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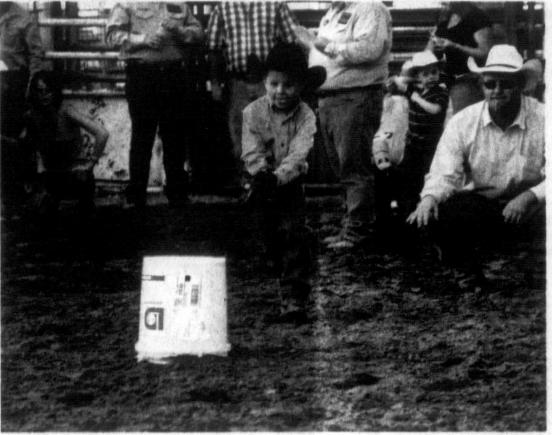
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Gage Hoganson takes his stick horse around the barrels during the Kid Pony Show stick horse race Saturday night at Top O' Texas Arena. Results of the junior rodeo and more photos from the Kid Pony Show are on page 8.

## Feds holding back \$100 million in drill leases

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) -Brian Wixom's company has paid the U.S. government hundreds of thousands of dollars for leases to drill for oil and gas on federal lands over the years, only to never put a rig in the ground.

The money simply sits in a federal bank account as Wixom and other drillers wait for an agonizing bureaucratic process to run its course.

As it turns out, the federal government is holding a boatload of money for leases it auctioned and sold but hasn't issued, holding them back for bureaucratic review because of environmental protests and lawsuits. The backlog grew exponentially under the administration of President George W. Bush as it pushed for more domestic drilling.

The Associated Press has calculated that the government is sitting on close to \$100 million paid for millions of acres of energy leases in the Rocky Mountains that have been withheld for as long as seven years, LEASES cont. on page 3

# Friday grass fire shuts down Hwy 60

BY BETSY PHILLIPS editor@thepampanews.com

The Hoover Volunteer Fire Department and Pampa firefighters responded to a grass fire Friday evening that closed highway 60 for a time.

Hoover Fire Chief Joe Millican said the fire call came in at around 7 p.m.. Hot dry winds had been blowing the previous few days, drying the fuel load.

"It was burning real hot, there were a lot of years of growth on that land," Millican said Monday.

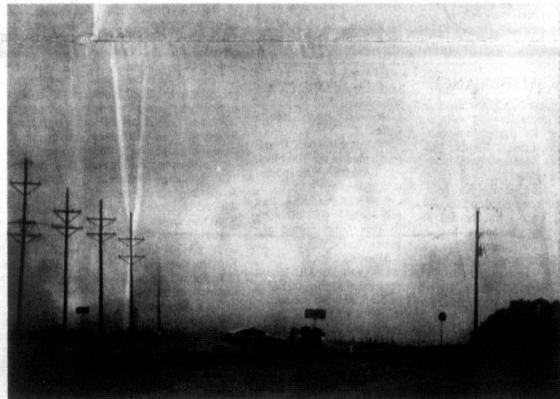
He said the fire area was on property that has been taken out of farm production and grasses planted for wildlife habitat and to prevent erosion.

Firefighters held the blaze to an area approximately three-quarters of a mile long and 150 yards wide.

Firefighters were on scene for about four hours, mopping up hot spots so the winds did not reignite the blaze.

HVFD had six units and 10 personnel on the fire and were aided by Pampa Fire, with two units and four personnel, N A Energy supplied one truck and furnished water to fight the fire.

The Eastern Panhandle Chapter of the Red Cross was on hand with beverages and food for the firefighters.



staff photo by Betsy Phillips

A Gray County Sheriff's Deputy turns a truck around on westbound Highway 60 Friday evening due to heavy smoke from a grass fire near the old Celanese plant.

# Commission to consider tax rate Tuesday

BY BETSY PHILLIPS editor@thepampanews.com

Pampa The Commission will consider adopting a resolution setting the tax rate of \$.062693 per \$100 of valuation on taxable property to fund the City of Pampa's proposed budget for the 2009-2010 fiscal year during its regular meeting Tuesday afternoon.

The commission will also consider a resolution setting dates for public hearings on the proposed tax rate.

Commissioners consider adopting on the second and final reading, an amendment to the animal control ordinance to

increase fees on fines and adoptions.

Also in consideration will be approval on the final reading of an ordinance amending appro-priations for the Pampa Economic Development Corporation in the amount of \$60,000 for this fiscal

### Lawsuit filed over delayed food stamps

HOUSTON (AP) -A recent lawsuit filed to get food stamps to more Texans during the recession comes as additional workers are hired to process applications.

The class-action lawsuit seeks to force Texas to comply with federal regulations requiring that most eligible applicants be certified within 30 days.

Texas Legal Services attorney Bruce Bower told the Houston Chronicle that the food stamp benefit is 100 percent federally fund-

ed. Texas must provide half of the administration

The Legislature authorized the Texas Health Human Services Commission to hire about

STAMPS cont. on page 3

## PEDC lacks quorum for meeting

The Pampa EDC reported that they lacked a quorum for a valid meeting on Thursday, August, 6, 2009. The next meeting will include a public hearing on a \$202,000.00 grant to Clarendon College - Pampa Center for their upcoming wind energy training program. The next meeting and public hearing notice will be posted and published as usual.

Rice stated "We are continuing to promote Pampa through attendance at conferences and other industry events. The EDC is nearing completion on a newly designed website, determining which social media outlets to utilize and meeting with local business and industry to understand their needs and suggest options.

Spencer McIlhannon of the Entrepreneur Alliance continues to work with more and more potential business start ups and with existing businesses to help them grow and expand.

Things are coming together nicely as we continue to work with all the entities of the Pampa area." stated Rice.



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# For the record

#### PAMPA FORECAST

Thursday Tuesday Wednesday

High 91 High 91 Low 69 Low 66 High 91

Low 68

Tonight: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, mainly before 1 am. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 69. South wind between 5 and 10 mph becoming calm.

Tuesday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 91. North wind 5 to 10 mph becoming east.

Tuesday Night: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, mainly before 1 am. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 69. East southeast wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Wednesday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 91. Southeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Wednesday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 66. South southeast wind around 10 mph.

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#### **AMBULANCE**

ing the period between 7 a.m. Friday, August 7 to 7 d.m. Monday, August 10. Friday

11:56 p.m.—An MICU unit responded to 500 block of Carr, transported one patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

6:24 p.m.— An MICU unit responded to the 1300 block of S. Barrett, transported one patient to PRMC.

7:48 p.m.— An MICU unit responded to the 1000

block of Terry, transported one patient to PRMC. 7:58 p.m.— An MICU

unit responded to the 300 block of Gillespie, no trans-

4:12 a.m.— An MICU unit responded to the Graham & Bernard intersection, transported one patient to PRMC.

8:34 p.m. An MICU unit responded to the 1300 block of N. Russell, transported one patient to PRMC.

6:16 p.m. An MICU unit responded to the 700 block of N. Dwight, no transport. 9:02 p.m. An MICU unit responded to the 900 block of S. Wells, no transport.

Saturday 11:27 a.m.— An MICU unit responded to residence in Borger, transported one patient to BSA Hospice.

9:02 p.m.— An MICU unit responded to the 1200 block of S. Dwight, no transport.

10:15 p.m.-- An MICU unit responded to the 1900 block of Hilton Road, transported one patient to PRMC.

Sunday

5:50 a.m. An MICU unit responded to the 100 block of Worrell, transported one patient to PRMC

8:56 a.m. An MICU unit responded to the 600 block of S. Barnes, transported one patient to PRMC.

11:37 a.m. An MICU unit responded to the 12000 block of Peach Drive, transported one patient to PRMC.

3:17 p.m. An MICU unit responded to PRMC, Guardian EMS responded transported one patient to Northwest Texas Health Care.

> 8:02 p.m. An MICU unit responded to the 100 block of S. Nelson, transported one patient to PRMC.

9:26 p.m. An MICU unit responded to the 400 block of Perry, transported one patient to PRMC.

Monday

1:45 a.m. An MICU unit responded to the 600 block of N. Wells. No patient.

2:05 a.m. An MICU unit responded to the 600 block of N. Wells, transported one patient to PRMC.

#### SHERIFF

According to Gray County Sheriff Officials, the following people were booked into Gray County Jail during the period between 7 a.m. Friday, August 7 and 7 a.m. Monday, August 10.

Mary Salinas Contreras, 57, of Pampa was booked Friday, on a charge of interference with Public Duties. Contreras is still in iail as of Monday Morning on a \$750 bond.

Don Ira Hicks, 39, of Pampa, was booked Friday on a charge of public intoxication and failure to appear. Horton was

released on a \$1,000 bond. William Ray Finley, 45, of Pampa, was booked Saturday, on a charge of possession of marijuana.

Finley was released on a \$1,000 bond. Thomas Dillon Downs,

33, of Pampa, was booked Saturday, on a charge of driving with license invalid with a previous conviction. Downs was released on a \$1,000 bond.

Cecil Andrew Lewis, 46, of Pampa, was booked Saturday, on a charge of capias pro fine, display of a fictitious license plate. Lewis was released and

fined \$312. Timothy James Adcock, 26, of Pampa, was booked Saturday, on charges

### Obituaries There are no obituaries today

### EMERGENCY SERVICES

of assault causing bodily injury, and purchasing/furnishing alcohol to a minor. Frederic intersection. Adcock was released on a \$1,500 bond.

Jacklyn Marie Medley, 18, of Pampa, was booked Saturday, on charges of minor in possession of alcohol, failure to appear and open container. Medley is still in jail as of Monday morning with a \$1,500

Eddie Scott Graham, 21, of Pampa, was booked Sunday, on a charge of public intoxication. Graham was released.

Fidencio B. Leal, 22, of Cleburn, Texas, was booked Sunday, on a charge of assault causing bodily injury/Family violence. Leal is still in jail as of Monday Morning with a \$7,500 bond.

#### PAMPA PD

Police The Pampa Department responded to the following calls during the period between 7 a.m. Friday, August 7 to 7 a.m. Monday, August 10. Monday

Animal Control Officers responded to 29 calls or stops.

Pampa Police Officers made 20 traffic stops, had 13 ongoing investigations, and responded to seven requests for information.

narcotics violation was reported in the 600 block of E. Frederic Avenue.

A warrant was serviced in the 1300 block of E. Kingsmill Avenue. Criminal mischief was

reported in the Craven/ Barnes intersection. Criminal mischief was reported in the 1000 block

of S. Banks Street. A window was busted out of a Plymouth Van. Estimated cost of damage was \$500. Theft was reported in the

1100 block of Cinderella. A dining room cabinet with an estimated value of \$500 was stolen.

Harassment was reported in the 200 block of W. Kingsmill Avenue.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 500 block

of Tyng Avenue. An accident was reported in the 1500 block of N.

Zimmers Street. An accident was report-

ed on County Road D. Theft was reported in the

2400 block of Rosewood Lane. A skateboard was A traffic complaint was

taken in the Davis/Buckler intersection. Lost property was

reported in the 2800 block of N. Charles Street. A lost wallet with a credit card, passport, and \$1,000 in cash was lost.

Theft was reported in the 900 block of E. Twiford Street. A washer and dryer worth \$50 was stolen.

Theft was reported in the 300 block of S. Anne Street. A digital camera worth \$250 was stolen.

Identity theft was reported in the 1200 block of S. Hobart Street.

A traffic complaint was reported in the 800 block of N. Lefors Street.

An accident was reported in the 600 block of E. Frederic Avenue.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1200 block of N. Hobart Street. A welfare check was

made in the 900 block of S. Wells Street. A domestic disturbance

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

reported in the 1200 block of N. Hobart Street. An accident was reported in the 1100 block of N.

Christine Street.

reported in the Barnes/

A suspicious person was reported in the 1600 block of E. Highway 60. A traffic stop in the 500

block of Davis Street resulted in a DWI arrest. Officers found marijua-

Lefors/Foster intersection. Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1100 block of S. Christy Street.

Domestic

was reported in the 1100 block of S. Christy Street. reported in the 100 block of

disturbance

E. Foster Avenue. A suspicious person was reported in the 1000 block of N. Frost Street.

Domestic disturbance was reported in the 500 block of N. Lowry Street. Criminal mischief was

reported in the 300 block of Miami Street. A suspicious person was reported in the 2200 block

of N. Aspen Drive. reported in the 500 block of N. Lefors Street.

A suspicious person was reported in the 1100 block of S. Christy Street.

An assault was reported in the 100 block of W. 30th

reported in the 200 block of N. Houston Street. A welfare check was

made in the intersection of Duncan and 22nd. Criminal mischief was

reported in the 100 block of S. Hobart Street. Three reported in the 1000 block vehicles, two trailers, garden hose, storge container and a city dumpster were spray painted. Estimated damage was \$1,300.

was reported in the 1000 block of E. Scott Avenue.

Burglary was reported in the 400 block of N. Wynne Street. An electric drill, three gallons of paint, a dolly and miscellaneous tools estimating \$100 were

Criminal trespass was reported in the 1300 block of N. Coffee Street.

Burglary was reported in the 100 block of W. Thut Street.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 200 block of

E. Brown Street. An alarm was reported in the 2200 block of N. Hobart

Street. ed in the 2800 block of

Perryton Parkway. A welfare check was made in the 1000 block of

S. Neel Road. A threat was reported in the 700 block of Gray

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 700 block of S. Gray Street.

Pit bulls were reported in the 1000 block of E. Campbell Avenue.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 800 block of S. Gray Street. A 911 hangup was

reported in the 600 block of N. Starkweather Street. Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1600 block

of N. Somerville Street. An injured animal was reported in the 300 block of

Sumner Street. A suspicious person was reported in the 1000 block

of E. Tying Avenue. An animal complaint was taken in the 900 block

of S. Love Street. A harassing call was reported in the 700 block of N. Dwight Street.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 300 block of N. Cuyler Street. A suspicious vehicle was

reported in the intersection of 19th and Wells. A suspicious person was reported in the 600 block of

E. Frederic Avenue. A welfare check was

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Disorderly conduct was reported in the 300 block of S. Canadian Street.

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block of S. Henry Street. Domestic disturbance A suspicious person was was reported in the 300

block of N. Doyle Street. Domestic disturbance was reported in the 1100

block of S. Christy Street. A civil matter was reported in the 300 block of

N. Doyle Street. Criminal mischief was reported in the 700 block of N. Lefors Street.

A 911 hangup was reported in the 900 block of Murphy Avenue.

A civil matter was A civil matter was reported in the 200 block of W. Kingsmill Avenue.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 500 block of Tyng Avenue. Disorderly conduct was

reported in the 1000 block of Christine Street. A warrant was serviced A 911 hangup was in the 400 block of N. Hill.

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Theft was reported in the 200 block of W. Kingsmill Avenue.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1000 block of Prairie Drive.

A welfare check was made in the 500 block of N. Lowry Street.

Disorderly Conduct was reported in the 700 block of E. Murphy Avenue.

Violation of Ordinance was reported in the Buckler/Christy intersection.

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An accident was reported in the 100 block of N Nelson Street.

An animal complaint was taken in the 200 block of W. Kingsmill Avenue. Domestic disturbance

was reported in the 1100 block of S. Sumner Street. An alarm was reported in the 400 block of N. Ballard

Street. An alarm was reported in the 1900 block of W. Carter

Street. An alarm was reported in the 600 block of N. Hobart

A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 600 block of E. Frederic Avenue.

Burglary was reported in the 700 block of Mora Avenue. Criminal mischief was

reported in the 300 block of E. Brown Street. A suspicious person was reported in the Banks7

Alcock intersection. Burglary was reported in the 300 block of E. Francis Avenue.

### of Prairie Drive. Music show honored A harassing phone call by hall of fame

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) -The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum says it's designating the Austin City Limits music television show as a historic rock and rol

Terry Stewart, president and CEO of the rock hall of fame in Cleveland, made the announcement Monday with the show's executive producer, Terry Lickona.

Stewart says the Austin music show site will joir nine other rock and roll landmarks throughout the country. Among them are the Whisky-a-Go-Go club in Los Angeles and Brooklyn High School in the Cleveland area where Elvis Presley played his first concert north of the Mason-Dixon line.

Stewart says a plaque will be placed at the Austin City Limits studio on the University of Texas campus. The show is about to embark on its 35th season.

## Authorities find body An accident was reportin the 2800 block of of missing boater

SAN ANTONIO (AP) The body of a 26-yearold man lost in Calaveras Lake after his boat capsized has been found.

Texas game wardens found a body Monday near shore of the lake about 10 miles southeast of San Antoniothe lake shore and said they believe it's that of Daniel Galindo Jr. The Bexar (BAYR) County

medical examiner will need to make positive identification, but authorities believe the body is Galindo's based on tattoos and boots the

man was wearing. Authorities began looking for Galindo after his 12-foot boat capsized while he and three others, were fishing around midnight Saturday.

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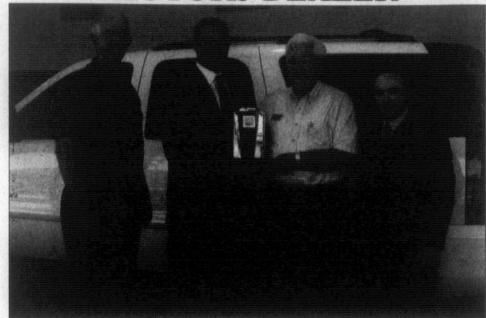
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### 50 YEARS AS A GENERAL Leases MOTORS DEALER



Culberson-Stowers of Pampa has received special recognition from the General Motors Corporation, marking 50 years as a GM dealer. On hand recently for the award presentation were (from left) Richard Stowers, GM Zone Manager David Bendigo, Dick Stowers, and District Sales Manager Jason Williams.

# Oil climbs above \$71 ahead of US retail reports

Oil prices climbed above \$71 a barrel Monday ahead of this week's U.S. consumer spending data that could shed light on the strength of the economic recovery.

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Benchmark crude for September delivery gained 48 cents to \$71.41 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

The government this week will report July retail sales, and Wal-Mart Stores Inc. and Macy's Inc. will announce their second quarter results.

Friday's news that the U.S. unemployment rate fell to 9.4 percent in June sent stock markets surging, but crude prices still fell \$1.01 to \$70.93.

A strengthening economy prompts consumers and businesses to spend nore on energy, but oil has also been a beneficiary of Federal Reserve "quantitative easing" policies that by adding more money to Alaron Trading Corp. ana-

lyst Phil Flynn. If the economy gets too general but that the Gulf

good, the Fed might have to start taking away some of the stimulus, which would remove many of the reasons why money has flooded into energy mar-

kets, Flynn said.

The Fed plans to meet on Tuesday and Wednesday to discuss "whether to send a signal to the marketplace that it's time to start cutting back on the punch before they take the entire bowl away," Flynn said in his morning report. "When they do then oil will become bearish, the dollar will firm and the market will focus on oil supply."

And that supply is rising. The Energy Department's Information Administration last week said crude inventories increased by nearly 2 milhigh barrels, adding to the 5 million barrels put into storage the previous week.

Nawal al-Fuzeih, a senior push interest rates lower Kuwaiti oil official, told the state-owned Kuwait the financial system, said News Agency Sunday that compliance of OPEC members has been good in

states have been especially true to their pledges.

Kuwait, along with the world's largest oil producer, Saudi Arabia, and also Qatar and the United Arab Emirates make up the Gulf OPEC nations.

The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, which decided to cut production by 4.2 million barrels from September levels, will meet next month to review production policy. Prices at the pump added

two-tenths of a penny overnight to hit \$2.645, according to auto club AAA, Wright Express and Oil Price Information Service. That's nearly a dime higher than last week but around \$1.17 cheaper than at this point last year.

In other Nymex trading, gasoline for September delivery gained about a third of a penny to \$2.0116 a gallon and heating oil rose 1.43 cents to \$1.9265. Natural gas for September delivery gained 4.1 cents to \$3.715 per 1,000 cubic

according to records and interviews with BLM officials in Utah, Colorado and Wyoming.

Drillers are steamed by the process. They don't understand why the federal government is sitting on such an enormous sum of money, especially at a time when politicians in Washington are so focused on spending stimulus money to revive the econ-

"It's just crazy that the government, because of bureaucratic delays, is sitting on that kind of money," said Kathleen Sgamma, government affairs director for the Denver-based Independent Petroleum Association of Mountain States. "Talk about an economic stimulus."

Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar got an earful from oilmen on the issue during a "listening tour" stop in Salt Lake City in May. Then only a few months on the job, Salazar vowed to find out more about the process.

"We think the government should issue the leases we purchased or give the money back," Wixom told Salazar.

Officials acknowledge the leasing delays have grown worse, but say their hands are tied by legal wrangling that allows anyone to challenge a lease on public lands. Environmentalists seized on this option during the Bush years as the administration rushed to drill more, making the delays even longer.

"It's gotten very complex," said Kent Hoffman, deputy Utah director of lands and minerals for the Bureau of Land Management, the federal agency in charge of energy development on public lands. "We have to answer the protests in a very legal fashion, knowing the next step could be the Interior Board of Land Appeals or federal court."

So-called protest parcels have always been auctioned on a buyer-beware basis, yet that did little to deter speculators, brokers, drillers and oil companies in the past. It used to be that protests were resolved fairly easily either a parcel was fit for oil and gas development or it wasn't. Now things have turned into "this longterm suspense," said Larry Williams, Utah director for the American Association of Professional Land Men.

"It's money sitting in the government's bank, not doing anybody good," Williams said. "It's just sitting there. The government can't use it, because they may have to give it back."

BLM records show the agency has been holding 46 leases belonging to Wixom's International Petroleum, a Salt Lake City family firm with backing from outside investors, for administrative review since 2005. Par Five Exploration LLC of Orem, Utah, and its affiliates have hundreds of thousands of dollars tied up for parcels that the companies paid from as far back as 2005.

"If you don't issue them, it's the same as taking them away," said Kimball Hodges of Par Five.

According to Hodges, it's like buying a car but not being able to take delivery of it — and worse, not knowing if or when the car will ever arrive on a dealer's lot.

"When you pay for something, you expect to get it," he said.

The Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance takes credit for helping gum up the works.

"Leases were being issued at a breakneck rate throughout the Bush administration, and we were chalcont. from page 1

lenging that because they were being sold in spec-tacular landscapes," said Stephen Bloch, a staff lawyer for the wilderness alli-

The complaints have become more common since Salazar in February scrapped the leasing of 77 parcels that were offered at a Utah auction in the final days of the Bush administration. Salazar said the parcels were too close to wild areas or national parks.

In a rare exception. Salazar ordered the return of that auction money.

Yet, according to agency records, the BLM is holding leases worth more than \$40 million in Utah. around \$50 million in Wyoming and \$1.2 million in Colorado. BLM officials say that in Colorado. that amount grows to \$6.9 million including withheld leases on coal, uranium and potash rights.

Other holdups continue On June 23 in Salt Lake City, the BLM held what it initially described as a protest-free auction, which would have been the first time in seven years no parcel was being offered under protest of any group.

That changed during the auction, when Selma Sierra, the director of the BLM's operations in Utah. decided that every one of the drilling parcels offered or sold at the auction was, in fact, under protest. Sierra decided at that point to accept protests that had been filed after a deadline by the Denver-based Center for Native Ecosystems and the Washington, D.C.based Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership.

Hoffman said it could take months for his team to scrutinize the 31 parcels sold to make certain each one withstands environmental scrutiny required by federal law.

## Dallas girl, 14, jailed with adults for 10 days

DALLAS (AP) -Police say a 14-year-old girl spent 10 days in the Dallas County Jail alongside adult offenders after lying to officers about her age.

The girl was arrested on

adults after telling Dallas police she was 17.

Jail records indicate the older girl spent 10 days in jail and that she was released July 30. She told police her name was Patrice Washington, and that she was 20.

The 14-year-old's true

over the weekend when the younger girl told police her accomplice's identity. Investigators discovered Saturday that the 14-yearold had been in a Dallas County juvenile facility under her real name since Thursday.

#### shoplifting charges last month with a 13-year-old girl, who also spent nearly two weeks in jail with last name was revealed

650 more workers, starting Sept. 1.

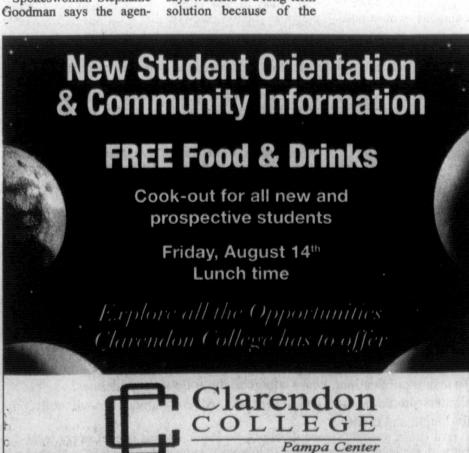
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#### 2009 Property Tax Rates in Gray County General This notice concerns 2009 property tax rates for Gray County General. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value. General Fund Last year's tax rate: \$ 582,097 \$ 6,265,452 Last year's operating taxes Last year's debt taxes \$ 119,529 Last year's total taxes \$ 6,384,981 \$ 581,942 \$ 1,550,191,795 Last year's tax base \$ 1,560,433,306 0.40918/\$100 0.03754 /\$100 Last year's total tax rate

This year's effective tax rate: Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property) \$ 6,290,570 \$ 573,280 + This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value \$ 1,530,941,173 \$ 1,540,556,407 of new property)

This year's effective tax rate for each fund 0.03744 /\$100 Total effective tax rate 0.44577 /\$100 (Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.) This year's rollback tax rate: Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment \$ 573,433

financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or nhanced indigent health \$ 1,530,941,173 + This year's adjusted tax base \$ 1,540,556,407 - This year's effective operating rate 0.40069 /\$100 0.03746 /\$100 x 1.08 - this year's maximum 0.43274 /\$100 0.04045 /\$100 0.00000 /\$100 0.00784 /\$100 + This year's debt rate = This year's rollback rate for 0.44058 /\$100 each fund This year's total rollback rate 0.48103 /\$100

Statement of Increase/Decrease If Gray County General adopts a 2009 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.44577 per \$100 of value, taxes would decrease compared to 2008 taxes by \$35,275. Schedule A: General Fund - Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax account and of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a correspondit Type of Property Tax Fund Maintenance & Operation Interest & Sinking \$1,852,740

Schedule B: General Fund - 2009 Debt Service The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are serproperty taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment	
Certificate of Obligation Ser 2001 February 2010		\$26,786	\$0	\$96,786	
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Type of Property Tax Fund \$155,215 This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at Gray County Russell, Pampa TX 79065. Name of person preparing this notice: Gaye Whitehea Title: Gray County Tax Assessor Collector Date Prepared: July 31, 2009

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# iewpoints

## Today in History

Today is Monday, Aug. 10, the 222nd day of 2009. There are 143 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 10, 1846, President James K. Polk signed a measure establishing the Smithsonian Institution, named after English scientist James Smithson, whose bequest of half a million dollars had made it possible.

On this date:

In 1792, during the French Revolution, mobs in Paris attacked the Tuileries Palace, where King Louis XVI resided. (The king was later arrested, put on trial for treason, and executed the following

In 1809, Ecuador struck its initial blow for independence from Spain. (Ecuador achieved independence in 1822.)

In 1821, Missouri became the 24th state.

There is no adequate defense, except stupidity, against the impact of a new idea.

Percy Williams Bridgeman, American scientist

In 1874, Herbert Clark Hoover, the 31st president of the United States, was born in West Branch, Iowa.

In 1921, Franklin D. Roosevelt was stricken with polio at his summer home on the Canadian island of Campobello.

1949, National Military Establishment was renamed the Department

Defense.

In 1968, 35 people were killed in the crash of a Piedmont Airlines Fairchild FH-227 at Kanawha County Airport in West Virginia; two survived.

In 1969. Leno and Rosemary LaBianca were murdered in their Los Angeles home by members of Charles Manson's cult, one day after actress Sharon Tate and four other people were slain.

In 1988, President Ronald Reagan signed a measure providing \$20,000 payments to Japanese-Americans who'd been interned by their government during World War II.

In 1993, Ruth Bader Ginsburg was sworn in as the second female justice on the U.S. Supreme Court.

Ten years ago: A gunman opened fire at a Jewish community center in Los Angeles, wounding three boys, a teenage girl and a woman; hours later, a gunman shot and killed letter carrier Joseph Ileto; white supremacist Buford O. Furrow later pleaded guilty to the shootings and is serving two life sentences.

Five years ago: President George W. Bush chose Porter Goss, a Republican congressman and onetime spy, to lead the CIA. A boat carrying Dominican

migrants seeking a bet

Today's Birthdays: Singer Al Alberts is 87. Actress Rhonda Fleming is 86. Singer Jimmy Dean is 81. Singer Eddie Fisher is 81. Singer Ronnie Spector is 66. Actor James Reynolds is 63. Rock singermusician Ian Anderson (Jethro Tull) is 62. Actor Daniel Hugh Kelly is 57. Folk singer-songwriter Sam Baker is 55. Actress Rosanna Arquette is 50. Actor Antonio Banderas is 49. Rock musician Jon Farriss (INXS) is 48. Singer Julia Fordham is 47. Journalist-blogger Andrew Sullivan is 46. Singer Neneh Cherry is 45. Singer Aaron Hall is 45. Boxer Riddick Bowe is 42. R&B singer Lorraine Pearson (Five Star) is 42. Singer-producer Michael Bivins is



# Analysis: To-do list largely undone

WASHINGTON (AP) -Midway through their first year in power, President Barack Obama Democrats in Congress can point to early signs the U.S. is beginning to shake off its worst recession in seven decades.

Yet there are glaring holes in their to-do list. The biggest and most difficult priorities had not been accomplished as Obama reached the six-month mark, ending the normal honeymoon period most new presidents enjoy.

While Obama and fellow Democrats did enact the \$787 billion economic stimulus, much remains undone:

-Health care. An expansion of coverage for most of the estimated 48 million Americans without it has failed to pass either the House or Senate despite a now-expired Obama dead-

-Global warming. His initiative squeaked through the House, opening major rifts in the party. It arrived in the Senate as a dead

-Financial overhaul. Now on the back burner are a rewrite of lending and investing laws and a restructuring of government regulations. The goal is to prevent a repeat of last year's financial and credit market collapses

Obama and the Democrats did push through a massive package of tax cuts, benefit increases and job-producing public works projects to help alleviate the recession. They expanded health

coverage to millions more children, clamped down on cigarette producers and placed the first Hispanic on the Supreme Court -Sonia Sotomayor, who was sworn in Saturday.

They bought some good will by offering as much as \$3 billion in govern-ment rebates of \$3,500 and \$4,500 for people to trade in old gas guzzlers for new cars or trucks that get better mileage.

Democrats are confident their health care overhaul will pass by year's end. But it has lost the aura of inevitability that surrounded it in the spring. It passed one House committee only after moderate Democrats prevailed upon House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, a Democrat, to postpone a full House vote until the autumn.

Many of them felt stung by their politically scorching votes to tackle global warming by raising people's electric bills, despite mounting evidence the Senate probably won't vote on it this year.

House The Appropriations Committee chairman, Rep. David a Democrat, acknowledged recently the early vote on global warming made it more difficult to keep pace on health care.

Polls show voters are losing faith in Obama's \$787 billion economic recovery bill and increasingly worried about the government's mushrooming debt.

The president's overall approval rating is solid, in the mid-50s in most polls, including a 55 percent rat-ing in an AP-Gfk poll conducted July 16-20. But it has slipped from the levels that for a time kept Republicans from criticizing Obama directly. Now the gloves are off, and the tone in Washington is as partisan as ever.

Pollster Andrew Kohut of the Pew Research Center for the People and the Press says despite that slip, the ground hasn't fallen out from under him.

"Most importantly, the more general questions about confidence in him show no erosion," Kohut said. "People still think that he's going to fix the economy.

A president's signature accomplishment cally occurs in his first year in office, before the congressional August recess. It was tax cuts for President Ronald Reagan and President George W. Bush, and deficit reduction for President Bill Clinton though health care changes proved elusive.

Obama's top accomplishment clearly is the billion measure blending federal spending and tax cuts to try to revive the economy. It was initially popular in public surveys, but 58 percent of those polled in the mid-July AP-Gfk poll said they were not confident it is helping the economy. Only 9 percent said were very confident that it is.

"We're pointed in the right direction," Obama said Friday as new unemployment figures showed

a slight dip in the jobless rate, even as the economy shed 247,000 jobs in July. "We're losing jobs at less than half the rate we were when I took office."

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Lawmakers will return in September for a 3 1/2month sprint. To do: a health care bill that Obama and Democrats can claim victory on; the dozen appropriations bills that so far feature double-digit spending increases for 2010; and legislation to bolster regulation of the financial system.

The Senate, or at least some of its committees, may take a stab at global warming.

Still looming are annual budget deficits projected to stay above \$600 billion in the coming decade. The eye-popping \$1.8 trillion or more deficit expected for the current year is weighing down Obama's agenda and also his standing with voters, especially with independents.

If and when he does tackle the deficit, he'll be hardpressed to keep his promise not to raise taxes on couples making less than \$250,000.

Obama's Even as popularity slips slightly and approval ratings for Democrats in Congress remain low, the Republicans' numbers are even worse. Chances of a political tsunami like that when Republicans swept Democrats from control of Congress in 1994 seem unlikely.

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#### Letters to the editor

Hello, This is Gary Willoughby. This message is for all Gray County citizens. At this time, our economy is slow, new jobs are few and budgets are tight. WE have lost over 600 jobs alone in Pampa and have over 125 homes for sale. This will turn around, but right now we need to be more conservative than ever with tax dollars.

Many of you are aware that even though the economy is slow, the Appraisal District has increased the value of some homes over 30 percent.

Does this make sense with the economy the way it is right now and home sales the way they are?

The Appraisal District works for 13 taxing entities and has submitted a 4.1 percent increase of their budget to each city and each school board in

the country and to Gray County while many companies have had to drastically decrease their operating budgets. Gray County is not

giving a pay raise to its deserving employees, but the Gray County Appraisal District has submitted a proposed budget which includes an almost 400.00 a month raise for the Chief Appraiser and a 200.00 a month raise for their Assistant Chief Appraiser.

Not all of their employees are earmarked to receive a raise, but according to the proposed budget they have presented, the higher paid employees are getting the biggest raises while some of the lower paid employees are either not getting a raise or they are getting a one percent raise.

The Appraisal District is operated with your tax dollars and needs to be operated as prudently as the taxing entities it works for and as prudently as you, the taxpayer, operate your own home budget.

I urge you to contact your city, county and school board representative to talk to the Appraisal District Board of Directors to not pass the proposed Appraisal District budget as presented.

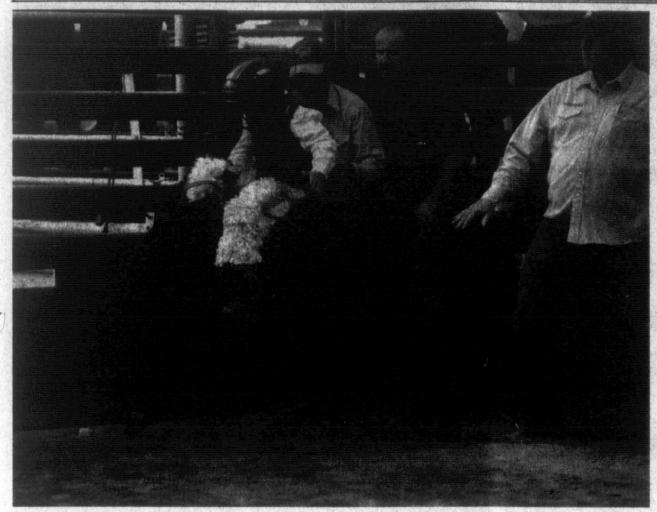
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# Sports



Caden Ensey comes out of the chute on a wild calf during Sunday night's calf riding event during the Kid Pony Show at Top O' Texas Arena.

# Lady Harvesters tune up with scrimmage in Bushland

BY ANDREW GLOVER aglover@thepampanews.com

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The Pampa Lady Harvester volleyball teams scrimmaged at Bushland High School Saturday, to prepare for their season opener.

All three teams played three 30 minute games. They did not keep score, coach Libby Garza said if they did, the varsity would have won two of three. The head volleyball coach felt good about how her team performed.

"We were very good fundamentally," Garza said. "Our passing was amazing in the game and we were in control.

Garza said the team still needs to work on offense execution and finishing plays.

'We'll make a great dig, or Kara (Stephens) will give us a good set, and we'll just hit it out or in a block," Garza said. "Our hitters up front are young.'

The scrimmage was also some players last chance to make varsity. Coach Garza said a couple players and returning players stepped up.

"They made the decision (who makes varsity) a little tougher,"

Garza said. "But for now I've made up my mind. I do have good numbers so I can call people up if I need to."

The teams will be determined later today, before their opening game, 5 p.m. Tuesday, against the Amarillo Rockets, at the high school. With the high school undergoing renovations, The Varsity will open the season in the South Impact, the gym next to the football field.

The freshman team opens the season 4 p.m. tonight against Perryton in the South Impact, and moonly shoe

# Not enough Pirates to burn midnight oil

The Lefors football team was supposed to have their midnight scrimmage last Friday. Lefors resident Deborah Henson said the scrimmage was postponed because the team was short handed.

"The team only has 14 players," Henson said. "One player had a death in the family, and two other players were injured. So they did not have enough to scrimmage."

The Pirates are going to have a three-way scrim-mage this weekend at the high school. Lefors went 9-3 last season, and are 6-man Division 2 District 1 champions. The Pirates reached the quarterfinals

## Cross country team starts practice, still needs members

BY ANDREW GLOVER aglover@thepampanews.com

The Pampa Harvester cross country team started practice Monday morning with only two girls and three boys. Head Coach Mark Elms said he hopes to increase that number as the season gets closer.

"I'll get on the phones today and try to increase that list in the next few days," Elms said.

In spite of numbers, Elms was pleased with the first workout.

They all did fine this morning," Elms said. "We had a 20-minute workout."

The head cross country coach emphasized that he is not going to make practice to difficult at first.

"We'll gradually go up," Elms said. "Right now I'm not really focused on their speed. The main thing I'm focusing on is their breathing and running form."

Junior Miguel Tapia is Elms' only returning runner from last season.

Anyone who is interested, and hasn't already picked up their papers from the athletic department need to. The team's next practice is 7:00 a.m. tomorrow on the high school track. The Harvesters' first meet is August 29 in Borger.

GO HARVESTERS! Have a great year!



## Dear Abby...

judging her.

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

ABBY: Two weeks ago, I went on a fishing trip with my fatherin-law. It was great. I caught the biggest fish of my life. I kept it so I could have it mounted when I

returned home. When we arrived back at my in-laws', my fatherin-law took the fish out of the cooler and claimed he had caught it. At first, I thought he was joking, but now he's planning on hav-

ing the fish mounted! I didn't want to make him look bad in front of his daughter and his wife, but I am furious. My wife thinks I'm overreacting, but this really is the big one that got away. Should I confront him and call his bluff? -- SOMETHING'S

FISHY IN NEW YORK DEAR SOMETHING'S FISHY: If you were going to confront your father-inlaw, you should have done so as soon as he took credit for catching your fish. Instead of being "furious," be grateful that you now have a clear insight into the man's character. That he would lie about something like this calls into question anything that has ever -- or will ever -- come out of his mouth.

DEAR ABBY: My 8-year-old nephew was diagnosed with autism at the age of 3. He has made amazing progress with therapy and has advanced so he is practically func-

tioning at his age level. Our entire family has teamed up and joined a charity that raises money for autism. We have devoted our time and energy to this important cause. My sister (my nephew's mother) refuses to get involved! She says she is "too busy."

We all work and have other activities, yet we still make time to devote to this cause. She doesn't work and has no other responsibilities outside her family that prohibit her from participating. She says raising money isn't something she likes to do.

I don't have much time for it either, but our family MAKES the time because this cause is important to us. It makes me furious that she won't help raise money for her own child's disorder. How can I talk to her about this without seeming confrontational? RAISING MONEY IN **FLORIDA** 

RAISING DEAR MONEY: I urge you to refrain from doing so. For heaven's sake, your sister is the mother of a child who is working hard to overcome a disorder. She

has a full-time job -- one that lasts 24 hours a day, seven days a week. She is not malingering, so stop

DEAR ABBY: I am a happily married woman. Fifteen years ago, I was married to another man I'll call "Mario." Mario and I divorced after four years

and ended it as friends. Mario and I have both been in the restaurant business separately as well as together. Mario called me two days ago and asked me if he could hire me for his newest venture because he knows what a good manager I am. When I mentioned it to my present husband, he was adamantly against

Do you see anything

wrong with my working with my ex? -- "CYNDIE" IN SOUTH FLORIDA

"CYNDIE": DEAR I don't -- but obviously your present husband does, because he's threatened by the idea. It appears you have an important decision to make. Which is more important to you -- the job, or keeping peace in your marriage?

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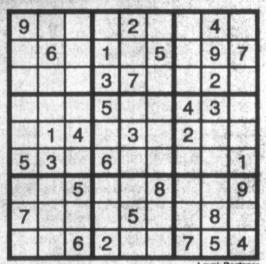
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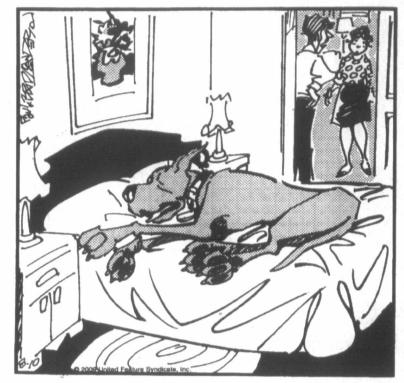


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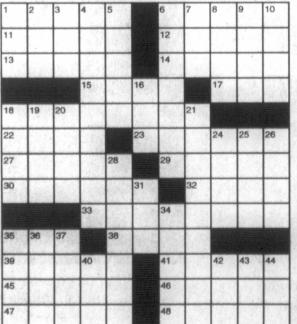
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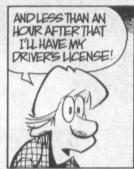




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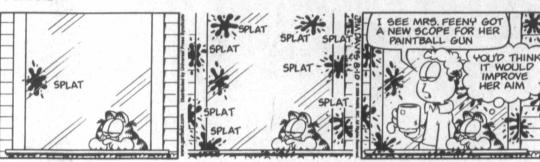




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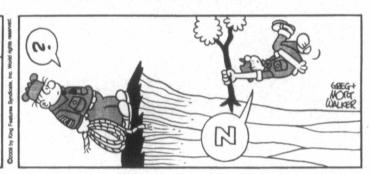
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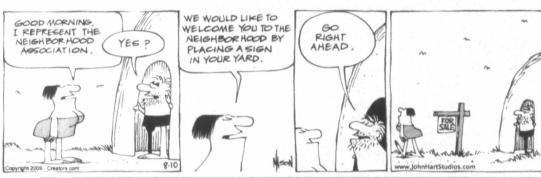


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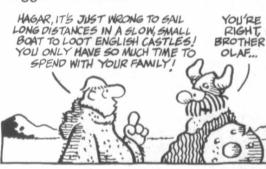




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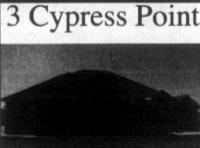
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The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll 5-Dynamic; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

\*\*\*\* You move forward without interference - finally! Lose the word "no." You have the unique opportunity to move projects forward. Some interesting acquaintances add more excitement into the mix. Tonight: Where the action is. TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

\*\*\* Your instincts come forward. Analyze what is happening, and visualize more of what you want. You see a great opportunity. Still, remain behind the scenes. You will recognize when the time is right. Tonight: Think before you leap!

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) \*\*\*\* Remain positive and direct. Open up to different types of thinking. You will see how fast a situation resolves itself when you let go of self-imposed mental boundaries. The power of the mind is displayed once more. Someone from a distance might appreciate hearing from you. Tonight: Where the action is. CANCER (June 21-July 22)

\*\*\* Others seek you out for advice. You question which way to approach an important matter. Answers will come if you continue on your present path. Give up hearsay and opinions. Go for facts first. Tonight: A must appearance. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

\*\*\*\* Reach past the obvious, whether resolving a problem or deciding on a place to dine. Break from your routine; try something different. For once, you might not need to lead. Relax with others more openly. Listen more. Tonight: Where your friends are.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\* Understanding develops to a new level. The problems that occur could change if you allow yourself to open up to a partner. Evaluate your role in a relationship. Don't prevent someone from coming in closer any longer. Tonight: Complete a project, if possible.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\*\*\* Many think they can do what you are doing, and they let you know that they can do it better, too. Let everyone demonstrate their capacities rather than get into a hot discussion. A loved one, child or creative interest steals the stage. Tonight: Let your lighter side emerge.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) \*\* A light and easy pace works just fine, as long as you are well organized. A partner might push hard to get results. Usually, the role is reversed. If you relax, your creativity mounts when dealing with the routine. Tonight: Do as much

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

\*\*\*\* Your creativity and verbal

skills meet, making anything possible.

changes. This person's response could be different. What would you like to be better at or have an impact on? Focus on those areas. Tonight: Let your wild side CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

honored. Sometimes you forget about who counts. You might opt for a home improvement. Though generally impulsiveness might not benefit you, in this case it does. Resonance grows within your close circle. Tonight: Let go of your nust-dos and make it easy

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AOUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\* Make calls. Verbalize different concerns. Touch base with others and be direct in how you deal with a situation. See someone in his or her true light without making this person into something

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\*\* Curb a need to be possessive and demanding, and instead reveal yourself and your vulnerabilities. Others can respond to this type of behavior. Your instincts put you in the right place at the right time. Tonight: Your treat. If you could have anything, what would that be? Treat a loved one, too.

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# Sports

# 2009 Top O'Texas Junior Rodeo results

SUBMITTED BY THE TOP 'O **TEXAS RODEO ASSOCIATION** 

TIE DOWN ROPING BOYS GROUP 61ST TANNER MONROE -RATON, NM

TIE DOWN ROPING -BOYS GROUP 7-NO **QUALIFIED TIME** 

BREAKAWAY ROPING - GIRLS GROUP 3 CHANEY MCCUISTION - PAMPA BREAKAWAY ROPING

JOHNSON - SPEARMAN 3RD HADLEY THOMPSON - MIAMI

BARREL RACE - GIRLS **GROUP 5** 1ST - KIRSTIE KASCH SKELLYTOWN

2ND - TAYLOR PRALL - FRITCH

**BARREL RACE - BOYS GROUP 5** 1ST - COLT ENSEY -**PAMPA** 2ND - WYATT SIMS -

staff photo by David Bowse

BARREL RACE - GIRLS

KIDWELL - ALLEN, OK

**BROOKE** 

DANIELLE

Caden Ensey waits for his cue to enter the Top O'

Texas Arena Sunday night during the Kid Pony Show.

**GROUP 6** 

1ST

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GROUP 7

**LEFORS** 

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BOYS GROUP 3— NO HAPPY

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JOHNSON - SPEARMAN **BARREL RACE - BOYS** 

1ST - HAYDEN CAPE -

BARREL RACE - GIRLS

1ST - RILEE DIDWAY -

3RD - SHAYNA SMITH

**BARREL RACE - BOYS** 

JACKSON - HEREFORD

FROGGE - PAMPA

CLARENDON

CHANEY

CARLEE

MATTEE

BRAYDON

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TREYLR

STEVEN

- GIRLS GROUP 7-NO

- GIRLS GROUP 5-NO

- GIRLS GROUP 4-NO

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- BOYS GROUP 4

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GIRLS GROUP 6

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BOYS GROUP 7

PERRYTON

**GROUP 3** 1ST

2ND

3RD

**GROUP 3** 

**GROUP 4** 

**PAMPA** 2ND

HEREFORD

2ND -OXLEY - PAMPA

1ST - HAYDEN CAPE -HEREFORD FLAG RACE - GIRLS **GROUP 4** 1ST - SHAYNA SMITH CLARENDON 2ND - MATTY WELLS -**HEREFORD** FLAG RACE - BOYS **GROUP 4** HADLEY 1ST THOMPSON - MIAMI 2ND STEVEN JOHNSON - SPEARMAN 3RD - LUCAS LYNN -

LEEDEY, OK FLAG RACE - BOYS **GROUP 6 TANNER** 1ST MONROE - RATON, NM

CALF RIDING - BOYS GROUP 3 BRADLEY HANNON - WATER VALLEY, TX

2ND - JADEN ABSHIRE - PAMPA 3RD - HAYDEN CAPE -**HEREFORD** 

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BAILEY GROUP 4 WICHERT - PAMPA POLE BENDING **GIRLS GROUP 7** 1ST - JENNIFER **HUFFHINES - PAMPA** 2ND - JAMIE PURVIS -LEFORS

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**BULL RIDING - BOYS GROUP 5** 1ST YANCIE MCCUISTION

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1ST FROGGE - PAMPA 2ND - SHAYLEY GOAD WHEELER 3RD - MATTY WELLS -

HEREFORD



staff photo by David Bowser Ailport Parker comes out of the chute during the Kid Pony Show Saturday night at the Top O' Texas Arena. Seven contestants battle in calf riding to take home

> **GROUP 6** 1ST-BAILEY WICHERT **PAMPA** 2ND - MEGAN PRALL **FRITCH GOAT TYING - GIRLS GROUP 7**

SHAYLEY 1ST **MORRISS - LEFORS** 2ND - KATEY KASCH -SKELLYTOWN

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ROPING - GROUP 5 NO QUALIFIED TIME MIXED ROPING **BOYS GROUP 7** 1ST HAYDEN DUNCAN/GATLIN DUNCAN - MOBEETIE AROUND ALL COWGIRL GROUP MACY COCHRAN **PAMPA** 

ALL AROUND COWBOY GROUP5 WESLEY SIMS - HAPPY ALL AROUND COWGIRL GROUP 6 BAILEY WICHERT

PAMPA AROUND ALL COWBOY GROUP TANNER MONROE -

TREYLR

STEVEN

KYNDALL

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GOAT TYING - GIRLS

1ST-MACY COCHRAN

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GOAT TYING - GIRLS

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**GROUP 5** 

- PAMPA

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RATON, NM AROUND ALL COWGIRL GROUP 7 -JAMIE PURVIS - LEFORS AROUND ALL COWBOY GROUP 7 - MATT DEVERS -PERRYTON



Wakely Pairsh poses for a picture with Hayden Henson. Wakely and Hayden won the walk and lead barrel race last night at the Kid Pony Show. Hayden also won the barrel race and the goat ribbon race. Hayden is five years old and a local cowboy from Lefors.

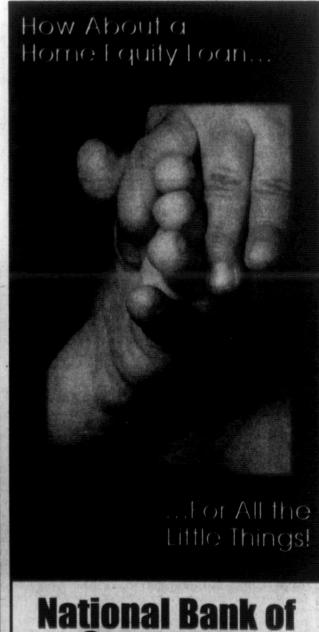
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Brayden Cloud rides his stick horse at full gallop around the course at Saturday night's Kid Pony Show at Top O' Texas Arena.



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