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Attorneys await rulings as trial looms

BY DAVID BOWSER
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Lawyers were waiting Friday for 31st District Judge Steven Emmert to rule on last week's motions concerning the trial of a Missouri man accused of killing a family in 2005 south of Pampa.

Levi A. King, 26, of Pineville, Mo., is accused of murdering Brian Conrad, 31; Conrad's pregnant wife, Michell, 35, and her son Zach Doan, 14, in their rural Gray County home in the predawn hours of Sept. 30, 2005. His trial is

scheduled to begin June 29.

Earlier this month, 31st District Attorney Lynn Switzer filed a motion for a psychiatric examination of King and a motion limiting the defense attorneys comments in front of a jury.

A gag order issued in March by Judge Emmert is on appeal before the Seventh Court of Appeals in Amarillo.

In May, defense attorneys, Joe Marr Wilson and Maxwell Peck, filed a motion to preclude the death penalty in King's case as

a sentencing option because of reduced capacity due to mental illness.

The motion states that King's conscious desire is reduced by impairments of his cognitive ability and his ability has been reduced by mental illness. The mental illness, the defense said in their motion, causes a loss of touch with reality and severe confusion and paranoia. That, in turn, can lead to psychotic collapse, nervous breakdown and disorganized thought and speech.

Switzer, in her motion, said that of the 59 pre-trial motions filed by the defense team, 25 contain unsubstantiated allegations of drug, physical and emotional abuse.

She wants the judge to ask the defense team if they intend to make an issue of the defendant's mental health and, if so, grant a psychiatric examination by physicians selected by the prosecution.

Switzer also moved to limit what the defense can say in front of KING cont. on page 3

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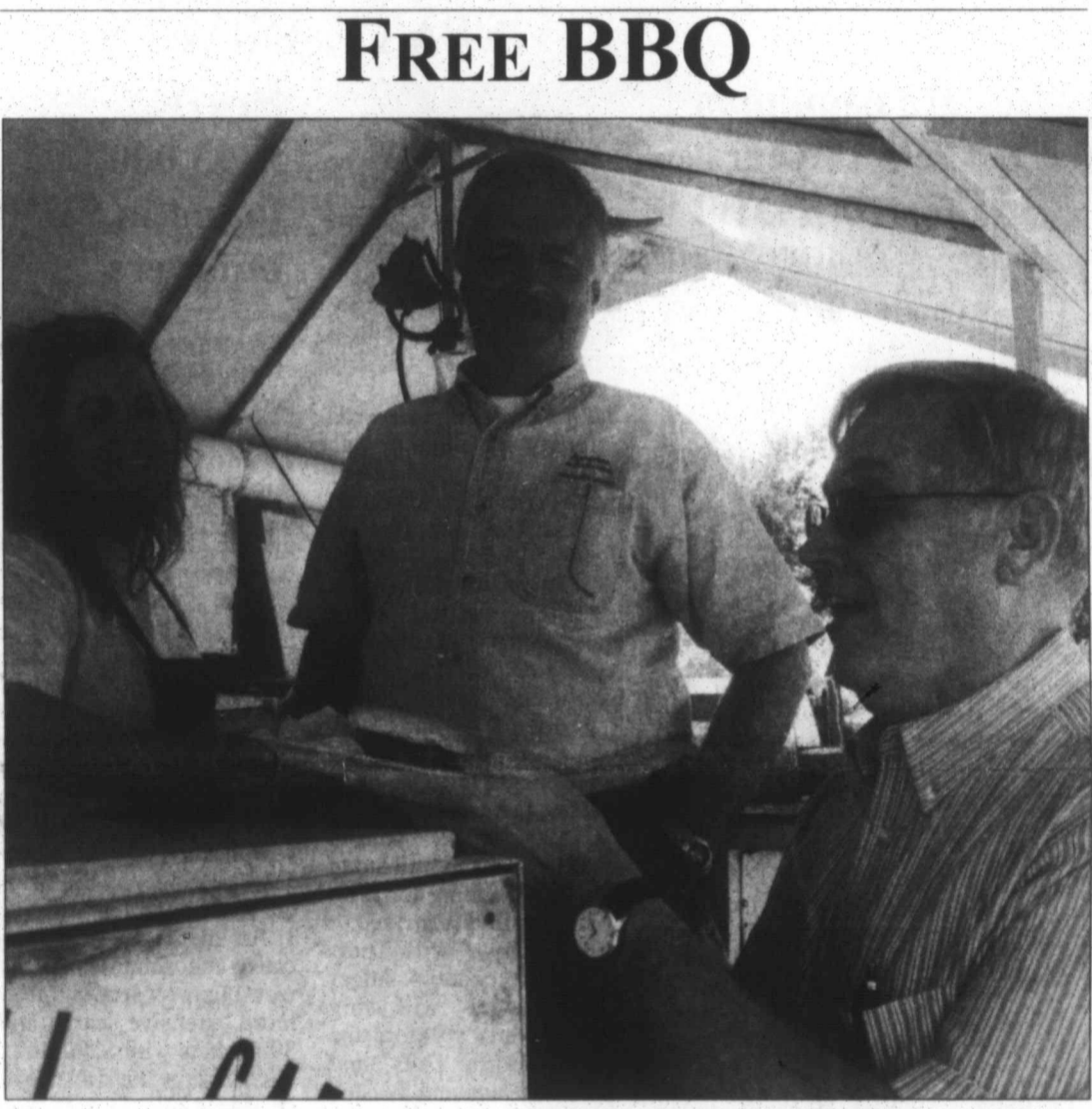
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staff photo by David Bowser
 Nicole Bruton serves Joe Weaver a barbecue sandwich Friday for lunch as Jim Bruton looks on for Ashmore and Associates Insurance Agency's Community Appreciation Day.

Two arrested on felony charges

BY LESLI ABBOTT
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A Pampa man and a woman from Lefors have been charged in connection with the production of methamphetamines.

According to Lieutenant Joe B. Hoard of the Gray County Sheriff's Department, Chief Deputy Kelly Rushing responded to a burglary call at a property at 12037 East Frederic in Pampa on Thursday, June 4.

Two people had allegedly broken into a vacant mobile home, and allegedly were occupying the trailer with three children.

Rushing, backed up by members of the Pampa Police Department, arrested Aaron Andrew Heiskell, 26, of Pampa and Shayla Lynn Smith, 22, of Lefors on one felony charge of burglary of a habit with intent of committing another felony, one count of felony manufacture/delivery of a controlled substance, and three felony counts of abandonment and endangerment of a child /criminal negligence.

Justice of the peace, Joe Martinez set bond for the pair on Friday.

Bond for Heiskell was set at \$26,000 and Smith's was set at \$11,500.

Both remain in the Gray County Jail.

What passed in the 81st session? Senator says he doesn't know yet

CHILDRESS - Three days after the Texas Legislature adjourned for this biennium, Pampa's lawmakers joked that they were still trying figure out what bills passed in the chaos of the closing days.

"You never know what bills passed," said State Sen. Robert Duncan, who represents Pampa. "It takes about three or four days to kind of figure out what bills passed and what didn't in the last days of the session."

Duncan and State Representative Warren Chisum were in Childress Thursday for a town hall meeting to discuss this year's 140 day legislative session.

"We had a tough session, quite frankly," Duncan said.

The Senate started off the session with a Voter ID package.

"We thought it was important to be able to verify who you are when you show up at the ballot box," Duncan said. "We had to change the rules in the Senate a little to actually pass that, but we did pass that in the Senate early."

The House, he said, had a little more difficulty because of an even party split with 74 Democrats and 74 Republicans.

"As a result," Duncan said, "Voter ID was delayed getting to the House floor, which caused a lot of problems with the calendar."

He said the Democrats were able to stop Voter ID.

Duncan said that as he arrived at Stonyridge Golf Course here Thursday morning for his town hall meeting, he heard that the U.S. Department of Justice had disapproved Georgia's Voter ID law so passing a SESSION cont. on page 4



staff photo by David Bowser
 State Rep. Warren Chisum visits with constituents in Childress during town hall meeting to discuss this spring's legislative session.

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Sunday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 pm. Partly cloudy, with a high near 90. South southwest wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Sunday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before 1 am. Partly cloudy, with a low around 65. Windy, with a south southwest wind 20 to 25 mph decreasing to between 10 and 15 mph. Winds could gust as high as 30 mph.

Monday: Sunny, with a high near 85. North northwest wind around 10 mph.

Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 59. East northeast wind around 10 mph.

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District clerk, ex-county judge indicted

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — A district clerk and former El Paso County judge are accused of bribery, fraud and other charges in an alleged scheme to award a county contract in exchange for part of a multimillion-dollar contract, according to an indictment unsealed Friday.

District clerk Gilbert Sanchez and attorney Luther Jones appeared in federal court Friday where they were informed they each faced a count of bribery, conspiracy to commit wire fraud and deprivation of honest services, conspiracy to commit mail fraud and deprivation of honest services, and mail fraud and deprivation of honest services.

Neither was required to enter a plea during the hearing.

Stephen Peters, Jones' lawyer, declined to comment on the case but said that Jones looked forward to his day in court.

"Anything he actually did was not only not illegal, but was actually in the best interest of the public," Peters said.

Orlando Mondragon, one of Sanchez's lawyers, declined to comment after the brief hearing.

The pair is accused of working in 2003 and 2004 to ensure a technology contract to digitize

Obituaries

Doyle Clendennen, 66

Pampa, Texas— Doyle Clendennen, 66, died June 4, 2009 in Pampa, Texas.

Services will be held at 1 p.m., Saturday, June 6, 2009, at Calvary Baptist Church, with Rev. Richard Bartel, pastor, and Keith Roberson, officiating.

Graveside services will be at 4 p.m. Saturday, June 6, 2009, at Rowe Cemetery in Hedley, with Rev. Bruce Howard, pastor of First Baptist Church of Hedley, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whalley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Clendennen was born September 22, 1942 in Fort Worth. As a young boy, his family moved to Hedley where he was reared and went to school. He married Judy Saunders in 1961 in Hedley. He

owned and operated Doyle's Conoco Service Station in Hedley. He had been a resident of Pampa since 1980. Doyle worked for Northern Natural Gas/Enron for 28 years, retiring as a mechanic in 2007. He was an active member of Calvary Baptist Church. Doyle was a member of the Hedley Lions Club, Khiva Shrine Temple and Pampa Optimist Club. In his spare time, he liked to play golf with the Hidden Hills Seniors every Wednesday. He also enjoyed the outdoors, spending time on the lake, camping, fishing and riding four-wheelers. Doyle liked woodworking where he crafted several various pieces of furniture. He was a great husband, father, son and "Pa Paw" who will be greatly missed

by his family for his mischievous sense of humor and omeriness.

Survivors include his wife, Judy Clendennen of the home, one daughter, Misty Baten and husband Brent of Pampa, one son, Darrin Clendennen and wife Jody of Pampa, mother, Mildred Lee Clendennen of Pampa, three grandsons; Destry Baten, Clay Baten and Channar Clendennen, all of Pampa, three granddaughters: Jacey Baten, Kenzie Clendennen and Keziah Clendennen, all of Pampa; 1 sister: Betty Owens and husband Merle of Claude; and many nieces and nephews. Doyle was preceded in death by his father, Woodrow Wilson Clendennen and a daughter, Diane Rene



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STATE BRIEFS

Houston man gets 75 years for 10th DWI

ANGLETON, Texas (AP) — A Houston-area man has been sentenced to 75 years in prison for his 10th drunken driving conviction.

A Brazoria County jury convicted 48-year-old Keith Gregory Peltier (PEL'-teer) of Manvel.

District Attorney Jeri Yenne (YEN'-ee) described Peltier as "a time bomb in a car."

Defense attorney Jon Jaworski described the sentence, over a May 2008 traffic stop, as "excessive." An appeal is planned.

The Brazosport Facts reported Friday that Peltier's previous longest prison term for DWI was three years. He faced 25 years to life behind bars when he was sentenced Thursday.

Peltier will be eligible for parole after serving one-fourth of his sentence.

The indictment listed eight previous convictions since 1986, but an investigator with the district attorney's office says Peltier had nine prior DWI convictions.

Freddy Fender's graveside memorial to be unveiled

SAN BENITO, Texas (AP) — Freddy Fender's hometown in South Texas is hosting a memorial tribute and graveside dedication in honor of the late Tex-Mex musician.

The graveside memorial Saturday morning in San Benito will commemorate Fender's personal and professional accomplishments. The site has six monuments that surround his final resting place and includes an identical replica of his Star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

Fender's daughter, Tammy Huerta, says her father's grave has been without a headstone since his 2006 death. Huerta says the five-foot tall stone they were waiting for from Spain has finally arrived.

Mariachis will perform and country singer Rick Trevino will sing Fender's hits, "Before the Next Teardrop Falls" and "Wasted Days and Wasted Nights."

Nearly \$293,000 found in SUV bumpers

LAREDO, Texas (AP) — Big bucks in the bumpers.

The search of an SUV at a border crossing in Laredo turned up nearly \$293,000 in undeclared cash smuggled in the front and rear bumpers.

U.S. Customs and Border Protection on Friday announced seizure of the money. The driver has been detained and will face bulk cash smuggling charges.

Agents located the funds on Wednesday during a search at the Lincoln-Juarez Bridge, as the vehicle was bound for Mexico.

An imaging system indicated abnormalities in the rear bumper, leading to a more extensive search and 39 packets with \$292,842.

CBP says the driver had answered no when asked if he had U.S. currency in excess of \$10,000, weapons or ammunition.

Man convicted in drug death

DALLAS (AP) — A man accused of being the supplier in the overdose death of a Southern Methodist University student has been convicted on drug and weapons charges.

A federal jury in Dallas on Friday convicted 48-year-old James McDaniel.

Jurors decided the Dallas man provided cocaine, methamphetamine and oxycodone leading to the 2007 death of 21-year-old Meghan Bosch.

Sentencing is Sept. 8. McDaniel faces a maximum life prison term.

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Murder charge dropped 2 weeks before trial

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — A capital murder charge has been dropped against a man just two weeks before his trial for the 1997 robbery and murder of his college roommate's mother.

Prosecutors said they made the decision because of Michael Puryear's credible alibi, weak DNA evidence and questions about the truthfulness of a main witness.

"There just wasn't any other option," Bob Gill, a prosecutor with the Tarrant County District Attorney's Office, said Wednesday.

The dismissal was a blow to the family of Verna Dennis, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported.

Her daughter Rebecka Eggers said she felt bad about how this has affected Puryear's life if he is innocent, but that "unfortunately, it appears we will be forced to live with the uncertainty."

Dennis' mother, Wynema Drury, 82, said she had been eagerly awaiting the trial, set to start June 15, although she had not planned to attend.

"I thought, 'Will I live long enough to see it?'" she said.

Puryear's attorney, Larry Moore, said he respected prosecutors for making the "right decision."

"When you're not sure you have the right guy, you don't go forward," Moore said. "It's really simple."

Although the crime for which Puryear was charged carries a possible death penalty as punishment, prosecutors waived the death penalty, Gill said Friday, adding that he was not privy to that discussion. So Puryear faced a maximum punishment of life in prison if he had been convicted.

The body of Dennis, 56, the co-owner of a beauty salon, was found by friends arriving at her home for Bible study. She had been struck 23 times on the head, and her throat was cut with a butcher knife, an autopsy reported.

In 2005, a man told police that Puryear had confessed that he killed Dennis, the mother of Puryear's college roommate at Southwestern University in Georgetown. Investigators have said that, in addition to details about the case that only the killer could know, DNA linked Puryear to the crime scene.

But the district attorney's investigation determined that the informant's story was not credible, Gill said Wednesday, declining to elaborate.

Moore said that the man took a polygraph test Monday that was inconclusive, but the examiner who issued the report believed the man was untruthful. The man had gone to police seeking a deal in which authorities would dismiss a felony charge against him and he would testify against Puryear, Moore said.

Gill also said DNA evidence linking Puryear to the crime was not strong and "could have belonged to a very, very large group of people. It's not the one-in-a-trillion odds that we might see on TV."

Puryear, 31, was arrested in 2006 and has been free on bail for two years.

Session

Voter ID bill in the Texas Legislature may have been in vain anyway.

"The Obama Justice Department is going to take a harder view on those types of issues than would have the Bush Justice Department," Duncan said.

The Senator said changes in voting laws in southern states have to be cleared by the U.S. Department of Justice because of the Voting Rights Act.

"At the end of the day," he said, "when you look at what happened, I think we had a pretty good session on some things. On other things, we'll probably have to wait another day."

He said that the session ended with the Texas Department of Transportation bill and the Texas Department of Insurance bill not passing, and there was no safety net bill passed for them.

"Unless we do something," Duncan said, "those agencies will start winding down in about a year."

For that reason, Duncan thinks Gov. Rick Perry will call a Special Session next year (The Texas Legislature meets in regular session for 140 days only in odd numbered years).

Duncan said the Senate took a hard position on the Texas Department of Transportation because there was \$2 billion dollars in Proposition 12 bonds that were not issued that would have supported highway construction.

Proposition 12 was a constitutional amendment that passed in 2007 that provided for \$5 billion in bonds for highway improvements.

"We felt like we needed to force the issue on those bonds," Duncan said.

Duncan said that if the state isn't funding construction in the cities, then

TxDOT raids their maintenance funds from the rural counties.

The Senator said it was the most contentious session that he's seen.

"For rural Texas," he said, "I think we had some good results."

Part of that was a bill that helps rural communities gain doctors.

Duncan said that Chisum passed one of the bill concerning rural physicians by changing the way the state taxes smokeless tobacco. Snuff will be taxed on weight rather than price.

"That raised about \$90 million," Duncan said.

Of that \$90 million expected to flow into the state coffers, \$30 to \$40 million will go into the Physician Loan Repayment Plan.

"That allows physicians to come work in rural areas and have their medical school loans repaid if they work in rural areas," Duncan said.

The rest of the money expected to come in was used to raise the exemption on the state's franchise tax to \$600,000 and maybe as much as \$1 million, depending upon the figures that the Texas State Comptroller comes up with.

"The small businessman is going to get a significant tax because of what Warren Chisum did," Duncan said.

He said the Legislature also improved oil field cleanup provisions.

"It was the lack of oil field electrical safety that caused the fires that ravaged this area four years ago," Duncan said.

He said the Legislature appropriated a lot of money this past spring, but a lot

of it was federal stimulus money.

"Without the stimulus money, we would have had an even tougher session," Duncan said.

Chisum said that when the Legislature saw the federal stimulus money coming down, they reduced the general revenue in the budget.

"Everyone of those programs that are funded with Obama dollars specifically says that once the money is spent, that program goes away," Chisum said, "so we're not stuck with anything that we're going to have to fund in the future."

Chisum said Texas did turn down \$550 million in stimulus money because

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it would have required a significant change on businesses and how they had to pay unemployment taxes.

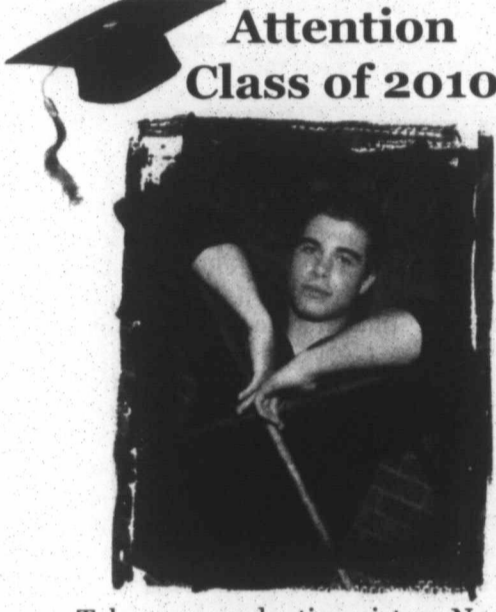
Duncan said that federal money generally has strings attached to it.

"We're in good shape," Duncan said. "We have about \$9 billion that we left in the bank because we think the next legislative session is going to be even tougher if this economy doesn't turn around."

Duncan said he doesn't think it will by the time the Legislature meets again in two years.

Depending upon the price of oil, the state could enter its next legislative session in 2011 with \$11 or \$12 billion in the bank.

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Around town

Campbell, Hernandez to wed



Ramon and Grace Hernandez of Pampa are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Mayra Cassandra Hernandez to Benjamin James Campbell, also of Pampa.

The couple will exchange vows Saturday August 1, 2009, at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Pampa.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Clarendon College, now attending West Texas A&M. She is a member of the National Honors Society of Education, Vice-President of Parish Council at St. Vincent de Paul and works as Head Start Aide at Lamar Elementary School.

The groom is the son of Don and Sue Campbell of Pampa.

He is a Clarendon College graduate, with plans to attend West Texas A&M. Campbell is currently employed at Campbell Ranch.

Cross Texas Transmission to conduct community information session

Cross Texas Transmission will be conducting a Community Information Session, which will be held Tuesday June 23, 2009 and Wednesday June 24, 2009. Please feel free to attend the event that best meets your schedule and location.

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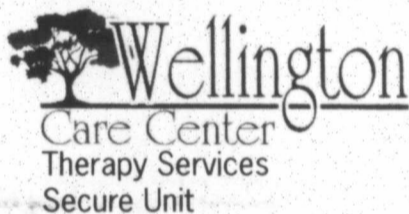
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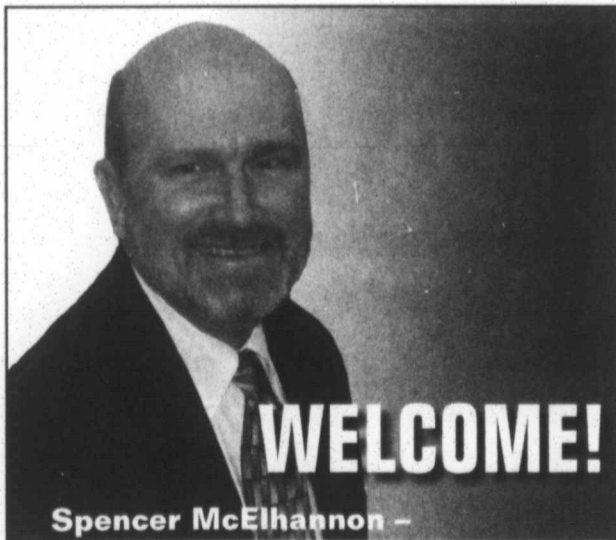
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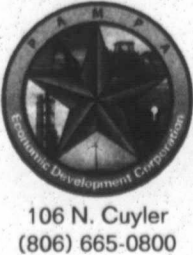
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Aliyah Marie Acosta

Aliyah Marie Acosta was welcomed by parents Felipe and Micki Acosta at 2:05 am on May 14 at PRMC in Pampa. She weighed 7.5 pounds, and was 20 inches long. She was also welcomed by grandparents Felipe Acosta Sr. of Del Rio, Letty Martinez of Shamrock, Larry and Kristi Petty of Pampa, and Vicky and Lyle Halliburton of Pampa, as well as her siblings, Mallorie, Mya, Maddox, Danica and Adrin, all from Pampa.



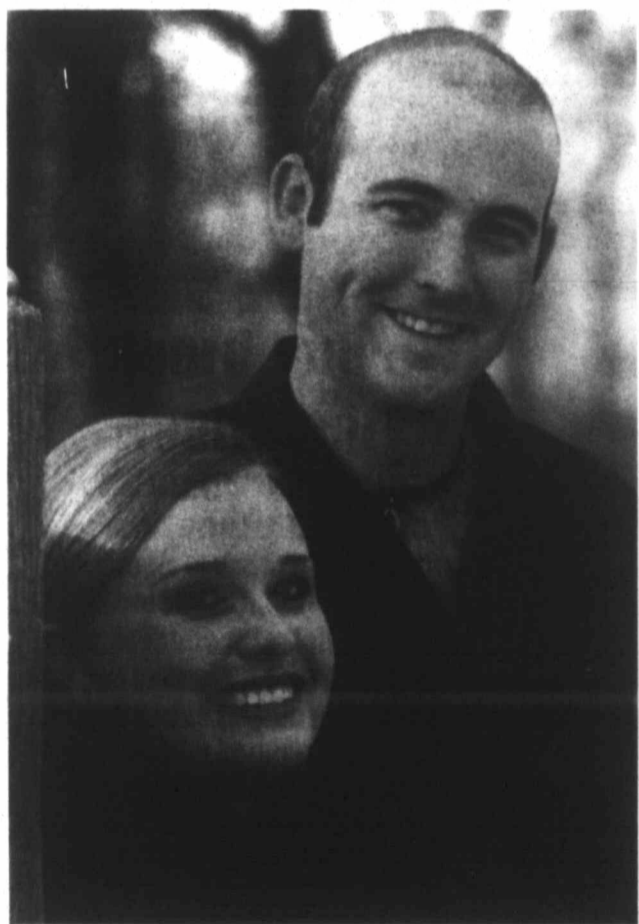
Epps, Swigart to wed in August

Jerad Alan Epps and Ashley Nicole Swigart of Lubbock would like to announce their engagement and upcoming marriage. The couple plan to wed August 1, at the First Baptist Church in Lubbock.

Ashley is the daughter of Russ and Joanne Swigart of Lipan, Texas and graduated from Keller High School in 2004. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Mathematics from Texas Tech University and is pursuing a Masters degree for Physicians Assistant in the fall of 2009. She is employed by Walgreen's in Lubbock as a pharmacy technician.

Jerad is the son of Leslie and Scott Smith of Pampa and the late Tim Epps. He graduated from Pampa High in 1997.

He holds an Associate's degree in Electronics Service Technology and an Associate of Science from South Plains College in Levelland. He also has a BBA in Marketing from Texas Tech University. Jerad is currently the Internet and Inside Sales representative for ASCO Equipment in Lubbock.



Hill, Milligan to exchange vows July 25

Edward and Kim Hill of Pampa are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter, Lexi Hill, to Brandon Milligan of Midland.

Lexi is a 2003 graduate of Pampa High School and graduated from West Texas A & M University in 2006 with a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education. She is currently employed with Pampa ISD at Wilson Elementary.

Brandon is the son of Aubrey and Vanessa Milligan of Pampa.

The wedding will be held Saturday, July 25 at the First Christian Church in Pampa.

Brandon is a 1998 graduate of Pampa High School. He attained his associate's degree in Theology at Christ for the Nations in 2002. He is employed at SM&P Utility Resources in Midland.

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Pampa Senior Citizens Menu

Monday, June 8–Friday, June 12.

Monday

Chicken fried steak or chicken ala king/corn bread, mashed potatoes, green beans, beets, beans, slaw, tossed salad, or Jello salad, german chocolate cake or butterscotch pie, and hot rolls or corn bread.

Tuesday

Chicken leg quarters/dressing, or salisbury steak aujus, mashed potatoes, spinach, yams, beans, slaw, tossed salad, or Jello salad, strawberry shortcake or lemon icebox pie, and hot rolls or corn bread.

Wednesday

Roast beef brisket with brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, peas, carrots, beans, slaw, tossed salad or Jello salad, Boston cream pie, or cherry cream pie, and hot rolls or corn bread.

Thursday

Chicken strips or liver with onions, curly fries, California blend, cream corn, beans, slaw or tossed salad or Jello salad, french vanilla cake or chocolate pie, and hot rolls or corn bread.

Friday

Catfish and hush puppies or taco salad, potato wedges, cheese hominy, beans, slaw, tossed salad or Jello salad, brownies or tapioca cups and garlic bread sticks, hot rolls, or corn bread.

Martin, Drennan to wed June 20

Chip and Charlotte Martin of Borger are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Jade Nicole Martin to Jeremy Lynn Drennan of Borger, Texas.

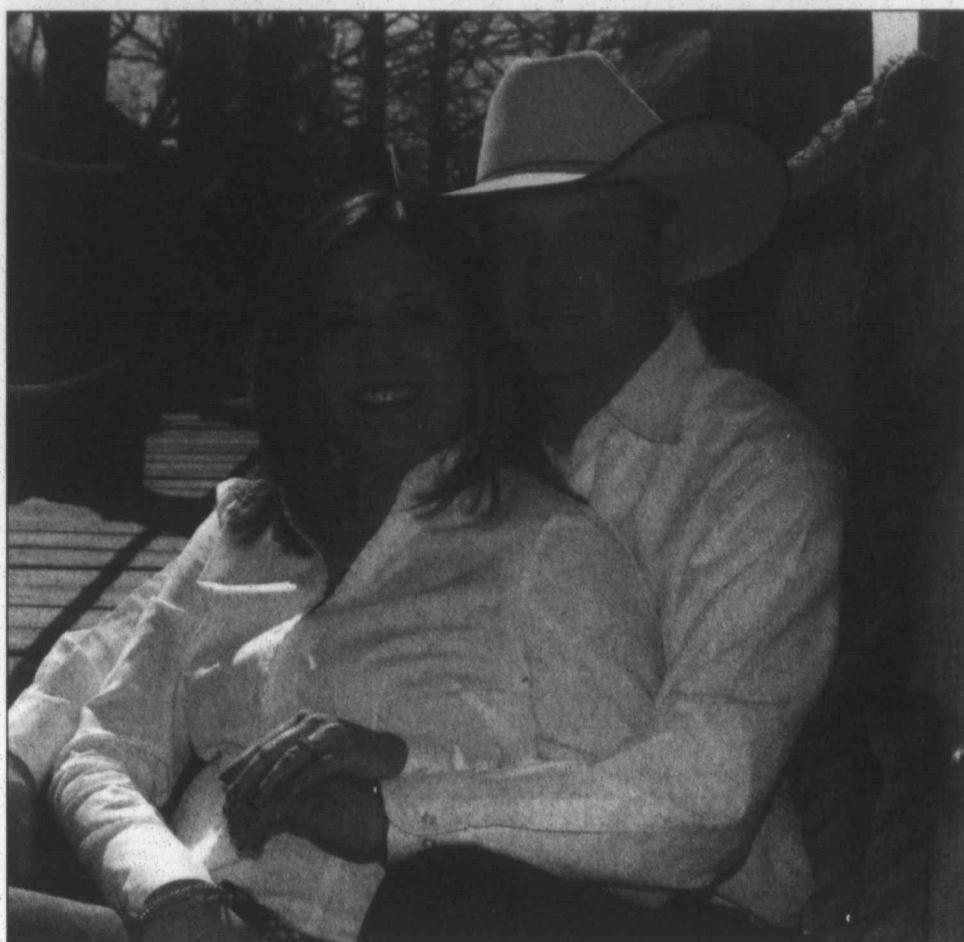
His parents, their city of residence: Greg and Carla Drennan of Stinnett, Texas.

The couple will wed Saturday, June 20, 2009 at Noon in the Schneider House, 120 S. Russell in Pampa.

Jade is a 2001 graduate of Borger High School and 2005 graduate of Lubbock Christian University with a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice.

She is an adult probation officer for Gray County Community Supervision and Corrections Department in Pampa, Texas.

Jeremy is a 2001 West Texas High School graduate of Stinnett, Texas. He



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Ian Lopez named All-American Scholar

The United States Achievement Academy announced today that Ian Lopez from Pampa, Texas has been named an All-American Scholar.

The USAA has established the All-American Scholar Award Program to offer deserved recognition to superior students who excel in the academic disciplines. The All-American Scholars must earn a 3.3 or higher grade point average. Only scholars selected by a school instructor, counselor, other qualified sponsor are accepted.

Ian Lopez, who attends Pampa High School, was nominated for this honor by Jennifer Studebaker. Ian Lopez will appear in the All-American Scholar Yearbook which is published nationally.

"Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history. Certainly, students recognized as All-American Scholars should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement," said Dr. George Stevens, Founder of the United States Achievement Academy.

DAILY HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, June 8, 2009:

The unexpected runs riot this year. You might be taken back by everything that occurs, reminding you once more to toss thinking in terms of the status quo. Experiment and open up to new processes and different ways; delight in the newness of life. The more you flex, the happier you will be. A closer bond could appear for single Twins. Someone you meet in the near future might make you very happy. Just don't allow this whirlwind romance to take off too fast! If you are attached, affection deepens as newfound openness refreshes your bond. CAPRICORN might understand you better than you think!

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)

*** If you're grounded, you'll get information necessary to end negotiations about a job. Take action late this afternoon, when you are more likely to get everyone's ear. Rethink revising your opinion about a key associate. Tonight: Burning the midnight oil.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

***** Understand the power of a passive role and subsequent gains. What you want might not happen immediately, but it will happen. Remain optimistic, despite new information. The end product or consequences could be quite different. Tonight: Find a respected friend for feedback.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

***** Others continue to dominate. Your sense of direction could play out in the afternoon with a partner. Evaluate

your choices with care, as one or more paths seem possible. Tonight: A trusted pal or friend gives you unusual feedback.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

***** Tackle your work, as time might be limited from tomorrow on. Truth be told, the afternoon brings many unthought-of options. Be willing to make an adjustment if visiting or networking. Tonight: Out and about.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

*** Confront challenges immediately, when you are more likely to see a solution appear. If you are wondering what would be best, hold off for a while. Others play a big role in your ability to focus. Perhaps working from home late in the day would fit the bill. Tonight: Burning the candle at both ends.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

*** Choose to anchor yourself. Move a project forward, but wait until mid-afternoon before launching any new concepts. Information from those at a distance or from experts could force your hand. Understand that there is more than one way to approach a situation. Tonight: Do only what you enjoy, and with people you enjoy.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*** Make calls immediately, and understand your choices. Someone is likely to shine some light on what you thought was a done deal. You reach a fork in the road of life: to be closed and rigid, or to open up to new possibilities. Tonight: Happily at home.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

*** Handle your finances directly before they handle you! Ignoring the situation certainly won't work. A discussion with a family member is instrumental in making the right choices. You might need some time to mull over ideas.

Do just that. Tonight: Meet someone halfway.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

***** Continue the high-energy performance before your energy goes south. Avoiding financial matters for whatever reason needs to stop or never happen! The more time you spend on a job, the better the end results. Tonight: Balance your checkbook first.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

*** You could drag for a good part of the day. When you perk up, you feel unstoppable. Notice what might be going on with a close associate or friend. Give this person a smile, and he or she will open up, revealing many different aspects. Tonight: Kick up your heels.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

***** Clearly, you have certain matters that need to be handled, and the sooner the better. Consider news and evaluate which course might be the best. The key might be not sharing this process, except with a trusted pal. Tonight: Remember, you don't always need to be available.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

***** A situation demands your total focus and energy. Others want you to take the lead. Though this request might be very flattering, you might have other plans. Focus on your goals right now. A meeting remains key. Tonight: Do you really care that it's Monday night?

BORN TODAY

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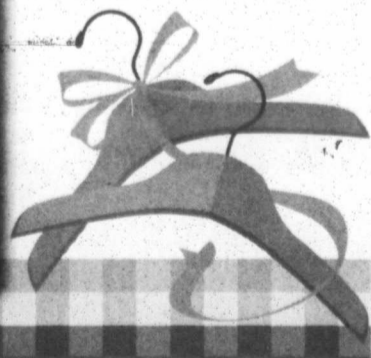
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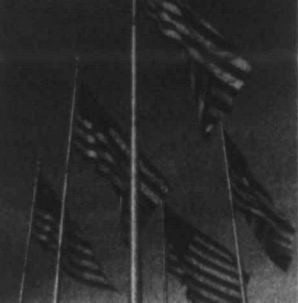
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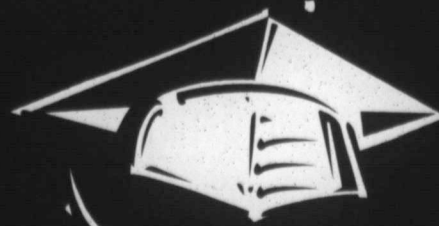


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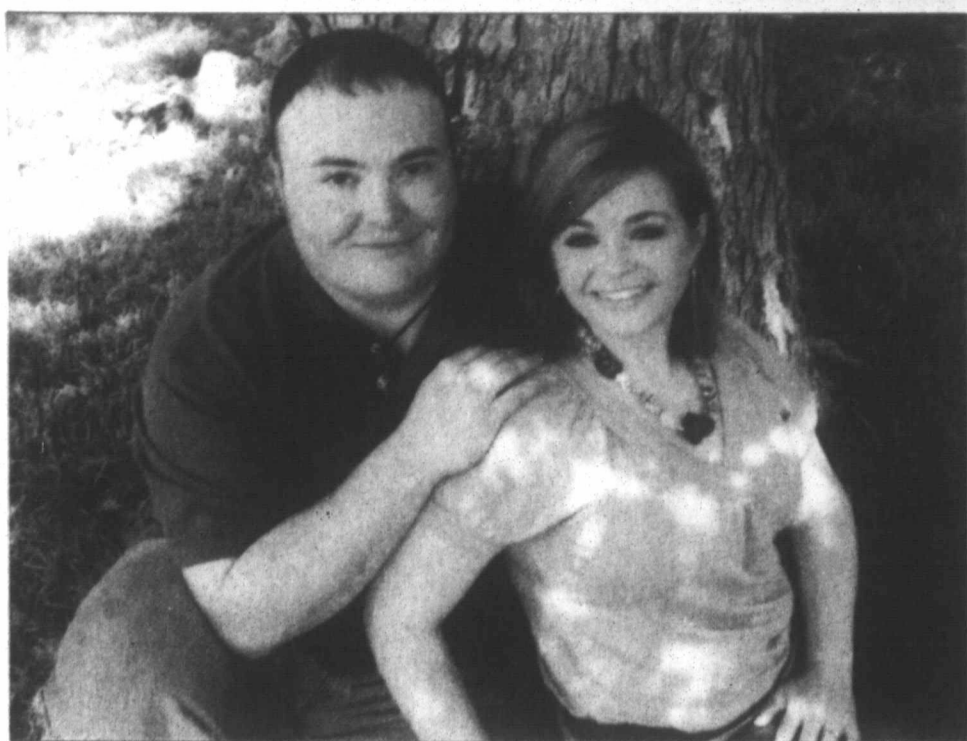
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Dixons celebrate 50th anniversary

Robert and JoAnn Dixon will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Saturday, June 6. Dixon married the former JoAnn Addington on June 7, 1959 at the Calvary Baptist Church in Pampa. They have lived in Pampa for 50 years.

Dixon is retired from Equifax and is currently employed as the Gray County Veterans Service Officer. Dixon has served 18 years and is still actively serving as a

Pampa City Commissioner. Mr. Dixon is a Lifetime Member of the Pampa Optimist Club. Mrs. Dixon has been a bookkeeper for over 30 years. She was a member of the Opti-Mrs Club.

Children of the couple are Robert and Debbie Dixon, Chris and Doreen Dixon and the late Kimberly Ann Dixon. The couple has 10 grandchildren.

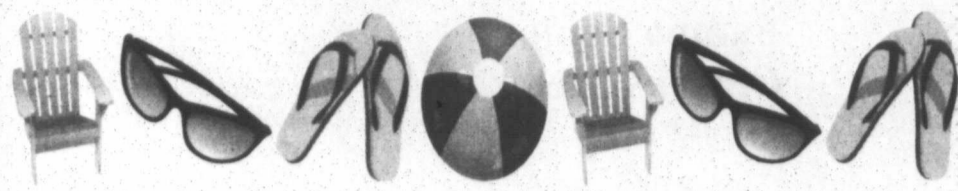
Myers, Jernigan plan October wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Myers of Samnorwood would like to announce the engagement of their daughter, Danielle Nicole Myers, to Tyler Reese Jernigan of Shamrock. Tyler is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Bob Jernigan of Shamrock. The couple is planning an October 10th wedding in Wellington.

Danielle is a 2006 graduate of Samnorwood High School and attends West Texas A & M in Canyon and is

employed at West Texas Western Store in Canyon. Tyler is a 2002 graduate of Shamrock High School and is employed by the Pampa Police Department

Danielle is the granddaughter of Larry and Bobby Jennings of Wheeler and Leon and Bonita Myers of Samnorwood and the great granddaughter of Mrs. Dorothy Ellis of Wheeler. Tyler is the grandson of Mrs. Dorothy Bishop of Shamrock.



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Shooting changes guitarist's life

MARBLE FALLS, Texas (AP)— Lloyd Dalton would be the first to tell you he's not a deeply religious man. He's just a country musician who says God protected him one Friday night almost two years ago at O'Neill's Sports Tavern. The night a man aimed a gun at Dalton in the Marble Falls bar after shooting a bartender who got in his way.

"I don't know if you're a Christian or not, and it's none of my business," Dalton said. "But God was with me that night, and it's changed my life."

Police said the man accused of being the gunman, Paul Devoe III, shot five other people after leaving the bar. Devoe is now in the Travis County Correctional Complex awaiting trial on capital murder charges in the deaths of two of the victims.

Dalton said the shooting put him at a crossroads.

The 75-year-old has spent more than half a century gracing country music stages with his Willie Nelson-style guitar picking, playing mostly on weekends and doing occasional backup gigs for country stars. After that night in O'Neill's, his new stage is in the auditoriums of local churches and the cafeterias of nursing homes, where he honors God for the talents he's been given and looks for healing and understanding.

Dalton grew up west of Dallas in the country, where he learned to play guitar by strumming along to the country tunes of Eddy Arnold and Ernest Tubb he heard on his Philco radio.

By the time he graduated from high school, he was fixing telephone poles and installing wires for Mountain Bell Telephone & Telegraph in El Paso, and on the weekends he and the five other members of the Texas Trailblazers would travel as far as Arizona to play shows.

"I'd make more money in one night with the band than I could in a whole week working my job," Dalton said. "I spent all my free time smoking cigarettes, drinking beer, playing guitar and having a great time."

After Dalton's father advised him to find a good job because there wasn't money for college, Dalton put his focus on work; his band only made occasional television appearances on Channel 4. One of his co-workers told Dalton that her little sister Polly had seen him on TV and was crazy about him. The co-worker later introduced them, and the two were married in 1959. The couple moved to Austin after the births of three children: Lloyd Jr., Jenny and Kyle.

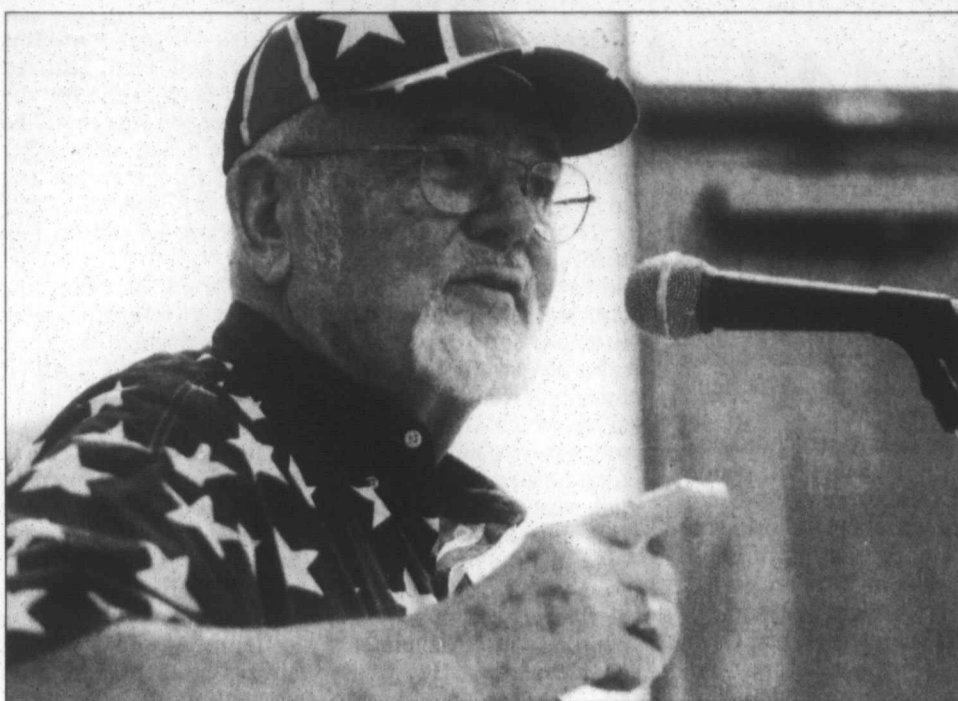
Lloyd Dalton kept at his passion, too. He performed at opries all over Central Texas. He played mariachi guitar in Juarez, Chihuahua, with Johnny Cash. He was backup lead guitarist for country stars like Webb Pierce, Hank Locklin and Patsy Cline. But only on the weekends.

In 1978, Dalton received a promotion to area manager, a job that transferred him to Waco.

Lloyd and Polly Dalton and their son Kyle were in a hotel room in Waco after closing on a new house on Dec. 22 when they received the phone call. Jenny, their 19-year-old daughter, had been in a head-on collision on U.S. 183 that killed her, her boyfriend and a passenger in the other car. The other driver, who had been drinking, suffered two broken knees and served three years' probation.

Dalton said his daughter's death left a hole in his heart that never fully healed.

Dalton's sons graduated from college and started lives of their own. Lloyd Jr. owns an electronic installation company and works



Lloyd Dalton plays for a crowd at the First United Methodist Church in Burnet, Texas. Lloyd Dalton would be the first to tell you he's not a deeply religious man. He's just a country musician who says God protected him one Friday night almost two years ago at O'Neill's Sports Tavern. The night a man aimed a gun at Dalton in the Marble Falls bar after shooting a bartender who got in his way. (AP Photo/Austin American-Statesman, Deborah Cannon).

in construction. He plays bass and knows all his father's music. Kyle went into sports journalism and is media director for the Austin Aztecs soccer team.

Lloyd Dalton received a diamond-studded ring from Southwestern Bell, which had taken over Mountain Bell, when he retired in 1991 after 35 years of service. His knees had started to go bad after years of climbing telephone poles, and he occasionally used a cane.

In August 2007, Dalton agreed to sit in for a show at the request of a longtime friend and fellow guitarist. The Friday gig at O'Neill's was just a mile from his home in Marble Falls.

The band began setting up its instruments at 7 p.m. on the small stage tucked in the left corner by the door and eased into a country set. An hour later, the band was in the middle of its third song, "Blue Eyes Crying in the Rain," when a man came through the front door and confronted a woman inside the bar. The band kept playing until Dalton heard someone yell, "He's got a gun!"

Dalton watched the man put the gun to the woman's head and pull the trigger. Nothing happened, Dalton said. As the gunman put a new clip in his weapon, the woman ran to the back of the bar, out of Dalton's line of vision. He heard a gunshot. His friend later told him that when bartender Michael Allred, 41, tried to talk the man into giving him the gun, he was shot in the chest.

The 30 or 40 people in the bar ran for the exit, Dalton said, but he knew his weak knees weren't going to get him there. He said he held his bass guitar close to his chest and crouched underneath a table.

Dalton said the gunman walked toward him, brandishing his weapon at chest level and pointing it at Dalton before running out the door.

"He looked at me, but I don't even know if he saw me," Dalton said. "He had to have been possessed by the devil. It's the only explanation."

Dalton immediately called his wife to tell her he wasn't hurt.

According to police reports, the woman whom the gunman confronted in the bar was Glenda Purcell, who had recently filed a restraining order against Devoe, her ex-boyfriend. Police said Devoe left the bar and drove to another ex-girlfriend's home about 30 miles away in Jonestown. There, police say, he fatally shot Paula Griffith, 46, her daughter Haylie Faulkner, 15, Haylie's friend Danielle Hensley, 17, and Griffith's sometime boyfriend Jay Feltner, 48.

Pennsylvania authorities later accused Devoe of fatally shooting 81-year-old Betty Jane DeHart

and stealing her car. Police arrested Devoe on Long Island, in New York, a few days after the shootings.

When Lloyd Dalton got home after that night in the bar, Polly Dalton was standing in their open garage. The two embraced and cried for a long time.

Afterward, Lloyd Dalton would wake up thinking about that night. Other nights, he couldn't fall asleep.

"I would close my eyes and see that man walking straight towards me with that gun," said Dalton, who said he will never forget the gunman's face. "It makes me sick when his picture shows up in the newspaper."

Dalton began seeing a Christian counselor, who told him he was dealing with post-traumatic stress disorder and tried to help him find his way through church and prayer.

It took several months for Dalton to sleep through the night.

In January 2008, he lay in Seton Medical Center recovering from knee replacement surgery in room 609 while his wife was in room 613 with a broken shoulder after she tripped over a curb outside the hospital. It took more than five months for them to recover, and during that time, Dalton said he finally understood God's path for him.

"What happened to me, I felt like the good Lord was speaking to me," Dalton said. "I told him I wouldn't do any more of this country stuff, no more opries, no more traveling, but I would praise him for giving me these skills instead."

Dalton, whose parents lived out their final days in a nursing home with Alzheimer's disease and dementia, decided to dedicate his energies to nursing homes and charities.

He met with the activities director at Northwood

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4 travelers missed doomed Flight 447

PARIS (AP) — A reservation mix-up, an overbooking and a Brazilian cabbie's passion for soccer are all that separated some would-be passengers on Air France flight 447 from the fate of 228 others who lost their lives in the mid-Atlantic.

The survivors say their relief is overshadowed by the immense sense of loss they feel for those who didn't make it.

"It feels miraculous and sad at the same time," said Amina Benouargha-Jaffiol, who tried to get on the flight Sunday night, even enlisting a diplomat friend to try to pressure Air France to let her and her husband on.

"Of course, at some level we feel lucky, but we also feel an enormous sadness for all those who perished," she said.

For some it was a simple matter of arriving at Rio's airport late; for Andrej Aplinc, it was because he got there early.

The 39-year-old Slovenian sailor and father of two was spared because his cab driver was in a hurry to see a soccer match.

With time to spare at the airport, Aplinc, who was supposed to take Flight 447, learned there was no seat on the plane with enough legroom for him to stretch out his bum knee. But since he'd arrived early, he was able to board an earlier 4 p.m. Air France flight, which did have a roomy seat.

"It was such huge luck that I flew with that earlier plane," Aplinc said from his home in Radelj Ob Dravi in northeastern Slovenia.

Gustavo Ciriaco was scheduled to be on that 4 p.m. flight. But he arrived late at the check-in and was told airline agents could not find his seat and the gate was about to close.

The 39-year-old Brazilian choreographer and dancer was on his way to Europe for two weeks of rehearsals for his next ballet, and had a connecting flight to catch in Paris.

Ciriaco pleaded to be let him on the plane, and finally the airline discovered the seating error and relented.

If the reservation mix-up hadn't been resolved, "I would have tried to take the following flight because I would have arrived in Paris with enough time to catch my connection," Ciriaco said.

The next flight? Air France 447.

"Survivors" like these often need psychological counseling, said Guillaume Denoix de Saint-Marc, whose father was among the 170 people killed in 1989 when Libyan terrorists downed UTA Flight 772 with a suitcase bomb. He now heads an association that helps victims of airline disasters.

"They can have big psychological problems. We meet a lot of people like that," said Denoix de Saint-Marc, who was asked by French authorities to counsel relatives of the victims of Flight 447 at a crisis center at Paris' airport.

In the case of UTA flight 772, some of the pilots and cabin crew who had flown the French DC-10 jetliner before handing it over to the doomed crew "couldn't resume their careers," Denoix de Saint-Marc said.

"They lost their flying licenses because of big psychological problems or alcoholism," he said.

Such traumas have a name: "Survivors' syndrome," seen often in combat and other crisis situations in which those who make it feel as though they fled, deserted their buddies or were cowardly, said psychiatrist Ronan Orio.

But being saved by the ticket counter, traffic or other caprices of life should not be considered traumatic, said Orio, who has worked with victims of hostage situations, terror attacks and airline crashes.

Instead, near-miss situations should be viewed in a positive light, he said.

"People who take a plane and have a second chance win the lotto. They have the right to continue where the others died," he said.

Benouargha-Jaffiol and her husband Claude Jaffiol got a second chance last Sunday.

The couple, who live in Montpellier, France, had pulled strings to try to get on Flight 447, even drafting a family friend, a Dutch diplomat, to phone Air France and try to get them seats on the overcrowded plane.

She and her husband finally left the airport, returning Monday after the disaster.

"This type of tragedy should give us all a lesson in humility and humanism," she said. "No one lives forever. We often forget that."

Guitar

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Health Care Center in Marble Falls and asked for a chance to sing and play his guitar. The center already had a duo that played regularly but agreed to grant Dalton an audition.

He played a few songs before putting the guitar down and shaking hands with the few residents who listened to him. Dalton said he was humbled by the circumstances they had to overcome. Afterward, he told his wife he had finally found his niche.

A year and a half later, Dalton said he has more gigs than ever. He gets paid to play regular shows at five venues, mostly for people with Alzheimer's or dementia. He wears an American flag shirt to show his patriotism, makes jokes about his age and laughs with the crowd as he plays old country and gospel songs from his youth. The audience members clap their hands and sway along.

"Some of them can't even talk, but they know my songs," Dalton said. "There's been a couple times where I come home and I shed tears of joy that I can serve folks like that."

L.C. Johnston, a minister at First United Methodist Church in Burnet, where Dalton plays for people with dementia, says he has noticed a change in his friend of 14 years.

"Lloyd has experienced quite the transformation over the past two years," Johnston said. "He went from secularity to frequently talking about his faith and the reasons for it. It's made him a better person."

On March 3, Dalton's phone rang, and the voice on the other end asked him, "Are you Lloyd Dalton, the musician? I'm Alberta Allred, Mike's mother."

Allred had seen Dalton play at a Victims of Violent

Crimes event months before and later realized he had been at the bar the night her son was shot. She said she'd had his number for a long time, but she needed to wait until she was strong enough to talk to him.

"He tried to bring me comfort by telling me what he went through with his daughter's death," Allred said.

Dalton told her it would be tough. "I said, 'You're going to have so many people try to do things for you to make you feel better, but it won't. We've been there. We're in the same club now.'"

"Jenny's death will always be there. Life goes on, and you have to go on with it, but you never forget," Dalton said.

Allred told Dalton about her son.

"If there was ever anyone who needed to be helped, he'd be there," she said. "Mike was big and tall and easy to talk to."

The two talked for an hour and a half about how her son used to carry a Bible with him and how his daughter tried out for the Dallas Cowboys cheerleaders.

He and Allred talked about life and prayer and how that night in the bar changed Dalton's direction in life.

Devoe's jury selection is scheduled to begin Sept. 10. In the meantime, Dalton says he's as busy as ever, "pickin' and grinnin'." He says he's also happier than ever.

"The good Lord was talking to me that night, and I am so glad I've been able to answer."



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Innocence group taking DNA case reviews statewide

JEFF CARLTON
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) — The Innocence Project of Texas said Thursday it's taking its groundbreaking Dallas campaign of reviewing DNA claims statewide.

Chief Counsel Jeff Blackburn said he is sending a letter to every Texas judge and district attorney, encouraging them to refer cases to the Innocence Project of Texas. Blackburn's group has been part of the effort that has led to more than 20 Dallas County cases in which a judge has set aside a conviction based on DNA testing.

"We're going to go after wrongful convictions in every single court in every single county in this state and come back with another Tim Cole case or two or three," Blackburn said.

Cole was a wrongly convicted

man who died in prison in 1999 while serving time for a rape that DNA testing cleared him of last year. He is the state's first posthumous DNA exoneree.

Flanked by three wrongly convicted exonerees who spent more than 70 combined years in prison, Blackburn said it's dangerous to think that "every wrongful case comes out of Dallas." Dallas County leads the nation with 21 DNA exonerations; Texas' 38 DNA exonerations are also a national high.

"All the people claiming innocence in prison are not from Dallas," said Cory Session, Cole's brother and the policy director for the Innocence Project of Texas. "They are from all over the state."

A \$25,000 grant from the Texas Bar Foundation will help the group proceed with its statewide effort, Blackburn said. The

cash-strapped innocence group has been looking for funding sources after part of a \$400,000 grant fell through when the donor lost money in the Ponzi scheme run by financier Bernie Madoff.

Among Texas DAs, only Dallas County District Attorney Craig Watkins has actively cooperated with innocence groups, one factor that has led to the frequent pace of exonerations there.

"I know you receive letters from inmates all the time who claim they are innocent and that you should reinvestigate their case," Blackburn writes in his letter. "If you want to refer such claims and letters to us, we would be glad to investigate them."

Session and Blackburn also praised the Texas Legislature for passing a bill named for Cole that makes Texas the most generous state in the nation in compensating the wrongly convicted. Each

exoneree will receive \$80,000 for each year they were imprisoned, plus a lifetime annuity that on average is worth another \$40,000 a year.

That means an exoneree who spent 20 years in prison will receive a \$1.6 million lump sum; plus the \$40,000 annuity. Exonerees will start collecting their money when the new law takes effect in September.

"I think the compensation is great," said Billy Smith, who spent 20 years in prison for a wrongful conviction of aggravated sexual assault. "But witness identification is just as important to me as compensation."

The exonerees and Innocence Project of Texas officials lamented the Legislature's failure to pass a witness identification bill that would have required police departments to have a written policy in place for the presenta-

tion of photo arrays and suspect lineups. In nearly all the Dallas County cases, eyewitness mis-identification was a factor in convicting an innocent person.

But the eyewitness identification bill was one of many that got lost in the Legislature's political fight over voter ID legislation. Its failure to become law "will result in more innocent people being convicted in the trial courts of this state — right here, right now," Blackburn said.

Blackburn and Session said they would request the eyewitness ID bill be revived in the 2011 session, or if the governor calls for a special session.

"Voter ID is not going to cost anyone their life. Eyewitness ID will," Session said. "It's extremely disheartening. We were very disappointed in the fact that we got so close and the wrong ID got picked instead of the correct ID."

Buffalo crash opened window into pilots' life

CLARENCE, N.Y. (AP) — Long-suffering pilots for commuter airlines say it's about time that Washington and passengers alike pay attention to the cockpit, where pilots may be exhausted, under-trained — and paid less than the bus or cab drivers who'd ferried their passengers to the airport.

"We have been calling for years trying to get the public to understand what their lifestyle is really like," said Capt. Paul Rice, first vice president of the Air Line Pilots Association, International, the nation's largest pilot's union, representing 54,000 flyers.

The plight of many commuter pilots was revealed at a recent federal hearing into the Feb. 12 crash of Continental Connection Flight 3407 near Buffalo that killed 50 people.

The National Transportation Safety Board's hearing set off a cry in Congress for a review of safety at regional carriers, including training, scheduling and pay issues. The Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee has scheduled hearings Wednesday and June 17 on pilot fatigue and safety. A House hearing is also planned for June, although no date has been set.

Like Flight 3407's copilot, Rebecca Shaw, Capt. Dave Ryter earned around \$17,000 in his first year with a regional carrier and flew coast-to-coast just to get to work because of his placement in Miami.

"My wife held down a job and we lived in an apartment about 45 minutes north of Los Angeles International (Airport) and scraped by," said Ryter, who has 10 years with his regional airline and is a union officer with ALPA.

Regional carriers like Ryter's, and Shaw's employer, Colgan Air, handle about half of all domestic departures and about a quarter of the passengers, about 160 million yearly, often flying under the names of their larger partner airlines, like Continental or USAir.

But with smaller planes, shorter routes and less experienced pilots, they pay considerably less than their larger counterparts, despite pilot schedules that can include multiple daily flights for six days in a row.

Rice described draining 14- to 16-hour duty days, much of that time unpaid and spent waiting in crew lounges. With no food on planes, pilots grab meals on the run from airport fast-food stands. Perks like holiday and overtime pay don't exist, he said.

To earn six to eight hours of pay, "you can come to work at seven in the morning for an eight o'clock departure and park your last flight at nine o'clock that night," said Rice, whose union favors tougher FAA regulations on how many consecutive hours pilots can fly or be on duty. The issue has lingered on the agendas of the FAA and the NTSB since the mid-1990s.

Pilots said fatigue and lower pay are eroding the quality of pilots entering the airline industry, both at regional and major carriers.

"It used to be that airline pilot jobs were a coveted position," said veteran pilot Jeff Skiles, the first officer of US Flight 1549, which collided with Canada geese after takeoff from New York's LaGuardia Airport in January and ditched into the Hudson River.

"But even at the major

airline level, with the bankruptcies and how they've decimated our contracts, it's just not an attractive job any more," Skiles said. "People aren't leaving the military to become pilots — there are plenty of other options. For instance, corporate flying has exploded quite a bit. What you're finding is the qualifications of the entry level pilots in the traditional airline business have gone from adequate to very inadequate."

During last month's annual meeting of the Regional Airlines Association, one executive said the three-day NTSB hearing into the Flight 3407 crash provided a skewed view of safety in an industry that, he said, treats entry-level professionals no differently than any other industry.

"We have a very robust safety management system in place," said Joseph Randell, president and chief executive of Air Canada Jazz. "In a lot of industries, entry-level conditions are onerous for junior people who come in at a lower pay. There's nothing unique about the airline business in that respect."

Russell "Chip" Childs, president and chief operating officer of Delta partner SkyWest Airlines Inc., said his company's research shows no correlation between pay and proficiency.

"People need to understand also that first-year pilot pay is a little bit lower because the companies put in \$30,000 in training costs into that individual that first year. That's very well accepted," Childs said.

"Regional airlines pay so little at that entry level because they can," said Louis Smith, a retired Northwest Airlines captain and president of FltOps.

com, which tracks the industry for those inside it.

Shaw, who chatted with Capt. Marvin Renslow about career options during the flight, lived with her husband and parents near Seattle. Getting to her Newark, N.J., base the night before the crash meant a redeye aboard a FedEx plane to Memphis and then another flight to Newark.

That struck Dan Marzolf as "crazy."

"I wouldn't want to have to travel for 10 hours and get on an airplane and do my job," said Marzolf, whose sister Jean Marie Smezc was killed when Flight 3407 crashed on a house as it approached Buffalo Niagara International Airport.

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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

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DEAR ABBY: I'm in my mid-60 DEAR ABBY: I am 21 and have been with my high school sweetheart, "Andy," for six years. I can see myself with him for the rest of my life, but there's a problem. I am very career-oriented and have big dreams for going far, but Andy is the complete opposite. He didn't finish school and is content with a low-paying job for his "career."

I was always raised to reach for the stars, but Andy's parents are not educated, so he sees no reason to go back to school. I have spoken to him several times about my goals. He is supportive, but has no plans on doing anything for himself.

Abby, what should I do? Should I stay with Andy and lower my dreams or give up on him? Did I mention that he has no one to depend on but me? How do I let him go? Besides this issue, our relationship is perfect. Please help. -- GOAL-ORIENTED GAL IN DALLAS

DEAR GOAL-ORIENTED: Many women are the primary wage-earners in their families. And I know of happy marriages between couples with differing levels of education.

You are responsible for your future, and Andy is responsible for his. It's time to be honest with yourself about your feelings. To marry someone because "he has no one to depend on but you" is a poor reason. My intuition tells me you want out. Do you? If the answer is yes, the time to tell Andy is now.

DEAR ABBY: When seated at a dinner table where the food is served "family style," which is the proper way of passing the dishes -- to the left or to the right? I have yet to sit at such a dinner and have the plates come from one direction. They come at me from both

I have a tendency to pass to the left. I am right-handed, and I hold the dish to my left and take my portions with my right hand. Because the plate is already to my left, I pass it to the left. I have also gone to some dinners where the plates were passed back and forth across the table.

Is there a correct way of passing food around the table? -- LEFT OR RIGHT? IN NEW JERSEY

DEAR LEFT OR RIGHT?: According to "Emily Post's Etiquette" (which I'll paraphrase), the dishes are "traditionally" passed to the right (counterclockwise) so they move in one direction. After helping him- or herself, each diner holds the dish for the next diner or hands the dish to the person to the right so that person can take a portion. If the dish is heavy, it can be placed on the table with each pass. Any dish that has a handle should be passed so the handle faces the person receiving it.

DEAR ABBY: My favorite sister-in-law is now a two-year cancer survivor. We are thrilled that she's doing so well. But she still has her short "cancer haircut."

Abby, she has fabulous hair, but won't let it grow out. I know this may seem trivial, but she'd look like a million bucks if she'd allow her hair to get longer. She's such a special lady, none of the family want to tell her anything but how great she is. Should I keep my opinion to myself? -- LOVING RELATIVE IN KANSAS CITY

DEAR LOVING RELATIVE: Your sister-in-law's reasons for keeping her hair short may be practical, or they could be emotional. Please realize that advice which is unasked for is often unwelcome and keep your mouth shut. She'll let her hair grow out when she's ready.

DAILY HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, June 7, 2009.

This year, you have a lot on your plate. Many projects, plans and even people seem to be on opposite sides of the fence. Your diplomatic skills come forward, helping you negotiate a path through. If you are single, meeting people happens with unusual finesse. Often, you will swing back and forth about your desire to relate. In this mental framework, it might be difficult to make a bond work. Agree to disagree and respect your differences. If you're eyeing situations in that context, you will become closer. SAGITTARIUS often challenges you.

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)

***** Forge a new path mentally, even if others are not ready. Feeling fatigued would be normal considering everything. Don't judge yourself so much. Push comes to shove with someone who refuses to get your full message. Tonight, take in new vistas, even if it's only surfing the Web.

This Week: Step up to the plate and don't plan on leaving for a while. See the results!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

***** Be with someone who enjoys your company, and you theirs. Push could come to shove over an expenditure. Don't let this issue mar the day. Face facts: You simply feel differently about risking. Tonight, consider a change that could ease relationship pressure.

This Week: Investigate an issue inside and out. Turn things around. Ask someone to play devil's advocate. Now you've got it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

***** Juggle with the dexterity that your sign is known for. Don't allow another person to push without respecting your boundaries. Recognize that what you are doing is not for the long term in a relationship. Tonight, go with another's choice.

This Week: Work as a team with an instrumental partner. See life from another

er person's perspective.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

***** Take advantage of any free time and indulge in a favorite pastime. Relating to other people could wear you down. Try the life of being isolated on a desert island by yourself, if just for today. Quickly, you will see the pros and cons. Tonight, just don't push or stress out.

This Week: Defer to others, and don't question their responses or decisions. Go off and do your thing.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

***** Pressure builds in even the best situations. You could be very tired because of everything that is going on. Center on the child in you, then put on your dancing shoes. Friends want one thing from you, yet a key loved one might need something else. Tonight, be a romantic.

This Week: Don't stop and socialize until Thursday. The end results could be excellent.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

***** Sometimes the best efforts fall apart, despite all the planning. If you want to try another approach, do. There is no time like the present to try a new attitude. Laughter earmarks those who have a sense of humor. Tonight, Cocoon. This Week: Tap into your ingenuity and sharpen any interaction or project. Others start looking for you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

***** While many might be pulling their hair out, you are not — hopefully. Though you might feel a bit pushed or pressured, you can handle touchy situations. Juggling others who need to talk, as well as your plans, could be a handful. You can do it! Tonight, Swap stories with a pal.

This Week: Work from home. Then take off. When you return from a mini vacation, you seem so on.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

***** Frustration often causes people a problem. You are no exception, as you might sublimate your feelings by going on a spending spree. As long as you can return everything when sanity returns, no problem. Tonight, Fun doesn't have to cost.

This Week: Make the first move; keep a negotiation on track. Demonstrate your

ability to communicate and solve problems.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

***** Everything points to you. Many seem to be able to catch them. You wonder why all this is going on. Wonder less and just clear out what must be done. You do want to have some fun mixed in, don't you? Tonight, Pretend Monday has been eliminated!

This Week: Keep a firm hand on your money, spending and anything else that could impact your finances. Thursday, initiate a talk.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

***** Knowing when to cash in your bounty and leave might be important in an emotional and physical context. You might be exhausted. Just recognize you need to take a break and rest up. Tonight, Early bedtime.

This Week: Worry less and just go do. You have a lot to offer. Timing works.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

***** While many complain of this or that, today's Full Moon is your pleasure if you know how to interweave conflicting plans and people with different interests. Of all signs, you are the most capable of doing the mixing and the blending. Tonight, Dinner with friends.

This Week: Lie low. Keep your opinion to yourself, if need be. Thursday, you blossom. Just be.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

***** Others turn to you more often than not. You want to revitalize a project and at the same time complete another. You have your hands full. The more spontaneous the better. Just hang out and enjoy friends and family. Tonight, Could go till the wee hours.

This Week: Headlines surround you through Wednesday. Go achieve a long-term goal.

BORN TODAY

Painter Paul Gauguin (1848), singer Tom Jones (1940), basketball player Allen Iverson (1975) ***

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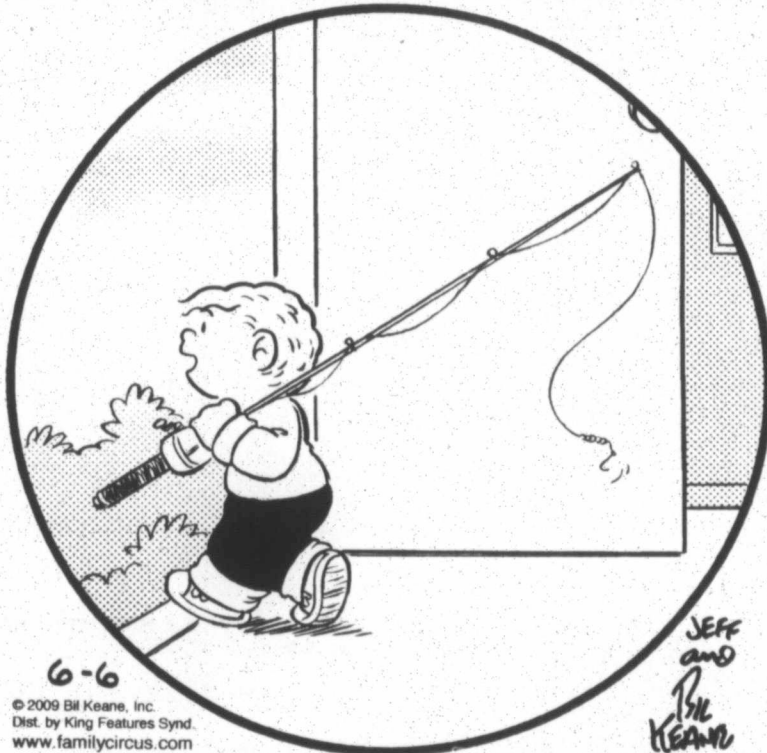
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"I know I said I'd take you to the beach today, but today doesn't begin until 9 a.m."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



"I hope I catch some fish sticks!"

Daily Crossword Puzzle

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS DOWN

- 1 Farm implement
- 7 Plunge lizard
- 11 Large lizard
- 12 Columnist Barrett
- 13 Writer Steven
- 14 Chooses
- 15 Tissue layers
- 16 Hagar's dog
- 17 Itches
- 18 Senate victim
- 19 Clickable picture
- 21 Far from friendly
- 22 Kind of sketch
- 25 Long-distance copy
- 26 Janitor's janglers
- 27 Fish hawk
- 29 Bar bills
- 33 Messy places
- 34 Afternoon hour
- 35 Confident
- 36 Tomboy
- 37 Furious
- 38 Ticked
- 39 Smaller amount
- 40 Plagues

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Yesterday's answer

- 18 New York's — Island
- 20 Bakery buys
- 22 Stock spot
- 23 Runs out
- 24 Panama, for one
- 25 Paleontologist's
- 28 Oboe parts
- 30 Happen
- 31 "John Brown's Body" poet
- 32 Core feature
- 34 Broken
- 36 Yak it up

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NEW LISTING-N. CHRISTY: Lovely 3 bedroom home with 1 3/4 baths. Family room has cathedral ceiling and a corner fireplace. Updated kitchen has stainless sink, new faucets and countertops. Breakfast area + formal dining room. New tile in hall and master bath. Covered deck and storage building. HD satellite dish will stay. Move-in ready. MLS 09-8325

NEW LISTING-GRAPE: Many updates and extras in this three bedroom home located on a corner lot. 2 living areas, fireplace, covered patio. New items include: heat and air, marble bathrooms, wood blinds, replacement windows in front, cook-top, micro-hood, garage doors, fans...Too many to list. Call to see! MLS 09-8326

NEW LISTING-EVERGREEN: Wonderful home with open floor plan. All rooms are large. Nice sunroom with deck and storage building. Utility has wall of storage. Good street appeal. Formal living or dining area. Woodburning fireplace. Lot of storage throughout home. MLS 09-8318

PRICE REDUCED-LEA: Spacious four bedroom with two living areas, sunroom and basement. New tile kitchen floors and both baths. New carpet and has been freshly painted. Steel siding on trim for low maintenance. Storage building and covered patio. MLS 09-8246

PRICE REDUCED-LYNN: Lovely 3 bedroom home with extra lot on corner. Interior decorated with all the new colors and textures. Kitchen has granite counter tops and stainless appliances. Sprinkler system, storm shelter. Double garage. MLS 09-8209

PRICE REDUCED-CHRISTINE: Two story colonial home with 5 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, sprinkler system, 2 living areas, basement, parquet floors and new carpet up-stairs. Woodburning fireplace, security system, formal living and dining rooms. Master has wonderful dressing area and full bath. Double garage. MLS 09-8206

N. DWIGHT: Home has been updated with new floors, new paint, new faucets and kitchen sink. Cabinets have been refinished. Kitchen and entry hall have tile floors. Living room has woodburning fireplace with lots of shelves. Utility has large pantry. French doors leading out to covered patio. MLS 08-8177

N. WELLS: This home has nice curb appeal in a pleasant neighborhood. The eat-in kitchen is very spacious and has lots of counter space with a brick back splash. Nice size living room. There is a small shop attached to the house and two other storage buildings. MLS 08-8129

N. CHRISTY: Loads of potential, hardwood flooring under carpet. New paint throughout out. Central heat and air replaced in '07, new cooktop '07. This home has an open living floor plan. Isolated master, spacious utility room and nice backyard. Three bedrooms. MLS 08-8096

N. CHRISTY: Good street appeal. Updated 3 bedroom home with new floor coverings, range and dishwasher. Spacious living room and kitchen-dining area. Large well kept yard. MLS 08-8051

DOUCETTE: Home on corner lot with front patio. Hardwood floors are covered with carpet. Extra storage, three bedrooms, 1 3/4 baths, garage with storage and carport. MLS 08-8085

E. BROWNING: Nice corner lot with many shade trees. Duplex would make a nice big house or two rentals. Woodburning stove. Close to Wilson School. Lots of storage. Wood floors. Central heat & single garage. MLS 08-8100

DOGWOOD: Very nice home that has been redone. New carpet, hardwood floors, new paint, new cabinet tops. Open living dining and kitchen areas. Woodburning fireplace. Nice built-ins. Large isolated master has large bath and closet. All bedrooms have walk-in closets. Large utility room, large backyard with nice trees. MLS 08-8138

EVERGREEN: Two living areas, large eat-in kitchen, three bedrooms, 1 3/4 baths. Sunroom. Some updating has been done with new paint and laminate flooring. Has island and pot rack in kitchen. Double garage. MLS 08-8134

WILLOW: Nicely decorated home with three bedrooms. New paint and carpet throughout. 2 baths. The kitchen has been completely remodeled. Home is totally electric. Double garage. MLS 09-8217

DOGWOOD: This is wonderful starter home for a young family. Nice curb appeal. This home has fresh paint throughout and new carpet. Very clean! The large back yard has a covered patio, storage building and a carport. The sprinkler system is in the front as well as the back. New windows in '07. MLS 09-8285

HAMILTON: Nice three bedroom brick home on corner lot. Close to Jr. High School. Has been painted and carpets have been cleaned. The hardwood floors have been refinished. Detached garage. MLS 09-8269

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1 Public Notice

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Sealed bids addressed to the City of Pampa, Texas, will be received at the Office of the City Secretary, P.O. Box 2499, Pampa, Texas 79066-2499, until 11:00 A.M., June 22, 2009, for furnishing all necessary materials, machinery, equipment, superintendency and labor for "SEAL COATING STREETS, 2009" on approximately 150,000 sq yards base bid with additional approximate 25,000 sq yards alternate bid of principally residential streets. Bids shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope marked "SEAL COATING STREETS 2009 BID ENCLOSED" and show day and time of bid opening. Facsimile bids will not be accepted. The City Commission will award the seal coating project during the June 23rd 2009 Commission Meeting. Bidders shall submit their bids on the form attached to the Specifications and must submit therewith a Cashier's or Certified check issued by a bank satisfactory to the Owner, or a Bid Bond payable without recourse to the order of the City of Pampa, in an amount not less than 5% of the bid submitted on the project as a guaranty that the Bidder will enter into a contract and execute bonds on the form provided within ten (10) days after notice of award of contract to him. The successful Bidder must furnish Performance and Payment Bonds on the forms attached to the Specifications in the amount of 100% of the total contract price from a Surety Company approved by the Owner holding a permit from the State of Texas to act as Surety or other Sureties acceptable to the Owner. All lump sum and unit prices must be stated in both script and figures. The Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to waive informalities and technicalities. In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness in stating the prices in the bids, the Owner reserves the right to consider the most advantageous construction thereof, or to reject the bid. The contract will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder. Bidders are expected to inspect the site of the work and to inform themselves regarding all local conditions under which the work is to be done. The contractor

1 Public Notice

shall comply with all State and Federal regulations regarding wages and conditions of employment, including, but not limited, to those rules and regulations set forth or referred to in the Specifications. Bids will be opened in City Commission Chamber (Third Floor City Hall) Information for Bidders, Bid Forms, Specifications and Plans are on file with the City Engineering Office (Second Floor, Donny Hooper 806-669-5750, City Hall), 200 West Foster, Pampa, Texas 79065. No charge for plans and specifications to qualified bidders.
/s/ Karen Price
City Secretary
C-96 June 7, 14, 2009

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69 Misc.

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WATER METERS Specifications may be obtained from the office of the Utility Superintendent, Service Center, Pampa, Texas. Phone 806-669-5760 Ext. 1. Bids may be delivered to the City Secretary's Office, City Hall, Pampa, Texas or mailed to P.O. Box 2499, Pampa, Texas 79066-2499. Sealed envelopes should be plainly marked "WATER METERS BID ENCLOSED, BID NO. 09.03 X" and show date and time of bid opening. Facsimile bids will not be accepted. The City of Pampa reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids submitted and to waive any formalities or technicalities. The City Commission will consider bids for award at the June 23, 2009 Commission meeting.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

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6-6 CRYPTOQUOTE
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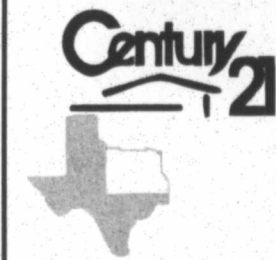


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New drug war strategy focuses on weapons and cash

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — Obama administration officials said Friday they will devote more resources to fighting Mexican drug cartels and use new technology to thwart them while trying to quell the U.S. demand for drugs that fuels the violent gangs.

Attorney General Eric Holder and Homeland Security Janet Napolitano announced a 2009 counter-narcotics strategy at a press conference with White House drug czar Gil Kerlikowske. Holder called it "an effective way forward that will crack down on cartels and make our country safer."

The strategy calls for a number of steps along the U.S.-Mexico border to combat and detect smugglers, including:

- Building visual shields near border-crossing points so drug cartel spotters can't alert approaching motorists about inspections.

- Improving non-lethal weapons technology to help officers incapacitate suspects and disable motor vehicles and boats used by traffickers.

- Revive an interagency working group to coordinate intelligence.

- Use more intelligence analysts to ferret out drug-dealing networks.

"This strategy is tough, it's strong and it's balanced," Holder said.

The plan is outlined in a document to be sent to Congress.

More than 10,800 people have been killed in Mexico by drug violence since December 2006. Mexico has deployed more than 45,000 soldiers across the

country to fight the heavily armed cartels.

Holder and Napolitano praised efforts by Mexican President Felipe Calderon and said the United States must contribute to the fight.

"International cooperation is very, very key," Napolitano said. "We have an unprecedented opportunity to work on drug trafficking on both sides of the border. We should not let this opportunity go by."

Rep. Bennie Thompson, chairman of the House Homeland Security Committee, said the strategy is missing a key piece: "I am disappointed that it does not call on departments of Homeland Security and Justice to resolve their long-standing turf battles over drug investigations," the Mississippi Democrat said.

Immigration and Customs Enforcement wants more of its agents to have the authority to do drug investigations. But this can only happen if the Drug Enforcement Administration agrees. No such agreement has been reached.

Napolitano conceded the plan outlined Friday doesn't address that issue but said Homeland Security and Justice officials have been working on it and will announce a solution "very, very shortly."

Dozens of state and federal law enforcement officials, state elected leaders, emergency management officials and state and federal prosecutors crowded a University of New Mexico ballroom for the announcement.

The drug strategy's long-range goals include devel-

oping new technology to process biometric information from documents used by Mexicans crossing the border. That would allow Customs and Border Patrol officers to run fingerprint checks on Mexicans who have border crossing cards to enter the U.S.

The Obama administration has pledged to provide more help in the effort, sending additional federal agents, officers, and equipment to the border and to Mexico to fight the Mexican cartels.

Napolitano said the U.S. strategy would also focus on reducing demand from drug users. The plan includes improved ways for federal agencies to share information with

state and local law enforcement agencies.

"We can't just fight drugs at the border. We can't just fight drugs by fighting traffickers. We must fight drugs in the United States," Napolitano said.

The Marijuana Policy Project, which supports regulating the drug like alcohol, criticized the plan.

"This new effort will keep a lot of cops and bureaucrats employed but will accomplish very little otherwise, because it ignores the central problem, which is that marijuana prohibition has handed the Mexican cartels a massive market that keeps them fat and happy," said the group's spokesman, Bruce Mirken.

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Responding to a Friday morning mayday call from a sinking 25-foot boat, a Coast Guard helicopter and rescue crafts rushed to the scene about 20 miles off Sabine Pass.

Two private boats in the vicinity arrived first. They reported that the 25-footer had capsized, but all four men on board swam to a nearby oil rig.

The Coast Guard plucked them from the rig and transported them back to Station Sabine Pass, where they were reported in good condition.

Petty Officer 3rd Class Renee C. Aiello characterized those who responded to the urgent marine broadcast as good Samaritans who acted as the Coast Guard's eyes and ears.



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