

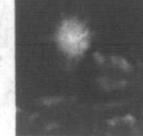


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Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		
High 94 Low 71	High 91 Low 70	High 86 Low 62

Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 71. South southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 94. Southwest wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 71. South southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

Independence Day: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1pm. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 91. West southwest wind 15 to 20 mph decreasing to between 5 and 10 mph. Winds could gust as high as 25 mph.

Saturday Night: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 70. East southeast wind 5 to 10 mph increasing to between 15 and 20 mph. Winds could gust as high as 25 mph.

Sunday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 88. North northeast wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Sunday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 66. North northwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

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Number matching five of five: 0. Prize: \$0
Matching four of five: 74. Prize: \$472
Matching three of five: 2,276. Prize: \$11
Matching two of five: 24,253. Prize: \$2

Daily 4 results

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Wednesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 0 - 5 - 0 - 8. Sum It Up: 13
(zero, five, zero, eight. Sum It Up: thirteen)

Pick 3 results

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 4 - 7 - 2. Sum It Up: 13
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Obituaries There are no obituaries today

Emergency Services

AMBULANCE

Guardian EMS responded to the following calls during the period between 7 a.m. Wednesday, July 1 to 7 a.m. Thursday, July 2.

Wednesday
An MICU unit responded to the 1500 block of W. Kentucky, transporting one patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

Thursday
An MICU unit responded to PRMC, transporting one patient to the 1900 block of Sumner.

An MICU unit responded to the intersection of Hwy. 60 and Price Road, transporting one patient to PRMC.

An MICU unit responded to the 1000 block of S. Nelson, no transport.

An MICU unit responded to the 700 block of Malone, one patient transported to PRMC.

FIRE

The Pampa Fire Department responded to the following call during the period 7 a.m. Wednesday, July 2, to 7 a.m. Thursday, July 2.

5:25 p.m.— One unit and three personnel responded to a two-car motor vehicle accident with injury and Hazmat at Price Road and Hwy. 60

SHERIFF

The Gray County Sheriff's Department made the following arrests during the period between 7 a.m. Wednesday, July 1 and 7 a.m. Thursday, July 2.

David Ray Burrow, 29, of Clarendon, was arrested by Gray County Sheriff's Deputies and booked into Gray County Jail on the charges of insufficient bond for charges relating to the manufacture/delivery of a controlled substance, and insufficient bond relating to charges of possessing/transporting chemicals with the intent to manufacture a controlled substance.

Alfred David Wiles, 20, of Pampa, was arrested by Gray County Sheriff's Deputies and booked into Gray County Jail on the charge of insufficient bond related to a charge of sexual assault on a child.

Morris Lynn Powell, 57, of Pampa, was arrested by Gray County Sheriff's Deputies and booked in Gray County Jail on a charge of theft.

The Pampa Police Department responded to the following calls during the period between 7 a.m.

Wednesday, July 1 to 7 a.m. Thursday, July 2.

Animal Control Officers responded to 24 calls or stops.

Pampa Police Officers made 34 traffic stops, had 11 follow-up investigations, and provided two funeral escorts and one agency assist.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 500 block of N. Nelson

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 100 block of Christy St.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 700 block of E. Kentucky Ave.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 608 Sloan St.

A suspicious person was reported in the 400 block of Starkweather St.

A suspicious person was reported in the 300 block of W. Foster Ave.

A suspicious person was reported at the intersection of Tyng and Cuyler.

A suspicious person was reported at the intersection of Starkweather and Brown.

A suspicious vehicle was reported at the intersection of Tyng and Cuyler.

A traffic complaint was taken from the 1300 block of N. Russell.

Theft was reported from

the 800 block of W 25th Ave.

A forgery was reported from the 2800 block of N. Charles.

An assault was reported in the 11 block of S. Prairie Drive.

A welfare check was conducted in the 110 block of Seneca.

Officer responded to a traffic accident with injury at Price Road and Hwy. 60.

A 911 Hang-up call came in from the 100 block of Huff Road.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 900 block of Cinderella Drive.

A stolen vehicle was reported in the 500 block of N. Nelson.

A runaway was reported from the 1400 block of W. Somerville. A prowler was reported in the 700 block of Magnolia St.

Harassment was reported in the 500 block of Zimmers St.

A runaway was reported in the 1500 block of N. Williston.

A runaway was reported in the 100 block of duncan St.

A suicide attempt was reported in the 700 block of Malone Ave.

A theft was reported in the 1900 block of N. Hobart St.

467K jobs cut in June; jobless rate at 9.5 percent

JEANNINE AVERSA
AP Economics Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Employers cut a larger-than-expected 467,000 jobs in June and the unemployment rate climbed to a 26-year high of 9.5 percent. Workers also saw weekly wages fall, suggesting Americans will have little appetite to spend and the economy's road to recovery will be bumpy.

The Labor Department report, released Thursday, showed that even as the recession flashes signs of easing, companies likely will want to keep a lid on costs and be wary of hiring until they feel certain the economy is on solid ground.

President Barack Obama, in an interview with The Associated Press, said he is "deeply concerned" about unemployment and conceded that too many families are worried about "whether they will be next" to suffer an economic blow. He also expressed disappointment over the weak employment figures, acknowledging that "what we are still seeing is too many jobs lost."

June's payroll reductions were deeper than the 363,000 that economists expected and average weekly earnings dropped to the lowest level in nearly a year.

However, the rise in the unemployment rate from 9.4 percent in May wasn't as sharp as the expected 9.6 percent. Still, many economists predict the jobless rate will hit 10 percent this year, and keep rising into next year, before falling back.

All told, 14.7 million people were unemployed in June.

If laid-off workers who have given up looking for new jobs or have settled for part-time work are included, the unemployment rate would have been 16.5 percent in June, the highest on records dating to 1994.

"We were on the road of things getting less bad in the jobs market, and that has been temporarily

waylaid," said economist Ken Mayland, president of ClearView Economics. "But this doesn't change my view that the recession will end later this year. We're probably two months away."

On Wall Street, the employment news pulled stocks lower. The Dow Jones industrials lost about 175 points in afternoon trading, and broader indices also fell. Overseas markets dropped after a report showed unemployment in Europe rose to a 10-year high in May.

Since the recession began in December 2007, the economy has lost a net total of 6.5 million jobs.

As the downturn bites into sales and profits, companies have turned to layoffs and other cost-cutting measures to survive. Those include holding down workers' hours and freezing or cutting pay. The average work week in June fell to 33 hours, the lowest on records dating to 1964.

"We are in some very hard and severe economic times," Labor Secretary Hilda Solis said in an interview. "The president and I are both not happy."

Still, Solis thought it was too early to consider a second government stimulus, saying more time is needed for the current one to take hold. "I do think the public needs to be patient," she said. "We know they are hurting."

Layoffs in May turned out to smaller, 322,000, versus the 345,000 first reported. But job cuts in April were a bit deeper — 519,000 versus 504,000, according to government data.

Even with higher pace of job cuts in June, the report indicates that the worst of the layoffs have passed. The deepest job cuts of the recession came in January, when 741,000 jobs vanished, the most in any month since 1994.

For the second quarter, job losses averaged 436,000 a month. That was down from a monthly average of 691,000 in the

first quarter. Economists predict the economy will continue to lose jobs through the rest of this year, although they hope at a slower pace.

And there was some other encouraging job news Thursday.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department said orders placed with U.S. factories rose 1.2 percent in May, the most in 11 months. The increase also was better than economists expected.

Still, job losses last month were widespread.

Professional and business services slashed 118,000 jobs, more than double the 48,000 cut

in May. Manufacturers cut 136,000, down from 156,000. Construction companies got rid of 79,000 jobs, up from 48,000 the previous month. Retailers eliminated 21,000, up from 17,600. Financial activities cut 27,000, following 30,000 in May. The government cut 52,000 jobs, up from 10,000 the previous month. Leisure and hospitality cut 18,000 jobs, erasing a gain of the same size in May.

One of the few industries adding jobs: education and health services, which added 34,000 positions last month and 47,000 in May.

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Texas pastor protesting traffic stop arrested

ARELIS HERNANDEZ
ASSOCIATED PRESS
WRITER

WEBSTER, Texas (AP) — Webster police used a Taser on a pastor and pepper spray to disperse members of his congregation Wednesday after they said the pastor tried to interfere with a traffic stop of a member of his church.

Jose Elias Moran, 42, was charged with interfering in the duties of a police officer during a traffic stop on the Iglesia Profetica Peniel parking lot southeast of Houston.

"This did not have to happen. It didn't have to go this far," Debbie Moran, the pastor's 15-year-old daughter, said.

An incident report on the department's Web site said Officer Raymond Berryman tried to calm Moran and arrest him. But police say he pushed the officer, went inside the church and returned with 40 other congregants.

Moran and his family disputed the police account.

Speaking from his hospital bed Wednesday night, Moran told The Associated Press that when he was told a member of the church had been stopped, he went outside to ask what was going on. He said he was told to go back inside and said the officer grabbed his shirt when he said "I'm the pastor." Moran said he went back inside to get witnesses and the officer chased him and began to kick the door.

Moran said that when they came back outside the officer started spraying pepper spray as soon as the door was opened. A second officer shocked him twice with a Taser, he said.

"Why don't they go to the clubs and the bars where bad things are happening? Why do they need to come to a church?" Moran asked in Spanish.

Witnesses said Moran didn't lay a hand on the officer.

Congregants say they were in the church for an early morning prayer when the incident unfolded.

The police said the pas-

tor did not have a certificate of occupancy for the building. The pastor said he had applied for the certificate in April.

Moran said he planned to hire an attorney to press charges against the officer.

Moran's son Miguel said 30 witnesses saw the police officer turn aggressive and repeatedly kick the door of the church.

"They treated him as if he were a drug dealer or murderer, but he is a pastor that tries to help the community," Moran said in Spanish. "The police always want to be right but they are not."

Moran's wife, Maria, said she tried to help her husband after he was hit with the Taser but police threatened to arrest her.

"My husband has a heart

condition and with electrocution who knows what could've happened," Maria Moran said.

The family saw Moran at Clear Lake Regional Medical Center for the first time late Wednesday night. He was to be kept overnight for additional tests.

A call to police for comment was not immediately returned Wednesday night.

"A pastor has to tend to his flock," Maria Moran said. "That is all he was doing."

The family posted bail for Moran Wednesday night.

Police said the driver of the car was cited for driving without a license.

Kids found in shed behind daycare

SEALY, Texas (AP) — A Southeast Texas couple are in jail after a state inspector found five children locked in tool shed behind an unlicensed daycare center.

State officials say the children were surrounded by lawn equipment, gasoline and insecticide when they were found Wednesday.

Austin County District Attorney Travis Koehn says 55-year-old Marietta Patek is charged with six counts of child endangerment, while her 47-year-old husband, Freddie Patek, faces an evidence tampering charge. Bond has been set at \$10,000 for each.

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family south of Pampa in September, 2005. Jury selection in the case started Tuesday in Lubbock.

Morris said the mileage and motel bills for last week were a little over \$1,600. The jury selection is expected to take about six weeks. The trial is expected to last another four or five.

Morris estimated the county would end up paying about \$800,000 in the case.

Judge Peet said that despite the expense, he appreciates 31st District Judge Steven Emmert, the trial judge in the King case, trying to keep the costs down, noting that Emmert had selected Lubbock,

which is relatively nearby and that Lubbock County was giving the judge a courtroom and offices for free.

The commission also recognized Gray County Treasurer for continuing education credits that he recently earned.



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built with federal stimulus money but drivers on a restricted lane will still pay tolls.

Senate Finance Committee Chairman Steve Ogden, R-Bryan, suggested the bill may not pass his committee and there were similar signs it would struggle to get a House vote as well.

"I'm going to try, but it's the first two (bills) that we have to pass," Ogden said.

A similar version in the House was left pending in a committee as Rep. Joe Pickett, the House sponsor, said he wasn't confident it could pass there, either.

Dewhurst said the Senate may be open to a version of the contracts bill that is limited only to a few projects set to be finalized in the next two years before lawmakers return for the 2011 session.

Opponents of such con-

tracts worry they take control away from local governments. Supporters say they are needed to finance road projects that might not otherwise get built.

"If the CDA financing option is not available, Texas drivers will face one of two options: massive gas tax increases to pay for these roads or maddening traffic gridlock that is unimaginable even on today's congested roads," said Bill Noble, executive director for Texans for Safe Reliable Transportation.

Rep. Jim Dunning of Waco, leader of the House Democrats, questioned whether the contracts are more important than expanding subsidized children's health insurance or reforming Texas' property insurance market, issues Perry refused to put on the special session agenda.

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Rep. Joe Pickett, D-El Paso, the bill's House sponsor, said he's not sure the bill has enough support to pass, but lawmakers also could address it during their next regularly scheduled session in 2011.

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Today in History

Today is Thursday, July 2, the 183rd day of 2009. There are 182 days left in the year.

Highlights in history on this date:

1502 - Conflict between French and Spanish over partition of Naples breaks out in open warfare in Italy.

1644 - British Royalists suffer their first major defeat against the Parliamentarians under Oliver Cromwell at Marston Moor.

1657 - Denmark attacks Sweden, already at war with Russia, Poland and Austria, but suffers a humiliating defeat the same winter.

1776 - The Continental Congress declares American independence.

1777 - Vermont became the first American colony to abolish slavery.

1860 - Russians found Vladivostok near Korean border.

1890 - Brussels Act is passed by international conference to eradicate African slave trade and liquor traffic with primitive peoples.

'The soul has more diseases than the body.'

— Henry Wheeler Shaw, U.S. author

1900 - Count Ferdinand von Zeppelin flies his first airship in Germany.

1937 - U.S. aviator Amelia Earhart and navigator Fred Noonan disappear during an attempt to

cross the Pacific.

1947 - An object crashes near Roswell in the U.S. state of New Mexico. Military authorities first say it was an alien spacecraft and later say it was a weather balloon.

1964 - A century after the Civil War was fought, U.S. President Lyndon B. Johnson signs the Civil Rights Act against racial discrimination.

1966 - France explodes an atomic bomb at a Pacific atoll in first of series of six tests.

1976 - North and South Vietnam are reunited officially after more than 20 years of war.

1988 - Salvage tugboats battle flames aboard two Iranian tankers after missile attacks by Iraq's air force in Gulf War.

1990 - A stampede in a pedestrian tunnel linking Mecca and a tent city leaves 1,400 pilgrims dead of suffocation or trampling.

1991 - Heavy fighting erupts in Slovenia with Yugoslav army using warplanes and artillery to help units trapped by Slovene forces.

1992 - The United States completes a worldwide withdrawal of their tactical nuclear weapons marking the end of an era that began with rapid nuclear buildup in the early 1950s.

2006 - Thousands of people march through Paris to protest plans to tighten restrictions on immigration and step up deportations of immigrant families with children who are in France illegally.

Today's Birthdays:

Christoph Willibald von Gluck, German composer (1714-1787); Sir William Bragg, British scientist and Nobel laureate (1862-1942); Herman Hesse, German writer and Nobel laureate (1877-1962); Wislawa Szymborska, Polish poet and Nobel laureate (1923--); Larry David, writer/director (1947--); Jerry Hall, model/actress (1956--); Lindsay Lohan, actress (1986--).



Fourth of July at Eddie Gabor's house

By Tom Purcell

When I drove by Eddie Gabor's old house, I was transported back 20 years -- back to the wonderful Fourth of July outings my family once enjoyed there.

Eddie Gabor was my grandmother's longtime companion. For the last 20 years of her life, Eddie treated her like gold.

She'd had a hard life, after all. Widowed in her late 40s, she struggled for years to pay the bills -- she struggled to tend to the last of her six children (who all went on to do well in life).

Then Providence intervened.

My grandmother, a regular churchgoer, had caught the eye of another parishioner -- a colorful old bachelor named Eddie Gabor.

Eddie and his brother ran a successful office-cleaning business. They had hundreds of employees who maintained the interiors and exteriors of Pittsburgh's biggest high-rise buildings.

Though Eddie's brother married and raised a family, Eddie was never blessed that way. Many years went by and Eddie was still alone -- until he met my grandmother.

The two hit it off instant-

ly. They were soon inseparable. They went to Mass together every day. Eddie took her to Pittsburgh's finest restaurants every night. My grandmother brought Eddie to every family event.

Eddie made the last 20 years of her life her best years -- he made our Fourth of July celebrations wonderful, too.

Eddie lived in a beautiful stone home up high on a hill. His home bordered a park. Every Fourth of July his township gave a fireworks display. Eddie's backyard offered a perfect view.

So every year, he set out tables and chairs. He made refreshments and food. Just before dusk, my grandmother's children, grandchildren, their spouses and others would arrive.

As the adults laughed and caught up with each other, the children danced around the yard, giggling as their sparklers burned bright.

Soon, the sky would fall black and the fireworks would begin. As we "oohed" and "aahed" -- as the sky exploded into light and just as quickly returned to darkness -- Eddie would be next to my grandmother, as contented as a man

can be.

Eddie threw his last Fourth of July party in 1993, five years after my grandmother died. He died the following winter. Our sadness at the loss of both hit hardest the next Fourth of July when we could no longer gather at Eddie's to celebrate.

The fact is there was no better place to celebrate the Fourth of July -- not just because Eddie made my grandmother's last years so wonderful, but in part because of Eddie's father.

Eddie's father was born in Hungary. He came to America seeking a better life for himself and his family. He took the first job he could get -- janitor.

Where others may view mopping and cleaning as demeaning work, Eddie's father surely didn't. He saw a future.

He started his own cleaning business. He began by cleaning small commercial buildings and kept moving his way up.

His company was soon maintaining larger buildings. He soon had the means to send his sons to college -- to develop their business skills to help him keep growing the business.

He built himself a nice stone home in the suburbs

-- the home in which Eddie Gabor would live the rest of his life.

The story of Eddie's father is an American story. Through hard work, he made an incredible life for his family, and he unwittingly made an incredible life for my grandmother.

As I first drove by Eddie Gabor's old house, I was initially filled with sadness -- sad that my grandmother and Eddie have been gone nearly 20 years already.

But as all the memories came flooding back -- as I pieced together what the old house really symbolizes -- I couldn't help but smile.

Despite America's temporary setbacks, I prefer to focus on the incredible blessings our country bestowed on Eddie's father, Eddie, my grandmother and my family.

I plan to drive by Eddie Gabor's old house every Fourth of July.

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Liberty—still worth the cost

Each Independence Day I think of my ancestor Benjamin Rush, a signer of the Declaration of Independence. Two centuries and numerous generations later, I take much inspiration from what he and his colleagues committed to in the summer of 1776.

Just imagine how different the world would be had they not approached independence with a passionate commitment to liberty!

But what if on Friday, July 5, 1776, the men who approved the Declaration of Independence merely headed home believing their work done? Sure, they declared the equality of men, extolling the inalienable rights to life and liberty. It must have felt good to vent frustrations about the king. What if each man decided the talk of freedom shouldn't inconvenience anyone too much?

Alas, there would have been no "new nation, conceived in liberty." Rather than Old Glory, our public spaces would today be festooned with the Union Jack -- or worse. The world would be a darker place.

As a legal document only the present of the Congress -- John Hancock -- probably had to sign the

Declaration, but the others did as well. Benjamin Franklin reportedly said to Hancock, "We must all hang together, or assuredly we shall all hang separately."

They pledged their "lives... fortunes... and sacred honor" to the cause of independence and liberty. No limits to that pledge; for them, everything was on the line. The cause of liberty was wrapped up in every facet of their lives.

Indeed, they saw the fight for political liberty as inextricably linked to providing for their families, serving in their churches, and ensuring the long-term prosperity of their neighbors.

They didn't know if they would be hung the next week, bankrupted the next month, expelled from social circles the next year, or lost forever in the ash

heap of history. But they believed in the righteousness of the cause. They knew liberty, as messy and inconvenient as it might sometimes be, was worth it for themselves and their posterity.

Let us not forget that it wasn't just those 56 signers who birthed our nation 233 years ago. Tens of thousands fought against the crown and for liberty, giving life to this democratic republic.

Over the course of the revolutionary war, the fields of America were watered by the blood of men young and old who believed dying for the chance of liberty was better than living under the yoke of tyranny. Even as so many of their names are lost to history, their legacy is this brilliant city upon a hill, securing the blessings of liberty.

That's what they were willing to do the day after the Fourth of July in 1776.

In this year, once the parades conclude, BBQs end, and fireworks explode, what will we do for the cause of liberty on the Fifth of July? That's the day that counts, and each day after. While it's good to celebrate our national independence, we must daily take action to preserve our liberty.

The cause of liberty -- in our cities, counties, schools, state and nation -- needs us more than ever. And it is still worth it.

Michael Quinn Sullivan is president of Empower Texans and Texas for Fiscal Responsibility, working with more than 50,000 voters in the Lone Star State.

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Come to church in a bar and bring your dog

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A nondenominational church is conducting Sunday services in a bar and allowing dogs to attend with their owners.

The City Community Church meets Sunday mornings at La Zona Rosa, a music venue and bar, the Austin American-Statesman reported.

Church members say meeting in a bar and allowing dogs are ways to serve the community and make people feel comfortable.

Organizers say it takes an hour and a half to make the switch from bar to church by cleaning up beer bottles and installing baby gates.

Scott Harmon says when services are over "it's back to a bar."

Rev. Matthias Haeusel says most dogs are well-behaved, although things got awkward when a German shepherd recently tried to eat one of the smaller dogs.

Oil slips below \$68 as US jobless rate rises

PABLO GORONDI
Associated Press Writer

Oil prices slipped below \$68 a barrel Thursday as rising unemployment in Europe and the U.S. helped strengthen the dollar and draw investors out of commodities.

By mid-afternoon in Europe, benchmark crude for August delivery was down \$1.64 to \$67.67 a barrel in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. On Wednesday, it fell 58 cents to settle at \$69.31.

In the United States a Labor Department report showed the economy lost a larger-than-expected 467,000 jobs in June, with the unemployment rate rising to 9.5 percent from 9.4 percent in May, underscoring concerns about the pace of economic recovery.

Analyst had been expecting payroll reductions of 363,000 in June. Since the recession began in December 2007, the economy has lost a net total of 6.5 million jobs.

Meanwhile, unemployment in the 16 countries that use the euro spiked to a ten-year high in May, reinforcing concerns about the length of the economic recovery. The seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate for the euro zone in May stood at 9.5 percent, up from April's 9.3 percent and hitting its highest level since May 1999.

The euro slipped to \$1.4040 on Thursday from \$1.4148 late Wednesday in New York, while the British pound was down to \$1.6360 from \$1.6474.

Investors turn to commodities like oil to hedge against inflation and dollar weakness, but tend to drift back to the U.S. currency when it strengthens.

A rally from below \$35 a barrel in March stalled last month on investor concern that a sluggish global economy may not recover fast enough to justify surging oil prices.

Oil will likely trade between \$65 a barrel and \$75 in the July-September period, averaging \$71 in the third quarter and \$76 in the fourth quarter, Barclays Capital said in a report.

"We expect the upward

momentum in many commodities to slow over the next few quarters, before fresh highs are reached when the cycle becomes expansive," Barclays said.

Prices were bolstered Wednesday by a weekly report from the Energy Department's Energy Information Administration which showed crude inventories fell more than some expected, losing 3.7 million barrels for the week ended June 26.

Supplies have dropped 15.8 million barrels during the last four weeks, a sign crude demand may be picking up.

In other Nymex trading, gasoline for August delivery fell 4.54 cents to \$1.8136 a gallon and heating oil slid 3.52 cents to \$1.7305. Natural gas for August delivery dropped 7.5 cents to \$3.720 per 1,000 cubic feet.

In London, Brent prices fell \$1.37 to \$67.42 a barrel on the ICE Futures exchange.



Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: Your response to "Frustrated Shopper in Idaho" (April 5) made me very upset. I am a cashier in a local grocery store. I understand a shopper's frustration when she/he gets in the express lane only to find someone with a full cart up ahead. But we cashiers are between a rock and a hard place. If we ask a customer to please go to another lane, the customer will get upset, tell us we're rude and complain to the manager. If we say nothing to avoid upsetting that one customer, then the others waiting in line get angry.

Customers need to be respectful and not assume they're entitled to bring their fully loaded cart into the express lane. It's not the cashier's fault, and we do not need "more training"! -- CHRISTY IN OHIO

DEAR CHRISTY: Mea culpa. I heard from a slew of angry cashiers across the country echoing similar sentiments. Read on:

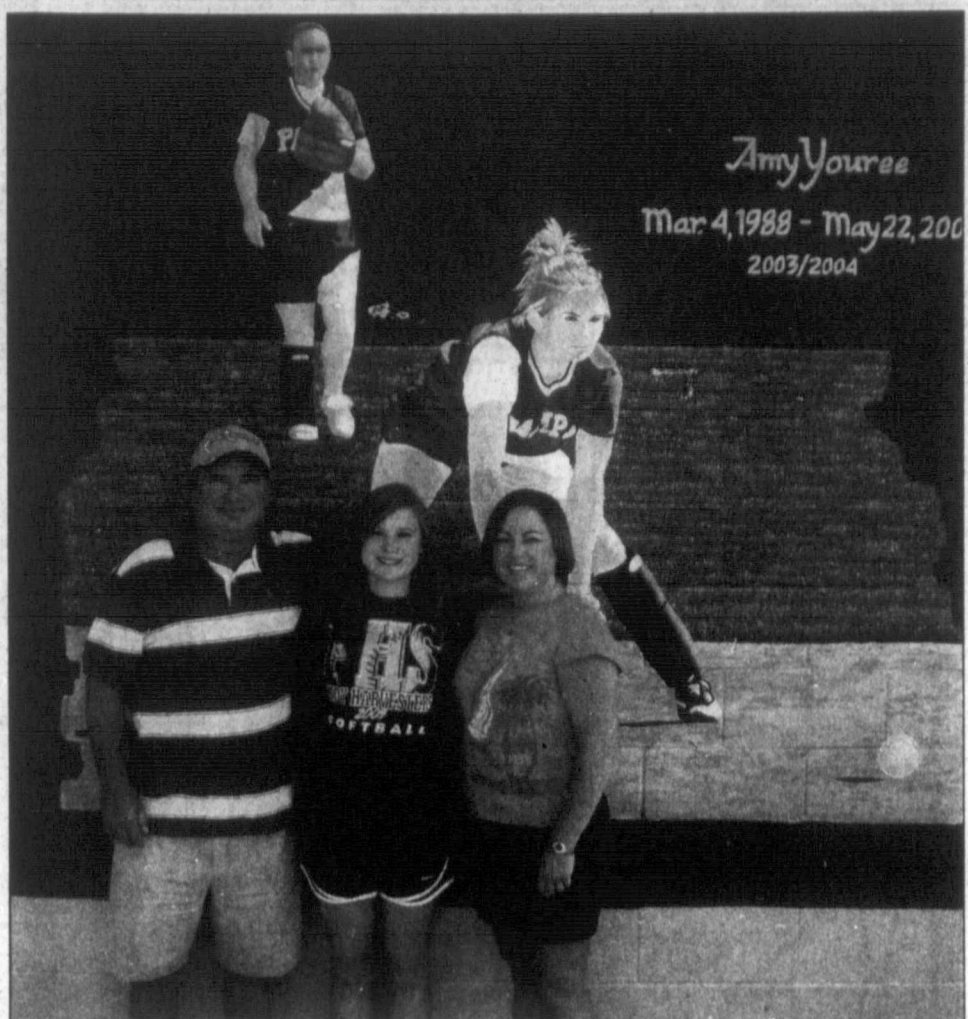
DEAR ABBY: I am a checker, and I'm frequently assigned to the express lane. I was trained very well and usually politely tell customers that it is a "10 items or less" line. However, it is beyond my control when the managers push them down my line to get them out of the store sooner, or when a manager tells me he/she is sending someone down with "a few extra things" without

asking for my input. It is neither the customer's fault nor mine. I try to enforce this rule, but not all customers are polite or willing to listen. -- ANNOYED CHECKER

DEAR ABBY: A simple and effective solution to this problem would be to program the express lanes to accept no more than the posted limit for that lane, e.g., 10 items. If businesses can program their systems to accommodate senior discounts, bag rebates, double coupons, buy-one-get-one, etc., surely they can program an express lane limit. -- VIRGINIA SHOPPER

DEAR ABBY: I was a manager for 24 years at a national supermarket chain, and I can answer "Frustrated Shopper." A cashier would not be fired for enforcing the rules, but because of a higher number of customer complaints. Supermarkets want friendly cashiers. It's not the cashier's job to enforce rules; that's the manager's job.

To risk losing customers by embarrassing them is not something most managers are willing to do. Think about it: Who's spending more -- the person with a few items or someone with a full cart? -- FORMER MANAGER IN ORLANDO



Kelby Doughty received the Amy Youree Memorial Scholarship for this year. Every year Amy's family gives a Pampa High School softball player a scholarship from the fund. Amy was a very talented player until she was killed in a car accident in 2004 when she was 16 years old. Pictured in front of the mural honoring Amy at the Pampa High School Softball field are Doug Youree (Amy's father), Kelby Doughty and Melody Youree (Amy's Mother)

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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)
★★★★ Reach for the stars, knowing the potential available. Don't settle, even if you're a bit shaken up by an insight or heavy thought. Let that go. If you are triggered, detaching will be more effective. Tonight: A little too much fun and excess is good for the soul.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Teamwork is the key to growth. You might want to be open to the offer of someone who clearly cares a lot and can point you in the right direction. Ask yourself if control is the reason that you don't defer to this person's ideas. Good will surrounds you. Tonight: Dinner for two.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ You might not realize it as you get out of bed, but you are feeling vibrant and clear. Others will make an extra effort toward you, but in their own way. Network and get to the bottom of an issue during a morning meeting. Tonight: Continue to make it a people day.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Listen to feedback from others. You could be slightly overwhelmed by what you have to do. Perhaps you might want to exercise and try out the word "no." You could be surprised by how well that might work. Tonight: TGIF. Join friends.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Basics count and allow you to use your imagination and ingenuity. You will want to tap into your imagination and head in a new direction. Feelings are extreme and jump back and forth. Tonight: Lighten up someone else's mood.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Perhaps you can take some time off today, as you would be happiest close to home. Extreme feelings mark a key bond. A friendship could become more of a romantic or flirtatious relationship. Tonight: Order in.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Keep talking and opening up to others. The more someone trusts you, the better off you are. Accept new technology, and open up to a better and more effective manner of proceeding. Tonight: Speak your mind.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Be aware of how much you want certain things to go one way. Realize that you don't have control over others. You do have a lot to offer, and others know it, even if they don't always acknowledge it.

it. Tonight: Stick to your budget!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You feel unusual energy, though you could waste it running around doing this or that. Try to focus on one issue at a time. Surprises head your way. Don't take a situation for granted. Tonight: All smiles, ready to christen the weekend.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Take your time — you could be tired and dragging. Investigate and see what is going on with strange communication. You are seeing windows to another person's soul. Someone demonstrates unusual caring. Tonight: Keep it low-key if possible.

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★★★★ Think positively about a friendship or a get-together. Worry less about money or whether you can afford this or that. Just relax, surrounded by your friends. How you see someone could change. Tonight: A little caring goes a long way.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Others seek you out for guidance and want to know which way to go. Your humor and caring come out. Be willing to help others pull their plans together. You might feel the need to bring others together. Tonight: All eyes turn to you.

BORN TODAY
Novelist Franz Kafka (1883), actor Tom Cruise (1962), actress Connie Nielsen (1965)

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Yesterday's Cryptoquote: WHEN A WOMAN SAYS, "I DON'T WISH TO MENTION ANY NAMES," IT MEANS IT AIN'T NECESSARY TO MENTION ANY NAMES. — KIN HUBBARD

Blalock's blast gives Rangers 9-7 victory

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP)— With their offense hitting the skids in June, the Texas Rangers were dropping fast in the division standings.

Texas broke out of its monthlong slumber in time to keep things interesting in the American League West.

Hank Blalock's second homer of the game, a two-run shot with two outs in the ninth inning, gave Texas a 9-7 victory Wednesday night and moved the Rangers within a half game of the first-place Los Angeles Angels in the division.

Texas was hitting .221 in June before breaking out with five home runs in a 9-5 victory Tuesday over Los Angeles.

The Rangers played small ball early to get a 7-1 lead, then used Blalock's blast to hold off the Angels.

"There will be times when things don't go right, and that was one of those times," Texas manager Ron Washington said. "Those guys never dropped their heads. We try to play the game the way it's presented to us."

Michael Young singled off Justin Speier (3-2) leading off the Texas ninth. David Murphy dropped down a sacrifice bunt to move Young to second and Marlon Byrd struck out.

Blalock, who homered in the fourth, hit the first pitch into the grassy area beyond the fence in center field.

"I tried to throw a backdoor slider," Speier said. "That was not the right pitch."

Texas, who took two of three from the Angels, improved to 5-1 against Los Angeles this season. The teams meet again for a three-game set next week in California.

"I don't know if it's a statement," said Rangers starter Kevin Millwood, who allowed four runs in 6 1-3 innings. "I think the statement is that our offense looks like it's back to where it's been in the past."

The Angels rallied from their six-run deficit by scoring three runs in both the seventh and ninth. Juan Rivera's three-run homer with two outs in the top of the ninth off Frank Francisco (2-1) tied the game at 7.

Los Angeles squandered other chances by having four runners thrown out on the bases, including Chone Figgins getting thrown out trying to leg out a triple leading off the ninth.

"We did things that were out of character," Angels center fielder Torii Hunter said. "We all made mistakes." Yankees 4, Mariners 2

At New York, Alex Rodriguez hit a tiebreaking homer and Andy Pettitte pitched seven strong innings in New York's seventh straight victory.

Johnny Damon and Melky Cabrera also went deep for the Yankees, who overcame Ken Griffey Jr.'s 621st home run to win their 10th straight home game against Seattle since Sept. 4, 2007.

Mariano Rivera saved his third consecutive game, increasing his career total to 502 and getting his 20th in 21 chances this season.

Pettitte (8-3) out-pitched fellow lefty Jarrod Washburn (4-6) in a game that took just 2 hours, 17 minutes. The Yankees (45-32) are a season-high 13 games over .500. White Sox 6, Indians 2

At Cleveland, Jose Contreras got a rare road win, pitching eight superb

innings as Chicago won its fifth straight.

Contreras (3-7) improved to 3-2 with a 2.17 ERA since being recalled from Triple-A Charlotte after a monthlong demotion. The right-hander, who was 1-6 in his previous 10 road starts, allowed two runs and five hits with eight strikeouts.

Cleveland has dropped five straight and 13 of 15.

Ramon Castro hit a three-run homer off Jeremy Sowers (2-6) in a four-run sixth as the White Sox improved to 12-4 since June 13. Red Sox 6, Orioles 5, 11 innings

At Baltimore, Boston used a four-run ninth inning to pull even, Julio Lugo singled in the tiebreaking run in the 11th and Jonathan Papelbon became the franchise's career saves leader.

Papelbon got three outs in the 11th for his 20th save this season and 133rd with the Red Sox, breaking the team record held by Bob Stanley. Less than 24 hours earlier, Papelbon yielded the key hit in the eighth inning of a game in which Boston blew a 10-1 lead before losing 11-10.

Ramon Ramirez (5-2) worked the 10th for the visiting Red Sox, who took two of three from Baltimore for their seventh straight series win.

Danys Baez (4-2) was the loser. Blue Jays 5, Rays 0

At Toronto, Ricky Romero pitched four-hit ball over eight innings, Rod Barajas, Adam Lind and Scott Rolen each homered and the Blue Jays ended Tampa Bay's seven-game winning streak.

Romero (6-3) matched the longest outing of his career in winning his third straight start. He walked four, struck out seven and lowered his ERA to 2.85. Romero allowed just two hits through the first six innings.

Toronto snapped a four-game losing streak with a trio of solo home runs off James Shields (6-6). Twins 5, Royals 1

At Kansas City, Mo., Joe Mauer went 3 for 3, raising his average to .392 and backing pitcher Glen Perkins in Minnesota's victory.

After walking in the first inning, Mauer stroked three consecutive singles, driving in one run and scoring another as the Twins completed a 6-3 trip that began in Milwaukee and St. Louis. He was walked intentionally in the eighth.

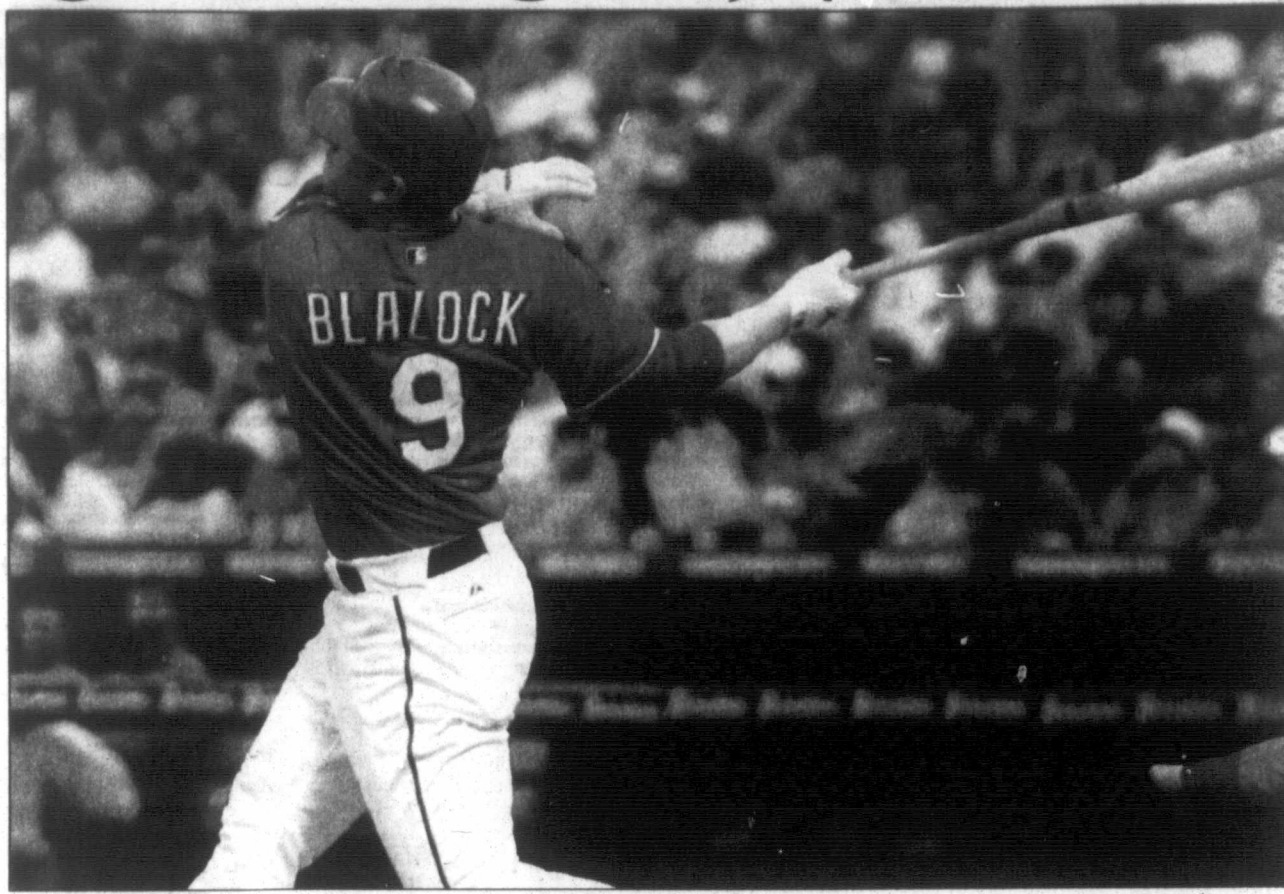
Perkins (4-4) allowed one run for the second straight start, allowing 10 hits in seven innings. Joe Nathan got the final out for his 21st save in 23 opportunities.

Gil Meche (4-8), whose "dead arm" the previous two starts had created concern among the Royals, gave up three runs, Ái two earned, Ái six hits and five walks in six innings. Athletics 5, Tigers 1

At Oakland, Calif., Jason Giambi and Jack Cust broke out of funks with two-run homers, and Oakland's Dallas Braden ended a four-start winless stretch.

Giambi's drive in the sixth off Detroit's Justin Verlander (8-4) was career homer No. 407, tying him with Duke Snider for 43rd place.

Braden (6-7) pitched seven strong innings to win for the first time in five starts since beating Baltimore on June 5.



Texas Rangers' designated hitter Hank Blalock watches his solo home run in the fourth inning of their baseball game against the Los Angeles Angels in Arlington, Texas, Wednesday, July 1, 2009. (AP Photo/Donna McWilliam)



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