres of water rights in the Texas Water Conservation District, arguing he wanted only the same rights as For the better part of the last others in the district, such as the

Canadian River Municipal Water Authority, which provides water to 11 member cities from Pampa to Lubbock and whose purchase of water rights in Roberts County, Pickens said, launched his crusade to prevent water from being pumped from beneath his ranch on the Canadian River north of Pampa near

the CRMWA well field.

Eventually, the Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District adopted a set of rules that called for a goal of retaining 50 percent of the water in storage in the aquifer beneath the district at the end of a 50-year peri-

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# Boaters face challenges as Meredith nears record low

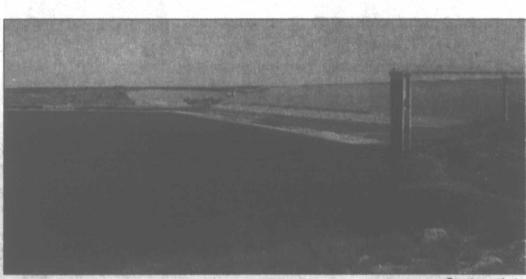
FRITCH — The waters of Lake Meredith National Recreation Area are nearing record low levels, creating challenges for boaters who frequent the lake.

As the lake has receded, the grade has become flatter at all boat ramps. The lake bottom is shaped much like a bowl; the lower the water level, the flatter the boat ramp. It is now necessary to back farther out into the water to launch a boat.

There are currently three boat ramps available for launching. The "Double R" ramp is adequate for most small and medium-sized boats and personal water craft.

However, Chief of Maintenance Jimmy Muncy said, "The Double R boat ramp will be closed very soon because the water is getting too shallow to launch a boat there.

"Fritch Fortress boat ramp is currently usable, but boaters should expect longer launching and loading times as the ramp is flatter and people have to back farther out into the water to launch and load their boats. There may be a point in the future that it will not be practical to pour any more concrete at Fritch Fortress because the grade will be too flat and the water too shallow, Muncy said. "Until



Courtesy photo

Boaters face a new challenge as Lake Meredith level decreases.

then we will continue to lengthen the Fritch Fortress ramp as much as possible.

"The Marina at Sanford Yake will be our top priority. The ramp generally fol-

lows an original road used See LAKE, Page 3



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#### **Obituaries**

#### Services tomorrow-

ADKINS, Clifford Leon — Memorial services, 1 p.m., Trinity Fellowship Church, Pampa. THOMAS, Faye — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.

#### Clifford Leon Adkins, 53

Clifford Leon Adkins, 53, of Pampa, Texas, died Aug. 19, 2007, at Pampa. Memorial services will be at 1 p.m. Friday, Aug. 24, at the Trinity Fellowship Church of Pampa, Texas, with Ronnie Goode, associate pastor of the church, officiat-

Clifford was a long-time

resident and graduate of Pampa. He worked for National Oilwell Supply, Tom Black Painting and Sand Blasting, and Eddie Reames company.

Surviv include



**Adkins** 

daughter, Amber (Johnny) Aufleger of Pampa; Lea Adkins of Pampa; one granddaughter, Sydney Lea of Pampa; two brothers, Steve "Speedy" Adkins of Houston and Tommy Adkins of California; one stepsister, Georgia

a stepfather, Emmit Jenkins (Mary) of Pampa; a numerous amount of friends in the Pampa area; and best friends, Eddie and Betty Reames of Pampa.

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Clifford was preceded in death by Dub and Geneva Adkins; and Pat Jenkins.

#### Faye Thomas, 82

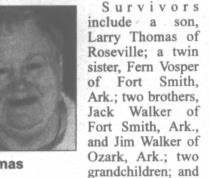
ROSEVILLE, Calif. — Faye Thomas, 82, died Aug. 19, 2007, at Roseville.

Graveside services are scheduled at 10 a.m. Friday in Fairview Cemetery at Pampa with the Rev. Kyle Ohsfeldt, pastor of Grace Baptist Church of Pampa, officiating. Mrs. Thomas was born

Nov. 7, 1924, at Henryetta,

Okla. She married John L. Thomas Sept. 13, 1940, at Guthrie, Okla.; he died April 1, 2000. Mrs. Thomas moved to

Roseville two years ago from Pampa. She was a homemaker and a



**Thomas** 

five great-grandchildren.

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## Emergency Services

#### Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today. Seventeen traffic stops were made.

Animal control officers made stop concerning animals at the intersection of Hobart and Somerville, the 1000 block of South Prairie, the 400 block of North Magnolia, the intersection of 18th and Faulkner, the 100 block of South Sumner, the 1000 block of South Terry, three times in the 1000 block of South Prairie, once in the 700 block of North Lefors, the 1400 block of Dogwood, the 1100 block of North Terrace, the 700 block of North Naida and the 1100 block of East Kingsmill.

Domestic disturbance/assault was reported in the 800 block of East Beryl where minor injuries were reported.

Disorderly conduct-language was reported in the 300 block of West Francis.

Credit card abuse was reported by three separate victims in which an unknown about of money was removed from their checking accounts.

Thefts were reported at United Supermarket in the 1400 block of North Hobart where six steaks valued at \$74 were taken, in the 300 block of Davis and the 1900 block of North

Harassment was reported in the 800

Suspicious vehicles were reported at available to enroll your chil- the intersection of Crawford and dren from 4pm.-6pm. in the Prairie, and the 2300 block of West

Suspicious persons were reported in the 700 block of East Murphy, the 100 block of South Cuyler, the 300 block of East Brown, the 900 block of Denver, the 600 block of East Craven and the 500 block of North Dwight.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1100 block of Neel.

Identity theft was reported in the police department lobby.

Escort service was provided in the 200 block of North Russell and the 100 block of West 30th.

Agency assistance was provided in the 500 block of North Frost, the intersection of Price and Alcock, and the 300 block of North Christy.

An alarm was reported in the 1300 block of North Banks.

Prowlers were reported in the 900 block of South Varnon and twice in the 900 block of East Murphy.

Driving while intoxicated was investigated in the 300 block of North Hobart.

An assault was reported in the 300 block of North Hobart.

An open door was checked in the 500 block of West Brown.

#### Sheriff

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

Wednesday, Aug. 22

Peter Joseph Garcia, 42, of Pampa was arrested by Pampa Police Department for theft more than \$50 but less than \$500.

#### Fire

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today. Wednesday, Aug. 22

5:35 p.m. – One unit and two personnel responded to the rodeo arena an a public assistance standby.

9:41 p.m. - Three units and eight personnel responded to the 900 block of Campbell on a vehicle fire.

Thursday, Aug. 23 12:21 a.m. - One unit and four per-

sonnel responded to the 500 block of Doyle on a call for lifting assistance.

#### **Ambulance**

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

Wednesday, Aug. 22 8:06 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of Locust and transported a

patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center. 10:15 a.m. – A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transferred a patient(s) to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

12:49 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 200 block of Lefors and transported a patient to PRMC.

1:53 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported a patient to a nursing facility in McLean.

Thursday, Aug. 23 6:14 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of West and transport-

#### Three die in car vs. passenger train wreck HOUSTON (AP) - An cross the tracks late

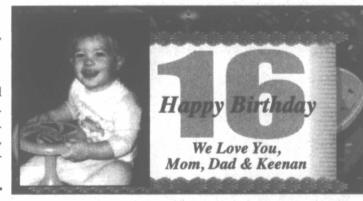
ed a patient to PRMC.

slammed into a car when the car's driver tried to dart across a railroad crossing, killing three people in the car, authorities said.

the driver drove around the younger than 20. guard rail and attempted to

Amtrak passenger train Wednesday night. The train engineer blared his horn but couldn't stop in time.

The three victims — two males and a female — died at the scene, about 10 miles Witnesses told the Harris east of Houston. Authorities County Sheriff's Office that said they appeared to be









# Bremer to be released from prison Lake

Alabama Gov. George Wallace during a 1972 presidential campaign stop, leaving him paralyzed, will be released from prison this year, an official said today.

Arthur Bremer, 57, is scheduled for release Dec. 16 but likely will be out earlier as he continues to accumulate credits for good behavior and for working as a prison clerk, said Rae Sheeley, a case management specialist at the Maryland Correctional Institute-Hagerstown.

Bremer was sentenced to 53 years in prison for shooting Wallace and three bystanders at the campaign stop in Laurel, Md., on May 15, 1972. He has served 35 years of that sentence.

A bullet lodged in Wallace's spine, leaving his legs paralyzed, and he was forced to abandon his presidential bid. Wallace was elected to two more terms as Alabama's governor before his death in 1998.

Bremer was incarcerated at a Baltimore prison before being transferred to the medium-security Hagerstown institution in 1979. He has kept a low profile behind bars. "I shy

BALTIMORE (AP) — The man who shot away from publicity," he said during a 1996 parole hearing, according to a transcript.

He did not show any remorse at the hearing, calling Wallace a "segregationist dinosaur" and suggesting that people who tried to restrain him were responsible for the shots that wounded the bystanders.

Bremer's parole was denied, partially on the basis of a psychological screening that he initially refused.

He had a bleak perspective on life outside

Wallace's son, George Wallace Jr., told the Press-Register of Mobile, Ala., that he learned about the impending release a couple

"I've forgiven Arthur Bremer and my family has, so I think God's law has been adhered to, and we're comfortable with that," he said. "But having said that, I don't believe that given the suffering my father endured all those years from the gunshots and the constant paralysis — I don't think Arthur Bremer's incarceration comes close to that type of suffering."

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for the construction of the dam and we should be able to continue pouring concrete as the water recedes. If the lake continues to drop, this very well may be the only usable launch ramp at Lake Meredith."

Muncy recapped the boat launch ramp work that has occurred at Lake Meredith over the past three years:

1. The Fritch Fortress boat launch ramp has been extended 140 feet since October of 2004.

2. The boat ramp at the

Sanford-Yake Marina has been extended more than 100 feet since October of 2004.

3. A new 140-foot boat ramp named the Double R was built at Harbor Bay in the fall of 2006.

An auxiliary boat ramp has been built at Cedar Canyon. Though not usable at the current lake level, if the lake rebounds to 61 or 62 feet it will be an excellent place to launch a

Muncy said that the maintenance crew has aggressively poured concrete and chased the water, providing the access to Lake Meredith that visitors expect and deserve. Many tens of thousands of dollars have been spent on the boat ramps, and the maintenance crew will continue to pour concrete and lengthen ramps as far as possible.

"One has to remember, though, that Mother Nature bats last," Muncy said. "If she doesn't cooperate and provide huge rains in the Lake Meredith watershed area, we will have bigger problems than just launching boats."

Despite recent rains, the water level at Lake Meredith is falling due to lack of rainfall in the lake's watershed. At noon on Aug. 17, 2007, the lake

level was 54.13 feet. On July 16, 2007, the lake level was 55.42 feet, a drop of more than 15 inches in one month. Ten years ago on Aug. 17, the depth of Lake Meredith was 93.73 feet.

The record low water level was set on Aug. 20, 2006, at 53.66 feet. At the rate the lake is dropping, a new record low will be set at the end of this month unless significant rainfall occurs in the watershed By contrast, the record high for the lake was set in April 1973 at 101.85

Not all visitors to the lake would agree that low water levels are a problem, however. There are now beaches where once there were only cliffs, so visitors are able to enjoy being near the water's edge. Fishermen can fish from the banks and report catching larger numbers of fish than ever before. All visitors are reminded to watch out for other boaters, fishers and swimmers, and to exercise caution at all times while on or near the lake.

For questions about lake access or other park issues, please contact park headquarters at 419 E. Broadway, Fritch, Texas, or phone 806-857-3151.

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od, beginning in 1999, known as the 50-50 rule.

Permits were issued to Mesa, to CRMWA and others with the appropriate water rights within the district.

The Panhandle Ground Conservation Water District, however, covers Gray, Carson, Wheeler, Roberts, Donley and parts of Armstrong, Potter and Hutchinson counties.

Mesa also has interest in Hemphill, Ochiltree and Lipscomb counties, but they are covered by the Hemphill County Underground Water Conservation District (a single county district) and the North Plains Ground Conservation Water District, which covers Sherman, Hansford, Ochiltree and Lipscomb counties, and parts of Dallam, Hartley, Moore and Hutchinson counties.

In a July letter to the Texas Water Development Board, Robert Stillwell, general counsel for the Mesa Water Group, pointed out that each of the three ground water districts have different sets of rules and regulations. He called for some coordination and

cooperation among the three districts.

The Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District, for example, allows up to one acre-foot of water to be pumped annually and has a depletion rate of up to 1.25 percent before action would be taken to slow production.

The North Plains Ground Conservation District, however, allows two acre-feet of water to be pumped annually and is developing their depletion rate. Initially, they indicated it would be set at two percent, although Wednesday, they said they are now considering setting it at 1.5 per-

The Hemphill County Underground Water Conservation District has set their goal of maintaining 70 percent of the water they have in storage over the next 30 years and have set their maximum depletion rate at one percent.

Differences among the rules of neighboring water districts are not new. In an effort to work those differences out, the Texas decade established Ground Water Management Areas, or GMAs, in an effort to bring neighboring ground water conservation districts together to work out such differences.

Meeting Wednesday in Amarillo, GMA1, which includes the White Deerbased Panhandle Ground Water District, Canadianbased Hemphill County Underground District, the Dumas-based North Plains Ground Water District and the Lubbockbased High **Plains** Underground Water Conservation District, the four members of the Ground Water Management Area could not agree on

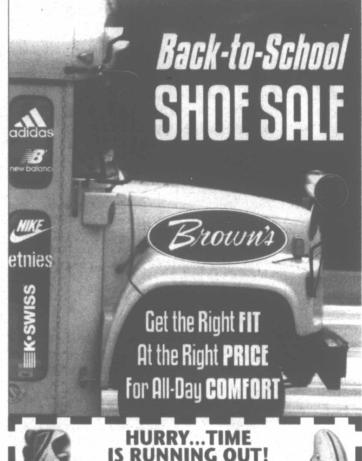
Danny Krienke, NPGWD president, said they were still working on their new rules but he worried that too tight restrictions would put farms in the district out of business. Then, he asked, why would you save the water.

their goals.

John Spearman, PGWCD president, said he could understand that thinking but asked if Krienke couldn't accept a lower depletion

It was Mark Meek of the HCUWD who suggested setting an overall goal, such as 50 percent of the stored water at the end of 50 years, Legislature earlier this and letting the individual districts figure out how to get there.

That will be the discussion when the group meets again in October. Water



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# Literacy

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time."

The literacy program receives funding through grants and private donations and all of the funds that are received stay in the local area. The tutors in the program all work on a volunteer basis. The programs can always use additional tutors.

"If anyone is interested in becoming a tutor, we will provide the training necessary for them to teach oth-

ers," Fiveash said. "And if anyone is interested in getting some help with their reading or writing skills, the materials and tutoring are provided free of charge."

For further information, contact Fiveash at 665-6000 or go by the Literacy office at 108 N. Russell.

# County

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vote on the budget, followed by the county tax rate, at a special meeting tentatively scheduled for Sept. 6, Peet said.

Higher budget totals will not mean higher tax rates for county taxpayers, he said. Property owners may pay a total of about 10 cents less per \$100 valuation on their property as compared to the previous year if all local taxing entities adopt the tax rates they have proposed, Peet said.

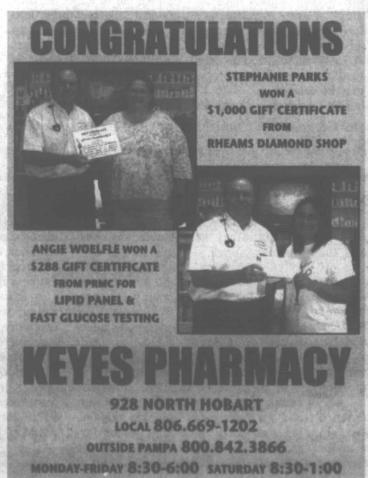
By KERRI SMITH Staff Writer According to Manager John Horst, only two people attended the pubfic hearing Wednesday evening that was held

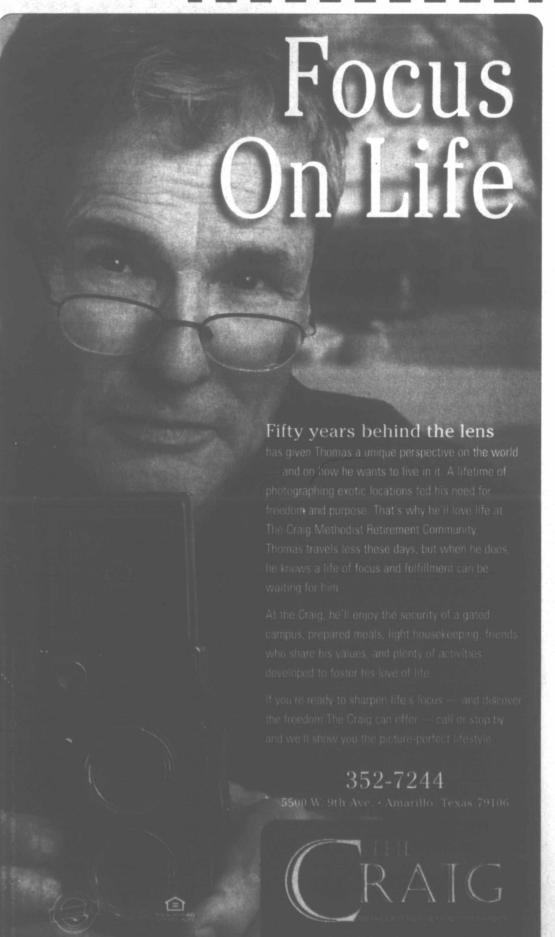
Only two attend

tax rate hearing

regarding the city tax rate. "These people voiced different concerns that they have regarding Pampa, Horst said. "One wanted Pampa to be cleaned up more and the other person falked about the appraisal going up on their property, but this meeting had nothing to do with that subject. The city is actually proposing to lower the tax rate by half of à cent."

A second public hearing will be held at 6 p.m. Monday in the commission meeting room on the third floor of City Hall, 201 W. Kingsmill.





# Viewpoints

# Carter fit to lead anti-American crowd

Before I started this col- declared umn, I did a search online to ripped for inviting Jimmy access One News Now, a Carter to address leadership Web site operated by Agape conference." News Service. I particularly enjoy visiting this site news coverage.

Many of the stories found at One News Now are and subject matter.

One of the lead headlines

The article blasted Willow Creek Community Church in olution, because of its take on current South Barrington, Ill., for diplomacy, events and because of its putting Carter on the platform at its 2007 Leadership Summit.

Carter, as the article noted, article unique in both perspective is not known for his pro-

"Mega-church informed viewers that Carter noting that Carter has is recognized worldwide for roamed the world delivering his leading

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work conflict resand humanitarian work," the

reports. "But Jan Markell of Olive Tree Ministries takes "The church Web site issue with that assessment,

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messages about America. " ' H e stands up for dictators. He has

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pro-American in his diplomacy. He failed the Shah of Iran in 1979, which allowed

Ayatollah Khomeini in, which resulted in our war on terror,' she says."

Merkel reports in the article that several former Carter staffers even believe this expresident to be anti-Semitic due to his book "Palestine-Peace not Apartheid."

I can't see a church in desperation allowing a platform for such a speaker, but to actually embrace Carter to give a keynote address at a

leadership conference? The only way Carter has proven himself an able leader is in regard to anti-American dis-

For an ex-president to display such loathing for the very nation he was once charged with governing is unacceptable. To welcome him with warmth to any function that is pro God and country is not only offensive but is downright ludicrous.

# Today in History

**By The Associated Press** 

Today is Thursday, Aug. 23, the 235th day of 2007. There are 130 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 23, 1927, Italian-born anarchists Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti were executed in Boston for the murders of two men during a 1920 robbery. (Fifty years later, on this date in 1977, Mass. Gov. Michael S. Dukakis proclaimed that "any stigma and disgrace should be forever removed" from their names.)

On this date:

In 1754, France's King Louis the XVI was born at

In 1775, Britain's King George III proclaimed the American

'All life is a concatenation of ephemeralities.'

— Alfred Kahn American economist colonies in a state of "open and avowed rebellion.'

In 1914, Japan declared war against Germany in World War I. In 1926, silent film star Rudolph Valentino died in New York at age 31.

1939, Germany and the Soviet Union agreed to a non-

aggression treaty, the Molotov-Ribbentrop Pact, in Moscow. In 1944, Romanian prime minister Ion Antonescu wa, dismissed by King Michael, paving the way for Romania to abandon the Axis in favor of the Allies.

In 1960, Broadway librettist Oscar Hammerstein II died in

Doylestown, Pa., at age 65.

In 1973, a bank robbery-turned-hostage standoff began in Stockholm, Sweden; by the time the crisis ended, the four hostages had come to empathize with their captors, an occurrence that came to be known as "Stockholm Syndrome."

In 1982, Lebanon's parliament elected Christian militia leader Bashir Gemayel president. (However, Gemayel was assassinated some three weeks later.)

In 1989, in a case that inflamed racial tensions in New York City, Yusuf Hawkins, a 16-year-old black youth, was shot dead after he and his friends were confronted by white youths in the Bensonhurst section of Brooklyn.

Ten years ago: In his weekly radio address, President Bill Clinton said he would ask Congress to renew his authority for speedy negotiation of trade agreements, saying the "fast track" approach was needed to make U.S. companies more competi-

Five years ago: North Korean leader Kim Jong II made his second visit to Russia in a year, meeting with President Vladimir Putin in Vladivostok. New York publicist Lizzie Grubman pleaded guilty in a hit-and-run crash that injured 16 people outside a Hamptons nightclub. (Grubman ended up serving 37 days of a 60-day sentence at the Suffolk County, N.Y., jail, with time off for good behavior.)

One year ago: A previously unknown militant group released the first video of two kidnapped Fox News journalists. (Correspondent Steve Centanni and cameraman Olaf Wiig were later freed.) The Citadel released the results of a survey in which almost 20 percent of female cadets reported being sexually assaulted since enrolling at the South Carolina military college. Jazz trumpeter Maynard Ferguson died in Ventura, Calif., at age 78.



# The purpose of the 'startup folder' ...

Last week, I discussed the system tray, that little space on your taskbar next to the clock. Over time, newly installed programs can add themselves to this area, cluttering up your system and killing your performance. Another area you ought to check for performance hindering programs is the startup folder.

The startup folder is exactly what it sounds like. Any program placed in it will automatically run whenever you turn on your computer. While that may sound convenient, it can wreak havoc on the stability of your system.

But, wait! Before you start deleting items from your startup folder, understand the ramifications. Some startup folder programs, like the Palm Pilot Hotsync application must be running at all times. If you delete it, you will be unable to simply press the Hotsync button on the Palm Pilot cradle to effect a data transfer. That little application is constantly checking the status of that button, waiting for you to press it.

Other applications you would not want to remove include digital camera transfer programs. With these applications, you can simply plug your camera into your PC, hit a button on your camera, and download the photos directly into your PC. Once again, deleting this type of startup program reduces the convenience of image transfers.

Finally, do NOT delete your antivirus program from the startup folder.

Eric These days, especially Spellmann w i t h Columnist extremely dangerous viruses out

there (ie. Blaster), it would be lunacy to turn off your only protec-

Remember, some programs put themselves into the startup folder because are ineffective UNLESS they are running all the time. Others, however, just want to speed up their load times and, therefore, may be deleted.

For instance, whenever

you install Microsoft Office, two programs are automatically added to your startup folder - the Fastfind indexing program and an actual piece of Microsoft Office. Feel free to delete these two, as I have seen no performance improvements from either. In fact, the Fastfind indexing program can actually cause an increase in system "freeze-ups."

By now, you're probably asking, "Where is the startup folder?" Click the



folder entitled "Startup." Chances are, if you've had your system for a while, this folder will be

then

quite cluttered. Grab a piece of paper and make a list of all of the programs. Separate them into three groups: programs to keep, programs to delete, and those you are unsure about. To delete a program from this folder, right-click on it and choose Delete from

the pop-up menu.

For those programs you are unsure about, right-click on the item and choose Properties. Take a look at the path and folder names for the location of this program. They may lend some clue as to the purpose of the pro-

One very important fact to remember in this whole procedure is this: Deleting files from the startup folder does not free up hard disk space. In other words, deleting these files does not remove them from your system.

To actually un-install a program, click START, then SETTINGS (or Control Panel), and "ADD/REMOVE Programs." This method will remove every vestige of a program, requiring a reinstall if you ever want to use it again.

To handle those programs you're unsure about, you may want to move them into a temporary folder. To do that, right-click on the START button and click EXPLORE. Click your way

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#### Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around

Texas:

Aug. 11 San Antonio Express-News on the endangerment of free trade:

Congress knocked out a critical component of American trade policy on June 30. That's when presidential trade promotion authority, or TPA, expired. Under pressure from organized labor and special interest groups, the Democratic majority chose not to renew this important economic and diplomatic tool.

The authority allows presidents to negotiate trade agreements and present them to Congress for straight up or down votes. Congress, representing

and influenced by so many different interests, can't negotiate complex trade deals by committee. But chief executives must still take those interests into account if they want to obtain congressional approval.

It's a process that has benefited American consumers and businesses as well as the global economy for more than three decades. "We need TPA, frankly, to be able to negotiate effec-U.S. Trade tively,' Deputy Representative Karan Bhatia told Reuters in Taiwan last month.

In the absence of TPA, America's competitors aren't standing still. China and the European Union are negotiating free trade agreements around the

globe. Worse than stalling negotiations on

free trade agreements, Congress has backtracked on accords the administration has already hammered out. As Venezuelan President Hugo Chávez exports petro- socialism across Latin America, Congress has declined to vote on free trade agreements with Peru, Panama and Colombia.

A free trade agreement with South Korea, with the world's 10th largest economy, has also languished. The agreement would eliminate 95 percent of tariffs on consumer goods and industrial products within three years and open Korea to U.S. exports. Exports from Texas would be among more than \$1 billion worth of U.S. agricultural products that would become duty-free

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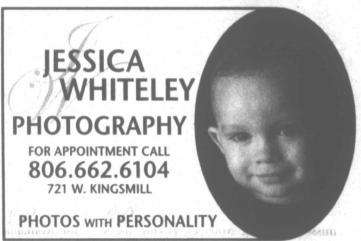




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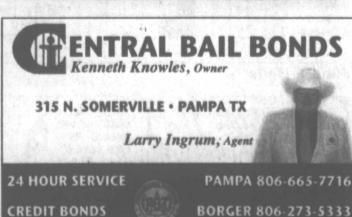
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# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

**DEAR ABBY:** I am a 40-something-yearold woman, single for four years, moving on with my life after the dissolution of a 24-year marriage. I am told I'm pretty. I'm in good shape, exercise regularly and take care of myself. Young men often hit on me. My dilemma is that I find men in their 30s, 40s and 50s extremely hard to figure out. One minute they can't live without you, the next they want you to leave them alone and won't talk to you. What's the deal? I dated one man (age 50) for eight months. He wined and dined me, said he loved me, even talked about marriage. We were close -- I thought. Our lives became very busy with work and kids, so we took a break for a while. When I tried to talk to him again, it was like there had never been any connection at all. He had lost all feeling, desire you. and passion. I still had it, but -- zip! -- his was gone. How does that happen? I dated another guy who couldn't keep his hands off me. I ended it after a month because I was afraid he was going to try to make love to me in the middle of the restaurant. Another man is very nice, but stiff. I can't get close to him at all. I met a really interesting guy on the beach yesterday. He was around my age and took me out on his catamaran. I had a great time. He said afterward he'd be there the next day and to come to say hello. Well, he was there like he said, but when I went to say hello, he completely ignored me and walked in the other direction. Go figure. Why can't I find a nice older man to settle down with, enjoy life and companionship with, and grow old with? I don't want to be alone, but it's really hard to find a compatible mate at this stage of life. Any suggestions? - FRUS-TRATED IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR FRUSTRATED: Remember the old saying, "You have to kiss a lot of frogs in order to find Prince Charming"? Welcome back to the wonderful world of dating, which includes a lot of sifting. Perhaps it's time to take a look at the signals you are sending out to men. Could they be catching a whiff of the scent of desperation? The most attractive women I know are those who are comfortable with themselves. Because they cultivate their own interests, they have the most to share. My advice is to spend some time finding yourself. The dating scene has changed since you were in it the last time. Do not expect to find Mr. Right overnight. When you're finally comfortable being on your own is probably when Mr. Right will find

DEAR ABBY: My 4-year-old nephew recently cut his finger. When the story was being told by my sister, she mentioned telling her daughter to get out one of the red towels. "Red towel?" I asked. "Yes," she said. "I have four of them that I use only when the kids cut themselves. That way they don't see the blood, and the tears aren't as bad." I thought that was brilliant! -- KURT N., MILWAUKEE

**DEAR KURT:** It certainly shows preplanning. And it makes sense to me, because a small child who has suffered a minor injury often cries more out of fear than pain.

#### For Better Or For Worse



#### **Zits**







#### Garfield

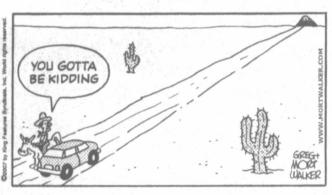






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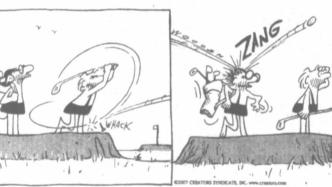


"Our dog food budget is making his bite worse than his bark.'

# The Family Circus THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil Keane

KEANE "Billy, tell me if "Yes ... no ... my turn signals yes ... no ... yes..."

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# Sports Day

# Texas Rangers become first team in 110 years to score 30 runs, beating Orioles 30-3

By The Associated Press

It looked like the score of a lopsided football game, not baseball.

Players and fans around the majors figured their out-of-town scoreboards must be broken. Maybe the lights were going berserk.

No way that could be right: 30-3 Texas?

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The Rangers rounded the bases at a dizzying pace and became the first team in 110 years to score 30 runs in a game, setting an American League record Wednesday in a 30-3 rout of the Baltimore Orioles at Camden

"That was ridiculous. I have never been in anything like that in my life," said Jarrod Saltalamacchia, one of two Texas players who homered twice and drove in seven runs.

It was the ninth time a major league team scored 30 runs, the first since the Chicago Colts set the major league mark in a 36-7 rout of Louisville in a National League game on June 28, 1897, according to the Elias Sports

Hours after announcing manager Dave Trembley would return for the 2008 season, the Orioles absorbed the most one-sided defeat in franchise history and set a team record for hits

allowed (29).

And that was just Game 1 of a doubleheader.

Trailing 3-0 in the opener, the lastplace Rangers at last did something right. They scored five runs in the fourth inning, nine runs in the sixth, 10 in the eighth and six more in the ninth.

"This is something freaky. You won't see anything like this again for a long, long time. I am glad I was on this end of it," said Marlon Byrd, who hit one of two Texas grand slams.

The Rangers kept right on hitting in the nightcap, too, although at a decidedly tamer pace. Travis Metcalf drove in four runs and Texas used a threerun eighth for a 9-7 victory.

With the sweep, the Rangers set an AL record for runs in a doubleheader, surpassing the 36 scored by Detroit in

"What am I going to remember about today? Thirty runs scored in one game and having to play another one after that," Texas second baseman Ian Kinsler said. "It was a very strange

In other AL games, it was: New York 8, Los Angeles 2; Tampa Bay 2, Boston 1; Cleveland 11, Detroit 8; Minnesota 8, Seattle 4; Oakland 4, Toronto 1; and Kansas City 7,

Travis Metcalf hit the other grand slam for the Rangers after being called up from the minors earlier in the day. Saltalamacchia and Ramon Vazquez, the bottom two batters in Texas' lineup, each homered twice and finished with seven RBIs.

David Murphy had five of Texas' 29 hits, the most by a major league team since Milwaukee had 31 in a 22-2 victory over Toronto on Aug. 28, 1992, according to Elias.

The Rangers totaled 28 runs in their previous nine games, including two runs on seven hits in their last two. Texas set a team record for runs in a doubleheader - before the second game even started.

"I knew we'd get the bats going, but I never expected anything like this," manager Ron Washington said. "When the faucet is on, you want it to stay on. You never want to cut it off."

Daniel Cabrera (9-13) took the loss. giving up six runs and nine hits in five-plus innings.

Winning pitcher Kason Gabbard (6-1) allowed three runs in six innings.

Even with the one-sided score, Wes Littleton earned his second major league save by pitching three scoreless innings.

# **Hidden Hills results**

Seniors Scramble Hidden Hills Golf Course Aug. 22, 2007

**1st Place** (62) Harley Knutson, Carl Johnson, Gerrell Owens, Roy Don Stephens

2nd Place (65) Jim Brashears, Ray Norman Covalt, Willingham, Bob Lyle

3rd Place (65) Tom Lindsey, Jim Ashford, Marvin Allison, Carrol Pettit

4th Place (65) Nolan Lemaire, Jess Mathis, Charlie Rand, Bill

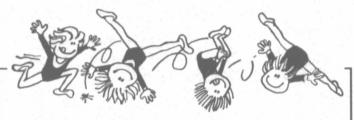
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## Baylor product Sepulveda pays back Steelers' investment

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The Pittsburgh Steelers never paid more heavily for a punter than they did Daniel Sepulveda, giving up a fourth and sixth-round pick to get him. So far, they're not disappointed with their investment.

"We put our money where our mouth is with him," Mike Tomlin said, a reference to the new coach's emphasis on special teams.

Steelers is making them look wise with that money, too.

That leg Sepulveda is giving the

given that the kicking game is the one aspect of the preseason that most mimics that of the regular season, the Steelers were delighted with Sepulveda's 50-yard average on four punts Saturday against Washington.

The Baylor rookie punter was their standout during a dreary first half of a game the Steelers would win 12-10 on three field goals in the fourth quarter. The Steelers have devoted more time to the kicking game under Tomlin than with any previous coach.

"I think it's great they're putting so It was only a preseason game but, much emphasis on special teams,'

Sepulveda said, referring to the numerous morning practices devoted to them during camp.

The Steelers ended last season convinced that they needed an upgrade at punter, even though the long-reliable Chris Gardocki — their regular for three seasons — has never had any of his 1,177 punts blocked.

However, Pittsburgh was only 28th in the league in punting average (41.3) last season, and 19th in net average

# How to save boxing and earn Don King's undying gratitude

By JIM LITKE

AP Sports Columnist My plan to resuscitate boxing is so simple and so certain to work that nobody will believe I came up with

OK, so I didn't.

A friend who loves the sweet science did. And it didn't even originate with him, because a few people already have tried it and a few more are using it on a limited basis.

But guess what: Don King is working our corner. "We can't have no more of those clandestine and

supercilious decisions that have been killing our sport, and I guarantee," the elec-

tric-haired screamed into his cell phone Thursday from New York, "that I'm going to use it for my next big fight. That's a helluva idea.'

Wondering what it is?

Nothing more complicated than a round-by-round scoreboard showing how judges are scoring a fight while it's in progress. The board would be visible in the ring, the arena and on TV so everybody involved fighters included —

would know where things stand. Talk about adding incentive and wagering possibilities.

Called open scoring, it recently was put into use at

promoter the Olympics and could add more excitement to the pro version than anything since Mike Tyson made a snack of Evander Holyfield's ear.

> To give just one example of how much interest that simple innovation would generate, think of poker. A few years ago, no network would have televised poker on a bet. Then someone put a camera under the table showing every player's hole cards and - voila! - the audience could follow along poker's popularity exploded.

Plus, about the only other big-time sport that waits until the end to announce

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## Webb's scoreless streak ends in Arizona's 3-2 win over Brewers

PHOENIX (AP) -Brandon Webb's shutout streak ended early Wednesday night.

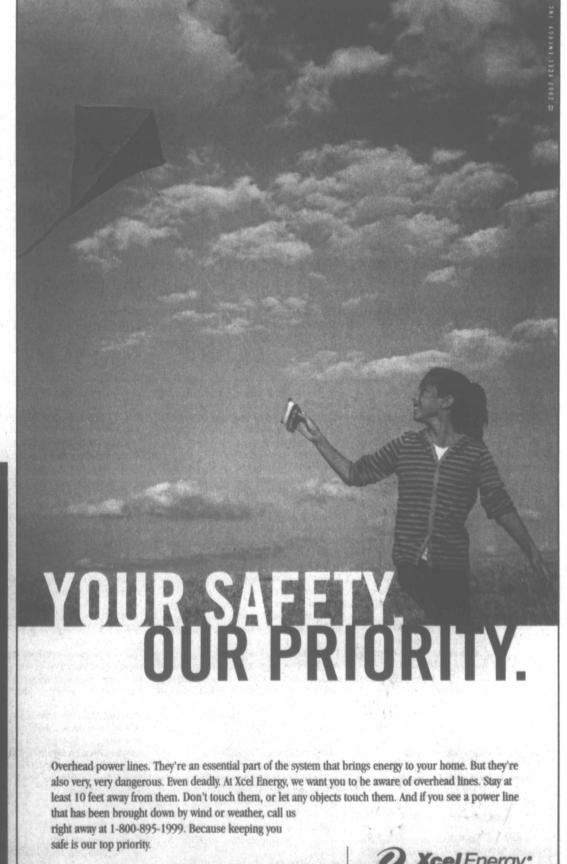
The Arizona ace allowed a run in the first, stopping his scoreless string at 42 innings, but won his sixth consecutive start to lead the Diamondbacks past the Milwaukee Brewers 3-2.

Chris Young hit his 26th homer for Arizona, which snapped a three-game skid and remained 3 1/2 games ahead of second-place San Diego in the NL West.

Last year's NL Cy Young Award winner, Webb (14-8) gave up two runs and five hits in seven imnings. He struck out five and walked one.



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# Ty Wigginton homers to help Houston beat Washington

HOUSTON (AP) — Woody Williams was hardly perfect, but he was good enough to help the Houston Astros end a three-game losing streak.

Williams won his third straight decision and Ty Wigginton hit a solo homer as the Astros beat the Washington Nationals 3-2 on Wednesday night.

Williams (7-12) allowed six hits and struck out eight — one off his season high — in 6 1-3 innings. The 41-year-old is 3-0 with a 2.05 ERA in his last four starts.

Later, he was shaking his head, wondering how he won it.

"I was wild in the strike zone and missed a lot of spots," said Williams. "For whatever reason, I

was able to weasel my way out of a triple as Houston beat Washington lot of trouble. I threw a lot of goofy pitches all over the place. I was for-

Williams came through for a starting rotation stung by recent injuries. Jason Jennings was placed on the disabled list on Tuesday with season-ending elbow surgery and ace Roy Oswalt will miss Thursday's start with a strained

"(Williams) has been throwing the ball great for a while now," said Brad Lidge, who pitched a perfect ninth for his 12th save in 17 chances. "To do it tonight, when we needed a stopper after the last couple of losses, it was huge."

Lance Berkman added an RBI

for just the second time in the last nine meetings.

Austin Kearns hit a two-run homer for Washington, which scored 18 runs in the first two games of the series.

Even Williams was surprised the Nationals didn't produce more runs on Wednesday.

"I gave (the Nationals) a lot of good pitches to hit," he said. "That's a very good lineup. I believe if they'd have swung the bats the way they're capable of tonight, they'd have scored five or six runs easy."

Nationals manager Manny Acta was impressed at how Williams buckled down when it counted.

"We had some good opportunities against him early in the game," Acta said, "but when we threatened, he seemed to make his best pitches.'

Nationals starter Mike Bacsik (5-6) gave up three runs and seven hits with four strikeouts in six innings. Bacsik allowed 10 runs over nine innings in his last two

"I didn't have my best stuff," Bacsik said. "It wasn't my worst stuff, but I would just say that I was just OK tonight.'

The Astros hit two triples in the first three innings and each led to a

Hunter Pence tripled and scored on Carlos Lee's single in the first, and in the third, Berkman drove in Craig Biggio, who reached on a bunt single.

Wigginton, acquired in a trade with Tampa Bay on July 28, led off the fourth with his second home run since joining the Astros and his 18th of the season. Dmitri Young doubled with two outs in the sixth inning before Kearns hit his 11th homer of the season.

Williams walked Schneider with one out in the seventh. Chad Qualls relieved and gave up a single to pinch-hitter Eric Church. But Qualls got Lopez to bounce into a double play to end the threat. Qualls put two runners on in the eighth but struck out Wily

# Rodeo Pageant



Pampa News Photo by KERRI SMITH

Top O' Texas Rodeo Teen Pageant contestant Shayley Morriss competes in the horsemanship portion of the competition this morning. The judges can be seen on the other side of the arena

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### Harrah's, AEG to build Las Vegas arena to attract NHL, NBA teams

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Harrah's Casino giant Entertainment Inc. announced Wednesday that it will partner with AEG, the company that brought David Beckham to the Los Angeles Galaxy, to build a 20,000seat arena in Las Vegas capable of housing an NBA or NHL team.

The \$500 million arena, behind the Bally's and Paris hotel-casinos on the Las Vegas Strip, is projected to open in 2010. It's a step

toward attracting a pro sports franchise to a city that has tried to persuade reluctant league officials to look past its legalized sports betting.

The deal puts a dent in Mayor Oscar Goodman's plans to have an arena built downtown with the help of tax breaks, but he said such plans would go forward. The site for the Harrah's-AEG arena, a block east of the Strip, is in unincorporated Clark County, outside city

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Considering the scandals that rocked that racket over the last few years, boxing would be smart to position itself as far from the sequined science as possible.

Besides, it's not like the fight game has much left to lose. Its fan base has been shrinking fast and graying gradually, and mixed martial-arts fighting is siphoning off - make that draining the vaunted 18-to-25 male demographic.

Hard-core boxing fans usually cite the alphabet soup of sanctioning bodies and the hairsplitting profusion of weight classes as the top two reasons for the sport's slow demise. Trying to clean up those messes would be as daunting as putting the Balkans back togeth-

But incompetent, or even crooked judging usually ranks third. Put up a scoreboard, and that problem evaporating begins overnight.

"I've been an advocate for years" King said.

Who knew?

Last October, the World Boxing Council debated open scoring for all title bouts but could muster only enough votes to announce the judges' scores after rounds four and eight. With few exceptions, even that modest change hasn't made it to these shores, though the WBC does do that for nearly all title fights overseas.

Last month, the U.S.based Association of Boxing Commissions voted 32-1 against open scoring. The only "yea" came from Arkansas, which sanctioned the WBC title bout between Jermain Taylor and Kassim

Ouma in December 2006. "The strongest opposition was judges," recalled Keith Kizer, executive director of Nevada State Commission. "We had one

judge testify she didn't see how she could concentrate during the fight if she was worried about getting hit with a bottle."

A piece of chain link fence over the judges' ringside seats would take care of that. And really, is the fear of a bottle thrown in the middle of a fight any more distracting to a judge who's worried about getting conked after a fight? Besides, boxing isn't the only sport that requires refs to work in hostile environments.

Other objections?

To those who say scoreboards kill the suspense when one fighter opens a big lead or encourages him to become even more conservative than usual, I say that's what knockouts are for. Although just about every other sport has a run-out-theclock option — think prevent defenses or four-corner stalls - none offers a comeback quite as potent as a KO.

To those who say knowing the score might encourage a fighter who gets cut or headbutted to quit while he's ahead, I say bring top-notch referees and medical staff to the arena. Actually, they should be there already. That also would respond to the most valid objection to open scoring — that a boxer who's injured and trailing, but gaining the upper hand, would have extra incentive to keep fighting.

"Our image is a problem, going all the way back to the first boxing match and every movie since," King said. "Everything's always negative. Promoters are crooks. the mob fixes fights, judges are on the take - on and on

and on. "If somebody's got to clean it up," he added, "it might as well start here."

You heard him.

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Jim Litke is a national sports columnist for The Associated Press. Write to

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This year, make it your job to work more often with others individually. You might focus on one partnership exclusively. This new attention could make a big difference in the feelings between you and others. A relationship that might have been remote in the past could become quite close this year. Teamwork could define this year. A profound change might manifest itself in a different domestic situation. If you are single, you could land in a significant relationship before you know it. You will choose from many potential suitors. If you are attached, you will want to create a concrete expression of your love. ARIES loves your attention.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ The time might have arrived to manifest a long-term dream, Ask yourself what is stopping you. You might be surprised by a past reason or excuse that no longer holds water. You might be the only person stopping you. Take the plunge. Tonight: What would put a smile on your face? Do just that.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★ Take your time making a personal decision. Though you might seek out advice from many different sources, ultimately the decision is yours. Give yourself several more weeks. You might be surprised by how a matter resolves itself. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) \*\*\* ★ Don't stop; continue on a predetermined path. You will like what goes

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Aug. 31, on. Express your caring not only through actions but also through words. Your creativity surges. Suddenly the adventuresome Twin emerges. Tonight: Go for

what you honestly want. CANCER (June 21-July 22)

\*\*\* You might want to rethink a decision that takes you to a new place. Know that the responsibility is on your shoulders. A partner's imagination is triggered by a conversation. You might be amazed by what comes up. Tonight: Start exercising, if you haven't already. **LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)

**★★★★** Take in a new perspective by letting go of some preconceived ideas You suddenly feel as if a door has opened. Others will respond imaginatively to you as a result. Make sure you don't put someone on a pedestal. Tonight: Try a new place.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\*\* A partner might be unusually responsive. Make a point of creating special time for this person. Allow yourself to flow with the moment. You might be revising your ideas about a certain domestic situation. Tonight: Togetherness works.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

\*\*\*\* Others have often lent you a sensitive ear. Now you have the opportunity to return the favor. You might be daydreaming about a situation or person Be sure that you are at least a little grounded in your perspective, or you could be disappointed. Tonight: Say

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

\*\*\* Focus on getting the job done. Your mind could be drifting to a personal matter. Think in terms of making positive changes that will enhance your financial security. Know when to say "no" to spending. Tonight: Relax with

the moment SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) \*\*\*\* Your very playful side emerges when speaking with a child or loved one. Certainly you are seeing people in their best light. You might know

or she actually verbalizes it. Tonight: Do only what appeals to you. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \*\*\* Basics count and will make a difference in a hot situation. Right now you can calm down others and perhaps chill out a problem. You might have a

what someone is going to say before he

hunch about money. Be sure you can afford to be wrong. Tonight: Mosey on

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\*\* Speak your mind openly, and you'll make a difference. A loved one, child or potential romance might make a downright assertive action. Just know that you are cared about. You seem to know what is going to happen before it happens. Tonight: Speak your mind.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\* Investigate what is at the bottom of a money problem. You might be make ing the situation far more difficult than it is. Try to have an important conversation with a family member or a trusted friend. Tonight: At home.

**BORN TODAY** 

Actor Richard Gere (1949), Black Panther activist Eldridge Cleaver (1935), pro wrestler Jeff Hardy (1977)

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## Georgia, Curacao, Arizona, Venezuela and Taiwan advance in LLWS action

SOUTH WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. (AP) — Straight-faced Payton Purvis was trying to answer a question when he heard Dalton Carriker giggling to his right.

Purvis and Carricker had plenty to be happy about after they helped Warner Robins, Ga., beat Walpole, Mass., 8-1 on Wednesday at the Little League World Series.

Georgia (2-1) clinched a berth in the U.S. semifinals and learned later Wednesday that its opponent would be Chandler, Ariz., which defeated Coon Rapids, Minn. 9-2.

The other U.S. semifinal will feature unbeaten Lubbock, Texas, against Lake Oswego, Ore.

In the international bracket Wednesday, Mexicali, Mexico lost both ends of a day-night doubleheader, 4-2 to Taichung, Taiwan and 11-1 to Maracaibo, Venezuela. Also, Willemstad Curacao defeated White Rock, British Columbia, 6-2.

Japan will face Taiwan in one international semifinal Thursday, with Venezuela vs. Curacao in the other

Purvis, who drove in two runs with a single, said his team's accomplishments haven't sunk in yet.

"It will really settle in when the whole tourney is over and you realize you are one of the four best teams in the country," the 12-year-old outfield-

er said. That's when Carriker and teammate Micah Wells burst into laughter, burying their faces in their hands. Purvis stared at them and feigned a punch at Wells, sitting next to him.

"Stop laughing," Purvis said. You're making me laugh!"

Carriker was the star with a threerun home run in the second that landed far beyond the 225-foot sign down the right-field line at Volunteer Stadium, bouncing in front of a drive-

Carriker also struck out seven in four-plus innings, finishing a game that had been suspended in the top of the second inning Tuesday night because of rain.

The youngster spent a restless Tuesday night in his dorm room after manager Mickey Lay told him before their 11:30 p.m. bedtime that he would take over in relief when the game resumed.

"I couldn't sleep," Carricker said. "I was ready to throw."

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 River Valley Pioneer Museum in Canadian will host a workshop with artist Mike Mahon of Amarillo from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. today through Saturday. All painting and drawing mediums will be welcome; however, demonstrations will be in pastel and oil. Mahon specializes in portraiture. The workshop fee is \$250 plus model's fee. A \$50 deposit is due Aug. 9. A live demo, orientation and reception is planned from 6:30-9 p.m. Aug. 22. Mahon's work will be on display at the museum now through Aug. 22. For more information, call (806) 323-6548.

• The Don Harrington Discovery Center in Amarillo will host "Moneyville" now through Sunday. Moneyville is a 4foot cube of 1 million \$1 bills (only 210 real) that uses laser technology to discern the difference between real and funny money. To learn more, call the center at (806) 335-9548.

 RSVP (Retired and Senior Volunteer Program) will stage its 34th Annual Volunteer Recognition Banquet for its volunteers in Pampa, White Deer, McLean and Shamrock at 6 p.m. Sept. 4 at the Pampa Chamber of Commerce, 200 N. Ballard. Participants must RSVP by Aug. 28. The Amarillo banquet will be at 11:30 a.m. Sept. 11 at Amarillo Civic Center Heritage Room. Participants must RSVP by Sept. 3. For more infor-

mation, call (806) 373-8389 or 1-877-373-8389.

 The Texas Department of State Health Services will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) and chickenpox (varicella). The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The following clinic(s) will be offered: 9:30-

11:30 a.m. and 1-3 p.m., Sept. 5 and 19, TDH, 736 S. Cuyler, Pampa.

The Institute for Natural Resources will offer a seminar for the medical and health care industry entitled 'The Addicted Brain" Sept. 5 in Lubbock and Sept. 6 in Amarillo. The seminar will be worth six credit hours and is open to nurses, pharmacists, dietitians/DTRs, psychologists, social workers, nursing home administrators, case managers, occupational therapists, physical therapists, massage therapists, counselors and other health professionals. To find out more or to register, call 1-877-246-6336 or (925) 609-2820.

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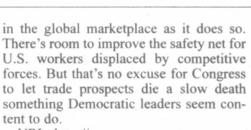
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