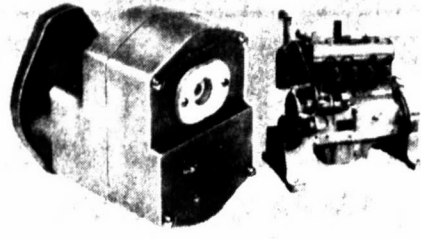


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Sect. 53 quandary: It's about water

By **DAVID BOWSER**
 Staff Writer

Land donated in good faith by a Pampa chemical factory continues to be a point of contention between the city commission and the Pampa Economic Development Corporation.

A section of land east of Pampa consumed more than an hour of the PEDC's monthly meeting Monday evening.

The property is 640 acres neighboring the Jordan Unit of the Texas



Phillips

Department of Corrections east of Pampa. Known as Sec. 53, the one-square-mile block was donated by Celanese to the PEDC for economic development purposes.

With 462 acres of cropland and 178 acres of pasture, the land is now being leased for agricultural purposes.

Last month, a neighboring rancher offered to assume the lease, and the

PEDC appointed board member Gary Sutherland as a committee of one to determine the value of the land and what it should lease for.

Sutherland had initially planned to offer his recommendations Monday afternoon, but the sale of a comparable 1,600 acres in southwest part of Gray County may have changed the financials on the PEDC property.

Three other people had also

approached the PEDC with offers to lease the land.

Board member Dalton Lewis moved to sell the land in spite of the city commission's position of retaining it for the water rights.

Steve Phillips, the board secretary, pointed out that the PEDC had tried to sell the property at least three times before a previous city manager had said the city wanted to keep the land for its water rights.



Lewis

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E-scam strikes Pampa

By **MARILYN POWERS**
 Staff Writer

Some Pampa residents have received e-mails which appear to be from Citibank, asking the recipients to go to a website to verify their account information.

Chief Trevlyn Pitner of Pampa Police Department urges anyone receiving such an e-mail to not reply to it in any way, and to contact Citibank by using a telephone number listed on their most recent statement or by going to www.citibank.com on the Internet for telephone contact instructions.

One such message was e-mailed at 5:04 a.m., Friday, Aug. 6. The "from" line stated it was from CITIBANK, and the start of the letter included the Citibank logo.

The letter states "there have been a large number of identity theft attempts targeting Citibank customers" and urges the recipient to

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Pampa News photo by DAVID BOWSER

Up on the roof

Garrett Rhine tightens the screws on the metal building that will be the new gym for the Pampa Bible Church while his brother Matt watches.

Chautauqua booths offering new tastes

Musical oranges and orange fizz, both new to Chautauqua, will be offered at the Pampa High School Tennis Team food booth during this year's Labor Day celebration at Central Park.

Pampa Rotary Club will begin the food parade with a pancake breakfast shortly after 7 a.m. By 9 a.m., when the free stage entertainment begins, a variety of fare will be available.

Hamburgers, hot dogs, corn chip pies, nachos, foot-long corn dogs, barbecue sandwiches, burritos and hot link sausage will be sold. Drinks will include carbonated beverages, iced tea, lemonade and sports drinks. Members of Cornerstone Baptist Church will offer free bottled water.

Ice cream will be sold by the Church of the Nazarene youth, and snow cones will be vended by the New Life Church. Other desserts include funnel cakes, Calvary Baptist Youth; cotton candy and pickle juice pops, Girl Scouts; homemade cookies, Lutheran Church; and watermelon, Briarwood Men's Ministries.

Profits from food booths sponsored by non-profit organizations such as churches may be used to benefit service projects in the area throughout the year.

Chautauqua (pronounced Sha-ta-kwa) is a Native American word used to name towns and streets

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Robert Eakin of Pampa Optimist Club mans the hamburger grill during Pampa's 2003 Chautauqua in Central Park.

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Emergency Services

Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department today reported the following incidents and arrests.

Friday, Aug. 6

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the lobby of the police department. The incident occurred in the 1800 block of North Dwight. Taken was a cell phone valued at \$399.

Theft was reported in the 1000 block of Crane Road. Approximately 10 checks were taken.

Forgery was reported in the 1000 block of Crane Road. The incident involved checks valued at approximately \$460.

One suspect has been described in connection with a hit and run accident at Price Road and Kentucky Avenue. A man described as white, 5'5" to 5'8", "skinny", wearing a blue shirt, fled the scene heading southbound.

Saturday, Aug. 7

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 200 block of East Craven. A knife valued at \$10 was taken. An arrest was made in connection with the incident.

Harassment was reported in the 1200 block of East Foster.

Found property was reported in the 700 block of

North Banks. A paycheck valued at \$900 was found.

Violent dogs and weapons discharge were reported in the 1000 block of Prairie Drive.

Domestic violence was reported in the 400 block of Rider.

Sunday, Aug. 8

Evading arrest or detention was reported in the 1000 block of Huff.

Driving while intoxicated was reported in the 1700 block of North Hobart.

Criminal mischief was reported at Subway Sandwiches, 2141 N. Hobart. A window valued at \$100 was broken.

Found property was reported in the 1000 block of Crane Road. A checkbook and brown leather bag were found.

Assault by threat was reported in the 1600 block of North Hobart.

Monday, Aug. 9

An unattended death was reported in the 600 block of South Gray.

Aggravated assault with a deadly weapon was reported in the 400 block of Jupiter. Minor injuries were reported. The weapon was a metal object. No further information on the weapon was reported. Arrested in connection with the incident were Luis Ubaldo Baca Jr., 18,

923 Rham; Tyrell Owen Terry, 18, 923 Rham; and Justin William Edie, 17, 1309 Kingsmill. All three were charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

A Class C assault was reported in the police department lobby. The incident occurred in the 1000 block of North Dwight.

Criminal mischief was reported at Fairview Cemetery, 1500 Duncan. A headstone was knocked over and scratched. Estimated damage was \$700.

Possession of marijuana under two ounces was reported in the 700 block of West Brown.

Tuesday, Aug. 10

Domestic violence was reported in the police department lobby. The incident reportedly occurred in the 100 block of East Starkweather. The alleged victim suffered minor injuries.

Accidents

Pampa Police Department today reported the following accidents.

Monday, July 19

3:56 p.m. — A 1995 Nissan Maxima, driven by Kristin Susanne Holmes, 41, Borger, collided with a pedestrian, Salomom Banda Silva, 53,

405 N. Lefors, and then hit the Taylor Mart at 600 E. Frederic. Silva was transported to Pampa Regional Medical Center by Guardian Ambulance Service with non-incapacitating injuries. No citations were issued.

Sunday, July 25

10:08 a.m. — A 1998 Chevrolet Blazer, driven by Brenda Dian Downs, 51, 1005 Kiowa Trail, collided with a legally parked 1980 Ford F350, owned by Johnny Dwaine Warner, Borger, in the 2700 block of Cherokee. No injuries were reported. Downs was cited for failure to control speed.

Monday, Aug. 2

3:58 p.m. — A 1998 Ford pickup, driven by Kim Lincycomb, 44, 611 N. West, collided with a legally parked 1996 Pontiac Grand Am, owned by Carlos Solis, 1105 E. Francis, in the 900 block of West Randy Matson Avenue. No injuries were reported. Lincycomb was cited for backing without safety.

Friday, Aug. 6

5:06 p.m. — A 1992 Mitsubishi, driven by Timothy Joe Broadbent, 24, 719 N. Zimmers, and a 2000 Ford Windstar, driven by Janice Suzanne Cunningham, 57, 1145 W. Perry, collided in the 2400 block of West Kentucky.

Broadbent then reportedly left the scene of the accident on foot. Cunningham was transported to Pampa Regional Medical Center by ambulance for incapacitating injuries. Broadbent was cited for no insurance and no valid Texas driver's license.

5:10 p.m. — A 2002 Dodge Ram 1500, driven by Melissa Sue Wallin, 37, 1326 Charles, and a 1987 Cadillac Fleetwood, driven by Dale Andrew Rasmussen, 23, 1101 Garland, collided in the 1100 block of Garland. No injuries were reported. No citations were issued.

Sheriff

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

Monday, Aug. 9

Paul Cantu, 38, Amarillo, was arrested on a bond surrender for driving while intoxicated, second offense, and for no driver's license.

Fire

Pampa Fire Department responded to the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Monday, Aug. 9

3:06 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded

to a service call in the 1700 block of Chestnut. Firefighters replaced a battery in a smoke detector.

4:17 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 600 block of South Gray.

Ambulance

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

Monday, Aug. 9

8:24 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 900 block of North Duncan and transported a patient(s) to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

12:15 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported a patient(s) to Baptist-St. Anthony's West, Amarillo.

4:14 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of South Gray. No transport.

6:36 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Wells and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

8:32 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of East Locust and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

Tuesday, Aug. 10

12:44 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1900 block of Hobart and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

Productivity up in second quarter

WASHINGTON (AP) — The productivity of American workers rose at an annual rate of 2.9 percent in the spring, the slowest increase since late 2002, the government reported Tuesday.

The Labor Department said the increase in productivity, the output of workers for each hour worked, in the April-June quarter, followed a 3.7 percent rate of increase in the first quarter.

The 2.9 percent increase was the smallest gain since productivity rose at an annual rate of 1.6 percent in the fourth quarter of 2002.

Analysts had been predicting an even bigger drop-off in productivity in the second quarter to around 2.3 percent, reflecting the fact that the economy slowed sharply in the second quarter.

Unit labor costs, which are being closely watched by the Federal Reserve for signs of inflationary pressures, were up at an annual rate of 1.9 percent in the second quarter, the biggest rise in two years, following a 0.3 percent advance in the first quarter.

Productivity is the key determinant of

living standards. If productivity is rising, it gives employees the room to raise workers' wages without having to boost the price of their products. That means that the wage gains do not translate into higher inflation and workers enjoy rising living standards as their fatter paychecks go farther.

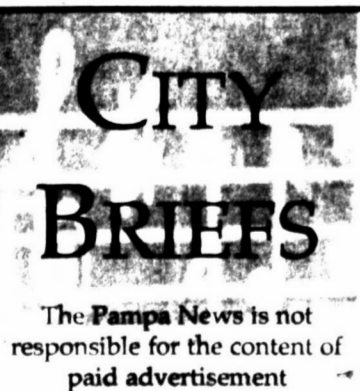
The country suffered through two decades of weak productivity gains starting with the 1973 oil shock. But since the mid-1990s, productivity gains have accelerated as the country reaped the benefits of large investments in machinery and equipment such as computers.

However, the huge productivity gains have had a downside in weak job growth as employers were able to boost production with existing employees and did not need to hire new workers.

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan has been saying this year that productivity increases were likely to slow in coming months as employers exhausted their ability to boost output with existing employees and would have to begin hiring more workers.

Economy

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Alleged smuggler dies in car crash

HIDALGO, Texas (AP) — Eight illegal immigrants and their alleged smuggler died after their car plunged into a South Texas irrigation canal and overturned near a crossing point along the Mexican border, state troopers said early Tuesday.

A ninth undocumented migrant survived the crash late Monday night. The victims were pulled from about six feet of water in the canal where the Ford LTD sedan came to rest upside-down, the Texas Department of Public Safety said.

"The Hidalgo police arrived and jumped into the water and started pulling people out of the vehicle and putting them onto the canal banks," said Johnny Hernandez, safety education trooper for DPS McAllen, who investigated the one-car wreck.

The victims were pronounced dead by Justice of

the Peace Rosa Trevino. Five were from El Salvador, with two others from Honduras and three of unknown origin, said Donnie Pacheco, a DPS investigator in McAllen. The smuggler "may have been one of the John Does," he said.

Pacheco said the immigrants, seven men and three women, had crossed the Rio Grande into Texas at about 9 p.m. and were waiting at a designated point for their smuggler to pick them up and rush them out of the heavily patrolled area.

"They were told by this guy that they were to remain at this area and at a certain point in time a guy would honk his horn," said Pacheco.

One woman, 20-year-old Teresa Lopez of El Salvador, did not make it into the car in time and was left in the brush. The car sped away without her. Her husband died in the car.

Obituaries

Betty Louise Blake, 75

EMPORIA, Kan. — Betty Louise Blake, 75, died Monday, Aug. 9, 2004, at Newman Regional Health in Emporia. Services are scheduled at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in First United Methodist Church with Dr. James Darby, of the church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Roberts-Blue-Barnett Funeral Home of Emporia.

Mrs. Blake was born Sept. 12, 1928, at Bovina, the daughter of William Barton

and Gassar Davis Gilliam. She married Robert Blake on Sept. 30, 1946, at Weatherford.

A homemaker, Mrs. Blake was a member of First United Methodist Church, First United Methodist's Disciple Study Club and 20th Century Cotillion Club of Pampa. In addition, she took aerobics classes in Emporia and volunteered as a Pink Lady at a hospital in Pampa.

Mrs. Blake was preceded

J.C. Hunnicutt, 70

J.C. Hunnicutt, 70, of Pampa, died Monday, Aug.

9, 2004, at Pampa. Services are pending under the direc-

Nathan Miller, 85

Nathan Miller, 85, of Pampa, died Tuesday, Aug.

10, 2004, at Pampa. Services are pending under the direc-

tion of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

in death by her parents; brothers, Robert Gilliam, John Gilliam, Willie Gilliam and James Edward Gilliam; and sisters, Flora Smith and Effie Mae Gilliam.

Survivors include her husband, Robert, of the home; a son, Mike Blake of Emporia; a daughter, Carol Jackson of Robbins, Calif.; and six grandchildren.

The body is to be cremated. The family requests no flowers.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Anthony Grant of Pampa.

Wheat	2.98
Milo	3.34
Corn	4.11
Soybeans	5.39

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

OXY	49.62	+0.31
BP	55.75	+0.21

Cabot Corp.	37.01	+0.58
Cabot Oil Gas	40.61	+0.11
Coca Cola	43.26	+0.04
VLO	68.98	-0.72
HAL	29.90	NC
Triad	32.24	+0.16
NOI	31.53	+0.25
KMI	59.54	+0.01
XCEL	17.18	+0.03
Kerr McGee	51.29	+0.20
Limited	19.26	+0.03
Williams	11.61	-0.15
MCD	26.51	+0.35
XOM	45.52	-0.04

Atmos	24.91	+0.21
Pioneer Nat	32.84	-0.35
JCP	38.06	+0.71
COP	74.80	-0.29
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Gray County Weather

Today: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Some of the storms could be severe, with heavy rain. Partly cloudy, with a high around 91. South wind between 5 and 15 mph.

Tonight: Showers and thunderstorms likely. Some of the storms could be severe, with heavy rain. Chance of precipitation is 70 percent.

Cloudy, with a low around 61. South southwest wind 10 to 15 mph becoming east. New rainfall amounts between a half and three quarters of an inch possible.

Wednesday: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Cloudy, with a

high near 74. East northeast wind around 15 mph.

Wednesday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a low near 56. East northeast wind 5 to 15 mph becoming south southeast.

Thursday: A slight chance of showers, with thunderstorms also possible after 7 a.m. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 81. South wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Thursday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 59. South southeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.



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Friday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 p.m. Partly cloudy, with a high near 82. East wind around 5 mph.

Friday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms.

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Chris Blair of Amarillo, casually in, taken thro

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Looks may be deceiving

Chris Blair gets his Pampa High School senior picture taken by Jerry Gundlech of Bluncks Studios out of Amarillo. While Blair's top half looks quite formal in tuxedo and bow tie for the photo, he's dressed casually in jeans out of range of the camera. PHS Class of 2005 Seniors are slated to have their pictures taken throughout the day.

Trial begins over Texas education funding

AUSTIN (AP) — The Austin Independent School District was forced to cut hundreds of teaching jobs because of a lack of money resulting from the state's school funding formula, superintendent Pat Forgione testified Tuesday. Forgione was the first witness in the trial challenging how the state pays for Texas' 1,037 school districts. Hundreds of districts have joined the lawsuit. Attorneys for the districts say the current system, which caps the rates districts can tax

property, amounts to an unconstitutional statewide property tax and still doesn't provide enough money to adequately educate Texas' 4.3 million students. "Texas can and must do better. That's why we're here, Your Honor," attorney David Thompson, one of the attorneys for the school districts, said during opening statements Monday. State attorneys argue that the system — devised after another lawsuit a decade ago — satisfies the minimum

requirements set forth in the Texas Constitution. Three separate groups of school districts have sued the state and will present their cases during the trial, which is expected to last more than a month. Finding a replacement for the state's share-the-wealth system of funding public schools is the responsibility of the state Legislature, said Jeff Rose, assistant attorney general. Whatever ruling State District Judge John Dietz

hands down is expected to be appealed. Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott said he's confident the court will uphold the constitutionality of the current system. Since the so-called Robin Hood system was instituted in 1993, schools have been subject to more rigorous curriculum standards, the federal No Child Left Behind Act and fast-growing student populations, which have all added to the financial burden on districts.

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"It's really about the water," Phillips said. "Not the land." Lewis said that he believed everything the state had advised concerning the dissolution of the PEDC called for selling the property and applying the money from the sale to debts the PEDC still owes. "It's spelled out very plainly," Lewis said, citing a Texas Attorney General's opinion, "the PEDC should sell the assets to pay its debts as soon as possible." He accused the city commission of not liking the attorney general's opinion and adjusting it to suit their desires. Board President Doug Locke noted

that if they could sell the land for an estimated \$300,000, they could dissolve the PEDC by the end of the year. Locke suggested selling the land with the stipulation that any on-going lease be honored by the buyer. Sutherland, adding he had no objections to selling the property, said that such a stipulation would lower the value of the property. "I don't disagree about the sale," Sutherland said. Lewis' motion finally died, however, for the lack of a second. Locke suggested having the land appraised so they would know how much it is worth, but after a break during which Sutherland called an apprais-

er, Sutherland said it would be at least 60 days before the appraisal could be done. The board finally decided to table all offers to lease or buy the land until the PEDC could meet jointly with the city commission to discuss the issue. The section of land is on the city commission agenda for discussion at this afternoon's Pampa City Commission meeting. Locke also said that the city commission's agenda lists an executive session to consider appointments to the PEDC. "Nobody's term is up," Locke observed wryly, looking at his fellow board members. The next scheduled meeting of the PEDC will be Sept. 13 at a place yet to be named.



Locke

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throughout the United States. One definition of the word is two bags tied in the middle, which describes the shape of Lake Chautauqua in New York where the first Chautauqua celebration was held. The original Chautauqua was held in 1875 as an educational endeavor for Methodist Sunday School teachers. The event evolved into traveling tent shows, some of which continue today. Among the more famous orators at these shows were Theodore Roosevelt and

William Jennings Bryan. Chautauquas came to Pampa about 1915 and were staged in the Albert Park area, where City Hall is now located. The Schneider Band toured the area to publicize the event. Shows were held in Pampa as late as Aug. 19-23 in 1939, with morning ses-

sions for children. The matinee and evening performance included Redpath, billed as a popular and classical music program. The 1939 Chautauqua was a benefit for the Pampa public library and included art displays, lectures, a musical revue and impersonations. After television became popular, Chautauquas began to lose their popularity. Chautauquas are still held in New York, and have also undergone a revival in Pampa. Pampa's celebration closes with the traditional song, "Day is Dying in the West" at 4 p.m.

History

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Scam

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click on an embedded link, generally in blue and underlined, to "securely confirm your Citibank account details." The letter also states "this process is mandatory, and if not completed within the nearest time your account may be subject to temporary suspension." "Credible companies do not operate this way. They don't send out random e-mails with this type of urgency. They're after your password, PIN number, account numbers, Social Security numbers, and so on. They bait you by telling you it's something urgent to your account," Pitner said of the suspicious e-mail. Citibank's website includes detailed information on how to spot a "spoof" e-mail, which is a message that appears to be sent by a legitimate company or organization but is in fact sent by an impostor. It also includes instructions on how to report the "spoof" and what to do in order to protect the individual's computer and account. Both Pitner and the Citibank website urge persons receiving the suspi-

cious e-mail not to click on the link embedded in the message. It may take the person to a site where account and identity information is asked for, and it may also install computer viruses or other harmful or invasive items on the person's computer. "Don't call any phone numbers or click on any links" in suspicious e-mails, Pitner said. Persons who call the numbers listed in these e-mails may wind up with a very expensive telephone bill, he said. "Just because the e-mail bypasses a spam filter, that doesn't mean it's okay," Pitner said.

'We're trying to prevent a crime from happening.'

— Trevlyn Pitner
Pampa Police Chief

"Contact the company directly." Pitner said that no crime had yet been committed, just because the "spoof" e-mail was sent. "We're trying to prevent a crime from happening," he said. For more information on "spoof" Citibank e-mails or other information, contact Citibank using the telephone number listed on a recent statement from Citibank, or go to www.citibank.com on the Internet.

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Viewpoints

History provides basis for Friday the 13th

I have been keeping track of how many columns I have written, and this is my 13th one. Coincidentally, this Friday is the 13th day of August. If I were a superstitious person, I would be very afraid.

The fear of Friday the 13th is called paraskavedekatriaphobia, according to The Skeptic's Dictionary's website. The website goes on to say that superstition about Friday the 13th may be the number one superstition in America today.

Another name for the Friday the 13th phobia is friggatriskaidekaphobia.

Fear of Friday the 13th seems to have started cen-

turies ago, when some folks became wary of the number 13 and others became fearful of Fridays. The two groups got together and decided the only thing worse than their individual phobias was a combined terror of both events, meaning Friday the 13th. Websites by the Skeptic's Dictionary, www.skeptic.com, as well as www.valleyskeptic.com and www.howstuffworks.com, explain the origins of Friday the 13th fears.

Fear of both the number 13 and of Fridays can be traced to early Christians, among others. Christians dislike the number 13 because there were 13 peo-

ple at the Last Supper, and Judas Iscariot, the apostle who betrayed Jesus, was the thirteenth person to arrive at the meal. Also, the thirteenth tribe of Israel was the only tribe left without land in Biblical times.

Marilyn Powers
Staff Writer

Christians reportedly are wary of Fridays because Jesus was crucified on a Friday; Adam and Eve, according to some, ate the forbidden fruit and were banished from the Garden of Eden on a Friday; the Great Flood, in which Noah and his family and the animals on the Ark were the

only survivors, began on a Friday; and the Temple of Solomon was destroyed on a Friday.

Other "reasons" cited for fearing the number 13 are that the ill-fated Apollo 13 space mission was launched at 1313 hours



Central Time from Pad 39 (the third multiple of 13), and had to be aborted on April 13, 1970, due to equipment malfunctions. The mission, dramatized in a movie starring Tom Hanks, became a struggle for the astronauts'

lives and safe return to Earth. Fortunately all ended well.

Witches, perhaps to clearly set themselves apart from any Christian religion, sometimes have groups of 13, known as covens. Friday is known as the witches' Sabbath. Several mass murderers have 13 letters in their names, including Charles Manson, Jeffrey Dahmer and Theodore Bundy.

In ancient Norse mythology, the beloved hero Balder was killed at a banquet when Loki, the Norse god of evil, crashed the banquet attended by 12, bringing the group total to 13.

A horrifying Friday the 13th in history is one in the

year 1306, when King Philip of France had all the Knights Templar burned at the stake.

Sailors sometimes refuse to ship out to sea on a Friday. Because of this, in the 18th century the British Navy had the ship built and named the H.M.S. Friday. They found a captain whose last name was Friday to pilot the ship, and had it launched on a Friday. On its maiden voyage, it disappeared forever.

Our fear of the number 13 has led us to skip that number in naming streets and designating floor levels in tall buildings. And on Friday the 13th, some people try to be extra cautious, certain

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Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Aug. 10, the 223rd day of 2004. There are 143 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 10, 1846, Congress chartered the Smithsonian Institution, named after English scientist James Smithson, whose bequest of half a million dollars had made it possible.

On this date:

In 1809, Ecuador struck its first blow for independence from Spain.

In 1821, Missouri became the 24th state.

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

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

In 1944, during World War II, American forces overcame remaining Japanese resistance on Guam.

In 1949, the National Military Establishment was

renamed the Department of Defense.

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

In 1977, postal employee David Berkowitz was arrested in Yonkers, N.Y., accused of being "Son of Sam," the gunman responsible for six slayings and seven wounding.

In 1988, President Reagan signed a measure providing \$20,000 payments to Japanese-Americans who were interned during World War II.

'Some people think that doctors and nurses can put scrambled eggs back into the shell.'

— Dorothy Canfield Fisher
American author

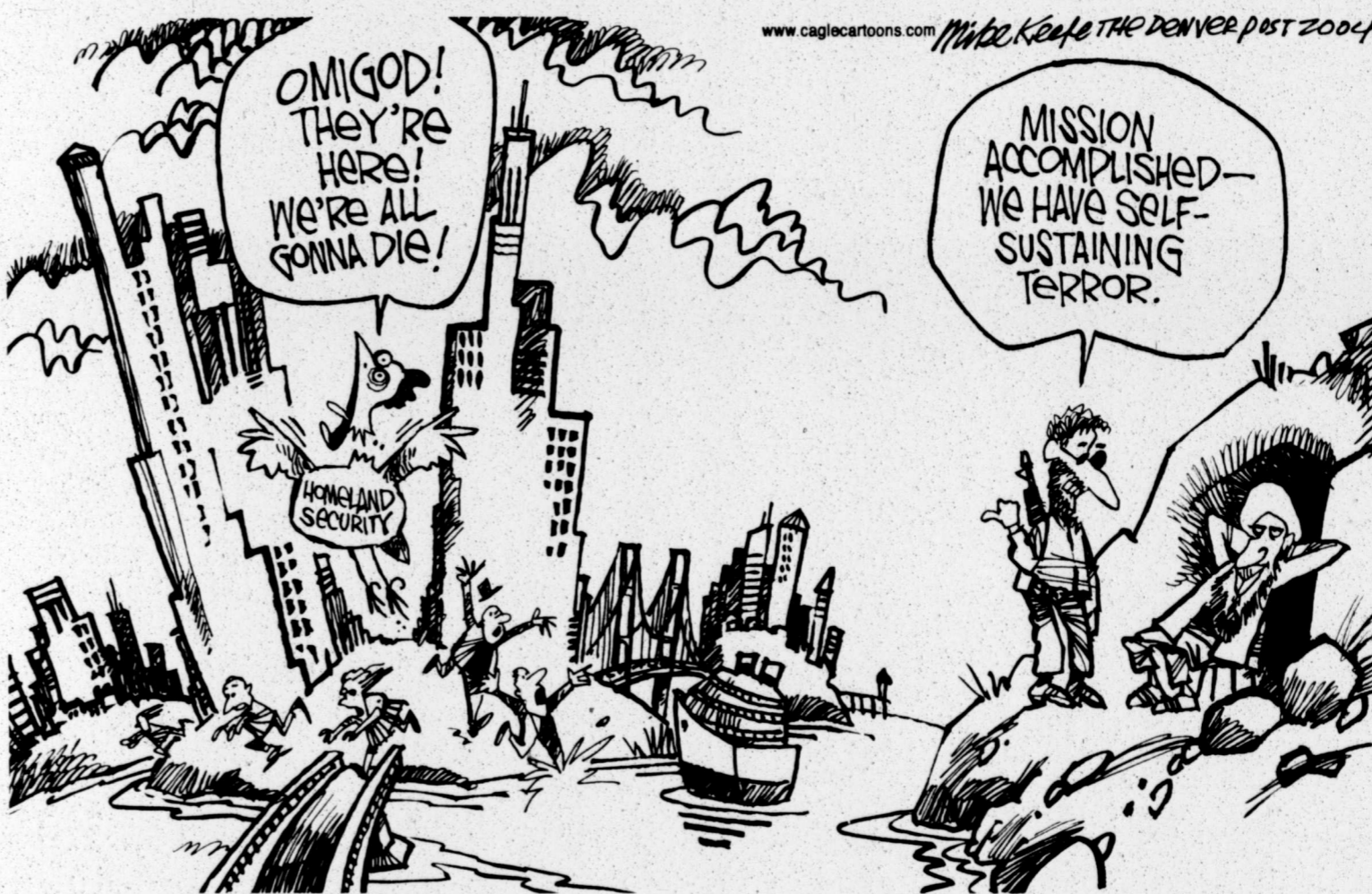
Our readers write

War in summary

To the editor:
A summary of two wars.
World War II: There was 16 million men and women who served, fought and died to secure democracy, preserve freedom and liberate

the oppressed.
The Iraq War: Service men and women from several countries are now serving, fighting and dying to secure a democracy, preserve freedom and liberate the oppressed.

Durward Williams
Pampa



Olympics testify to human nature

OLYMPIA, Greece — With the Olympics starting next week, do any of you remember Milton of Kroton, Diagoras of Rhodes or Theagenes of Thasos?

Probably not: They're not household names today, although when they had their shining moments in this city, poets said their fame would live forever.

Milton and company were among the 4,237 athletes declared to be champions during the 293 Olympiads that took place here over 1,169 years between 776 B.C. and A.D. 393. Those are big numbers, but all the

winners came ambitiously to the big dirt field here that is hugely hot and stridently sunny at this time of year.

Sports made participants and spectators fanatical. They braved the risk of heat prostration, especially since caps were not allowed among either runners or viewers. The philosopher Thales of Miletus may have been a wise man, but he died in 547 B.C. after suffering sun-

stroke here. Other famous fans, including Plato and Aristotle, survived.

Although most athletes theoretically were amateurs, they often received training subsidies and in essence earned their living from sports. The value of prizes sometimes soared into the equivalent of hundreds of thousands of dollars. A victor received lifetime free meals, exemption from

taxes, and seats of honor in the theater and at festivals. Poets wrote hymns in his honor.

The Olympics became bigger and longer over the centuries. Lasting only one day initially and including only sprints, officials over the games' first century added middle- and long-distance events, wrestling, boxing and chariot races. From 476 B.C. on, the Olympic games lasted five days, with huge crowds eating and sleeping in tents. Famous poets such as Pindar wrote

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Marvin Olasky

Columnist



Don't ban Mexican-issued ID cards

San Antonio Express-News on using Mexican-issued card as ID:

Banning the use of matricula consular cards for identification in the United States will increase the exploitation of immigrants.

The U.S. Treasury Department last year began allowing banks to accept these cards, issued by the Mexican government, as identification.

The San Antonio City Council and Bexar County commissioners also have authorized their use in this community.

The move has given thousands of Mexican immigrants in the United States

the ability to open bank accounts and, in some communities, turn on utilities, check out library books and obtain driver's licenses.

Many of these immigrants were brought here by their parents and have lived in the United States most of their lives.

U.S. Rep. John Culberson, R-Houston, is now attempting to make life more difficult for them.

He was instrumental last week in passing an amend-

ment in the House appropriations subcommittee, which funds the Treasury Department, that would block the use of the identification cards.

The vote was 9-7 along party lines. The amendment now goes before the full committee.

This measure should be stopped. Banning the use of Mexican matricula consular cards as a valid form of identification for Mexican citizens in the United States is bad policy.

Culberson wants to block the cards because he believes they pose a national security threat.

"I'm plugging a dangerous hole in our nation's security," Culberson told the Houston Chronicle.

Federal prosecutors told him that immigrants from Middle Eastern or Muslim nations have crossed illegally into Texas using false Hispanic names. A matricula consular card could be used in the next terrorist attack, the congressman told the newspaper.

But all forms of identification are subject to fraud.

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Pampa News photo by DEE DEE LARAMORE
Bob Scarborough, left, and his wife Glenella, stop at The Pampa News Friday during a media blitz of the Texas Panhandle. Scarborough, a Democrat from Hurst, hopes to be elected to a seat on the Texas Railroad Commission in November. They were met here by local Democratic Party representatives Zetha Dougherty and Jim Osborne.

Balanced approach focus of Scarborough campaign

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
 Editor

Bob Scarborough of Hurst stopped briefly in Pampa Friday as part of a whirlwind publicity tour through the Texas Panhandle in his bid for the Texas Railroad Commission.

This is the Democratic candidate's first foray into politics, according to information from his official website: For-All-Texans.org. Scarborough's background is in business, social services, marriage and family therapy, and as a Baptist minister.

Scarborough says he wants to bring a balanced approach to one of the state's most powerful bodies. His platform focuses on development of resources, inclusion of interests, and protection of the environment.

He lists three reasons for his campaign:

- "To increase all Texans' awareness of the work of the commission and its importance in their daily lives. The economy of our state, the development of our energy resources, the water we drink, the land we farm or use to graze cattle, and the safety of our homes are all impacted by the work of the Railroad Commission.

- "To emphasize water quality, land use, environmental concerns and fairness as issues every bit as important as 'bottom line'

interests of regulated industries. The industries regulated by the Commission have mastered the production, distribution and marketing of our mineral resources. Water quality, land use, environmental concerns and fairness have not received adequate attention.

- "To broaden the Commission's range of concerns. Any policy developed for the whole state needs to consider the interests of all citizens."

'The economy of our state, the development of our energy resources, the water we drink, the land we farm or use to graze cattle, and the safety of our homes are all impacted by the work of the Railroad Commission.'

— Bob Scarborough
 TRC candidate

Born and raised in Colorado City, Scarborough has been married to his wife Glenella for 49 years. They have four daughters, three of whom are in public service jobs and a fourth who is a rancher. They also have 10 grandchildren.

He holds a bachelor of arts degree from Baylor University, a master of divinity from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, a master of social work from the University of Illinois and was awarded a Danforth Foundation Fellowship to Yale University where he earned a master of sacred theology degree.

Questions raised about provisional ballots

WASHINGTON (AP) — Tens of thousands of Americans will vote in November using a special kind of ballot that must be counted by hand, potentially leaving the outcome of the presidential election in doubt as elections officials argue over each vote.

Sound familiar? Although it might stir memories of hanging and pregnant chads from the 2000 election, the "provisional ballot" is a new national voting requirement meant to ensure no voter is turned away. For the first time, provisional ballots will be available at precincts nationwide for those who can't find their names listed at the polls.

Yet, just three months before what looks to be another extremely close presidential election, states don't agree about how to count these ballots. Some localities are worried they won't have time to tally them, and voting rights advocates fear many won't be counted at all.

"They do have the potential to be the chad of 2004,"

said Doug Chapin, director of the Election Reform Information Project, a non-partisan group that studies elections. "Given that you have to basically ascertain the validity of a ballot, ballot by ballot, you open yourself up to the same kind of high-stakes politicization of the process we saw in Florida in 2000."

The Help America Vote Act of 2002 mandated provisional ballots. The idea was to prevent properly registered voters from being turned away from the polls because of clerical errors with registration lists or other problems. Civil rights groups estimate that happened to 1.5 million or more voters in 2000.

Under the new law, anyone who claims to be registered in the jurisdiction where they try to vote but whose name is not

listed must be given a provisional ballot. If the voter's registration information is verified later, the ballot is included in the total for the election.

No one knows how many provisional ballots will be

ballots takes a long time. Some states, by law, give counties just days to finish. That has election administrators contemplating a nightmare scenario: What happens if the number of provisional ballots is bigger than the

apparent margin of victory on Election Day? The outcome could hang in doubt while election officials rush to beat the clock.

"It would be like Florida in 2000, basically," said Thomas Leach, spokesman for the elections board in Chicago, where voters cast 5,914 provisional ballots in the March primary.

"We've talked about this all year, the fact that there could be a big delay in the counting of these and the determination of who the victor was," Leach said. "It was

a task just going through the 5,914 applications. ... If you've got 50,000, it can overwhelm you."

Election officials say it could happen. In fact, it already has.

In a Utah city council primary last year, the outcome hinged on 31 provisional ballots.

Kansas has used provisional ballots since 1975. "Every election cycle, there is a race somewhere in the state of Kansas decided by provisional ballots," said Secretary of State Ron Thornburgh.

Adding to the potential for confusion, states differ over how and when provisional ballots are counted.

Some, like California, New Mexico and Pennsylvania, count at least the statewide and national races on provisional ballots cast in the wrong locality. Others, including Florida, Illinois and Indiana, don't count a provi-

sional ballot at all unless the voter is in the right precinct.

"That is the problem with provisional balloting under the Help America Vote Act," said Maria Valdez, midwest regional counsel for the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, which is considering a lawsuit on the grounds that voters aren't treated equally.

"It really could look like it's trying to open access, but because it is based on a state-by-state determination, it really could restrict access," Valdez said.

Valdez and other activists cite Chicago's primary. Of the 5,914 provisional ballots cast, only 416 were ever counted.

A total of 1,294 came from voters in the wrong precinct, 2,461 from voters who didn't fill out an affidavit properly and 1,461 from people who could not be verified as registered voters, according to Chicago's elections board.

Help America Vote Act

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cast in November, in part because only about half the states allowed such ballots or something similar in 2000. It will easily be tens of thousands nationwide. In Los Angeles County alone, 44,000 were cast in the March primary.

But verifying voter eligibility and hand-counting the

avoid it that it becomes a self-fulfilling prophecy.

I try to keep an open mind, though. If there is a scientific basis for fearing Friday the 13th, I would be interested. But, right now, the phobia seems to be based on nothing more than coincidence.

Knock on wood.

Fear

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that disaster awaits them around the next corner because of the day and date.

I think Friday the 13th is just a day like any other day. My good and bad days have had no noticeable pattern as to day of the week or date, at least that I can remember anyway. I think that in at least some cases, people wind up having bad luck on Friday the 13th because they expect it so strongly and are concentrating so hard on trying to

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odes to champions, and sculptors such as Pythagoras of Samos and Polykleitos of Argos received contracts to honor the best in stone.

The basic sprint distance was one stadium, which equaled about 208 yards. Another race was about three miles long. Those events, along with others like the javelin throw, would not look all that different from ones to be held this month. Others would: For the long jump, jumpers held heavy stones or lead weights in each hand. Jumpers ran up to the starting board and swung their weights backward and forward with arms outstretched. They then leaped, throwing the weights behind them just before they landed.

This year's Olympics pay tribute to the ancients by having the shotput

event take place here. But one ancient event with far greater fan appeal is not on the schedule: The Pankration was a combination of wrestling and boxing in which everything was permitted except biting and gouging out eyes (although that was allowed in non-Olympic matches held in Sparta).

The games were for men only, and they performed in the nude. In theory, any Greek male who had not committed a crime or sacrilege could participate. In practice, athletes had to show up a month ahead of the games so judges could assess

their ability, ethics and character.

Overt cheating — such as tripping up opponents in races — sometimes occurred, but the invisible kind — bribing an athlete to take a dive — was more dangerous. Officials dealt with that threat by forcing cheaters to pay to erect bronze statues of Zeus on pillars engraved with their names, specific infringements and the fines they had to pay. Almost 23 feet of silt covered the sites here until they were excavated beginning in 1876, and the pillars in that hall of shame are once again visible.

Much else will be visible this month, as new names come to the tips of our tongues, only to be forgotten next month. Is it consolation or threat that, despite all our technological advances, the Olympics are still the same old story, a fight for love and glory? The games do help us to recognize our human nature, for the fundamental things still apply, as time goes by.

'Athletes had to show up a month ahead of the games so judges could assess their ability, ethics and character.'

— Marvin Olasky
 Columnist

Cards

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Banning the use of the matricula consular won't keep terrorists from

finding other forms of counterfeit identification.

The Treasury Department, immigrant advocacy groups and bank trade groups are opposed to Culberson's plan.

The congressman is using height-

ened concern about national security to reopen a debate that was resolved in 2002.

Revoking the using of the matricula consular will create more problems than it will solve.

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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: "Innocent and Faithful in L.A." told you that she has been in a long-distance relationship with her boyfriend. Although she has been completely devoted to him for two years, he continues to accuse her of seeing other men because he has a "gut feeling" about it. She said he reads her e-mails, and she suspects he has hacked into her computer. She asked if there was "any hope" for their relationship.

You advised her to keep the relationship long-distance or end it. Oh, how I wish someone had given me that advice before I married my husband.

I felt that if we were married, he would finally be secure and not accuse me of seeing other men. After our wedding, it got worse. It got so bad I would cross the street to avoid speaking to a former classmate. I couldn't even go into the grocery store without him.

After 25 years of marriage, and his having at least two affairs, he finally left me for another woman.

— SYMPATHETIC IN HARRISONBURG, VA.

DEAR SYMPATHETIC: It may take counseling to help you recover from 25 years in emotional prison, but I'm glad to know that you're finally free. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I can tell "Innocent" from firsthand experience that no, there isn't any hope. Nothing she can say will reassure him because his paranoia has nothing to do with her or her behavior; it has only to do with him. If she's smart, she'll dump him.

— BEEN THERE IN MONTREAL

DEAR BEEN THERE: I agree with you.

DEAR ABBY: Any time someone constantly accuses you of something (infidelity, lying, etc.) it is time to look into what THAT person may be doing. When we are constantly placed

in the position of having to defend ourselves, we often don't take time to look into what the accuser may be doing. If "Innocent" were able to seriously look into his behavior, I'll bet she'd discover he's doing exactly what he's accusing her of.

— JANIE IN WASHINGTON

DEAR JANIE: You have insight. There's an old French saying that translates (roughly), "A man doesn't look behind the bedroom door unless he has hidden there himself."

DEAR ABBY: "Innocent" should run as far from that guy as she can. I once had a boyfriend who claimed that I treated everyone -- including my pets -- better than I treated him. He tried to tell me not to talk to my friends or my children's father. I drew the line when he told me I had to let his abusive cousin come to my apartment to visit.

When I told him to pack his things and get out, he hit me. It only happened once, because I stood up to him. I filed charges and he went to jail. That's when I found out that I wasn't the first. He had been arrested six times for abuse.

Please tell Miss "Innocent" from someone who's been there: Get away before he starts hitting you.

— STANDING TALL IN DAYTON, OHIO

DEAR STANDING TALL: You are lucky that you drew the line where you did. Some people are so insecure they cannot function unless they feel completely in control, regardless of how destructive that control may be to the object of their obsession. Once an emotional and verbal abuser becomes physical, it can escalate to homicide.

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Crossword Puzzle

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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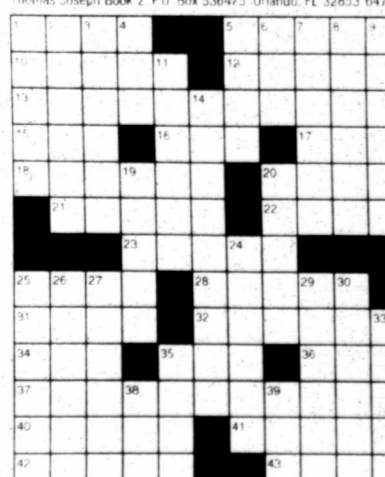
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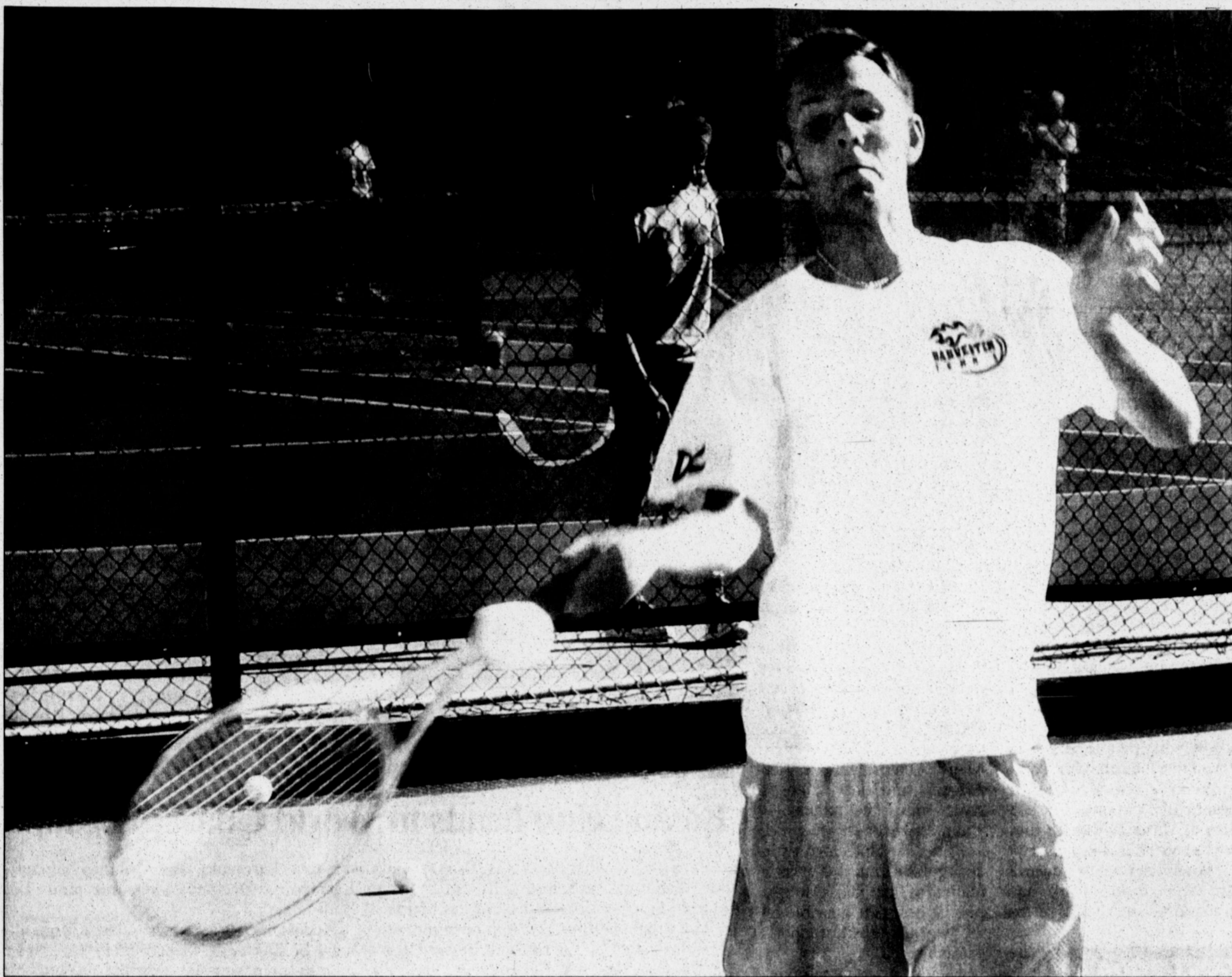


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Olympic News: Greece suffers hardships

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — The boyfriend of a Greek judo champion who fell from a third-floor balcony jumped from the same spot and was also critically injured.

Giorgos Christostomides, 24, was on life-support in the intensive care unit of Athens' Evangelismos hospital with injuries to the head and back after jumping from his girlfriend's apartment, police said.

Eleni Ioannou, 20, was in critical condition at another Athens hospital after she fell from the balcony Saturday following an argument with Christostomides.

Also in olympic news two players on the Greek Olympic baseball team tested positive for banned substances.

Andrew James Brack and Derek Nicholson, both U.S.-born Greek citizens, tested positive in samples taken Aug. 5, the Greek Olympic Committee.

Brack tested positive for the steroid stanozolol, while Nicholson, an alternate on the team, tested positive for diuretics, officials said.

Smash hit

Returning Senior Player Mitchell Crow works on his swing during tennis two-a-days at the Pampa High School courts.

Palmer loses title after 16 years

BY BEN BRISCOE
News Intern

Pampa native Wendell Palmer lost his 16th consecutive year hold on the USA track and field Masters Shockput title at the annual national contest in Decatur, Ill.

"I still came home with three silver medals, but it was hard to say my title is gone," Palmer said.

Palmer had a p.r. of 42 feet and four and one half inches. Bob Ward, the masters athlete who dethroned Palmer, had a p.r. only a foot better.

In the hammer event, which Palmer also came in second, Ward set a world record with his throw of a p.r. of 38 meters.

"I had him on one throw, but I fouled it so it was my fault," Palmer said.

One reason Palmer feels he might of lost

his title is the illness he suffered while at the competition.

"I got sick and had to go to the emergency room while I was there to get medicine," Palmer said.

Palmer plans to reclaim his title in future years.

"Next year's competition is in Hawaii, so I am not sure I will be able to afford to go. But I am defiantly going to the years after that. Palmer w. have several obstacles to overcome when he fights to regain his title.

"The bad part about this is that, each year new young studs come up into our age group as I get towards the older end of the classification," Palmer said. "I know they will be hard to beat, but I want my title back."



Palmer



Front Row: Shade Haddox, Sharod Young, Braydon Barker, D.J. Dickson. Middle Row: Jarett Kotara, Andrew Dickson, Tyler Fernandez, Nathan Purswell. Coaches Jimmy Barker and Frank Fernandez.

Ballers go 4-2 in Las Vegas tournament

The Ballers finished the summer basketball season on a strong note with a top 10 finish at the Las Vegas Reebok Big Time Tournament that saw 336 teams from 44 states and Canada participating.

In pool play, the Ballers defeated the Nevada Chickens 94-54 and the Colorado Bulldogs 53-51, but lost to the California Comanches 52-58. To start bracket play, the

Ballers defeated the Oregon Pioneers 51-50 and Yuba City California 69-68.

The Ballers were eliminated from the tournament by the Nevada Cougars 66-77.

The Ballers are a group of ninth and 10th grade boys from Pampa and Borger who have now played together for four years. This year they played in 11 tournaments and played over 60 games.

Rockets sign two new free agent guards

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Rockets signed free agent guards Charlie Ward and Bob Sura.

The Rockets are in need of a new point guard after Steve Francis was traded to the Orlando Magic in a seven-

player deal that sent two-time league scoring champ Tracy McGrady to Houston.

Ward, a 10-year NBA veteran, spent most of his career with the New York Knicks. He will be reunited with Rockets coach Jeff Van

Gundy, who led the Knicks from 1995 to 2001.

Sura, a nine-year veteran who can play either guard spot, started his career with Cleveland, before moving on to Golden State, Detroit and Atlanta.

Lady Harvesters V'ball teams head to Perryton

Lady Harvesters varsity and JV volleyball visit the Perryton Rangerettes for matches beginning at 5 p.m. Tuesday in Perryton.

This match will count toward the overall record. Coach Shannon Stroud, her assistants and players in the Pampa volleyball program were introduced to the parents and others at a "Meet the Players" Volleyball booster meeting Monday evening at Pampa High School.

Coach Stroud remarked during the intros that she was excited to be coaching these girls again this year.

She also added that the Tascosa scrimmage last Friday went well as she had hoped.

Pampa is loaded with plenty of experience, including 8 Seniors whom are

Lindsey Ammons, Alyssa Bromwell, Teryn Garner, Wendi Miller, Jaclyn Spearman, Kendall Stokes, Lauren Winkelman, and Jennie Rogers, team manager.

Also returning is Junior Jackie Gerber, and Sophomore Mackenzie East. Newcomers are Sophomores Nicole Clark, Britteni Rice and Jackey Barber, a class 3A Brownfield transfer to Pampa.

The Lady Harvesters finished in a tie for second in district 3-4A last year with an 8 - 4 record behind Dumas. The Deamonettes are ranked #6 in TGCA pre-season poll. Overall Pampa had a 17-12 mark in 2003.

Also returning to coach the JV will be Bobbi Gill, with Valerie Valdez taking charge of the freshmen girls.



Soccer league sign-ups

Junior Soccer League team, the Cobras, huddles up at half time during a game last season. The league which includes the Cobras will have sign ups to join the league until the Aug. 14 at T-Shirts and More, 111 W. Kingsmill, for boys and girls, ages 4 through 16.

Redskins edge out Broncos

CANTON, Ohio (AP) — Joe Gibbs already has a bust in the Hall of Fame. He's already mastered the art of coaching in pro football.

So what did Gibbs think of his return to the NFL after leading the Washington Redskins to a 20-17 victory over Denver on Monday night in the Hall of Fame game?

"It's a learning process, and that's the best thing about it," Gibbs said. "It's a little different to be back in the heat of battle, like taking a mental test. You really struggle when you can't get things going."

Both teams struggled, but the third-stringers performed well enough in the fourth quarter to carry matters to the final gun. That's when backup kicker Ola Kimrin hit a 39-yard field goal for the win.

Gibbs had to get used to such things as using a trans-

mitter to send plays to the quarterback, and instant replay challenges. He had to get back into the mind-set of making critical decisions. He wasn't sitting on pit road watching his NASCAR drivers.

Instead, Gibbs was calling plays and making substitutions and adjustments.

"It's pressure-packed," he admitted. "A lot has changed, and it's a big learning curve for me. Hopefully, we're going hard at it."

"We were kind of nervous and uptight. It meant a lot to us, probably more than to Denver. It's a tough deal over there, but it was fun being back."

Even if the game was anything but a masterpiece.

And it had a big negative aspect for Washington, which lost starting right tackle Jon Jansen with a torn left Achilles' tendon.

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Greek volunteers work on creating smiles at Olympics

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — Their uniforms are rainbow-colored polo shirts, and their weapons are disarming smiles.

Greece has deployed an army of 60,000 exuberant young volunteers in an all-out charm offensive targeting the hordes of spectators and journalists converging on the capital for the Athens Olympics.

They're unpaid, but that hasn't stopped them from practically tripping over each other to put a broad grin on these games.

As the clock ticks down to Friday's opening ceremony, knots of volunteers are as ubiquitous in Athens as the Olympic logo. They're everywhere — at the airport, the train station, the venues, the athlete and media villages — readily dispensing a hearty "Yia sou!" ("Hello!"), a chilled bottle of water, and a friendly tip on what to eat or where catch the bus.

"Xenophobia is a Greek word, but the truth is that we Greeks love foreigners," said Constantina Stathopoulou, 21, a volunteer from the western port city of Patras, not far from ancient Olympia where the first games were staged.

"Welcoming people is a Greek tradition," she said. "Meeting strangers is an

opportunity to learn things. We're all people, and we have to respect each other."

The work isn't easy. Volunteers often sweat for hours in the wilting heat, using sign language to communicate with people who don't speak English and dealing with grouchy, jet-lagged visitors who just want to be left alone for a nap in an air-conditioned

their own when it comes to a place to stay, so the non-Athenians are bunking with friends and relatives in the capital, or in some cases even paying for their own hotel rooms.

None of that, though, has dampened their enthusiasm or sense of camaraderie.

"Why are you walking in this heat? I beg you, get on the shuttle bus!" one young man shouted to a group of journalists.

strolling through the city. Organizers say about 170,000 youths applied for the 60,000 slots.

"We had people begging to volunteer," Greek Olympic Committee chief Gianna Angelopoulos-Daskalaki said Monday. "The Greeks wanted badly to participate, to be part of the games."

To be sure, not all Greeks are thrilled at the foreign invasion.

Some see it as a final indignity to be endured after putting up with the seven years of dust, construction and traffic tie-ups that have preceded the Olympics. Many Athenians have fled the city and don't plan to return until the games — and the crowds — are gone.

But the volunteers, mostly college students, see it as a matter of national pride to put the best face possible on the world's greatest sports extravaganza.

They're a welcome diversion from the unsmiling police officers and heavily armed soldiers patrolling Athens to secure the games.

In a show of affection, pride and solidarity for the helpers, Angelopoulos-Daskalaki has taken to wearing one of their trademark polo shirts.

'The Greeks wanted badly to participate, to be part of the games'

— Gianna Angelopoulos
Olympic Committee chief

room.

Gina Vasdeki, a tourism management major at Athens' main university, is empathetic.

"I've worked in a hotel. I know what people are going through when they've come from so far away," she said, frantically passing out bottles of water as though they were batons in a relay.

Volunteers' only rewards are free food, drink and transportation. They're on



Jose Nunez and Cristoual Larrazolo, top picture, practice for the Inspire world Championships on August 17. Bottom picture. Back row: Jose Nunez, Ivan Soxiano, Carlos Mata and Jose Lurrazolo. Front row: Juan Recediz, Chris Larrazolo, Destany Vasquez, Mercedes Larrazolo and Cindy Ibana. All members of club.

Boxing club heads to World Championships

On Aug. 17, Pampa, Texas, Boxing Club will be heading to Kansas City, Mo., for the world's largest amateur boxing tournament — The Ringside World Championships.

More than 15 countries will be participating in more than 900 fights during the five-day event.

The boxers who will be participating in the tournament are four-time state champion, Jose Larrazolo, two-time state champi-

on, Cris Larrazolo, Jose Nunez, Mercedes Larrazolo, Destaney Vasquez and Leo Badillo.

According to a news release from the local boxing club, these boxers have spent months preparing for this tournament and are excited to be invited to such a large event.

The boxing club is under the direction of coach Lupe Larrazolo.

Gymnastics search for the perfect 10

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — One of Nadia Comaneci's perfect 10s at the Montreal Olympics wasn't — well — perfect.

"She had a slight hop to the landing and that should be at least a half a tenth," Martha Karolyi said of the beam dismount that produced one of Nadia's seven perfect 10s that week.

Caught up in the moment, absorbed by the beauty and athleticism of a young girl who was changing the sport before their eyes, the judges saw past the nearly imperceptible error and awarded the 10 anyway.

The perfect 10s were transforming moments for the Olympics and gymnastics, and the feeling came again eight years later when Mary Lou Retton earned a perfect mark on the floor, and closed with another on vault en route to her all-

Background

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around gold.

But those moments almost surely won't be repeated this year, or anytime soon. The perfect 10 has slowly — perhaps sadly — filtered its way out of gymnastics, a victim of increased difficulty in events, tougher judging and

ignorance.

among those who run it. "Actually, I think they thought there were too many 10 scores," said Karolyi who, along with her husband Bela, coached Comaneci and Retton during their perfect-10 moments.

Where perfection used to be something that could be sensed or felt, as well as seen, it is now something that must be measured according to the rules of the very strict, very long, very complex Code of Points to which each judge and gymnast must adhere.

The Code of Points is nothing new, but it is much more detailed than it was in the past, and calls for two or three "bonus" moves in each event simply to get to a routine that could be eligible for a 10. In the past, gymnasts used to strive for a perfect 10, they still do.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, Aug. 11, 2004:

You make a difference — sometimes it is by lying back. Permit others to lead. You might enjoy being more low-key. You will want more time for yourself to go within frequently. You will analyze what makes you happy and decide to create more of that in your life. But you might not make these transformations immediately. If you are in a creative field, your ingenuity will emerge. You will enjoy a child or loved one much more. The relationship could be unusually intense. If you are single, you could tumble into a powerful and intense relationship, but don't commit this year. If you are attached, your relationship will heat up, especially with frequent getaways together. CANCER makes a good adviser and friend.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19) **★★★** By maintaining a low profile, you will achieve a lot more than you had anticipated. At work, accomplish as much as you can. If you can, bring your work home, where you can vanish. Plug along. Work on staying out of people's hair. You'll come up with a novel approach. Tonight: Home is where the heart is.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) **★★★★** Sometimes you talk up a storm without intending to, but you come up with so many ideas, so fast, that you need to share them. Write them down instead, and test them out on a partner or a trusted adviser. Romance will spring forth if you want it to. Tonight: Out and about.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★ Deal with finances rather than throw a tantrum about them. You will be more successful that way. You might covet a certain item, but it might be too costly. Avoid sarcasm, and use precision in discussions. Tonight: Your treat, but don't go overboard.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ The Moon highlights you. You say the right things and get the proper responses. You might see a need to reorganize your work and do something a different way. Others react. Tonight: Let others lead, and you observe.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★ Knowing when to pull out will save the day. Your feelings are rather vulnerable; perhaps you need to rethink an emotion. Your creative spark comes out, especially when you deal with money. Careful. Tonight: Hide away with a loved one or by yourself.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★★ Yes, finally, it is your turn to be a magician. You can pull white rabbits out of black hats. Emphasize goals and long-term objectives. Laughter surrounds an inside joke. Where the gang is.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Many seek you out for suggestions. The problem remains that if you say what you think, you might offend several people. Put your best foot forward, and work with an existing situation. Help others transform their thinking. Tonight: Out late.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Right now you have the rare ability to take an overview of situations. Laugh and understand what might be ailing others. Help them gain a perspective. A meeting proves unusually important. Curb sarcasm. Tonight: Keep mum. Rent a movie or hop on the

computer.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) **★★★★** Don't discount a partner and his or her feelings. There might be more information there than you realize. When you take charge, sometimes you are a lot stronger than you think. Transform your style if it needs to. Tonight: Do some honest chatting with a friend.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Others could be contrary, or at least contrary to your thinking. Whether you realize it or not, there is a halfway point where agreement can occur. Break past black-and-white thinking. Tonight: Go along with others.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★ Dig into work and know what you must get done. Refuse to become confused or involved in others' issues. A partner, associate or co-worker could be a bit out of whack. You cannot change anything or anybody. Tonight: Concentrate on whatever you are doing.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Ever playful, you see humor in what happens. You also come up with creative solutions. Don't allow others' sarcasm to get to you. A boss could be contrary as well. Know that there is another path. Tonight: Put on your dancing shoes.

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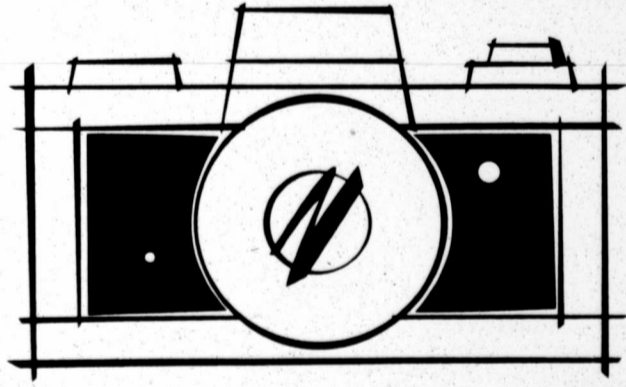
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Type	Day	Time	League	Meet Date	Start Date
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	Thursday	6:25 pm	Lone Star	Aug. 19	Aug. 26
Mixed	Monday	6:30 pm	50-Heaven Seniors	Sept. 13	Sept. 13
	Monday	6:30 pm	Celanese Mixed	Jan. 3	Jan. 3
	Tuesday	7:00 pm	Casino	Aug. 17	Aug. 24
	Wednesday	7:00 pm	Wednesday Nite Mixed	Aug. 25	Aug. 25
	Thursday	6:30 pm	Chamber Merchant	Aug. 19	Aug. 26
	Friday	7:00 pm	Harvester Combo	Sept. 3	Sept. 10
	Saturday	6:30 pm	National Oilwell Mixed	Aug. 21	Aug. 21
	Saturday	6:30 pm	Church League	Aug. 28	Aug. 28
ABC	Thursday	8:30 pm	Scratch Trio	Aug. 19	Aug. 19
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