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# 'ampa ISD

By Julie Ann Thompson The Pampa News

A budget reflecting expenditures of almost \$29 million for the 2008-2009 school year was approved last week the Pampa Independent School District Board Education.

Superintendent Barry Haenisch called the budget a conservative approach to district finances. It includes some significant ongoing building projects.

The budget projects total expenditures of \$28,996,164, which includes \$24,061,096 in the general operating However, the rate

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food service fund and \$3,046,073 in the debt service fund.

Overall revenues are projected to be \$28,571,031 – less than the expenditures currently projected. However, the district will begin the year with a fund balance of approximately \$7.7 million.

According to information presented to the board, the proposed maintenance and operating tax (M&O) rate for the upcoming year is \$1.04 which is the same rate from the 2007-2008 school year.

interview

PHS graduate

pens new book

By Marilyn Powers The Pampa News

A woman who grew up in Pampa and graduat-

ed from Pampa High School in 1970 is the author of a Christian book titled "Will The Real Me

Please Stand Up" published by Tate Publishing

Pam Martin Kanaly of Edmond, Okla., said in a

telephone

Monday that she has had

some of her work selfpublished in the past, but this book is the first to be published by a company

for widespread distribu-

tion. The book will be

available at Hastings

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Kanaly, daughter of the

stores, she said.

late Melba and Moon Martin, lived in Pampa from

age 5 through high school graduation and then

attended Texas Tech University in Lubbock,

where she earned a Bachelor of Science degree in

past 20 years and is an inspirational speaker and radio personality. She is co-host of a national

Christian television talk show and is president and

co-founder of Arise Ministries, which focuses on

Christians," Kanaly said of "Will The Real Me

Please Stand Up." She said she based the book on

Biblical principles, and in the book she lists 100

benefits Christians receive and explains

See KANALY, Page 3

"I think it is important for believers in Christ to

"The book is about our identity in Christ as

She has been active in Christian ministry for the

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projected to be \$1.06. Haenisch said that a budget amendment will be brought before the board at the beginning

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fund, \$1,888,998 in the needed to maintain the of the school year this continue until August for the new school will 2009, which is the same projection of completion for the new junior high school. Haenisch predicted that

go over the original estimate \$27,740,021 due to increasing prices in gas See SCHOOL, Page 3



Courtesy photo

Fireworks are scheduled to light up the sky over Recreation Park Friday evening at the City of Pampa's annual free fireworks display.

# City to stage annual display

By Marilyn Powers The Pampa News

The City of Pampa's annual free fireworks display at Recreation Park is scheduled to begin at dusk Friday, according to Pampa Fire

Marshal Michael Ryan. "The display will be rescheduled for the next appropriate opportunity if it rains Friday evening," Ryan said.

Persons wishing to view the fireworks display may do so in the park.

Fireworks sales are currently underway at stands around the perimeter of the city. Sales are allowed until midnight July 4.

There is no ban on aerial fireworks this year in Gray County. The Texas Local Government Code allows counties to ban certain aerial fire-

See FIREWORKS, Page 3

# Stop on Huff Road ends in arrest

By Marilyn Powers The Pampa News

A Pampa woman was arrested Monday afternoon when a traffic stop by a Gray County deputy resulted in the discovery of a substance believed to be cocaine.

The traffic stop occurred at about 4:15 p.m. Monday on Huff Road, according to Lt. Joe out her pants pockets. B. Hoard, of the Gray County Sheriff's Office.

The vehicle was occupied by two people. The deputy asked for and received permission to search the vehicle, Hoard said.

The driver of the vehicle was not charged and was not arrested. The passenger, April Ruth Goldthrite, 19, was asked to turn

The suspected controlled substance was found when Goldthrite was asked to open her mouth and a white rocky substance was found there, Hoard said.

Goldthrite was arrested and booked into Gray County Jail on a charge of possession of less than one gram of a controlled

# Author Sichan Siv to be in Pampa tomorrow for book signing

A former White House aide, U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations and husband of a Pampa girl will be at Hastings from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday to autograph copies of his new book, "Golden Bones," the story of his journey from the killing fields of Cambodia to the White House to the United Nations. Sichan Siv will be in the home-

Thursday to sign books describing his escape from Cambodia under the Khmer Rouge in 1975, where his family was clubbed to death. Siv has worked for CARE, the

town of his wife, Martha Pattillo,

international relief agency, and was to be airlifted out of Phnom Penh that year, but he missed his plane by 30 minutes. He made his way to

Thailand and from there to the United States, where his arrived in Connecticut in 1976 with two dollars in his pocket.

He found work as a cab driver in New York City and ended up volunteering to work for the election of George Herbert Walker Bush in 1988. That led to a job in the White House. Under President George W.

Bush, Siv became one of the U.S. Ambassadors to the United Nations.

The name of his new book, released July 1, comes from his return to his father's village in Cambodia in 1992.

"Cambodians call someone who is very blessed or lucky a 'person with

See SIV, Page 3



#### NEXT DAY FORECAST

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Thursday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 p.m. Mostly cloudy, with a high near

Thursday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 66. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Friday: Mostly cloudy, with a high near 89. Southsoutheast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Friday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 69. South wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 92. Southsouthwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mphs

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 67.

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### **SWEPCo applies to build** 29-mile transmission line

HOPE, Ark. (AP) — Southwestern Electric Power Co. has applied for a permit to build a 29-mile electric transmission line between a planned \$1.5 billion coalfired generation plant in Hempstead County and an electric substation near Texarkana.

Shreveport, La.-based SWEPCO wants to build the 345-kilovolt line to a site in Bowie County, Texas. The fine could cost as much as \$30.8 million dollars, the major electrical line and a utility said in a filing Tuesday with the Arkansas Public Service Commission. The line would run from 345,000 volts of electricity Leary, Texas, through Miller, Little River and Hempstead counties in Arkansas, according to a legal notice filed by SWEPCO.

Hempstead County Hunting Club attorney Chuck Nestrud opposes the transmission line and part of the original application for the 600-megawatt power plant.

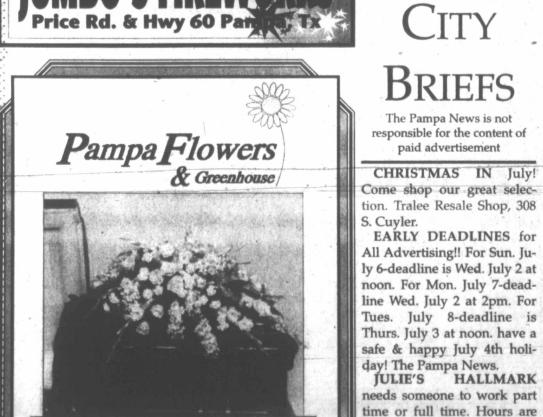
"The commission (PSC) and SWEPCO shouldn't have allowed the application to be submitted in multiple parts. It doesn't allow the assessment of the impact of the plant at one time," Nestrud told the Texarkana Gazette newspaper.

"Now a large number of landowners will be impacted by this project. A 345-kilovolt transmission line is a large structure. The biggest transmission line in Arkansas is 500 kilovolts. It means will be flowing through the line. It will be a huge steel structure probably 100 feet tall and take up a significant right-of-way swath through countryside," Nestrud, who practices with the Chisenhall, Nestrud and Julian law firm of Little



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# Emergency Services

#### Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the period from 7 a.m. Monday to 7 a.m. Tuesday. Monday, June 30

Thirteen traffic stops were made. Stops in the 500 block of West Brown, the 200 block of West Albert and the 900 block of Browning resulted in arrests.

Traffic complaints were received from the 2800 block of Charles, the intersection of Browning and Ballard streets, the 1200 block of Hobart, the 500 block of West Foster and the 1200 block of North Hobart.

Vehicle accidents were reported in the 600 block of Carr, the 1200 block of North Hobart and the 100 block of West 28th.

Calls and stops concerning animals occurred in the 100 block of Warren, the 2400 block of Charles, the 1800 block of North Wells, the 300 block of Sunset, the 1400 block of Williston, the 1400 block of East Browning, the 1700 block of Chestnut, the 1000 block of Scott, the 1300 block of North Price Road, the 1100 block of Terrace and the 1600 block of West Somerville.

Agency assistance was rendered in the 200 block of North Russell and the 700 block of North Sumner.

One attempt to serve papers was

Welfare checks were made in the 700 block of South Cuyler, the intersection of Gwendolen and Christy streets, and the 600 block of East Craven. At least one arrest was made in connection with the check in the 600 block of East

Found property was reported at the intersection of Hobart and Cinderella streets, and the 2100 block of North Hobart. A tan wallet containing a driver's license and Social Security card was found in the 2100 block of North

A civil matter was reported in the 900 block of Cinderella.

A silent/abusive 911 call was received from the 1500 block of North Zimmers.

Violation of a city ordinance was reported in the 1800 block of Hamilton. Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1800 block of North Nelson.

One alarm was reported. Theft was reported in the 1000 block of Brunow. Taken were a cordless drill, five gallons of roofing tar and a roll of barbed wire. Estimated value of loss is

\$150. Theft was reported in the police department lobby. A chainsaw and leaf blower were taken. Estimated value of loss is \$300.

Theft was reported in the 500 block of West Foster. Scrap metal valued at \$500 was taken.

Theft was reported in the 2800 block of Charles. At least one arrest was made in connection with the incident.

Theft was reported in the 1000 block of East Browning. A DVD/VCR unit and 20 games for an electronic gaming system were taken. Estimated value of loss is \$379.

Burglary was reported at the intersection of Montagu and Frost streets. Tuesday, July 1

A call concerning an animal was received from the 600 block of Bradley Drive.

Suspicious person calls were received from the 1200 block of North Hobart, the 400 block of South West, the 200 block of West Brown, the 1300 block of North Hobart, and the intersection of Cuyler and Atchison streets.

Prowlers were reported in the 300 block of Henry and on two occasions in the 800 block of Lefors.

Telephone harassment was reported in the 1200 block of North Hobart.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 100 block of North Wynne.

Theft was reported at Aaron's Rental, 211 W. 30th. Three different persons did not complete contractual agreements and did not return merchandise. The contracts were for a television valued at between \$500 and \$1,500; a washer and dryer with total estimated value between \$500 and \$1,500; and a television, bunk beds and two mattresses with total estimated value between \$1,500 and \$20,000.

#### Sheriff

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

Monday, June 30

Tiffany Renell Williams, 32, of Oklahoma City, Okla., was arrested in the 500 block of West Brown by Pampa Police Department for theft of property by check over \$20 and under \$500, failure to appear, no driver's license on person, defective tag light and no valid driver's license.

Malcome Bryan Nichols, 47, of Pampa was arrested in the 200 block of West Albert by Pampa PD for having a prohibited weapon-switchblade/knuck-

Sammy Ray Doyle, 46, of Pampa was arrested in the 2800 block of Charles by Pampa PD for theft of property over \$50 and under \$500.

Jose Lopez Ontiveroz, 25, of Borger was arrested by GCSO for no driver's

Julio Cesar Juarez, 23, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO for public intoxication.

William Davbrent Thomas, 35, of Pampa was arrested in the 600 block of Tyng by Pampa PD for pubic intoxica-

#### Fire

following calls in the 24-hour period

ending at 7 a.m. today.

Tuesday, July 1 3:06 p.m. - One unit and three personnel responded to the 1400 block of North Hobart on a call for medical assistance.

4:46 p.m. - One unit and three personnel responded to the 11000 block of Highway 152 West on a call for medical assistance.

5:06 p.m. - One unit and three personnel responded to a gas leak in the 300 block of Sunset.

7:02 p.m. - One unit and three personnel responded to the 500 block of South Gillespie on a good intent call.

3:07 a.m. - Two units and six personnel responded to a fire alarm in the 100 block of East Harvester.

#### **Ambulance**

Guardian EMS ambulance reported the following calls between 7 a.m. Sunday and 7 a.m. today.

Sunday, June 29 12:32 a.m. - A mobile ICU was dis-

patched to Skellytown on a call. The call was canceled en route. 11:59 a.m. - A mobile ICU respond-

ed to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo and transported a patient(s) to a local nursing facility.

3:15 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center and transferred a patient to BSA Hospital in

Monday, June 30

10:33 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of Wynne and transported a patient to PRMC.

2 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of South Hobart and transported a patient to PRMC.

2:36 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 1300 block of West Kentucky and transported a patient to PRMC,

3:52 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to Hobart and Somerville streets. No

4:07 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Wilks and Faulkner streets and transa patient to PRMC.

10:41 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 2500 block of Evergreen and transported a patient to PRMC.

11:10 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Optimist Park. No transport.

Tuesday, July 1 9:37 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded

to the 1200 block of Browning. No transport. 3:05 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded

to the 1400 block of Hobart and transported a patient to PRMC.

4:46 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to an undisclosed location on Highway 152 and transported a patient to PRMC.

10:15 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1600 block of Buckler and transported a patient to PRMC. Wednesday, July 2

5:24 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded Pampa Fire Department reported the to the 1000 block of Love and transported a patient to PRMC.

# Brownsville border fence plan riles emotions

(AP) — After hours of heated debate, city commissioners voted to delay an agree-

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BROWNSVILLE, Texas ment with the federal government on the border fence late Tuesday.

> Brownsville Mayor Pat Ahumada, an outspoken fence opponent, urged city commissioners to reject a from proposal Department of Homeland Security to build a temporary fence on 10 acres of city land that could be removed if the city adapted its levees to meet security requirements.

A similar deal has been struck in neighboring Hidalgo County.

Instead Ahumada settled for a 5-1 vote to delay the issue, a victory for fence opponents.

During a private meeting before the public hearing, Ahumada said commissioners who support the deal berated and threatened him.

"We have a commission that is a runaway commission," Ahumada said. "We don't want a fence -- period."

Ahumada Commissioner Anthony Troiani threatened to have him removed from executive session and bring criminal charges for violating the confidentiality of the closed portion of the meeting.

"They're going to put the (permanent) wall up if we don't come up with an alternative," Troiani said in a story in Wednesday's online edition of The Brownsville Herald.

During the public hearing, some Brownsville residents who oppose the border fence shouted "No Deal" and some were told by police officers to leave their "No Border Wall" signs outside the

Loren Flossman, project manager for the Department of Homeland Security's Secure Border Initiative, introduced the border fence plan and said it would allow a removable fence to be built on the city's land.

The plan would hand over 10 acres of municipal property, valued at \$95,800, to the federal government at no cost. In return, the temporary barrier could be removed, and property returned, once the city reinforces 2.4 miles of levees. The city has not yet acquired funds to pay for levee reinforcement.

Weisberg-Monica Stewart, immigration chair for the Texas Border Coalition, told Commission to "approach these issues with caution with DHS."

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# U.S. contradicts self over own ID theft advice

WASHINGTON (AP) — When it comes to the risks of identity theft, the U.S. government isn't taking its own advice.

The nation's Medicare agency and the Pentagon compel at least 52 million Americans to carry their Social Security numbers in their wallets, contrary to warnings by the Federal Trade Commission that people should avoid doing so.

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At least 44 million Medicare insurance cards include the beneficiary's full Social Security number.

Social Security numbers also appear on 8 million Defense Department identity cards used by active duty and reserve forces and their dependents, and on identification cards issued to military retirees. The Pentagon plans to remove the numbers but won't complete the effort until 2014.

And the Internal Revenue Service still tells taxpayers to write their Social Security

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steel has been erected

for the current high

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science labs, a new

library and a new com-

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should reach the science

labs section by the Thanksgiving holiday.

ties should begin in October and the super-

intendent said he anticipates that students will be in the new building

for the 2010-2011

school year.

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make payments, a potential problem for those using the mail rather than filing elec-

tronically.

All this contradicts advice from the Federal Trade Commission, the lead federal agency for deterring identity theft.

"Protect your Social Security number. Don't carry your Social Security card in your wallet or write your Social Security number on a check," the FTC warned in a pamphlet sent months ago to every mailing address in the United States. The Social Security Administration offers similar advice.

Carrying a Medicare card with the full Social Security number is more of a problem than the Social Security card. People usually need the insurance card to visit a medical provider but can memorize their number and always leave

number on checks used to their Social Security card at home.

> The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid said it would be too expensive for the agency, and for medical providers linked to Medicare, to change their systems with new numbers. Medicare officials also said they know of no cases in which identity theft was traced directly to a lost or stolen Medicare card.

Charlene Frizzera, chief operating officer of the nation's Medicare agency, said it would cost half a billion dollars to make the change for government alone. Medicare's budget is \$466.1 billion for the current financial

"Our advice is, don't carry it with you unless you know you're going to need it," Frizzera said of the government insurance card. But that advice contradicts the message on the back of the card:

when you are away from home.

The president's Identity Theft Task Force recommended last year that U.S. agencies reduce the unnecessary use of Social Security numbers, which it called "the most valuable commodity for an identity thief."

Arnold Werner, 84, a retired chemical engineer from Scott Depot, W.Va., was so upset over his Medicare card that he blacked out the two middle numbers of his Social Security number. His physician's office said he needed to write the number back so it could copy it for billing purposes.

Werner gave up his attemptto change the system. By the time he needed the card for a hospital visit, he had obtained a new card with his full Social Security number printed on it.

"The government doesn't know what it's doing," he

"Carry your card with you said. "I don't think they do anything right these days."

Military forces, their dependents and retirees must carry their ID cards for a range of services and benefits. Army officials at Fort Bragg, N.C., mistakenly issued to an identity thief a military ID card in July 2001 in the name of retired Army Capt. John Harrison with Harrison's Social Security number.

The thief, Jerry Wayne Phillips, was later convicted and sentenced to 41 months in prison after running up more than \$260,000 in charges, including two trucks and a ing a victim.

\$25,000 Harley Davidson motorcycle. Harrison has testified to Congress about the need for tougher identity theft

Combined with other personal information - such as a victim's full name, birth date and home address - a Social Security number can be used to open fraudulent credit accounts using a victim's identity. With just a Social Security number, a clever thief can fraudulently obtain a victim's credit report for as little as \$50, an important step toward ultimately impersonat-

## **Fireworks**

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works, including those described as "sky-Cont. from Page 1 rockets with sticks" and "other pyrotechnic devices that have fins or rudders for and steel. However, the purpose of achieving aerodynamic \$314,832 was saved in flight, including devices that would be the construction of the considered a missile or a rocket." MPAC/McNeely reno-

An aerial fireworks ban was imposed by Gray County commissioners in 2006 for the Fourth of July holiday due to dry weather conditions causing an increased danger of wildfires. An aerial fireworks ban must be implemented on or before June 15 for Independence Day sales,

according to state law.

A city ordinance prohibits the use of fireworks within city limits, which includes Recreation Park

'No one can set off their own fireworks in the park," Ryan said. "No fireworks are allowed inside city limits. There will be extra officers on the streets for the holiday, and citations will be issued."

Ryan said he would also be patrolling on Independence Day.

Persons wishing to use fireworks may do so outside city limits on rural property after they have obtained permission from the landowner. The fireworks user will be held responsible for any damage that might occur as a result of the fireworks, Ryan said.

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# Kanaly

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read, because the Bible says when we come to Christ, we become new creatures," Kanaly said. "A lot of believers don't understand what that means."

The book is also available on Arise Ministries' Web site at www.ariseministries.net.

# Siv

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golden bones," Siv said.

The villagers knew he had survived the Khmer Rouge massacre, had gone to America and was working in the White House for the President of the United States.

"They called me the 'man with golden bones," Siv said.

From Pampa, Siv and his wife will travel to Canadian for that city's Fourth of July Rodeo.

Siv will sign books in Canadian following the rodeo parade from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday from the across Hemphill County Courthouse.

Siv's wife said the former ambassador would rather be in Texas than the Orient or Europe and loves the cowboy lifestyle.

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# Viewpoints

# Get 'regular order' back into budget process

uncharted and dangerous waters this summer. According to the rule books. this should be a time when the federal budget gets scrutinized and pieced together by a broad array of congressional committees and members on the floor. The last time Congress actually played by these rules for all of its spending bills was 14 years ago. This year, it's barely even trying.

To be sure, both the House and the Senate passed a budget resolution in June. the first time since 2000 that they've adopted this formal guide to what lies ahead in an election year. This may be a small sign of growing dedication to the regular budget process, but it is still just a the actual decisions to spend. Setting the actual appro-

priations for the year looks much less promising. The Democratic leadership in Congress does not want a repeat of last year's budget "negotiations," in which they felt the White House essentially refused to negotiate. Since the White House is once again showing little sign that it is willing to find ground, common Democratic leadership has signaled that it is comfortable waiting until next year for a new President, and possibly more Democratic seats in the House and Senate.

What seems to be a momentary standoff, though, is in fact a symptom of true political illness. Congress

Congress has slipped into blueprint for spending, not has lost the institutional ability to follow an orderly budget process. As a result it has undermined its own committees, shunted most of its members to the policy sidelines, failed to maintain the constitutional balance of

Lee H.

Guest

Columnist

powers, condemned the people Hamilton who administer federal programs to season after season of

uncertainty, and eroded the consensusbuilding, transparency, and accountability that keep our democracy vital.

Preparing the budget and setting the spending lies at the heart of what Congress does. It is how the Congress

puts its stamp on the federal government. So its failure to adhere to effective process weakens it as an institution and weakens the country.

What should the process look like? As it evolved over many decades, it came to

involve hearings and consultations by a multitude of committees, which would "authorize"

spending by the federal agencies and departments for which they were responsible. Then appropriations subcommittees and the full appropriations committees would take up the task of actually approving the

money to be spent, before sending separate bills for the various federal departments to the floor.

It was an orderly process that gave committee members a chance to examine the operations of the federal government and allowed ordinary House and Senate members to debate and amend the appropriations bills at several steps along the way. In other words, it promoted deliberation and the democratic give-andtake essential to a free socie-

These days, we're lucky if there's more than one bill. The massive omnibus bills that Congress has gotten into the habit of passing wreak havoc with good governance and the democratic process.

By shoving the entire budget into a single measure comprising thousands of pages, the leadership makes it virtually impossible for members of Congress to read through - let alone understand - what they're being asked to vote on; undercuts members' ability to ask hard questions and offer policy alternatives, represent their constituents, or file amendments; and makes planning ahead nearly impossible for everyone from the people who administer federal heating assistance to local school boards

to federal contractors. So why does Congress bypass transparency and accountability for a secretive and undemocratic form of

See HAMILTON, Page 8

# Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, July 2, the 184th day of 2008. There are 182 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 2, 1776, the Continental Congress passed a resolution saying that "these United Colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent States."

On this date:

In 1807, in the wake of the Chesapeake incident, in which the crew of a British frigate boarded an American ship and forcibly removed four suspected deserters, President Jefferson ordered all British ships to vacate U.S. territorial waters.

'Genius is eternal patience.

> — Michelangelo Italian artist (1475-1564)

1881, President Garfield was shot by Charles J. Guiteau at the Washington railroad station; Garfield died the following September. (Guiteau was hanged in June 1882.)

In 1908, Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall was born in Baltimore.

In 1926, the United States

Army Air Corps was creat-In 1937, aviator Amelia Earhart and navigator Fred Noonan disappeared over the Pacific Ocean while attempting

to make the first round-the-world flight along the equator. In 1961, author Ernest Hemingway shot himself to death at his home in Ketchum, Idaho.

In 1964, President Johnson signed into law a sweeping

civil rights bill passed by Congress. In 1987, 18 illegal aliens were found dead inside a locked

boxcar near Sierra Blanca, Texas, in what authorities called a botched smuggling attempt; a 19th man survived.

In 1994, a USAir DC-9 crashed in poor weather at Charlotte-Douglas International Airport in North Carolina, killing 37 of the 57 people aboard.

In 1996, electricity and phone service were knocked out for millions of customers from Canada to the Southwest after power lines throughout the West failed on a record-hot day.

Ten years ago: Apologizing to viewers and Vietnam veterans for "serious faults" in its reporting, Cable News Network retracted a story alleging U.S. commandos had used nerve gas to kill American defectors during the war.

Five years ago: Palestinian police marched into Bethlehem, taking control of the ancient West Bank city after Israel withdrew under a U.S.-backed peace plan. Vancouver was awarded the 2010 Winter Olympics.

One year ago: President Bush commuted the sentence of former aide I. Lewis "Scooter" Libby, sparing him from a two-and-half-year prison term in the CIA leak case. Russian President Vladimir Putin concluded his visit to Kennebunkport, Maine, where he'd held talks with President



# Busybodies should mind their own business

lesbians living in Santa Monica, Calif. We don't know them. We've never seen them. For all practical purposes, they don't exist for

Now let's assume that they decide to get married, and they tie the knot in California. We still don't know them. We still have never seen them. So far as we know, they still don't even exist. Whether they just live together or get married, neither their existence nor their marital status affects

That being the case, what the heck business is it of ours what they do? It is a confounded mystery to me why some people get all excited about homosexuals and lesbians getting married. As I've said before, if you are against gay marriage, then don't marry a gay per-

Let's assume there are two son. That strikes me as a simple solution to the problem some people seem to have.

> You would think to hear some people complain about gay marriage that heterosexual couples

would start

dropping Charley dead Reese become impotent as Columnist soon some state approved a

gay-marriage law. Whether gays get married or not, it has no effect on the rest of the population. Except for gays, it's meaningless. It's a non-issue.

In the meantime, there are plenty of issues that do affect all of us - the devalued dollar, high energy costs, loss of manufacturing jobs, wars overseas and ballooning debt, both public

and private.

As a heterosexual, I personally don't give a hoot one way or the other about gay marriage. If gays wish to provide more business for divorce lawyers, it's no skin off

nose. they think making the state a third party their marriage

desirable, itOK with me. It's one of those legal matters I don't have to worry about, and I like those kinds of legal matters a lot.

What irritates me is busybodies who want to stick their nose in other people's business. For God's sake, let us all mind our own business. The world will be a better place if we do.

Most people believe that

homophobes are in fact latent homosexuals and what they really hate are their own secret urges. So under no circumstances should any child be driven to despair and suicide because someone disapproves of his or her sexual preference. Whether homosexuality is a matter of nature or nurture, I don't know, and it doesn't matter. It simply is not important enough to cost the life of any child.

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Furthermore, if the state recognizes a contract which is all marriage amounts to, in secular terms - it by no means sanctifies anything. No one accuses the state of sanctifying sales contracts.

The religious aspect of marriage is separate and apart from the state's involvement. In fact, I don't

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## Texas Thoughts.

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

June 20 Austin American-Statesman on fuel costs:

Soaring fuel costs haven't only caused demagoguery in Congress, they've also resulted in a touch of irony in the Bush administration. Federal officials are cutting back on trips to study climate change because of the high cost of fuel to run the boats.

Many leading scientists blame the burning of fossil fuel as a major contributor to global warming. Canceling the research voyages leaves us short of information about the effects of global warming on ocean life, but it saves fuel costs and sends fewer emissions into the atmosphere.

According to The Associated Press, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration has canceled four trips and is cutting others short because of gas prices. NOAA faces a \$1.7 million budget deficit because of rising fuel

Two trips in the Gulf of Mexico and two off the Alaskan coast to study the effects of climate change on certain ecosystems have been scratched this

Neither Democrats nor Republicans have the market cornered on gasoline demagoguery while they engage in the search for blame rather than a serious search for practical solutions to the rising cost of energy.

So, we get nonsense. First, it was the Democrats who wanted to hit oil companies with a sounds-good windfall profits tax proposal that died a richly deserved death in the U.S. Senate.

Not to be outdone in the soundsgood department, Republicans are talking up what a gallon of gasoline cost last year before Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Democrats took control of the House. It was \$2.80 or so a gallon for regular unleaded.

It is not a valid comparison because the price of gasoline doesn't hinge on which party runs either the Congress or the White House. But if it were a valid comparison, what does it mean that in February 2000, when Democrat Bill

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# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I have been in a relationship with "Wade" for six years. The situation is this: He has gotten into trouble and can't be around children because he's a registered sex offender. I have an 11-monthold daughter by him. I want to be with Wade and work our relationship out, but if I do, I'll have to give custody of my daughter to my parents and live in my own place with him. I'm in love with Wade, but I don't know if he loves or wants to be with me anymore despite the fact he keeps saying he wants to be with me. Am I being silly for still wanting to be with him? Your thoughts, please. -- CONFUSED AND Accidents happen, and you can't order your TORN IN ILLINOIS

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> DEAR CONFUSED AND TORN: Wanting to be with someone you love isn't silly, but it's time for you to think maturely and realize the consequences of your decision. After six years with Wade, you are still single. You could be single forever. When you became a mother, life stopped being all about you. Wade is a sex offender. What if you should become pregnant again? Is it fair to your parents to dump your daughter on them like an unwanted pet? What effect could it eventually have on the child? Do you fully understand that what you have in mind will isolate you from relatives and friends who have minor children? While I can't dictate what you should do with your life, I can say you're heading in the wrong direction. Please step back and rethink this.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I are unsure how to deal with this, so he suggested I write to you. We have lovely dining room chairs covered with celadon green fabric. In spite of the fact that I always use cloth napkins (and placemats and tablecloths), several of our guests have left large stains on the upholstery from dropping food or from their dirty hands.

The stains are very difficult to remove when we can get them out at all, and the chairs have become unsightly. Three of our most recent dinner guests left chairs stained. One mark covered most of the seat. These guests are not heavy drinkers. How can we get them to keep their napkins in a position to avoid this? And how do we get them to keep their soiled hands off the chairs? Judging from the condition of their napkins, they ARE using them. --**UNHAPPY HOSTESS IN FLORIDA** 

**DEAR UNHAPPY HOSTESS:** Face it: guests to wash their hands between courses. You need to accept that a home isn't a photograph in Architectural Digest. Wear and tear are normal. If your chairs are stained beyond repair, the time has come to re-cover them. In your case, may I suggest Naugahyde the next time around?

DEAR ABBY: I have been married for 12 years to the most self-centered man in the world. He's an astute businessman and a good provider, but when he comes home our conversations are always about him. The moment I start talking about things I think are important, he turns on his TV or shushes me. I have told him many times how hurtful it is. I feel lonely and unimportant when the things I care about are pushed to the side. How can I get him to stop ignoring me? -- THE SILENT **PARTNER** 

**DEAR SILENT PARTNER:** If after 12 years your husband still won't listen to you, have your lawyer talk to him. That should get his attention.

#### For Better Or Worse



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#### **Crossword Puzzle**

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We can rule out smoking in bed. It must have been a short in his new nightlight."

The Family Circus



'First there's spring, then summer, fall and winter. So where does autumn fit in?"

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#### **Haggar The Horrible**







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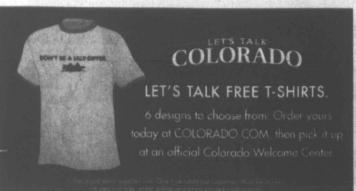
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#### Kent homers to lift Dodgers past Astros

HOUSTON (AP) - Jeff Kent hit a solo homer off

Wesley Wright in the 11th inning and the Los Angeles Dodgers blew a five-run lead, then rallied to beat the Houston Astros 7-6 on Tuesday night.

Kent also had an RBI double and Russell Martin hit a two-run homer as the Dodgers needed their highest run total since June 19 to defeat the Astros for the first time in five meetings this season

Chan Ho Park (4-2) got Lance Berkman to fly out to end the ninth, then pitched a scoreless 10th. After Kent homered off Wright (3-3), Takashi Saito pitched a perfect 11th for his 13th save

Ty Wigginton hit a three-run homer and Carlos Lee tied the game with a two-run double, but the Astros couldn't overcome a rare poor home start from Wandy Rodriguez.

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at 8 a.m. each morning.

The draws will include: 12 and under singles and

doubles

14 and under singles and doubles

16 and under singles and doubles

18 and under singles and doubles

Men's open singles and

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Open mixed doubles

Junior mixed doubles (16

In the event that a draw Harvester Tennis Booster does not have enough Club. Each player is allowed entries, the players will be to enter one singles event, moved up to the next age

The entry fee for the Open The tournament will start is \$15 for the first event and \$5 for each additional event. The fee must be received before you will be allowed to compete. The entry deadline is Wednesday, July 9 at 5 p.m. Entries may be mailed to Sarah Corse, 8935 FM 48, Mobeetie, Texas, 79061. Players must include their name and the events they are playing in. Contestants may call 845-2275 or 662-1724 Women's open singles and for their playing times on Friday, July 11.

# Pets of the Week

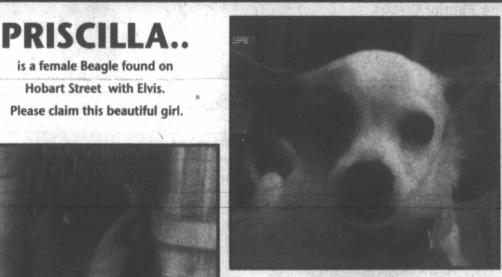
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The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

\*\*\* Choice sometimes brings pressure. Who is putting this pressure on you? Who is creating this judgment? Could this person be you? Try to ease up and relax. Put your feet up and know that there is something better ahead. Tonight: Home is where you will be happiest. TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

\*\*\*\* Look to positive changes, being aware of what is going on around you. You might be racing from one errand, project, call or encounter to another. Express yourself and stop holding back. Think positively. Tonight: Talk

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) \*\*\* Expenses are out of whack, and

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you might not be ready to change the

direction. Loosen up and make decisions

that work financially. You might feel

overly burdened by events and people.

\*\*\* You are full of energy as you

enter this very special birthday. You feel

as if you have a new beginning. Excesses

earmark the day; get into the moment.

\*\* Take your time making a decision,

for better or for worse. You might need to

switch gears or do something differently.

You'll want to rethink a decision more

carefully. Tonight: Start thinking about

\*\*\*\* You already might be setting

the tone as you make your exit and start

what might be an extended celebration.

Enjoy every moment of the next few

days. You laugh and relax as you know

there is nothing like tomorrow. Tonight:

\*\*\* Take charge and define events.

You don't need to push quite as hard as in

the past. Don't forget someone you look

up to or care about a lot. Your take-

charge attitude makes a difference.

Tonight: A lot of suggestions, but still

\*\*\* If you haven't taken off for the

next few days, stop and walk out the

door. Adventure lies ahead for those will-

ing to do something a bit different and

innovative. Trust your judgment with a weird idea. Tonight: Make sure there is

Tonight: Party away.

Tonight: All smiles.

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\*\*\*\* Let a partner make the call. In

fact, enjoy being at his or her beck and

call. If you want, try another beat or do

something different. Extremes define

your interactions. Let them be most pos-

\*\*\* Allow others to make the first

call. You might want to rethink plans but

probably will have little time. Everyone

wants you now! You have difficulty jug-

gling different interests. Tonight: Say yes

\*\*\* Defer to others, making sure

they understand. Listen to people's plans.

You are on top of your game. Evaluate

what you need to do in order to come out

free and clear for the Fourth! Tonight:

\*\*\*\* Approach a new beginning.

Understanding evolves for those who

remain open. Allow more fun in the door,

and point to the exit for anxiety and prob-

lems. You are vested in a certain end

result. Loosen up when dealing with a

child. You cannot expect perfection.

Novelist Franz Kafka (1883), playwright

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## Starbucks to close 600 U.S. stores

decade it appeared there was no such thing as too many Starbucks for U.S. coffee drinkers, whose willingness to buy its \$4 lattes and dark drip brews rationalized a second green-and-white mermaid awning just down the street — and sometimes even a third.

But in a sign that those days are over, Starbucks Corp. announced Tuesday it will close 600 companyoperated stores in the next year as the faltering U.S. economy hastened the pain caused by the company's own rapid expansion.

Starbucks shares, which have been falling steadily

SEATTLE (AP) - For a jumped 72 cents, or 4.6 percent, in extended trading after the announcement. They had lost 12 cents to close Tuesday at \$15.62.

> Seattle-based Starbucks did not say which stores will be closed, only that they are spread throughout the country. But it did say 70 percent of those slated for closure had opened after the start of 2006.

> To put it another way, Starbucks is closing 19 percent of all U.S. company-operated stores that opened in the last two years, Chief Financial Officer Pete Bocian said during a conference call.

About 12,000 workers, for nearly two years, or 7 percent of Starbucks'

global work force, will be affected by the closings, which are expected to take place between late July and the middle of 2009, spokeswoman Valerie O'Neil said.

O'Neil said most employees will be moved to nearby stores, but she did not know exactly how many jobs will be lost. Starbucks estimated \$8 million in severance costs.

In total, the company forecast up to \$348 million in charges related to the closures, \$200 million to be booked in the fiscal third quarter ended June 30. Starbucks reports thirdquarter results at the end of

#### Events calendar

 The summer reading ister for a Texas Alliance program at Lovett Memorial Library Pampa is currently underway now through July 12. This year's theme is "Driven Read." Participants will assemble a model race car to race on the last day of the program. For more information, call the library at 669-

 Amarillo Botanical Gardens will conduct its "Music in the Gardens" featuring various musicians and vocal artists from 7:30-8:30 p.m. every Monday now through August. Gates will open at 7 p.m. Performances will last from 7:30-8:30 p.m. Visitors must provide their own lawn chairs, blankets sunscreen. Admission will be \$4 for

adults, \$3 for seniors and \$2 for children 2-12. Children under 2 are free. Membership Card holders also get in free. For more information, call the gardens at (806) 352-6513. Summer hours for the gardens are 10 a.m.-2 Saturday p.m. and Sunday, and 9 a.m.-5 p.m. week days.

· High Plains Public Radio will offer its next Living Room Concert with Brave Combo, a two-time Grammy award-winning band from Denton, at 7:30 p.m. July 3 at its studio location in downtown Amarillo. For more information, call (806) 367-9088.

**Equality Texas** Foundation will present "Pride in Faith," a program concerning the intersection of faith and sexual identify/gender identity, at 7 .m. July 10 at Amarillo Unitarian Universalist Fellowship. A panel discussion will follow the program. Admission is free.

· The deadline to reg-

for Water Conservation field day is July 15. The field day will be conducted July 31 at the Floyd County Unity Center in Muncy. The program will highlight current and future production and water management project activities and what has been discovered from past production practices and research efforts. The event will include on-farm demos and a commodity leader panel discussion. For more information, visit http://depts.ttu.edu/tawc on the Internet.

Texas The 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., July 16, TDH, 736 S. Cuyler, Pampa.

# Hamilton

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policy-making bedlam? As the Congressional Quarterly Weekly put it not long ago, "There is a growing realization these days that the most powerful forces in the process – the congressional majority leadership, appropriators in both parties, the outside advocates who focus on spending-bill line items, and the president actually stand to benefit."

The leadership likes it, of course, because it focuses power in their hands; same with members of the appropriations committees, who find it easier to slip language into the bill behind closed doors. Lobbyists much prefer to focus on just a handful of members out of the limelight. And when the president needs to negotiate with only a few people on a single meas-

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think the state should be involved, but it

has involved itself. But whatever is holy

and sacred about marriage is a matter of

religion, not a state marriage license,

which is no different from a plumber's

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If you wish to worry about marriage, it

ure, his power is much greater than if his representatives are trying to juggle a multiplicity of members and bills. The only losers seem to be ordinary members of Congress and the American people.

There is a simple solution to all this. It's called "the regular order." For many years, Congress took up individual appropriations bills, debated them, and passed them on time. That process evolved for a reason: It safeguarded public discourse, enhanced congressional oversight, and buttressed the vital role Congress plays in forging consensus among diverse regions and constituencies.

If Congress wants to remain relevant and legitimate in these challenging times, it can start by reviving its disciplined approach to budgeting.

-Lee Hamilton is Director of the Center on Congress at Indiana University. He was a member of the U.S. House of Representatives for 34 years.

about all the single mothers struggling to raise children without a father. It is better to worry about a sleazy culture that dis-

dains the necessity of marriage and treats a relationship as nothing more than a sleepover. There are a lot of legal and moral issues that need to be addressed in our society, but gay marriage isn't one of

them. It's an issue only for a small minority of the population. If they wish to live together in a state-licensed relationship, it's nobody's business but their own.

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While Sen. Barack Obama has captivated many in the United States with his promise of change, voters in a small Romanian town demonstrated they are dead against change. By a margin of 23 votes, they elected as their mayor a man who had passed away, the British newspaper The Guardian reports.

Neculai Ivascu, 57, had been mayor in Voinesti for 18 years but died of liver disease shortly after the polls opened Sunday. Still, he had no problem defeatchallenger ing Ghoerghe Dobrescu.

Election officials declared Dobrescu the town's mayor, but some townsfolk won't let the matter rest. They want a new vote.

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