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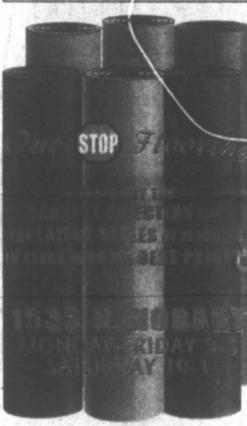
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staff photos by Randy Pribble  
 Some local children discovered that a contest involving the quick ingestion of as many saltines as possible in a short amount of time led to some very dry mouths. The contest was part of the fun at a Sunday afternoon picnic involving the congregation of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church and their invited neighbors, the congregation of the First Presbyterian Church. Top photo, from left are JoJo Ragsdale, the daughter of Joe Ragsdale and the granddaughter of Jan and Bill Ragsdale; Molly Nelson, the daughter of Monty and Grace Nelson; Maxwell Martindale, the son of Russell and Sarah Martindale; Sarah Schoenrock and Halley Schoenrock, the daughters of Jerrel and Kathy Schoenrock; Nicholas Garcia, the son of Lysette Letz; and the Rev. Linda Kelly, pastor of St. Matthew's. At right - Halley and Nicholas find the soda cracker chomp to be not quite as easy as it sounds.



## Drunk driving problem in Texas

by Marilyn Powers  
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 Texas leads the nation in drunk driving fatalities, according to the Texas Department of Transportation, which hopes to discourage drunk driving during the Labor Day holiday with its "Drink. Drive. Go to Jail." campaign that began Aug. 15 and continues through Monday.  
 "Our 'Drink. Drive. Go to Jail.' campaign reminds motorists that if they drink and drive this Labor Day holiday, they will get arrested," said Carlos Lopez, TxDOT's director of traffic operations. "Our goal is simple: To prevent alcohol-related crashes, which saves lives and prevents injuries. Stay out of trouble and don't get behind the wheel if you've been drinking."  
 All available Texas  
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## Annual tradition ...

### Count down to yearly Labor Day event begins

by Rachel Stennett  
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 Chautauqua is celebrating its 27th year in Pampa, the conception of the festival started in 1875 in New York. Before television, Chautauqua festivals would travel the country bringing education and entertainment. The festival has evolved from its education focus, and now is considered an "end of summer celebration" Birkes said.  
 No pets will be allowed in the park during the festival. The following is a list of events and entertainers that will be at this year's festival.  
 ♦ 27th Annual CHAUTAUQUA Pampa's Central  
 Monday, Sept. 1 will be the 27th year of the Chautauqua festival in Pampa, which has food, entertainment and "fun for all ages," according to Chautauqua veteran Darlene Birkes.  
 The festival runs from 7 a.m. until 4 p.m. with events and activities running throughout the day. Three to four thousand people are expected to attend the festival in Central park for many of the highlighted events like a 5k run, pancake breakfast, and Woodie Guthrie tribute.  
 The Pampa Fine Arts Association is responsible for organizing the festival every year. The festival gives non-profit organizations the opportunity to sell food or items at booths to help with their budget for the year.  
 Chautauqua is also a unique opportunity to bring arts into the community and make them accessible for everyone, Birkes said. "You don't have to come to symphonies or concerts and M.K. Brown. This is an opportunity for people to get out and see people and events that they don't normally. It's a great community facet," Birkes said.

1	7 a.m. Pancakes	Reverend Rigoulot, Presbyterian Church	Kenny First	Song- PHS Band Meet the Cheerleaders
2	8 a.m. Fun Run; 8:20 a.m. 5K	Boy Scout Troop 404	PHS Band- National Anthem	9:30 a.m. PHS Band Concert- Roger Myers, director
3	9 a.m. Welcome: MC Josh Paulson	The Invocation	PHS Cheerleaders, Fight	10:00 a.m. Regional

See Festival, Page 5

## County: Budget hearing goes without a hitch

by Marilyn Powers  
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 which commissioners answered concerning property valuations. Gray County Appraisal District, a separate entity from Gray County offices, performs valuations of property for tax purposes.  
 Depletion of the county's health coverage fund prompted fiscal 2009.  
 One resident asked questions  
 See County, Page 10

## Power of the vote!

### Local grocery to house upcoming voter registration drive

by Marilyn Powers  
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 A voter registration drive will be held from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sept. 1 through 6 at United Supermarket, 1420 N. Hobart.  
 November general elections is Oct. 6, said Linda Lewis, Gray County elections administrator.  
 "You must apply 30 days prior to the election," she said.  
 Persons wishing to register to vote  
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Friday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 86. West-northwest wind 5 to 10 mph becoming southeast.

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

Saturday: Mostly cloudy, with a high near 84. Calm wind becoming south-southeast between 10 and 15 mph.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 64. South-southeast wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Sunday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 86. South wind between 5 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

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**Patrick Thomas Walsh, 66**

Patrick Thomas Walsh, 66, of Pampa, Texas, died Aug. 27, 2008, at Pampa.

Vigil will be at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 28, at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel, and funeral mass will be at 4:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 29, 2008, at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church with the Rev. Francisco Perez, pastor, officiating.

Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery with military honors courtesy U.S. Army, Fort Hood, Texas. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Walsh was born Sept. 2, 1941, in Graham. He attended Texas Tech University in Lubbock and served in the U.S. Army Reserves for six years.

Patrick married Sandra Bienroth on Aug. 26, 1967, in Lubbock. He had been a resident of Pampa since August of 1974. He was employed by Cabot/IRI/National Oilwell-Varco for 29 years and was employed by Culberson-Stowers for four years.

He was a member of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church and he also attended Zion Lutheran Church. Patrick was a member of the Industrial Engineers of America. He was an avid race fan and car enthusiast.

Patrick was a wonderful and devoted husband, father and grandfather. He was a devout Christian who put his

family's wants and needs before his own. He was loved by all and will be missed by his friends and family.

Survivors include his wife, Sandra Walsh, of the home; son, Matthew T. Walsh and wife Secilia of

Midland; grandson, Kolten M. Walsh of Lubbock; two step-grandsons, Ricky Garcia, Jr., and Steven Garcia, both of Midland; brother, Charles Walsh and wife Billie of Englewood, Colorado; three sisters, Sandra Newell and husband

Truett of Hobbs, N.M., Marcy MacRobert and husband Jim of Mangum, Okla., and Mary Cox of Abilene; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Frank and Rose Bienroth of Fritch; and sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Frankie and Jerry Hildenbrand of Pampa.

Patrick was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Voltena Walsh.

MEMORIALS: American Cancer Society, c/o Gerry Caylor, 2130 Charles, Pampa, TX 79065, or St. Vincent dePaul Catholic Church, 810 W. 23rd, Pampa, TX 79065.

SPECIAL NOTICE: The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 6-7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 28, 2008.

—Sign the on-line register book at [www.carmichael-whatley.com](http://www.carmichael-whatley.com).

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**Obituaries**

**Services tomorrow**

**KIRKWOOD, James K.** — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.  
**WALSH, Patrick Thomas** — Funeral mass, 4:30 p.m., St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, Pampa.

**Keith Jernigan, 60**

Keith Jernigan, 60, of Pampa, Texas, died Aug. 27, 2008, at Pampa.

A private memorial service will be held at a later date. Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Jernigan was born Sept. 25, 1947, in Seymour. He married Shirley Wallace on March 8, 1969, in Lefors. He was a Baptist and was a veteran of the U.S. Army.

Keith loved fishing and hunting. He loved his family,

especially his grandchildren.

Survivors include his wife, Shirley Jernigan, of the home; son, John Jernigan and wife Ginger of Lefors; daughter, Valarie Robbins of Amarillo; four grandchildren, Keegan Jernigan and Harli Jernigan, both of Lefors, Meaghan Dunlap and McKenzie Dunlap, both of Amarillo; one great-

grandson, Luke Dunlap of Amarillo; two brothers, John Arthur Jernigan of North Hadley, Mass., and Butch Jernigan of Lefors; and two sisters, Oweda Nordby of Lake Stephens, Wash., and Linda Bridgeman of

Pampa. Keith was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters; two brothers; a son; a

granddaughter; and a beloved nephew.

MEMORIALS: In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials to the Pampa Special Olympics, P.O. Box 375, Pampa, TX 79066-0375.

SPECIAL NOTICE: The family will be at 101 S. Gray in Lefors.

—Sign the on-line register book at [www.carmichael-whatley.com](http://www.carmichael-whatley.com).



Jernigan

**James K. Kirkwood, 78**

James K. Kirkwood, 78, of Pampa, Texas, died Aug. 24, 2008, at Pampa. Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Aug. 29, 2008, at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with Dr. Johnny Funderburg, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Kirkwood was born May 25, 1930, in White Deer. He attended White Deer schools, graduating from White Deer High School.

James married Marilyn Bagley on Aug. 6, 1954, in

White Deer, and they moved to Pampa shortly after their marriage.

He worked for Natural Gas Pipeline, also known as Kinder-Morgan, retiring after 34 years of service.

He was a member and deacon of the First Baptist Church and worked in the children's department for over 40 years. He also helped with record keeping for the church and was at one time the leader of the Royal Ambassadors in the church.

James liked to do woodworking, hunting and the outdoors. He had a special love of farming and ranching and was a great husband, father and friend who will be greatly missed.

Survivors include his wife, Marilyn Kirkwood, of the home; one daughter, Jami Parham and husband Graham of Dallas; two sisters-in-law, Carolyn Kirkwood, and Ruth Ann Bailey and husband Martin; one brother-in-law, George

Bagley, Jr. and wife Janice; five nephews, Kenneth Kirkwood and wife Jean, Eugene Kirkwood, Mark Bagley and wife Dianna, Paul David Kirkwood, and Roy Duane Kirkwood and wife Jennifer; two nieces, Marla Bailey and Kim McClure and husband Caleb; and numerous grand-nephews and grand-nieces.

MEMORIALS: First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 621, Pampa, TX 79066-0621.

—Sign the on-line register book at [www.carmichael-whatley.com](http://www.carmichael-whatley.com).



Kirkwood

**Bill Lee, 80**

Mr. Lee was born Aug. 8, 1928, near Erick, Okla. He married Alice Guthrie on Sept. 18, 1950, in Quail.

Bill had been a resident of Pampa since 1952. He was a veteran of the U. S. Army, serving during the Korean Conflict, stationed in Germany.

He retired from Ogden & Son after 50 years of service. After his retirement, Bill

raised cattle and hay.

Survivors include his wife, Alice Lee, of the home; two sons, Kenneth Lee and wife Marilyn, and David Lee and wife Teresa, all of Pampa; two daughters, Brenda Swindell and husband Larry of Amarillo, and Dee Ann Strickland and husband Gil of Pampa; one brother, James Lee of Lefors; two sisters, Wilma Shults of Pampa and

Bonnie Howard of Borger; 10 grandchildren; and four great-grandsons.

MEMORIALS: Primitive Baptist Church of Perryton, c/o Burl Hardy, 14490 County Road 24, Perryton, TX 79070.

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**Margaret Irby Steele, 93**

PAMPA — Margaret Irby Steele, 93, died Saturday, Aug. 23, 2008, in McLean.

Memorial graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 30, 2008, at Fairview Cemetery with John Curry officiating. Cremation and arrangements are by Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Steele was born on Sept. 1, 1914, in Altus, Okla. She graduated from Altus High School and received a B.A. degree from the University of Oklahoma. She married Aubrey L. Steele on Dec. 25, 1936, in Altus. He preceded her in death on Aug. 13, 2004. She had been a resident of

Pampa since 1938, where she was a member of the First United Methodist Church and United Methodist Women.

Mrs. Steele was a founding board member of Lovett Memorial Library, and she served on the board for many years. She was the first reader for the "Children's Story Hour" which was held at the library for several years.

She was a homemaker and a member of Twentieth Century Forum.

Survivors include a son,

Richard Steele and wife Jane of Pampa; a daughter, Linda Steele Perry of Castroville; three grandchildren, Melissa Lomax and husband Kirk of San Antonio, Ellen Wedemeyer and husband Drew of Fort Worth, and

Matt Perry and wife Christa

of Pampa; and by five great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a grandson, Richard Joshua Steele, in 2004.

MEMORIALS: Lovett Memorial Library or Friends of the Library, 111 N. Houston, Pampa, TX 79065.

—Sign the on-line register book at [www.carmichael-whatley.com](http://www.carmichael-whatley.com).



Steele

**Emergency Services**

**Pampa PD**

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the period from 7 a.m. Tuesday to 7 a.m. Wednesday.

**Tuesday, Aug. 26**  
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Traffic complaints were received from the 1600 block of North Banks, the 1300 block of North Starkweather and the 500 block of North Somerville.

An abandoned vehicle was reported in the 600 block of East Frederic.

Vehicle accidents were reported in the 1200 block of North Hobart, the police department lobby, and the intersection of Kentucky Avenue and Price Road.

Calls and stops concerning animals occurred in the 1700 block of Coffee, the 500 block of North Cuyler, the intersection of Osborne and Frederic streets, the 1000 block of South Wells, the 100 block of South Wells, Highway 60 West, the 2700 block of Chestnut, the 900 block of Wilcox, the 500

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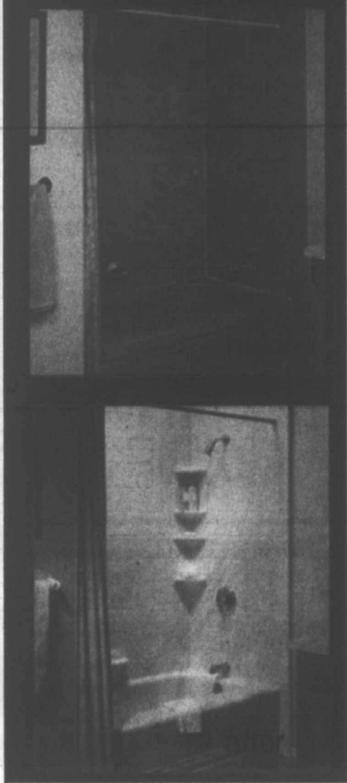
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# Viewpoints

## Surprising emblem to commemorate crash site

I was actually encouraged by something I read on the Associated Press wire this week. Indeed, I must make note of this rare event on my calendar. It doesn't, you see, happen often.

The AP reported that a cross — a CHRISTIAN emblem, no less — is being used to commemorate a difficult and painful piece of recent American history.

The AP article brought home to me that life is a cycle.

The AP story centered around a new memorial to United Airlines Flight 93, the

infamous flight that went down in Pennsylvania on 9/11. A cross fashioned from steel taken from remains of the World Trade Center has been situated at the crash site to mark the spot and the occasion.

I must say, I was surprised that a Christian symbol was chosen to place in remembrance of the tragedy ... at the site itself ... for all the world to see. At last, an effort worth applauding — in my humble opinion, of course.

It is a sad but true fact that most often than not in America today the Christian

cross, representing Christ Jesus' crucifixion, creates divide and conflict when displayed outside a church or when erected on ground that is not church or private property.

**Skyla Bryant**

City Editor

Fundamentally a Christian nation founded on Christian principles, for many years such a symbol was welcomed at practically any American venue without remark or question. Now,

due primarily to the efforts of Madelyn Murray O'Hair, the ACLU and other like organizations and/or influences, the Christian cross is no longer hallowed within the public arena.

I find it particularly appropriate that a cross will designate where Flight 93 went down. After all, the band of travelers held hostage aboard the flight purportedly united in prayer before taking mat-

ters into their own hands and sacrificing their own lives to bring the plane down in that isolated area of Pennsylvania.

Heroes stand up for what they believe in, and America has birthed many such champions over the course of its history, giants who've defined our past as far back as George Washington and Patrick Henry. Continuing the tradition were the heroes and heroines of Flight 93 who flew so valiantly to their sad destinies.

I wait in dread, however, for the other shoe to drop, for

the AP to report in coming months or weeks of a lawsuit demanding the removal of the cross from the Pennsylvania countryside to someplace "safely" (and conspicuously) out of public sight. For those of us who know the truth, such a scenario will never wipe from our minds or our hearts what the cross truly signifies, nor what it must have meant to those aboard Flight 93 as they so courageously chose death for the greater good.

Does any of this sound familiar? Remember Christ?

## Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Aug. 28, the 241st day of 2008. There are 125 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 28, 1963, 200,000 people participated in a peaceful civil rights rally in Washington, where Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. delivered his "I Have a Dream" speech in front of the Lincoln Memorial.

On this date:

In 1609, Henry Hudson discovered Delaware Bay.

In 1774, Mother Elizabeth Ann Seton, the first American-born saint, was born in New York City.

In 1907, United Parcel Service had its beginnings as the American Messenger Company of Seattle.

*'Whom the gods would make bigots, they first deprive of humor.'*

— The Rev. James M. Gillis  
Roman Catholic author, editor and broadcaster (1876-1957)

In 1947, legendary bull-fighter Manolete was mortally wounded by a bull during a fight in Linares, Spain; he was 30.

In 1955, Emmett Till, a black teenager from Chicago, was abducted from his uncle's home in Money, Miss., by two white men after he had supposedly whistled at a white woman; he was found brutally slain three days later.

In 1968, police and anti-war demonstrators clashed in the streets of Chicago as the Democratic National Convention nominated Hubert H. Humphrey for president.

In 1973, more than 600 people died as an earthquake shook central Mexico.

In 1983, Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin, reportedly despondent over the death of his wife and the rising casualty toll of Israeli troops in Lebanon, announced his resignation.

In 1988, 70 people were killed when three Italian stunt planes collided during an air show at the U.S. Air Base in Ramstein, West Germany.

In 1995, a mortar shell tore through a crowded market in Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina, killing some three dozen people and triggering NATO airstrikes against the Bosnian Serbs.

Ten years ago: President Clinton, speaking in Oak Bluffs, Mass., said he'd become such an expert in asking forgiveness in recent days that it was now "burned in my bones." But he still stopped short of offering a direct apology for the Monica Lewinsky affair.

Five years ago: British Prime Minister Tony Blair denied the government had "sexed up" a dossier on Iraq's weapons threat, and said he would have resigned if it had been true. A Defense Department survey found that nearly one in five female Air Force Academy cadets said they had been sexually assaulted during their time at the academy.

One year ago: A day after reports surfaced of his June arrest at the Minneapolis airport, Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, told a news conference the only thing he had done wrong was to plead guilty after a police complaint of lewd conduct in a men's room; Craig also declared, "I am not gay. I never have been gay."



## Web: Usenet is a hidden, online gem

Most of you have probably heard of the World Wide Web and E-mail (the two most popular uses of the Internet). However, the THIRD most popular use of the Internet may surprise you — the Usenet.

Think of the Usenet as the World's largest Bulletin Board. While e-mail is one-to-one (you send one e-mail message to one person), the Usenet allows you to "post" a message that anyone on the Internet can read. Talk about power! With the millions of people that have access to the Internet, that creates quite a lot of messages. But we'll get to that in a minute ...

The Usenet was one of the first Internet tools (after e-mail) to be created. Back in the "old days" of the Internet, the primary users were government- and college-based researchers. The terms "groupware" and "online collaboration" didn't exist. A method was needed

for these scientists to share information in an online forum without filling up everyone's e-mail boxes.

Enter, the Usenet. Basically, here's how it's laid out. The Usenet is subdivided into thousands of smaller bulletin boards called "news-groups." Each news-group is devoted to a specific subject and contains all of the messages people post ABOUT that subject.

The newsgroup names are cryptic looking, though. When the Usenet was first created, the researchers only needed a handful of news-groups. They labeled them as biz, comp, misc, news, rec, sci, soc, talk and alt. Each of these nine news-groups existed for discussing certain topics: biz (business), comp (computers and

related subjects), misc (discussions that don't fit anywhere else), news (news about Usenet itself), rec (hobbies, games and recreation), sci (science other than research biology), soc ("social" groups, often ethnically related), talk (politics and related topics), and alt (controversial or unusual topics; not carried by all sites).

However, as more and more people started using the Internet (and the Usenet), these groups became too crowded. Subsets of these news-groups were created to handle the various topics. For instance, the group "rec.humor" was created for general joke-telling and rec.humor.lawyers was for posting lawyer-specific jokes (a very busy place, let

me tell you ...). Today, you'll find hundreds of thousands of newsgroups (with billions of messages) on the Internet.

Where are all the messages stored, you ask? No central repository exists for these messages. The traffic is too high. Each Internet Service Provider (ISP) has its own Usenet server at their facilities. When you post a message, it first gets posted at your ISP's server. That server, in turn, then sends copies of your message to other nearby Usenet servers, which, in turn, do the same, and so on, and so on. (Do I get the prize for the largest number of commas in a sentence?) Eventually, your message is posted on every Usenet server in the world. This process takes roughly three days.

When you "subscribe" to a newsgroup, you are not sending any information to the server. Nor are you going

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**Eric Spellmann**  
Columnist



## Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

■ Aug. 14  
Victoria Advocate on the need for a bus safety act:

U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison is showing quick reaction time and genuine caring for her constituency in the wake of the tragic bus accident near Sherman, Texas, a week ago in which 17 people died and many others were injured.

Hutchison, the Republican senior senator from Texas, and U.S. Sen. Sherrod Brown of Ohio, a Democrat, are proposing a new law titled The Motorcoach Enhanced Safety Act of 2007 (S.2326) in a laudible effort to

improve bus safety.

Pointing to the Texas tragedy and other bus accidents that have also claimed lives recently in Mississippi and Nevada, Sen. Hutchison said, "I urge Congress to make this a priority after the August recess so the roads will be safer for everyone."

Brown added, "Congress must move quickly to pass comprehensive passenger safety standards for motorcoaches." adding, "I'm encouraged that my colleagues recognized this need and scheduled a hearing on our bill. Swift congressional action will prevent more bus trips from becoming tragedies."

Hutchison's leadership on the issue of bus safety, as part of her role as ranking member of the Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee,

comes from her deep conviction that, "Such tragedies are becoming all too common, and many of these deadly accidents are preventable."

The bill being forwarded by Hutchison and Brown would require the U.S. Department of Transportation to upgrade federal safety standards applicable to motorcoaches and take action to improve the operational requirements of drivers and companies.

The legislation would lead to the adoption of available safety technologies, result in stronger oversight and compliance with federal safety rules, and encourage better training of motorcoach operators to protect passengers from death and injury due to ejection,

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# Sports

## New head coach brings the Lady Harvesters new goals for the season

by Rachel Stennett  
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Pampa High School's Lady Harvesters volleyball team hopes that this year will bring a new era of playoff games, teamwork, and a realization of the team's full potential. Libby Garza, the new head coach, is intent on making that happen.

Garza graduated from West Texas A & M last fall and played volleyball there for five years. A few months ago, she was called by Stuart Smith, athletic director for Pampa Independent Schools, about the position. Garza wasn't looking for employment at the time because she had her first child four months ago, but the Lady Harvesters made Garza feel the job was worth taking.

"I had heard great things about the Pampa girls. They all have great attitudes and work hard. They make it worthwhile," the coach said.

Among the new changes Garza wants for the team this year is a berth in the playoffs.

She said she is encouraged by the leadership of Assistant Coaches Bobbi Gill for the junior varsity team and Janyth Bowers for the freshmen team.

"Our personalities mesh well, which sets a good tone for the girls," Bowers said.

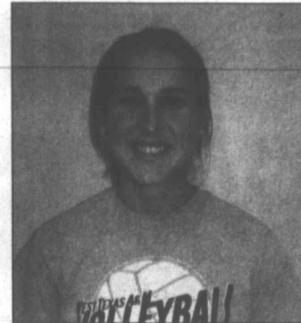
Although district games won't start until Sept. 4, the team has already been playing in pre-season games and started practicing twice daily for the season on Aug. 4. Practice has helped Garza connect with the team. She also held open gyms over the summer, which helped her form a bond with the team.

"I have been taking them in as much as possible," Garza said. "We get better every practice. The girls are holding themselves to high standards."

Kara Stephens, a junior for the Lady Harvesters said, "We have improved a lot. We play more as a team. She is doing an awesome job and taking the time to help us with individual problems and helping us play as one."

Garza's goals line up with many of the girls.

"We are going to work hard this year. We want to get better and make playoffs," Kelby Doughty, a senior Lady Harvester said.



Libby Garza

"They are awesome and a head coach's dream. I would be lost without them."

The assistant coaches have played a significant role in helping Garza get her feet on the ground in her first year of coaching and have also played a large role in administrative assistance.



Photo by Rachel Stennett

New head coach of the Pampa High School volleyball team Libby Garza teaches player McKinlee Stokes, freshmen, about working with an opponent who has height advantages during an afternoon practice. The team has been having afternoon practices and pre-season games to prepare for its district matches, starting Sept. 4.

## Clemson coach Bowden lasts through turbulent times

CLEMSON, S.C. (AP) — Clemson star tailback C.J. Spiller laughs at the question: How often did people tell you not to join the Tigers because coach Tommy Bowden would get fired?

"Oh yeah, I heard that a lot," said Spiller, a junior.

Well, only days away from Bowden's 10th season, the coach some Clemson fans love to grouse at, isn't going anywhere. He's walked the sidelines at Death Valley longer than anyone but modern program patriarch Frank Howard and national championship icon Danny Ford. He's got a deal that ties him to the school through 2014, the backing of his bosses and some of the slickest talent in college football.

The one thing Bowden doesn't own is a championship, and that, perhaps, is what has kept his coaching seat hot no matter how many blue-chippers he attracts.

"This is a tough profession to stay for 10 years," Bowden says.

He would certainly know. He watched his father, Florida State coach Bobby, hung in effigy by impatient West Virginia fans in the 1970s. He saw his brother Terry get chewed up by some Auburn supporters two decades later. He's seen another brother, Jeff, leave as the Seminoles offensive coordinator when wins didn't come as quickly as people wanted.

"Underline and put in the parentheses, a lot," when it comes to quick-trigger coaching casualties these days, Tommy Bowden says.

And this might be his most pressure-packed season of them all.

The Tigers are preseason favorites to win the Atlantic Coast Conference championship. Quarterback Cullen Harper, and runners James Davis and Spiller finished 1-2-3 for the league's preseason player of the year. They stand ninth in the national rankings, their highest starting spot since 1991, also the year of the school's last ACC crown.

The Tigers open Saturday night against No. 24 Alabama in the Georgia Dome. While Clemson might get the analysts' edge on several positions, almost every breakdown would give the coaching check mark to the Crimson Tide's Nick Saban.

"The objective in this profession is to win, win championships and win national championships and I've done neither," Tommy Bowden said. "You'll face the question of, 'He's a nice guy who comes in second.' You'll always face that until you change the facts."

Saban, who won a national crown at LSU, admires Bowden and doesn't put much stock in past successes or failures.

"This game is what it is right now, and they've done a

really good job in recruiting," Saban said. "I know they haven't won a title yet but they've knocked on the door a couple of times."

ESPN analyst Lee Corso likes how Bowden's built his team, and the athletic department's support.

"The guys a competitor. He did an outstanding job at Tulane and now he's done a nice job at Clemson," Corso said. "If (Bowden's) senior leadership plays up to their potential, he could win it all over in the ACC."

Clemson fans have waited on that since Bowden came to Clemson in 1998 after leading Tulane to an undefeated season.

The Tigers were 8-0 and No. 5 in the country in 2000. However, they lost three of their final four games and started a stretch of mediocrity (20-18) that lasted until the middle of the 2003 season.

Bowden seemed as good as gone that year when Clemson fell 45-17 at Wake Forest, the former ACC doormat Tiger fans had reveled in pounding each season.

But Bowden's patience bore fruit. A week later, he topped No. 3 Florida State for his first Bowden Bowl victory over father Bobby, who said pointedly in

postgame comments if Clemson didn't want his son as coach, there'd be plenty of schools who would.

Clemson finished with four straight wins and Tommy gained a long-term contract.

Bowden's position looked shaky two years ago after the Tigers started 7-1, reaching No. 10 in the country, and then lost four of their final five to miss out on the ACC title game.

There was another second-place finish last fall, again reviving talk if Bowden was the right coach to take the Tigers to the top.

Clemson leaders thought he was, awarding Bowden a new contract that locks him in through 2014. It would cost Clemson \$4 million should it wish to part ways after this year.

Still, talking with reporters earlier this month, Clemson athletic director Terry Don Phillips was asked what the school would do if Bowden didn't win.

"Tommy Bowden is our football coach," Phillips answered, "and we're going to go on down the highway."

ESPN analyst Todd Blackledge says Clemson's leaders share Bowden's vision and that's kept them from knee-jerk changes.

### Correction: Story on final day of Olympics

BEIJING (AP) — In an Aug. 24 story about the final day of Olympic competition, The Associated Press reported erroneously that the United States won the silver medal in men's team handball. Iceland won the silver medal. The U.S. did not have a team in the event.

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## Phelps to be a VMA presenter

LOS ANGELES (AP) — He does comedy, writes books, mixes it up with the hottest stars in music and Hollywood. With all this, who needs swimming?

Certainly not Michael Phelps — not anymore, at least. But as a presenter at the 2008 Video Music Awards, all that fresh Olympic bling will certainly help.

The swimmer who took home a record-breaking eight gold medals from the Beijing Games joins Miley Cyrus, Lindsay Lohan and Ciara as presenters at the Sept. 7 VMAs telecast from Los Angeles. British comedian Russell Brand will host.

It's been a busy week for Phelps, who announced he'll write a book about his road to Olympic history (to be released in time for the holidays) and plans to host the season premiere of "Saturday Night Live."

Zac Efron, Vanessa Hudgens, Ashley Tisdale and Corbin Bleu of the "High School Musical" franchise will also present at the VMAs, as will "Twilight" actors Kristen Stewart, Robert Pattinson and Taylor Lautner, MTV said Thursday.

The network also announced performers Katy Perry, T-Pain, Lupe Fiasco and The Ting Tings.

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# Harrison leads Rangers to sweep of Royals, 3-2

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — A little luck and a little hustle was all the Texas Rangers needed to pull off their first three-game sweep this season.

Jarrold Saltalamacchia scooted home when pitcher Brian Bannister flubbed a popup, giving Texas the go-ahead run in their 3-2 win over Kansas City on Wednesday night.

"Give him 10 more of them and he won't drop them," Rangers manager Ron Washington said. "Salty didn't take it for granted the ball was going to be caught. It worked out well for us."

Matt Harrison won for the fourth time in August, pitching the Texas Rangers to a 3-2 win over the crumbling Kansas City Royals.

The Royals have lost 10 of their last 11 games and 17 of 20, falling to a season-worst 21 games below .500.

This one got away in the seventh inning. Chris Davis and Saltalamacchia hit two-out doubles to tie it, then Saltalamacchia came home when Joaquin Arias' routine popup went off the heel of his glove.

"That's what we're taught since Little League, to hustle and run the ball out. That's

the fundamentals of baseball. We were in a tight situation. We needed a big hit. I thought when he hit it that I had to run as hard as I can, especially since I'm not in the lineup everyday. I busted my fanny as hard as I could. Rounding third, I saw him drop it and I thought they might throw me out at home. Then I saw (catcher Miguel) Olivo out there, too, and I knew I had it."

Harrison (6-3), a 22-year-old rookie left-hander, went 4-1 in five August starts. He held the Royals to two runs, one earned, on seven hits in 6 2-3 innings, giving the

Rangers their first franchise sweep of more than two games at Kansas City.

Frank Francisco worked a flawless ninth to log his first career save.

"It was night of firsts all the way around," Washington said.

Francisco was 0-for-6 in save opportunities this season before retiring the Royals in order in the ninth, striking out two.

The Royals stranded seven runners and went 2-for-10 with runners in scoring position.

"Obviously, the error hurt, but it shouldn't have been as

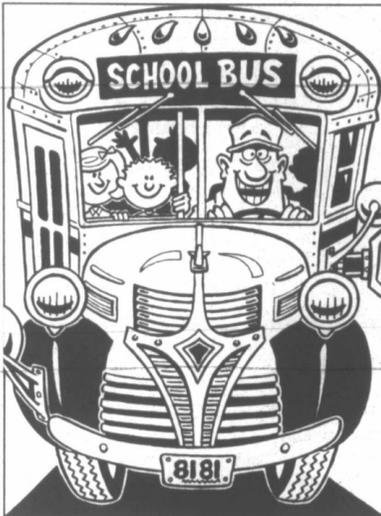
close as it was either," Royals manager Trey Hillman said. "A lot of that has to do with lack of run production when we should produce. Third inning, runner on second, nobody out, and we don't get him over. Fourth inning, runners on second and third with nobody out and we don't score a run out of that, too."

Bannister (7-14), who struck out a career high eight, has not won in 11 starts since a June 23 victory over Colorado. He has not defeated an American League club since Cleveland on June 1. Bannister gave up three runs, two earned, on six hits and a walk. Not to mention the error.

"I just didn't catch it," Bannister said. "It should

have been caught and you don't get a lot of practice at it. It should have stuck in the glove and it didn't. It's kind of unexpected."

Notes: Esteban German's hit an RBI double in the third for Kansas City but Brandon Boggs led off the fourth with a tying homer. ... The Royals went up 2-1 in the fifth when David DeJesus' two-out single scored German, who led off the inning with a single. ... Rangers CF Josh Hamilton was a late scratch with an abscessed tooth. ... Royals SS Mike Aviles went 0-for-4, snapping his nine-game hitting streak. ... The Royals have scored three or less runs in six of their past 11 games.



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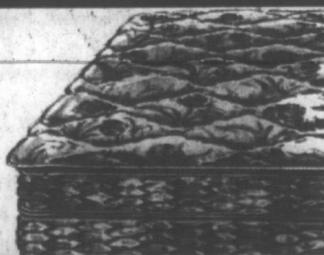
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## No. 2 Jankovic guts out tough 2nd-round win

NEW YORK (AP) — Jelena Jankovic's leg cramped so badly, she couldn't take another step.

Luckily for the No. 2 seed in the U.S. Open, the agony occurred during her post-match run on the treadmill. Anyone who watched could clearly see she left about everything she had out on the court.

Jankovic outlasted Sweden's Sofia Arvidsson 6-3, 6-7 (5), 7-5 Wednesday on yet another uncharacteristically mild August day in Flushing Meadows. She planned to take a 10-minute run on the treadmill but lasted only three when pain flared in the area of a knee injury sustained at Wimbledon.

"I couldn't go anymore," Jankovic said. "My leg was straight and I couldn't bend it. The muscle was in spasm and I had a lot of pain."

Treatment with ice and stretching and massaging loosened her leg enough for her to go back to the locker room to take a shower before she spoke to reporters in a much more comfortable setting.

Until then, it was Arvidsson who made her life difficult for the better part of three hours.

Jankovic bent over her racket, leaned against a back wall with a towel pressed to her face, and sprawled on her stomach in the middle of center court. Then she gutted her way into the third round.

The combination of not being in match condition following the injury and an array of hard forehands and well-placed drop shots by Arvidsson left Jankovic fighting to get her wind during the 2-hour, 44-minute match at Arthur Ashe Stadium.

"That was a really tough one," said Jankovic, who has reached the fourth round in the first three Grand Slam events this year. "As you can see, I am completely out of breath. She really pushed me to the limit."

Eighth-seeded Andy Roddick, who has battled a shoulder injury this summer that led him to skip the Beijing Olympics, won his first match in straight sets. He beat Fabrice Santoro — the oldest man in the draw at 35 — 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.

The match ended with Santoro thinking Roddick had tried to hit him with the ball. Roddick said that wasn't the case and he would try to seek out Santoro to clear the air.

The third night traditionally showcases the first men's match of the second round, but this year that was saved until Thursday. All women's matches Wednesday were second-round pairings.

Jankovic twice served for the win in the middle set against Arvidsson, yet couldn't put her away — even with a match point in reach. Jankovic held off Arvidsson in a back-and-forth third set

when both had trouble holding serve.

When Arvidsson fired long on the final point, Jankovic had her third service break of the third set and eighth overall. There was suddenly a spring in her step as she waved and blew kisses to the crowd.

Even with the squandered chances, Jankovic still had an opportunity to advance without going the distance. She jumped to a 3-0 lead in the second set tiebreak before losing six straight points. Jankovic extended the set by winning two points on her serve, but fired wide as she approached the net — drawing an exuberant "Yeah" from Arvidsson.

Several times, Jankovic hunched over and leaned on her racket but didn't appear to be in distress. The Serb, ranked No. 1 earlier this year, lost in the fourth round at Wimbledon after injuring a knee in the previous match.

If anything ailed her other than fatigue Wednesday, it wasn't evident in the decisive third set when she raced to a 3-0 edge. Jankovic doubled over again when a fortuitous shot by Arvidsson crept over the net after it smacked the cord in the fourth game, but that appeared more out of exasperation than discomfort.

After a drop shot eluded her dive, Jankovic dropped to the court face down and stayed there for several moments. If anything, it gave her a brief rest.

"I was just tired and I couldn't get up," Jankovic said. "I was just trying to come back to normal position where I could just stand up and regroup again and play the next point."

The only worry she had at that point had to do with her bright yellow outfit that matched nicely with the deep blue court.

"I thought I was going to get my dress really dirty. That was my biggest concern," she said. "I would have loved to take a nap on the court because I was really exhausted. But you know, the rules are the rules. I had to keep going."

While Jankovic escaped an early exit, No. 8 seed Vera Zvonareva couldn't. Zvonareva was upended by Tatiana Perebiynis 6-3, 6-3 in the tournament's biggest upset yet.

No. 3 Svetlana Kuznetsova shook off an early break and rallied to a 7-6 (3), 6-1 victory over Sorana Cirstea. Fifth-seeded Elena Dementieva advanced over Pauline Parmentier 6-2, 6-1. No. 12 Marion Bartoli of France, No. 14 Victoria Azarenka of Belarus and No. 15 Patty Schnyder of Switzerland also won.

Former champ Lindsay Davenport, the No. 23 seed, beat Alisa Kleybanova 7-5, 6-3.

# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

**DEAR ABBY:** "Missing the Old Days in Arizona City" (May 8), the mother of a small child, wondered how parents can feel safe raising kids in a world that is "crazy and scary." I, too, worry about the state of the world today, but find comfort in my children and in the fact that I am trying to raise them to be among the "good guys." When I was a brand-new mom, I was in an elevator with two teenage boys. When the door opened, one of the boys stated to get off first. The other boy put his arm in front of his friend and motioned for me to go ahead. I was moved by his simple gesture of thoughtfulness and good manners. I thanked him and asked him to also thank his mother for me, for doing such a wonderful job raising such a polite young man. I promised myself that day that I would raise my children (I now have three) to be like him. Please tell "Missing the Old Days" there is good everywhere. She just needs to look for it and to always acknowledge polite gestures so her children and others can see that there is still civility in this "scary place" we call home. -- **MARGIE IN RENO, NEV.**

**DEAR MARGIE:** I like the way you think. As more people respond to each other with kindness, we create a more positive world in which to live, one good deed at a time. Read on:

**DEAR ABBY:** I am so tired of people talking about how civilization is falling apart. Human history is filled with senseless acts of violence that I am sure predate the written word. I think that because the media today are able to bring us violence from across the globe, it appears to be more prevalent. You cannot live your life in fear of what might happen. You can only do your best to prevent bad things from happening to yourself and to others. Stand up and say "That's not right" when you see something "bad" happen. Only through our own actions can we change the world we live in. -- **PHILLIP IN BATTLE CREEK**

**DEAR ABBY:** I, too, get discouraged by the negativity portrayed by the media. But I've found that volunteering is a great way to find renewed faith in humanity. Even if it's just an hour or two a month at a shelter or a local organization, it is uplifting to come together with others who are also trying to do good. -- **WILLING TO HELP IN GRANITE CITY, ILL.**

**DEAR ABBY:** I agree with your advice. My husband and I have a 13-month-old son. Like any loving parent, I want to provide a better world for him and all other children. We make choices in our lifestyle that foster a safe and loving environment. We limit TV, treasure our family time, and protect him from exposure to anything we deem inappropriate for his age. I want to show my son that even though bad things happen, each of us has the power to help others. Our children learn these important lessons through our example. Rather than despair about news that often makes me want to cry, I have decided to take action. I want to do everything I possibly can to improve the world my child will inherit and teach him how to take care of it when it's his turn. -- **A MOTHER AND TEACHER IN VIRGINIA BEACH, VA.**

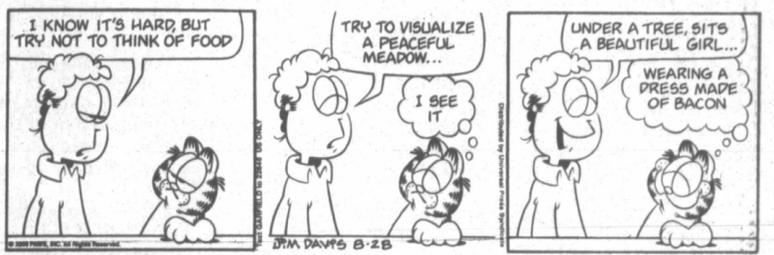
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# Bus

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rollover, roof crush, and fires, Hutchison says on her Web site.

That would include mandatory seat belts in buses and stronger materials on walls and the roof. Investigators have pointed out that some of the passengers in the fatal crash near Sherman were thrown about the bus, and some were ejected, because they had no seat restraints.

The Senate Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine Infrastructure, Safety, and Security is scheduled to hold an oversight hearing on bus safety on Sept. 18.

It is our hope that hearing will be the start of serious movement on this issue.

And one hopeful sign was the federal government's move this week to halt the licensing of new bus companies until further investigation into the issue of safety is done.

The Motor Carrier Safety Administration believes some bus companies that are banned from interstate service merely apply for new licenses under different names. This, of course, must stop, and this federal agency has taken a big step in that direction.

Hutchison says she will continue to advance her motorcoach safety bill. "These recommendations have languished for years without federal agency attention and action," she says. URL: <http://www.victoriaadvocate.com>

# Services

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intersection of Florida and Hobart streets, the 1900 block of North Sumner, the 200 block of West Browning, the 900 block of East Browning and the 600 block of North Nelson.

Agency assistance was rendered in the 100 block of East Harvester, and the intersection of Crawford Street and Prairie Drive. At least one arrest was made in connection with each incident, including an arrest at the intersection of Crawford and Prairie.

Warrant service was attempted on one occasion.

A welfare check was made in the 1000 block of North Wells.

A civil matter was reported in the police department lobby.

Suspicious person calls were received from the 1300 block of North Hobart and Recreation Park, 1600 E. Highway 60.

A silent/abusive 911 call was received from the 2300 block of Chateau Rue.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 2700 block of Comanche, the 1100 block of South Dwight and the 2700 block of North Hobart.

A juvenile was arrested for public intoxication at

Pampa High School, 111 E. Harvester.

A narcotics violation was reported in the 1000 block of North Hobart. An arrest was made for traffic violations and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Disruption of class was reported at Pampa High School.

A threat was reported in the police department lobby.

Assault was reported in the 500 block of North Dwight. Minor injuries were reported, but no medical attention was sought.

Assault was reported in the 100 block of West 30th and the 1800 block of Chestnut.

One alarm was reported. A gas drive-off was reported at Allsup's, 140 S. Starkweather. Fuel valued at \$50 was taken.

Theft was reported in the 1900 block of North Hobart.

Theft was reported in the 700 block of North Gray. Water valued at \$49.95 was taken.

Theft was reported at Walmart Supercenter, 2801 Charles. Baby formula, ink cartridges and fabric softener sheets were taken. Estimated value of loss is \$83.

Burglary was reported in the 2100 block of Williston.

**Wednesday, Aug. 27**

A suspicious person call was received from the 1200 block of East Kingsmill.

A suspicious vehicle call was received from the 1100 block of Neel Road. An arrest was made for possession of a controlled substance, evading arrest, resisting arrest and driving while intoxicated, second offense.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 1100 block of Varnon Drive.

Assault was reported in the 800 block of Campbell. An arrest was made for public intoxication in connection with the incident.

## Sheriff

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

**Wednesday, Aug. 27**  
Thomas Dale Jede II, 20, of Pampa was arrested in the 800 block of Campbell by Pampa Police Department for public intoxication.

Heather Lynette Edinger, 28, of Pampa was arrested in the 700 block of Frederic by Pampa PD for public intoxication.

Ronald John Garbulinski II, 32, of Pampa was arrested in the 500 block of Reid by Pampa PD for public intoxication.

Shawn Lee Weatherford, 37, of Pampa was arrested in the 1100 block of Neel Road by Pampa PD for possession of a controlled substance, evading arrest, resisting arrest and driving while

intoxicated, third or more offense.

Ellen on a call for medical assistance.

## Fire

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls in the 24 hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

**Wednesday, Aug. 27**  
7:36 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 1000 block of Love on a call for medical assistance.

9:13 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 100 block of South Russell on a call for medical assistance.

1:07 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 700 block of Mora on a call for medical assistance.

1:30 a.m. — Two units and six personnel responded to a fire in the 500 block of Lowrey. The call was canceled in route.

6:00 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 2200 block of Mary

## Ambulance

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

**Wednesday, Aug. 27**  
7:35 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of Love. No transport.

9:12 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 100 block of South Russell and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

8:30 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transferred a patient to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

**Thursday, Aug. 28**  
1:08 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 700 block of Mora and transported a patient to PRMC.

6 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 2300 block of Mary Ellen and transported a patient to PRMC.

## Events calendar

**The Texas Department of State Health Services** will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases. The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The following clinic(s) will be offered: 9:30-11:30 a.m. and 1-3 p.m., Sept. 3 and 17, TDH, 736 S. Cuyler, Pampa.

**High Plains Public Radio** will host its next Living Room Concert at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 5 at its studio in downtown Amarillo. The concert will feature songwriter and

performer **Buddy Mondlock**. Doors to the free event will open at 7 p.m.

**Services-To-At-Risk Youth and Their Families** will conduct a free "Back in Control Parenting Workshop" from 8:45 a.m.-4 p.m. Sept. 6 at Texas Panhandle Mental Health Mental Retardation Children's Services Building in Amarillo. Participants must preregister to join. Instructors will be Janice James, MA, UCAP coordinator, QMHP, and Ruth Sullivan, QMHP, STAR case manager II. Continuing education units will be available. For more information, call (806) 359-2005.

# Spell

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to receive a bill in the mail. Think of "subscribing to newsgroups" as Usenet bookmarks stored on your PC. By subscribing to newsgroups, you can easily list JUST the groups you are interested in instead of

having to scroll through the 100,000 or so groups every time.

If the idea of dealing with the Usenet seems a bit overwhelming, get your feet wet at Google Groups: <http://groups.google.com>.

Next week, I'll discuss other places you can go for newfeeds and also how to download songs and pictures from the Usenet's huge informational archive.

I'll see you in Cyberspace!

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# CLASSIFIEDS

### 5 Special Notices

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### 13 Bus. Opp.

GREAT Investment opp. Pampa motel. Retired couple or individual. 665-1825, 806-383-1985.

**TUMBLEWEED** Trailer Park, 1128 Rider, Pampa, TX: 19 space trailer park & 24 storage units on 9 acres. Can expand. Potential income \$30,780 / yr. Call Cathy Derr, CCIM, J. Ghat & Associates, 806-373-3111.

### 14a Carpentry

Carpentry, Roofing, Replacement Windows, steel siding & trim. Continuous gutters. Jerry Nicholas 669-9991, 662-8169

**CUSTOM** Building & Remodeling. Replacement windows. Ref. avail. Shawn Deaver Const. 662-2977 or 665-0354.

**OVERHEAD DOOR REPAIR** Kidwell Construction. Call 669-6347.

### 14c Carpet Serv.

**NU-WAY** Cleaning service, carpets, upholstery, walls, ceilings. Quality doesn't cost...It pays! No steam used. Bob Marx owner-operator. 665-3544, or from out of town, 800-536-5341.

### 15 Gen. Serv.

**HOUSE** Cracking? In bhicks or walls? Childers Brothers, Inc. 800-299-9563, 806-352-9563

**COX** Fence Company. Repair old fences or build new. Free estimates. Call 669-7769.

**CERAMIC** tile work. Remodeling—floor, shower, kitchen. Texture, painting, wallpaper. Free esti. Call 669-3453 leave message, Jojo Barraza.

**DIRT** work. Clean up. Haul off. 679-7985

### 14h Gen. Serv.

**CAGLE** Backhoe Service. Driveways, Demolition, General Construction, Farms & Ranch. Free Est. Call Jack 806-898-2149.

### 14n Painting

**PAINTING** Inside & Out Professional Job Guaranteed. Call Steve Porter 669-9347 Home 662-2574 Cell

### 14s Plumbing/Heat

**JACK'S** Plumbing, 715 W. Foster, 665-7115.

**Larry Baker Plumbing** Heating/ Air Conditioning Borger Hwy. 665-4392

### 19 Situations

**CHILDCARE** Available in my home. Mon-Fri. Night time care also available. Call 806-663-2214

**CHILDCARE** available in my home. Mon-Sat. 24 hours.—Hot meals and snacks provided. Have references. Call 669-3549.

### 21 Help Wanted

**MAINTENANCE** Man needed for Gwendolen Apts. Must have own tools & transportation. Apply at 800 N. Nelson.

**MCLEAN CARE CENTER** has openings for Nurse Aides. Position has benefit of paid vacation after one year of service and 401K program. Call 806-779-2469 or come by 605 W. 7th, in McLean.

**MCLEAN CARE CENTER** has full-time position of Housekeeper. Position has benefit of paid vacation after one year of service and 401K program. Call 806-779-2469 or come by 605 W. 7th, McLean.

### 21 Help Wanted

**NOTICE** Readers are urged to fully investigate advertisements which require payment in advance for information, services or goods.

**D.E. Chase, Inc.** is looking for Exp. Drivers for the Pampa & Wheeler Area. Please apply in person at 1445 S. Barnes Pampa, TX

**GAS** Prices cutting into your budget? Earn extra cash! Start your Avon business-only \$10. Call 664-0208.

**TRUCK** Drivers needed & hot shot drivers. CDL req. Drug test and references required. Competitive pay! Call 665-0379.

**JANITOR**—full & part-time job. No experience needed, will train. To apply call 662-9775.

**EXCEL** Production is accepting resumes and/or application for an Exp. Field Pumper. Individual must have knowledge and exp. in the operations of oil & gas wells, compressors & tank batteries. No Phone Calls will be accepted. Please bring resume or pick up application at 1050 N. Price Rd. or mail resume to:

Attn: Personnel  
Excel Production  
P.O. Box 1800  
Pampa, TX 79066-1800

**CHEMICAL** Delivery Driver, Oil field experience helpful. Mandatory drug test and background check. CDL with hazmat and air brake endorsement will be required during employment. Good benefits, 401k after 1st year of employment. Pampa, Perryton, Canadian area. 1-806-228-3462 for application. 1-888-881-3248 (ask for Roger, Mike or Chris)

### 21 Help Wanted

**DISHWASHER** & Exp. Cook needed at Granny's Home Cookin. No phone calls! 328 E. Frederic.

**FULL-TIME RN** needed at Parkview Home Health in Wheeler. Please call 826.1370, ask for Susan Leffew RN Director, or come by 306 E. 9th, Wheeler, for an appli.

**CONSTRUCTION LABORERS** Western Builders of Amarillo, Inc. is looking for experienced construction laborers for work at Pampa High School. Employment is subject to passing a drug test. Please contact Construction Superintendent: Jeff Popp, 806-672-5689

**Western Builders of Amarillo, Inc.** is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate against applicants or employees on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, gender, pregnancy, national origin, veteran's status, age, disability, perceived disability or any other reason prohibited by applicable law.

**Truck Driver Needed** Must have CDL & Hazmat. Blue Ridge Oilfield 806-323-6855 or pick up application at 10938 US Hwy 83 Canadian, TX.

**CDL Drivers Needed!!** Night & Day shifts available in Miami, TX. Must pass drug test.

**Also Have opening for Experienced Diesel Mechanic**  
Competitive wages, paid weekly, 401K & insurance, 2 weeks vacation after 1 year.  
Please call Turner Energy (806) 898-0414

### 21 Help Wanted

**MECHANICS** Eastex Crude Co. is taking applications in Pampa, Tx. Applicants must have knowledge and exp. in servicing of diesel trucks, brakes and general repair. Full benefit Package. (903) 856-2401 x 137 or (800) 443-8580 Clint

**PROPERTY MANAGER WANTED** Bent Creek Family Community 40 units in Pampa 25 hours per week. Must have clerical skills & management exp. Please furnish resume to: MJS Management, Inc. P.O. Box 847 Linden, TX 75563

**NOW** hiring Code and Structural Welders. Must be able to pass weld test. Pay based on exp. Benefits avail. Apply in person at Conner Industries, 118 Buntion, in Borger.

**DRIVERS**—\$500 Sign-On Bonus. Tanker Drivers needed. Class A CDL req. with Hazmat endorsements. 2 yr. exp. preferred. Local hauling only. Home every night. Benefits & great pay. 432-683-2868 or 432-288-3761 for more information.

**NEED** Handyman at Schneider House Apts. P-T, 30 hrs. week. Knowledge of boiler, cooling tower, electrical, plumbing & some painting. Please call 665-0415, 9-2.

### 21 Help Wanted

**HOUSEKEEPERS** needed. Apply in person Coronado Healthcare, 1504 W. Kentucky.

**Legal Secretary** Needed for Pampa Attorney Exp. & References required  
Fax resume to 806-688-1150 or e-mail to [bls@sturgeonlawfirm.com](mailto:bls@sturgeonlawfirm.com)

**NEEDED** Part time night watchman, Heritage Feeders in Wheeler. Call 806-826-5591.

**ASST.** Cook needed at Meals on Wheels. 6:30am-11:30am, \$6.55 per hr. Great working conditions. Call Jeanne Autry 669-1007 or come by 302 E. Foster.

**EZ MONEY** is in search of experienced retail / service industry Mgrs. and CSRs for our newest Pampa location opening soon! We are closed on Sundays and work better than retail hours. Apply on-line today at [www.ezmoneyjobs.com](http://www.ezmoneyjobs.com)

**PAMPA** ISD is now hiring for a Night Watchman. Applicants must have their own reliable transportation. Apply in person at the Personnel Office at 321 W. Albert.

**Chiropractic Office** is expanding our team! Two positions available. Direct patient care position and clerical / computer skills position. On the job training.  
Fax Resume To: (806) 665-0537

**Kelley's Chevron** We are looking for 2-self motivated, energetic people to fill a full-time evening shift and a part-time early morning shift. We have a great working environment, and excellent starting wages. We drug screen. Apply in person, 1020 E. Frederic.

### 21 Help Wanted

**ACCEPTING** applications for Rig Supervisor, Exp. Roustabout, Cable Tool Operator and Pump-er. 401K, paid vacation, holidays. Send resume to P.O. Box 43, Pampa, TX 79066-0043

**NEED DRIVER** w/ Class A CDL License HAZMAT Endorsement & Good Driving Record  
Uniforms Health Ins. Paid Vacations After 1 yr. DOT Drug Testing & Physical Required We Pay Top Wages!  
Apply in Person No phone calls please

**TRIANGLE WELL SERVICE** 129 S. PRICE RD. PAMPA

**JANITOR** needed. \$7 per hr. Call Hi-Land Christian Church, 669-6700.

**NURSERY** Worker needed, \$7 per hr. Sun. mornings, Wed., Thur. & Sun. evenings. Hi-Land Christian Church, 669-6700.

**COODER'S** Dixie Cafe now hiring for Full Staff, full-time, 18 yrs. or older. Apply in person, 2537 Perryton Parkway. No phone calls.

**NEED** Exper. Carpenters and Exper. Carpenter's helpers. To apply call 806-688-9215 lv. msg.

The Gray County Adult Probation Dept. is accepting appli. for Community Supervision Officer. Qualified applicants will possess a Bachelor's Degree in Criminology, Corrections, Counseling, Law, Social Work, Psychology, Sociology or a related field. Salary, ret. & ben. Submit resume & college trans. to Gray Co. CSCD, P.O. Box 1116, Pampa, TX 79066.

### 21 Help Wanted

**HELP** Wanted. Clerk & Deli. Good working environment. We pay competitive wages and gas mileage. Call 806-868-3221 or pickup application @ Crossroads Market in Miami.

**NTS COMMUNICATIONS** Clerical Assistant for Sales Office  
Sales Office in Pampa Must type at least 35 WPM Good phone etiquette Must have computer skills The ability to learn quickly Must be able to pass Bkgd Check & Credit Check  
Email: [hr-jobs@ntsc.com](mailto:hr-jobs@ntsc.com) Fax-806-788-3397 615 N. Price Rd. Pampa, TX 79065 EOE

**MEREDITH HOUSE** is seeking Personal Service Assistants with a positive attitude and willingness for new experiences. Come & apply to join our team at 812 W. 25th!

**RECEPTIONIST** for busy physicians office. Send resume to Box 72, c/o Pampa News, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, TX 79066

**FLORAL** Designer needed Part-Time or Full-Time. Come by Pampa Flowers, 410 E. Foster.

**50 Building Suppl.** White House Lumber 101 S. Ballard 669-3291

**57 Things To Eat** HOME grown sweet corn and yellow squash. 662-7557.

**60 Household** USED furn., hutch, recliners, dryer, dressers, bedroom suites, baby bed, etc., 662-7557.

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**WESTAIR** Gas and Equipment, L.P. is looking for a Warehouse Man / Driver. The qualified applicant must have a minimum Class B CDL with haz-mat endorsement, pass a drug test, DOT physical and be able to lift up to 50 lbs. Westair is a joint venture with Praxair, Inc. which assures an outstanding benefit package, which includes medical, dental and life insurance, a great 401K plan, along with competitive pay. We have the benefits of a large company and the attitude of a small company. Come join our team! We are an Equal Opportunity Employer. Applications are available at our location in Pampa, TX. @ 740 W. Brown Street (HWY 60) or call 806-665-2351 for more information.

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**BRAND** new qa. pillow-top mattress, 2 pc set, in plastic. Original warranty. \$125. 806-341-6233.

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DOUBLE / Full orthopedic mattress set. FLAME RESISTANT, warranty, \$120. 806-341-6233

MATTRESS Set-Queen orthopedic, \$130. Must sell, still in plastic. 806-341-6233

A brand new twin mattress and box. Sealed in plastic w/ warranty, \$100. 806-341-6233.

MUST Sell brand new king pillowtop mattress and box, in plastic, \$225. 806-341-6233.

BODY contouring memory foam mattress and foundation, still wrapped with warranty, \$375. 806-341-6233.

AMMANA refrigerator w/ ice maker for sale. Come by 1314 Mary Ellen, Pampa.

**69 Misc.**

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USED Office! Back From Lease! Free Del/Warranty, Transferable. CALL 806-358-9597.

CRAFT SHOW Sept. 27th MK Brown 10am-4pm. Reserve Table Call 806-663-0704

BLACK leather recliner-good condition, \$125. Sale or trade clean 93 Cougar, needs head gasket \$900. 665-1122.

BOOKCASES, desks, chests, VHS movies \$1.50 ea. Red Barn, 1420 S. Barnes, Sat. 10-5. 665-2767.

HUNTING LEASE McLean Area 665-7331 or 663-9385

**69a Garage Sales**

COME One Come All! Estate of J.B. Dackworth Sale, 401 E. 4th, Lefors, Sat. Only 8-7 1977 Ford 150 Ranger pickup low mileage, 1986 Ranger pickup, antiq., furn., elec. tools, household, misc.

GARAGE Sale Thurs., Fri., Sat. 9-7 1710 Beech Ln. Clothes, Dishes & Misc.

**70 Musical**

BACH Trombone and Yamaha Wood Clarinet. Both in great shape! \$400 ea., originally \$800 ea. Call 669-2251 leave msg.

**75 Feeds/Seeds**

FOR Sale Brome & Prairie Hay 1-620-221-2270 1-620-222-4301

**76 Farm Animals**

MALE Goat for Sale. \$85 O.B.O. Weighs 125 lbs. Call Billy Holland 806-868-3091.

**80 Pets & Suppl.**

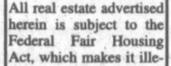
AKC Lab Pups. 4 Yellow & 1 Chocolate. Males \$125, Females, \$150. Will be ready Sept. 8th. 806-664-3180.

FREE to approved home. AKC m. yel. Lab puppy, 1 handicapped front leg. Ready Sept. 8. 664-3180.

FREE to good home 3 gray kittens Call Kathy 665-2830

**95 Furn. Apts.**

ALL real estate advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation, or discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin, or intention to make any such preference, limitation, or discrimination." State law also forbids discrimination based on these factors. We will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. All persons are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised are available on an equal opportunity basis.



LAKEVIEW Apt. 1 & 2 bdr. unfurn. apt. Call for availability. References & deposit req. 669-4386

**96 Unfurn. Apts.**

CAPROCK APTS. Enjoy balconies/patios, on site laundry, beautiful grounds. One bdrm starting at \$390. Call for availability. 665-7149.

CLEAN 1 bdr., stove, refrig., completely renovated, new carpet. All bills paid. 669-3672, 665-5900

EXTRA clean 1 bdr. with appliances. Quiet neighborhood. Mature Renters Only! 665-8525

NUMEROUS Houses, Apts., Dupl. & Comm. properties thru-out Pampa. 665-1875, 665-4274.

THE Schneider House, now leasing apts., 1 & 2 bdr., utilities incl. 120 S. Russell or call 665-0415.

**98 Unfurn. Houses**

3 bdr., 2 ba. in Pampa. \$695 mo., \$695 dep. References incl. 120 S. Russell or call 665-0415.

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2542 Mary Ellen. 3/2/2. Storage bldg. Central Heat & air. Austin School. \$850 per mo. \$400 dep. 662-4666.

**99 Stor. Bldgs.**

TUMBLEWEED Acres, self storage units. Various sizes. 665-0079, 665-2450.

**102 Bus. Rent. Prop.**

OFFICE Space for rent, ask about 3 months free rent. 669-6841.

DOWNTOWN office space for rent. Utilities & cleaning service provided. Ample parking. 669-6823

OFFICE SPACE FOR RENT NBC PLAZA 806-665-4100

**103 Homes For Sale**

1145 SENECA, 3 bdr., 1 ba., nice kitchen. New: floors, paint, doors, & fence. C. h/a. 806-336-9972 for appt.

2406 Mary Ellen. 3/1 3/4/2, open kitchen, new appl., remod. bathroom, large backyard, storage building. 669-3164

BEAUTIFUL Historic Home FSBO. Corner of Somerville & Buckler. 4600 sq. ft., basem. 5 bdr., 4 full ba., c h/a, 2 car gar., cir. drive. 669-1412. Open House Sat. 1-4pm

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612 Powell, FSBO. Lrg. 2 bdr., 1 ba. Must see to appreciate. Call 663-0242.

BY Owner 3 bdr., 1 ba., covered patio, attached carport. Newly painted outside. Austin Sch. 2717 Navajo. Owner will pay closing cost. By appt., 662-2366.

BY Owner. 2 bdr., 1 ba., 1 car gar. C. heat & air. 1600 sq. ft. Lrg. backyard. 2113 Russell. \$85K obo. 806-282-4448

FOR all your Real Estate needs, call John Giddard, at Century 21! Where knowledge & expertise matter. 806-595-1234.

FOR Sale By Owner. 2 bdr., 1 3/4 ba., 1 car gar., dining room, den with built-ins, fenced backyard, sm. outbuilding. Austin Sch. \$48,500. 806-440-3199, aft. 5 669-9283

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FSBO 2/1/1 new bthrm, steel siding, updated kitchen, new plmbg, HUD approved. Close to High School. NO OWNER FINANCE. \$35k obo. Appointment only, 440-4443

HIGHEST CASH PAID FOR HOUSES! CALL 665-1875

OWNER Will Finance, EZ terms. 1333 Garland, 2 bd, 1 bath, 1012 Duncan, 3/1/1 w/cellar. Call Milton, 806-790-0827.

WE BUY HOUSES ALL CASH 806-446-4070

**TOTAL Oilfield Services**

Total Oilfield Services needs Transport Drivers. Competitive Pay. Health Insurance. 401 K. Dental & Vision. Incentive. Paid Vacation.

We prefer you to Apply inside @ Hwy 152 & 30 Sweetwater, OK 1-880-534-2210. Ask for Judy

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Friday, Aug. 29, 2008:  
You have much to share though could feel tied up by a personal situation this year. Much of your energy will revolve around freeing yourself from this issue. Confusion, or perhaps at best high idealism, surrounds your work and daily life. Keep sorting reality from fantasy, and you will make strong choices. If you are single, you want a change in your domestic life. Just do not take the plunge too fast, OK? If you are attached, a move or a change within your home or family life could rejuvenate your energy. LEO reads you cold.

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)  
\*\*\*\* Wake up tense, and concern might start your day badly, but not if you let go of those feelings. Relax, and let others express their ideas. You learn more by watching. Others see that sparkle in your eyes. Start sharing, too. Tonight: Fun and games.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)  
\*\*\* Focus on what needs to happen rather than get into a disagreement with a pivotal associate. First, you can be nearly sure that others see events and communication differently. Give up black-and-white thinking; take up another view. Tonight: Well-anchored.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)  
\*\*\*\* Though you could get a jolt from a loved one or supposed friend, you jump right over this early boomerang. Notice that others might be honestly working under a premise that's different

from yours. Later, when talks occur, a merger of ideas will occur as well. Tonight: Out and about.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)  
\*\*\*\* Curb a need to have things your way. You will only frustrate yourself and perhaps distance a key loved one. Laughter opens you up to news that otherwise you would be too distracted to really hear. Tonight: Easy does it.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)  
\*\*\*\* Someone will try to encourage you to be a wayward Lion if you are not careful. Think "Friday," and recognize how you want to kick off the next few days. Your creativity flows, but friends and loved ones want you — NOW. Tonight: Whatever knocks your socks off.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)  
\*\*\* Another's demand or insistence could toss you into a frenzy if you aren't anchored. Don't be overwhelmed by all you need to do. Rather, look at the prospect of taking an extra day or two off. Tonight: Vanish. Don't tell!

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)  
\*\*\*\* Think positively, and you discover the pros and cons of key friends. You might feel pushed by a child or loved one. Also, you might not be taking his or her suggestions or inquiries as intended. This person only means well. Tonight: TGIF.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)  
\*\*\* Taking a stand might be more important to you than it is to others. No matter how you cut it, you feel pressured by your finances and by others' expectations. Do what you must to meet responsibilities, but ease up on yourself — just a little. Tonight: Check in on an older friend or relative.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)  
\*\*\*\* You could be more out of sync than you realize. Reach out for others, with a determination to clear the air. Take off as soon as you can for an early weekend. Confusion surrounds communication. Check out a "vibe." Tonight: Opt for different.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)  
\*\*\*\* Work with one other person to achieve results. Do not allow your fears to interfere. You might be surprised by what the two of you can conjure up together. As a result, your thinking and expectations transform. Tonight: Get feedback from a key friend.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)  
\*\*\*\* Others think positively. Why not join in? Sharing some of your long-term desires could confuse the mix. A fun get-together helps you to relax and accomplish what you need, and it sets the tone for the next few days. Tonight: Where the crowds are.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)  
\*\*\* All work and no play could be make the Fish a dull playmate and partner. Profit from the next few days, and let your hair down. If you can split early, do so. Take a walk around water or buy a water fountain. Tonight: Relax.

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# Texas

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Department of Public Safety troopers will be on duty Friday through Monday looking for drunk drivers, speeders and seat belt violators, according to a DPS press release.

DPS supports the "Drink. Drive. Go to Jail." campaign and is also a participant in Operation CARE — Combined Accident Reduction Effort — a nationwide effort by law enforcement agencies to reduce fatal-

ities on major interstate highways during holiday weekends.

Pampa Police Department has seen an increase in offense reports involving driving while intoxicated or driving under the influence, according to a Pampa PD spokeswoman. For the period from Jan. 1 to Aug. 1, 2007, there were 39 such reports, while for the same time period in 2008, the number of reports jumped to 65. The totals include reports for minors as well as adults.

During the 2007 Labor Day holiday, DPS troopers arrested 912 people statewide

for driving while intoxicated and issued nearly 16,000 speeding citations and more than 3,000 seat belt and child restraint tickets. In all, troopers wrote almost 34,000 tickets and 12,000 warnings during the Labor Day weekend last year.

Other offices in Gray County do not reflect an increase in drunk driving.

The number of cases involving driving while intoxicated which were submitted to and handled by the 31st District Attorney Lynn Switzer's office in 2007 totaled 33, said Evelyn Rutherford, a paralegal in

Switzer's office. For Jan. 1 through Aug. 1 of this year, the number of cases was 21. The 21 cases equal approximately two-third of last year's total, and the time period for the 21 cases is eight months, or two-thirds of the year.

Included in the district attorney's tally of cases were all cases which would involve driving while intoxicated, such as driving while intoxicated with a child passenger and intoxicated manslaughter.

At Gray County Jail, there were 44 arrests booked into the jail in 2007 for DWI. As

of Aug. 1, nine had been booked into the jail, said Gray County Sheriff's Office Lt. Joe B. Hoard.

The sheriff's office worked seven DWI cases in 2007 and four to date for 2008, he said.

Convicted first-time DWI offenders may pay a fine of up to \$2,000, lose their driver's license for as long as a year and serve 180 days in jail. A DWI conviction also carries a \$1,000 surcharge for three years, in addition to any other fines or costs associated with the arrest. A DWI conviction stays on an offender's criminal and driving record forever.

Safety officials say other costs associated with a drunk driving arrest and conviction can add up to more than \$10,000 for bail, legal fees, court appearances, court-ordered classes, vehicle insurance increases and other expenses.

Last year, 3,979 drunk drivers were arrested across Texas during TxDOT's two-week Labor Day campaign. The total was up by more than 700 arrests from 2006. Preliminary data indicates 168 people died in alcohol-related traffic accidents in Texas during August and September 2007.

# Vote

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Safety's office at 2909 Perryton Parkway may request a corrected voter registration card there when they make a change of address on their driver's licenses, Lewis said.

The voter registration application is a postcard which requires the person's full name, residence address, mailing address, date of birth, whether the person is a U.S. citizen, the person's signature, the date of submission of the application and whether the application is for a new, replacement or corrected card.

Other information which may be included on the card are gender, Social Security number, Texas driver's license number or ID number, and telephone number. This information is optional, according to instructions on the registration card. Lewis asks that persons wishing to register to vote bring their driver's license or photo ID with them at the time they register. She also asks that Social Security numbers be provided if the person has no driver's license.

Registered voters must be U.S. citizens and must be at least 17 years and 10 months old to register. Voter registration will become effective 30 days after it is received or on the person's 18th birthday, whichever is later.

Other requirements to be registered to vote are that the person is a resident of the county in which he is registering; has not been finally convicted of a felony or, if a felon, is eligible for registration under section 13.001 of the Election Code; and has not been declared mentally incompetent by final judgment of a court of law.

The voter registration card is a postcard which may be detached from its instructions and mailed if the person does not wish to fill it out at the time they pick it up or if the person is picking up a registration card for someone else. The card is addressed to the registrar of voters, county courthouse, with blanks to fill in the city and zip code. It is postage-paid and must be postmarked by Oct. 6 if the applicant wishes to vote in the November elections.

"We will also do an on-site registration at Pampa High School for persons who will be age 18 on or before Election Day," Lewis said. The date of the PHS registration has not yet been set.

may also go by Lewis' office on the ground floor of Gray County Courthouse, 205 N. Russell. Persons who visit the Texas Department of Public

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for children or \$25 extra per month for family coverage. Employees receive health insurance coverage at no cost to themselves.

Commissioners also added \$5,000 to the \$15,000 planned for the Gray County Office of Emergency Management.

The proposed 2009 county tax rate is .44673 cents per \$100 valuation of taxable property. The rate for 2008 is .47326 cents per \$100. The proposed 2009 county budget totals \$11,726,328. The 2008 budget is \$11,004,455.

The second public hearing on the proposed budget and tax rate will be at 9 a.m. Tuesday in the second-floor courtroom at Gray County Courthouse, 205 N. Russell. Commissioners plan to vote on the proposed budget and tax rate at their Sept. 15 meeting. The county's fiscal year begins Oct. 1.

an increase in county employee's monthly payment for dependent coverage. For fiscal 2009, employees will pay an additional \$18 per month for spouses, \$10 more per month

# Grain prices

The following grain quotations are provided by Attebury Grain of White Deer for market close yesterday.

Wheat	7.32
Milo	8.88
Corn	9.87
Soybeans	11.58

# Festival

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Medical Center 5K, Fun Run awards

- 10:20 a.m. Brain Taylor
- 10:40 a.m. Kelly Beesley
- 11:15 a.m. Greyhound Adoption League of Texas
- 11:30 a.m. Josh Paulson
- 12 noon AFS Students
- 12:20 p.m. PJHS Cheerleaders
- 12:35 p.m. PHS Show Choir
- 1:00 p.m. Brain Taylor
- 1:20 p.m. Kelly Beesley
- 2:00 p.m. Smokey Binion

- Jr., --"Tribute to ELVIS"
- 2:20 p.m. New Life Campbell
- 3:20 p.m. Woody Guthrie Tribute
- 4:00 p.m. "Day is Dying in the West" -traditional closing-Woody Guthrie

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# Notice of Tax Revenue Increase

The Gray County General conducted public hearings on August 27, 2008 and September 2, 2008 on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of the Gray County General from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 6.38 percent.

The total tax revenue raised last year at last year's tax rate of \$0.473260 for each \$100 of taxable value was \$6,484,389.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised this year at the proposed tax rate of \$0.439069 for each \$100 of taxable value, excluding tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year, is \$6,830,719.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised this year at the proposed tax rate of \$0.439069 for each \$100 of taxable value, including tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year, is \$6,877,951.

The Gray County Commissioners of Gray County General is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on September 15, 2008, at County Courtroom, Gray County Courthouse, 205 N. Russell, 2nd Floor, Pampa, Texas 79065 at 9:00am.

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