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Graffiti 'artists' could face state jail felony charges

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with," said Gray County one else's property. Juvenile Probation Officer

A local youth ministry e group is helping to group clean up the mess. Read about them in to Tuesday's issue of The Pampa News. ous criminal

by Julie Ann Thompson justice problems in the community. The group has about 30 members.

The Community Plan Copeland presented the group's subcommittee on subcommittee with a slide juvenile crime is taking show of the local graffiti, action to address and combat some of which could senthe graffiti currently running tence the taggers to jail. rampant in downtown Tagging can refer either to the practice of graffitti in "There's a lot of graffiti general or leaving one's that people aren't familiar name or "handle" on some-

"Any graffiti on public Ed Copeland, who heads the buildings like schools, subcommittee on juvenile libraries or the court house is crime. "It's not just a juvenile a state jail felony," Copeland problem, it's an adult prob- said. "The kids don't realize

> is on some of these buildings." There were



staff photo by Julie Ann Thompson

how serious it This graffiti, scrawled above a garage at Iglesia Christiana Church, located at the corner of Henry and Beryl streets, could warrant its artist a state jail

several recur- show. One, a scowling car- most notably on the top of the were names like Swag, ring themes in toon bunny, can be seen in old Coca-Cola building. See Graffiti, Page 3 slide various places in town but Other recurring symbols

efors coach/Army Reserve soldier headed to Iraq for second tour

by Julie Ann Thompson jthompson@thepampanews.com

Lefors High School Football Defensive Coordinator Jeremy States." Black will put down his whistle and football next week and prepare himself to pick up a career that's a bit more dangerous. On Tuesday, Aug. for a tour of duty in Iraq.

"It's like stepping back in time,"

out there living in tents. There's no struction process of the country. running water or electricity in some places, but once you get into the bigger cities, it's more like the United

For the past three years, Black has been in Lefors coaching football and basketball but this January will mark his eighth year with the military. 19, Black, an Army reservist, leaves He's already completed one tour in Iraq in 2003-2004 with the reserves. villages and locates problems with As a civil affairs specialist, Black Black said. "There are still people has an integral part in the recon-

"When I first joined, I had plans of going to Vet school, becoming an animal care specialist, but the recruiters couldn't get me into the school," Black said. "The recruiter ended up calling me back and told me about CA. It's been eight years and I'm still there."

Black's unit makes assessments in

See Black, Page 5



Jeremy Black



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Young rodeoers age 6 and under mined the mud in the Top O' Texas Rodeo Arena Friday night in the nickel drop event. Nickels and poker chips were distributed in one area of the arena for the children to find. The poker chips could be redeemed for food at the rodeo concession. Friday was Family Night, and a mutton bustin' and calf scramble were also held for young competitors. For complete rodeo results and more photos, see Monday's issue of The Pampa News.

sets tax rate by Marilyn Powers

County

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Gray County commissioners set a proposed county tax rate of .44673 cents per \$100 valuation of taxable property at their 9 a.m. meeting Friday in the second-floor courtroom of Gray County Courthouse, 205 N. Russell.

Two public hearings will be held concerning the proposed rate, along with the proposed Fiscal Year 2009 county budget, before the final vote on the rate will be held. The hearings are scheduled for 9 a.m. Aug. 27 and 9 a.m. Sept. 2, both in the sec-

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Sunday: Showers and thunderstorms likely. Some of the storms could produce heavy rain. Cloudy, with a high near 73. East wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south. Chance of precipitation is 60 percent.

Sunday Night: Showers and thunderstorms likely. Some of the storms could produce heavy rain. Cloudy, with a low around 59. South-southeast wind around 5 mph. Chance of precipitation is 60 percent.

Monday: Showers and thunderstorms likely. Some of the storms could produce heavy rain. Cloudy, with a high near 76. East wind around 5 mph. Chance of precipitation is 60 percent.

Monday Night: A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 61. Southeast wind around 5 mph.

Tuesday: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 78. Southsoutheast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Tuesday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 62. South-southeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

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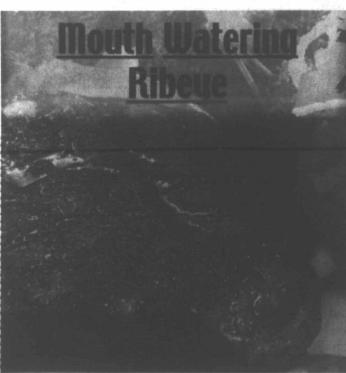
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Obituaries

Neva Jo Robbins Northcutt, 78

BORGER - Neva Jo County, Okla. She Robbins Northcutt, 78, died Thursday, Aug. 14, 2008, in Amarillo.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Monday at Gateway Baptist Church with the Rev. Chris Rawlinson, pastor officiating.

Interment will be in "The Garden of Devotion" at Westlawn Memorial Park under the direction of Minton/Chatwell Funeral Directors of Borger.

was a homemaker and member of Baptist Gateway Church.

She married Edward Henry Northcutt on July 1948, in Bonham, Texas, and he preceded her in death on Northcutt Feb. 16, 2007.

Mrs. Northcutt was born sew. She dearly loved her Madelaine on Feb. 21, 1930, in Custer grandkids. She was the Flroence, Ore.; six grandchil-

of Bereavement Meals at Gateway Baptist Church. She is survived

by two sons, Mark E. Northcutt and wife Nancy of Pampa and Roger C. Northcutt and wife Karla of Forgan, Okla.; one daughter, Phyllis

Neva loved to crochet and Hughes of Borger; one sister, Smith

dren, Lori Wheeler, Ralph Cody, Blane Northcutt, Misti Northcutt, Jennifer Light and Ashley Edge; and 10 greatgrandchildren, Cody Wheeler, Christopher Cody, Nathan Cody, Raeli Walker, Rigdon Green, Kaden Light, Kraig Light, Kloe Light, Kimberly Light and Gabbi Ella Edge.

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Memorials may be made to Make-A-Wish Foundation, 411 S. Polk, Amarillo, TX 79101.

Emergency Services

Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the period from 7 a.m. Thursday to 7 a.m. Friday.

Thursday, Aug. 14 Seventeen traffic stops were made. Stops in the 900 block of Huff Road, the 1000 block of West Wilks and on Highway 60 West resulted in arrests.

A traffic complaint was received from the intersection of 19th and Banks streets.

A vehicle accident was reported on Highway 60 West.

Calls and stops concerning animals occurred in the 1400 block of Alcock, the 800 block of West Francis, the 1300 block of North Russell, the 700 block of North Christy, the intersection of Pennsylvania and Cook streets, the 100 block of West 30th, the 500 block of North Sumner and at Recreation

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Park, 1600 E. Highway 60.

Welfare checks were made in the 600 block of East Frederic, the 700 block of North Zimmers and twice in the 1400 block of West Somerville.

Agency assistance in the 300 block of North Dwight involved a welfare check Child with Protective Services.

One attempt to serve papers was made.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 400 block of Louisiana, the 100 block of West 28th, the 100 block of East Randy Matson and the 300 block of Hazel. An arrest for assault was made in connection with the incident in the 300 block of Hazel, where minor injuries which did not need medical attention were reported.

Criminal mischief was reported at Coronado Center, 1229 N. Hobart. Three windows on the east side of the building were shot with a BB gun. Estimated cost of damage is unknown.

An information report concerning fraud was made in the 2100 block of Lynn. Theft was reported in the

block of East 1000 Browning. A lawn mower, hand saw and lawn clippers were taken. Estimated value of loss is \$130.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 100 block of North Hobart.

Burglary was reported in the 500 block of North Frost.

Friday, Aug. 15 Two traffic stops were made. A stop at the intersection of Wilks and Faulkner streets resulted in at least one arrest.

An animal complaint was received from the 600 block of North Sumner.

A welfare check was made in the 2000 block of Mary Ellen.

Suspicious person calls were received from the intersection of Hobart and Somerville streets, the 300 block of North Christy and the 1100 block of North Starkweather.

A prowler was reported in the 1000 block of South Dwight.

Disorderly conduct was reported on two occasions at Recreation Park.

One open door was checked.

Sheriff

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

Thursday, Aug. 14 Christina Avila, 47, of Pampa was arrested in the 900 block of Huff Road by Pampa Police Department on a probation violation for. securing/executing a document by deception and a Hutchinson County charge of theft by check.

Leander Joseph Feltner, 25, of Lefors was arrested by the Lefors city marshal for burglary of a building.

Ray Madrid Soto, 43, of Pampa was arrested in the 300 block of Hazel by Pampa PD for simple assault.

Andrew Clay Hurst, 30, of Friona was arrested in the

1200 block of West Wilks by Pampa PD on a probation violation for a Lamb County charge of burglary of a vehicle.

Scott Dwayne Brittian, 29, of Borger was arrested in the 1000 block of West Wilks by Pampa PD on a capias pro fine for sale of alcohol after

Friday, Aug. 15

Mark Douglas Hinkle, 49, of Pampa was arrested in the 900 block of South Faulkner by Pampa PD for no valid driver's license, no proof of insurance, expired motor vehicle inspection and expired motor vehicle registration.

Ramon Rueda Portillo, 63, of Pampa was arrested by Pampa PD and charged with DWI, no driver's license, no insurance and leaving the scene of an accident.

Randy Kay Boland, 33, of Pampa was arrested by Pampa PD on capias pro fines for expired driver's license, expired motor vehicle inspection, speeding and failure to maintain financial responsibility, and on charges of no driver's license, no insurance and failure to appear.

Lonnie Wayne Kirklin, 45, of Pampa was arrested by Texas Department of Public Safety and charged with public intoxication.

Fire

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

Friday, Aug. 15 8:20 a.m. - One unit and four personnel responded to a motor vehicle accident in the 1000 block of North Hobart. No injuries were reported.

5:42 p.m. - One unit and two personnel responded to the 1500 block of West Kentucky on a downed telephone line.

Ambulance

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

Friday, Aug. 15 9:17 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block of South Love and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

10:05 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1800 block of Alcock and transported a patient to PRMC. (approx 3000 sq ft) available

11:54 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block for rent. Weddings, Banquets, of Frost and transported a Company Parties, or Family Reunions. Kitchen facilities patient to PRMC.

12:30 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported a patient to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

1:26 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Wells and transported a patient to PRMC.

5:39 p.m. - A mobile ICU ST. VINCENT'S Catholic responded to PRMC and transported a patient to

> 7:20 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Top O' Texas Rodeo Arena on a standby.

WOW...when we sat down to talk about this tribute, we could have written a book. Sam meant so much to all of us and we loved him and all agree he will be greatly missed Sam did so much for so many. His support for our play days...

always allowing us to utilize his arena with never a penny taken. He was such a special man and a supporter of our club and the young participants of our play days. Although at times, he wanted us to believe he was loud, bossy, somewhat overbearing and let's not forget he was ornery... he was really just like John Wayne in "Big Jake"... kind, tender-hearted and his laughter taught us never to take ourselves too seriously. He always had fun... and he taught all of us to do the same.

Sam had the God given ability to bring out "The Spunk" and encourage the self esteem and independence of our children... He believed in all God's Children.

Sam, yes Sam, could be pretty blunt at times. While coaching us at team penning, he often called us "The Calendar Girls" well, not for our "beauty". He said "you need a calendar to time you girls." But believe you me, we always had a laugh from his humor. Even tho, he was truly honest, we could all laugh about it... Our Dear Friend Sam... May you rest in peace and know that you

changed many a lives in your short time with us. Happy Trails to you... until we meet again!



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Graffiti

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Rebel, South Side 13 and Pac Man. Copeland admitted that gang activity fueled some of the tagging but he believes most of the offenders are young people who don't understand the severe consequences of their actions.

"It's very territorial," Copeland said. "The police department is working to try to figure out who's doing it and get the m

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'Any graffiti on public buildings like schools, libraries or the court house is a state jail felony.'

— Ed Copeland Juvenile Probation Officer

caught." Major target areas for graffiti include the downtown alleys, areas behind the mall and small, privately owned businesses.

"If we could educate these businesses and encourage them to paint over the graffiti, that repainting would really discourage people from doing it again, I think that would really help," said DeeDee Laramore, executive director of Tralee Crisis

Copeland added that if some of these businesses invested in surveillance cameras, they could possibly make some headway on who's responsible.

"If we catch one person who's tagged 20 buildings then we could make them pay for the repairs," Copeland

said.

Perhaps the most astounding account of graffiti was one at Iglesia Christiana church. The words "One Wise" were

painted on the side of the church and also on the sidewalk in front if it.

"If they're going to tag a church, that's as bad as it gets. That's also a state felony," Copeland said.

The group discussed contacting every organization that they could for help, such as the school board, city council and the various clubs in town. They made plans to



staff photo by Julie Ann Thompson

The west wall of T-Shirts and More has been spray-painted with grafitti three to four times this year.

draft a letter to give to the often targeted privately owned businesses to try to pool their efforts together. Copeland is also prepared to make presentations to these groups to show how bad the

graffiti is getting. He also

"What's unique about the

reserves is that everyone has

another job. You can bring

those civilian skills into your

work. We've got police and

firemen from America over

there that are then helping to

train their police and fire-

Black said it appears to him,

based on media reports, that

their stories and try to give

us updates on what's going

on. They're running into

small arms or mortars main-

ly," Black said. "It's scary at

yourself in trouble. It seems

to be slowing down a little ...

Black will first report to

New Jersey on Tuesday where he'll be retrained in

what he called "common sol-

but all it takes is one."

control you or you'll get

times but you can't let that not hearing about."

it may be slowing down.

When it comes to combat,

"Guys in my unit all share

men," Black said.

intends to take his presentation to local schools.

"It's a major problem and we really need to get a hold of it," Copeland said. "Kids need to know that this is their community and they can take care of it too."

dier tasks." He said a lot of

the way the military operates

already

arrangements with Lefors

Independent School District

and has his affairs in order at

home. He will be leaving his

wife and child, Jennifer and

Tristan, both of Pampa, for

opportunity. Part of me does-

n't want to go and leave my

family but a large part of me

is raring to go," Black said.

"I just want people to know

that there is a lot of good

being done there that they're

"I'm looking at this as an

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Black

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the Iraqi infrastructure. He assesses everything from their electricity to their water supply and then passes what he finds up the chain of command. Once decisions are made about what needs to be done, he oversees the projects.

"I think the public's perception of what's going on over there is really skewed. The media seems to only portray the bad stuff, but there's a lot of good being done over there," Black said. "Our first projects were getting the schools rebuilt and refurbished and you can see

the good we're doing. You can see it in their faces."

According to Black, when Iraq was liberated from Saddam Hussein's regime, the people had a hard time adjusting to their new free-

"They were still asking us if it was okay to do things,' Black said. "It was hard for them to think on their own."

He has helped rebuild schools, clinics and hospitals as well as getting them stocked with supplies. They've gotten generators up and running and have dug wells. He said they've also been recruiting Iraqi 'National Guardsmen and have arranged for them to be trained.

City, firefighters to talk

Pampa and the local firefighters will be held pext week. Meetings will be held between Pampa Fire Fighters Association Local 3273 and

Collective

the Pampa city management representatives at 9 a.m. Monday through Wednesday (August 18-20) in the City Commission Chambers at City Hall.

No other information con-

bargaining cerning the meeting was talks between the City of available at press time.

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Viewpoints

Making Sense: The dreamers vs. the realists

the dreamers and the realists the realists always win.

We're seeing that played out right now as the supreme realist of our time, Vladimir Putin, not only is running circles around the dreamers of the West, but is also making them look like a bunch of incompetent ninnies.

Putin is playing the role of Vlad the Impaler, and the heads he is displaying atop Red Army bayonets as he marches through Georgia - a of the leaders of what used to rial president.' be called the Free World.

We should have seen it coming, but we were too busy with George Bush's dreams of a democracydrenched world - and Western Europe's preoccu-

In any struggle between pation with the destruction of all vestiges of its Christian past - to notice what Vlad has been up to as he goes about creating the latest version of a czarist imperialist Russia itching to expand its borders.

As the always-perceptive Ralph Peters wrote in the New York Post, Putin's latest venture "not only sized up President Bush humiliatingly well, but precisely anticipated Europe's nonreaction while taking a perfect-fit la Gen. Sherman – are those measure of Georgia's mercu-

Putin, he added, "not only knew what he was doing he knew exactly what others would do" an example, Peters wrote, of "intelligence work at the hall-of-fame level. (For our part, we had all the intelligence pieces in wanted to see." our hands and failed to assemble the puzzle.)"

Peters recalled the signs that were always there for the CIA to see, had they been able to recognize what was taking place right under their noses

"the Michael months of Reagan meticulous planning Columnist and extensive preparations for

this inva-

sion [that] were covered by military exercises, disingenuous explanations - and maskirovka, the art of deception the Red Army had mastered."

The result? "The Russians convinced us to see what we

The reaction of all of this by the Bush administration and our Western allies has been to run around like headless chickens. We have been shown exactly how it feels to be rendered impotent in the

face of a determined opponent that doesn't care what the rest of world the thinks him.

There are a lot of lessons to be drawn from this, but for Americans one of the most important ones concerns the current debate on energy. Nobody seems to have noticed that the crisis in Georgia points up once again on getting much of our oil from areas of the world where turmoil is rampant.

A vital oil pipeline runs through Georgia, for example. One word from Putin and it shuts down.

In the face of all this, when we need desperately to take advantage of the vast stores of oil that lie beneath our feet and off our shores waiting to be exploited, we allow the Democrats to place all that petroleum off-limits as they have since the Clinton administration all

but banned drilling. They scoff at the vast majority of Americans who are demanding that we drill and drill now, using the lame excuse that it will take years before the oil here can be

just how dependent we are brought to the surface and refined and supplied to the nation's gas pumps.

Instead they dream of presently unavailable alternative sources of energy that may never become realities. and in any case are years in the future.

Realists don't dream. They recognize that if we start to drill now, sometime. in the not too distant future two, three, five or even 10. years from now - America will have all the oil we'll ever need, and we won't have to worry about what Vladimir Putin or Iran's. President Ahmadinejad are. doing to threaten our oil supplies.

If we listen to the dream-

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Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, Aug. 17, the 230th day of 2008. There are 136 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 17, 1807, Robert Fulton's North River Steamboat began heading up the Hudson River on its successful roundtrip between New York and Albany. On this date:

In 1863, Federal batteries and ships began bombarding

South Carolina's Fort Sumter in Charleston harbor during

the Civil War, but the Confederates managed to hold on despite several days of pounding. In 1896, a prospecting party discovered gold in Canada's

Everyone is necessarily the hero of his own life story.

> — John Barth American author

Yukon territory, a finding that touched off the Klondike gold rush.

In 1915, a mob in Cobb County, Ga., lynched Jewish businessman Leo Frank, whose death sentence for the murder of 13year-old Mary Phagan had been commuted to life imprisonment. (Frank, who'd maintained his innocence, was pardoned by

Georgia in 1986.)

In 1942, during World War II, U.S. 8th Air Force bombers attacked Rouen, France.

In 1943, the Allied conquest of Sicily was completed as

U.S. and British forces entered Messina. In 1948, former State Department official Alger Hiss faced his chief accuser, Whittaker Chambers, during a closed-door meeting in New York of the House Un-American Activities Committee, and repeated his denial that

he'd ever been a Communist agent. In 1969, 256 people were killed as Hurricane Camille slammed into the Gulf Coast.

In 1978, the first successful trans-Atlantic balloon flight ended as Maxie Anderson, Ben Abruzzo and Larry Newman

landed their Double Eagle II outside Paris.

In 1987, Rudolf Hess, the last member of Adolf Hitler's inner circle, died at Spandau Prison at age 93, an apparent

In 1988, Pakistani President Mohammad Zia ul-Haq and U.S. Ambassador Arnold Raphel were killed in a mysterious

Ten years ago: President Clinton gave grand jury testimony via closed-circuit television from the White House concerning his relationship with Monica Lewinsky; he then delivered a TV address in which he denied previously committing perjury, admitted his relationship with Lewinsky was "wrong," and criticized Kenneth Starr's investigation. Russia allowed the ruble to drop in value by up to 34 percent.

CHINESE CHILD LABOR PRODUCTS...



Idle American: They can stand the heat

By this date, I had hoped pies. to write a piece about recent audience participation at David Letterman's "Late Letterman spin-off. Show" in New York City, but it'll have to wait.

Letterman - in general and Rupert, in particular are hereby pre-empted by a pair of pie-baking teachers in Glen Rose, Texas. (Now cut out the "head-scratching" about Rupert. He's the laid-back delicatessen operator around the corner from the "Late Show.")

When my wife asked him to name his most popular sandwich, Rupert offered his patented "expressionless" reply: "Hello Deli." It's also what he calls his tiny eatery.

Our NYC visit merits more ink later, but today, the focus is on Glen Rose school teachers who love teaching kindergartners - and baking

Rupert's "deli fame" accrues as an obvious

He should be thankful that the "pie peddlers" (Rhonda Cagle and Jean Ford) aren't in business

around the other corner Don from the Newbury theatre. His sandwiches Columnist tasty, are' but no

match for the delectable creations coming from the big oven at the little pie shop in Glen Rose. On top of that, I'm satisfied that either of these teachers could match Letterman, barb-by-barb, in the repartee of his choice. ...

First things first: "Cagle" and "Ford" - as they call each other - are veteran teachers, the former starting

her 30th year and the latter, her 27th. They've taught kindergarten mostly, and for years have instructed their 5year-old broods in classrooms separated only by a hallway.

When the bell rings on Friday afternoons, thev their aprons and for the "Pie

don

head

Peddlers" shop located a pebble's toss from the Somervell County Court House. They're open for business until 6 p.m., then again from 10-6 on Saturdays.

Students in their classes and a thousand or so others they've taught across the years - would do well to make special note of the hours. ...

That's because these folks get free pieces of pie EVERY time they visit. Others pay \$4. They don't keep score,

and aren't sure how much pie they've given away. How could they be expected to know when they aren't even sure exactly how

many pies are sold on a given weekend?...

They're now in their third location on the same block in this, their sixth year in business.

The "pie peddlers" now have a commercial convection oven and a few tables. Still, their entire operation spans less than a thousand square feet - a skosh larger than Rupert's place. Still, it's a far cry from the opening in the spring of '03.

Then, pies were baked at

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Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

Aug. 9 The Fort Worth Star-Telegram on the

death penalty:

How did so many lawyers miss such a basic fact?

When the U.S. Supreme Court struck down Louisiana's death penalty for child rape as unconstitutional in June, part of Justice Anthony Kennedys reasoning for the 5-4 majority was that no national consensus exists for finding such a harsh punishment proportionate to the crime.

As part of that calculation, the court noted that only five other states (including Texas) have made child rape a capital offense and that Congress had not expanded the federal death penalty to include it.

But three days after the ruling, a blog dedicated to military justice issues (caaflog.blogspot.com) pointed out that the court was wrong on the federal law: Congress in 2006 amended the Uniform Code of Military Justice to make child rape punishable by death, and President Bush concurred in a 2007 executive order.

None of the parties to the suit or friend-of-the-court briefs had pointed out this change in the law, as they should have if it factored into their argument. (Justice Samuel Alitos 24page dissent made no reference to it, either.)

Now the U.S. solicitor general's

office, which represents the federal government's interests, has urged the justices to reconsider the ruling. The solicitor general's office, which hadn't weighed in earlier, apologized for not bringing the 2006 law to the court's attention.

"Even if the court reaches the same result following rehearing, rehearing is warranted to ensure that a material omission in the decision-making process has not tainted the court's decision on a matter of such profound constitutional, moral and practical importance," the brief says.

Lawyers for Louisiana also said that the state takes responsibility for the "significant error" of not being aware

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On Vacation with the Pampa News!

Rivera Maya, Mexico



The Murray Family of Pampa traveled to Rivera Maya, Mexico "We had a family wedding and a great vacation," writes Harold Murray. "This picture is at the Mayan ruins at Tulum, south of Cancun, Mexico." From left is Harold Murray, Debbie Murray, and Macy Cochran.



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Tax rate

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ond-floor courtroom of the courthouse, according to Gray County Tax Assessor-Collector Gaye Whitehead.

The final vote by commissioners on the tax rate and budget is scheduled for their 9 a.m. meeting Sept. 15, Whitehead said. The county's fiscal year begins Oct. 1 each

The 2008 county tax rate is .47326 cents per \$100 valuation, said County Judge Richard Peet. Previous tax rates were .445623 cents per \$100 valuation for fiscal year 2007 and .488926 cents in fiscal year

The proposed county budget

for 2009 is available for public inspection at the county clerk's office on the second floor of the courthouse, Peet said.

In other business Friday, commissioners approved a resolution showing the county's 10 percent in-kind contribution to the federal off-system bridge program administered by the Texas Department Transportation. The resolution is required in order to participate in the program, of which 80 percent consists of federal contributions and 10 percent each comes from state and

county sources. The sheriff's and constables' fees for Fiscal Year 2009 were approved. The 2009 fees represent no change from those currently in effect for 2008.

A road crossing request for a natural gas pipeline under County Road 1 was approved. Deputy Sheriff's Montgomery's completion of NIMS training was recognized.

Commissioners reports from County Treasurer Scott Hahn and County Clerk Susan Winborne, and they approved payment of \$196,484.23 in bills \$229,342.47 in salaries.

Budget talks concerning the county's 2009 budget continued at Friday's meeting. The talks began at commissioners' Aug. 1 meeting, and further discussion is scheduled for Aug. 22, said

GOP leaders remember 'superchick' Anne Armstrong

Texas."

Cheney told an audience of

to Jimmy Carter.

cancer, died July 30. She was sen" as his vice president pick,

First lady Laura Bush, former Cheney joined other powerful U.S. Secretary of State James Armstrong's nickname for his Baker III, Texas Gov. Rick Perry and Republican strategist longtime party stalwart called Karl Rove were among the influential Republicans who gathered at Texas A&M University for the

memorial. Armstrong was the first level adviser to Presidents woman to serve as U.S. ambassador to Great Britain, taking ambassador to Britain, was on the post in 1976. During the Ford's vice presidential "short Nixon administration, she became the co-chairman of the "With her on the ticket, we Republican National Committee and the sole female White

President Ford's decision, I can Armstrong, who had battled tell you Anne almost was cho-

Cheney said.

Baker Tobin multi-lingual, politically accomplished wife was "superchick."

Baker said Armstrong's love for her husband first drew her to Texas. But she quickly became enamored with the area and its culture, often traveling to Mexico and learning Spanish after living on the family's ranch in South Texas.

"Anne was a beautiful, accomplished young woman from New Orleans with blue eyes, with tight curls, with a quick mind and a with good heart," Baker said. "As an eyewitness to could've gone anywhere. She could've done anything."

> Her friends and colleagues quipped about the excellent hunting skills she developed at the family ranch, where Cheney accidentally shot and wounded a fellow hunter during an outing two years ago.

"The only thing, frankly, in greater danger than quail when Anne was around, was a glass ceiling," Baker said. "At a time when women in politics stuffed envelopes and made coffee, she was a powerful, influential fig-

Karl Rove said that most peo-After federal immigration fessor who has studied food send the Labor Ready work- pers and on Mexican radio failed late last year amid an ple at the memorial would rather be on the family's famous ranch, sharing lunch Armstrongs.

"It was on those afternoons that I learned there are few things more attractive than a glamorous woman who's good with a shotgun," Rove said.

Perry, U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison and two of Armstrong's daughters recited biblical verses during the cere-

Hutchison, who Armstrong's press secretary at Republican National Committee, has said Armstrong had been her greatest mentor for more than 30 years.

More recently, Armstrong was an adviser on foreign relations to Presidents Reagan and George H.W. Bush. She was a strong advocate of more political participation by women.

"Republican men know there's been a change in Republican women," she told the Los Angeles Times in 1972. "Confidence breeds confi-

COLLEGE STATION, Texas 80 (AP) - Vice President Dick Republicans on Friday to pay tribute to Anne Armstrong, the "the most gracious hostess in crowd of

about 500 mourners that Armstrong, who was a Cabinet-Nixon and Ford and a U.S. list" in 1976.

might've won the election," joked Cheney, who worked in House counselor. the White House when Ford lost

Recruiters fill the void after immigration raids

employees, but it's been a Great Plains at the University to detail the safety issues. boon to labor recruiters of Nebraska-Omaha. around the country.

stamped envelope.

agents raided Agriprocessors, Inc., and arrested nearly 400 ties to immigration, said that dents. Gavino Bravo's phone started companies, such as Tyson ringing.

Suddenly a steady though mostly illegal — depend on outside agencies stream of workers willing to to refill the labor pool after a toil long hours in difficult raid. conditions for low wages had dried up. And the northeast raids because they're desper-Iowa meatpacking plant ate," Gouveia said. needed hundreds of new The depth of that employees. Fast.

suite a block off Main Street recruiter for the Iowa plant in this city near the Mexican cruised homeless shelters and border, Bravo, his father Jose the bus station in search of and their Bravo Labor potential hires. Agency set out to fill the void. So far, they've recruited employment services at Faith about 200 workers for City Ministries in Amarillo, Agriprocessors, them north on buses in batch- could discuss job opportunies of 10 to 15

applaud the recent crack- chapel service. downs by. U.S. Immigration Texas and elsewhere.

"That's great for us they're going to have to come clients. to us for workers," said Bravo, who is paid a flat fee someone and them be treated - he would say how much poorly," Manes said. - for each worker he recruits.

Under normal circumstances, meat processors and other large employers that had established labor supply from Mexico, Guatemala and some Eastern European countries.

"New employees come to Agriprocessors through word-of-mouth," its handout," company Web site says. "As many family members already most accepted, he said. working for the company."

But with nearly half its workers jailed and awaiting agency deportation, those lines were Agriprocessors in May. suddenly severed.

workers, while some of the largest Foods, recruit internally, more and more companies

"It happens more with

The depth of that desperation was apparent in Amarillo From a cluttered office earlier this summer, when a

Cathy Manes, director of sending said the recruiter asked if he ties at Agriprocessors follow-

and Customs Enforcement tions about the company and workers and decided not to recommend the jobs to her

"I didn't want to uproot

Jacobson Staffing, a temporary worker agency, took over recruitment for the Iowa plant in early June. Ryan Regenold, who oversees the rely on immigrant labor have Agriprocessors account for little need for outside Jacobson, said the Amarillo recruiters. Agriprocessors recruiters were already working for Agriprocessors when Jacobson came on. He said in most cases the Amarillo recruits didn't pan out.

"They were people that mainly came up here looking for a said Regenold, who oversees the of Agriprocessors account. The Agriprocessors' new employ- company offered them bus ees found their jobs through tickets back to Amarillo and

Things went badly for workers another staffing sent

Ten days after sending "They're just trying to about 150 workers to the reconstruct the migrant labor plant, Labor Ready pulled

The largest single-site work- pieces by the raid," said safety conditions, said Stacey tem to make sure applicants friends and relatives of the place raid in U.S. history may Lourdes Gouveia, director of Burke, spokeswoman for are in the U.S. legally and are first batch of workers he sent have cost a kosher slaughter- the Office of Latino/Latin Labor Ready's parent compa- able to work. house in Iowa nearly half its American Studies of the ny, True Blue. She declined The search was easier for labor pipeline is already

processing plants and their ers home after safety inci-

The spring raid came amid food safety and environmental violations at the plant. The recent years of mistreating animals and employees.

they were investigating pos- Verify, but requires appliplant and the state has ments indicating they can accused Agriprocessors of work legally in the U.S. violating child labor laws.

480 still on the payroll as of Bravo said. Aug. 1, said Regenold.

Jacobson started with ads wage in local newspapers, exhaust- Agriprocessors is enough to able to go back to undocued the labor pool within driving distance and expanded Bravo and other recruiters ing the shelter's regular the search, adding another Manes said she had ques- of its own recruiters.

McALLEN, Texas (AP) — supply that was blown to them out citing concerns over government's E-Verify systions in Bravo's office from

detail the safety issues.

Regenold, however, said His agency ran ads in finding workers though only skilled in meat processing. Bravo's simple ads only said Labor officials have said U.S. Bravo does not use Esible wage violations at the cants to show original docu- lier.

Bravo has been sending Since June 2, Jacobson laborers to sugar cane fields Staffing has supplied about in Louisiana, dairy farms in 900 temporary workers to Maine and grain silos in arrests. Agriprocessors, with about South Dakota for years,

> The \$10 per hour starting ment. offered by Iowa, he said.

"There are not that many much," Bravo said. recruiting firm and using four opportunities for work here

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to Iowa indicate that a new

forming.

An attempt at comprehen- ure." Gouveia, a sociology pro- Agriprocessors decided to Spanish-language newspa- sive immigration reform stations in the Rio Grande immigration crackdown at Valley and had little trouble work sites nationwide. In fiscal year 2007, Immigration investigations into labor, about one quarter were and Customs Enforcement agents made 4,000 administrative arrests of workers who company has been accused in that the jobs were out of state were in the country illegally and the applicants must have and 863 criminal arrests for permission to work in the more serious offenses. The arrests were ten times the number made five years ear-

> Through the first eight months of this fiscal year, ICE has matched the criminal arrests from last year and made 2,900 administrative

Bravo said business has improved along with enforce-

"I don't think they'll be get workers to relocate to mented workers because they're being scrutinized so

"I knew sooner or later it and the opportunities there was going to catch up with



Workshop to expand opportunities for women, minority-owned businesses

AMARILLO - A seminar providing information about A&M University Enterprise Center, 2300 N. Western Ave., market expansion opportunities for women and minority business owners will be offered Aug. 21 at the West Texas

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The third annual "Make the Connection Minority & Women Business Owners Forum" will teach participants the value of their business becoming Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) certified vendors.

The forum will include a light supper at 5:30 p.m., followed by training instruction from 6-9 p.m. at the WTAMU Enterprise Center.

Edmond Esparza, contract procurement center coordinator for Panhandle Regional Planning Commission, will facilitate the training, said Sue Church, Texas AgriLife Extension Service family and consumer sciences agent in Potter

Ruben Gonzales, director of HUB operations for Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, will present basics on becoming HUB certified.

Certified HUB vendors listed in the State of Texas HUB directory receive exposure to the state agencies and their procurement processes.

Gonzales also will share information about the value of subscribing to the Centralized Master Bidders' List.

Joining Gonzales will be Bryan Glenn, WTAMU director of purchasing and inventories, and P.J. Pronger, with the

WTAMU Small Business Development Center. Glenn will discuss the benefits of the Mentor-Protégé program for HUB vendors, while Pronger will talk about resources available to businesses.

Esparza also will share information on how to market a business and prepare a capabilities statement.

Concluding the seminar will be a roundtable networking opportunity for participants to visit with representatives from companies, municipalities and universities that contract with HUB vendors.

They will include BWXT Pantex, TxDOT, Bell Helicopter, City of Amarillo, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, WTAMU, WTAMU Small Business Development Center and Panhandle Regional Planning Commission.

Participants are asked to register in advance by calling 806-373-0713. A \$5 fee per individual will be charged and the training will be limited to 40 individuals.

Sponsors of this event are the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission, WTAMU Small Business Development Center, WTAMU, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center and AgriLife Extension-Potter County Leadership Advisory Board.

For more information, contact Church at 806-373-0713.

Another revelation from examining

receipts may be that a lot of non-food

items are purchased at a grocery store.

Anding said these items might cost less

Weigh food costs like buying major purchase, nutrition expert says

by Kathleen Phillips **Extension News**

COLLEGE STATION — Grocery stores and restaurants should be approached like major appliance outlets - with thorough research and planning. That's according to Dr. Jenna Anding, Texas AgriLife Extension Service nutrition specialist, who said rising food costs can be cut with thoughtful study.

More than \$3,600 is spent each year per person on food, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

"That's like buying a plasma television for each person in your family," Anding

noted. "Wouldn't you know everything about a major expenditure like that before you buy it?"

About half of a person's annual food bill is for grocery purchases while the other half is for eating out, the USDA reports. But Anding said people need to assess where their money is being spent in order to make informed choices about where to cut.

"If you can, keep track of all your grocery receipts, your receipts from eating out," she said. "Do that over the course of a month, and you'll get a better idea of how much you are really

spending on food." Anding said individuals and families also should determine how much to budget for food - something many people may not have tealized is needed.

"It might be interesting to know where your money is being spent. Are you spending the majority of your food dollars on crackers, cookies, dessert? Are you spending a lot of it on perishable foods that may go to waste?" she asked. "If you don't know how much money you're spending, odds are you don't know where you are spending that money."

Some things to consider when making changes, Anding suggested, include whether to buy convenience foods or pre-prepared foods or to make food from

at discount stores.

Instant rice costs 27-cents per serving while long grain white rice costs 6-cents per serving, she noted.

"The more someone has to prepare it for you, the more you are going to pay for it," she said. "So, instead of instant rice, can you cook your own rice?"

Another revelation from examining receipts may be that a lot of non-food items are purchased at a grocery store. Anding said these items might cost less at discount stores.

"You might want to look at the kinds of food you are buying. If you are buying a lot of national or name brands, maybe you can try some store brands," she said. "There are a lot of private label store brands that are really good quality, and they taste good."

Another thing to do, she said, is look for sale items and use coupons.

"If you can keep track of what items you need and what coupons you have, then when you hit the store, if it's a good deal and you have a coupon, then you might be able to save some extra money," said Anding, noting that one shouldn't buy an item only because of the coupon. "Even if you have a coupon, you still might be able to get a better deal looking at a private label or a

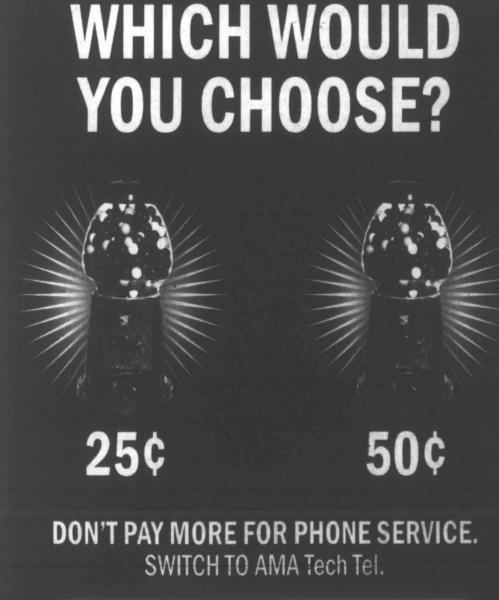
store brand." Other ideas:

- Keep a list of items that are bought on a regular basis and track how much those items cost. That will help you recognize a bargain if you see those items on sale elsewhere.

- Cut back on things like snack foods, chips and cook-

- Scale back on sodas to

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Crusading ex-Pa. lawmaker takes in sex offenders

has adopted a new and unpopular cause, taking into his home three sex offenders who couldn't find a place to live — a stand that has angered neighbors, drawn pickets and touched off a zoning dispute.

As cities across the nation pass evertighter laws to keep out people convicted of sex crimes, Tom Armstrong said he is drawing on his religious belief in forgiveness and sheltering the three men until he can open a halfway house for sex offend-

"I think that our system is trying to treat everybody under a particular brand and it doesn't work," he said. "And because of that we're creating housing problems, we're creating employment problems, we're creating community problems, and it's needless and it's not warranted."

Nearly 100 Pennsylvania municipalities have ordinances restricting where sex offenders may live. The ordinances generally bar them from moving in next to schools, playgrounds or other places where children might gather.

In early June, Armstrong quietly allowed a rapist and two other sex offenders who had served prison time to move into his 15-room century-old home 75 miles west of Philadelphia after another town blocked his plans for the halfway

MARIETTA, Pa. (AP) — A former house. Soon, word got out after tough-on-crime Pennsylvania lawmaker Armstrong's address appeared on the state Web site that lists the whereabouts of convicted sex offenders.

Residents of this former mill town of 2,700 on the Susquehanna River packed community meetings, circulated fliers with the men's mugshots and pressed officials for action.

"I understand how everybody deserves a second chance and all, but I'm not willing to risk my children and my neighbors to find out if they're rehabilitated or not," said Elizabeth Fulton, a mother of four who lives two blocks from Armstrong.

The town's zoning officer promptly taped a violation notice to the former lawmaker's door, citing an ordinance that limits the number of unrelated people who can live together. Armstrong is fighting the violation.

A Republican, Armstrong served 12 years in the Legislature before he was defeated in a primary in 2002. He was known for taking conservative positions on abortion, taxes and crime but also for his role in later years supporting prisoner rights. Over the past two decades, he also took in homeless veterans, and more recently he has been a mentor to ex-cons.

The 49-year-old insurance agent said his compassion for people he says are

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home and displayed in a refrigerated case. When all eight pies were sold, they went home. ...

School personnel started placing orders and proceeds went into the cookie jar. That's how they have funded

Ever-increasing sales, including more than 200 pies each Thanksgiving and Christmas weekend, help them know that their baking expertise portends a pleasant retirement project not too many years up the way.

"We are thankful for friends, for the chance to mold young lives, and along the way, provide field trips to the pie shop," Rhonda said. For them, it is more than show and tell. It is "taste and tell." The youngsters, savvy about Cool Whip, have "what's that?" questions about meringue....

Their entire approach to business is refreshing. Almost everything in the shop had the "new worn off" someplace else. Though both pie peddlers are typically present during operational hours, they have help from

"Friends often insist on helping wash the dishes," Jean said. The pair is also grateful for Rhonda's parents, now 79 and 74, who often "show up to clean up." They each have two grown children, and Jean's two grandchildren, ages 3 and 6 months, are happy to "lick the spoon." Jean's hubby, Mike, will join them, with this proviso - "only the batter of buttermilk pie is worth lickin'.

Call the pair "workaholics" if you like, but don't leave "cooperative" out of the description. ...

For example: Recipes for all their pies are available free of charge. They'll also bake pies from recipes cus-

tomers bring in. Glen Rose folks know that they can place an order for

a pie. It's ready in 90 minutes, and often less. An unnamed undertaker in the area doesn't want any-

one to miss out on pie because of empty pockets. From time-to-time, he leaves a couple of \$20 bills to cover the charges accruing to patrons who are hankerin' for a piece of pie, but are NOT former students. ...

"No one takes advantage," emphasized Rhonda, a native of the area who's taught in Glen Rose ISD her entire career.

"We're all neighbors here, and lots of times families of youngsters eating free pie slices buy whole ones to take home.'

The ladies never throw pies away. Coaches, with lean and hungry looks and long hours of weekend work, are the beneficiaries if a pie or two remain when the pie peddlers shut down on Saturday evenings. ...

-Dr. Newbury is a speaker and author in the Metroplex.

Events calendar

 The Red Hat Dollies Society of Pampa will meet at 11:30 a.m. Aug. 21 at Pampa Senior Citizens Center for its monthly lunch-

665-3617.

Austin Elementary School in Pampa has scheduled a "Meet the Teacher" event from 12-2 p.m. Aug. 22 eon and program. For more at the school. Parents are information, call 669-9916 or encouraged to bring their

children's school supplies to the school on that day. The school is also preparing a "Tears and Cheers Event" strictly for kindergarten parents. Tears and Cheers will begin at 8 a.m. Aug. 25. The

Note: Peters' full article can be seen at

http://www.nypost.com/seven/08142008/ne

ws/columnists/a_czar_is_born_bad_vlad

wins_war__dupes_124459.htm, and it's

required reading for anyone who wants to

President Ronald Reagan, is heard on more

than 200 talk radio stations nationally as

-Mike Reagan, the elder son of the late

parents will be treated to a continental breakfast and a small welcome gift. The Wheatheart Satellite

of Big Brothers/Big Sisters of the Texas Panhandle will hold a 5K race and Family Fun Walk Aug. 23 at Perryton High School in Perryton. The walk will start at 8 a.m. followed by the race at 8:30 a.m. The deadline to preregister is Aug. 8. The entry fee is \$25 and includes a T-shirt. The Family Fun Walker Package is \$90. For more information, call (806) 434-0016 or e-mail bigsmagic@windstream.net.

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ers 10 years from now, we'll still be waiting for the promised age of alternative energy to get off the ground - and we'll still be dependent on foreign oil at only God knows how much per gallon.

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of the revised federal law. They

aroued that leaving the ruling as it is

would invalidate the military code

provision without proper considera-

Defense Department certainly knew

about Louisiana's law and included a

discussion of it in a report recom-

mending that the UCMJ be amended,

The mistake is stunning. The

according to the state's new brief to

part of the Radio America Network.

understand what Putin is up to.

the Supreme Court. Of course, a rehearing would be a stunning blow to Patrick Kennedy, whose death sentence for the 1998 aggravated rape of his 8-year-old stepdaughter was negated by the June 25 ruling.

But the credibility of institutions

must rest on truth and accuracy. A criminal conviction must be based on valid evidence. Likewise, a legal interpretation that says a constitutional right trumps the state's authority to enforce a democratically enacted law must be based on valid http://www.star-telegram.com

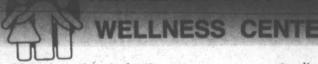
considerations.

The court might come to the same conclusion after reconsideration, but it should arrive there after assessing accurate information.

The Star-Telegram Editorial Board has repeatedly argued for restricting capital punishment for the worst of the worst and suspending its application in Texas until serious problems with the system are addressed. Even these who would limit or abolish the death penalty can't be pleased with a key court ruling that's based partly on

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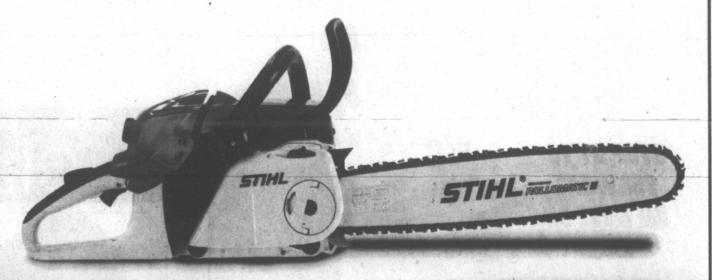
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Weighty matters Half of overweight adults may be heart-healthy

CHICAGO (AP) — You monly associated with obesican look great in a swimsuit and still be a heart attack waiting to happen. And you can also be overweight and otherwise healthy.

A new study suggests that a surprising number of overweight people - about half - have normal blood pressure and cholesterol levels,

while an equally startling number of trim people suffer from some of the ills associated with obesity.

The first national estimate of its kind bolsters the argument that you can be hefty but still healthy, or at least healthier than has been believed.

The results also show that stereotypes about body size can be misleading, and that even "less voluptuous" people can have risk factors com- range had unhealthy levels of

said study author MaryFran Sowers, University of Michigan obesity researcher.

"We're really talking about taking a look with a very different lens" at weight and health risks, Sowers said.

In the study, about 51 percent of overweight adults, or roughly 36 million people nationwide, had mostly normal levels of blood pressure, cholesterol, blood fats called triglycerides and blood sugar.

Almost one-third of obese adults, or nearly 20 million people, also were in this healthy range, meaning that none or only one of those measures was abnormal.

Yet about a fourth of adults in the recommended-weight at least two of these measures. American Heart Association That means some 16 million president and professor of of them are at risk for heart problems.

It's no secret that thin people can develop heart-related problems and that fat people often do not. But that millions defy the stereotypes will come as a surprise to many people, Sowers said.

Even so, there's growing debate about the accuracy of the standard method of calculating whether someone is overweight. Health officials rely on the body mass index, a weight-height ratio that does not distinguish between fat and lean tissue. The limits of that method were highlighted a few years ago when it was reported that the system would put nearly half of NBA players in the overweight cat-

A number of experts say way of determining someone's health risks, and the study results support that argument.

Dr. Robert Eckel, a former

medicine at the University of Colorado, said the new research may help dismiss some of the generalizations that are sometimes made about weight and health.

Study co-author Judith Wylie-Rosett emphasized that the study shouldn't send the message "that we don't need to worry about weight," That's because half of overweight people do face elevated risks for heart disease, explained Wylie-Rosett, a nutrition researcher at Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York.

But, for those without elevated risks, losing weight "might be important only from a cosmetic perspective," she said.

To arrive at the estimates, scientists analyzed nationally waist size is a more accurate representative government surveys involving 5,440 people age 20 and over, and extrapolated to calculate nationwide figures.

The new study, appearing mounting evidence that thick

recently in Archives of Internal Medicine, used government surveys from 1999 to 2004 that included lab tests and height and weight measurements. Participants reported on habits including smoking and physical activity.

In all weight categories, risk factors for heart problems were generally more common in older people, smokers and inactive people. Among obese people who were 50 to 64, just 20 percent were considered healthy compared with half of younger obese people.

The results underscore how important exercise is for staying healthy, even for people of healthy weight, Wylie-Rosett said

The authors noted that fat tissue releases hormones and other substances that affect things like blood vessels, cholesterol and blood sugar. The results suggest this interaction varies among overweight and obese people, the authors said.

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Among people of healthy weight in the study, elevated blood pressure, cholesterol and other factors were more common for people with larger waists or potbellies. This often signals internal fat deposits surrounding abdominal organs, which previous research has shown can be especially risky.

Similarly, among overweight and obese adults, those in the "healthy" category tended to have smaller waists than those with at least two risk factors.

Dr. Lewis Landsberg, a Northwestern University obesity expert, noted that the research didn't look at heart disease, and that not everyone with high risk factors develops heart problems.

Still, he said, the study shows that waist measurements can help assess health.

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Budget

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opt for less expensive iced tea (brewed at home) or water.

Buy fresh fruit in season at a lower cost to take the place of a sweet snack.

- Stick with traditional grocery stores and supermarkets for many items, but also explore discount stores, farmers' markets, bakery thrift stores and "dollar" stores for best buys.

 Plan well to use what you buy. Some research has suggested that as much as 25 percent of our food goes to waste.

Get others in the family involved. That way, they'll be more likely to accept what you are cook-

"The most expensive food you will ever buy is the food you throw away. If you are throwing away that cantaloupe that cost you \$2 last week, you are throwing away \$2,"Anding said. "And the \$2 here and \$3 there, that adds up."

She suggested doing periodic inventories of food on hand, moving older items to the front of the refrigerator, freezer and pantry. That way, the older food gets used before it goes to waste.

"When I go to plan my meals for the week, I look at what I have on hand. And if I have a package of ground beef or chicken or some fish, those are the things I am going to use first because those are the things I've already paid for," she said. "Use them first and then finish out the rest of your meal.

"It is going to take a little time, but if you think about how much money we spend on food, over the course of a year, it is worth the investment," she added. "Take a little bit of time each week to sit down, plan your meals in advance, look at what's on sale at the grocery store, look at what you have on hand, then you are using your time to help plan more nutritious meals and hopefully save some money when you are shopping for





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being treated as modern-day lepers stems in part from personal experience: Eleven years ago, he said, his brother was convicted of exposing himself to girls and was jailed.

"My evolution in this whole process, if it's meant to create positive change, then great, I'm all for that," he said.

Armstrong has a son, 19, and a daughter, 16. His son still lives with him, but his wife and daughter left to care for a sick relative and have no immediate plans to move back in, he said. The sex offenders are barred under the terms of their probation from living under the same roof with

Municipalities across the country and at least a dozen states, from Georgia to Arizona, have placed limits on where sex offenders can live, sharply narrowing their options. In some cases, the rules have made entire cities off limits.

"It's what I call a tough policy that's

not smart," said John O. La Fond, a retired professor of law at the University of Missouri at Kansas City and an expert on sex offender policies.

He said there is no evidence that the laws reduce the number of offenders who commit another crime, and he said they frustrate efforts by ex-convicts to find housing, jobs and treatment.

Besides the rapist, Armstrong's guests include a man who fondled a 15-year-old neighbor girl and one who was caught with child pornography on his computer at the university library where he worked. Armstrong said they do chores around the house while they look for work and contribute whatever they can, up to \$100 a month each, toward the utility bills.

He said defense attorneys and prison counselors had contacted him for help and assured him they were no threat to

When Armstrong heard pickets were planned, he put a cooler full of cold drinks on the sidewalk next to a cardboard sign with a handwritten verse from Jeremiah: "For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sin no more."

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High costs make efficiency key when fertilizing wheat

by Kay Ledbetter **Extension News**

AMARILLO — The increasing costs of nitrogen and phosphorous during the last year have made it more important than ever to use fertilizer as efficiently as possible, said a Texas AgriLife Extension Service specialist.

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Dr. Brent Bean, AgriLife Extension agronomist, said a good soil test is essential to determine the most efficient nitrogen use and proper rates of other nutrients.

"It is important to remember that yields are limited by the most limiting nutrient, whether that is nitrogen, phosphorous or other nutrients," Bean said. "Applications of nitrogen, when phosphorous or other nutrients are deficient, is wasting money."

He said where possible, the collection of deep soil samples is best and could potentially save producers a significant amount of money in fertilizer costs. "It is not unusual to find 30 pounds or more of nitrogen in the soil at depths below 1 foot," Bean said, adding wheat can easily use nitrogen from a soil depth of 3 feet.

Wheat needs 1.5 pounds of nitrogen for every bushel, regardless of the nitrogen source, said Dr. Gaylon Morgan, AgriLife Extension small grains specialist. It also needs approximately 0.75 pounds of phosphate for every bushel of yield.

"If phosphorous is needed, it is best to apply it in the

fall," Morgan said.

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Phosphorous must be incorporated or injected into the soil because it is not mobile in the soil like nitrogen, he said. The highest efficiency rates are received when phosphorous is applied in band.

"Phosphorous can be applied with wheat seed, but make sure any nitrogen or potassium applied with it does not exceed 18 pounds, or seed germination may be ham-

pered," Morgan said. Nitrogen can be applied either all in the fall, as a split application between fall and spring, or all in the spring

to maximize nitrogen use efficiency, Dr. Todd Baughman, AgriLife Extension agronomist said. "Unless the nitrogen level is very low in the soil, dryland wheat producers should consider applying all of their nitrogen in the spring when they will have a better

estimate of their yield potential," Baughman said. Nitrogen should be applied as a top-dress application at least two weeks prior to jointing, Bean said. This will promote tillering and wheat head size. If the wheat will be grazed, he said, then at least one-third of the nitrogen needs should be applied in fall.

"If manure or compost is available, producers should compare cost with inorganic fertilizer needs," Bean said." "In many cases, manure or compost may be the most economical form of fertilizer."

But he also suggested producers have the manure or compost tested for nutrients, as only about half of the nitrogen content will be available the first year.



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AgriLife Extension to offer SHAPE YOUR **Beef Quality update**

Galloway, director of the Pregnancy Support Center and Hope House.

Accolade Home Care, along with a foundation called 26:12, recently donated a gift basket to Pregnancy Support Center and Hope House. The gift basket included diapers, formula, baby

clothes and other items. Above: Yvette Cuellar with Kaysi Preston of Accolade and Monica

by Kay Ledbetter

AMARILLO - Texas AgriLife Extension Service will conduct a Texas Beef Quality Producer program on Aug. 25 at the Texas Extension Center in Amarillo.

The program will start at 8:30 a.m. and will end at 2 p.m., following a catered lunch provided by the Texas Beef Council.

Program sponsors along with AgriLife Extension Southwestern Raisers Association and beef quality credits will be

"The Texas Beef Quality Producer Program offers a standardized way for beef producers to document and be recognized for the quality and management they've put into their cattle," said Ted McCollum, AgriLife Research and AgriLife Extension beef specialist Amarillo.

"Beef enjoys a welldeserved reputation as a tasty and wholesome product. Nonetheless, quality and food safety remain big issues with consumers, and are driving forces in the the Texas and industry here and abroad," Cattle McCollum said.

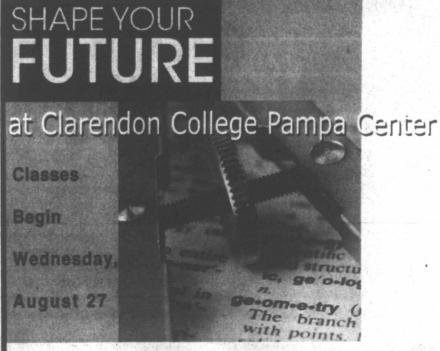
"By participating in a Texas Beef Council. Four Beef Quality Assurance program, growers not only help keep consumer confi-

dence strong, but also position themselves to capture some of the premium dollars which the program will undoubtedly generate along the way," he said.

The program is free, but pre-registration is requested by Aug. 22 for an accurate meal count.

For more information and to pre-register, contact Stacy Fox at the Texas and Southwestern Raisers Association at 817-332-7155 or sfox@texascattleraisers.org .

Also, information can be found by contacting Ronda Fisher at the Amarillo center at 806-677-5600 or by going to www.texasbeefquality.com.



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est in sewing, demonstrations, patterns and ideas at the shared "Sew Economical" annual Sew Fair are bound to inspire, said Sue Church, Texas AgriLife Extension Service family and consumer sciences agent in Potter County.

The fair will kick off with on-site registration at 1 p.m. Aug. 18 at the Texas AgriLife Research and Extension Center Amarillo.

The first session will run from 1:30-4 p.m., with the second session scheduled from 6-8:30 p.m. Admission or \$5 for the evening only, Church said.

Included with the admission fee will be a packet that includes patterns and instructions for completing items demonstrated and opportunities for door prizes.

The Sew Fair will feature ideas on making body forms from duct tape, serging techniques, quick project ideas and denim redesign, she said. Fabric embellishments and seasonal placemats are other ideas that will be showcased at the event.

The Amarillo Chapter of the American Sewing Guild

ects entered in their recent "Apron Challenge" sewing event.

Participants will have the opportunity to view quilted artwork created by Martha McClenagan, a local fabric artist, Church said. During the afternoon break, Sew Fair attendees will be able to view a selection of McClenagan's quilts and

sample a variety of salsas. A "Texas" purse created by Judy Love will be raffled

will be \$8 for both sessions also will be modeling proj- off with the proceeds going toward the purchase of a display case in the Rex Baxter Building for the 2008 Tri-State Fair.

Sponsors of the 19th annual Sew Fair are the Potter Extension Education Association and AgriLife Extension-Potter County.

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For more information about the Sew Fair or tickets for the purse raffle, call the AgriLife Extension office in Potter County at (806) 373-0713.

NWS schedules open house event

AMARILLO — The Amarillo National Weather Service will hold its eighth annual Spotter & Cooperative Observer Appreciation Day and public Open House from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13 at the at its Amarillo location north of the Rick Husband International Airport.

Coffee Memorial Blood Center in Amarillo will conduct a blood drive during the appreciation day and open house. The day will also include a complimentary food and refreshments, office tours, music and games. Last year, approximately 150 people attended the event which included spotters, observers, emergency managers, various NWS customers and partners and Amarillo NWS staff.

"The appreciation day is just one way the NWS in Amarillo chooses to show our appreciation for all the fine work of our spotters, cooperative observers and other NWS volunteers," said Meteorologist-In-Charge Jose Garcia. "The open house provides us the opportunity to showcase our office and demonstrate to the public how their NWS works to fulfill our mission of protecting life and property."

Several door prizes will be given away each hour and will include rain gauges, weather alert radios, sixpack coolers with built-in radios and items for kids.

Individuals participating in the blood drive will receive a T-shirt, a coupon for a free meal and a rain

All of the food and some of the door prizes will be donated by Wal-Mart, a press release from the NWS office stated.

For more information on the blood drive, appreciation day or open house, log on to the Amarillo NWS Web site at www.srh.noaa.gov/ama or call 335-1121.

Research at university looks at peel-and-taste effectiveness

CANYON — Forget Scratch-and-Sniff - the new technology is Peel-and-Taste, and three West Texas A&M University faculty members are on the leading edge of sampling its effectiveness.

Dr. Nick Gerlich, professor of marketing, Dr. Leigh Browning, associate professor of mass communication and Lori Westermann, instructor of mass communication, are examining consumer attitudes in a research project on Peel-and-Taste advertising. It's an innovative technology that introduces the taste of a product to consumers through a flavor-infused edible film. Basically, the flavor strips get the taste of a given product in the mouths of con-

sumers quickly and cheaply. A national news clip about Welch's using flavor strips in its grape juice advertising prompted Browning to scour newsstands and doctor's offices for copies of the magazine carrying the national ad.

"I spent about \$80 and a day of searching for issues of People magazine," she said. "The Peel-and-Taste strips make print ads interactive - it crosses a barrier that even digital can't match."

Her interest in the flavorstrip advertising was contagious, and now she, Gerlich and Westermann are busy, literally, taste-testing consumers on the new technology. Previous research shows that female subjects have greater olfactory skills than men so the WTAMU research is targeted at women.

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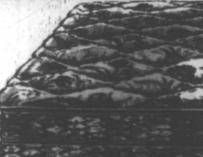
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'36', 638' from South & 1047' from East line, Sec. 36,A-1,H&GN. #3 Elm Creek Ranch

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HEMPHILL (BUFFA-LO WALLOW Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., #2 Dodd SWD, 1650' from North & East line, Sec. 46,M-1,H&GN, PD

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HEMPHILL (WILD-CAT & S.E. CANADIAN Upper Morrow) Unit Petroleum Co., #6 Frank Shaller, 2219' from North & 2620' from West 13000'. line, Sec. 1,-,GH&H, PD 12350'.

Laredo Petroleum, Inc., Sec. 35,A-1,H&GN, PD 10450'.

HEMPHILL (WILD-HEMPHILL CAT & Granite Wash) Cordillera Texas, L.P., #3 Shell Fee '51', 2495' from North & 660' from line, East 51,41,H&TC, PD 12900'.

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HEMPHILL Wash) Devon Energy Production Co., L.P., #11 Mathers Ranch, 990' from North & East line, Sec. 172,41,H&TC, PD 15000'. Recompletion

HEMPHILL (WILD-CAT & HEMPHILL South & 2440' from 40,A-3,H&GN, West line, Sec. 67,A-#1, 2330' from North 2, H&GN, PD 13500' 2440' from West line)

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> HEMPHILL (N.W. MENDOTA Wash) Samson Lone 112,C,G&M, spud 1-28-Star, L.L.C., Pounds 08, drlg. compl 2-15-08, '18', Sec. 18,1,1&GN, tested 6-10-08, TD PD 13000', for the following wells:

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> ROBERTS (WILDCAT & LIPS Lower Morrow) Cimarex Energy Co., #3 Killgore '207', 2370' froom South & 800' from West line, Sec. 207,42,H&TC,

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ROBERTS (RED **DEER CREEK Granite** Wash) Bravo Natural Gas, L.L.C., #1505 Byrum, 2554' from South & 1493' from East Sec. line, Sec. 5,B-1,H&GN, PD 10700'.

WHEELER (WILDCAT & BUFFALO WALLOW (HEMPHILL Granite Granite Wash) Samson Wash) Samson Lone Lone Star, L.L.C., #1948 Star, L.L.C., #19 Hobart Hefley, 2400' from North Ranch '20', 1190' from & 2082' from East line, North & 1330' from West Sec. 48,M-1,H&GN, PD 14500'.

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ROBERTS Granite Wash) Samson Lone Star, L.L.C., #3112 Granite Waterfield, Sec. 10820', PBTD 10756' —

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(WILD- tested 7-7-08, potential 1126 MCF, TD 10760'. PBTD 10667' --

WHEELER (STILES North & 1980' from West Panhandle 2004, L.P., #6003 Thomas, Sec. 3,5,B&B, spud 1-13-08, drlg. compl 2-18-08, tested 7-2-08, TD 15723', PBTD 15641' —

WHEELER (STILES RANCH Granite Wash Consolidated) Operating, Inc., #1 Hink '3', Sec. 3,2,B&B, spud 2-29-08, drlg. compl 3-10-08, tested 3-31-08, 15802', TD 15714'.

WHEELER (STILES RANCH Granite Wash) Zephyr Lone Star Operating Co., L.L.C., #201 Dobson, Sec. 1,2,B&B, spud 3-10-08, drlg. compl 4-1-08, tested 6-3-08, potential 4580 MCF, TD 13550', PBTD 13480' —

WHEELER (STILES RANCH Granite Wash) Newfield Exploration Mid-Con., Inc., #10 Britt Ranch 'F' 6, Sec. 6,2,B&B, spud 9-3-07, drlg. compl 12-12-07, tested 6-17-08, potential 1739 MCF, TVD 15323', MD 15922' Directional well

WHEELER (STILES RANCH Granite Wash) Newfield Exploration Mid-Con., Inc., #5 McCoy '27', Sec. 4,-,CCS, spud 4-12-08, drlg. compl 5-20-08 tested 6-17-08, potential 4997 MCF, TD 15215', PBTD 15165' -

WHEELER (WEST PARK Granite Wash) Samson Lone L.L.C., #6 Fuhrman '19' Sec. 19,RE,R&E, spud 3-29-08, drlg. compl 4-14-08, tested 6-26-08, 14400', PRID 14370' ---

WHEELER. (WEST PARK Granite Wash) Samson Lone Star, L.L.C., #9 Fuhrman '19' Sec. 19,RE,R&E, spud 4-22-08, drlg. compl 5-59,A-1,H&GN, spud 4- 9-08, tested 7-10-08, TD 14400', PBTD 14354' —

> **Plugged Wells** CARSON (PANHAN-(N.W. DLE) King Oil & Resources Co., #9 Byrum Schwartz, Sec. 188,3,1&GN, spud 6-19-55, plugged 2-4-08, TD 3240' (oil) —

(WEST CARSON PANHANDLE) ConocoPhillips Burnett (gas) — Form 1 in Cities Service, for the following wells:

#A52, 75,4,1&GN, spud 11-1942, plugged 3-27-08, TD 2650' -

36,5,1&GN, spud 10-1957, plugged 4-2-08, TD 2954' —

CARSON (WEST PANHANDLE) ConocoPhillips Co., (gas) for the following

#11 G.W. Deahl, Sec. 3,Y-2,H&GN, spud 1-16-97, plugged 4-23-08, TD

#1012A Sanford, Sec. 12,3,AB&M, spud 3-15-90, plugged 4-18-08, TD 3005' — Form 1 in APX

ROBERTS (ALPAR-PEARSON Dolomite) BP America Production Co., #75 Courson Ranch 'B' Unit 11, 2115' from North & 1004' from East Lease line, Sec. 52,R,AB&M, spud unknown, plugged 5-12-08, TD 3700' (gas)

HEMPHILL (S.E. CANADIAN Douglas) SE/4 of N'640, W/2 A. *#2 Teague, 760' from Dubois Survey, spud 12-North & 1980' from East 20-75, plugged 4-3-08, Lease line, J/McFarland TD 2015' (gas) — Form Survey, spud 10-12-82, 1 in G.R. Whittington

plugged 12-20-07, TD 7075' (gas) — Form 1 filed in Gulf Oil Corp. (* Chevron U.S.A., Inc.)

HEMPHILL (RAMP Douglas) BP America Production Co., #1025 Buckthal-Helton Unit, 2145' from North & 467' from West Lease line, 25,A-1,H&GN, spud 9-14-98, plugged 5-23-08, TD 8200' (oil) Form 1 in Crescendo HUTCHINSON (PAN-HANDLE) Operating Co., #9 Mcloy 'A', 330' from South & 990' from West Lease

2835' (oil) -HUTCHINSON (PAN-HANDLE) SNW Operating Co., McNutt, 660' from South Brown & East Lease line, Sec. 17,M-27, R.C. McNutt, spud unknown, plugged 3-31-08, TD 3295' (oil)

Sec.

T.T&NO, spud 6-24-63,

4-2-08, TD

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HUTCHINSON (WEST PANHANDLE Red Cave) Sargego, Inc., #3RC Huckaby, 390' from South & 470' from East Lease line,



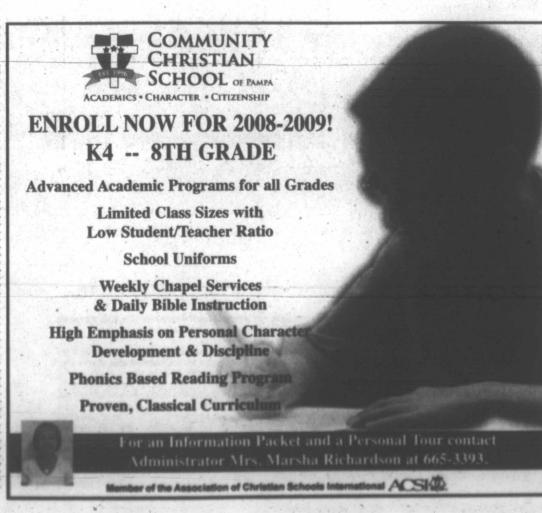
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Farm scene: Soldiers working with Afghan farmers

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) - Army National Guard soldiers from farm states are hoping to fight terrorism and grow Afghanistan's farm crop at a time.

Guard soldiers have been in the country since February teaching modern farming practices in hopes of supplanting fields of opium

> Soldiers have volunteered to leave their own crops and cattle to help farmers a world away become more self-sufficient while avoiding the ille-

gal drug trade, said Col. Mike Johnson ...

poppies with wheat and other crops. While their work is limited to a small part of the country, they believe it is making a differ-

"Some farmers are changing their crops to wheat," said Col. Martin Leppert, the national coordinator of the Guard's Agribusiness Development Team. "They know they can't eat opium."

adviser for Afghanistan's agriculture minister, said about 90 percent of Afghans are poor farmers who have no other way to make a liv-

He believes many U.S. aid programs in his country are doing little good. "They are wasting both time and

money," Panjsheri said. Guard officials acknowledge that changes will not

come quickly. "They've got to give it economy, one legitimate time," Leppert said. "It took years to get into the debacle that they're in, and it's going to take years to get them out

> Soldiers have volunteered to leave their own crops and

> > cattle to help farmers a world become more self-suffiwhile cient avoiding the illegal drug trade, said Col. Mike Johnson, who is heading a Nebraska National Guard unit of 53 soldiers leaving for Afghanistan this fall, at the start of the U.S. harvest season.

Guard members from Missouri were the first to be deployed for the agriculture mission, followed by soldiers from Texas. Guard units from Tennessee, Indiana and Kansas will be involved over the next two years, Leppert

Agriculture accounts for 45 percent of Afghanistan's gross domestic product and employs more than 70 percent of its population, Leppert said.

The country produces more than 90 percent of the world's opium, though other crops are grown by "medieval" methods, -he

"They know how to drop seed in the ground," Leppert said. "But all the harvesting

is done is like you see in the Bible: Wheat is threshed by hand and hauled by don-

Soldier-farmers are teaching such basic techniques as planting corn in rows and using trellises to grow tomatoes and grapes, he said. The Guard is also working to improve irrigation systems

The first wheat crop planted with the help of Guard soldiers is emerging in the Nangarhar province, in eastern Afghanistan, Leppert

helped spur production of crops beyond opium, espediet, he said.

The military said about \$1.7 million in U.S. funds were obligated in fiscal year 2007 for agricultural improvement projects in the area known as Regional

Command East, which borders Pakistan and where most of the U.S. troops in the country are based. Through May 2008, more than \$1.8 million went toward such

projects as livestock management training, wheat seed distribution and equipment purchases.

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said. Food shortages have cially wheat, which is used to make naan, a flatbread that is a staple of the Afghan

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in Donley County will host an alfalfa production seminar from 9 a.m. to approximately 1 p.m. Aug. 20 at the the seminar which will be Methodist Church Clarendon.

The seminar is open to producers from the Rolling, South and High plains be served courtesy of H-L regions.

A no-charge registration Humalfa Compost. will begin at 8:45 a.m. Program topics will include establishment, variety selection, dormancy and winter survival ratings; seasonal

and insect control; and mar-

A field tour will follow worth as much as three continuing education units towards pesticide applicator licenses. A noon meal will Research, L&M Seed and

Participants must RSVP by Aug. 19. For more information, contact AgriLife Extension at (806) 874-2141 or (806) 282-7680.

Local financial office to host free retirement seminar

Duane Harp, a local Edward Jones financial advisor, is hosting a free educational seminar this month at his office. The seminar, titled "Smart Choices in Retirement," will be offered at 12 p.m. Aug. 20 and 5:30 p.m. Aug. 21. Mike Brown with Van Kampen will speak on Wednesday.

Space for the seminar is limited. A light meal will be provided, so reservations are recommended. For more information, call 665-6753.

During the upcoming seminar, participants will learn about 10 principles to help make money go further in retirement with the goal of providing a stable, steady retirement income.

Samples

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"We will enlist 150 female volunteers," Gerlich said. "We will let each one touch and examine real advertising pieces with the Peel-and-Taste strips, and there is of it." an online site that evaluates each volunteer's mood state as well as their response to the ad and the flavor strip."

Data from the research will be compiled and presented at the Clute Institute for Academic Research Sept. 29-Oct. 2

in Las Vegas, Nev.

"The research is exciting and cutting edge," Westermann said. "It's interesting to see the responses of the different age groups. The younger ones are excited about trying the flavor strips, and the older volunteers are a bit more cautious. It's exciting to be a part

Plus, the research will benefit WTAMU stu-

"By doing research we can engage students," Gerlich said. "We have stories to tell that can bring the lesson to life in the classroom, and students love it."

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Cole Buck headed to golf tourney

Thirteen-year-old Cole Buck of Pampa qualified for the Ewing Automotive Junior Golf State Championship to be held in McKinney on Aug. 18 and 19. Cole qualified at West Texas Regionals in Midland with a two-day score of 85-78. Cole is an eighth grader at Pampa Junior High and son of Dr. William and Shannon Buck.

Holbrook back for more at New Mexico State

Mexico State quarterback Chase Holbrook is eager to take a shot at the NFL.

But first, a more pressing mission — ending his school's 48-year bowl drought.

'There's a lot of unfirtished business," Holbrook said. "I thought about going to the pros, but there's just too much that so long for New Mexico State to didn't hurt to ask the question."

be in a bowl game." Since 1960, to be exact.

The Aggies beat Utah State 20-13 in the Sun Bowl that year but haven't returned to the postis that Holbrook can take them

game," said Holbrook, a senior from Hurst, Texas. "We've been saying it for two years now. Those seasons haven't turned out the way we wanted but I really have a good feeling about

Holbrook, a strapping 6-foot-5 and 246 pounds, went through

college football.

Turns out there really wasn't new experiences. anything to consider.

"I definitely was coming back," he said, cracking a smile. "I just wanted to see what the NFL people thought about can still be done here. It's been where I might be. I figured it

The last New Mexico State quarterback to leave a big impression on the NFL was Charley Johnson, who after helping the Aggies to back-toseason since then, currently the back Sun Bowl titles in 1959 nation's longest skid. The hope and 1960 went on to a 15-year

New Mexico State coach Hal "First goal is to go to a bowl Mumme, who worked with former No. 1 draft pick Tim Couch when he was at Kentucky, believes Holbrook could be

"I think he is recognized by all the NFL people as a player who has tremendous potential," Mumme said.

Last fall Holbrook stretched

LAS CRUCES, N.M. (AP) workouts for visiting NFL his total number of school Mumme disclosed that his sig-Make no mistake, New scouts last spring. Advised he records to 36. He threw for nal-caller, all told, had missed was projected as a fifth- or 3,866 yards passing and 26 sixth-round draft pick, he decid- touchdowns as a junior, but ed to return for his final year of New Mexico State struggled to a 4-9 season that offered some

> Holbrook fought through the fog of a concussion, played with injured ribs and was sidelined for two games. After the season

about a month of practice.

"It's hard to have cracked ribs and play quarterback," Mumme said. "But he is one of the toughest kids I've coached at that position, and he's had some terrific games when he was



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Basketball Booster Club meeting scheduled

The first meeting of the Pampa Harvester Basketball Booster Club of 2008-09 will be held Wednesday, August 20, 2008 at 7:00 pm in the Ready Room in Valhalla.

This is the support organization for all levels of the high school basketball program - boys and girls grade 9-12. Please plan to attend and get involved!



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CLUB NEWS

Club news is published strictly on a first come, first serve basis due to space limitations. The deadline each week for Sunday's paper is Wednesday at 5 p.m., (Tuesday at 12 noon on holidays such as Thanksgiving and Christmas.) The deadline does not guarantee publication that week. Thank you.

Aug. 12 at First United Methodist Church with President Barb Hahn presiding. Julia Sparkman served as greeter.

The following business was conducted and announcements made:

-The Accent was presented by Mayda King who explained the criteria for Altrusa International Foundation Grant program Altrusa International Inc., of Pampa met which funds grants for club projects as well

as individual grants.

The club voted to assist the local Veterans of Foreign Wars chapter with the Vietnam Traveling Wall Memorial Nov. 5-

—The club voted to begin holding its evening meetings at Pampa Senior Citizens

-Jody Clendennen, newsletter editor,

distributed the August newsletter and requested members contact her with any Altrusa news.

-Hahn reminded members that the next meeting will be a guest night.

The next meeting is scheduled at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 26 at Pampa Senior Citizens

Bridal Selection

Eva Isbell & Jeff Whittington Kimberly Cory & Brandon Soukup Michelle Etchison & Genesis Reddic Keana Daughtry & Ryan Bennett Lindsay Reece & Travis Lancaster Jessica Stadler & Craig Stout

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Bichsel, Reed Wedding

Kristin Marie Bichsel and Travis Eugene Reed, both of Amarillo, were wed June 21 by Judge Hale of Amarillo at Garden of Country Home Weddings in Canyon.

The parents of the bride are Greg and Christy Bichsel of Amarillo. The parents of the groom are Roger and Pam Reed of Pampa.

Geneva Tiller of Amarillo was the bride's maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Jaimie Peach, sister of the groom of Moreland, Okla., as well as Amber McLaughlin, Stephanie Marufo, Shanna McGlohan, Lorretta Flores and Cassie Fielding, all of Amarillo. The flower girl was Payton Brookshire of Canyon.

The ring bearer was Braden Danner, cousin of the bride of Pampa.

Standing up as best man was Nick Jennins of



Kristin M. Bichsel and Travis E. Reed

were Nathan Bichsel, Woodington,

Amarillo. The groomsmen Schacher, all of Amarillo, Mitch Schilling brother of the bride, Jarrett Norman, Okla., Sam Hays Darrell of Sunray and Casey

Brookshire of Canyon.

McKayla and Amy Reynolds of Amarillo handled the guest book.

A reception was held after the service at Garden Country Home Weddings.

The bride is a 2005 graduate of Palo Duro High School in Amarillo and is a 2007 graduate of Amarillo College nursing school, where she earned her LVN. She is employed with Dr. Do at Amarillo Medical Specialists.

The groom graduated from Pampa High School in 2003 and AC in 2005, where he earned a degree as a diesel technician. He is employed as a diesel tech at Bruckner Truck

The newlyweds honeymooned in Cancun, Mexico, and plan to make their home in Amarillo.

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NEW ORLEANS, La. — Doctor of Dental Surgery

Christopher Aaron Olson degree from Louisiana State was recently awarded a University Health Sciences

Jeanne Willingham

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Fall Registration

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Olson received the American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry Student of Merit award and the Louisiana Academy of General Dentistry Certificate of Merit for Outstanding Achievement in

Theory and Technique Practice of General Dentistry.

Olson

Dr. Olson is the son of Kim Olson and Judy Olson of

Greenwood, Ark., formerly of Pampa; and is the grandson of the late Cecil and Bernice Olson, longtime Pampa residents, and the late Jack and Tency Walthall of Mesquite.

Dr. Olson graduated from Greenwood High School in 2000 and holds bachelor's degrees in science and biology from the University of Arkansas Conway. He is currently participating in a general practice residency program at University Hospital in New Orleans in coordination with LSU Health Sciences Center School of Dentistry.

LUBBOCK — Leigha Messer, a physician assistant student at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, will begin a sixweek prenatal/gynecology clinical rotation with Dr. Melinda Hiscock between Aug. 18 and Sept. 23.

The purpose of the rotation is to give participating students experience working in a rural community thereby allowing them to develop their skills and to enhance their primary patient care knowledge.

The clinical rotation was provided through the Panhandle Area Health Education Center in collaboration with Dr. Hiscock, Pampa Regional Medical Center and the TTU physician assistance program.

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GLASS ANNIVERSARY

James Dale and Mary Lou Glass of McLean are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary from 2-4 p.m. today, Saturday, Aug. 16, 2008, at First Baptist Church in Howardwick. Children of the couple are hosting the recep-

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Mr. Glass married the former Mary Lou Miller on Aug. 17, 1958, at Friona. They have lived in McLean for 50 years.

Mr. Glass owned operated a Phillips 66 Station in McLean for 25 years, and in 1999 retired from the Department of Criminal Justice as a correctional officer after 10 years of service. He is still



▲ ► Mr. and Mrs. James Glass

TDCJ part-time.

Mr. Glass belonged to Lions Club for 25 years, acting as president from 1973-1974 and secretary from 1972-1973. He served on the McLean City employed with the Council for six years

and was a member of the Junior Chamber of Commerce 1960-1961.

Mrs. Glass was an educator for 29 years prior to retiring in 2000. She currently belongs to Pioneer

Study Club and Beta Sigma Phi. She volunteers with Loaves and Fishes and is a musevolunteer in McLean.

Children of the couple are Maridale Morgan of Plano,

Sherry Kramer of Skellytown, Glass of Fort Worth, Terri Luna Clarendon, John Glass of Dallas, and Angela Burrus of Dumas. They have nine grand-



Cradle call_



Jayla Grace Dickey

Jayla Grace Dickey was born at 11:13 p.m. July 17 at BSA Hospital in Amarillo, to John and Hannah Dickey of McLean. At birth, the infant weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces and was 19 inches long. The baby is the sibling of Jaytin and Jaylie Dickey; and is the grandchild of Terry and Glenda Dickey of McLean, and Mike and Melissa Knutson of Pampa.

Menus

Week of August 18-22

Kid's Cafe-Wilson **MONDAY**

Tater tot casserole, green beans, dessert.

Kid's Cafe-Lamar TUESDAY

Soup, sandwiches, chips, Kid's Cafe-Briarwood

FRIDAY Beef/cheese nachos, beans, salad, dessert.

Senior Citizens MONDAY Chicken fried steak or

chicken ala king/cornbread, mashed potatoes, Italian green beans, beets, beans, strawberry cake or chocolate sundae cups, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or corn-

TUESDAY

Chicken salad or smothered steak/gravy, au gratin potatoes, fried okra, baby carrots, beans, tomato spice cake or lemon icebox pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread.

WEDNESDAY

Roast beef brisket/brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, spinach, corn, beans, peaches and cream cake or cherry cobbler, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or cornbread. **THURSDAY**

Chicken strips or barbecued beef, potato salad, onion rings, broccoli casserole, beans, marble cake or butterscotch pie, slaw, tossed or jello salad, hot rolls or combread. **FRIDAY**

Catfish/hushpuppies or cabbage roll casserole, potato wedges, squash, beans, walnut brownies or tapioca cups, slaw, tossed or jello salad, garlic bread sticks, hot rolls or cornbread.

Meals On Wheels MONDAY Chicken sandwiches, tater



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Mother's Day Out at First Christian Church is back!!

> Pre-registration will be August 26 & 28 9:30-11:30

in the First Christian Church Library

There will be a \$25.00 non-refundable registration fee, per family, due at the time of registration.

Class will begin Tuesday, September 2 & then every Tuesday and Thursday from 9am to 3pm.

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Healthy ideas

(NAPSA) - If you or someone you know has been diagnosed with breast cancer, remember that no one has to face this disease alone. For in-depth information on breast cancer, visit the National Breast Cancer Awareness Month Web site www.NBCAM.org.



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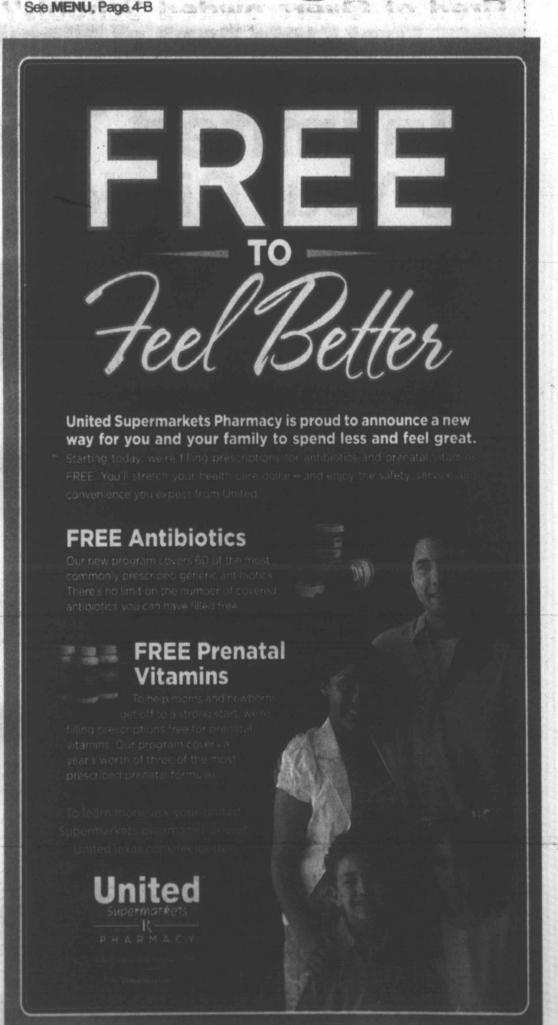
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Sarah Wood, granddaughter of a Pampa resident, recently earned a scholarship from Midland Amateur Radio Club. She is a 2008 graduate of Midland High School and plans to major in pre-vet studies at Texas A&M University at Corpus Christi. Above, from left: Sarah's father and mother, Robert and Wendy Wood along with Sarah and John Wilder, president of the radio club. Robert Wood is a 1974 graduate of Pampa High School.

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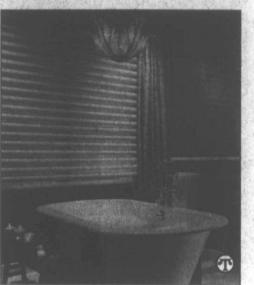
(NAPSA) - From simplified elegance to earth-friendly style, there are several trends that are guiding interior design choices this year, such as:

 Simplified Elegance. Roderick Shade of New York City, selected by Architectural Digest as one of the top designers, thinks one of the most important trends in home design is "paring down." People want fewer but finer things. Gone are yesterday's McMansions.

A terrific complement to this new tailored design is brand-new Pirouette(r) window shadings from Hunter Douglas with soft fabric vanes that float over a sheer backing. The vanes can look crisply straight-edged to add an architectural element to windows or softly rounded to achieve the mood you want-closed and cozy or open and energetic-obtained by a gentle pull on a single cord. It is one of the most versatile window coverings on the market today.

Splashes of Color. According to Shade, people are yearning for color in refined "shots," such as "a couple of green chairs or an eggplant-shaded area rug against a neutral setting." For fashion-forward color at the window, Pirouette shadings are offered in a total of 44 fabric/color combinations.

Shine, Shine and More Shine. Amy Lau, New York City interior designer and co-founder of the Design



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Fashion-forward window treatments like Pirouette window shadings add shimmering color at the window as well as harness the power of natural light.

Miami fair, says one of the most important trends is shine and mirrorlike images. This calls for metallic finishes and surfaces on everything from walls to furniture to vases, in a dazzling yet refined manner.

Haute High-Tech. Lau also

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College: Seven simple steps to save

(NAPSA) - According to college planning experts, getting started with a savings plan has never been more important. With student loans drying up, parents have been dealt a huge wake-up call. But the good news is that the grim headlines are helping young families learn that saving for college right from the very beginning is the best option.

Rebecca Matthias, president and founder of etrust, a MasterCard-linked college savings program, has made that deposits rewards where educating young families about the importance of saving early her priority. The good news is that saving does not have to be difficult and every little bit does add up, says Matthias. "I have a few simple tips that fit into parents' already tight budgets and make saving a part of daily life."

college when your child is born or even before. Time is financial the biggest savings. Unlike some catastrophic expenses, college tuition comes with a pretty generous built-in warning period.

2. Open a tax-free 529 college savings account ... yesterday! There is no better way to watch your college savings grow.

3. Turn your everyday spending into everyday saving. Sign up for a credit card you really need them-into your 529. Unlike other programs, the Futuretrust MasterCard can be linked to any 529 without a cap on rewards that can be earned. Members earn a minimum of 1 percent every time they use the card, and more with

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the performance of the different 529s out there, as well resource most families have as the tax benefits your state when it comes to college offers. Depending on those factors, your state's 529 may or may not be the best choice for you.

5. Set up your 529 so that money is directly deposited from your checking or savings account each month. Nothing is easier than automatic savings. And saving just \$25 a month starting when your child is born will

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Continued from Page 3-B peaches. WEDNESDAY Chicken chow mein, egg rolls, rice, oriental vegeta-

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Salmon, macaroni cheese, pickled beets, apricots.

Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

FRIENDS REFUSE TO PLAY THEIR PART IN DRAMA QUEEN'S ILLNESS

DEAR ABBY: I'm afraid my best friend's daughter, "Kami," may have Munchausen syndrome. People with this condition consciously fake the symptoms of a physical disorder. Kami is 30, a former nurse, and married with a toddler. She lives to be sick. She is always in the emergency room for something. Kami often claims she has cancer and is dying. In fact, she recently told me proudly that she had "died" twice. Ladies from her church clean her house and bring her meals because they think she's at death's door, yet Kami and her husband are planning a water-skiing and snorkeling vacation. Kami's husband and parents are extremely protective of her and become defensive if anyone suggests that Kami may not really be physically ill. A sister-in-law who mentioned Munchausen is no longer spoken to. The final straw for me came when she arrived late to a wedding, making the grand entrance in a wheelchair, and by the end of the night was on her feet swing dancing at the reception. She's losing friends, because to be friends with Kami means you are completely invested in her illness. Most people are staying away. She exhausts us. I care for this young woman and her family, but don't know how to help her. Have you any thoughts? -- WORRIED FRIEND IN **UTAH**

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DEAR WORRIED FRIEND:

Until Kami's family is ready to recognize that she may have a complex emotional disorder rather than a physical illness and stop enabling her, there will be no help for her. However, has anyone taken into consideration the effect Kami's endless dramatic crises are having on that toddler? When a parent is continually at death's door, attention that should be devoted to nurturing the child is diverted from where it should be. Please point THAT out to your

best friend. While the truth may not endear you to her, it may be the wake-up call she needs to see that her daughter gets help. Either that, or she can intervene to ensure the child receives the emotional support he or she needs while Mama is having anoth-

DEAR ABBY: I want to thank all the wonderful people who make biking to work possible. I am a mid-40s professional and never thought I could do this, but I am. My goal was to bike at least once a week to work -- 15 miles each way -- and I have been doing it since May and loving it!

Thank you to the drivers who respect bikers, the municipalities who planned for safe cycling, and the companies that provide showers and lockers. It has been so much fun.

I never thought I could do this because of work schedules, kids' activities and weather, but with a little thought it works. It's good, fun exercise. Help the environment, save energy and get fit, America! - GEORGE IN MIAMI VAL-LEY, OHIO

DEAR GEORGE: I'm pleased that you are enjoying your healthy new lifestyle, and I'm all for physical fitness. However, I hesitate to encourage large numbers of people to embrace your challenge until both cyclists and motorists are better educated about the rules of the road.

Communities need to act now to provide safe bicycle lanes and paths for people trying to conserve gasoline. Awareness needs to be raised among drivers about the rights of bikers. The television and print media could be a significant help in this effort, and I hope they'll take the opportunity to inform their audiences.

For Better Or Worse



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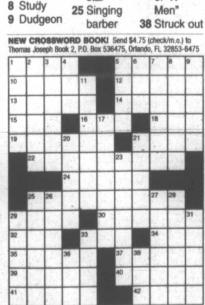


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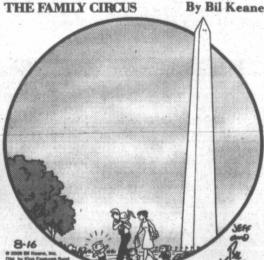


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"Can we go back up there, Daddy? I told Grandma I'd wave to her, but I forgot."

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MEDICAL, SUPPORT GROUPS, ETC. AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION. American Heart Association meets at 12 noon the second Thursday of each month at Chaney's Restaurant in Pampa.

ANGELS HAVE WHEELS. Some Medicare recipients may qualify for electric

wheelchairs at no charge to themselves. For more information, call 1-800-810-2877.

ARC. Gray County chapter of the American Red Cross is in need of wheelchairs, walkers, shower chairs, potty chairs (with pot) and hospital beds for its Loan Closet. For more information or to make a

donation, contact the local Red Cross office

at 669-7121. AREA AGENCY ON AGING. Area AREA AGENCY ON AGING. Area Agency on Aging of the Panhandle needs volunteers to serve as advocates for nursing home residents as part of its Ombudsmen program. The Ombudsmen will visit residents of long-term care facilities and help resolve complaints involving residents rights, quality of life and quality of care. Once accepted into the program, volunteers complete a three month internship including intensive training and supervision in preparation. Ideal candidates will have strong sense of fair play, excellent problemsolving skills, good relationships with older

people and the ability to devote two hours a week to the residents served by the Ombudsman program. For more information, contact Tanya Mock, regional local Ombudsman, at 1-800-642-6008; or write P.O. Box 9257, Amarillo, TX, 79105.

BEGINNINGS. "Beginnings," a Harrington Cancer Center program for

Harrington Cancer Center program for newly diagnosed breast cancer patients, will meet weekly in Harrington Cancer Center Quiet Room, 1500 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo. For more information, call (806) 359-4673, ext. 173, or 1-800-274-4673,

BREAST CANCER 101. The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center offers "Breast Cancer 101," an intensive education and supportion introduction and support to the second cancer, from 4:30-6 p.m., the second Monday of each month in the Quiet Room of Hamington Cancer Center in Amarillo. For more information call (806) 359-4673, ext. 173 or 1-800-274-4673, ext. 173. CLEAN AIR AL-ANON. Clean Air Al-

Anon will hold weekly meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon at 2004 Williston. For more information, call 665-

COAF WEB SITE. The Children of Alcoholics Foundation, an education-pre-

vention arm of Phoenix House, recently launched a website (www.coaf.org) for children of substance abusers of all ages. The website is designed to help educators, physicians, social workers and other professionals. The site includes sections for teens and adults who have grown up with an alcoholic or drug addicted parent as well as information for teachers, social workers

and others. COFFEE MEMORIAL BLOOD CENTER. Coffee Memorial Blood Center in Amarillo is now open on Saturdays and will take appointments for blood donations. The new donation hours are: 8 a.m.-7 p.m., Monday-Thursday; 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Friday; and 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday. The center is also promoting The Birthday Club. If a donor donates blood on their birthday, they will receive a Blood Drop Beanie. For more information, call (200) 359, 4567, and more information, call (806) 358-4563 or 1-

800-658-6178.

CPF. Cerebral Palsy Foundation is seeking families with children (birth to age 12) affected by cerebral palsy in an effort to establish a chapter in the area. CPF offers financial and emotional support as well as many free services. For more information, call 1-888-872-7966 toll-free.

DIALOGUE. The Don and Sybil

Harrington Cancer Center will hold "Dialogue," a patient/family education support group sponsored by the cancer center and the American Cancer Society, Thursdays from 12 noon-1:00 p.m. this month. For more information, call Gerry Kelly at (806) 359-4673, ext. 235 or Stan McKeever at (806) 359-4673, ext. 141 or toll-free at 1-800-274-4673.

HIGH PLAINS EPILEPSY ASSOCIATION. High Plains Epilepsy Association of

TION. High Plains Epilepsy Association of Amarillo, funded in part by Pampa United Way, will have a licensed social worker in Pampa from 9:30-12 noon the second Tuesday of each month at Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard. The program assists people with epilepsy and their families. To make an appointment, contact the Amarillo office at 1-800-806-

HOSPICE HOPE SERIES, Crown of Texas Hospice is offering HOPE (Healing Our Parental Emptiness) bereavement series for those grieving the death of a child (pregnancy to 18 years) from 10-11:30 a.m., the first Saturday of each month at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo, The series is free and open to the public. For more information, call 1-800-572-6365.

Residents band together to fight turbines

LINGLEVILLE, Texas (AP) — Johnny and Tesa Whitley bought 350 acres in rural Erath County to raise horses and enjoy the breathtaking sunsets, but their view is now marred by something they never expected: two dozen wind turbines.

The 400-foot-tall turbines tower over trees atop ridges, some just a mile away. At night the structures' bright red lights blink intermittently, even reflecting in their lake, Tesa Whitley said.

"We had a beautiful horizon, and now all we see is turbines," she said.

Folks in several nearby towns, about 100 miles southwest of Dallas, are fighting to make sure the same thing doesn't happen to

They are warning their neighbors about the 99-year leases being offered by an energy company, saying they are full of restrictions and false promises of big bucks.

> Opponents also are holding meetings and erecting yard signs against turbines, disputing that wind energy works at all. They say wind doesn't blow enough during peak demand, so it is a small part of the electricity grid's generating capacity. They say that unreliability isn't worth sacrificing their scenic vistas and high property values.

They say the companies are swooping in — even into areas that aren't as windy because federal tax credits for wind developers expire at year's end unless Congress extends the sub-

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"The reason people bought here is because of the yiew," said Gary Key, whose home atop a Morgan Mill ridge has a panoramic view

of the rolling tree-dotted sidered marginally windy, so countryside. "We've got a ridges are the preferred sites huge investment, so we can't afford to pick up and move."

Texas already generates more wind power than any other state, about 5,600 megawatts. The Texas Public Utility Commission has given preliminary approval for a \$4.9 billion plan to build new transmission lines to carry wind-generated electricity from West Texas to urban areas in other parts of the state.

Billionaire Texas oilman T. Boone Pickens, who has plans for a giant wind farm in the Panhandle, recently unveiled his plan to erect wind turbines across the Midwest to generate electricity and reduce U.S. dependence on foreign sources.

Wind is a clean, free domestic resource that doesn't use water like nuclear power plants, said Susan Sloan, an American Wind

Energy Association spokeswoman. Energy companies do lengthy, detailed studies before deciding where to put turbines and would not build if the project were not profitable, because tax credits occur only if power is produced, she said.

"We need more electricity in this country, and wind provides a very good balance to what we have right now," Sloan said. "I understand why people would be concerned and want to explore these issues ... but beauty is in the eye of the beholder. For some people they represent a new era, where we are getting smarter about energy choices."

Most of the state's turbines are in windy West Texas, a sparsely populated region where the landscape is largely barren or already pockmarked with oil drilling and exploration equipment.

But energy companies are now moving into more populated, scenic areas with less wind.

In Central Texas' wildcountry, Fredericksburg and Gillespie County recently blocked a wind turbine project. Local leaders and a group called Save Our Scenic Hill Environment Country argued that it would hurt tourism because the turbines would have been 2 miles from Enchanted Rock state park. Also, the county ranked 20th out of 25 areas studied by the state for best wind potential.

"These landmen (with leases) come into the area like termites, and by the time they come to the surface it's almost too late, but we found out about it soon enough," said Fredericksburg City Councilman Tim Dooley.

In Erath County — con-

folks said they were sur-

prised when representatives started showing up with leases but refused to discuss terms unless landowners first signed a confidentiality agreement. That meant they could not find out what their neighbors were offered and try to negotiate for a better deal.

Some said the lease terms are \$4,500 per landowner, no matter how big their property, plus up to \$4,000 in annual revenues from each turbine, which requires 40 acres. Most leases are for 99 years and restrict hunting, growing crops and other uses for a period of time, some residents said.

hills where turbines would the project in Morgan Mill be built are also being offered leases as "hush money" so they will be less likely to complain or sue, or so the company can build roads or transmission lines across their land, some said.

But the companies don't have to obtain leases for transmission lines — they can use eminent domain if turbines are already built, according to several homeowners and attorneys.

"That's why we need to stop people from leasing for the wind turbines. There's a whole group they'll have to cross, and we're united," said Carroll McInroe, who recently organized a community meeting.

FPL Energy has not decid-

and Huckabay because officials are still studying the area's wind and transmission lines and talking to landowners, said Steve Stengel, a spokesman with the Juno Beach, Fla.-based company, a subsidiary of FPL Group.

He declined to discuss the company's lease terms and said people are required to sign confidentiality agreements because information in the contracts is propri-

"FPL Energy is the largest wind provider in the United States and Texas, and we could not do what we do without landowner partnerships," Stengel said.

In Lingleville, Charley Leatherwood said he is not Those who don't live on ed whether to proceed with mad at his neighbors who

signed leases because he believes in property owners' rights. But the view is now different across the 2,400acre ranch that has been in his family for several gener-

"Every evening we sit out there on that patio and have a glass of tea and watch the sun go down," Leatherwood said. "Now we get to go out there and watch blinking lights. It's just a sea of lights."

On the Net:

American Wind Energy Association: www.awea.org

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'Control of Pests New textbook important weed-control tool

by Alfredo Flores **ARS News**

Agricultural An Research Service (ARS) expert on invasive weeds like water hyacinth and melaleuca has authored a new textbook to help university students and others learn about biological control and other strategies for controlling weeds.

The new textbook, "Control of Pests and Weeds by Natural Enemies: Introduction Biological Control," was co-authored by Ted Center, director of the ARS Invasive Plant Laboratory Research (IPRL) in Lauderdale, Fla.

Water hyacinth has infested waters in many tropical and subtropical parts of the Americas, Asia, Australia and Africa. It clogs up the waterways and hampers boating and fishing, water supply, flood control, mosquito control, fisheries and wildlife management, as well as damaging irrigation systems used to grow food.

Center has had success with hyacinth-eating biological control insects from South America. These insects have been effective complements to chemical control methods, because they go where sprays can't reach.

He is now searching for IPRL and be carefully other prospective biolog- tested - to make sure ical controls, which must they eat only the right go through quarantine at weeds - before they may

be released into the environment.

Center and his colleagues are also fighting melaleuca, a fast-spreading invasive Australian tree that's threatening survival of the Florida Everglades, the largest subtropical wilderness in the United States.

The new textbook, published by Blackwell Publishing Ltd., includes water hyacinth and many other invasive weeds both aquatic and terrestrial - detailing their history, attributes and methods to eliminate or control them. It is a valuable reference book for biocontrol professionals, agriculturalists, wildlife biologists and others.

Co-authoring the book

with Center are the book's lead author, Roy G. Van Driesche of the University Massachusetts-Amherst, and Mark S. Hoddle of University California-Riverside. Van Driesche and Hoddle wrote the chapters pertaining to insect biological control, while Center wrote the chapters dealing specifically with weed biological control. All three authors contributed to chapters relating to themes common to both insects and weeds.

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In a biological control impact study, research leader Ted Center climbs up to inspect a melaleuca tree that is protected from biocontrol agents with insecticides, while entomologist Cressida Silvers checks one that was planted at the same time and inoculated with biocontrol agents. Note that the biocontrolinoculated tree is much smaller.

Haslet woman raises racing birds, turns hobby into sideline

She and her husband now live in Haslet to better

accommodate the nearly 200 white homing pigeons she

releases for weddings, funerals and other events.

by KATE GORMAN Fort Worth Star-Telegram

HASLET, Texas (AP) — Ask Ruth Kummer how long she's been raising pigeons, and she'll ask when Sonny Bono died.

It was 1998., And though she didn't see the congressman and former pop star's funeral on TV, everybody in her office was talking about it, especially the white dove release. That's when it hit her. A farm girl from Minnesota, Kummer had been yearning to add a touch of country to her "city life" in Euless.

"I couldn't have chickens," she said. "I couldn't have all those critters I'd like to have, but I could have pigeons."

Ten years later, Kummer's hobby has grown into a modest business, Doves 4 Yall. She and her husband now live in Haslet to better accommodate the nearly 200 white homing pigeons she releases for weddings, funerals and other events. Kummer said the pigeons usually return home from events before she

"For a release, you have to use the homing pigeons," said the 50-year-old, who has a day ob in a finance office. "Doves would sit in the trees. They wouldn't be able to fend for themselves in the wild, and they'd poop on your

In May, she had her biggest job yet, said husband Ken Kummer, who describes himself as strictly a "tote-and-carry guy." They released 110 birds at the Memorial Day observance at Bluebonnet Hills Memorial Park in

"There was a collective gasp," funeral home director Willie Meyer said.

Getting off the ground Ruth Kummer first got involved with the birds through the Texas Invitational Pigeon Racing Club. The organization hosts races ranging from 150 miles to 600 miles. Racers are released at a starting point and fly home at

an average of 55 mph, Kummer said. They can

fly for up to 15 hours a day.

"They call them the thoroughbreds of the

sky," Kummer said.

Racing club members set her up with about 20 "squeakers," or baby pigeons. The homing instinct is so strong that it's pointless to buy an adult bird, Kummer said. It would just go back to its previous home.

Shorter flights

Kummer enjoyed listening to the birds' gentle cooing outside her bedroom window. But the dense tree cover in the older Euless neighborhood made it hard to keep track of her

"I had to stand in just the right spot to see

my birds," she said. She suggested they move out of the house Ken Kummer moved into as a teen and later bought from his father.

"I was a little reluctant to leave an almost-

paid-for house to get room to watch our birds," Ken Kummer said. "But out here in 'No-Tree, Texas,' you can see them for

Ruth Kummer said racing pigeons need regular training at various distances, and she soon realized she wasn't that competitive. She knew she wanted to continue raising pigeons, but racing just wasn't an option working full time and raising kids, she said.

She started looking for breeders of white

homing pigeons. "We happened to be going on vacation in Arkansas, where I knew a lot of people were raising the birds," she said. "So I brought my

"We had 30 birds in the bathroom of this

beautiful condo for a week." Kummer has released birds for several friends and relatives, including at a funeral and at a groundbreaking ceremony at her church. The white pigeons' light training schedule fits nicely into her day-to-day routine.

"I drive 24 miles to the office, so sometimes I put them in the back of the Lincoln and let them out in the parking lot," she said.

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Wagons ready for a comeback?

by ANN M. JOB For The Associated Press

Car shoppers don't have to give up cargo space and utility when they give up their gas-guzzling sport utility

They just need to look for a wagon — especially a small one like the 2009 Toyota Matrix that's rated at 26 miles per gallon in city driving and 32 mpg on the high-

These numbers make the four-cylinder Matrix the topranked wagon in gasoline mileage in the United States. Only the diesel-powered Volkswagen Jetta SportWagon gets a better mileage rating.

Best of all, the Matrix has an SUV-like 61.5 cubic feet of cargo space and is affordable, with a starting manufacturer's suggested retail price, including destination charge, of \$16,850 for a base, front-wheel drive model with manual transmission.

The lowest starting price for a Matrix with automatic is \$17,660, and an all-wheel drive Matrix starts at

These prices put the Matrix amid other small wagons and five-door hatchbacks. For example, the Matrix twin, the 2009 Pontiac Vibe, starts at \$15,895 but isn't offered in all the trim levels of the Matrix. The Matrix starting price is lower than that of the 2008 Mazda3 hatchback, which starts at \$19,625.

Revamped for 2009 with more powerful four-cylinder engines and updated interior and exterior, the Matrix looks like a five-door wagon whose styling tries its darndest to look young and hip. The car has lower body kit pieces and an expressive lower front bumper area, like what you'd expect on a car that has been customized.

And on the top XRS model, a rear spoiler at the back of the roof is standard.

The XRS, which was the test car, also comes standard

 The XRS and mid-level S models get a 158 horsepower, 2.4-liter, double overhead cam four cylinder with Toyota's variable valve timing that operates on both intake and exhaust camshafts for optimal performance and fuel economy.

with big, 18-inch alloy wheels and performance tires.

But the Matrix — sold in base, S and XRS trim — is more than looks.

At a compact size of just over 14 feet long, it's nimble and maneuverable.

The test Matrix neatly fit into compact parking spaces, and it squeezed around double-parked cars on small, congested city streets without fuss.

The electric power steering on the test car had a light feel and so took directions easily.

Surprisingly, even with the low-profile tires, the test Matrix was quieter inside than expected, and the ride was a commendable combination of comfort and surefooted fun. The exception was on rough roads with potholes when passengers were jolted.

The XRS differs from base Matrix models and frontdrive S models by using an independent, double wishbone rear suspension for improved sporty ride. There's a front strut tower brace, too, in the XRS to better control body motions.

As a result, the test Matrix XRS moved crisply around corners and handled long sweeping curves well.

My only complaint was occasional torque steer — that jerking of the front wheels to one side when the frontdrive car got more power to the wheels than it could evidently handle.

Both Matrix four-cylinder engines are more powerful than in previous Matrix models.

The XRS and mid-level S models get a 158-horsepower, 2.4-liter, double overhead cam four cylinder with Toyota's variable valve timing that operates on both intake and exhaust camshafts for optimal performance and fuel economy.

Torque peaks at 162 foot-pounds at 4,000 rpm enough to give the 3,100- to 3,200-pound Matrix good "oomph" and a satisfyingly sporty feel for a lower-priced four-cylinder car.

Note this engine also is used in the Scion xB five-door wagon, which weighs about the same as the Matrix S.

The base Matrix engine now is a 132-horsepower, 1.8liter, double overhead cam four cylinder with variable valve timing. This engine, with 128 foot-pounds of torque at 4,400 rpm, also is used by the Scion xD.

But trim models, engines and transmission selections are oddly complex.

There are three transmissions offered — including four- and five-speed automatics. Shoppers will find that all-wheel drive is on just one model, the Matrix S, and this all-wheel drive Matrix S has the four-speed automat-

Front-drive Matrix S as well as Matrix XRS models use the more modern five-speed automatic.

The base, 1.8-liter Matrix engine is the one with top gasoline mileage, but even the top-of-the-line Matrix XRS has a decent government rating of 21/29 mpg.

Inough Toyota updated the Matrix interior, there's still a sense of too much hard plastic inside.

But the new front seats are great, providing improved

A LOOK AT THE 2009 MATRIX XRS

2009 Toyota Matrix XRS By The Associated Press 2009 Toyota Matrix XRS

BASE PRICE: \$16,190 for base, front-drive model with manual transmission; \$17,000 for base front-drive model with automatic; \$18,260 for front-drive S with manual: \$19,450 for front-drive S with automatic: \$20,400 for all-wheel drive S; \$220,660 for XRS with manual; \$21,850 for XRS with automatic.

AS TESTED: \$24,700.

TYPE: Front-engine, front-wheel drive, five-passenger, small wagon.

ENGINE: 2.4-liter, double overhead cam four cylinder with VVT-i.

MILEAGE: 21 mpg (city), 29 mpg (highway).

TOP SPEED: NA. LENGTH: 173 inches. WHEELBASE: 102.4 inches. CURB WEIGHT: 3,220 pounds.

BUILT AT: Ontario, Canada.

OPTIONS: Navigation system \$1,300; power moonroof \$890.

comfort. I especially enjoyed the higher-than-usual seat positioning in the Matrix that helped me have good views ahead.

However, the back metal pillar by the cargo area still

obstructs views out the back and side. The maximum cargo capacity comes when the rear seats are folded down. This cargo area is covered by hard plastic, which can get scratched as items are slid inside and out.

I had to be sure to attach the plastic cover at the back so it was held in place. Otherwise, it drove me crazy by rattling as I drove.

Most safety equipment is standard in the Matrix, including antilock brakes, curtain air bags, front-seat side-mounted air bags and front-seat anti-whiplash head

Electronic stability control is standard on the XRS but optional on other Matrix models.

In federal government crash test ratings, the Matrix earned five out of five stars for frontal crash protection for driver and front passenger.

in side crash testing, the Matrix received five out of five stars for protection of the driver and four out of five stars for protection of the rear passenger.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, Aug.

18, 2008: Expect a very strong and dynamic year where you learn to play and live in harmony with a key partner or associate. Certainly every moment is not easy, but when you look back, the tension, negotiations and process will prove to be worthwhile. Many people surround you and have ideas and projects to share. Avoid scattering your energy. Trust your intuition. If you are single, meeting people occurs with ease. Choosing the right person could take talent, which you have. In winter and spring 2009, you easily could meet "the one." If attached, you bond on a deeper level if you honor your differences. PISCES helps you get to basics. Work with the Fish.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

*** You might want to hide out and deal with a problem more completely. You are looking at some big changes, and information could not be more appropriate. Tonight: Get some extra R and R.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) *** Zero in on what you want, scheduling appointments and meetings accordingly. What might seem a little out of sync in the morning could be A-OK later on. The unexpected keeps occurring. Do not resist. Work with trends. Tonight: Where people are.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★ Take a stand. You might be asked to do more than your share of the work. Your abilities to make a difference and to sort through information come through.

Others might be spooked by these traits. Help those people relax and feel less insecure. Tonight: Burn the candle at both ends.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

*** Could you be wondering what is going on? You, as one of the most emphatic signs of the zodiac, could be startled by some insights, even when walking in another's shoes. Try not to hold together a project or situation that needs to unravel. Tonight: Relax your mind. It is working overtime. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

*** Others need to express their views, though actually you could be startled by what you hear. Do protect your assets more carefully. You might realize that you no longer want to be tied up with a certain person. Back out with grace. Tonight: Evaluate a move.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ** Others seem difficult, but then you might be more challenging than you realize. Pull back a bit and disengage, especially if there are some disagreements. You come up with answers quickly and effectively. Tonight: Let someone else do

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ** Others ask for and expect a lot from you. You could be overwhelmed by what goes on between you and another person. You feel invigorated and excited. Listen to news that filters through an unexpected source. Tonight: Happy at

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) *** Your creativity might be necessary. You could be surprised by some of the offbeat ideas that might come up. You do not need to follow through on every wild thought you have. Remain confident in your abilities. Tonight: Swap ideas.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) *** You could be overwhelmed by everything that is happening. Do not be surprised if you want to cocoon. Others do the unexpected, and you might respond in kind. Try to center before making a decision. Tonight: Screen calls.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) *** Discussions prove to be animated and not always agreeable. Remember that different opinions make projects and relationships stronger if they're respected. You do not always want someone who says "yes," do you? Tonight: Hang out at a favorite spot.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) *** Listen to news more carefully, and deal with someone more directly. You discover just how much is going on in which your finances could be implicated. Step back, and do your own thinking. You might be surprised! Tonight: Take a hard look at your budget.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) *** Others might seem to be reactive. Do ask yourself just how much you are triggering. Step back and decide what be the most appropriate to head in. Your humor helps to ease up a situation. Tonight: Follow your inner

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First child born to English parents in the U.S. Virginia Dare (1587), actor, producer, director Robert Redford (1937), former first lady Rosalynn Smith Carter

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Aug. 17, 2008

You could be taken aback by all that drops on your plate this year. You could feel stretched to the max. Call in your resources. Learn to delegate. Opportunity comes via your ability to get the job done. Fortunately, you have a lot of energy. Think in terms of gains and growth. Sometimes you will need to call in a friend or partner for help, realizing that you cannot do it all. If you are single, you will meet people through your daily travels. The second part of your birthday year could draw someone quite significant into your life. If attached, you discover how very important your sweetie is to you. PISCES helps you get to the

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)

*** You don't need an excuse to take better care of yourself. Just be willing to not accept every invitation or be at another's beck and call. Act like you are tired, and recharge your batteries. Tonight: Vanish!

This Week: Planning defines success. Do needed research, and brainstorm with trusted associates.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

**** Accept an invitation, if you haven't already, to join friends. You could find yourself in the midst of a spirited baseball game or spontaneous happening. If you feel the need to focus on one special person, arrange for a mini walk. Tonight: Act as if tomorrow is

This Week: Monday, achieve. Assume a low profile from Tuesday on. GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

*** You might want to avoid visiting with a parent or older friend. Don't. Sometimes you make a responsibility more than it is. You will feel much better after you complete an errand. Take much-needed time at home. Tonight: A

This Week: Others watch what you do. If you succeed, many will be following in your footsteps.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) **** Take off with friends or a special loved one. Decide to visit a park and have a picnic or take in a movie. You will have a lot of fun with different types of plans. Everyone also will react somewhat differently. Tonight: Where there is

This Week: Look beyond the obvious. Once you are sure of yourself, take a

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

*** You could feel out of sorts when dealing with someone close. He or she could be difficult to please, and this has little to do with you. Understand that this person is tired and probably needs some downtime. Tonight: Make a favorite din-

This Week: Work with associates individually on Monday. As a result, you make great decisions.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

*** You could feel more pushed than you have in a very long time. Step back and relax. You do not have to do as much as you are doing right now. A little rest will add to your energy factor. Move with the moment. Tonight: Make it early. This Week: Defer to the powers that be. It could make your week easier! LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★ Share a favorite pastime with a child or loved one. The two of you could have quite a hoot, losing all track of time and place. Realize what is happening by spending just a little quality time together. Tonight: Easy does it.

This Week: You demonstrate what you can do Monday, only to become slightly distracted.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

**** Creativity merges with a sense of mischief. Others simply love what occurs when they hang out and you are in this frame of mind. Don't think too much, but rather, give in to impulsiveness. Relationships blossom. Tonight: Let life and fun unfurl.

This Week: Settling into work could be

close to impossible.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) *** You might be happiest at home, reading the Sunday paper or relaxing. You might have had enough of a bossy authority figure and want to vanish. Do just that, and take much-needed time. Tonight: Order in.

This Week: If you can work from home Monday, by all means do. Let your creativity flow.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) **** Read between the lines, knowing what is enough and what you cannot stop. Take off and hop into the car for a day trip or adventure. Know when to call a spade just that. Back off from an increasingly complicated situation. Tonight: Try to understand where someone else is coming from.

This Week: Keep communication flowing, no matter what. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) *** Your possessive side emerges quickly when dealing with a difficult associate. Though generally giving and

act like yourself. Let go and relax. Tonight: Don't make anything more complicated than it needs to be. This Week: Curb wild spending. Use your resources to get answers. Ask ques-

friendly as a sign, you certainly do not

tions. Make calls. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) **** You are in the thick of whatever might be happening. You could be surprised at what comes up with a special associate. Get together with friends, and

everyone will have a good time. Tonight: If you are tired, go to bed! This Week: Use Monday to the max. Curb a tendency to spend or a need to be

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Black national leader Marcus Garvey (1887), actor Robert De Niro (1943), missionary William Carey (1761)

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N. CUYLER - Commercial lot close to downtown MLS 06-7242

M. HOBART - Commercial lot on a corner in a great location. Owner is willing to remove the green house. The lost has 28,283 sq.ft. priced at \$65,000. MLS 06-7514

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N. NELSON- Very nice and clean 2 bedroom home with lots of updating. Has formal dining room. New floors in living room and dining room, and back bedroom. Has new paint throughout. Lots of storage and shelving in living room. Double detached garage and beautiful roses in front yard. MLS 08-7969 PRICE REDUCED- HAMILTON- Two homes for the price of one. Completely updated inside. Raised panel oak cabinets in kitchen, 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, formal dining room, jacuzzi tub in master bath, storm cellar under garage. Cedar siding on main house. 2nd house could be mother-in-law or would be great for teenagers area. (816 sq. ft.) Open floor plan. MLS 08-8002

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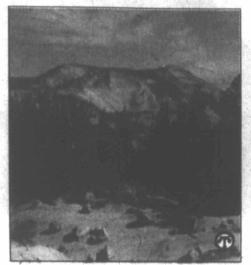
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(NAPSA) — Wherever life takes you traveling, consider escaping from your photographic comfort zone and unleash the photographer within. Here are some tips from photography experts to help you make the most out of capturing the excitement and emotion from those memorable moments:

Snap away: Not all pictures have to be posed ... try creating your own camera show. Shoot candid shots to capture your family's personalities and who they are at that exact moment. Years from now, you can look back at the photos and remember the memories.

Be prepared and pack it up: Don't forget to bring backup camera batteries or memory cards so you'll never miss a shot. If your excursion takes you to the beach or poolside, use an underwater housing to capture the perfect cannonball or the crisp, clear colors of sea life from the ocean deep.

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Afghanistan's cropland historically has been used as refuge by Taliban and al-Qaida militants, who have persuaded farmers to join

their ranks, the military said.

Teaching Afghan farmers to switch their fields from opium is no easy task, said Johnson, of the Nebraska National Guard. Opium is an easy-to-grow cash crop that has always has a market, he said.

"Our competitors are putting money up front for them to grow opium," Johnson said. "They have a guarantee of cash — they don't have that guarantee with other crops."

The Nebraska unit comprises 10 soldiers with expertise in agriculture and two engineers, Johnson said. The bulk of the soldiers are being deployed for security and administrative functions, and all are involved with weapons training, he said.

Missouri Farm Bureau President Charles Kruse said members of his group are among the state's 48 Guard soldiers working with Afghans.

"Farmers may not speak the same language, but farmers can communicate with each other," he said. Leppert said a similar effort is being considered to

help farmers in Iraq. "We don't expect 21st-century farming practices to result," he said. "We're hoping to take their medieval farming practices and bring them into the 18th or 19th

Associated Press writers Rahim Faiez and Fisnik Abrashi in Kabul, Afghanistan, contributed to this report.

Trends

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thinks anything that makes people's ever-faster lives easier to manage is "in." But not just anything will do. The design has to be both fabulous and functional, such as the new countertop devices that create a shopping list and with a click have everything delivered to your house, or entire walls of window fashions that open

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