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Wreck takes two young lives, toddler survives

By Marilyn Powers The Pampa News

Two Pampa women died in a two-vehicle accident which occurred Tuesday at the intersection of Texas Highway 70 and U.S. Highway 83 in Ochiltree County.

Betthany Caviness, 18, and Diana Castillo,

19, were pronounced dead early Tuesday by Ochiltree County Justice of the Peace Braden Karber after the accident happened around midnight.

Caviness' 2-year-old daughter, a third occupant in the women's vehicle, was taken to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo in critical condition and is now listed as being in stable condition, according to Department lexas of Public Safety Trooper Daniel Hawthorne of

Caviness was driving a

2000 Daewoo when she

did not stop at the stop

sign on Texas Highway 70

It's official! **City Commission names** Pitner to city manager post

By David Bowser The Pampa News

Trevlyn Pitner is the new city manager of Pampa.

The former Pampa Police Chief was appointed interim city manager in April with the retirement of former City Manager John Horst.

At Tuesday's meeting, the Pampa City Commission named Pitner city manager pending approval of his contract by Franklin McDonough, the city attorney.

In other business, the city commission approved an engineering contract with Parkhill Smith and Cooper, Inc., for prison water wells.

Parkhill Smith and Cooper is also working with Pampa Independent School District and the city on water lines for the new junior high school northwest of Pampa.

The city will pay the engineering company \$72,000, not including drilling and plugging

costs, for as many as five test wells on the section of land south of the prison complex east of Pampa. That could total as much as \$33,000.

The engineering contract is part of a \$625,000 project to provide fresh water to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice facilities at Pampa. Richard Morris, Pampa's public works director, said the money had already been budgeted for the water well project. The \$625,000 does not include engineering fees, but it does include a pipeline.

"The prison water wells, when I came to work for the city in 1991," Morris said, "were already under construction."

He said when the wells were drilled, there was an expectation that they would pump 500 to 600 gallons per minute, but they've never reached that.

"The best well we have out there is 425 gallons per minute," Morris said, "and it goes down from there."

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taken.

Pampa water gets clean 'bill of health'

Pitner

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Caviness

and entered the intersection of U.S. 83, according to DPS reports. The Daewoo was struck by a

Childress.

Raymondville. Arjona was taken to Ochiltree See WRECK, Page 3

Mack truck driven by Juan Arjona, 32, of

Pampa's annual water quality report shows no problems for the city's water.

Richard Morris, Pampa's public works director, termed the report a consumer's confidence report. He said the city has done such reports for about

eight to 10 years now. "It's mandated by the state," Morris said. "The state passed that man-

date on to us from the U.S. Environmental Agency. Protection We're not the only ones in the country that have

to do this." He said that because

Pampa has a population over 10,000, it is more regulated than smaller communities.

"We have to do quite a bit more," Morris said. He said that the testing was excellent.

"We've had excellent results," he said.

Speaking to the Pampa City Commission Tuesday afternoon, Morris said the report indicates that there have been no violations by the city's water system during the year 2007, the year from

"We're continuing to operate our plant and operate our water wells," Morris said. The city also gets water from the

which the data was

Canadian River Municipal Water Authority. The Canadian River

Municipal Water Authority provides water to its 11 member cities, including Pampa, from Lake Meredith and

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selling 'rescue desserts'

Junior Red Cross volunteers

By Marilyn Powers The Pampa News

Local Junior Red Cross volunteers are hoping to rescue households from the dilemma of having enough dessert on hand by selling "rescue desserts," which are cookie mixes in jars.

Each jar contains the proper amount of each dry ingredient to make a batch of one of nine varieties of cookie. The baker need only add the wet ingredients, mix and bake.

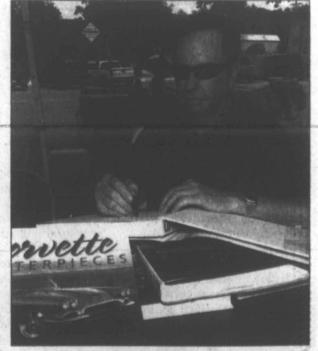
The types of cookie mix available are peanut butter, snickerdoodle, chocolate chip, oatmeal, oatmeal raisin, oatmeal

unteer program activities.

For more information or to buy the rescue desserts, go to the Texas Eastern Panhandle Chapter of the American Red Cross office at 108 N. Russell or call 669-7121. .

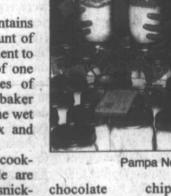
 Junior Red Cross Volunteers Sage Dorn, left, and Daniela Vizzaino sort jars of "rescue desserts" currently being sold by volunteer the group as a fundraising project. Each jar contains all dry ingredients for a batch of one of nine varieties of

cookies.

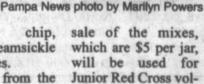


Author, author!

Pampa News photo by David Bowser Pampa author and automotive journalist Jerry Heasley signs his new book on Corvettes at the Canadian Fourth of July celebration.



M&Ms, dreamsickle and brownies. Proceeds from the



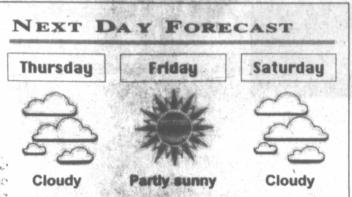
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Thursday: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Some of the storms could produce heavy rain. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 88. South wind between 5 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Thursday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 69. South wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

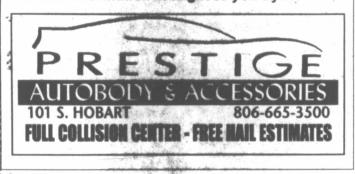
Friday: Partly sunny, with a high near 93. Southsouthwest wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Friday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 71. South-southwest wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Saturday: Mostly cloudy, with a high near 93. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Saturday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 71. Southeast wind around 10 mph.

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Bette Peters Lantz Fitzgerald, 78

Bette Peters Fitzgerald, 78, of Pampa, died July 7, 2008, at Pampa. Services are pending with www.carmichael-Carmichael-Whatley whatley.com.

Lantz Funeral Directors of Pampa. -Sign the on-line register book at

Clifford R. 'Hipshot' Henthorn, Jr., 69

Clifford R. 'C.R." "Hipshot" Henthorn, Jr., 69, Lexington, Ohio, died Sunday, July 6. 2008, at Morrow County Hospital in Mount

son, Kenneth E. Foreman II; a daughter, Cynthia Henthorn; a greatgrandson, Ethan; and a brother, Joe Henthorn.

Survivors include his wife of



Services tomorrow

KEMPA, Frank J. - Graveside services, 10 a.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa. TROLLINGER, Vasa — Graveside services, 11 a.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa.

Diana Castillo, 19

Diana Castillo, 19, of Pampa, Texas, died July 8, 2008, in Ochiltree County, Texas. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Miss Castillo was born Oct. 26, 1988, in Hobbs, N.M. She attended Pampa schools, graduating from Pampa High School in 2007. She will be greatly missed by family and friends.

include her parents, Fernando and Cecelia Castillo, of the home; one brother, Fernando Castillo, Jr., of the home; one sister, Aracely Michelle Castillo, of the home; her grand-

Survivors

and Delia Castillo;

Betthany Nicole Caviness, 18

Betthany Nicole Caviness, 18, of Pampa, died July 8, Pampa High School. She 2008, in Ochiltree County. belonged to Memorial services are Fellowship Church. pending. Cremation arrange-Survivors include one

Miami.

daughter, Aaliyah Caviness of Pampa; her mother, Misti Pritchard of Pampa; her father and stepmother, Rick and Anna Villarreal of Elidia

was a 2008 graduate of Pampa; three brothers, Michael Damian Villarreal, Nicholas Adam Villarreal and Raden Mason, all of Pampa; two sisters, Alicia Danielle Villarreal of Point Comfort and Brittney Pritchard of Pampa; her grandparents, Richard and Villarreal, and

M. Castillo and

Sanchez

her aunts, Adela Ivan R. Perez. **MEMORIALS:** Iglesia Benavidez, Nena Casa Del Alfarero, 500 N. and Duncan, Pampa, TX 79065. Ramona SPECIAL NOTICE: The Bencomo; and her body will lie in state at 1133 uncles, Socorro Starkweather in Pampa. Sanchez, Dulces Sanchez, Braulro -Sign the on-line regisbook Sanchez, Ruben ter at www.carmichael-Castillo, Miguel A. Castillo, Pedro whatley.com. A. Castillo, Jesus

> Caroline Smith, all of Pampa; and her great-grandparents, Joy and Vesta Thomas, and Victor and Consuela Villarreal, all of Pampa.

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Emergency Services

Pampa PD

ments are under the direction

Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Miss Caviness was born

July 1, 1990, at Pampa and

of

Carmichael-Whatley

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents from 7 a.m. Thursday through midnight Monday.

Thursday, July 3 Fourteen traffic stops were made.

An abandoned vehicle was reported in the 100 block of West. A 1988 Chevrolet Suburban was towed away.

Motorist assistance was rendered at the intersection of Nelson and Gwendolen streets.

A traffic complaint was . taken.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 200 block of North Sumner. A car was keyed. Domestic disturbances

were reported in the 1300 block of Alcock and the 300 block of North Warren. Two alarms were report-

ed. Theft was reported in the

700 block of North Zimmers.

Theft was reported at Hastings Books, Music and Videos, 1205 N. Hobart. A DVD valued at \$10 was

was received from the 1000 block of Neel Road.

Violation of a city ordinance was reported in the 200 block of Tignor, the 800 block of Lefors, the 2400 block of Cherokee, the intersection of Gwendolen and Banks streets, the 700 block of North Dwight, the 1400 block of Charles, the 800 block of North Gray, the 400 block of North Wells, the 1000 block of South Banks, the intersection of Alcock and Hobart streets. section of 17th and Williston streets, the intersection of Albert and Tignor streets, the 700 block of Octavus, the 900 block of South Banks, the 700 block of Finley, the 1100 block of Varnon Drive, Recreation Park, the 2200 block of Charles, the 1100 block of South Nelson, the 600 block of North Naida, the 600 block of North Davis, the 2500 block of North Christine, the intersection of Denver and Tignor streets, the 700 block of East Frederic, the 2100 block of North Nelson, the 1100 block of South Wells and twice in the 1100 block of Sirroco. Disorderly conduct was reported in the 700 block of North Dwight, the 2100 block of North Wells, the 200 block of Eshom and the 600 block of North Dwight. At least one arrest was made in connection with the incident in the 600 block of North Dwight.

intersection the of Starkweather and Foster streets, and the 600 block of East Browning resulted in arrests.

A vehicle accident was reported in the 300 block of North Dwight.

Calls and stops concerning animals occurred in the 2500 block of Mary Ellen, the 400 block of Jupiter, the 700 block of Octavus, the 600 block of North Nelson and the 1100 block of Crane

Agency assistance was rendered in the 500 block of Doucette, and the intersection of Thut and Russell

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parents, Ruben Castillo

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Silead. Services are Scheduled at 10:30

a.m. Friday at Henthorn Wappner Funeral Directors Ontario, Ohio, ecation with Pastor Chas Sarlisle officiating. Military graveside services will be conducted by Richland County Joint Burial Detail in Oakland Cemetery, Shelby, Ohio. Born July 27, 1938, at Weatherford, Okla., Mr. Henthorn was the son of Clifford Sr. and Edna P. (Peppard) Henthom, He retired after many years as a welder and previously worked at Celanese.

Betty He married Martikan on July 17, 1989, under a willow tree on Lake Michigan.

Mr. Henthorn was preceded in death by his parents; a

20 years, Betty Henthorn; two Robert sons.

Henthorn of Pampa, and David Henthorn of Wasila, Alaska; two daughters, Tina Foreman of Lexington, Ohio, and Donna Walker of Fort Lewis, Wash.; brothers, Don Henthorn and Jim Moore; sisters, Betty Starnes, Gena Faye Hart and Nancy Rissy; eight grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Friends may call from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the Ontario Home of Wappner Funeral Directors.

Memorial contributions may be made in care of the family. Condolences may be submitted online at www.wappner.com.

Frank J. Kempa, 81

Frank J. Kempa, 81, of 1999. Pampa, Texas, died July 6. 2008, at Pampa. Gravesic services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, July 10, 2008, at Memory Gardens Cemetery with the Rev. Barry Loving, pastor of First Christian

Church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors. Mr. Kempa was born May 1927, in Bartlesville, Okla. He graduated from Bartlesville High School and attended Oklahoma A&M University on a baseball scholarship. He had been a resident of Pampa

since 1956. Frank was the manager of the Pampa Oilers baseball team. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, serving during World War II. He was the truck service manager at Bob Johnson Motors in Nelson, Pampa, TX 79065. Borger for 25 years, and was employed by Mojave for Petroleum Company 1990 until his retirement in whatley.com.

Frank married Beverly Russell on Sept. 16, 1960, in

Tucumcari, N.M. He was a member of the First Christian Church, the VFW Post #1657 and the American Legion Post.

Survivors include his wife, Beverly Kempa, of the home; one daughter, Terry Barnets of Springfield, Ill.; one stepdaughter, Rainell Beck of Jordan, Utah; one stepson, William Russell of Bowie; one brother, John Kempa of Bartlesville, Okla.; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Frank was preceded in death by his parents; one son, Frank Kempa, Jr., in 1979; and two brothers, Ted Kempa and Loddie Kempa. **MEMORIALS:** First Christian Church, 1633 N.

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received from the 500 block of Lefors.

Vehicle accidents were reported in the 500 block of North Roberta, the 400 block of West Brown and the 1900 block of North Hobart.

Calls and stops concerning animals occurred in the 500 block of East Kingsmill, the 500 block of North Somerville, the 1900 block of North Dwight, the 700 block of East Craven, the 2100 block of North Christine and the 300 block of Miami.

One attempt to serve papers was made.

A welfare check was made in the 1100 block of Terry Road.

A runaway was reported in the 1100 block of South Dwight.

Warrant service was attempted on one occasion and resulted in at least one arrest.

Suspicious person calls were received from the 600 block of East Craven and from Recreation Park, 1600 E. Highway 60. Failure to identify/fugitive from justice was reported in connection with the call concerning the 600 block of East Craven.

Suspicious vehicle calls were received from the 1600 block of West Somerville, the 800 block of Duncan, the 1200 block of North Hobart, the 300 block of Tignor and **Recreation Park.**

A silent/abusive 911 call was received from the 1900 block of North Sumner.

Violation of a city ordinance was reported at the intersection of Buckler and Dwight streets, the 200 block of Tignor, the 400 block of North Wells, the 1100 block of South Nelson, the 1500 block of North Faulkner, the 300 block of Anne, the 700 block of Mora, the intersection of Harvester and Lowry streets, the 1300 block of North Russell, the 200 block of Tignor and the 300 block of

Theft was reported in the 900 block of Campbell. A mountain bike was taken.

Identity theft and theft of service were reported in the police department lobby. The incident occurred in the 600 block of Somerville. Electric service was received by someone using the victim's name.

Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported at Recreation Park. A 2004 Pontiac Sunfire was taken. Friday, July 4

Twenty-six traffic stops were made. Stops in the 700

block of West Brown and on two occasions in the 900 block of Huff Road resulted in arrests.

Traffic complaints were received from the 300 block of East Brown, and the intersection of 23rd and Navajo streets. Vehicle accidents

occurred at Recreation Park and the 500 block of Doucette. At least one arrest was made in connection with the accident at Recreation Park.

Calls and stops concerning animals occurred in the 400 block of Graham, the 2000 block of Coffee, the 2100 block of Williston, the 400 block of North Faulkner, the 2200 block of Alcock, the 100 block of West 30th and the 1500 block of North Hobart.

Welfare checks were made in the 600 block of North Dwight and the 800 block of Murphy.

A runaway was reported in the 500 block of North Dwight.

Suspicious person calls were received from the 700 block of Brunow and the 200 block of East Craven. At least one arrest was made in connection with the incident in the 200 block of East Craven.

A suspicious vehicle call was received from the 300 block of North Hobart. A silent/abusive 911 call

Disorderly conduct/fighting was reported at Recreation Park.

Threats were reported in the police department lobby.

Domestic disturbances were reported at the intersection of Brunow and Henry streets, the 300 block of West Brown and the 400 block of Powell. At least one arrest was made in connection with the incident in the 400 block of Powell.

Assault was reported in the emergency room of Pampa Regional Medical Center, 100 W. 30th. Minor injuries were reported.

Assault was reported in the 700 block of Locust.

One alarm was reported. Theft was reported in the police department lobby.

Theft was reported in the 1800 block of North Pampa. Nelson. A basketball goal valued at \$140 was taken.

Saturday, July 5 Fifteen traffic stops were made. Stops in the 500 block of Oklahoma, the 300 block of East Brown,

streets.

One attempt to serve papers was made.

A welfare check was made in the 100 block of West 25th.

Suspicious person calls were received from the intersection of Kingsmill and Russell streets, the 100 block of East Foster, the 900 block of Huff Road and the 100 block of East Randy Matson. At least one arrest was made in connection with the incident in the 900 block of Huff Road.

A silent/abusive 911 call was received from the 700 block of North Hobart.

Violation of a city ordinance was reported in the 1100 block of South Faulkner, the 2200 block of North Wells, the 600 block of North Sumner, the intersection of Crane and Hobart

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Terrorist surveillance Senate to pass bill overhauling eavesdropping regs

WASHINGTON (AP) -The Senate finally is expected to pass a bill overhauling rules on secret government eavesdropping, completing a lengthy and bitter debate that pitted privacy and civil liberties concerns against the desire to prevent terrorist attacks.

The vote, planned for Wednesday, would end almost a year of wrangling between the House and Senate, Democrats and Republicans, and Congress and the White House over the president's warrantless wiretapping program that was initiated after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

The fight over the bill has centered on one provision: shielding from civil lawsuits telecommunications companies that helped the governeavesdrop. ment on American phone and computer lines, without the permission or knowledge of a secret court created by the Intelligence Foreign Surveillance Act.

The White House had threatened to veto the bill unless it immunized companies like AT&T Inc. and Verizon Communications Inc. from wiretapping lawsuits. About 40 such lawsuits

have been filed. They are all pending before a single federal district court.

The lawsuits center around allegations that the White House circumvented U.S. law by going around the FISA court, which was created 30 years ago to prevent the government from abusing its surveillance powers for political purposes, as was done in the Vietnam War and Watergate eras. The court is meant to approve all wiretaps placed inside the U.S. for intelligence-gathering purposes. The law has been interpreted to include international email records stored on servers inside the U.S.

The Bush administration brought the wiretapping back under the FISA court's authority only after The New York Times revealed the existence of the program. A handful of members of Congress knew about the program from top secret briefings. Most members are still forbidden to know the details of the classified program, and some object that they are being asked to grant immunity to the telecoms without first knowing what

Opponents of letting

Opponents of letting telecommunications companies off the hook have proposed amendments that would delay immunity until the full extent of the wiretapping program is revealed by a government investigation, or strip the provision from the bill entirely. They argue that only in court will the full extent of the program be understood, and only a judge should decide whether the program broke the law.

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The bill tries to address those concerns by requiring inspectors general inside the government to conduct a yearlong investigation into warrantless wiretapping.

Beyond immunity, the

sets new rules for government eavesdropping. Some of them would tighten the reins on current government surveillance activities, and others loosen them compared with a law passed 30 years ago. For example, it would

require the government to get FISA court approval before it eavesdrops on an American overseas. Currently, the attorney general approves that electronic surveillance on his own.

But the bill also would allow the government to obtain broad, yearlong intercept orders from the FISA court that target foreign groups and people, raising the prospect that communications with innocent Americans would be swept up. The court would approve how the government chooses the targets, and how the intercepted American communications are to be protected.

The original FISA law required the government to get wiretapping warrants for each individual targeted from inside the United States, on the rationale that most communications inside the U.S. would involve Americans whose civil liberties must be protected. But technology has changed. Purely foreign communica-

tions increasingly through U.S. wires and sit on American computer servers, and the law required court orders be obtained to access those as well.

The bill would give the government a week to conduct a wiretap in an emergency before it must apply for a court order. The original law only allowed three days.

Yearlong wiretapping authorized orders by Congress last year will begin to expire in August. Without a new bill, the government would go back to old FISA rules, requiring multiple new orders to continue those intercepts.



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The lowest pumping well produces only 300 gallons per minute, he said.

"We did not get the production from the area we were looking at out of those wells," Morris said. "We have looked at drilling additional wells for several years out there."

Morris said the final well ould be about 600 feet deep. "It's a pretty deep well," he said.

Morris said that the section has good water compared to the city's south well field.

they did.

He said that the city would be working with the state and the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District on their test holes.

"It will be quite an extensive project," Morris said. "We're looking at the development of one well at this time. We could develop several more wells. The future could hold as many as five wells on that property." Pampa Economic

Water

Development Corporation Executive Director Dwight Fiveash asked that the wells for the prison be drilled on the northern part of the section nearest the prisons, leaving the southern part for development.

The land where the wells are to be drilled was initially donated to the city by Celanese for economic development.

The commission also held

except for Morris, who explained the report, testified at the hearing (see related story).

The city commission also heard an update from Pampa Economic Development Corporation President Ken May on the EDC's activities (check upcoming paper for related story)."

a public hearing to take comments on the city's annual water quality report. No one

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Wreck

County Hospital with injuries and is in stable condition, Hawthorne said.

"The Daewoo burst flames after into impact," Hawthorne said. "A Good Samaritan stopped and got the 2-year-old out of the car before it was engulfed in flames."

Funeral services for Castillo and Caviness pending are at Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors in Pampa.

Castillo was born in Hobbs, N.M., and Pampa attended schools. She graduated from Pampa High 2007. School in Survivors include her parents, Fernando and Cecelia Castillo; a brother, Fernando Jr.; and a sister, Aracely Michelle, all of Pampa. Caviness was born in Pampa and was a 2008 graduate of PHS. She was a member of Fellowship Trinity Church.

Pampa survivors include a daughter, Aaliyah; her mother, Misti Pritchard; her father and stepmother, Rick and Anna Villarreal; three brothers, Michael Damian Villarreal, Nicholas Adam Villarreal and Raden Mason; and a sister. Brittney Pritchard. Another sister, Alicia Danielle Villarreal, lives in Point Comfort.

a well field in Roberts County north of Pampa. Morris said the mix of water from CRMWA is about 60 to 65 percent from

Continued from Page 1 groundwater Roberts County and 35 to 40 percent lake water.

"We're getting a very high percent of well water due to conditions at the lake," he said.

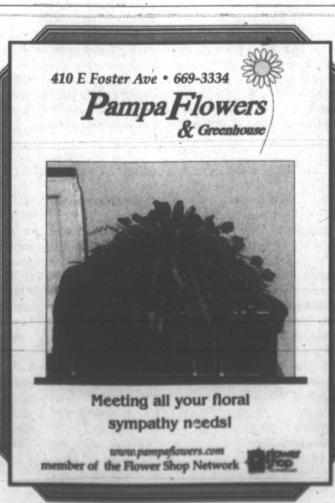
Lake Meredith is at record low levels.

The report contains water conservation information and suggests checking for leaks, turning off the tap when brushing teeth and running a dishwasher only with the full load.

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, as part of the report, completed a source water susceptibility assessment on Pampa's water.-

The report covers 38 areas of testing and possible sources of chemicals or problems, but none of the testing indicated amounts above normal or recommended maximums.

Copies of the report are available at the city's administrative offices on the second floor of City Hall.



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Viewpoints

Agriculture in great shortgrass prairie slowly dying

Gary McManus

Guest Columnist

The Oklahoma Panhandle is not known for its green landscapes, of course, being part of the relatively dry High Plains climate system. Its shortgrass prairie, however - mostly buffalo grass - has sustained a robust cattle industry off and on for more than a century. Irrigation from the Ogallala Aquifer supplements normal precipitation to mark the region as an important part of the Oklahoma wheat and corn industry. Generations of farmers and ranchers have endured hard times just as they've enjoyed good times, working the land to earn a living. Commodity prices have never been higher, but skyrocketing costs of feed, seed and fuel have bounty.

Now, with a drought labeled "exceptional" by the U.S. Drought Monitor plaguing the area, any hope of profits has been dashed and many of those current farmers and ranchers are close to financial ruin. Government assistance would help many of those younger farmers, but those of advancing years don't need another government loan; more debt is not a viable option. What they do need is quite simple - rain, and plenty of it.

The face of the western Panhandle turned gray as the moisture in the soil was leeched away by strong winds and heat. The

countered any financial Oklahoma Mesonet site at ing record rains. Boise City has recorded 1.7 inches of precipitation since the start of the year, a deficit of well over 7 inches and the driest such period on record. Add that to last year's deficit of 8.24 inches and The soil has turned to pow-

Boise City's last 18 months are more than 15 inches below nor-

mal. The western half of the ties". The terrible yet mag-Panhandle has actually been in and out of drought conditions since 2001 - mostly in. This latest episode, which began in force during early 2007, continued to intensify even as parts of eastern Oklahoma were experienc-. of others and the land, sell-

There is more to the story than just data. Some long-

time Cimarron County residents agree that the current dry spell rivals the parched conditions of the Dust Bowl. der and started to

blow in places, much like during the "dirty thirnificent dust storms of that

period have not occurred, however, which stands as a true testament to the farmers, ranchers and soil conservationists in the area. Some sacrifice for the good

base by the wind-driven ing herds of cattle to prevent overgrazing. Others practice no-till farming methods which leave soil-saving residue on fields after harvest. Through these methods, the agricultural community has helped save what soil they can and acted as good stewards of the land. Even with conservation

efforts, the soil has suffered terrible erosion from winds which have gusted to 70. mph at times. Those winds have scoured some fields down to the hardpan beneath the soil, leaving a rock hard surface in place to be baked by the sun. Other fields have had their soils turn to fine sugar sand which has the consistency of its namesake. Wheat is sheared off at the

sand. Buffalo grass is left in clumps on plateaus of soil, exposing the roots and quickening the death of the hardy plants. In other words, agriculture in the great shortgrass prairie is slowly dying, as are the hopes and fortunes of the farmers and ranchers who have withstood so much to tame such an inhospitable land.

-Assistant State Climatologist Gary McManus of the Oklahoma Climatological Survey recently toured the Oklahoma Panhandle to observe first-hand the severe drought impacts that area has endured since the summer of 2007.

Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, July 9, the 191st day of 2008. There are 175 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 9, 1776, the Declaration of Independence was read aloud to Gen. George Washington's troops in New York. On this date:

In 1540, England's King Henry VIII had his 6-month-old marriage to his fourth wife, Anne of Cleves, annulled.

In 1816, Argentina declared independence from Spain.

In 1850, the 12th president of the United States, Zachary Taylor, died after serving only 16 months of his term.

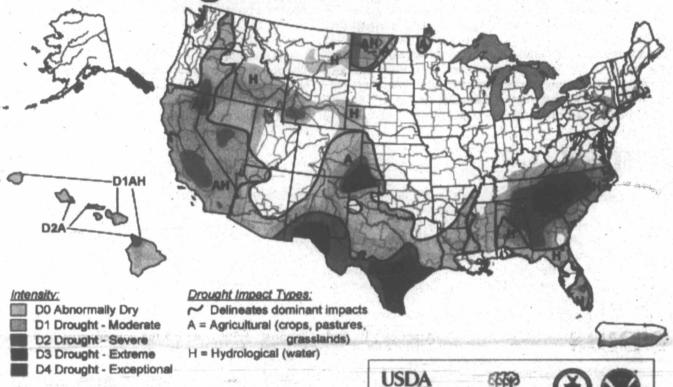
In 1896, William Jennings Bryan delivered his famous "cross of gold" speech at

There are two kinds of people in one's life — people whom one keeps waiting — and the people for whom one waits."

the Democratic National Convention in Chicago. In 1918, 101 people were killed in a train collision in Nashville, Tenn. In 1918, the Distinguished Service Cross was established by an Act of Congress. In 1938, Supreme

Court Justice Benjamin Cardozo died in Port





- S.N. Behrman American author and dramatist (1893-1973)

Chester, N.Y., at age 68. In 1944, during World War II, American forces secured Saipan as the last Japanese defenses fell.

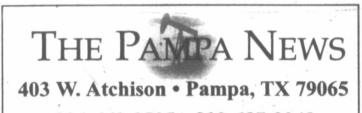
In 1947, the engagement of Britain's Princess Elizabeth to Lt. Philip Mountbatten was announced.

In 1982, a Pan Am Boeing 727 crashed in Kenner, La., killing all 145 people aboard and eight people on the ground.

Ten years ago: Former high school sweethearts Amy Grossberg and Brian Peterson were sentenced in Wilmington, Del., to prison for killing their newborn son at a motel. Grossberg received 2 1/2 years; Peterson, who'd cooperated with prosecutors, received two years. (Grossberg ended up serving nearly two years; Peterson, 1 1/2 years.)

Five years ago: President Bush, continuing his Africa tour, defended his use of prewar intelligence on Iraq, saying he was "absolutely confident" in his actions despite the discovery that one claim he'd made about Saddam Hussein's weapons pursuits was based on false information.

One year ago: President Bush directed former aides to defy congressional subpoenas, claiming executive privilege in resisting Congress' investigation into the firings of U.S. attorneys. Sen. David Vitter, R-La., whose telephone number was disclosed by the so-called "D.C. Madam" accused of running a prostitution ring, said in a statement he was sorry for a "serious sin" and that he had already made peace with his wife. A London jury convicted four Muslim militants of plotting to bomb London's public transport system. Character actor Charles Lane died in Santa Monica, Calif., at age 102.



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United States running roughshod over world

that there are some people in Washington who believe that Israel or the U.S. can bomb Iran's nuclear reactors, fly home, and it will be mission complete:

It makes you wonder if perhaps there is a virus going around that is gradual- has ly making people stupid. If equipped by we or Israel attack Iran, we will have a new war on our hands. The Iranians are not going to shrug off an attack and say, "You naughty boys," you.'

Consider how much trouble Iraq has given us. Some 4,000 dead and 29,000 wounded, a half a trillion dollars in cost and still climbing, and five years later, we cannot say that the country is pacified.

Iraq is a small country compared with Iran. Iran has about 70 million people. Its western mountains border

Texas Thoughts.

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

June 29

Houston Chronicle on the punitive damages paid to oil-spill victims:

After almost 20 years of legal battles over the Exxon Valdez oil spill, the Supreme Court last week slashed the punitive damages imposed on Exxon Mobil to \$500 million from \$2.5 billion.

In a 5-3 ruling, the justices limited the amount of punitive damages to the amount of actual damages. Justice David H. Souter cited studies showing that under federal maritime law, punitive damages were on average equivalent to actual damages in cases where

words, its missiles and guns look down on the U.S. ships below it. And it has lots of missiles, from short-range to intermediate-range (around

2,200 kilometers). More to

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Charley Reese Columnist

The SS-N-22 Sunburn can travel at Mach 3 at high altitude and at Mach 2.2 at low altitude. That is faster than anything in our arsenal.

Iran's conventional forces include an army of 540,000 men and 300,000 reserves, including 120,000 Iranian Guards especially trained in unconventional warfare. It has more than 1.600 main battle tanks and 21,000 other

cious.

the damage was not deliberate or mali-

The problem was that the court was

not drawing on any previous court rul-

ings (because none exist) when it

arrived at this arbitrary decision. It's

what conservatives call "judicial

activism" when so-called liberal judges

do it. As Justice John Paul Stevens

wrote in his dissent, "Congress is far

better situated than is this court to

assess the empirical data, and to bal-

ance competing policy interests, before

Stephen G. Breyer also dissented. (The

ninth jurist, Justice Samuel Alito, an

Exxon stockholder, had recused him-

self.) Ginsburg wrote, "The new law

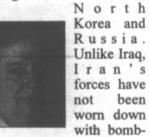
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Justices Ruth Bader Ginsburg and

making such a choice."

One gets the impression the Persian Gulf. In other armored combat vehicles. It has 3,200 artillery pieces, three submarines, 59 surface warships and 10 amphibious ships.

> It's been receiving help in arming itself from China,



ing, wars and sanctions. It also has a new anti-aircraft defense system from Russia that I've heard is pretty snazzy.

So, if you think we or Israel can attack Iran and not expect retaliation, I'd have to say with regret that you are a moron. If you think we could easily handle Iran in an all-out war, I'd have to promote you to idiot.

Attacking Iran would be folly, but we seem to be living in the Age of Folly. Morons and idiots took us into an unjustified war against Iraq before we had finished the job in Afghanistan. Now we have troops tied down in both countries.

China has a tremendous investment and interest in Iran and would likely see an attack as a threat to its national interests. China could strike a large blow against the U.S. just by dumping the financial paper we have foolishly allowed the Chinese to pile up, thanks to the trade deficit.

For some years now, I've worried that we seem to be more and more like Colonial England - arrogant, racist, overestimating our own capacity and underestimat-

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to Congress." So it should. Yet again, as in cases involving automakers, cigarette manufacturers and other companies, the court has sided with big business. As Tom Donohue, president of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, said: "This is good news for companies concerned about reining in excessive punitive damages.'

Whether the damages were excessive is questionable: Exxon was originally assessed \$5 billion in punitive damages, which at that time, 1994, amounted to about one year of Exxon's profits, The Washington Post reported. The \$2.5 billion figure was arrived at in December 2007. By then, Exxon's annual earnings were \$40.6 billion.

Both presidential candidates pitch their economic plans to Hispanics

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Republican John McCain and Democrat Barack Obama sought Tuesday to send the same message to a critical constituency: They understand that Hispanics share the same economic concerns as other Americans - and they will help the whole

country prosper. It was the second time in as many weeks the presidential candidates directly appealed to a Hispanic group. Appearances before a third were on tap for next week, underscoring the fierce fight for these fickle voters.

The rivals, to be sure, pressed anew their support for comprehensive immigration reform, a bedrock issue for Hispanics, in separate speeches to the League of United Latin American Citizens. But each candidate was primarily focused on making the

'I believe the role of government is to unleash the creativity, ingenuity and hard work of the American people, and make it easier to create jobs."

> John McCain GOP presidential candidate

case that he - not his opponent - could best lead the country out of economic straits and help the middle class achieve prosperity.

"I believe the role of government is to unleash the creativity, ingenuity and hard work of the American people, and make it easier to create jobs," said McCain in a speech that focused heavily on his overall economic proposals. The economy, the Arizona senator said, is about "the aspirations of

the American people to build a better life for their families; dreams that begin with a job."

Obama struck a similar chord later as he praised the Hispanic community for having "big dreams and a big heart." The Illinois senator said the election is about "making sure that we have a government that knows that a problem facing any American is a problem facing all Americans" and "giving all Americans a fair shot at the American dream."

Opportunity and prosperity were poignant messages for the audience, an organization that advocates social and economic policies benefiting Hispanics. The economy, health care, education and pathways to success are issues that resonate strongly with members of the fastest growing minority group. So, both candidates out-

lined the core tenets of their economic plans and sought to show they best relate to - and can help voters struggling with gas prices, job layoffs and home foreclosures.

McCain made fresh promises to help small businesses prosper, make health care more affordable, improve education and free the country from its dependence on foreign oil.

"If you believe you

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ing that of our enemies. As the fate of the British Empire demonstrates, that is a fatal flaw.

The British never dreamed that the "little yellow people" could come from the rear or that they would sink the pride of the British fleet, but they did both.

I suppose no one in Washington can imagine the Iranians sinking one of our carriers in the Persian Gulf. How'd you like to be the president who has to tell the American people that we've lost a carrier for the first time since World War II?

Exactly how the Iranians will ashore by land and take Singapore respond to an attack, I don't know,

but they will respond. In keeping with our present policy, our attack on Iran would be illegal, since under the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, Iran has the right to enrich uranium for peaceful purposes.

Who would have thought that we would become the rogue nation committing acts of aggression around the globe?

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



worst recorded spill in North America. It fouled almost 1,300 miles of Alaska coastline, wiped out hundreds of thousands of birds and

record on the court, he would have joined the conservative justices, and no punitive damages would have been awarded. Exxon said in a statemarine animals and damaged or ment that it had voluntarily cleaned up the spill and compensated more than 11,000 Alaskans and businesses, spending more than \$3.4 billion. It also said, "The Valdez oil spill was a tragic accident, and one which the corporation deeply regrets." Exxon is a business, and it functions like a business. The Supreme Court, however, strayed from its function in arriving at this arbitrary decision with no basis in the law, and that's everybody's business. URL: http://www.chron.com

Thousands evacuated at threat of wildfires

BIG SUR, Calif. (AP) -They're evacuating Paradise. Authorities ordered thousands of residents in the town north of Sacramento to leave after erratic winds blew embers across wildfire containment lines, destroying 40 homes nearby, in the latest setback for already strained fire crews.

Firefighters also were struggling against a sudden drop in humidity and a 10degree spike in temperature as a heat wave forecast to linger until the weekend grips much of the state.

"Right now we're battling the weather and the erratic winds," said Todd Simmons, a California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection spokesman. "Whatever the winds are doing, that's pretty much what the fire's going to do."

Residents of 3,200 homes in Paradise were ordered to evacuate Tuesday after fire destroyed 40 houses in the neighboring rural community of Concow. Evacuation orders also remained in place for 800 to 1,000 residents from Concow and Yankee Hill, about 85 miles north of Sacramento.

About 30 lightningsparked wildfires in Butte County, where Paradise and Concow are located, have charred 47,000 acres in recent weeks and was about 40 percent contained, offi-

cials said.

Among those evacuated 'Tuesday were 95 children at a camp for kids with cancer; 70 miles north of Sacramento.

"They've been remarkably good," Michael Amylon, the camp's medical director, said of the children. "We always talk about fire being a danger."

Fire crews across the state have been trying to cover hundreds of active California wildfires, many of which were ignited by a lightning storm more than two weeks ago. Some 1,450 fires had been contained late Tuesday, but more than 320 were still active, authorities said.

At a fire east of Bakersfield on Tuesday, wind gusts caused flames to jump fire lines and destroy or damage five residences and four more outbuildings in the Sequoia National Forest.

A blaze threatening the small coastal community of Big Sur let up just enough to allow hundreds of people to check on their homes Tuesday. Authorities announced that more residents would be allowed to return Wednesday morning.

At least 23 homes and 25 other structures have been destroyed in Big Sur as flames marched over more than 125 square miles of land since June 21.



Sometimes the market reacts poorly to changes in the economy. But just because the market reacts doesn't mean you should. Still, if current events are making you

Calling Exxon's conduct "worse than negligent but less than malicious," the court slashed that award by 80 percent, to \$507.5 million. That's worth about four days of Exxon's profits as of last quarter and gives an average of about \$15,000 to each of the more than 32,000 plaintiffs fishermen, cannery workers and Alaska natives.

When the Exxon Valdez ran aground on a reef in March 1989, it spilled nearly 11 million gallons of oil into Prince William Sound, the Justice Alito had voted, given his

destroyed the livelihoods of more than 32,000 residents. The captain, a known alcoholic, had been drinking and was not on the bridge at the time of the grounding.

When the punitive damages were reduced to \$2.5 billion, Exxon appealed to the Supreme Court, asking that the judgment be not just reduced, but thrown out, claiming that Exxon should not be held responsible for the captain's recklessness. They almost succeeded. The justices tied 4-4 on that issue. If

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By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I am a 27-year-old woman who has been dating my boyfriend for a number of years. As exciting as the thought of marriage sounds, it is also scary. Too many times I have heard that a couple separated because they had "grown apart" or "grew in different directions." How does a couple go about preventing this from happening? There have to be things we can do to protect ourselves against this -- but what are they? Your advice would be appreciated. -- SKITTISH IN MAPLE GROVE, MINN.

DEAR SKITTISH: Couples grow apart when they stop talking and listening to each other, when they fight instead of disagree, and when they forget the reasons they married in the first place. They also run into trouble if they're not on the same page before marriage about how to handle money, whether they are sexually compatible, and how their children should be raised. Premarital counseling is helpful in bringing out these issues, and some churches now insist upon it. Intelligent people get to really know each other before taking the leap, as you and your boyfriend have already done. However, even longtime couples need to make sure they have all their cards on the table before embarking on the sea of matrimony, and to fully recognize they cannot change the other person.

DEAR ABBY: I have a friend, "Amanda," I met last year at school. I consider her my best friend, and people comment on how we're always together. Amanda's family doesn't have much money, so when she tells me she's broke I don't hesitate to give

"please" to me. My parents have noticed it, too. They are annoyed that Amanda has never thanked them for letting her spend the night. My dad recently commented that it's rude that she never says "hello" to him when he comes home and she is there. What can I do about Amanda's manners? Am I wrong to be bothered by her lack of them? I don't want to lose her as a friend, but it's something I can't seem to let go.

-- LITTLE MISS MANNERS

DEAR L.M.M.: More is lacking in Amanda's household than money. Think about it. Where did you learn the basic social graces? From your parents, of course. The reason for Amanda's poor manners is that she was never taught otherwise. Have a talk with your friend and explain what the rules are in your household. You don't have to be mean when you do -- and you'll be doing her a favor.

DEAR ABBY: From time to time you print helpful hints from readers, and mine could possibly save some families from incurring an expensive plumbing repair. I have been married and divorced twice. As a younger man, my wives and I always flushed our cigarette butts down the toilet when in the bathroom. One day, we had a serious plumbing problem -- our toilet overflowed. After getting the plumbing bill we found out all the cigarette filters had eventually closed up our sewer line. It was a costly lesson I hope other smokers will heed -and I'm not even mentioning the risk of cancer. -- SMARTER NOW IN THE U.S.A.

DEAR SMARTER NOW: I won't menthe type of butts you were flushing.

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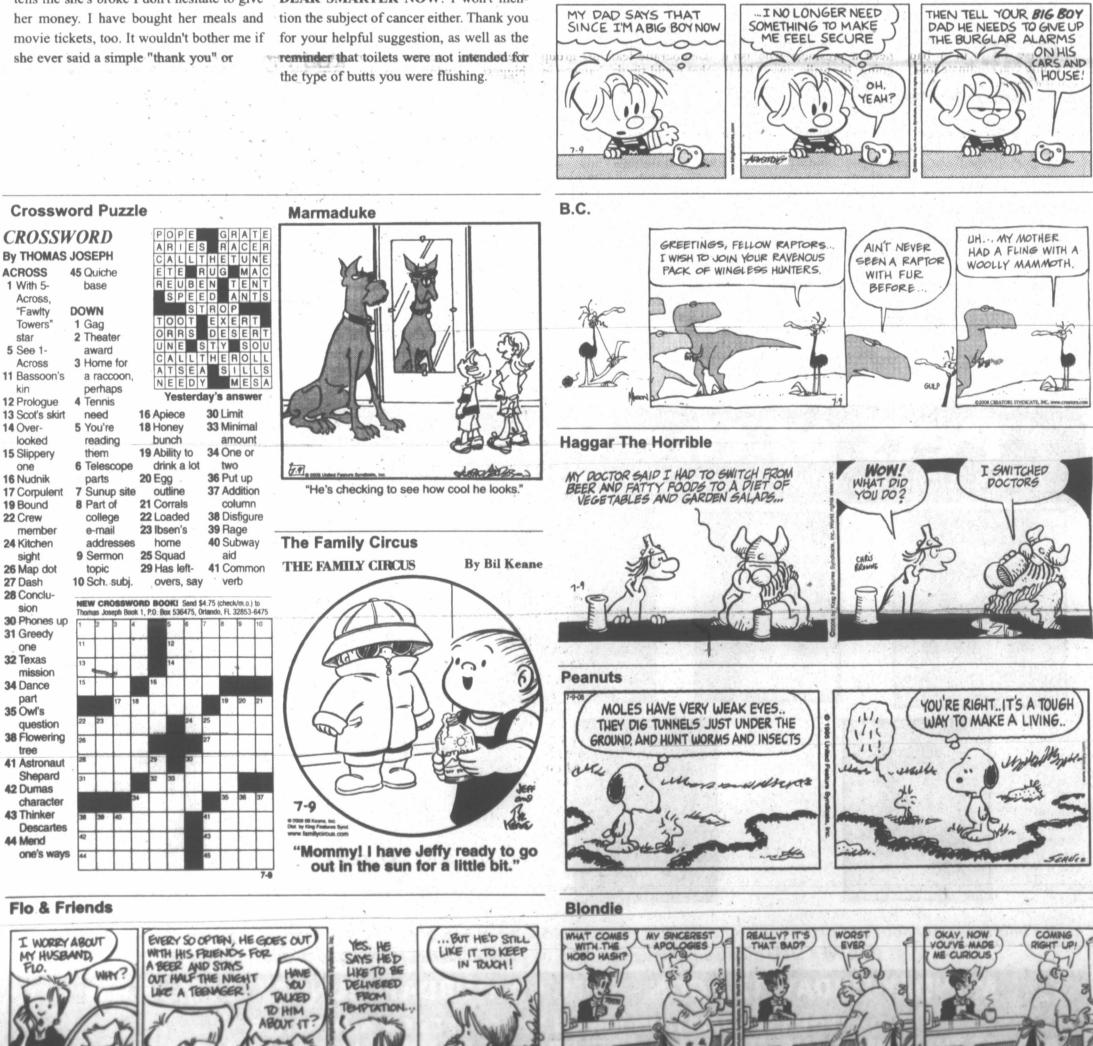
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FTC considers backing off nicotine guidance

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Federal Trade Commission said Tuesday that it no longer considers reliable a test for tar and nicotine used for more than 40 years and touted by the tobacco industry in marketing "light" and "low-tar" cigarettes.

The FTC said it may rescind its guidance on tar and nicotine yields that is based on that test. The commission said if the guidance is withdrawn, advertisers should no longer use terms suggesting FTC endorsement or approval of any specific test method. The test, known as the Cambridge Filter Method, is a machine-based test that smokes cigarettes according to a standard procedure and is sometimes referred to as "the FTC method." The FTC issued its guidance in 1966 at a time when most public health officials believed reducing the amount of tar produced by a cigarette could reduce a smoker's risk of lung cancer. The commission believed that giving consumers uniform information about tar and nicotine yields of cigarettes would help them make informed decisions about the cigarettes they smoked.

But the FTC said Tuesday scientists now believe the test does not provide meaningful information on relative amounts of tar and nicotine people are likely to get from smoking different brands of cigarettes.

For decades, the FDA said it lacked authority to regulate tobacco so

long as cigarette makers did not claim that smoking provided health benefits. In 1996, it reversed course

The main reason is that smokers often alter their behavjor to get the necessary nicotine dosage, the FTC said. The techniques include taking larger and deeper puffs, smoking more and blocking the ventilation holes that may contribute to lower levels of tar and nicotine.

Nicotine acts as a stimulant and is one of the main factors contributing to the addictive quality of smoking. Tar is the residue from burning tobacco and one of the most destructive byproducts of smoking, accumulating in a smoker's lungs.

"While today's FTC action is important, it will not by itself end the tobacco industry's deceptive marketing of 'light' and 'low-tar' cigarettes," said Matthew Myers, president of the

Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids. He said the FTC action underscores the need for Congress to "enact pending legislation to grant the U.S. Food and Drug Administration regulatory authority over tobacco products." He said any FTC action would not prohibit tobacco companies from making statements regarding tar and nicotine levels, and from describing cigarettes as "light" and "low-tar.".

For decades, the FDA said it lacked authority to regulate tobacco so long as cigarette makers did not claim that smoking provided health benefits. In 1996, it reversed course and cited new evidence that the industry intended its products to feed the nicotine habits of the roughly 45 million Americans who smoke.

Tobacco companies sued, and the case eventually landed in the Supreme Court. In 2000, the court ruled 5-4 that Congress did not authorize the FDA to regulate tobacco.

The FDA legislation approved by House and Senate committees would prohibit terms such as "light" or "mild" which many consumers mistakenly believe means the products are safer. It also would assess millions of dollars in user fees to help pay the agency's added costs for regulating tobacco. More than 400,000 people die from smoking-related illnesses each year.

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should pay more taxes, I am the wrong candidate for you," McCain added. "Jobs are the most important thing our economy creates. When you raise taxes in a bad economy you eliminate jobs. I'm not going to let that happen."

his courageous stance" during the primary season. "For eight long years,

we've had a president who made all kinds of promises to Latinos on the campaign trail, but failed to live up to them in the White House, and we can't afford that anymore," Obama said. "We need a president who isn't going to walk away from something as important as comprehensive reform when The crowd greeted it becomes politically unpopular." Last month, during sepawate appearances at the National Association of Elected Latino and Appointed Officials conference, McCain and Obama pledged to make overhauling the country's immigration policy a priority. McCain assured that audience that he wouldn't pursue the enforcement-only approach sought by hard-line GOP conservatives, while Obama accused McCain of walking away from comprehensive immi-

sized that the borders must be secure first before people will accept other reforms.

The two are to speak to the National Council of La Raza annual conference in San Diego on Sunday and Monday.

Both are making aggresplays for this sive Democratic-leaning group that could tip the balance in battleground states of Nevada, Colorado, New

the West and Republican inroads four years ago.

President Bush captured about 40 percent of the Hispanic vote in 2004, to Kerry's 58 percent, down from the 62 percent former Vice President Al Gore got in 2000. Still, in the 2006 congressional elections, Democrats iscored theiring biggest win among Hispanics since 1996.



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McCain warmly, applauding at several lines and giving him a respectable send-off. Later, Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, one of the nation's most prominent Hispanic politicians, warmed up the crowd for Obama. It whooped and hollered throughout Obama's speech.

Obama, for his part, promised to cut taxes for small-business owners, end tax breaks for companies that "ship jobs overseas," solve the housing crisis, help struggling homeowners and invest in infrastructure to create new construction jobs.

He also laced his speech with criticism of McCain's economic plans. He also accused the Republican anew of backing off comprehensive immigration reform, saying McCain "abandoned

gration reform. Both candidates support a temporary worker program and eventual path to citizenship for millions of immigrants in the country illegally. But after a comprehensive Senate bill failed last summer amid coast-to-coast public outcry that split the GOP, McCain has emphaMexico and elsewhere.

Obama was blunt about their importance: "This election could well be decided by Latino voters." He recalled that in the 2004 presidential election 40,000 Latinos registered to vote in New Mexico didn't turn out on Election Day, and Democrat John Kerry lost the state by less than 6,000 votes.

A recent AP-Yahoo News poll showed that Obama McCain among leads Hispanics, 47 percent to 22 percent with 26 percent undecided.

Still, Obama, who would become the first black president if elected, doesn't have a lock on Hispanics. During the Democratic primaries, Hispanics preferred rival Hillary Rodham Clinton to Obama by nearly 2-to-1.

McCain senses an opportunity based on his links to

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· Larry and Jodi's Good-Time Gospel Jamboree will feature The Relations Quartet, Ronnie Warren and 7-year-old violinist Kayla Richardson during its next performance scheduled at 7 p.m. July 10 at the Church at Quail

Creek in Amarillo. For more information, call (806) 944-5255. • Equality Texas Foundation will present "Pride in Faith," a program con-cerning 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 Texas Department of State Health Services will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases. 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.

 The reunion committee for the PHS Class of 1969 will meet at 7:30 p.m. July 17 at Innovative Staffing Solutions, 1327 N. Hobart, in Pampa.

 The deadline to register for a Texas Alliance 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.

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Sports

Entries now being taken for rodeo events

Entries are now being accepted for the Top O' Texas scheduled for 4 p.m. Sunday, Junior Rodeo and Kid Pony August 10. Open to ages taken for the ever popular Show.

August 9 and is open for ages for contestants and spectators August 14, 15 & 16. Prizes 8-18 (groups three through alike. Buckles will be award- will be awarded to the winawarded to the winners of the events in these groups. events in groups three and Groups five, six and seven as and under. well. A contestant must be title.

The Kid Pony Show is will be no exceptions. seven and under (groups one Mutton Bustin to be held dur-The Junior Rodeo will and two), this performance ing the 62nd annual Top O'

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All entries must be entered in three events to returned to the rodeo office Wednesday, August 6. There formance again this year and tion call 806-669-0434.

Entries are also being

office no later than 5 p.m. on

is dedicated to the memory of board member J.R. Bagget who passed away earlier this year. Entries are open for this event as well and are due in begin at 8 a.m. on Saturday, always provides lots of fun Texas Rodeo to be held the rodeo office on Monday, August 11.

The Top O' Texas Rodeo seven). Buckles will be ed to the winners of the ners each night. There is no Parade will wind its way fee to enter this event but par- through downtown Pampa on A new event for disabled ticipants must be entered in Saturday, August 16 at 10 wanting to be judged for an award must enter through the

Entry forms for all of these Wednesday, August 6 as well. events are available at the Double Muggin will be rodeo office, 200 North qualify for the All-Around no later than 5 p.m. on held during each rodeo per- Ballard. For more informa-

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The Pampa all stars ran dry Tuesday in the West Texas 70 Foot 12 Year Old Cal Ripken State Tournament falling to North Randall County 10-0.

After scoring 13 runs against Seminole on Monday, Pampa's bats were largely silent with Jordan Lemons lashing out two hits and Tanner Doucette one. Pampa had a runner on base in every inning, but no Pampa footprints were ever left on third.

North Randall managed just eight hits but got them in clusters scoring in every inning.

The tournament wraps up today with North Randall, 2-1, playing Plainview, 2-0, at 6 p.m. North Randall must win to force a second game in the double-elimination tournament.

All three teams will participate in the Southwest Regional 70 Foot 12 Year Old Cal Ripken Tournament which will be hosted by North Randall beginning July 19. They will compete with state champions from Oklahoma, Arkansas, Mississippi, Louisiana and other regions in Texas for a spot in the Cal Ripken 70 Foot 12 Year Old World Series.

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

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Stewart set to be released from JGR

championships, nity to buy his own Chevrolet by buying Haas-NASCAR team.

Stewart's contract with team, Stewart believes he JGR runs through 2009, but could ensure a spot for himannounce Wednesday that it his driving days. will release him from his almost a year, but the popular 2009 season. driver was slow to commit

explore free agency. Numerous options were a bunch of races and champi- Daytona presented to Stewart, includ- onships together," team pres- Raceway, a move many ing buying the fledgling two- ident J.D. Gibbs said in viewed as a sure sign Stewart car team of Haas-CNC April. "Our hope is that if was moving on. In 2005, Racing and driving for other you do that, then long term Stewart got sick in his car but organizations. It gave "this will be the spot he choos-" didn't" relinquish the wheel Stewart options Gibbs could- es to retire. But the reality is and drove to the victory at n't match, and likely forced we only control these next Watkins Glen. the team to grant him his couple of years, and we went Assuming Stewart does release despite an initial through this his last contract buy Haas-CNC, he'll renegotiations when he had a establish his long relationunwillingness to do so. Mike Arning, a spokesman dot of options out there. "Our hope is we do our partnership was partially for Stewart, said an announcement concerning job, and he retires here." When it became clear Gibbs moved to Toyota. Stewart's future would be Stewart wanted out, the General Motors continued to Wednesday. made Gibbs family finally relented sponsor the sprint cup teams ESPN.com reported late Tuesday night he would be and apparently was to sign that Stewart also owns.

CNC Racing. By owning a

son. Team owner Joe Gibbs officials had remained first nine years. has been trying to sign adamant that Stewart would

and eventually decided to through '08 and '09, and we ness midway through

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) While exploring his Stewart is in his 10th sea-- After 10 years and two options, Stewart was most son with Gibbs, and he and -Tony intrigued in potential owner- crew chief Greg Zipadelli +0 Stewart appears set to end his ship opportunities — and have the longest active drivrelationship with Joe Gibbs he's had an offer on the table er-crew chief pairing. Racing to pursue an opportu- since April to rejoin Zipadelli is not expected to leave JGR.

In their time together, they've racked up 32 Cup victories, the 1999 rookie of the team was expected to self in NASCAR long after the year title and Cup championships in 2002 and 2005. But his contract with JGR Stewart has won at least two contract at the end of the sea- stood in the way, and team races a season through his

He's been plagued by hor-Stewart to an extension for drive the No. 20 through the rible luck this season and is so far winless. He had to get "We've got Tony signed out of his car because of illwant to go full bore and win Saturday night's race at International

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Gene Haas, owner of the

Sarkozy to attend Olympics opener

RUSUTSU, Japan (AP) ----French President Nicolas world leader to raise the pos-Sarkozy will attend the sibility of boycotting the fes-Beijing Olympics' opening tivities to protest China's viotion over French support of China's communist leader-Tibet.

Sarkozy was the first ing to soothe Chinese irrita- been a slap in the face to ized powers in Japan. ship.

After keeping the threat dialogue between envoys of hosting a flawless Olympics. alive for months, Sarkozy on China and the Dalai Lama, reassured the Tibetan spiritual leader, Wednesday Chinese President Hu Jintao saying that he could attend that he would attend the Aug. the event if the discussions 8 ceremony, his office said. made

Sarkozy has pressed for important to China's hopes of Sarkozy's office said.

released from his contract. off on his early departure Wednesday. The team is two-car team, began serving ... "We're just going to look expected to replace the 37- a two-year prison sentence at everything out there," Stewart said in April in year-old Stewart, one of for tax evasion in January. announcing he'd test the NASCAR's most celebrated The team fields a car this seamarket. "A wise person once drivers, with 18-year-old son for Scott Riggs, and a told me it doesn't cost a dime

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phenom Joey Logano with second entry that has been to listen, so right now we're Home Depot staying on piloted by several drivers. board as the sponsor.

ment from Sarkozy's office.

ceremony next month, his lent crackdown on Tibet after The two men spoke on the International pressure has the Olympic values of peace, companies from nuclear office said Wednesday, end- riots and protests there in sidelines of the Group of built on both China and the friendship and brotherhood, giant Areva to transport and ing a boycott threat and seek- March. A snub would have Eight summit of industrial- Dalai Lama for an easing of and wished great success to engineering tensions, and their talks are the Beijing Olympic Games," Alstom.

The statement added that But there was no mention France wants to "deepen its of Tibet, human rights or the strategic partnership with Dalai Lama in the brief state- China," a major client for European plane manufacturer "The chief of state stressed Airbus; as well as French company

Sports in brief

By The Associated Press **AUTO RACING**

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) - Tony Stewart is expected to be released Wednesday from his contract with Joe Gibbs Racing at the end of the season, freeing the two-time NASCAR champion to purchase his own race team.

Stewart's contract runs through the 2009 season, but he was reluctant to commit to the extension Gibbs officials have been pushing for since last summer. He instead explored free agency, where numerous options were presented to Stewart ranging from ownership to seats driving for other top teams.

Mike Arning, a spokesman for Stewart, said an announcement concerning Stewart's future would be made Wednesday. ESPN.com reported late Tuesday night he would be released from his contract.

"We're just going to look at everything out there," Stewart said in April in announcing he'd test the market. "A wise person once told me it doesn't cost a dime to listen, so right now we're all ears."

While exploring his options, Stewart was most intrigued in potential ownership opportunities — and he's had an offer on the table since April to purchase the fledgling two-car team of Haas-CNC Racing. By owning a team, Stewart believes he could ensure a spot for himself in NASCAR long after his driving days.

BASEBALL

CHICAGO (AP) — One day after the Milwaukee Brewers landed an ace, the Chicago Cubs answered.

Intent on ending their 100-year drought without a World Series title, the NL Central leaders acquired talented right-hander Rich Harden in a six-player deal with the Oakland Athletics.

With CC Sabathia going to Milwaukee, Harden was the best available pitcher, Cubs general manager Jim Hendry said.

"We felt that the two high end guys who would possibly be available were the two that have already been traded. Those are legit one and two starters. So we tried to focus on trying to acquire one," Hendry said.

"It certainly wasn't a reaction move. We would have gladly had Rich two or three weeks ago."

progress.

The Cubs can now match Milwaukee's one-two combination of Sabathia and Ben Sheets with All-Star Carlos Zambrano and Harden.

NBA

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) - The Golden State Warriors will sign high-scoring free agent Corey Maggette to a five-year contract worth around \$50 million, a person with knowledge of the deal told The Associated Press.

The person, speaking on condition of anonymity because the deal can't be announced until Wednesday at the earliest, confirmed Maggette will leave the Los Angeles Clippers for a lucrative long-term deal with the fast-paced Warriors.

The San Francisco Chronicle first reported the deal.

Maggette, a 6-foot-6 swingman from Duke, should fit splendidly into Golden State coach Don Nelson's pell-mell style of play. He averaged 22.1 points, 5.6 rebounds

Maggette will trade places on the California coast with Baron Davis, who spurned the Warriors last week to agree to terms with the Clippers. Davis accepted a smaller salary than he would have made in the final year of his deal with Golden State.

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The 76ers have agreed to trade forward Rodney Carney and a future No. 1 pick to the Minnesota Timberwolves, two people in the NBA told The Associated Press, in a deal that clears salary cap space for Philadelphia to make a stronger play for free agent Elton Brand.

The people spoke on condition of anonymity because the trade had not yet been completed and the NBA trade moratorium is not lifted until Wednesday.-

The 76ers will throw in reserve forward Calvin Booth, and acquired a future second round draft pick and Minnesota's \$2.8 million trade exception gained in a 2007 deal with Miami.

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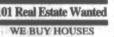
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Oil rebounds after Iranian missile launches

— Oil prices rebounded from consecutive days of steep declines after Iran testfired nine missiles Wednesday, including Shahab-3 missiles with the capability of reaching Israel.

Expectations that a U.S. crude supply report later in the day will show stocks at continued lows also supported prices.

'Iran is certainly sending mixed signals. There was an apparent easing of tensions, but then the missile tests had an impact on prices today.'

> - Victor Shum Purvin & Gertz

Iran's elite Revolutionary Guards fired the missiles during war games that highranking military officials say are a response to U.S. and Israeli threats.

Gen. Hossein Salami, a top commander, was quoted on state television saying the exercise "is to demonstrate our resolve and might against enemies who in recent weeks have threatened Iran with harsh language."

August delivery rose \$1.07 at \$137.11 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. The contract fell \$5.33 to settle at \$136.04 a barrel Tuesday.

VIENNA, Austria (AP) being, part of a run-up that pushed prices past \$145 a barrel in a string of recordsetting sessions before the Fourth of July holiday.

Analysts attributed much of the sell-off the last two days to profit-taking, saying traders were cashing in on the previous week's gains. A stronger dollar also helped keep prices lower by discouraging investors from pumping more money

into commodities. Fears that the economic slowdown is spreading had moved to the forefront.

"Sagging global equities, which are tipping a lack of confidence in economic growth in both developed and emerging economies, helped trigger the retreat in the energy markets," Addison Armstrong, director of market research at Tradition Energy, said in a research note. Still, analysts also

warned that the pullback could be fleeting.

"Oil's bull run is not over. There are still many supply side concerns, such as Iran, Shum said. "Spikes in the price of oil in the coming weeks are possible. Some traders may see this pullback as a buying opportunity."

Oil hit a trading record of \$145.85 last week before settling at a record close of \$145.29 a barrel.

Bringing prices back was Light, sweet crude for Iran's military drill, which took place in the Persian Gulf and the Strait of Hormuz, where about 40 percent of global oil exports pass.

Concern over the unruly "Iran is certainly sending oil market was a top priority mixed signals," said Victor Tuesday at a summit of industrialized powers in Rusutsu, Japan, with leaders calling on petroleum suppliers in a communique to boost production and refining and to increase investment in oil exploration and output over the medium term.

Eating healthy Plant foods for preserving muscle mass

By Rosalie Marion Bliss ARS News Service

Fruits and vegetables contain essential vitamins, minerals and fiber that are key to good health. Now, a newly released study by Agricultural Research Service (ARS)-funded scientists suggests plant foods also may help preserve muscle mass in older men and women.

The study was led by physician and nutrition specialist Bess Dawson-Hughes at the Jean Mayer USDA Human Nutrition Research Center on Aging at Tufts University in Boston, Mass.

The typical American diet is rich in protein, cereal grains and other acidproducing foods. In general, such diets generate tiny amounts of acid each day. With aging, a mild but slowly increasing metabolic "acidosis" develops, according to the researchers.

Acidosis appears to trigger a muscle-wasting response. So the researchers looked at links between measures of lean body mass and diets relatively high in potassium-rich, alkaline-residue producing fruits and vegetables. Such diets could help neutralize acidosis. Foods can be considered alkaline or acidic based on the residues they produce in the body, rather than whether they are alkaline or acidic themselves. For example, acidic grapefruits are metabolized to alkaline residues.

The researchers conducted a crosssectional analysis on a subset of nearly 400 male and female volunteers aged 65 or older who had completed a three-year osteoporosis intervention

trial. The volunteers' physical activity, height and weight, and percentage of lean body mass were measured at the start of the study and at three years. Their urinary potassium was measured at the start of the study, and their dietary data was collected at 18 months.

Based on regression models, volunteers whose diets were rich in potassium could expect to have 3.6 more pounds of lean tissue mass than volunteers with half the higher potassium intake. That almost offsets the 4.4 pounds of lean tissue that is typically lost in a decade in healthy men and women aged 65 and above, according to authors. The study was published in the March issue of the American Journal of Clinical Nutrition.

Sarcopenia, or loss of muscle mass, can lead to falls due to weakened leg muscles. The authors encourage future studies that look into the effects of increasing overall intake of foods that metabolize to alkaline residues on muscle mass and functionality.

ARS is the U.S. Department of Agriculture's chief scientific research agency.



Courtesy photo by Peggy Greb

A diet rich in alkaline-producing fruits and vegetables may help preserve muscle mass.

Services

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streets, the 300 block of North Christy, the 1100 block of Willow Road and twice in the 900 block of Duncan.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 600 block of North Sumner and the 900

dered in the 1300 block of Barnes, the 200 block of North Russell and the 1000 block of North Wells.

Found property was reported in the 500 block of Lefors. A 1999 Honda four-wheeler valued at \$1,750 was taken and returned. One suicide attempt was

reported. Suspicious person calls

Kingsmill, the intersection of Francis and Gillespie streets, the 100 block of North Houston and the 1200 block of North Hobart. At least one arrest was made in connection with the incident in the 800 block of East Frederic,

An abandoned vehicle was reported in the 800 block of Oklahoma.

Vehicle accidents were nator valued at \$93.

block of North Sumner.

One alarm was reported. Theft was reported in the 1500 block of North Hobart. A metal ramp valued at \$250 was taken.

Theft was reported at O'Reilly Auto Parts, 1543 N. Hobart. The incident involved the fraudulent use of a business account to buy an alter-

Theft was reported in the 800 block of Municipal Drive. Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported in the 100 block of West Foster.

Shum at Purvin & Gertz in Singapore. "There was an apparent easing of tensions, but then the missile tests had an impact on prices today."

Tuesday's decline dropped crude to levels not seen since June 26. The market's bearish turn this week erases, at least for the time

GOP blames gov't for toxic trailers, not manufacturers

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republicans are blaming the federal government for not having standards for safe levels of formaldehyde in trailers used by Hurricane Katrina victims.

Democrats say that's not the whole story, but haven't offered their view of the problems

The House Oversight and Government Reform Committee was holding a hearing Wednesday where the heads of four major travel trailer manufacturers were to testify.

In advance of the hearing, a GOP staff analysis said companies that make recreational vehicles should not be blamed for high levels of formaldehyde in trailers that the Federal Emergency Management Agency set up to house people displaced by Katrina in 2005.

"Blaming trailer manufacturers for doing what was expected of them would be misplaced and ineffective," the analysis said.

The report also faults the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, FEMA and the Environmental Protection Agency for controversial testing that led to misleading results about the formaldehyde exposure. Last year, seientists tested hundreds of FEMA trailers and found potentially dangerous levels of formaldehyde.

spokeswoman for Democrats on the committee said the Republican findings

were incomplete. The Democrats were to release their findings at Wednesday's hearing.

Prolonged exposure to formaldehyde can lead to breathing problems and is also believed to cause cancer. Complaints began popping up shortly after Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, with residents of FEMA-issued trailers reporting frequent headaches, nosebleeds and other ailments. "Trailer manufacturers were pushed to their limits and did their best to help ill-prepared and disjointed government agencies respond to the disaster," said Rep. Tom Davis, R-Va., the ranking Republican on the House Oversight Committee.

But Tony Buzbee, a lawyer representing hundreds of current and former trailer occupants who are suing dozens of trailer manufacturers, said it's laughable to assert that the manufacturers bear no responsibility for the levels of formaldehyde in the trailers they made.

But there is no government standard for the amount of formaldehyde in travel trailers. The government sets standards for indoor air quality for materials used to build mobile homes, but not for travel trailers. If the government were to set a standard for materials in travel trailers, the order would have to come from Congress. Katrina victims now occupy 15,000 travel trailers in the Gulf Coast.

block of Malone.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 400 block of Louisiana and the 1200 block of South Dwight.

A domestic disturbance call was received from the 700 block of North Dwight. The incident involved a terroristic threat

A gas drive-off was reported at Allsup's, 140 S. Starkweather. Fuel valued at \$30.06 was taken.

A gas drive-off was reported at Murphy USA, 101 W. 28th.

Theft was reported in the 2300 block of Duncan. The incident involved credit card abuse.

Theft was reported in the 500 block of Carr. Taken were a hoe and a tow rope.

Sunday, July 6

Fourteen traffic stops were made. Stops in the 100 block of South Starkweather, the intersection of Barnes and Murphy streets, and the 900 block of Scott resulted in arrests.

Traffic complaints were received from the 1100 block of Varnon Drive, the 1100 block of Willow Road and the 800 block of East Browning.

Vehicle accidents were reported in the 2700 block of Comanche and the 600 block of South Gray.

Abandoned vehicles were reported in the 200 block of Thut, the 1200 block of North Hobart and the 800 block of West Kingsmill.

Calls and stops concerning animals occurred in the 300 block of North Somerville, the 600 block of North Zimmers, the 700 block of West Wilks, the 900 block of Sierra, the 1300 block of North Russell, the 800 block of Malone, the 400 block of Lefors, the 2200 block of Gwendolen, the 300 block of Miami, the 1000 block of Sirroco, the 1400 block of West Somerville and Recreation Park, 1600 E. Highway 60.

Agency assistance was ren-

were received from the interof Foster and section Starkweather streets, and the 1000 block of North Sumner. At least one arrest was made in connection with the incident in the 1000 block of North Sumner.

Violation of a city ordinance was reported in the 1100 block of Barnes, the intersection of Sirroco and Cinderella streets, the 400 block of Crawford, the 900 block of Sierra, the 900 block of Terry Road and the 800 block of Beryl.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1600 block of West Somerville and twice in the 1100 block of Willow Road. At least one arrest was made in connection with the second incident in the 1100 block of Willow Road.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 800 block of Lefors. Two windows were shot out. Estimated cost of damage is \$150.

Criminal mischief was reported at Douglas Paint and Body, 317 E. Brown. Five windows were shot out. Estimated cost of damage is over \$1,000.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1100 block of Seneca. The windshield and back glass of a vehicle were broken. Estimated cost of damage is \$700.

Criminal mischief was reported in the parking lot of Wal-Mart Supercenter, 2801 Charles. A window of a vehicle was shot out.

Assault was reported in the 900 block of Cinderella and in the police department lobby.

Theft was reported in the 500 block of North Dwight. A bicycle valued at \$200 was taken.

Monday, July 7 Eleven traffic stops were made.

Traffic complaints were received from the 800 block of East Frederic, the 8200 block of Farm to Market Road 2300, the 800 block of East reported in the 600 block of West Foster, and the intersection of Kentucky and Duncan streets.

Calls and stops concerning animals occurred in the 1000 block of East Browning, the 800 block of West Kingsmill, the 1200 block of East Francis (twice), the 1700 block of Hamilton, the 700 block of East Kingsmill, the 300 block of West Foster, the 1100 block of South Dwight, the 300 block of Miami, the 200 block of Tignor, the 2300 block of Rosewood, the 2500 block of Mary Ellen, the 1100 block of Kiowa, the 1000 block of East Kingsmill, the 300 block of Tignor, the 1000 block of Duncan and the 1300 block of Garland (twice).

Runaways were reported in the 2200 block of Perryton Parkway and the 1000 block of South Sumner.

A civil matter was reported in the 1000 block of South Dwight.

Suspicious person calls were received from the 200 block of North Nelson, the 1200 block of North Hobart and the 100 block of Osage.

Silent/abusive 911 calls were received from the 2500 block of Dogwood and the 1000 block of Twiford.

Violation of a city ordinance was reported in the 700 block of East Albert.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1100 block of Darby, the 2100 block of Lea and the 1100 block of Prairie Drive.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1700 block of Coffee. A brick was thrown through the back window of a vehicle.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 2200 block of Chestnut.

Threats were reported in the 1600 block of West Somerville and the police department lobby.

Domestic disturbances were reported in the 900 block of East Frederic and the 1600

Burglary was reported in the 700 block of West Kingsmill.

Tuesday, July 8

Two traffic stops were made.

A runaway was reported in the 1100 block of South Dwight.

A suspicious person callwas received from the 300 block of South Cuyler.

A silent/abusive 911 call was received from the 100 block of South Starkweather.

One open door was checked.

Hoover Volunteer Fire Department reported the following calls for the month of June.

Sunday, June 8 6 p.m. - Two units and three personnel responded to a storm watch in northern Gray. County.

11 p.m. - Four personnel responded to a weather standby at Hoover Volunteer Fire Station #2.

Saturday, June 14 3:05 p.m. - Four units and seven personnel responded to an oil field fire at Baggerman Road and County Road 1.

Sunday, June 15 8:30 a.m. - Five units and 12 personnel responded to a public service call at Perry LeFors Airport.

Monday, June 16 12:30 a.m. - Two units and six personnel responded to a call for medical assistance at Highway 743 and County Road E.

Friday, June 20 12:06 a.m. - Two units and

five personnel responded to a power pole fire at Highways 749 and 273.

Sunday, June 22

12 p.m. - Three units and seven personnel responded to a structure fire in the 8500 block of County Road 6.