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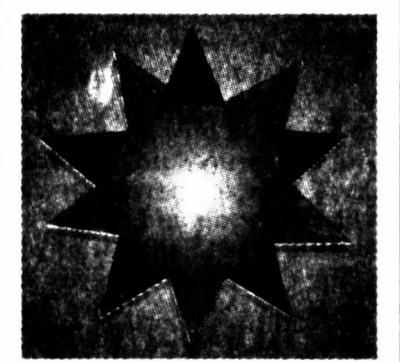
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No Lotto winner; jackpot growing

No ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The ticket was worth an estimated \$12 million. The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 54 were: 7-14-18-24-26-28

Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$16 million.

Water reserves drop as crews repair line

VICTORIA, (AP) — Victoria dipped into its reserve water supplies Sunday as emergency crews worked to repair a break in a 20-inch line.

Thousands of gallons of water poured from beneath the street like an artesian well for about 12 hours.

An emergency notification system was used to call everyone in town and ask them to conserve water because the leak was drawing on reserves, The Victoria Advocate reported in its online edition Sunday.

- Richard Brantley, 75, retired oil company employee.
- Doris Gates, 80, church worker, volunteer.
- Evelyn Pundt, 74, Sunday School teacher for many years.
- Albert George Stabel, 61, retired restaurant owner.
- Norma Fay Weatherly, 76, homemaker.

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Music festival begins Friday at Old Mobeetie

The finishing touches are being put in place this week as the Second Annual Old Mobeetie Texas Music Festival kicks off Friday and continues through Sunday on the Old Courthouse Square.

The festival will feature bluegrass, Western swing, county and western, gospel and other types of music.

The schedule calls for Friday night's activities to start at 6 and end at midnight. Saturday, things will crank up at 10 a.m. and continue to midnight. On Sunday, gospel music will be featured from 9 a.m. until the festival ends at noon.

Organizers are taking reservation for RV hookups or it's first-come, first-served. Hookup costs vary and to find out more call Joe VanZandt at 806-845-2101, Melba Corcoran at 806-845-3401, or the museum at 806-845-2028.

Bands and entertainers include Star Canyon, San Angelo, Texas Country, Wickett, Texas; Duffin Family, Montague, Texas; Harmonica Wrygrass, Amarillo; Lighthouse Beacon, Amarillo; Buddy and Tina Wright, Lubbock; Gary Alan Bruce, Pampa; Magic City Cowboys, Magic City, Texas; and Mary McDonald and A Touch of Grass, Stonewall, OK.

Proceeds from the festival will be used for museum activities as well as helping to provide continuation of the music festival.

PHS grad competing in Miss Texas USA pageant

Mindee Stowers, a Pampa High School graduate, is representing the Lubbock area this week in the 2002 Miss Texas USA pageant.

Stowers, 20, is among more than 100 contestants from throughout the state competing for the Miss Texas USA crown. Preliminary competition begins today at Lubbock Municipal Auditorium, and continues through the week until the final competition on Monday, July 30.

A senior communications studies major at Texas Tech University, Stowers is representing the Lubbock area as Miss Northwest Texas USA. She is the daughter of Keith and Melinda Stowers of Pampa and the granddaughter of John and Angela Spearman, Vernon and Betty Stowers and Ferne Duncan, all of Pampa.

In addition to her responsibilities as Miss Northwest Texas USA, she also serves as an intern for the Covenant Foundation in Lubbock. She is a member of Zeta Tau Alpha and Tech Friends, and has been named to (See PAGEANT, Page 6)

Missing man probe continues

Police are investigating a missing persons report involving a Pampa man that has not been seen since he left to do a job in Borger Wednesday morning.

Jo Ann Watts, 1219 E. Francis, reported her husband Garland "Pete" Watts missing at 11:52 p.m., Thursday. She told police she had not seen her husband since he had left for work at a job site in Borger Wednesday morning.

Watts was wearing a pair of blue bib overalls and was driving a blue and gray 1986 Ford pickup with a white camper shell.

Anyone having information on the whereabouts of the missing man are asked to contact Pampa Police Department at 669-5700.



(Pampa News photo by Kate B. Dickson)

Gray County Sheriff's Department Jailer Lisa Connor was selected by her fellow employees as Employee of the Quarter. She was presented the award by Sheriff Don Copeland.

Crowd remembers Tulia drug sting, prosecutions

By BETSY BLANEY
Associated Press Writer

TULIA, Texas (AP) — A crowd of about 350 people, a third of them white, rallied peacefully in a Tulia park Sunday night to protest a 1999 drug bust they say was racially motivated.

All but three of the 43 people arrested in the bust were black. Tulia's population is about 5,000, of which about 250 residents are black.

People listened to music and poetry readings, played basketball and ate hamburgers and hot dogs as they waited for the speakers to take the stage on a hot Texas night.

"We need to challenge the drug policy that led to what happened in Tulia two years ago," said Will Harrell, executive director of the Texas ACLU. "Tulia has become a symbol of what's wrong with our drug policy. It's got to be a collective effort and every one of us counts."

Jerry Epstein, president of the Drug Policy

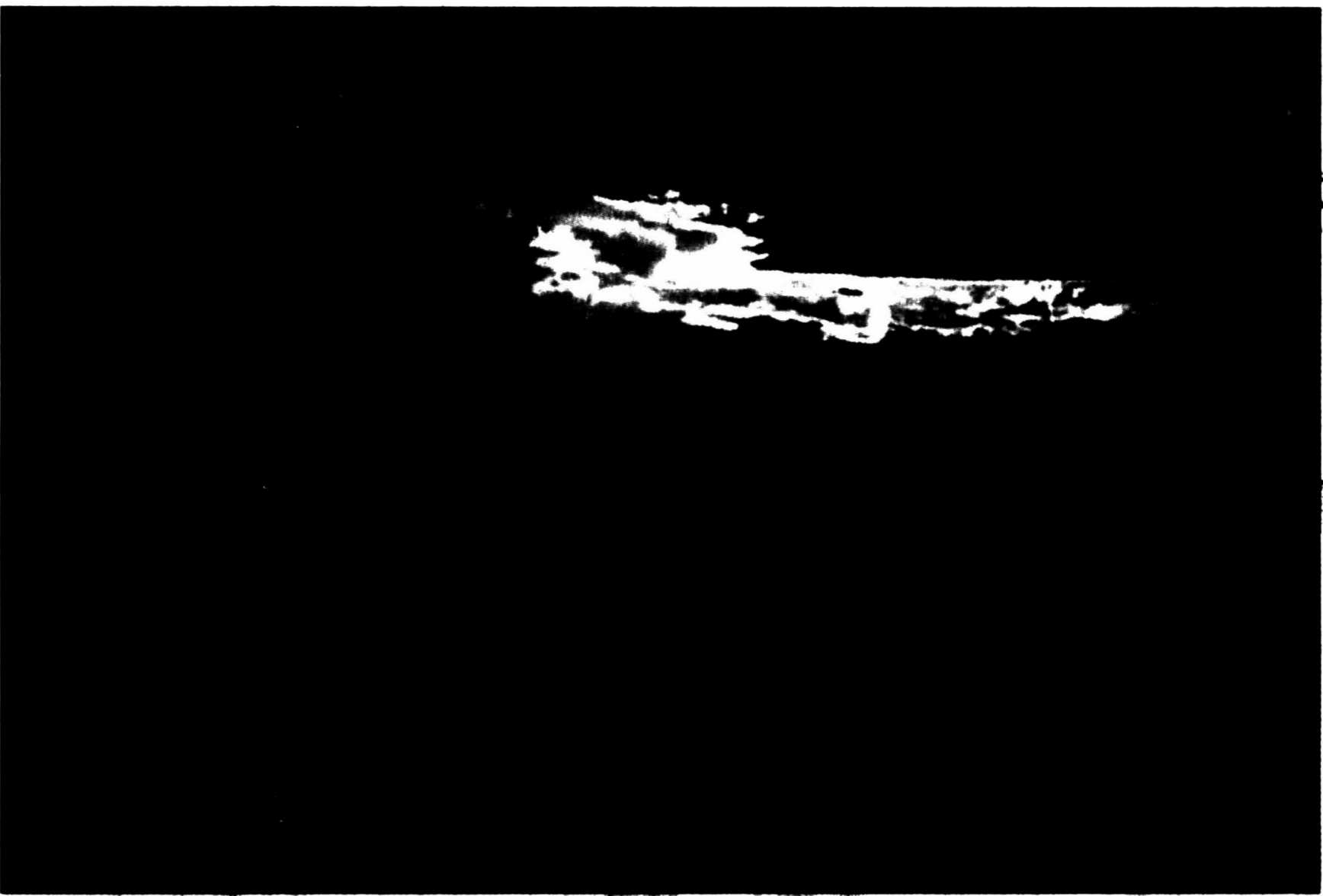
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Forum of Texas, said prohibition of drugs is the problem.

"Without prohibition, there is no drug war. Without prohibition, you do not have people selling drugs," Epstein said. "How many black and brown people do you have to put into prison to get white people to stop using drugs?"

The evening rally was part of a "Freedom Ride" to Tulia that began in Austin at midnight Saturday. A group of Tulia residents who call themselves Friends of Justice, together with members of the

(See TULIA, Page 6)



(Pampa News photo by David Bowser)

The sun bursts through clouds over Panhandle recently bathing the city in rays of sunshine. Weather forecasters predict area residents will continue to see more sunny days and continued hot temperatures around the century mark in the week ahead, with only a slight chance of showers or thunderstorms at night or late afternoons.

Woman outfoxes DPS troopers in two-county high-speed chase

Area law enforcement officers were searching today for a woman in a pickup that outran Department of Public Safety troopers Sunday.

Authorities said a Texas Department of Public Safety trooper stopped a woman driving a white 5-10 Chevrolet pickup about 6:30 p.m. Sunday on U.S. Highway 60 near Price Road on a traffic violation.

Officers said the trooper had her out of the car and had written a citation when a computer check indicated she was wanted on drug charges out of Dallam

Officers said they suspect she made it to I-40, but they don't know which way she went.

County.

The woman jumped in her pickup and drove off.

The trooper, joined by other Department of Public Safety officers and Carson County authorities chased the pickup across Gray and Carson Counties before losing track of

it between Groom and Conway north of Interstate 40.

Officers said today that they suspect she made it to I-40, but they don't know which way she went.

Authorities said the woman had several containers in the bed of the pickup when she was stopped.

Law enforcement officers involved in the chase said they gained on her when she was driving on pavement, but had to back off on dirt roads due to the dust. Officers said the chase exceeded 80 miles an hour.

Officers work to sort details in shooting of Pampa boy, 14

Police today said they are continuing to investigate conflicting stories they're getting in last week's shooting of a 14-year-old Pampa boy.

"The investigation definitely continues," confirmed Col. Terry Young of the Pampa Police Department. "We are still looking into this."

According to initial police reports, the shooting occurred at 3 p.m. Tuesday, July 17, in the 2500 block of Mary Ellen. The boy was first treated at the emergency room here, police said, before being transferred to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

Law enforcement authorities were not notified of the shooting until shortly before 9 p.m. Tuesday

when a second 14-year-old boy, who was present at the time of the shooting, and his father reported the incident to Pampa police.

According to Lt. Kenneth Hopson's report of the incident, the two boys first said the injury was a result of falling on a stick. When the second boy reported the incident to police, he said his friend had taken a .22 caliber rifle from a gun rack in his bedroom and was shot when the gun accidentally discharged after setting the butt of the rifle on the floor.

Police said they are continuing to investigate circumstances surrounding the shooting including the injured boy's version of what happened.

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Obituaries

RICHARD BRANTLEY

Richard Brantley, 75, of Pampa, died Friday, July 20, 2001. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in Zion Lutheran Church with the Rev. Leif Hasskarl, pastor of the church, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Brantley was born Sept. 18, 1925, at Chickasha, Okla. He had been a Pampa resident since 1948 and worked for Pampa Foundry Producers Chemical and K-Tex Oil from 1948-57. From 1957 until he retired in 1982, he was an operator with Sage Petroleum.

He married Frances Willett on May 7, 1981, at Pampa.

He was a U.S. Navy veteran, serving aboard the USS Lowry in the South Pacific during World War II, and belonged to Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was also a member of Zion Lutheran Church and was an accomplished fiddle player — playing bluegrass, swing and western music with many area bands.

Mr. Brantley was preceded in death by four brothers and three sisters.

Survivors include his wife, Frances, of the home; two daughters, Olivia Howard of Minneapolis, Minn., and Karen Brantley of Oklahoma City, Okla.; a son, Louis Brantley of Pampa; a stepdaughter, Anita Myers of Pampa; two stepsons, Ronald Willett of Midland and Jimmy Willett of Pampa; two sisters, Fern Foster of Chickasha and Naomi Simpson of Proctorville, Ohio; 12 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, TX 79065.

DORIS GATES

AUSTIN — Doris Laverne Merrill Gates, 80, a former Pampa resident, died Friday, July 20, 2001. Services were to be at 10 a.m. today in Westlake United Methodist Church. Burial will be at 5 p.m. in Throckmorton Cemetery at Throckmorton under the direction of Clements-Wilcox Funeral Home of Burnet, Texas.

Mrs. Gates was born Sept. 28, 1920, to James E. and Lottie Merrill, and grew up at Throckmorton, graduating from high school there. She then attended and earned a degree from McMurray College at Abilene. She lived at Pampa for 16 years, relocating to Austin in 1964 where she was a charter member of Westlake United Methodist Church. She was instrumental in establishing — and maintaining — a library at the church and did volunteer work at Eanes History Center.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Philip Ainsworth Gates; and by a brother, Ronald Merrill.

Survivors include two daughters, Kitty Duckett of Spring and Mary Ganson of Burnet; a son, Philip E. Gates of Shreveport, La.; a sister, Terry Wood of Graham; and 10 grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be in lieu of flowers to the church library fund at Westlake United Methodist Church, 1460 Red Bud Trail, Austin TX 78746; or to Eanes History Center, Attn. Dona Price, 204 Eanes School Rd., Austin, TX 78746.

EVELYN PUNDT

CANADIAN — Evelyn May Kelln Pundt, 74, died Saturday, July 21, 2001, at Newman Memorial Hospital in Shattuck, Okla. Graveside services will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in Edith Ford Memorial Cemetery with the Rev. Aaron Laverty, pastor of Gageby Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Stickley-Hill Funeral Directors of Canadian.

Mrs. Pundt married Lawrence A. Pundt on Sept. 25, 1949, at Locust Grove in Lipscomb County; he died Nov. 14, 1999.

She belonged to Locust Grove Baptist Church and served as a Sunday school teacher for many years.

Survivors include two daughters, Elizabeth Alexander of Pampa and Jeri Pundt of Canadian; a sister, Dorothea Morehead of Canadian; and two grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Hemphill County Hospice, 1020 S. 4th St., Canadian, TX 79014; or to American Kidney Fund, 6110 Executive Blvd., Suite 1010, Rockville, MD 20852.

ALBERT GEORGE STABEL

FOLLETT — Albert George Stabel, 61, died Friday, July 20, 2001, at Longview, Texas. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at the First United Methodist Church of Follett with Pastor Van Hurst, Vice President of the Southwestern Conference of Seventh Day Adventist, Burleson, Texas, and Mr. Ron Krueger of Albuquerque, N.M., officiating. Burial will be at the Lutheran Cemetery at Lipscomb, Texas, under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Stabel was born July 28, 1939, in Higgins, Texas, to George and Anna Stabel. He had been a resident of Follett and the surrounding area most of his life. He graduated from Follett High School. He married Janita Siebenlist on March 21, 1958.

He owned and operated Balloons West Restaurant in Ness City, Kan., for 10 years and the Blue Hereford in Ford, Kan., for the past year. He recently retired and moved to Tecumseh, Okla., to be with his family. He loved to fish, hunt and spending time in the outdoors. He especially loved to spend time with his grandchildren.

He was a member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

Survivors include his special friend Janita Pendleton of Shamrock; a daughter, Amy Zenarosa of Longview; three sons, Stacy Stabel of Longmont, Colo., Stanley Stabel of Pampa and Stewart Stabel of Tecumseh; three sisters, Mary Ann Dufrey of Logan, Okla., Selma Frazier and Lena Mae Carter, both of Oklahoma City, Okla.; 12 grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

The family suggests memorials be to the Follett Community Center.

Obituaries, cont.

NORMA FAY WEATHERLY

Norma Fay Weatherly, 76, of Pampa, died Sunday, July 22, 2001. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Weatherly was born April 22, 1925, at Olney, Texas, and attended Breckenridge High School. She married James Thomas Weatherly on March 29, 1942, at Breckenridge.

She had been a Pampa resident since 1948 and was a charter member of Fellowship Baptist Church. She enjoyed crocheting, fishing and camping.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Carl and Velma Johnson; and by a sister, June Walters.

Survivors include her husband, James, of the home; two sons, James Eugene Weatherly of Alexandria, Va., and Daniel Maurice Weatherly of San Diego, Calif.; two brothers, Bob Johnson of Phoenix, Ariz., and Joe Johnson of Stephenville; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, TX 79065.

Services tomorrow

BRANTLEY, Richard — 10:30 a.m., Zion Lutheran Church, Pampa.

PUNDT, Evelyn May Kelln — Graveside services, 10:30 a.m., Edith Ford Memorial Cemetery, Canadian.

STABEL, Albert George — 10:30 a.m., First United Methodist Church, Follett.

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Friday, July 20

An assault with a hammer handle was reported in the 700 block of North West.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 1100 block of South Prairie.

A glass door was reported shot out in the 300 block of South Starkweather.

An air compressor, a belt sander and a cordless drill was reported taken from a vehicle in the 700 block of North Doucette.

A vehicle reported stolen in Borger was recovered in the 500 block of Maple.

Graffiti was reported found on Super Play Ground equipment and bridges around Central Park.

Saturday, July 21

Two packs of cigarettes were reported stolen from a vehicle in the 300 block of North Christy. Reckless driving was reported in the 700 block of North Nelson.

An assault by threat was reported in the 700 block of North Nelson.

An oak rocking chair was reported stolen in the 600 block of North Somerville.

A nail gun was reported stolen in the 1300 block of Somerville.

A disorderly conduct was reported in the 100 block of South Starkweather.

A person carrying a club was reported in the 1500 block of North Hamilton.

Information was taken in the 1100 block of South Huff Road.

A window was reported broken out in the 1800 block of North Hobart.

Sunday, July 22

A \$1,50 was taken in a burglary in the 1100 block of North Hobart. The burglars apparently caused \$100 damage breaking into the building.

A runaway was reported in the 800 block of North Dwight.

A black Chinese pug dog, valued at \$350, was reported stolen in the 400 block of North Zimmers.

An assault by threat was reported in the 1100 block of East Kingsmill.

A bicycle was reported found in the 400 block of North Davis.

A cell phone was reported stolen in the 1900 block of North Dwight.

Part of a car stereo was reported stolen in the 600 block of North Zimmers.

Monday, July 23

A domestic quarrel was reported in the 2400 block of Charles.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 1600 block of North Faulkner.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Anheuser Grain of Pampa.

Wheat	2.75
Milo	3.38
Corn	3.55
Soybeans	4.13

The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation.

Occidental	26.39	up 0.20
Fidelity Magelln	NA	
Puntan	NA	

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa.

BP Amoco	47.95	dn 0.50
Celanese	22.64	dn 0.91
Cabot	35.21	dn 0.57
Cabot O&G	23.84	up 0.44
Chevron	87.62	dn 1.33
Coca-Cola	45.02	dn 1.19

Columbia/HCA	46.00	up 0.80
Enron	46.94	dn 1.22
Halliburton	33.21	dn 0.52
KMI	52.00	dn 0.71
Kerr-McGee	60.38	up 0.48
Limited	17.05	up 0.15
McDonald's	28.57	up 1.06
Exxon/Mobil	42.53	dn 0.85
New Atmos	20.88	dn 0.41
XCEL	26.72	dn 0.87
NOI	19.08	up 0.02
OKE	17.80	up 0.09
Pennegy	28.26	dn 0.22
Phillips	54.39	dn 0.52
Pioneer Nat	16.45	up 0.45
SLB	53.31	dn 0.10
Tenneco	3.41	dn 0.05
Texasco	66.07	dn 0.98
Ultranar	46.68	dn 0.27
Wal-Mart	53.28	dn 1.00
Williams	32.42	dn 0.44

New York Gold	270.05
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Police (non-emergency)	669-5700
SPS	1-800-750-2520
Water	669-5830

People in the news ...

BEAVERTON, Ore. (AP) — Dennis Quaid jumped on stage barefoot to perform with his band at the annual Taste of Beaverton party.

The actor, better known for his rustic good looks on the big screen than as a musician, says he always performs without shoes because it makes him feel like he's in a living room.

Quaid has been playing guitar since he was 12, growing up in Texas. The group, Dennis Quaid and the Sharks, has been together about eight months.

"I get nervous before I go on stage so I like it, it gets you going," Quaid said Sunday at the Beaverton event. "We've had really good crowds, you know, and people having fun and that's what we want."

SEATTLE (AP) — Harrison Ford spoke eloquently of his love of flying to a most appropriate audience — those attending a fund-raising gala for the city's Museum of Flight.

The event was part of an effort to raise \$3 million for children's programs at the museum.

Ford, who flew his own float plane into Seattle, said he was happy to help "engage kids in the romance and the mystery and the adventure of flying ... I know what it means."

The actor was scheduled to stay in the area and film a short program for the fund-raising effort.

Earlier this month, Ford piloted his own helicopter to pick up a 13-year-old boy who had been lost overnight in a forest in northwestern Wyoming. He is a part-time resident of Jackson, Wyo.

NEW YORK (AP) — Former President Clinton and his wife, Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, attended a festival to help raise money for children maimed in the civil war in Sierra Leone.

Sunday's event benefited Gift of Limbs, which is providing orthopedic surgery and prosthetics to nine children from the African country, where rebels have killed tens of thousands of civilians in their war for control of the government and diamond mines.

The nine children moved to the United States several months ago.

The event featured a "Wizard of Oz" theme, African dance and music, an auction of celebrity donations, including a signed "Hill Street Blues" script, and paintings from young artists.

It was not immediately known how much money was raised.

The event was organized by the Detectives' Endowment Association, the Rotary Clubs of Staten Island-Brooklyn, Staten Island University Hospital and various religious groups.

RADNOR, Pa. (AP) — Erik Estrada says lending his voice to The Cartoon Network's "Sealab 2001" was an easy decision.

"They wanted a character who's rugged, funny, a ladies' man," Estrada tells TV Guide in the July 28 issue. And, he added, "I don't have to shower, shave, I can just show up and do it."

The former "CHiPs" star also says he has been having fun playing himself on shows such as "V.I.P.," "Popular" and "The Nanny." He said he may even hold the record for playing himself the most.

"I think me and Bill Shatner are neck-and-neck," Estrada said. "I had fun with all that stuff. It's not real; it's not the cure for cancer — it's camp."

RADNOR, Pa. (AP) — Helena Bonham Carter says learning how to be an ape is easy.

Faced with mastering the bow-legged, stiff-hipped ape walk for the new "Planet of the Apes," Carter and other cast members were sent to "ape school."

Director Tim Burton arranged the training sessions with Terry Notary, a former Cirque du Soleil performer who has studied simian behavior.

"Ape school was very illuminating," Carter says in the July 28 issue of TV guide. "At first I flunked, because I was way too hyper. But there are lots of things in finding your inner ape that can be quite useful to one's real life."

The cast and crew soon got used to the surreal sight of apes lounging around and eating lunch. The problems came when the actors were out of costume.

"You work with them all day, but you don't know what they look like out of costume," actress Estella Warren said. "Somebody would come over to me and start chatting, and I'd think, 'Who are you?'"

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Weather focus

PAMPA — Today, mostly sunny with highs 102 to 106. South winds 10 to 20 mph. Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows around 75. Southeast winds 5 to 15 mph. Tuesday, partly sunny. Highs 99 to 104. South winds 10 to 20 mph. Tuesday night, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers or thunderstorms. Lows around 70. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s. High for Sunday was 103 and the overnight low, 78.

STATEWIDE — Sunny skies stretched across nearly all of Texas on Sunday with the early part of the week shaping up to be another scorcher.

High temperatures Sunday were mainly in the 90s and 100s. Wichita Falls and Cotulla each reported 107 degrees. The National Weather Service said it was 106 in Childress, 105 in Del Rio, Mineral Wells and Wink and 104 in Fort Worth. Heat indices made it feel even warmer.

Skies over North Texas should be mostly clear Monday with lows early in the mid-70s to lower 80s and highs in the mid-90s east to near 105 west.

Monday night should be clear with lows in the mid- to upper 70s, forecasters said.

In West Texas and the Panhandle, afternoon skies should be clear to partly cloudy with a slight chance of late-after-

noon and evening thunderstorms in the western part of the Panhandle.

Highs Monday should reach into mid-90s and low 100s.

In South Texas, Monday should be another quiet day with most of the area sunny and hot.

Temperatures Sunday were in the 90s with a few places near 100 and readings ranging from 103 in Cotulla and Alice to 90 in Galveston. The heat index was up to 105 in Port Arthur, Corpus Christi, Junction and Brownsville.

Temperatures should be mostly sunny and breezy Monday with highs in the upper 90s to near 100 with isolated showers and thunderstorms southeast.

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Unchecked Urban Legend Wastes Time and Money

DEAR ABBY: I hope you'll print this and stop an urban legend in its tracks.

A year ago, my husband and I were handed a copy of a petition to sign and pass along. This petition was to stop Madalyn Murray O'Hair. She, as head of an atheist group, was filing a petition to the FCC to stop all religious programming from being aired on television and radio.

Needless to say, I was outraged! And why not? I am a mother and a loyal American who believes wholeheartedly in religious freedom and freedom of the press. I immediately logged on to the Internet and e-mailed this petition to everyone in my address book. Then I made photocopies and mailed them to friends and family who weren't online. I jumped in with both feet to stop Madalyn Murray O'Hair and her group from destroying all that Christians and Americans hold dear.

The only thing I didn't do (at least at first) was check the facts. Had I done so, I would have saved myself a lot of money and time.

The reality is that this petition is just one in a number of urban legends being spread today. Until I typed the name "Madalyn Murray O'Hair" into my search engine, I had no idea that I was not working to stop an atheist from taking away our freedoms, but was instead perpetuating a myth.

Spreading rumors may seem harmless, but it's not. It can cost everyone involved a good chunk of change when you add up the cost of postage, photocopying, stationery and envelopes. It also fuels ignorance and wastes time. The FCC

Dear Abby

Is written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips.

actually had to hire people to handle the flood of mail on this subject.

Abby, I have been sent this petition five times in one year. Can you believe that? Please inform your readers that forwarding e-mail or "snail mail" — or signing petitions without checking the facts — is senseless and irresponsible. These "legends" feed on the blind faith of the readers. They rely on the tendency we have to follow our impulses. We should always do our homework before passing anything on, and especially before signing anything. It could save a load of trouble down the line.

TRUTH OR CONSEQUENCES,
JOHNSON CITY, TENN.

DEAR T O R C: Amen! I'm praying others will heed your message, because urban legends take on a life of their own if they go unchecked. (The one you mentioned has been around

since 1974.)

P.S. Madalyn Murray O'Hair has been dead for over half a decade now. It's time we let her rest in peace.

DEAR ABBY: Here's another nervous "Can you top this?" letter: A well-to-do friend of mine insisted on giving me a retirement party, even though I protested.

The gathering was held at a small local yacht club. When my husband arrived with his camera, the hostess told him to be sure to snap a picture when she presented me with the money tree. Champagne was served. Everyone had a lovely time.

On the way home, I remembered that my friend had not presented me with the money tree. When I wrote her a nice thank-you, I ended by asking what happened to it.

Three weeks later on a piece of business correspondence, she added a line on the bottom that said, "The party cost more than anticipated, so the money tree was used to cover expenses." Needless to say, I am no longer in contact with my "tacky" friend.

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DEAR CARLSBAD: Your letter is a first. Congratulations! I'm speechless.

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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- Madrid mister
- Washington neighbor
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- Sailing
- Catch sight of
- Car engine parts
- At any time
- Weather map lines
- Cooing birds
- Worship
- Gym wear
- In — (aligned)
- Thresholds
- Corn holder
- Entreaty
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- Weapon for Buffy
- Halt
- Copier need
- Rendez-vous

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- Arthur
- Arbor
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- Comotion
- Research settings
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- Foot part
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- Swear
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- 21 Campbell
- 22 Bar mixer
- 23 Nick's wife
- 24 Actor
- 25 Donahue
- 26 Stitches
- 27 Plug
- 28 Peruvian coin
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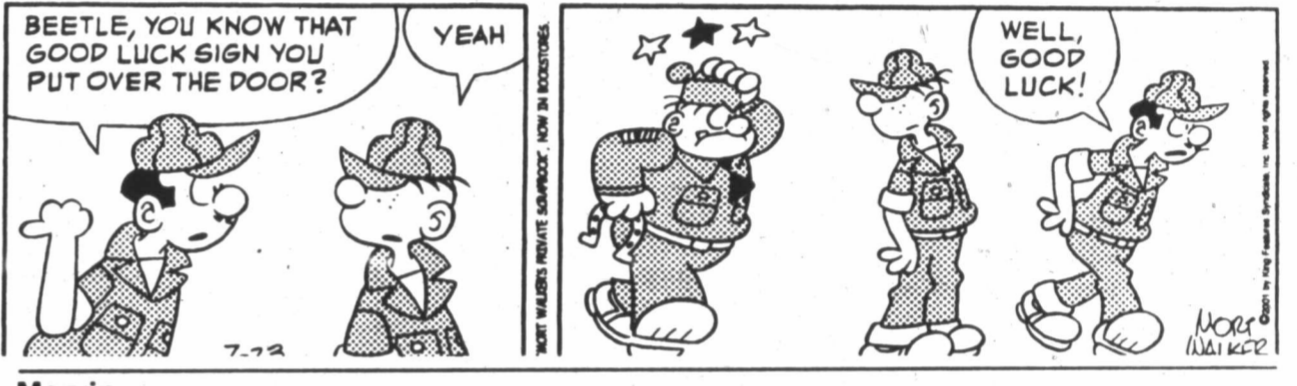
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SPORTS

Pampa All-Stars meet Azle for Sectional title

Notebook

GOLF

LYTHAM ST. ANNES, England (AP) — David Duval refused to let the British Open turn into the shootout everyone expected, seizing control with a rock-solid game that carried him to a 4-under 67 at Royal Lytham & St. Annes and gave him his first major championship.

He finished at 10-under 274 for a three-stroke victory over Sweden's Niclas Fasth (67), the only one among a long list of proven players who sustained any kind of challenge.

Former Masters champion Ian Woosnam might have been on that list. But after nearly making an ace on the opening hole, the Welshman realized he had an extra club in his bag and was assessed a two-stroke penalty. Woosnam finished with a 71 and was four strokes back along with Ernie Els (69), Darren Clarke (70), Miguel Angel Jimenez (70), Billy Mayfair (70) and Bernhard Langer (71).

PAMPA — Pampa Country Club held a scramble last weekend. Results are listed below:

1. Roger David, Joyce Rasco, Bob Swope and Terry Conn, 27
2. Kelly Everson, J.C. Beyer, Joyce Swope and Brenda Baxter, 28.

3. Doug McFatrige, Bob Neslage, Elaine Langley and Sonya Everson, 29.

4. (tie) Roy Don Stephens, Doug Ware, Floyd Baxter and Sheila McFatrige 30; Joe Manzanares, Bill Crain, Debbie Hargus and Melissa Singletary, 30.

6. Tim Whipkey, Bill Heuston, Peggy David and Mark Bridges, 31.

7. (tie) Lavonna Dalton, Fred Simmons, Glen Lentz and Sheila Neslage, 32; Ray Roy, Weldon Talley, Jim Honderich and Johnnie Marx, 32; Randy Holt, John Allen, Gary Dalton and Barbara Talley, 32.

10. Howard Reed, Bill Bridges, Donetta Conn and Bob Marx, 34.

BASEBALL

SEMINOLE — Pampa meets the Plainview-Levelland winner at 6 Tuesday night for the championship of the Babe Ruth 14-15 State Tournament.

Pampa has victories over Levelland 7-3 and Seminole 10-4 in the tournament.

BASKETBALL

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (AP) — A lawsuit filed by a group of Indiana University alumni and basketball fans following the firing of coach Bob Knight will likely proceed to trial.

Special Judge Cecile Blau denied IU's motion for summary judgment on the part of the lawsuit that claims the university's Board of Trustees violated state open meetings law before the coach's firing.

Blau did grant part of the university's summary judgment request by saying that IU President Myles Brand acted within his powers when he fired Knight.

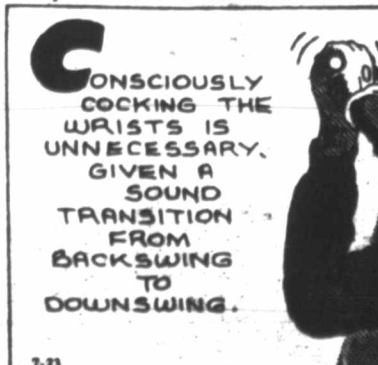
Flashback

1952: Center fielder Deck Woldt had two of Pampa's five hits as the Oilers lost to the Borger Gassers 12-1 in a West Texas-New Mexico League baseball opener at Oiler Park.

Woldt also scored the Oilers only run on a single to center field by right fielder Stan Bartkowski.

Borger pitcher Ed Flanagan went the distance for the win. He struck out six and walked two.

Play Better Golf with JACK NICKLAUS



PAMPA — Pampa won a pair of squeakers over the weekend in the Sectional Softball Tournament at Optimist Park to reach the championship finals.

The Pampa All-Stars meet Azle at 7 tonight at Optimist Park with the winner advancing to the State Tournament in Waco.

"The Pampa players and coaches would love to see a huge crowd come out and support our team," said Mark McVay, who coaches the All-Stars along with Randell Tice and Layne Clark.

Pampa slipped by previously-unbeaten Azle 5-4 Sunday in the semifinals to advance into the championship contest in the 11-12 year-old Major Division.

Azle got the lead early, scoring one run in the first and third innings to go ahead 2-0. Both teams were held scoreless in the fourth inning.

Pampa finally rallied in the top of the fifth inning to

score five runs. Logan Boles led off the inning with a walk. After a Pampa strike-out and groundout, Boles

scored on a passed ball. With two outs, Maggie Hopkins reached first base on a throwing error by the Azle

pitcher. Nicole Clark was then hit by the pitcher. Cassidy Tice then hit a line drive double to left field scoring two runs. Kenzi Nickell backed that up with another double to center field, scoring Tice. Erika Silva reached first on an error by the second baseman. Meredith Coutts was hit by a pitch to load the bases. Logan Boles got a base hit scoring Kenzi Nickell. Azle ended the inning by throwing out Erika Silva at home plate.

Pampa went into the bottom of the fifth inning with a 5-2 lead.

Azle started a rally with a base hit to lead off the inning. The next batter got a hit, scoring a run. Azle got another hit, but Pampa's Maggie Hopkins nailed the runner on a throw to home plate for the first out of the inning. The next Azle batter walked, but pitcher Cassidy Tice struck out the next batter for the second out, but Azle scored another run on a passed ball. Pampa ended

the inning by throwing out an Azle runner trying to steal third base.

Pampa went into the sixth inning with a 5-4 lead. Azle got the first three batters in the top of the sixth. Azle then came to bat in the bottom of the sixth needing one run to tie the ballgame. Pampa shut down the Azle offense with a 3-up, 3-down finish to the game.

Cassidy Tice pitched an outstanding game for Pampa, striking out nine while allowing four hits and seven walks in six innings.

Pampa came back through the loser's bracket by edging Graham 9-8 on Saturday.

It was a back and forth battle between the two teams.

Nicole Clark pitched the entire game for the local All-Stars. She held Graham to five hits while striking out nine and walking five in seven innings.

Pampa's only loss was to Azle 5-1 on Friday in the first meeting between the two teams.



Logan Boles rounds the bases to score a run against Azle. (Pampa News photo by Lance Burton)

Duval seizes control to win British Open championship

LYTHAM ST. ANNES, England (AP) — The wrap-around sunglasses came off, and the most emotion David Duval probably will ever show spilled out.

It was nothing more than a smile of relief and eyes brimming with contentment. Together, though, they revealed a lot about Duval and what his first major championship meant.

A final-round 67 Sunday did more than just get Duval's name engraved on the claret jug right beneath that of Tiger Woods. It also took away forever the hated label of the best player never to win a major.

Duval knew all that. Yet he struggled more to put it into words than he did with his clubs on a brilliant, sunny day on the links of Royal Lytham & St. Annes to win the British Open.

The look on his face would have to suffice.

"You know, I beat them all this week and I feel really good," Duval said. "It feels wonderful."

The world's No. 1 player before Woods, Duval was No. 1 at Royal Lytham because he was able to fashion weekend rounds of 65 and 67 on a golf course that wasn't meant to give up two rounds that low in a row.

In the final round, he navigated his way out of knee-high rough five different times in the final round, but made only one bogey.

After that bogey on the par-3 12th, he promptly came back to birdie the next hole. Then Duval parred his way home to beat Sweden's Niclas Fasth by three shots and hard-luck Ian Woosnam and five others by

four. Last year, he flew home with close friend Woods on Woods' jet after his buddy had won. This time he had the same claret jug Woods carried in his arms. Only now it had his name on it, too.

"I like the position of my name right below his," Duval said. "It looks like it is in the right spot."

Whether it stays there remains to be seen. Woods has six major titles, and Duval has a long way to go to catch up.

Still, winning the second is always easier than the first. Duval knows, after four years of coming close in the Masters.

"It's kind of a big relief," he said. "It's so pressure packed in the major championships, and then you put it on a golf course like this where any minor mistake is magnified and that makes the pressure even greater. You just can't let up and I didn't let up today."

He couldn't because Fasth had already posted his 67 and was at 7 under when Duval was playing the front side at the same number. But birdies on the sixth and seventh holes gave him the margin he would never surrender.

By then, the three players Duval shared the lead with to start the day had faded. He needed only to play steady golf on the treacherous back nine to win.

"You get four chances each year and you have to have a lot of things to go right those weeks to get into a position to win the golf tournament," Duval said. "Then you have to kind of — you have to do it. I mean there's no way around it, you have to do it."

Stoic behind his sunglasses, Duval certainly wasn't the

favorite of the massive crowds that packed grandstands and fairways on Royal Lytham. That role belonged to long-suffering Colin Montgomerie and a suddenly sympathetic figure in Woosnam.

Montgomerie started a stroke behind, bogeyed the third hole and was never a factor. Woosnam became one, but because his caddie didn't count, it wasn't enough.

After nearly making a hole-in-one on the par-3 first hole to take a share of the lead, Woosnam put a tee in the ground and turned to his caddie for a club on the second tee.

What he got instead was a jolt. Caddie Miles Byrne had left a second driver in the bag and Woosnam would get a two-stroke penalty for having more than the 14-club limit.

"I felt like I had been kicked in the teeth," Woosnam said.

Woosnam would bogey two of the next three holes before making an aborted charge that got him to 7 under and within two strokes of the lead on the back nine. He ended up losing by four, and wondering what might have been.

"I did not really get it out of my head all the way around," Woosnam said. "I kept thinking if I hadn't had a two-shot penalty I could have been leading or been joint leader. I never shook it off."

Fasth had finished well ahead of Duval, and after Miguel Angel Jimenez bogeyed the 14th hole to fall back to 7 under, the lead was three.

Duval didn't know it, because he wasn't looking at the old-fashioned yellow leaderboards

through his wraparound shades as he played his way down the back nine.

"It never entered my mind that I hadn't won a major today," Duval said. "I did not know exactly where I stood until I got to the 18th green and saw I was three shots ahead. I thought I was probably two, but I never looked."

Duval's father, senior tour player Bob Duval, was watching from his Ponte Vedra, Fla., home. The night before he and his son had talked about drinking cognac out of the claret jug if he brought the trophy home.

"He's never talked to me about the frustration of not winning a major," Bob Duval said. "All he's ever said is that he should have won two or three Masters. Today was a look of fun to watch."

Checking names



Tri-State Association secretary Floyd Sackett and Barbara Talley check the names of the seniors during registration Sunday at the Pampa Country Club. The 67th annual TSSGA tournament tees off Tuesday on the PCC course.

Softball standings

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Wolfpack	2	4	Thomas Automotive
Potter Trucking Bandits	0	6	NBC
Domino's	0	6	Star's Hot Shots
Division Two			Easy's
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Cabot	5	2	United Supermarket
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ARIES (March 21-April 19) ***** What ailed you yesterday can be resolved today. Feel good about your potential and about solutions that come forward. Dig into your well of creativity when dealing with a co-worker or associate. Let good feelings infiltrate work. Tonight: Accept an invitation. TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ***** Let your imagination speak right now. You will add extra zest to your life and relationship. Take your time and enjoy a leisurely visit with a pal at lunch. You might not want to mix play and business. Keep discussions separate. Tonight: Work a little late. GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ***** Deal with basics, whether working with an investment or a family. Knowing what it is that you want allows you to make good choices for yourself as well as others. What makes one person feel quite different. Keep this in mind. Tonight: Find fun. CANCER (June 21-July 22) ***** The more pleasantly you express your concerns, the more positive

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Calendar of events

PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL

Pampa Area Literacy Council office is open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information, call 665-2331.

VFW CHARITY BINGO

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1657, 105 S. Cuyler, Charity Bingo every Wednesday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Doors open one hour early. No one under 18 allowed. Public is welcome. License No. 1-75-6037422-9. For more information contact Edgar D. Carson, 669-0853 or 669-1264.

CLEAN AIR AL-ANON

Clean Air Al-Anon will hold weekly meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, call 669-3988.

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER

Tralee Crisis Center will offer Volunteer Training for people interested in working with victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and other crime victims. For more information, call 669-1131 or 1-800-658-2796.

GRAY COUNTY EXTENSION EDUCATION

Gray County Extension Education meets at 1:30 p.m. the first Monday of each month at Gray County Courthouse Annex.

PLANNED PARENTHOOD

Planned Parenthood of Amarillo and the Texas Panhandle is changing its hours. It is now open from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 408 W. Kingsmill Ave., #175-A, in Pampa. For more information or for an appointment, call 665-2291. Planned Parenthood is a not-for-profit health care organization serving women and men in 17 offices covering 26 counties in the panhandle.

PAMPA FINE ARTS ASSOCIATION

Pampa Fine Arts Association Board of Directors will meet at 6 p.m. the third Thursday of each month at Pampa Community Building.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

The Alzheimer's Support Group meets the first Thursday of each month at Shepard's Crook Nursing. For more information,

call Dauna Wilkinson at 665-0356.

GRAY COUNTY 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 to make a donation, contact the local Red Cross office at 669-7121.

SUMMER READING GAME

Lovett Memorial Library's Summer Reading Game challenges youngsters to "read around the world and beyond." Every minute is a mile. Every child who reads three hours will receive a free book. Register and receive a book bag and bookmark. Children may read or be read to by a parent or older child. **The program concludes July 31.**

TEXAS STATE VETERANS BENEFITS SEMINAR

A free benefits seminar will be offered Texas State veterans at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, July 26 in Ochiltree County Expo Center Meeting Room at the Expo Center Fairgrounds in Perryton. Registration will begin at 6 p.m. For more information, call 1-800-252-VETS or visit www.glo.state.tx.us on the Internet.

WHICH WAY

First Christian Church, 1633 N. Nelson, will present Which Way, a contemporary Christian rock band, in concert at 7 p.m., Saturday, July 28 in fellowship hall of the church. The concert is free and open to the public.

HEAD START

Local Head Start applications for enrollment will be available from 8:30 a.m.-12 noon and from 1-3:30 p.m., Friday, Aug. 3 in the gym at Lamar Elementary School. Children 4-years-old on or before Sept. 1, 2001, are eligible for the program. Participants must bring: Child's birth certificate; child's Social Security card; immunization records; income verification; child care documentation; and proof of all public assistance.

TULIA

state and national chapters of the American Civil Liberties Union, the NAACP and League of United Latin American Citizens, made the trip on two chartered buses.

During a mid-day stop in Plainview, about 80 people marched outside a state prison near Plainview. A candlelight vigil was set to be held at midnight at the Swisher County Jail.

Civil rights groups say the bust led to convictions based on flimsy evidence: the uncorroborated testimony of the lone undercover agent whose questionable past was barred from discussion during the trials. They say no drugs, money or weapons were seized in the roundup and there is no information to back up the undercover agent's word that he bought drugs from the accused.

Eleven of those arrested in Tulia were found guilty and another 17 have accepted plea agreements.

"What happened in Tulia is a horrible embarrassment to my profession because this guy followed no procedures of a normal police officer," said former Michigan policeman Howard Wooldridge, 50, of Fort Worth, who attended the rally on his one-eyed horse, Misty, "Sloppy is being generous."

"A bunch of them shouldn't be in prison. It was racial profiling to the max. A violation of the Fourth Amendment," said Wooldridge, who is white.

Swisher County Sheriff Larry Stewart and the district attorney, Terry McEachern, deny allegations of racial bias and stand by the arrests and convictions. So does the undercover drug agent, Tom Coleman, who no longer works in law enforcement.

"I don't have no comment," Coleman said Friday from his home near Waxahachie. "Everybody knows what kind of operation it was."

The protesters stopped near Plainview because one of the Tulia defendants is imprisoned at the nearby Forby Unit.

"This is madness. This is a public health problem, it is not a criminal justice problem," said protester Rosemary Simmons, 57, an Austin psychologist who is black. She held a sign reading "drug war equals racism."

"It's a civil rights issue, that's why I'm out here."

In Tulia, police occasionally circled the block where the rally was

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held. About 35 officers from the Department of Public Safety, Texas Rangers, Swisher County Sheriff's Department and Tulia police waited at police headquarters.

Terri Brookins, 20, said she thought the rally gave her husband, Freddie Brookins Jr., one of the defendants, some encouragement. She visited him at the prison in Brownfield before attending the rally. He is scheduled for parole in March and is appealing his case.

"He thinks its a good idea to have this rally," she said.

The Tulia case inspired successful legislation this year in Austin. A bill sponsored by Rep. Juan Hinojosa, D-McAllen, prohibits Texans from being convicted of drug charges based solely on the testimony of some undercover police officers.

"This bill was supported by law officers across the state," Hinojosa said last week. "They don't want to convict just on the word of an informant without corroboration."

A second law deals with officers' personnel files no longer being exempt from disclosure under certain circumstances.

Harrell said the ACLU has asked that the Texas House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence review regional narcotics task forces.

On Friday, the ACLU asked the Texas Attorney General's Office to investigate whether racial profiling and civil rights abuses are part of the task forces. The ACLU claims that narcotics task forces target minorities in low-income communities in order to bolster their arrest numbers to gain needed grant money.

The letter was filed late in the day and AG spokesman Mark Heckmann said it would have to be reviewed before the office could make a comment.

Harrell said Sunday that the ACLU also has filed a grievance against McEachern with the State Bar of Texas.

In the drug cases, appeals are pending. The ACLU and National Association for the Advancement of Colored People filed a federal lawsuit against some Swisher county officials and the Department of Justice is investigating. An FBI agent based in Amarillo said Friday that the probe could be complete in about a month.

Coleman recently was dismissed from a spot on the Southeast Metroplex Narcotics Task Force near Dallas for engaging in a "relationship that was inappropriate," said Ellis County District Attorney Joe Grubbs.

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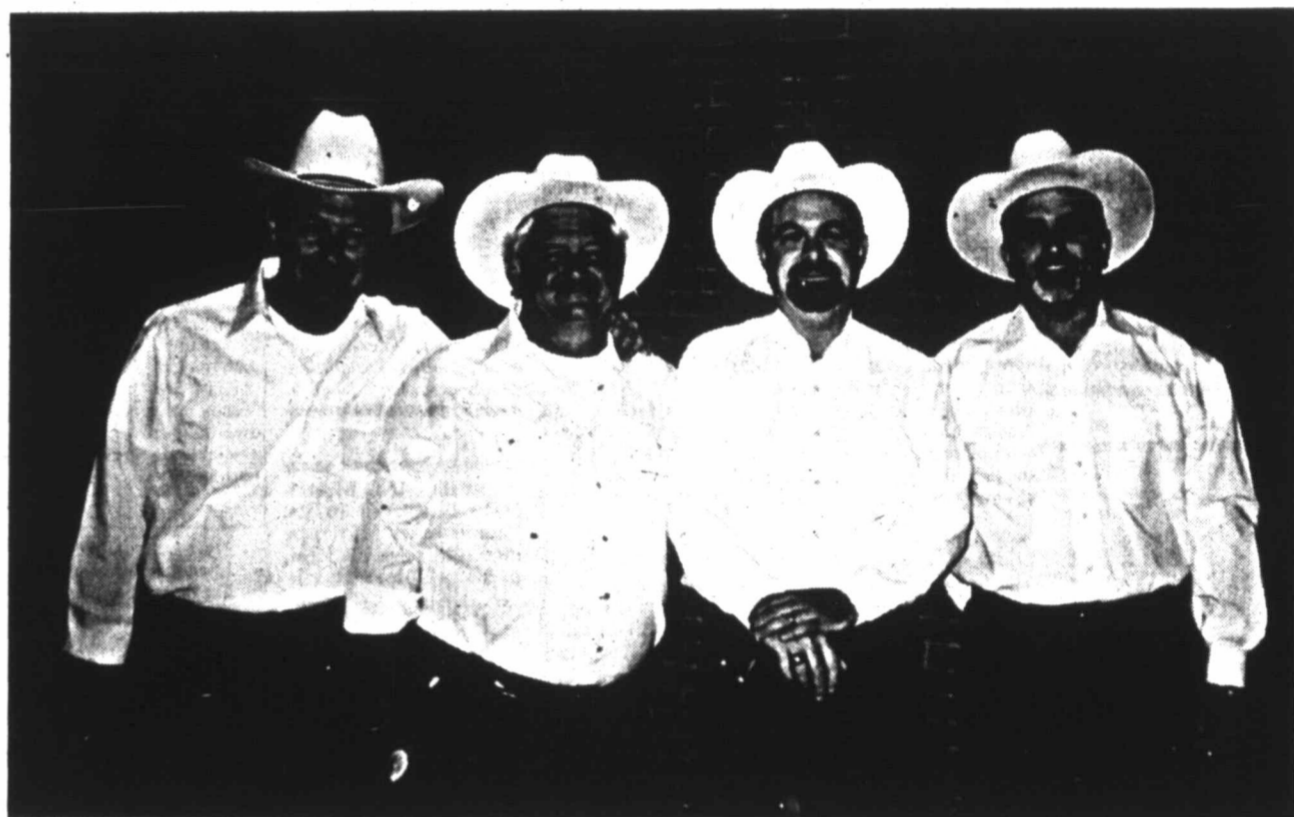
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the Texas Tech Dean's List and the National Dean's List. She is a 1998 honor graduate of Pampa High School.

The Miss Texas USA contestants not only seek the title and crown, but are also vying for a record prize and gift package valued at more than \$100,000 including a new Ford Mustang, \$10,000 cash, a full-length mink coat, an all-expense-paid trip to Thailand and more than \$10,000 in jewelry, wardrobe and additional travel.

TV personality Dan O'Rourke and former Miss Texas USA Christine Friedel, will co-host the pageant. Special guest will be Kandace Krueger, Miss USA 2001, the eighth Miss Texas USA to win the national title.

The two-hour live telecast of the pageant will air from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m., July 30. The local station airing the event is KCPN-TV, Ch. 65, out of Amarillo. This station is not included in the Pampa Cable One package, Melinda Stowers said. Amarillo's Fox 14 is considering preempting local programming for the pageant, she said.



(Courtesy photo)

Star Canyon, a band from San Angelo, is one of a number of groups who will perform at the Old Mobeetie Texas Music Festival this weekend. See Page 1 for details. Band members, from left, are Jeff Simmons, Eddie Stroud, Time Tynes and Rick Curlee.

Gathering lines unregulated in rural areas, group reports

AUSTIN (AP) — More landowners across Texas are reporting problems with leaks in aging small pipelines that carry crude oil and natural gas from production fields to larger pipelines.

The pipelines, no more than 8 inches wide, are not regulated in rural areas by the federal Office of Pipeline Safety. The Texas Railroad Commission, like many state pipeline agencies, does not regulate the lines in rural areas. Gathering lines in urban areas are regulated by federal and state agencies.

"There's no pressure-testing of these lines," Doug Beveridge, secretary of the Texas Land & Mineral Owners Association and vice president of minerals for the King Ranch, told the Austin American-Statesman for a story in Monday's edition. The association wants an increase in the problems.

"There's no requirement for the type of steel they put into these lines. No one even knows where they are. We've wondered forever for our ranch where are all the lines?"

Bob Hinds owns Hinds

Ranch, a beef and dairy operation south of San Antonio. He told the newspaper that the old gathering lines at the ranch have sprung hundreds of leaks during the past 15 years. The oil rights were sold before Hinds purchased the land.

"It makes a mess," Hinds said. "The ground's real soaked with salt water and oil. The grass won't grow for years. We've had spills that would run half a mile down the creeks."

While the General Accounting Office warned Congress 23 years ago that regulation was needed because of increases in problems with rural gathering lines, no action has been taken, the newspaper reported.

Federal officials estimate there are more than 200,000 miles of rural gathering lines, enough to reach three-fourths of the way to the moon. Texas has 43,000 miles of the lines.

The staff of Texas Sunset Advisory Commission, a legislative panel that reviews state agencies, recommended last year that the Railroad Commission regulate the rural gathering lines. The staff said state regulation of pipelines

does not adequately protect the public.

The Railroad Commission opposed the recommendation. The Legislature declined to force the agency to regulate rural gathering lines.

Michael Williams, Railroad Commission chairman, said the environmental and safety risks the low-pressure lines pose don't warrant the extra funding needed to regulate the lines.

"We don't have a real history of gathering lines breaking, exploding or posing a danger to ground water," Williams said.

Beveridge said Exxon Mobil, which holds the lease for the King Ranch, usually is quick to seal leaks. He said he worries about leaks he can't see.

"Some of this stuff does not come to the surface," he said. "The slower leaks weep. The product doesn't go up; it goes down. It may take 50 years for some of this stuff to hit a groundwater consumption source where you'd become aware of it. What do you do with the plume? The cost to pump and clean it is millions."

Harrington String Quartet chosen for select London program

CANYON — The Harrington String Quartet will celebrate its 20th year as one of nine quartets selected to participate in the 13th Annual Amadeus Summer Course July 22-Aug. 4 at the Royal Academy of Music in London. Selection to the highly competitive summer course is based on audition tapes from quartets from around the world.

The Harrington String Quartet was created in 1981 through a gift from The Don and Sybil Harrington Foundation. Emmanuel Lopez, cellist, Corinne Stillwell and Annie Chalex, violinists, and Joanna Mendoza, violist, are members of the string faculty at West Texas A&M University and principal players with the Amarillo Symphony.

The Amadeus Summer Course first began in 1989 under the direction of the Royal Academy of Music and in collaboration with the Amadeus Scholarship Fund. The scholarship is dedicated to the memory of Peter Schidlof, viola player with the Amadeus Quartet, to provide financial support for string quartet players to attend the Summer Course.

This year's repertoire will include classical and romantic literature as well as major quartet works of the 20th century. The Harrington String Quartet will have the opportunity to study with the three surviving members of the world-renowned Amadeus Quartet. They will benefit from the knowledge and experience the Amadeus Quartet can offer in the area of chamber music performance and interpretation.

Each of the nine quartets selected to attend the Amadeus Summer Course will attend one individual coaching session per day during the two-week course. Quartets will also perform at informal public concerts.

The Harrington String Quartet has performed in France, England and throughout the United States. They are a continuing member of the Texas Touring Arts Program and conducted the first Harrington String Quartet Workshop at WTAMU last summer. They recently filmed a documentary for PBS titled "A Sound Collaboration — The Harrington String Quartet."



Mindee Stowers

Conoco earnings up 21 percent

HOUSTON (AP) — Second-quarter profits for oil giant Conoco Inc. rose 21 percent thanks to strong refining margins, natural gas prices and higher production.

Houston-based Conoco reported Monday net income of \$552 million, or 87 cents per share, up from \$456 million, or 72 cents per share, in the year-ago quarter.

The result topped expectations of analysts surveyed.

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Feds: 3 percent of drivers using hand-held cell phones at any given time

WASHINGTON (AP) — At any given time, about 3 percent of drivers are talking on hand-held cell phone while operating their vehicle, according to a government survey unveiled Monday.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration estimates that at least 500,000 drivers are talking on their cell phones simultaneously during the daytime. Rates nearly doubled during non-rush hours.

Officials at the agency say this is the first such research report to quantify cell phone use on American highways. NHTSA data collectors observed more than 12,000 vehicles at 640 intersections around the

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