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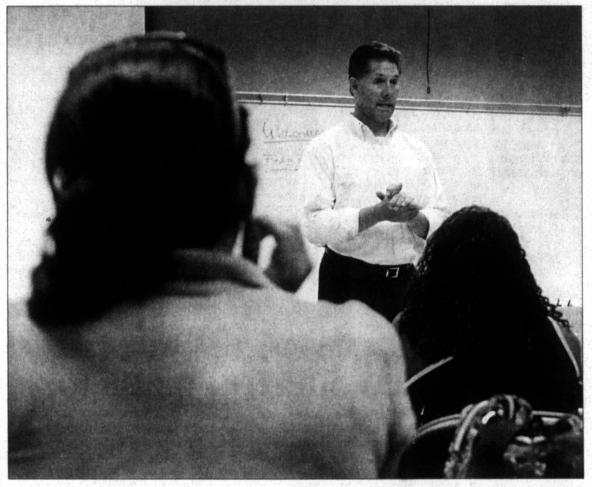
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CONTINUING EDUCATION



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Instructor Mike Cole addresses his class at Clarendon College's Pampa Campus concerning their work toward a GED. Cole also teaches English as a Second Language at Clarendon College Pampa Center.

GED, ESL classes help prepare students

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Days can be long for Mike Cole, but he said the rewards are worth it.

After all day working with inmates in the prerelease program at the prison east of Pampa, Cole travels across town to the Clarendon College Pampa Center on the west side of Pampa to teach English as a Second Language (ESL) or prepare students for their General Education Development (GED)

"I stay busy," he smiled. "It keeps me out of trouble."

Each night Cole and his aide, Justin Hampton, help prepare groups of students for the future.

The students that they work with, Cole said, are highly motivated or they wouldn't be in

"We provide GED instruction

to the community of Pampa," Cole said. "We do the ESL class su that meets up here on Tuesday and Thursday nights, also."

He said that each class has its strengths.

"It's an awesome class," Cole said of the English as a Second Language class. "There are some beautiful people in that ESL class. It's great.'

Both the English as a Second Language and the GED classes meet from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Working through Region 16 of the Texas Department of Education, the classes run 10 months, from August through

"We take June and July off," Cole said.

He said that the classes serve the students' needs and reopens pathways that, because of extenuating circumstances, may previously have been blocked.

"What we do," Cole said, "is support the people who have reached a roadblock in their lives or who have unfulfilled goals."

He said they help the students work through that.

Cole said a lot of the students go on with their education after his classes.

"A lot of them will go to Clarendon College," he said.

Many times, he added, that's the reason that the students are here, particularly with regard to the GED class.

"They want to take a course at Clarendon College," Cole said, "but (the lack of a high school degree) is standing in their way.

He said that from his vantage point, it is very enjoyable teaching such classes.

"We've got good students," Cole said. "They just need one step to really set them free."

Numbers are in: Relay nets over \$67K

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The numbers have been crunched, and they added up to a banner year for the local Relay for Life.

Pampa and Gray County raised \$67,677 at June's Relay, an improvement of over \$20,000 over

All Relay for Life proceeds go towards cancer research, treatment, support and prevention. The local branch of the American Cancer Society and chair Christy Robinson held a small celebration Tuesday evening at Central Park to announce the tally

"Can you believe that?" said an excited Robinson. "That's just great. That just shows you how much the people here care.

The Pampa Regional Medical Center was this year's biggest fundraiser, bringing in roughly

The high collection numbers RELAY cont. on page 3

White Deer rodeo starts tomorrow

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It's the last weekend of July and time for the White Deer Rodeo.

Sponsored by the White Deer Riding Club, the 52nd annual White Deer Rodeo celebration will begin Friday evening with free barbeque for rodeo ticket holders. The barbeque is sponsored by the White Deer Riding Club and the White Deer Lions Club.

The White Deer Lions Club rodeo parade will be at 10 a.m. Saturday. Kick Back Day will follow with activities in the park unitl 4 p.m. and the Rodeo Queen Coronation.

There will be a dance under the stars after the Friday and Saturday night rodeo performances, featuring Buster Bledsoe and the band No Justice.

Admission is \$12 for adults and \$9 for children.

Tri-county takes it

Texas Tri-County seventh wins straight, rises from loser's bracket to take Cal Ripken tournament crown SPORTS. page 8

Looking for a new place

Associate

Smiths restate LRCA intent, goals

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David and Mac Smith held a second luncheon on Wednesday to announce their intent to build a drug and alcohol rehabilitation facility in Pampa and are seeking the community's moral support, not financial support.

"Our goal is to ask you for your support and your prayers," David Smith told a gathering of community leaders at M.K. Brown. "We're not here to ask you to open up your pocketbooks.'

The father-son team characterized the project, Lifetime Recovery Centers of America, as a potential economic development project for the city as well as a healing process for individuals.

They project a staff of 52 when the facility opens

and expect that to grow to 285 employees within five years.

David Smith said that of those initial 52 people, 24 would be making \$61,000 a year or more. He projected opening the drug and alcohol

David Smith

rehabilitation facility with 256 patients. He said he expects that to grow to a maximum of 1,024 in Pampa.

Smith said he expects to reach that number after three years. Then he plans on looking at other locations to establish similar operations.

"I would like to go to Sedona, Ariz.," he said.

David Smith said that it would cost a patient about \$75,000 for treatment at the proposed facility. While he expects to serve professionals who can afford such fees, he said there is also a need for the less well off.

David Smith said that initially the facility would

have only in-patient treatment. As the professionals evaluated the people for a

minimum of 90 days or longer, he said they could move into a halfway house. LRCA cont. on page 3



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Sunday

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Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 68 South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 93. Southwest wind between 5 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 69. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 96 West wind 5 to 10 mph becoming southeast.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 69. South southeast wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Sunday: Mostly sunny and hot, with a high near 97. South wind between 5 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Sunday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 69. South southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

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Obituaries

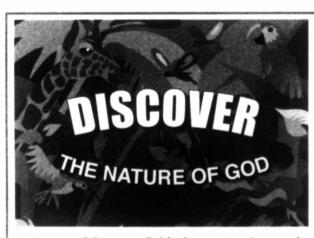
Herman Wayne Vinson, 66

Herman Wayne Vinson. 66, died July 29, 2010 in Pampa.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, July 31, 2010, at First Baptist Church. Private burial will be in Fairview Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.



Vinson



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EMERGENCY SERVICES

Police Department

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 24-hour period

ending at 8 a.m. today. Police said there were 16 traffic-related calls and two accidents.

Animal control officers reported nine animal-related calls.

Pampa EMS reported seven ambulance calls. The Pampa Fire Department reported one medical call.

Wednesday, July 28

Officers attempted to serve warrants in the 1000 block of Varnon and in the 400 block of South Hughes.

Found property was turned over to the police department.

The burglary of a motor vehicel was reported in the 700 block of Sloan. An alarm was reported in the 2500 block of North Dogwood.

An unattended death was reported in the 300 block of East Frederic.

The Pampa Fire Marshal launched a fire investigation in the 300 block of North Faulkner. A narcotics violation

was reported in the 1200 block of North Duncan.

A burglary was reported in the 400 block of North Christy. A theft was reported to

police. Found property was reported in the 200 block

of East Brown. Violation of a city ordinance was reported in the

1000 block of Huff. A theft was reported to

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was reported in the 1900

block of North Hobart. Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1500 block of North Hamilton. An alarm was reported in the 1200 block of

North Hobart. A 911 hangup call was reported in the 1300 block of North Hobart.

Lost property was reported in the 2200 block of North Aspen.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1100 block of South Wilcox. A theft was reported in

the 800 block of East Lo-An alarm was reported

in the 700 block of West Wilks. Disorderly conduct

was reported in the 1100 block of North Starkweather.

A violation of a city ordinance was reported in the 300 block of South Anne.

A suspicious person was reported at Lefors and Jordan.

A suspicious person was reported in the 1200

block of North Duncan. A suspicious person was reported in the 400

block of East Louisiana.

A suspicious person was reported at Duncan and Garland.

Thursday, July 29 An assault was reported in the 100 block of

30th. A suspicious person was reported in the 1300

block of North Hamilton. Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1600 block of West Somer-

A suspicious vehicle was reported at Alcock and Nelson.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests during the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. today.

Wednesday, July 28 Oaty Don Scott, 34,

was arrested by police on charges of assault and family violance.

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Thomas Ray Kirby, 17, was arrested by police on charges of not wearing a seatbelt, failure to appear and disorderly conduct.

Jay Gene Kelly, 45, of El Paso, was arrested by deputies on charges of public intoxication and failure to comply with probation conditions of Chavez County, N.M.

Michael Blalock, 52, was arrested on municipal charges out of Lefors in connection with failure to appear and running a stop sign.

Damon Lynn Cox, 47, was arrested by police on charges of theft, failure to appear, driving without a valid driver's license, failure to maintain financial responsibility and collection of junk.

Thursday, July 29

Morgan Lindsey Quarles, 23, was arrested by police for running a red light, failure to maintain financial responsibility and failure to appear.

Austin Lane Cummings, 17, was arrested by police for curfew violation - third offense and failure to appear.

Ousted Sherrod plans to sue blogger

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Ousted Agriculture Department employee Shirley Sherrod said Thursday she will sue a conservative blogger who posted an edited video of her making racially tinged remarks last week.

The edited video posted by Andrew Breitbart led Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack to ask Sherrod to resign, a decision he reconsidered after seeing the entire video of her March speech to a local NAACP group. In the full speech, Sherrod spoke of racial reconciliation and lessons she learned after initially hesitating to help a white farmer save his home.

She said she doesn't want an apology from Breitbart for posting the video that took her comments out of context, but told a crowd at the National Association of Black Journalists annual convention that she would "definitely sue."

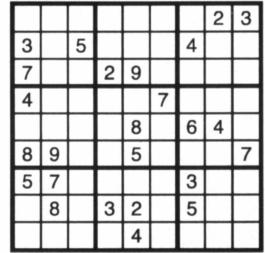
Vilsack and President Barack Obama later called Sherrod to apologize for her hasty ouster. Vilsack has offered her a new job at the department, which she is still considering.

"I have many, many questions before I can make a decision," Sherrod told the group. "I don't know what will happen from this day forward in terms of whether I'll be back in the department or what I'll do.'

E-mails to Breitbart's Web sites seeking comment were not immediately returned Thursday morning.

Obama said Thursday morning on ABC's daytime talk show "The View" that the incident shows racial tensions still exist in America.

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Arizona preparing immigration appeal

PHOENIX (AP) — Arizona is preparing to ask an appeals court to lift a judge's ruling that put most of the state's immigration law on hold in a key firstround victory for the federal government in a fight that may go to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Three people were arrested Thursday morning at the federal courthouse in Phoenix, where police had riot gear ready in case the protest got out of hand. It was not immediately clear why the people were detained.

Hundreds of protesters marched from the state Capitol at dawn, then held a prayer service at a local church before gathering in front of the federal courthouse.

Opponents also planned a sit-in at the office of Sheriff Joe Arpaio. The sheriff said if protesters were disruptive they'd be arrested, and he vowed to go ahead with a crime sweep targeting il-

legal immigrants. "My deputies will arrest them and put them in pink underwear," Arpaio said, referring to one of his odd methods of punishment for prisoners. "Count on it."

Gov. Jan Brewer called Wednesday's decision by U.S. District Judge Susan Bolton "a bump in the road" and vowed to appeal. Paul Senseman, a spokes-

man for Brewer, said Arizona would ask the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco later Thursday to lift Bolton's preliminary injunction and to expedite its consideration of the state's appeal.

Bolton indicated the government has a good chance at succeeding in its argument that federal immigration law trumps state law. But the key sponsor of Arizona's law, Republican Rep. Russell Pearce, said the judge was wrong and predicted the state would ultimately win the case.

Opponents of the law said the ruling sends a strong message to other states hoping to replicate the law.

"Surely it's going to make states pause and consider how they're drafting legislation and how it fits in a constitutional framework," Dennis Burke, the U.S. attorney for Arizona, told The Associated Press. "The proponents of this went into court saying there was no question that this was constitutional. and now you have a federal judge who's said, 'Hold on, there's major issues with this bill."



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HOUSTON (AP) — The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has formally proposed beefing up regulations on oil and gas drilling in the state's Barnett Shale region.

The rules were proposed on Wednesday. The proposal now enters a public comment period. The new rules are expected to go into effect Feb. 1.

The new rules are meant to strengthen technical drilling requirements and oversight of the oil and gas facilities. Many facilities are near urban areas.

TCEQ has been accused of having weak regulations, contributing to air pollution.

The TCEQ now has four monitors that measure pollution in areas that have a lot of drilling. Hourly results are posted on an agency website. The commission also plans to install three additional monitors.

First woman execution in five years

RICHMOND (AP) — A Virginia woman who used sex and money to persuade two men to kill her husband and her stepson to collect a \$250,000 life insurance policy was scheduled Thursday to be executed in two months, which would be the first U.S. execution of a woman in

A judge set a Sept. 23 execution date for Teresa Lewis, 41, the only woman on Virginia's death row. She would be the first woman executed in the state in nearly a century.

Lewis offered herself and her 16-year-old daughter for money to buy the murder weapons and stood by while they shot her husband, Julian Clifton Lewis Jr., 51, and stepson Charles J. Lewis, 25, in 2002 in Pittsylvania County in south-central Virginia.

Lewis would be the first woman executed in the U.S. since Frances Newton died by injection in Texas. Newton shot her husband and two young children to death to collect insurance money.

No cheaters in latest roid tests

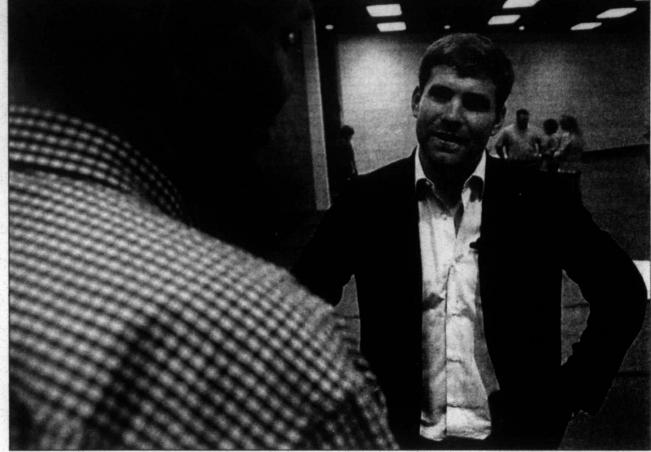
AUSTIN (AP) — Texas found no cheaters in the latest round of steroids tests of high school athletes.

The University Interscholastic League on Thursday released results of tests for the spring semester of the 2009-2010 school year. Of the 3,308 boys and girls tested last semester, all of the student athletes were clean.

About 50,000 tests since February 2008 have found only about 20 confirmed cases of steroid use.

The program has been shrinking since lawmakers created it in 2007 with a \$3 million annual budget. In May 2009, when the small number of positive tests caused some to question whether testing should be stopped, state lawmakers cut the program to \$1 million annually.

Budgets cuts have prompted more cuts. Last May, state officials reduced the program budget to \$750,000.



staff photo by David Bowser

sex to two men who committed the killings. She provided Mac Smith (right) talks with Pampa attorney John Warner following a presentation at M.K. Brown Auditorium about the Lifetime Recovery Centers of America.

"We are very much geared toward helping these people find a job, or at the very least provide them with a trade or associate degree or whatever," Smith said.

He said that if the needs of the patients from an lower economic level aren't changed, they'll go back to drugs and alcohol.

While Smith want to locate the facility within the Pampa city limits so the city can benefit from an expanded tax base, Smith said that the patients wouldn't be turned loose in Pampa neighborhoods.

That's not how these systems work," he said. "It's not a lock down facility, but it will provide security around the facility."

Under federal law, Smith said, the facility is required to protect the patients and provide for their privacy.

Smith said the program at the facility would be based on a 12-step program with a strong spiritual base.

He said he doesn't believe a classroom situation built on forcing statistical data into the patients would be that successful.

"We're going to work more heavily on the spiritual side of this thing," Smith said.

"We will have classes that deal with spirituality whether the study

comes from the Bible or other great readings."

He said an hour a day would be dedicated to spiritual meditation and another hour would be dedicated to physical exercise.

"They will leave with their own personal exercise program," Smith

He said he plans to use some equestrian therapy.

The Smiths noted that Pampa has lost jobs and is in a downward spiral. They said they think a rehabilitation center of the scale they are proposing will help build the community, its economy and the city's tax base.

Ex-cop gets second assault charge Relay

DALLAS (AP) — A Dallas police officer fired last month is accused of sexually assaulting another woman who came forward after hearing about his earlier arrest.

Dallas police Sr. Cpl. Kevin Janse said Thursday that 26-year-old Jeffrey Damon Thorn is being accused of a second on-duty sexual assault charge.

Janse says the woman came forward after seeing Thorn's photo on the news.

Thorn was out on bond for the June arrest when he turned

himself in Tuesday In the June case, he allegedly threatened to take a woman to jail unless she performed oral sex in his squad car.

Janse did not give any details on the second assault. Thorn remained in custody Thursday at the Dallas County Jail with \$25,000 bail set. The jail did not have the name of Thorn's attorney.

Drunk driver waits for fate

HOUSTON (AP) — A Houston father will have to wait until next week to learn his fate for the drunken-driving deaths of five children, including three of his own, who drowned after he lost control of his car and veered into a · rain-swollen ditch.

A court hearing to decide 34-year-old Chanton Jenkins' punishment began Thursday but won't resume until Aug. 5 because of a scheduling conflict by the judge in the case. Jenkins pleaded guilty earlier this year to five counts of intoxication manslaughter.

After testimony from both prosecution and defense witnesses concludes, state District Judge Mary Lou Keel is expected to issue a sentence. Jenkins faces up to life in prison.

Police say Jenkins was driving drunk and using his cell phone in April 2009, when he lost control of his car and it plunged into the ditch.

Jobless claims drop again, still high

WASHINGTON (AP) - New jobless claims fell last week for the third time in four weeks but remain elevated. The decline is a sign that the economy likely added jobs in July, although not enough to lower the nation's high unemployment rate.

First-time claims for unemployment insurance dropped by 11,000 to a seasonally adjusted 457,000, the Labor Department said Thursday.

Claims have fluctuated this month because of temporary seasonal factors. General Motors and other manufacturers skipped their traditional summer shutdowns, which led to fewer layoffs and unemployment claims. But the impact of that distortion has largely faded from the data, a Labor Department analyst said. The four-week average of claims, which smooths fluc-

tuations, dropped to 452,500, the lowest level since May.

Saggy pants foolish but legal

NEW YORK - Wearing saggy pants is not a crime, just foolish.

That's how a New York City judge ruled in throwing out a summons issued to a man wearing low-slung pants that exposed his underwear.

Judge Ruben Franco said that the summons appeared to be an attempt by one police officer to show his displeasure

The Bronx man, Julio Martinez, was issued the ticket on April 20. The judge writes that many may find the low-slung trou-

ser trend distasteful and foolish. But he says people can dress how they want as long as they do not offend public order and decency. Franco's decision was issued last month. Martinez and

his Legal Aid attorney could not be reached for comment.

weren't the only good news for Robinson and the Cancer Society. They also learned this week that Shelly McCarn, the Pampa resident who led the Relay's first lap, is in Tulsa undergoing tests and appears to be in full remission from cervical

"Praise God and thanks for your

prayers," said Robinson." Robinson said that the Relay's continuing success in Gray County is all due to the generosity and kindness of the people in the community.

"By saying 'yes,' people like you make it happen," said Robinson. 'That's something I made up and

it's been kind of our motto. "(The people) is why that motto works. They're the ones that are saying yes, and that's the only way we can do this. We've stuck with it all year long, and the people have really made it work.'

A date has already been set for next year's Relay, Robinson added. The 2011 Gray County Relay for Life will be June 24 at Recreation

Relay for Life Team Awards

rewarding game on-site

Altrusa - Mrs. Relay 2010 (Jason Bagwell) **B&G** - Lit the way by selling the

most luminaries Cabot - Popped cancer out with

best popcorn on site Cabot NOI Credit Union - Walked

179 laps Carolyn Shook - Raised \$1,000 Chaney McCuistion - For

"Bashing Out Cancer" voted the coolest on-site entertainment

CVS - For rocking out cancer Dolly's Bar & Grill - Most dedicated new team

ESA Sorority - 10+ years of helping with the luminaries Fire Department Station 1 -

Blacked out cancer early

First United Methodist Church Youth - Rocked out all night

Accolade - Voted the most Ford Family Chiropractic - For rocking the silent auction

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Gerry Gaylor - Raised \$1,000.00 Interim - Most Feminine Mrs. Relay NOV - Hardest working, most devoted, willing-to-do-anything

Pampa High School - Dedication to pink out helping to raise money Pampa Police Department Best off-site fundraiser

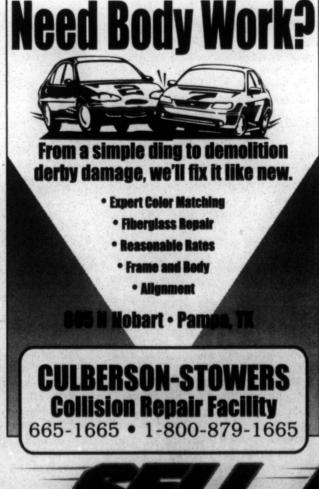
Prisons - Most dedicated workers PRMC - Most creative on site game

Shepards Crook - Best on stage entertainment Taylor Dalton - Best youth team

Team Hope - Best team name Team Shelly - Never giving up/ Relay Hero for 2010

United - Super team VFW - Best spirit stick

Walkin' For Wheezer - Most dedicated friends







Viewpoints

Today in History

Today is Thursday, July 29, the 210th day of 2010. There are 155 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 29, 1981, Britain's Prince Charles married Lady Diana Spencer at St. Paul's Cathedral in London. (However, the couple divorced in 1996.) On this date:

In 1030, the patron saint of Norway, King Olaf II,

was killed in battle. In 1588, the English attacked the Spanish Armada in the Battle of Gravelines, resulting in an English

In 1914, transcontinental telephone service began with the first test phone conversation between New York and San Francisco.

In 1957, Jack Paar made his debut as host of NBC's "Tonight Show.

In 1958, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed the National Aeronautics and Space Act, creating NASA.

In 1967, an accidental rocket launch aboard the supercarrier USS Forrestal in the Gulf of Tonkin resulted in a fire and explosions that killed 134 ser-

In 1975, President Gerald R. Ford became the first U.S. president to visit the site of the Nazi concentration camp Auschwitz in Poland as he paid tribute to

In 1985, the space shuttle Challenger began an eight-day mission that got off to a shaky start — the spacecraft achieved a safe orbit even though one of its main engines shut down prematurely after lift-off. Ten years ago: Yasser Arafat set off on a multi-

country tour to drum up support for the Palestinians in the Middle East peace process. Five years ago: The U.N. Security Council unanimously adopted a U.S.-sponsored resolution expand-

ing U.N. sanctions against al-Qaida terrorists and Afghanistan's former Taliban rulers to affiliates and splinter groups.

One year ago: Microsoft and Yahoo! announced a 10-year Internet search partnership, taking on the overwhelming dominance of Google in the online advertising market

Today's Birthdays: Comedian "Professor" Irwin Corey is 96. Actor Robert Horton is 86. Former Sen. Nancy Kassebaum-Baker is 78. Actor Robert Fuller is 76. Former Sen. Elizabeth H. Dole is 74. Actor David Warner is 69. Rock musician Neal Doughty (REO Speedwagon) is 64. Marilyn Tucker Quayle, wife of former Vice President Dan Quayle, is 61. Documentary maker Ken Burns is 57. Style guru Tim Gunn (TV: "Project Runway") is 57. Rock singermusician Geddy Lee (Rush) is 57. Rock singer Patti Scialfa (Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band) is 57. Actress Alexandra Paul is 47. Country singer Martina McBride is 44. Actor Rodney Allen Rippy is 42. Actor Tim Omundson is 41. Actor Wil Wheaton is 38. Rhythm-and-blues singer Wanya Morris (Boyz Il Men) is 37. Actor Stephen Dorff is 37. Actor Josh Radnor is 36. Hip-hop DJ/music producer Danger Mouse is 33. Actress Allison Mack is 28.

Thought for Today: "Charity looks at the need and not at the cause." German proverb.



The beef on backing up your data

Your computer will crash. Just like taxes, it is unavoidable.

Some people replace their computers on a regular basis so the likelihood of a computer failure is minimized.

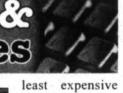
Most people however, do not replace their computer until it crashes or requires major repair. We get phone calls regularly from clients that want us to recover their data from a crashed computer. The majority of time, we are able to extract their data just fine. Occasionally, though, the data is corrupt and unrecoverable.

Planning for this type of disaster will minimize your losses and allow you to recover your data. Let's discuss some steps you can take to be prepared for a computer failure.

· Decide what you need to save. The most important decision you have to make is what data to back up One person that brought their computer to us was very upset because she lost pictures of a relative that passed away. Those pictures were not printed or on any other media. The pictures were priceless to her. Another person had financial information for their business that was lost and would require them to try and reconstruct 8 months worth of invoices, bills, etc.

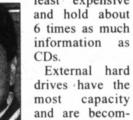
My suggestion is to save your common folders such as documents, pictures, music, etc. Some programs save data in other locations. If that data is important, make sure that those files are also backed up.

· How will you back up your data? Another important consideration is the media. DVDs, CDs, and external hard drives are the most common forms of backup. Flash drives are used as well but are more expensive than the other media.DVDs are the



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The most reliable method of backup, however, are the flash drives. They use memory chips similar to the one the computer uses but the memory is non-volatile which means that the data remains until it is overwritten or changed. Flash drives are also the

fastest method to transfer large files. · Verify your backup. Verification of your backup is vital to having a successful backup. A lot of businesses rely on tape backups for their data. Tape backups, however, historically have a high failure rate. In order to have a successful backup, then, the backup must be compared to the original.

If they are not the same, the backup must be performed again. The most reliable media are flash drives and external hard drives. Errors do occur, so verification is a must.

· Where will you save your files? The location of your backup is important if you have sensitive or crucial information. The location of your backup is important depending on the

consequence of losing your data. For instance, if your backup is located in the same place as your computer and a catastrophe happens such as theft, fire, etc., then your data is completely lost.

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I recommend that businesses take their data offsite daily. We provide secure offsite automated backups for our clients that is performed over the Internet.

The data is encrypted, compressed, and stored in a Tier 1 data center with multiple levels of redundancy.

Planning for a disaster such as a computer crash will allow you to minimize the data that is lost. A mistake some people make is thinking that simply moving a file to an external drive is backing up the file. This is not the case.

When you just move a file, your external drive now becomes your primary storage location. A backup means you have an original and a copy of the file. Simply moving a file to another location is not performing a backup.

Also, it is important to have multiple versions of your backup to make sure that you do not accidently write over a good file with a corrupted file. If your data is corrupt, you can always go back to a previous copy that is known to be good. Creating and restoring backups varies depending on the media and the software used. Consult a computer professional if you are unsure of what to backup, how to back up, and how to

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Assange shows no consideration for troops

The man behind the torrent of leaked documents wants to end the war in Afghanistan, and he doesn't care how much damage he does to the troops on the ground in that hostile environment. Now hailed by antiwar liberals as some kind of a hero, Australian computer hacker Julian Assange is part of an international cabal dedicated to doing mischief that endangers U.S. national security.

Last April, his website Wikileaks posted a video, "Collateral Murder," making Wikileaks what has been described as a prime source of unauthorized but accurate accounts, video and documents. Last week came the flood of leaked documents.

The viciousness displayed by Assange against the U.S. forces in Afghanistan was shown in sickening detail when he published the Social Security numbers of U.S. servicemen and women, exposing them all kinds

His latest outrage is designed to do nothing less that end U.S. efforts to prevent Afghanistan from falling into the bloody hands of a band of international terrorist thugs.

Wikileaks, described by Wikipedia an "international organization based in Sweden" and run by Assange, an Australian and skilled computer hacker. They brag that they have a database comprising more than 1.2 million documents.

Last week Assange released the so-



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American G.I., Bradley Manning, an allegation Assange denies, saying, "There is no allegation as far as we can determine" that the documents posted on Wikileaks Sunday are "connected to Bradley Manning." He added however, that nonetheless his group has "committed funds" to Manning's defense.

The information contained in these 92,000 documents among other things deals with civilian casualties, and the role of Pakistan in assisting the Taliban terrorists. Such allegations are designed to do nothing less than drive a wedge between the U.S. and Pakistan.

Summed up, the information is more than a year old, prior to the onset of the surge now underway. The documents are designed to bring unbearable pressure on the U.S. to bug out of Afghanistan much as America shamefully bugged out of

Vietnam, leading to the massacre or imprisonment of over a million South Vietnamese U.S. allies. A similar fate would await those Afghan villagers who cooperated with U.S. forces. Only worse — the North Vietnamese didn't behead their victims.

The import of these leaks can be measured if compared to what would have happened had American plans and capabilities had been revealed to the enemy in World War II during the Battle of the Bulge or any other key engagement in World War II.

And imagine what kind of penalty a leaker would have paid.

There is no doubt that the leaks had one overriding motive: get the U.S. and its allies out of Afghanistan, handing victory to a band of terrorist

This a war the U.S. must win if the struggle to end international terrorism is to succeed. Any actions designed to end that struggle without success are actions against the vital interests of the American people.

Jullian Assange, alleged anti-war crusader, has revealed himself for what he is — a subversive who has no qualms about the damage he does to the United States and to the members of our armed forces.

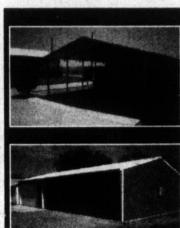
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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: "Lost My Appetite in South Carolina" (June 1) walked out of a wedding reception after waiting for a delayed dinner and suffering through the DJ's "loud, deafening rock 'n' roll music." You chided the writer and suggested he should have asked the hosts to lower the volume somewhat. It's my experience this doesn't work. Insanely loud music is part of the contemporary American culture.

I have walked out of at least two wedding receptions because of loud music. A wedding reception is supposed to be an event to enjoy and talk to people. Something is amiss when people are invited to a wedding and become a captive audience, forced to put up with intolerable conditions. Walking out is a reasonable response. - PAUL IN CHESTERFIELD, MO.

DEAR PAUL: It was impossible to turn a deaf ear to the "volume" of letters I received supporting "Lost" for the reasons you expressed. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Spoiled brides and loopy parents treat weddings like Broadway productions. The guests are just extras in the extravaganza. If people have been invited for dinner and it isn't being served, they are justified in leaving.

I went to a wedding and was shocked to learn dinner wouldn't be served until five hours after the reception began because "the bride preferred to dance on an empty stomach." My husband and I left our gift and took our empty stomachs to a restaurant. We heard later that the mother of the bride was angry because more than a dozen guests also left before dinner, while the bride danced merrily on. - J.G. IN LOS **ANGELES**

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DEAR ABBY: You missed an opportunity to point out to your readers that special dinners are a time for family, friends and new acquaintances to renew, rekindle and update their lives and relationships. It might be wise for future wedding planners to instruct the DJ or band to play soft music — or none at all — during dinnertime. Remember, the "bash" goes on after dinner and lasts for hours. — CATHY LEE IN GROSSE POINT FARMS, MICH.

DEAR ABBY: That letter made me furious! Because of the 30 extra guests we expected, we rented a larger room, hired an extra waiter and bartender and set up additional tables. Because some guests didn't show up and others left before the meal, we had HEARING IN N.Y.

couples left sitting alone at their tables.

The money we could have saved if some of those ungrateful people had simply declined in the RSVP could have gone to the newlyweds to start their household. Whatever happened to courtesy and good manners? - DISAP-POINTED MOTHER IN **TEXAS**

DEAR ABBY: The comfort of one's guests must be considered in planning an event. I think it's perfectly acceptable for a guest to leave before dinner, stating, "I'm sorry, but the music has become too loud for me to stay." It is extremely rude of hosts to expect guests to tolerate dangerous, uncomfortable noise levels. - VALUES MY





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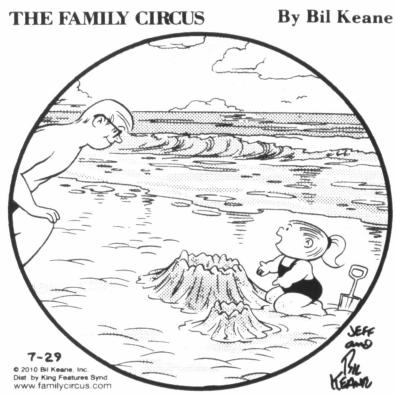
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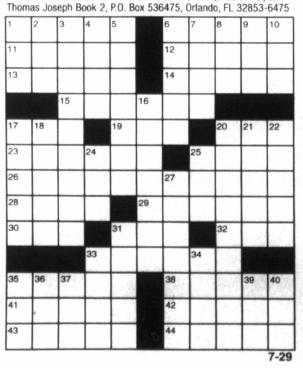
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Daily Horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, July 30, This year, you will be opening many new downright flaky. You might wonder why this is happening. Tonight: Let go of your doors, but, of course, the implication will

problems CANCER (June 21-July 22) **** Understanding evolves to a new level. How you handle someone's

defines a problem. Those in charge will have a tendency to act in unanticipated ways. Tonight: The lead player. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) *** You are the master of relating, should you choose to accept this role.

difficult attitude and demanding nature

Dealing with what you might hear and with anger takes talent. As a result, your perspective of a key person changes. Tonight: Take off ASAP VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

**** Deferring to others needs to come naturally, as you shall see. An understanding of how tough someone could be to deal with emerges. You might want to Sputnik out of the situation. Tonight: With a favorite person. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*** You could be a lot more intense than you realize. Your ability to understand what others are doing comes through, but with a great deal of frustration. You might feel limited, but know that you can break past these feelings. Tonight: Don't be alone.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) *** Your creativity will be even more energized if you mobilize your anger or frustration. There are solutions, but you must want to find them. Allow olf to bra rect solution forward. Tonight: Put your feet up

*** Anchoring in on basics could be more important than you thought. Certainly, you could be gaining a perspective you might have wished never occurred. Realize what is happening. Understand what is going on in your immediate circle. Tonight: Let your hair

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Keep a conversation moving, even if you might be speechless on some level. You will have a way and style of communicating. Don't get into a difficult situation with a boss. Bow out quickly. Tonight: Head home and be happy that it is the weekend.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) *** You might want to open up and

discuss what is happening, as an outrageous situation could change radically Understand what is going on in your immediate circle. Yes, there are a lot of hotheads. Tonight: Go with the unexpect-PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

ner could be challenging your beliefs. Tonight: Go with the unexpected **BORN TODAY**

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Sports

Oliver's blast, pitching gives Tri-County tourney win

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If Texas Tri-County's Kaleb Rael compared himself to a major league baseball player, he would pick Chicago Cubs' Carlos Zambrano because he's a good pitcher and can hit home runs. Hudson Oliver said his favorite player is Josh Hamilton from the Rangers because he has a good batting average and hits home runs.

Both boys lived up to their idols in a big way this week. Rael batted .650 throughout the tournament and won Game One of the championship and Oliver batted .520 with three home runs, helping Tri-County win the Cal Ripken 10 year old Southwest Regional 4-3 over North Randall County Tuesday at Optimist Park

With the victory, Tri-County earned a berth in the Cal Ripken 10-year-old World Series August 13-20 in Ocala, Fla. Rael said winning the tournament MVP and the tournament felt good.

"I want to go to Disneyland," Rael said. "I want to thank my dad."

Oliver, the winning pitcher, said he's looking forward to playing in

"It feels great because we knew we were going to come out here and win.

Manager James Aymond said his team got off to a slow start after losing their first game of the tournament, but his kids showed a lot of character and grit to win seven straight.

"We knew we had a long road ahead," Aymond said. "We took one game at a time and here we are champions going to Ocala, Florida.'

Aymond said they had great defense and pitching and the tournament victory was a team effort.

"We played excellent defense," Aymond said. "Our shortstop, Weston Aymond, did an excellent job. I think he made only one error all tournament long. Our outfield did a wonderful job. Great pitching throughout the tournament from the whole team.

Just like in previous games, Tri-County scored the runs they needed in the first inning. North Randall County retired the first two batters, but Trevor Andrus walked Ty Williams and Rael. Oliver hammered a pitch over the wall in left for a three-run home run. Oliver said he had power in his swing.

"When I saw that ball down the middle and I hit that home run, I knew were going to win," Oliver said.

Tri-County expanded their lead in the second. Cole Garlin led off with

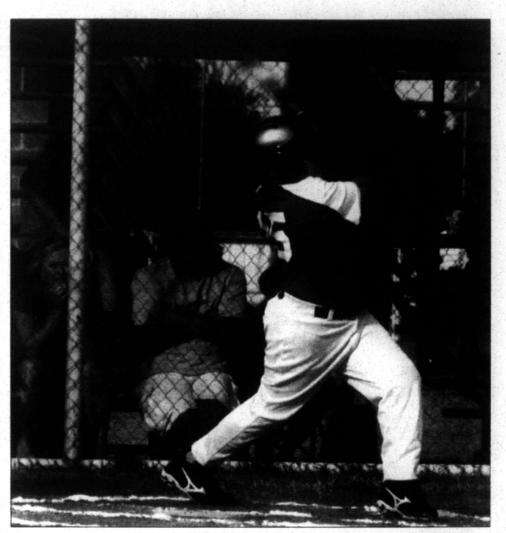
a base hit. Ryan Neisner and Weston Aymond followed with singles to load the bases. Williams singled and scored Garlin to make it 4-0.

North Randall County was able to make it a game. In the bottom of the second with two outs, Mason Mays smashed a home run to right center and cut Tri-County's lead to 4-2. Mays homered again in the bottom of the fourth and cut the lead to one. But that was as close as North Randall would get as they would get only one more

In the bottom of the sixth, Oliver got Jacob Maiwald to ground out to short and then got Cole Shultz to ground out to third. North Randall County was down to their last out with Ryan Westlake at the plate. Oliver quickly got to a 0-2 count. After using a waste pitch, Oliver got Westlake to swing and miss to end the game.

Oliver immediately threw both hands in the air, and just like in the Major Leagues, the rest of the team rushed to the pitcher's mound, throwing their gloves up in the air and creating a mob scene. James Aymond said as the tournament went along, they became more of a team.

"I think we came to Pampa with 13 guys and we're leaving, we're just a team now," Aymond said.



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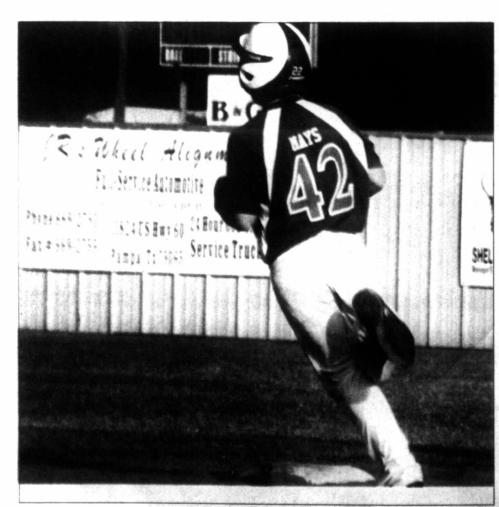
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Hudson Oliver hits a three-run home run to left in the top of the first that gave Texas Tri-County a 3-0 lead. Texas Tri-County won 4-3 and clinched a berth in the Cal Ripken 10 year old World Series August 13 to 20 at Ocala, Florida.

Photos from the tournament are available for purchase. Visit www.thepampanews.com and click the ad on the page and find the Cal Ripken Tournament album. Photos are sorted by teams.



Ty Williams (right) catches a throw from third to record the second out of the sixth as Hudson Oliver reacts. Tri-County won the championship 4-3.



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Mason Mays rounds second base after hitting a two-run home run in the bottom of the second. Mays homered again in the fourth, but it wouldn't be enough as North Randall lost 4-3 to Texas Tri County.

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