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## Clarendon College waives late fee for registration

By KERRI SMITH  
Staff Writer

Clarendon College would like to make it a little easier on the pocketbook for those students who have not been able to register for fall classes yet.

Anyone who registers now through Monday can do so without paying extra for the late fee.

Dean Raymond Jaramillo of the Pampa Center said they want students to know it is not too late to register and get started with day, evening or online classes.

"Even though our classes started Aug. 29, we still want people to know they have time to get started," Jaramillo said. "We hope that waiving the late registration fee will

attract more potential students to Clarendon College."

Pampa also has financial aid assistance available every day now instead of once a week.

They have a computer set up in the front office where students can type in their financial aid application and the people in the office can assist in getting the papers filled out correct-

ly. This helps speed up the financial aid process.

Students can register and print out schedules online by going to the Web site [www.clarendoncollege.edu](http://www.clarendoncollege.edu). For more information on Clarendon College Pampa Center, call 665-8801 or go by the campus at 1601 W. Kentucky.

## Silage spill closes Highway 60



Traffic was blocked in both directions on Highway 60 East this morning after a bin full of silage overturned on the highway while being pulled by a tractor. The spilled silage was transferred to another carrier while eastbound travelers on the highway were routed onto the shoulder of the roadway. The incident occurred at about 10 a.m., one mile east of the intersection of Highway 60 and Loop 171.

Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

## Meredith dips to record low

By KERRI SMITH  
Staff Writer

The water level of Lake Meredith has reached an all time low, eclipsing the record low of 53.69 feet set in August of 2006.

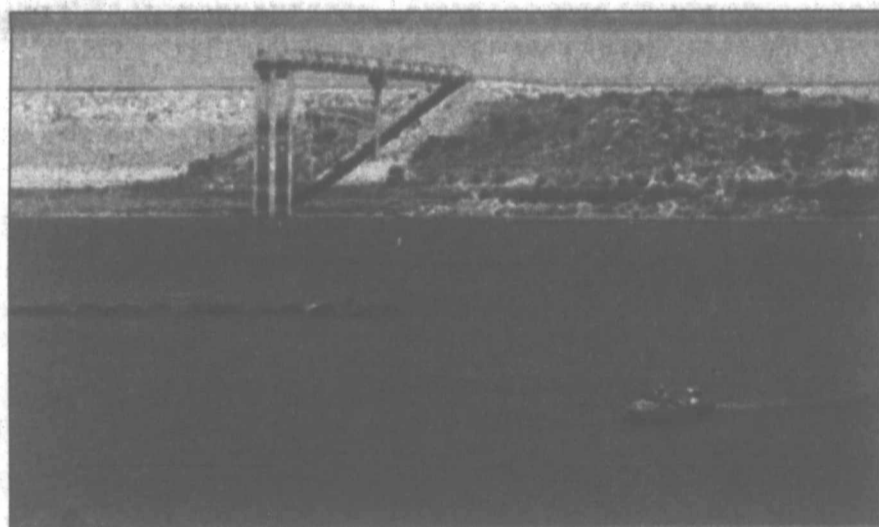
On Aug. 31 the level reached the record low of 53.47 feet and it has continued to drop since then. According to the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority Web site, the water level as of today is 53.30 feet.

The lake level dropped almost a foot during the month of July, when it was at 54.83 feet. Unless significant amounts of rain fall in the

lake's watershed, park officials expect lake levels to continue to drop.

"We want to remind boaters to be extremely cautious when out on the lake," Chief of Interpretation Rozanna Pfeiffer said. "Parts of the lake are very shallow and some of the coves are nothing more than mud flats. Pay attention to the hazard markers, watch for sandbars and snags just below the surface and remember that the lake's topography has probably changed since the last time you were out on the water."

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The level of Lake Meredith has fallen to a record low of 53.30 feet. Courtesy photo

## Oops



Pampa News Photo by KERRI SMITH  
A motor vehicle ran into the front of The Pampa News building Friday when an individual's foot slipped off of the brake while trying to park. The news rack was pushed into the window and broke it. Luckily, no one was hurt and the window was easily repaired.

## NWS provides river flood point in Lipscomb

The National Weather Service (NWS) Forecast Office in Amarillo and the Arkansas Red Basin Forecast Center in Tulsa Okla., have announced flood only forecasts for Wolf Creek at Lipscomb, Texas.

With the recent addition of the new forecast point at Lipscomb, the ARBFC creates flood only forecast services for 11 locations throughout the Texas and Oklahoma panhandles. The forecasts are then forwarded to the NWS in Amarillo for dissemination to the public.

This new forecast service at Lipscomb is an invaluable tool for forecasting high flows along Wolf Creek in the northeast Texas Panhandle and important in the NWS mission of protecting life and property.

The flood stage along

Wolf Creek at Lipscomb has been set at a stage of 9.5 feet. The river gage is owned and operated by the U.S. Geological Survey in Wichita Falls.

The NWS in Amarillo provides all the weather services for 23 counties of the Texas and Oklahoma panhandles. The NWS collects meteorological data and prepares and disseminates weather forecasts ... river and flood forecasts and warnings ... and severe weather watches and warnings to the public. Additional information is available at <http://www.srh.noaa.gov/am>

For more information, contact the NWS Amarillo Hydrologic Program Manager Lance Goehring or the Meteorologist in Charge Jose Garcia at 335-1421.



**NEXT DAY FORECAST**

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Partly cloudy</b>	<b>Partly cloudy</b>	<b>Mostly cloudy</b>

Wednesday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 88. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.  
 Wednesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 68. South wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Thursday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 89. South-southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Thursday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 68. South-southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Friday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 84. North-northwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Friday Night: A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 65. East-northeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

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	Williams .....	31.24	+0.24
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**Record number of turtle nests found on Texas beaches**

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — Wildlife officials counted a record 128 Kemp's ridley sea turtle nests this summer on Texas beaches. The majority were found in the Corpus Christi area, including 81 on North Padre Island and four on Mustang Island. "We are very encouraged to have four consecutive record years for nesting," said Donna Shaver, chief of the division of sea turtle science and recovery at Padre Island National Seashore. National Park Service staff and volunteers patrolled daily looking for the endangered turtles and their nests during the nesting season, which runs from April to mid-July. The patrollers jointly covered 73,632 miles over 8,895 hours this year,

the Park Service said. Shaver said it's difficult to find the nests, because often the only hint a mother turtle leaves is a faint trail in the sand. "It's very difficult work because they nest during the day and tracks blow away quickly," Shaver said. "They don't leave much of a trail because they are the lightest and the smallest of the sea turtles, and they tend to nest on windy days. It's a combination of both skill and luck and being at the right place at the right time." Wildlife officials released 10,594 Kemp's ridleys hatchlings along the Texas coast this year. Shaver said the increase in nests is a result of protection efforts in the United States and Mexico, the turtles' primary nesting destination.

**Obituaries**

**Geronimo 'Jerry' Dominguez, 81**

Geronimo "Jerry" Dominguez, 81, of Pampa, died Sept. 3, 2007, at Pampa. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa. Mr. Dominguez was born Sept. 30, 1925, in Ribera, N.M., and attended Ribera schools. He married Mary Aragon at Clovis, N.M.; she died in August 1975. Mr. Dominguez worked for Santa Fe Railway for many years and was a ranch-

er. He moved to Spearman in 1981 and Pampa in 1991. He belonged to St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church. He loved to spend time with his grandchildren, enjoyed working with horses and was an avid gardener. Mr. Dominguez was pre-



Dominguez

ceded in death by a son, David Dominguez. Survivors include five sons, Jerry Dominguez of Clovis, James Aragon of Fairfax, Va., Tommy Dominguez of Houston, Frank Dominguez of Spearman and Johnny Dominguez of Amarillo; and four daughters, Charlene Martinez of Pampa and Loraine Cereceres, Joan Dominguez and Nora Dominguez, all of Albuquerque, N.M.

**MEMORIALS:** Alzheimer's Association, 1400 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo, TX 79106; or St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 810 W. 23rd, Pampa, TX 79065. Sign the online register book at [www.carmichael-whatley.com](http://www.carmichael-whatley.com).

**Jack Osborne, 81**

Jack Osborne, 81, of Pampa, Texas, died Sept. 3, 2007, at Lubbock, Texas. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors. Mr. Osborne was born Nov. 23, 1925, in Roberts County, Texas. He was a 1943 graduate of Perryton High School. Jack married Neil Northcutt on July 18, 1947, in Perryton. She pre-

ceded him in death in 1992. He was a farmer in Roberts County for 50 years. He was a member of the Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 AF&AM, and achieved the rank of Master Mason. Jack was the state director of District 1 of the Texas Farm Bureau from 1974-1981, and in 1998, he received the Texas Farm Bureau Pioneer Award.

He was a member of the First Christian Church in Pampa. Survivors include one son, Scott Osborne and wife Nan of Lubbock; one daughter, Jan Bufkin and husband Wayne of Lubbock; one sister, Dorothy Alspaugh of Lubbock; one brother, Ray Osborne of Perryton; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

**MEMORIALS:** Alzheimer's Association, 1400 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo, TX 79106, or a favorite charity. **SPECIAL NOTICE:** The family will receive friends between 9-10 a.m. Thursday at the First Christian Parlor. Sign the online register book at [www.carmichael-whatley.com](http://www.carmichael-whatley.com).

**Emergency Services**

**Correction**

In an article titled "Museum Mementos: The story of H.H. and Kate Heiskell" printed on page 6 of the Sunday, Sept. 2 edition of The News, the photo captures Jennie Katherine Lard playing the organ. Also, the correction at the conclusion of the article should read that Frank and Jeff Lard met in France during World War I.

**Pampa PD**

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 96-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

**Friday, Aug. 31**

Ten traffic stops were made, resulting in at least one arrest.

Traffic complaints were received from the 500 block of North Hobart, the 2200 block of North Sumner, the 400 block of Rider, the intersection of Finley and Frederic streets, the intersection of Harvester and Lefors streets, the 1400 block of South Barnes, the intersection of Brown and Barnes streets, the 1200 block of North Hobart and the 700 block of Murphy.

Vehicle accidents were reported in the 400 block of West Atchison and the intersection of Randy Matson and Duncan streets.

Animal control officers made stops concerning animals in the 1500 block of North Hobart, on two occasions in the 1700 block of Dogwood, the 1500 block of West Kentucky, the 2900 block of Rosewood, the 2100 block of North Faulkner, the 1100 block of Perry, the 1200 block of North Somerville, the 800

block of Duncan, the 500 block of North Wells, the 300 block of West Foster, the 400 block of East Browning, the 400 block of North Starkweather, the 900 block of East Fisher, the 400 block of Magnolia, the 1200 block of East Foster, West Highway 60, the 600 block of North West, the 2300 block of Mary Ellen, the 100 block of East Randy Matson, the 900 block of Alcock, the intersection of Randy Matson and Russell streets and the 700 block of Scott.

Welfare checks were made in the 2300 block of Primrose and the intersection of Starkweather and Yeager streets.

A civil matter was reported in the police department lobby. Sex offender registration was reported in the police department lobby.

A missing person was reported in the police department lobby. Suspicious person calls were received from the 300 block of East 17th and the 100 block of East Randy Matson.

Suspicious vehicle calls were received from the intersection of Frederic and Barnes streets and the intersection of 17th and Evergreen streets.

A prowler was reported in the 400 block of North Zimmers. Disorderly conduct was reported at the intersection of 23rd and Hobart streets.

Telephone harassment was reported in the 300 block of North Hobart. Two alarms were reported.

One building check was conducted.

**Saturday, Sept. 1**

Five traffic stops were made. A threat was reported in the police department lobby. A domestic disturbance was reported in the 800 block of North Nelson. An assault was reported in the 100 block of West 30th. One alarm was reported. Theft was reported in the 2200 block of North Russell. Burglary was reported in the 700 block of North Gray, the 100 block of North West, the 500 block of Carr and the 500 block of North Hobart. Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported

in the 1200 block of East Francis. **Sunday, Sept. 2** Four traffic stops were made. Traffic complaints were received from the intersection of Cinderella and North Crest streets and the 700 block of North Somerville.

Vehicle accidents were reported in the 800 block of North Wells and the 600 block of North Russell.

Animal control officers made stops concerning animals in the 1100 block of North Starkweather, the 400 block of Hazel, the 400 block of East Francis, the 400 block of North Hobart, the 100 block of South Wells, the 900 block of Murphy, the 300 block of East Brown, the 600 block of North West, the 1700 block of Dogwood, the 1100 block of East Foster, the 600 block of North Sumner and the 1800 block of Evergreen.

Agency assistance was rendered at the intersection of Browning and Harvester streets. A welfare check was made in the 900 block of Denver.

A runaway was reported in the 200 block of West Kingsmill.

Suspicious person calls were received from the intersection of Cuyler and Kingsmill streets and the 400 block of North Faulkner. A suspicious vehicle call was received from Recreation Park, 1600 E. Highway 60.

A prowler was reported in the 400 block of North Faulkner. Silent/abusive 911 calls were received from the 1800 block of North Banks and the 500 block of East Browning. An arrest was made in connection with each of the incidents.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 200 block of Tignor, the 700 block of Deane Drive, the 1200 block of North Russell, the 700 block of Lefors, the 1000 block of Neel Road, the 600 block of East Frederic, the 1100 block of Starkweather, Recreation Park, the 700 block of North Christy and the 2700 block of Comanche.

Criminal mischief was reported at Pampa Junior High School, 2401 Charles.

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Four alarms were reported. One open door was checked.

Theft was reported in the 100 block of North Sumner. Burglary was reported in the 500 block of Magnolia.

Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported in the 300 block of Sunset.

**Monday, Sept. 3**

Seven traffic stops were made.

Vehicle accidents were reported at the intersection of Pennsylvania and Duncan streets, the intersection of Kentucky and Duncan streets and the 1000 block of South Wells.

Animal control officers made stops concerning animals in the 1700 block of Dogwood, the 900 block of Murphy and the intersection of Kingsmill and Frost streets.

Agency assistance was rendered in the 3100 block of Perryton Parkway, the intersection of Gwendolen and Hobart streets and the 700 block of North Gray.

Welfare checks were made in the 800 block of West Foster and the 2800 block of Charles.

A missing person was reported in the 800 block of Duncan.

Found property was reported in the police department lobby.

A civil matter was reported in the 900 block of East Fisher.

A suspicious person call was received from

Recreation Park. Prowlers were reported in the 1300 block of North Russell and the 100 block of South Faulkner.

Silent/abusive 911 calls were received from the 400 block of Hill and the 600 block of Hazel.

Disorderly conduct was reported at the intersection of Worrell and Russell streets, the 800 block of Duncan and the 900 block of South Banks.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1800 block of Hamilton.

Threats were reported in the 2100 block of Coffee and the 1000 block of Neel Road.

Harassment was reported in the 1100 block of Sierra. Assault was reported on two occasions at One Medical Plaza.

One alarm was reported. Theft was reported in the 500 block of East Foster, the police department lobby, the 700 block of Lefors and the 400 block of North Nelson.

Burglary was reported in the 800 block of South Barnes. At least one arrest was made in connection with the incident.

**Tuesday, Sept. 4**

One traffic stop was made, resulting in at least one arrest.

A suspicious person call was received from the intersection of 19th and Hobart streets.

A prowler was reported in the 600 block of Lefors.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 600 block of North Gray and on two occasions in the 400 block of Carr. One alarm was reported.

Burglary was reported in the 1000 block of South Barnes.

## Sheriff

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

**Monday, Sept. 3**

Van Johnson, 53, of Pampa was arrested in the 800 block of Barnes by Pampa Police Department for criminal mischief.

## Ambulance

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

**Monday, Sept. 3**

1:59 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1700 block of Harvester and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

4:32 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of South Wells and transported a patient to PRMC.

5:24 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of North Dwight and transported a patient to PRMC.

11:14 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block of Varnon and transported a patient to PRMC.

**Tuesday, Sept. 4**

12:45 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Kentucky and Price roads and transported a patient to PRMC.

6:44 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of West 25th and transported a patient to PRMC.

# Congress returns to face issues

By JIM ABRAMS  
Associated Press Writer  
WASHINGTON (AP) —

Like many schoolchildren, members of Congress were back at their desks today after a summer break. Unlike the students, lawmakers will immediately face major tests: on Iraq, children's health care, a home mortgage crisis and the budget.

The Senate reconvened at noon EDT and started work on a military construction and veterans spending bill. The first vote wasn't scheduled until 5 p.m., so few senators were on the floor. The House was scheduled to reconvene at 2 p.m.

Republicans returned relieved that Idaho Sen. Larry Craig decided to resign at month's end rather than prolong a scandal over his arrest in a men's room sex sting.

Democrats, meanwhile, were divided over the next step to take on Iraq. This month could be pivotal to the mission's future.

House and Senate hearings on Wednesday and Thursday will examine reports detailing intractable problems in Iraq's political situation and security forces. Next Monday, lawmakers are to hear long-awaited testimony from Gen. David Petraeus, the top military commander in Iraq, and U.S. Ambassador to Baghdad, Ryan Crocker.

President Bush is expected to use Petraeus' report to boost the argument that his strategy of increasing U.S. troop strength has improved

security in Iraq, and that an abrupt reduction would be a disaster.

The same report will also be cited by anti-war Democrats who say military success has little relevance given the failure of Iraqi politicians to stop sectarian fighting and create a viable government.

Those clashing views could come to the House and Senate floors in September in debates over the Pentagon's budget or a separate White House request for \$147 billion in emergency spending for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Democrats, who control both chambers, say votes will come with strings attached. Just what strings

could depend on positions Bush takes following the Petraeus report.

Some Democrats insist on a definite withdrawal date, possibly by next spring. Others are searching for more modest steps that would not face a presidential veto.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., said in a statement that he remained "absolutely committed to changing course in Iraq and bringing our troops home."

Many Republicans said through spring and summer that they wanted to hold off until September and the Petraeus report before acting to change policy.

**Congressman Mac Thornberry**  
will have a member of his staff available in Panhandle, White Deer, and Pampa to assist area residents with questions or concerns related to federal issues.



**Friday, September 7**

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# Manufacturing sector growth slows

WASHINGTON (AP) — Growth in the manufacturing sector slowed in August while construction spending dropped sharply in July, indicating turmoil in the housing and financial markets could be spilling over to the broader economy.

The Tempe, Ariz.-based Institute for Supply Management, an organization of corporate purchasing executives, said its index of business activity in the manufacturing sector registered 52.9 in August, down from 53.8 in July. August was the seventh straight month of expansion for the sector,

whose exports have been a bright spot for the U.S. economy.

Wall Street economists were expecting a reading of 53, according to Thomson Financial/IFR. Readings above 50 indicate expansion and below 50 indicate contraction.

The Commerce Department, meanwhile, said Tuesday that construction spending dropped 0.4 percent in July, compared with June, the weakest showing since a 0.6 percent fall in January.

It was a bigger drop than economists had been expect-

ing and underscored the continued drag the severe slump in housing is having on building activity.

There were several positive signs for the economy in the ISM survey. The production, employment and export indices increased, while new orders declined but remained above 50.

Manufacturers of agricultural equipment, aircraft and construction equipment, among others, have benefited from a weak U.S. dollar, which makes U.S. goods less expensive abroad.

"Overall, this report reinforces other indicators show-

ing modest but uneven growth across the manufacturing sector," David Resler, chief economist at Nomura Securities, wrote in a research note.

"Both the new orders and production index are encouraging for continuing growth as we head toward the fourth quarter of 2007," Norbert Ore, the chair of the ISM's survey committee, said.

# Lake

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Currently, three boat ramps are available for launching. The Double R ramp at Harbor Bay is adequate for most small and medium-sized boats and personal watercraft. Both Fritch Fortress and Sanford-Yake are better for launching large boats. Boaters should anticipate longer launching and loading times as they will need to back farther out into the water to reach an adequate depth.

"We want to remind our visitors that despite lower lake levels, there is still plenty of water for boating, fishing and swimming and excellent picnic facilities are available as well," Pfeiffer said.

Winter hours are now in effect at park headquarters. They are open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

For more information, visit Lake Meredith National Recreation Area, 419 E. Broadway, Fritch, Texas, or call 806-857-3151.

To check Lake Meredith's water levels, visit the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority Web site at [www.crmwa.com](http://www.crmwa.com).

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# Viewpoints

## Cyber Crimes Unit helps parents keep kids safe online

Texas' greatest resource is its children. From toddlers to teenagers, young Texans are truly the future of our great state. As concerned citizens, we must do everything in our power to protect children from sex predators. While law enforcement agencies across the state work together to arrest and prosecute criminals who prey on kids, parents and guardians must teach their children not to trust individuals they meet online.

Since 2003, the Office of the Attorney General's Cyber Crimes Unit has aggressively cracked down on sex predators who use the Internet to sexually solicit children. Cyber Crimes Unit investigators work undercover, posing as underage teenagers in Internet chat

rooms and social networking Web sites. These highly skilled officers have one goal: to catch would-be sex predators before they harm a child. Within minutes of going online, undercover officers are sexually solicited by prowling adults seeking young children.

In less than four years, the Cyber Crimes Unit has arrested more than 90 predators that used the Internet to arrange a meeting where they planned to sexually assault a child. Another 63 offenders have been convicted for posting or trading online child pornography.

Many of these sex predators lurk on Web sites that are prominently used by children and teenagers. During a two-week operation in June, our law

enforcement officers investigated and arrested several previously convicted sex offenders who had activated online profiles on the wildly popular social networking site, MySpace.com.

**Greg Abbott**  
Texas AG



While our Cyber Crimes Unit will continue cracking down on online sex offenders, parents and guardians must help us keep their children safe.

The most important safety tip is simple: parents must be involved with their child's Internet habits. Parents should educate themselves about cyber safety and speak openly with family members

about online activities. Children and teens are more likely to come to an adult that they feel is calm and comfortable discussing the subject matter. Parents can contact the

Office of the Attorney General for a copy of our Cyber Safety Brochure, which offers valuable information on chat room "lingo" and provides online security tips for both children and adults.

Parents with teens who visit social networking sites should be especially cautious. Our investigators encourage parents to have the passwords necessary to

regularly monitor their child's account. According to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, teenagers are more likely than younger children to get into trouble online. Teens are more likely to explore and reach out to strangers. Sadly, sex predators often exploit the anxiety and confusion that comes with adolescence.

Parents should keep the computer in a common room and limit the use of Web cameras. Digital images are easily captured online and are difficult, if not impossible, to retrieve once they are circulated on the Internet.

Teens and children who are approached by a stranger online should immediately inform a parent, guardian or any other trusted adult. They

must not reveal personal information, including photos, video, last names or telephone numbers to strangers. Teens should never, under any circumstance, arrange a face-to-face meeting with someone they meet online.

We must speak openly with our children about making good decisions in life, including safely using the Internet to interact with others. We thank all parents and guardians for their commitment to the safety of their children and the future of Texas.

**POINTS TO REMEMBER**

- Internet Safety FOR TEENS:
- Never post revealing information online, includ-

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## Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Sept. 4, the 247th day of 2007. There are 118 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

Fifty years ago, on Sept. 4, 1957, Arkansas Gov. Orval Faubus used Arkansas National Guardsmen to prevent nine black students from entering all-white Central High School in Little Rock. (The situation escalated in the coming weeks, with President Dwight D. Eisenhower finally ordering U.S. Army troops to escort the black students into the school and protect them.)

On this date:

In 1781, Los Angeles was founded by Spanish settlers.

In 1888, George Eastman received a patent for his roll-film box camera, and registered his trademark: "Kodak."

In 1893, English author Beatrix Potter first told the story of Peter Rabbit in the form of a "picture letter" to Noel Moore, the son of Potter's former governess.

In 1907, 100 years ago, composer Edvard Grieg died in Bergen, Norway, at age 64.

In 1917, the American Expeditionary Forces in France suffered their first fatalities during World War I when a German plane attacked a British-run base hos-

*'One should respect public opinion insofar as is necessary to avoid starvation and to keep out of prison, but anything that goes beyond this is voluntary submission to an unnecessary tyranny, and is likely to interfere with happiness in all kinds of ways.'*

— Bertrand Russell  
English mathematician-philosopher (1872-1970)

pital.

In 1951, President Truman addressed the nation from the Japanese peace treaty conference in San Francisco in the first live, coast-to-coast television broadcast.

In 1957, Ford Motor Co. began selling its ill-fated Edsel.

In 1967, Detroit TV station WKBD aired an interview with Michigan Gov. George Romney in which the Republican presidential hopeful attributed his previous support for the war in Vietnam to a "brainwashing" he'd received from U.S. officials there during a 1965 visit — a comment that damaged his White House bid.

In 1971, an Alaska Airlines jet crashed near Juneau, killing 111 people.

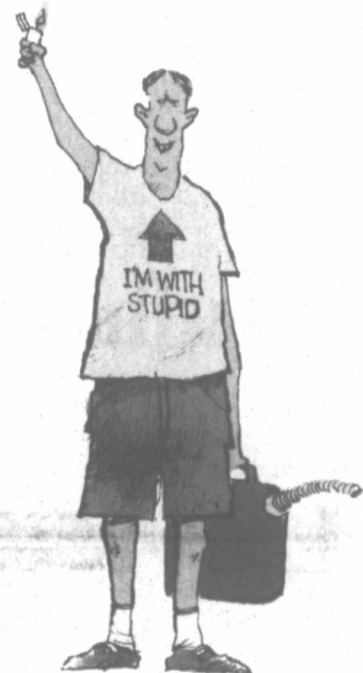
## Which of the following maniacs has caused the most devastation to Greece?



KING XERXES



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## The pope sanctions the OECD thugs

London's Times Online recently reported that, according to Vatican sources, Pope Benedict XVI is working on his second encyclical, a doctrinal pronouncement that will condemn tax evasion as "socially unjust." (See [www.timesonline.co.uk/tol/comment/faith/article2237625.ece](http://www.timesonline.co.uk/tol/comment/faith/article2237625.ece).) The pontiff will denounce the use of tax havens and offshore banking by wealthy individuals because it reduces tax revenues for the benefit of society as a whole.

Pope Benedict could benefit from a bit of schooling. Tax avoidance is legal conduct whereby individuals arrange their affairs so as to reduce the amount of income that is taxable. Tax avoidance can run the gamut of legal acts, such as investing in tax-free bonds, having employer-paid health plans, making charitable gifts, quitting a job and banking in

another country. Tax evasion refers to the conduct by individuals to reduce their tax obligation by illegal means. Tax evasion consists of illegal acts such as falsely claiming dependents, income underreporting and padding expenses.

**Walter Williams**  
Columnist



Pope Benedict's second encyclical puts him squarely in company with a group of thugs known as the Organization for Economic Cooperation & Development (OECD), an international bureaucracy headquartered in Paris and comprised of 30 industrial nations, mostly in Western Europe, the Pacific Rim and North America. One of its reports concluded that low-tax nations are bad for the world economy and identified 35 jurisdictions that are

guilty of "harmful tax competition."

In the OECD's view, harmful tax competition is when a nation has taxes so low that saving and investment are lured away from high-taxed OECD countries. The blacklist of countries they've identified as tax havens, having strong financial privacy laws, low taxes or zero taxes on certain activities includes Panama, the Bahamas, Liberia, Liechtenstein, the Marshall Islands and Monaco.

The OECD demands these nations, as well as offshore financial centers in the Caribbean and the Pacific, in effect surrender their fiscal sovereignty and act as deputy tax collectors for nations like France and

Germany. This would be a dream for politicians and bad news for the world's taxpayers; fortunately the hard work of the Center for Freedom and Prosperity has stymied the OECD's proposed tax cartel.

Pope Benedict shares some of the OECD's goals in their attack on low-tax jurisdictions. To support its welfare state, European nations must have high taxes. Government spending exceeds 50 percent of the GDP in France, Sweden, Germany and Italy. If Europeans, as private citizens and businessmen, relocate, invest or save in other jurisdictions, it means less money is available to be taxed to support their welfare states. The pope expresses the same concern when he says that tax havens reduce tax revenues for the benefit of society as a whole. Survival of an ever-growing

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## Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

**■ Aug. 25**  
Fort Worth Star-Telegram on playing offense in fighting HIV/AIDS:

Some of humanity's best minds in immunological and infectious disease research gathered this week in Seattle for the AIDS Vaccine 2007 Conference to share information on how to not just treat HIV/AIDS but how to vaccinate against the disease's ability to ever take hold.

The advancements in treatment and prevention have real-world implica-

tions in Tarrant County, where five new cases occur each week. Officials with Samaritan House, a Fort Worth-based residential treatment program for people with HIV/AIDS, estimate 10,000 county residents already are infected.

One in three of them doesn't even know it.

Half of the new infections each year occur in young people — ages 15 to 24. Three-quarters of new infections in women result from heterosexual contact. And 65 percent of new U.S. infections occur in people of color.

Samaritan House has organized a unique way to present information about HIV/AIDS. On Sept. 8, the Fort

Worth Convention Center arena will be the site of Hoops 'N Harmony, a combination 3-on-3 double-elimination basketball tournament, health fair and musical presentation by K104, radio personality Sam Putney.

Teams will be grouped by age, and games will last 10 minutes or until a team scores 25 points. Every team is guaranteed at least two games. It'll be fast-paced and lots of fun — and a great way to raise awareness about HIV/AIDS and funds for the important work of Samaritan House.

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# BUSINESS REVIEW

## SHEPARD'S CROOK NURSING AGENCY

THE OLDEST HOME HEALTH AGENCY IN PAMPA



Jackie Davis and Linda Ellison



Teresa Henson and Michael Kirkpatrick



Barbara Kidd and Ronna Smith



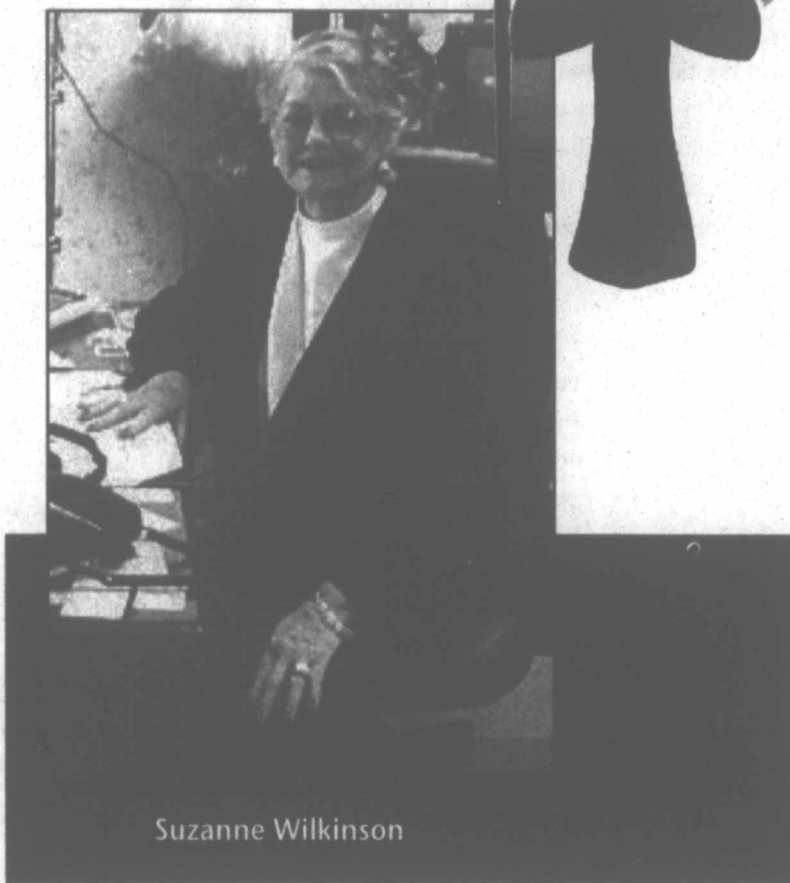
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Dauna Wilkinson



Pam Dalton



Suzanne Wilkinson

Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, 916 N. Crest Road, has its heart in Pampa, but strives to provide quality in-home health care to the entire locality. The agency is symbolic of the care of a shepherd's staff (crook) guiding those in his care to a better path and safety. So are the goals of the Shepard's staff in assisting our clients to a healthier life.

Owners Ernie and Suzie Wilkinson, both Pampa natives, have been in business for 19 years. They are members and ministers of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in Pampa.

Suzie and Ernie have a BA in business and a Masters in Health Management. They both have extensive background and training in federal and state regulations, and have served on many state and national boards and committees representing Home Health.

"Our nurses are board certified in home health, pediatrics and wound care," Suzie said.

The agency currently employs 75 skilled workers including licensed RNs and LVNs, a Licensed Physical Therapist, a Physical Therapy Assistant, and a number of Texas Certified Home Health Aides.

Michael Kirkpatrick acts as administrator and director of nursing. Teresa Henson is office operations manager. Both have been with Shepard's Crook since its inception.

Shepard's Crook currently serves all counties in the Texas Panhandle and has offices in Pampa, Amarillo, Borger, Clarendon and Shamrock.

Dedicated to meeting the needs of their individual clients, the Wilkinsons believe a successful business should give back to the community.

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# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

**DEAR ABBY:** In your July 4 column, "Twins' Mom in Bellevue, Wash." told about one of her 12-year-old daughters' wish to stop dressing like her twin sister and to be an individual. We also have twin daughters, now adults. When they were very young, I pushed them in a double stroller around the area where we lived. There was a lady I met frequently, and we talked about their progress. She eventually told me she was a child psychologist and asked if she might give me some advice. She told me that all twins, whether identical or not, should be given a chance to choose things separately -- the colors they wore, toys, etc. She also suggested separate classes at school when possible, different choices of friends and activities, and most important of all, for us to treat them as individuals, not a single entity. At the age of 4, they went to preschool. Each went two days separately and a third day together. This gave each girl a chance to develop alone and also to have "time with Mom." In kindergarten they were in the same class, but had different teachers. In elementary school they were in separate classes for the most part. They chose to dress differently, if only by color. They were not in the same homeroom in middle school, but had a class or two together. Many fellow students had no idea they were twins unless they were especially close to the girls. By high school, they were distinct individuals, and at times competitive with each other. They did not share friends. One of my girls went on to college in Washington state, the other in Southern California. One is now a successful businesswoman; the other is a former graphic artist who is married, raising a son and helping with her husband's business. The twins are now closer than they were as children. I think we did the right thing, thanks to that friendly neighbor. The twins in your column should have been given separate choices long before the age of 12, but it isn't too late. — JANE IN CARMEL VALLEY, CALIF.

**DEAR JANE:** Thank you for sharing your family's story with my readers. The responses I have received emphasize that the experience of being a twin can be as different as their looks are similar. Read on:

**DEAR ABBY:** How appropriate to see the letter about identical twins on the anniversary of the birthday of your dear mother and aunt! I am also an identical twin. My brother and I are now 57. As with individuals, each set of twins is unique. Some celebrate their twinness, some seek more individuality, some go back and forth, and some don't agree. The solution is to allow each set of twins to find the balance that is right for them. When we were growing up, our mother wisely permitted us to have some matching outfits, but also some that did not match. On any given day, we could choose to dress identically or either one of us could make the decision to be distinct simply by selecting a non-matching outfit. Today, we live in different cities, with very different careers, but get together or at least speak by phone frequently and consider ourselves quite close. — DOUGLAS, BROTHER OF DENNIS

**DEAR ABBY:** I am a 14-year-old identical twin. Let me make something clear to everyone: Twins are not the same person! Just because we look alike doesn't mean we have the same feelings and personalities. My parents have always dressed us differently. We have never worn our hair the same way, and we are in different classes and schools. We barely know each other's friends. I have never set foot inside her middle school -- and yet we remain extremely close. Please encourage your twins to be individuals! — UNIQUE TWIN IN COLORADO

**DEAR ABBY:** "Twins' Mom" should realize that if she weren't buying the twins matching outfits, the issues of dressing differently would not exist! — MARY H., A FAITHFUL READER

## For Better Or For Worse



## Zits



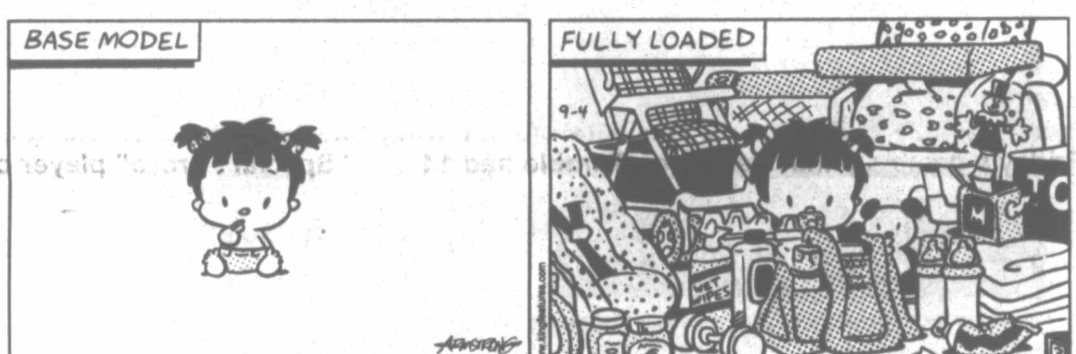
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## Beetle Bailey



## Marvin



## Crossword Puzzle

### CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

**ACROSS** 40 Labor group

1 Injure

5 Thesaurus author

10 Basketball's Shaquille

12 San Antonio landmark

13 Easy target

15 Ostrich cousin

16 Last letter

17 "Aw, shucks!"

18 Extra charge

20 "It's — real"

21 Horse sound

22 Tacks on

23 Take as one's own

25 Joe Namath's team

28 Beer's head

31 Stepped down

32 Germany's Adenauer

34 Chess piece

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36 Spanish gold

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Yesterday's answer

1 Fire truck

2 Hostility

3 Come back

4 Small rug

5 Craze

6 Archaic

7 Estimated

8 Led the game

9 Subway

10 "It's — real"

11 Iguana or gecko

12 Tacks on

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16 Last letter

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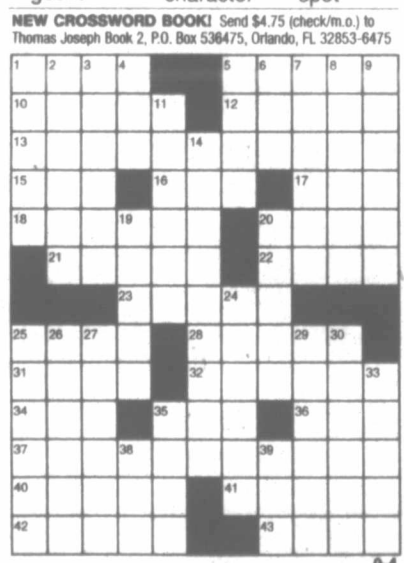
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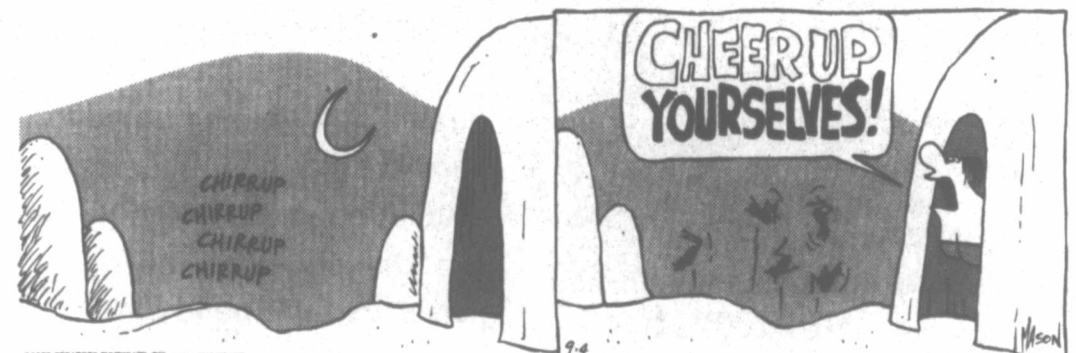


## The Family Circus

THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil Keane



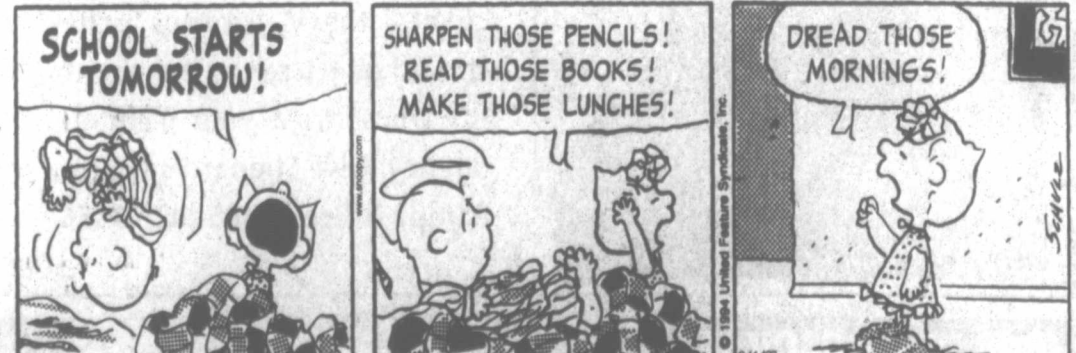
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## Peanuts



## Blondie



## Flo & Friends





# Sports Day

Ready to go



Junior quarterback Casey Trimble (right) gives directions to the offense and senior offensive lineman Payton Reagan stands ready to block during Friday's game against Perryton. Trimble had 14

yards total rushing, completed 23 of 33 passes for 237 yards, threw three touchdowns and one interception Friday. Reagan was selected as the "Special Forces" player of the week.

Pampa News photo by JORDAN REAGAN

## McElreath wins Top of Texas Golf Tournament

Rode McElreath climbed the mountain Monday and claimed the 70th Annual Hart Warren Top of Texas Championship.

McElreath, who lost by one stroke in the 2005 championship despite a seven birdie final round, responded to the challenge laid down by Phil Everson's two one-under 70s on Monday with a final round that indicated another seven birdies.

His seventh birdie, which was hit on the first playoff hole against Everson, secured his win.

Jon East won the President's flight by five over Tim Whipkey and Steve Long.

Roy Hartman defended his senior title in a four-hole sudden death playoff over Gene Hall, who fired a closing 75 to force the playoff.

All results from the tournament are as follows:

### Championship Flight

1st Place - Rode

McElreath (280)  
2nd Place - Phil Everson (280)  
3rd Place - Rex Hughes (289)  
4th Place - Brandon Holub (293)  
4th Place - Luke Kane (293)

### President's Flight

1st Place - Jon East (224)  
2nd Place - Tim Whipkey (229)  
2nd Place - Steve Long (229)  
4th Place - Brad Hicks (231)  
4th Place - Frank McCullough (231)

### Super Seniors Flight

1st Place - Roy Hartman (240)  
2nd Place - Gene Hall (240)  
3rd Place - Harrold Salmon (242)  
4th Place - Ralph Baker (258)

5th Place - Weldon Talley (259)

### 1st Flight

1st - Kelly Everson  
2nd - Bill Simon

### 2nd Flight

1st - Nathan Sullivan  
2nd - John Allen

### 3rd Flight

1st - Greg Allen  
2nd - Greg Kelly

### 4th Flight

1st - Marc Hampton  
2nd - Eddy Kelley

### 5th Flight

1st - Don Burke  
2nd - Dennis Luellen

### 6th Flight

1st - Louis Cortez  
2nd - Micah Mullin

## China arrests activist who rallied others to reject the Olympics, demand human rights

BEIJING (AP) — China has arrested an activist who gathered 10,000 signatures on an open letter rejecting the 2008 Beijing Summer Olympics and demanding more respect for human rights, a watchdog organization said Tuesday.

Land rights activist Yang Chunlin was detained July 6 in his native province of Heilongjiang in northern China and formally arrested on suspicion of subverting state power on Aug. 3, said the China Human Rights Defenders, an international

network of activists and rights monitoring groups.

Yang's family told the group the arrest was linked to Yang's campaign to gather signatures for an open letter titled "We want human rights, not the Olympics." It was not clear whom the letter was addressed to.

Before his arrest he had gathered more than 10,000 signatures, mainly from Heilongjiang farmers, the organization said.

Police told Yang's family that he was suspected of taking money from "anti-

China" organizations abroad, it said, without giving details.

The case against Yang points "to the nervousness and political sensitivity with which the government views efforts to link the Olympics and human rights," China Human Rights Defenders said in a statement.

Yang, a laid-off factory worker, had been helping Heilongjiang farmers seek compensation for lost land over the past few years, it said.

## Mickelson wins Deutsche Bank, fires shots at the commissioner

NORTON, Mass. (AP) — As soon as Phil Mickelson shrugged off Tiger Woods and the rest of the field at the Deutsche Bank Championship, he decided to take on golf's powers-that-be.

Complaining that the PGA Tour Playoffs are too much of a commitment for players already tired from a long season, Mickelson threatened to skip next week's BMW Championship.

"My frustration from this past year came from asking for a couple of things in the FedEx Cup that weren't done, and not feeling all that bad now if I happen to miss,"

he said Monday. "So I'm not really sure how it's going to play out."

Mickelson would not elaborate on his complaints, but he did say that with his kids starting school on Wednesday he was torn between spending time with his family and fighting for points in Chicago. He has brought up his issues with PGA Tour commissioner Tim Finchem, to no avail.

"It's just that I'm conflicted," Mickelson said, noting that it wasn't just the playoffs but a hectic season overall. "I certainly feel the obligation to support the FedEx

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## Basketball boosters to hold first meeting Wednesday

The PHS basketball booster club will hold their first meeting Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the ready room at the athletic building.

They will be discussing dates for Meet the

Harvesters, Pack the Pit and Senior night. Also, the most urgent items on the agenda will include the Homecoming Parade and Meet the Harvesters.

## Greinke, Gordon help Kansas City Royals beat Texas Rangers

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Zack Greinke's making the most of his second chance in the Kansas City Royals' rotation this season.

The 23-year-old right-hander allowed five hits in five shutout innings for his first win as a starter since April, and the Royals beat the Texas Rangers 8-1 on Monday night.

Featuring a fastball in the mid-to-high 90s, Greinke (6-5) struck out four without a walk in his 10th start of the season.

Greinke, who opened the season in the rotation before being moved to the bullpen in early May after a series of ineffective starts, hadn't won as a starter since April 10 at Toronto.

"My stuff's a lot better," Greinke said. "People say confidence can bring success, but you have to do good first in order to get confident."

Manager Buddy Bell moved Greinke back into the

rotation on Aug. 24.

"Maybe we should have done it sooner," Bell said. "The kid keeps throwing good. He maintained his stuff the whole time. He's where we wanted to take him, and I thought he had a little bit left at the end."

Ross Gload homered, and Alex Gordon had three hits and four RBIs for the Royals, who matched a season high with 16 hits. Gordon is 6-for-14 with three homers and seven RBIs in his last three games.

Mark Teahen, activated from the 15-day disabled list before the game, had three hits, including an RBI single in the ninth.

With one more win, the Royals would avoid their fourth straight 100-loss season.

Kansas City has 16 runs in the last two games, and the Royals could have scored even more against the Rangers but they stranded a season-high 16 runners.

"It was one of our better

games in just about everything," Bell said. "We left a lot of guys on base, but it was nice to see us keep scoring. We had pressure on them all night long, and their bullpen has been good all year."

Gload hit a solo homer in the eighth off Mike Wood to make it 5-0, and Gordon's two-run single later in the eighth off Wood stretched the lead to 7-0.

Michael Young's RBI single in the eighth off Joel Peralta ended the Royals' bid for their sixth shutout of the season.

Texas had won seven of its previous eight, the Rangers' best stretch of the season. But they were only able to get one runner as far as third base against Greinke, who's been considered a star of the future since the Royals drafted him with the sixth overall pick in 2002.

"Greinke is a great talent," Texas' Ian Kinsler said. "He's up there at 96, 97 (mph). He's got good stuff."

## Tigers hold off Seminoles 24-18 in Bowden Bowl

CLEMSON, S.C. (AP) — Florida State's offense still needs a lot of work. Its defense could use a tuneup, too, after first-time starter Cullen Harper threw two touchdown passes in Clemson's 24-18 victory over the No. 19 Seminoles on Monday night.

This was supposed to be a retooled Florida State attack with first-year offensive coordinator Jimbo Fisher bringing the flash back to the Seminoles in the latest version of the father-son Bowden Bowl.

Instead, it was Harper and the Tigers who came out throwing to take a 21-0 lead before the game was 17 minutes old — and bring their coach, Tommy, his third straight win over father Bobby's Seminoles.

Florida State rallied from 24-3 down in the second half of the season opener for both teams. When Drew Weatherford hit Richard Goodman for a 15-yard TD pass with 11:40 left, the Seminoles trailed by 6.

Weatherford and the Seminoles got the ball back three more times after that, but could not score.

"It looked like stage fright. We were running a new offense but I thought we grasped it better than that. We were bad," Bobby Bowden said.

Clemson fans rushed the field and the collapsible goal posts came down after Weatherford's final pass fell to the ground. But officials chose to review the play, moving orange-clad fans out of the way.

Finally, they were told the play stood and the game was indeed over.

Harper, a junior, was a big reason for the celebration.

He connected with freshman tight end Brian Linticum on an 11-yard scoring pass and Aaron Kelly for a 41-yard TD connection as the Tigers took a 21-0 lead less than 17 minutes into the game. In

between, tailback James Davis scored on a 29-yard run.

Florida State stumbled through a miserable first half where it managed only one first down and 62 yards.

Weatherford was under constant pressure and looked lost when he wasn't.

Florida State only crossed midfield once in the first half after Roosevelt Lawson's blocked punt.

The Seminoles found their rhythm in the second half.

Antone Smith had a 49-yard run to Clemson's 1, then followed with the score that drew them to 24-11. Goodman's TD catch tightened things up even more.

But Weatherford and the Seminoles couldn't sustain the rally.

They got to Clemson's 31 with 3 minutes left. But Florida State's junior quarterback threw three incompletions and was taken down from behind by defensive lineman Philip Merling.

Harper was 14-of-24 for 160 yards and no interceptions. Davis gained 102 yards on 18 carries.

The victory closed Tommy within a win of his father after the ninth meeting of college football's best known family feud.

Bobby's Seminoles won the first four games in the series by a combined score of 160-79. Tommy won four of the past five, including the last three at Death Valley.

Bobby Bowden said he can't be certain the Seminoles will rebound from their fifth loss in their last eight games. "You never know. The season's too young," he said.

Davis, who gained 1,187 yards a year ago, showed off his power on the next play, breaking two tackles and cutting hard left near the goal line for his 29-yard touchdown and a 14-0 lead.

## Harell, new Texas Tech receivers have no problems getting by SMU

DALLAS (AP) — Texas Tech has proven in recent years that it can keep its offense chugging even when changing quarterbacks. Turns out, coach Mike Leach can plug offensive linemen and receivers into his system just as seamlessly.

Quarterback Graham Harrell welcomed four blockers and a trio of pass-catchers to the starting line-up by completing a career-high 44 passes for 419 yards and four touchdowns in a 49-9 victory over SMU on Monday.

Redshirt freshman Michael Crabtree announced his arrival with 12 catches for 106 yards,

including touchdowns of 42, 2 and 1 yards. Senior Danny Amendola christened his starting debut with a 49-yard TD reception and finished with 10 catches for 149 yards.

"In this offense, you are going to put up big numbers, especially if you stay consistent and get the ball in the playmakers' hands," said Harrell, who threw 59 passes. "We came out and executed. That's what we do at Tech, we execute and make plays."

Harrell is Tech's first incumbent quarterback since Kliff Kingsbury was in charge from 2000-02. The junior's poise and accuracy kept

the Red Raiders from missing last year's starting receivers, who left with a combined 504 catches and 7,014 yards.

He went 6-for-6 on the opening drive, then capped it with a 1-yard TD plunge. His next two TD drives went 95 and 88 yards, and he converted on six of his first eight third-down tries. He topped his previous high in completions (42) during the third quarter, then called it a day after a touchdown early in the fourth made it 42-6.

"We had some opportunities defensively to get them off the field on third downs and we couldn't

just quite get enough pressure on him," SMU coach Phil Bennett said.

The new line boasts four guys who are 6-foot-7, with all five topping 300 pounds. They were solid enough to keep Harrell from getting sacked and helped the Red Raiders average 4.4 yards per run, albeit on only 18 carries. Shannon Woods led the way with 45 yards, including the final two touchdowns.

"A lot of people said they're inexperienced, but they are a huge unit," Harrell said. "They are going to get better and they did a really

good job."

Harrell frustrated the Mustangs no matter what they did, beating blitzes by hitting his safety valve — like Amendola on his touchdown — and patiently finding his third, fourth or fifth passing option when the defense drifted back into coverage. Eleven players caught passes for Tech, including three first-timers.

"A lot of his passes he was just throwing them up and somebody was there," SMU linebacker Wilton McCray said.

## Federer averts a scare at Open, gets Roddick next; Blake loses in 5 sets

NEW YORK (AP) — Roger Federer was scuffling against a Spanish lefty — no, not that one — at the U.S. Open on Monday night. He lost the first set to Feliciano Lopez, barely won the second, then trailed love-40 to start the third.

And then Federer did the sort of remarkable thing that only Federer does: He won the next 35 points he served. That allowed him to take control of the third set and the match, coming back to win 3-6, 6-4, 6-1, 6-4 in the fourth round at Flushing Meadows.

Asked about that 35-point run, Lopez rolled his eyes and said, "I mean, it's tough. I'm playing against Roger Federer." His voice then trailed off, as if that should

be explanation enough.

Federer's response when told of the stat: "That's awesome."

Next up for the No. 1-ranked Federer, bidding to become the first man to win four consecutive U.S. Open titles since the 1920s: a quarterfinal against No. 5 Andy Roddick, the 2003 champion and the runner-up last year.

Federer is 13-1 against Roddick.

"It's a great record, but it doesn't help me," Federer said. "We'll see how it goes. Andy's always tough at the U.S. Open."

With No. 6 James Blake losing to No. 10 Tommy Haas in five sets earlier Monday, Roddick is the only American man left — making this the first U.S. Open

since 1998 without at least two in the quarterfinals.

Several hours before Federer took to the court in his all-black night ensemble, Roddick was leading 7-6 (6), 2-0 when his fourth-round opponent, No. 9 Tomas Berdych, stopped playing because he had trouble breathing.

So two of Roddick's four foes have quit on him. And both of Roddick's matches that were completed, against men ranked 475th and 68th, were over in three sets.

Now things get a lot more daunting.

"You feel the extra weight of most big matches. That's just the way it is. But I'm excited. I expect a lot of myself," Roddick said. "I don't think anybody else

really expects much from me."

Certainly, no one expected all that much from Lopez, who went into Monday with an 0-4 mark against Federer and only one Grand Slam quarterfinal appearance on his resume.

Federer, meanwhile, not only has won 11 Grand Slam titles — he has reached a record 14 consecutive major semifinals and nine straight major finals. And that latter stat might have been nine straight major titles but for No. 2 Rafael Nadal, the left-hander from Spain who beat Federer in the past two French Open championship matches.

Doing a pretty fair impersonation of his better-known countryman, Lopez was

spectacular at the start. He hit well-angled serves that caught Federer flat-footed and volleyed brilliantly, including one right to a corner to earn a quick break and a 3-1 lead. Lopez blew a set point by missing a backhand on a 25-stroke exchange, but then used a 118 mph service winner to take the opening set.

Lopez was right with Federer in the second set, too, getting to 4-all with another nice volley winner.

"You do start to wonder," Federer acknowledged.

But while serving in the 10th game, Lopez faltered ever so slightly, and when he dumped an over-the-shoulder volley try in the net, Federer broke to even things.

"He was playing fantastic

for the first two sets," Federer said. "I really had to struggle."

And then Lopez won the first three points of the third set on Federer's serve, setting up three break points. Lopez put a forehand in the net on the first. Federer delivered an ace on the second. Lopez hit a forehand that clipped the net and fell back on his side on the third.

And that was it: Federer then smacked an ace, followed by a forehand winner, and was off and running on that streak of service points, which ended in the match's final game.

How good was Federer? He finished with all of 12 unforced errors in a 199-point match.

## Mickelson

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Cup, to support the PGA Tour, and support the game of golf. And I also want to have a balance in my life, and my family has sacrificed a lot this year because it's been a very difficult schedule."

Mickelson shot 5-under-par 66 on Monday in the final round of the Deutsche Bank to finish two strokes ahead of Woods, Brett Wetterich and Arron Oberholser. The victory was worth \$1.26 million and 9,000 points in the playoffs, moving him to the top of the

standings.

Wetterich shot 70, making a birdie on the final hole to earn enough points to move up 29 spots in the standings to No. 22 and giving him an excellent shot at making the Tour Championship.

Oberholser was within one shot of Mickelson most of the back nine, but he needed an eagle on the final hole to force a playoff. Instead, he missed a 10-foot birdie putt when the tournament was sealed and improved to No. 29 in the standings; had he made the birdie putt, he would have gone to No. 20 and clinched a spot at East Lake for the Tour Championship.

John Mallinger and Bo Van Pelt moved into the top 70 to advance to the third round next week in Chicago.

Even if Mickelson does skip the next event, he long ago locked up a spot in the Tour Championship.

But that would make it three consecutive weeks that a top 5 player in the world rankings has sat out one of the playoff events. Tiger Woods sat out Week 1, and Ernie Els sat out the Deutsche Bank to be with his kids as they started school.

Even missing Els, the TPC was not lacking in star power.

After playing in a three-

some with Vijay Singh for the first two rounds, Mickelson and Woods paired up again in Monday's final round. Thousands of fans stood six-deep behind the greens and watched Mickelson

move to a five-stroke lead before Woods made a move.

"For 10 years I've struggled against Tiger," Mickelson said. "The way I was able to answer with a couple birdies when Tiger was making his charge — it felt pretty good. As we all know, he finishes better than anybody else. He certainly tried to do that today. I was able to hold him off."

It was Mickelson's first victory since The Players

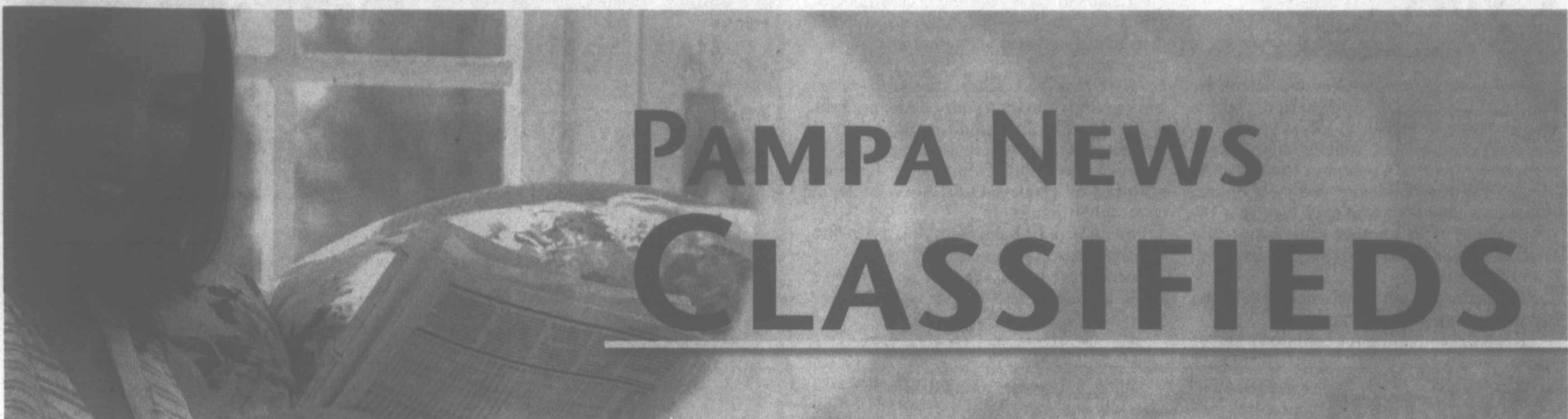
greens for next week."

Woods missed makable putts on three straight holes, including a 15-footer on No. 12 after Mickelson hit his second shot into a hazard and wound up with a double bogey.

"He made a mistake there," Woods said. "I felt that I should have — if I could have made that putt, I could have gotten a big chunk back."

Trailing by two strokes, Wood hit his tee shot on the 161-yard, par-3 16th to the back of the green and rolled it just 10 feet from the pin. But then Mickelson went straight at the flag, and left just 6 feet for birdie.





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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Wednesday, Sept. 5, 2007: You have a strong sense of direction. You know who you are and what you want. Others often don't know how to handle your serious and determined nature. Your endurance in front of confusion separates you from others as a winner. You get what you want because of your strength and the support of others. If you are single, this year will be very significant. If you want a special relationship, you will probably develop one. If you are attached, the two of you need to clear through petty misunderstandings and focus on the future and immediate pleasures and goals. **CANCER** comes through for you in a tight moment.

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

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) \*\*\* Slow down and take a breath of fresh air. Stop racing around and center yourself, please. You are able to come from a fundamental point of view. As difficult as it is, listen to feedback. Others are full of information. Tonight: Let others decide, but keep it low-key. **TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) \*\*\*\*\* Speak your mind, loud and clear. How you deal with someone could change once you get a firmer idea of what is bothering you. Your creativity might feel a touch more stifled than in the past. Tonight: Hang out. **GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) \*\*\* A more possessive side emerges, taking you in a new or different direction. Your instincts allow you to help someone open up. A child or someone

you care about reveals more of his or her inner self. Do a better job of listening. Tonight: A little mischief adds to the fun. **CANCER** (June 21-July 22) \*\*\*\*\* You might be more serious-minded than usual. If you want to open up and try something different, do. Someone you care about takes you in a new direction. Your personality melts through a roommate's or family member's resistances. Tonight: Speak your mind. **LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) \*\* Step back and take your time. If you would like more information, stop and listen. Your instincts help you make a positive financial decision. Pressure pushes you in different directions at once. Use time as an ally. Take a deep breath. Tonight: Vanish and do your own thing. **VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\*\*\* You might want to think about and understand what is going on before you jump into a meeting or group association. Information might not always be clear, but there is a nugget of truth in someone's words. Tonight: Think "money." **LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\*\* Through assuming more responsibility, you'll gain and head in a new direction. Take your time making a decision. Listen well to news that heads your way. It might be more "in the know" than you realize. Reward a request. Tonight: Make a must appearance. **SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) \*\*\*\*\* Touch base with friends, especially one who might be more serious. He or she has much to share and a different vision. Read between the lines and understand what someone else means or

wants. Try to grasp his or her thoughts. Tonight: Where the gang is. **SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) \*\*\*\*\* Someone has a lot to share, whether you want to hear it or not. Investigate alternatives with an eye to assuming a greater role. Responsibilities might be weighty. What starts out as a responsibility turns into a pleasure. Tonight: Easy does it. **CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \*\*\*\*\* Others want to make the call. If you would like to approach a situation differently, let a key person play out first. Confusion surrounds brainy ideas. Go for the bottom line. Investigate thoroughly. Tonight: Opt for different. **AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\* Emphasize what can get done rather than focus on obstacles. Your ability to sway different people and get different results certainly develops into one of your greatest strengths. Easy does it. Tonight: Reach out for someone at a distance. **PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\*\*\*\* You might want to listen to feedback or understand what makes a child or loved one tick. Your creativity surges, though confusion earmarks your decisions. Listen more carefully to your sixth sense. Tonight: Make time for that special person.

**BORN TODAY** Singer Freddie Mercury (1946), actress Raquel Welch (1940), musician Dweezil Zappa (1969) \*\*\*

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9-4 **CRYPTOQUOTE**

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Yesterday's Cryptoquote: BEFORE MARRIAGE, THE THREE LITTLE WORDS ARE "I LOVE YOU." AFTER MARRIAGE, THEY ARE "LET'S EAT OUT."  
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# Cyber

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ing personal photos, addresses, telephone numbers or school information, which would enable a stranger to locate you.

- Report unwanted solicitations, harassment or bullying to a parent or trusted adult.
- Do not trust a stranger you meet online. Remember, a person who says they're a 14-year-old girl from another state may really be a 55-year-old man from your hometown.

**FOR PARENTS:**

- Educate yourself and encourage open discussions about online safety.
- Keep the computer in a common room of

the house and limit the use of Web cameras.

- Establish rules restricting children from displaying personal information, including their name, address, phone number and pictures online.

- Get involved. Keep passwords handy and regularly monitor your child's account.

To report online child pornography or unwanted sexual solicitations, contact the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children at (800) 843-5678 or online at [www.cybertipline.com](http://www.cybertipline.com).

For more information on Attorney General Abbott's ongoing efforts to fight online sex predators, visit the agency's Web site at [www.oag.state.tx.us](http://www.oag.state.tx.us) or call (800) 252-8011.

# Williams

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welfare state requires an assault on jurisdictional tax competition.

There's a more fundamental question that I'd put to the pope: Should the Roman Catholic Church support the welfare state? Or, put more plainly, should the Church support the use of the coercive powers of government to enable one person to live at the expense of another? Put even more plainly, should the Church support

the government's taking the property of one person and giving it to another to whom it doesn't belong? When such an act is done privately, we call it theft.

The pope might say that the welfare state reflects the will of the people. Would that mean the Church interprets God's commandment to Moses "Thou shalt not steal" as not an absolute, but as "Thou shalt not steal unless you got a majority

vote in parliament or congress?"

I share Pope Benedict's desire to assist our fellow man in need. But I believe that reaching into one's own pocket to do so is praiseworthy and laudable. Reaching into another's pocket to assist one's fellow man in need is despicable and worthy of condemnation.

—Walter E. Williams is a professor of economics at George Mason University.

# U.S. manufacturing expands in August

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. manufacturing sector expanded in August at a slower pace than the previous month, a trade group said today.

The Tempe, Ariz.-based Institute for Supply Management, an organization of corporate purchasing executives, said its index of business activity in the manufacturing sector registered 52.9 in August, down from 53.8 in July.

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