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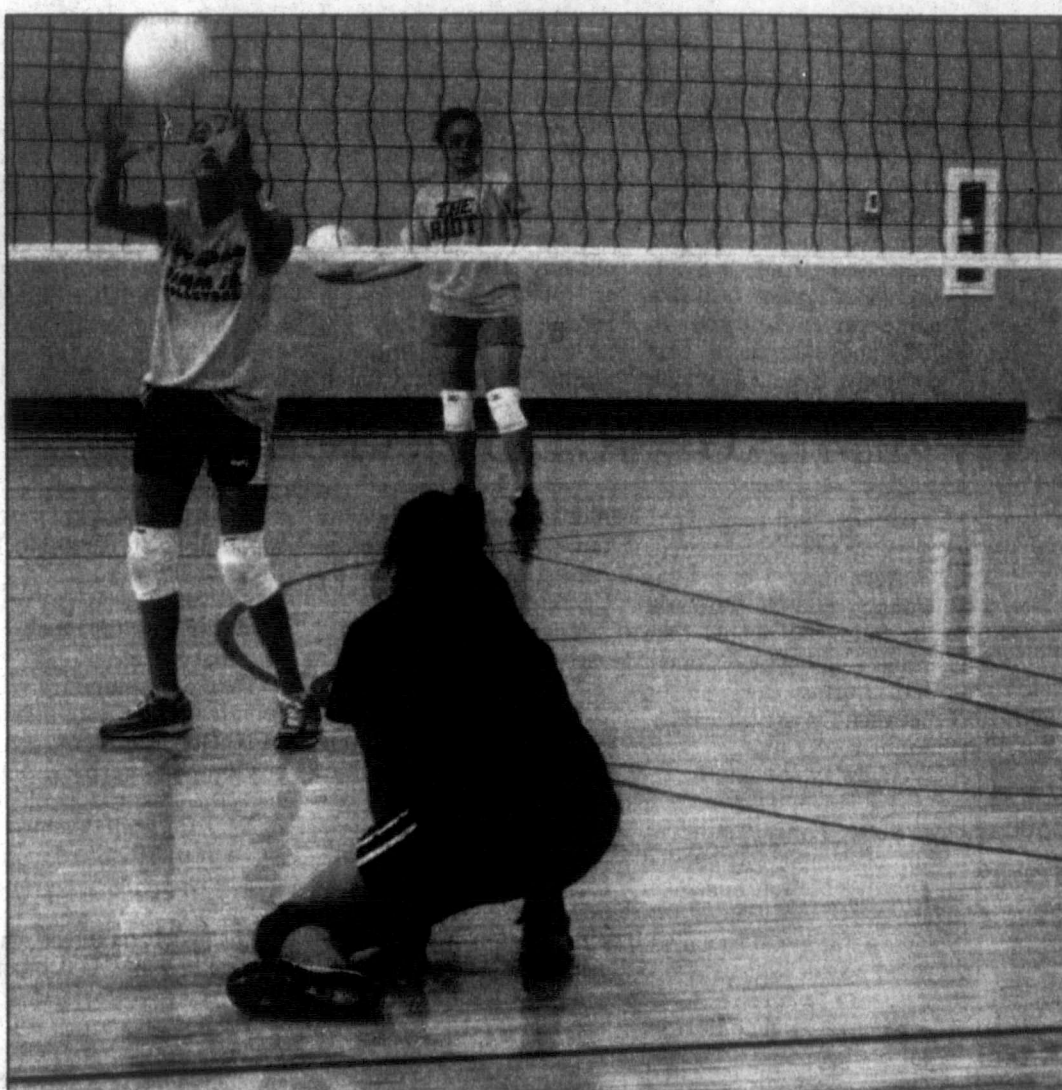
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The Pampa High School freshman team hone their skills as practice begins for the coming season. Their season begins at home August 11 against Perryton. *staff photo by Andrew Glover*

Kids' contests, new parade route on tap for rodeo fans

Saturday, August 15, the annual Top O' Texas Rodeo parade kicks off at 10 a.m. This parade is one of the largest in the Texas Panhandle. Entries are now being taken for anyone interested in participating in the parade. Rodeo Association officials would like to remind everyone who might have horses in the parade that trains with blowing

whistles will be passing by the parade assembly area so please plan accordingly. Acting as parade marshal for the 2009 Top O' Texas Rodeo parade will be Harry Fisher, Sr. and his family. The parade will follow a different route than usual this year. Participants will gather on East Atchison Street, near the railroad depot. The parade will

proceed west on Atchison to Cuyler, north on Cuyler to Francis, west on Francis to Purviance, south on Purviance to Foster, east on Foster to Cuyler, and south on Cuyler back to Atchison. Other activities on Saturday include the announcement of the Coloring Contest winners

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Hutchison joins Perry in accepting debate invite

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Gov. Rick Perry accepted invitations Tuesday to participate in the first two debates for next year's Republican gubernatorial primary, and by the end of the day his likely opponent had agreed to at least one. Perry is seeking an unprecedented third term as Texas governor against a likely primary challenge from

Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison. He said he accepted invitations Tuesday from the Belo Corp. and the Collin County Republican Party and challenged Hutchison to join him in the debates. Perry campaign spokesman Mark Miner challenged Hutchison to "dispel concerns that her 16 years in Washington have left her out of touch with the issues facing everyday Texans." Initially, Hutchison campaign spokesman Jeff Sadosky wouldn't commit to the debates but said Hutchison "looks forward to debating the issues with Rick Perry and plans to do so repeatedly over the next seven months." But hours later, Sadosky confirmed the campaign's acceptance of the invitation from Belo. "We're there," Sadosky said, adding that the campaign had not seen the Collin County GOP's invitation. In a brief statement, Sadosky



Gov. Rick Perry attacked Perry's record on issues such as border security and federal stimulus spending and said "the more interesting debate could be between Rick Perry's rhetoric and Rick Perry's record." The expected showdown between the two GOP heavyweights has already sparked bitter exchanges in a campaign that pundits say will be nasty even by Texas standards.



Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison

County begins budget talks

BY DAVID BOWSER
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 Gray County Commissioners will meet Friday morning to start budget deliberations plus a few other items. The Gray County Commissioners will meet in special session at 9 a.m., Friday, in the Gray County Courthouse, 202 N. Russell, to discuss the budget for the 2009-2010 fiscal year. They will also have a public hearing on Senate Bill 1685, District Clerk Technology Funds. The county court will also consider a letter of intent for the Emergency Services Foundation of Texas to take over the emergency services of Gray County. The commissioners court will also consider a grant for the Gray County Sheriff's Office and the City of Pampa though a Joint Assistance Grant program for payment of expenses of defense witnesses in the Levi King trial.

Two men sentenced to jail

BY ANDREW GLOVER
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 Two were sentenced to jail time earlier this week, according to Gray County Sheriff's Office officials. Albano Vasquez Badillo, 29, was sentenced to 180 days in jail in 223rd District Court for resisting arrest. Spencer Ray Boyd, 56, was sentenced to three days in jail by the Justice of the Peace. Boyd was charged with capias pro fine, theft under \$50. Jesus Leonel Esquivel, 30, is still in jail on a SENTENCED cont. on page 3

Cross country team seeks runners

The Pampa High School Cross Country Team are looking for runners, as preparations for the 2009 season begin. Head Coach Mark Elms said last year his team was shy in numbers. "We didn't have enough for a team," Elms said. "I had two boys and three girls." Practices start Monday at the high school. Elms said initial practices won't be too difficult. "I'm going to get you in shape, I'm not trying to kill you," the head cross country coach said. "Our target date is October 30 when we have our district meet." Elms said the team will run down Christine and Chestnut streets, Mora Park and other places. The Cross Country coach said students who are interested and don't have their papers from the athletic department, need to pick them up and have them signed. Elms said junior Miguel Tapia is his best returning boy runner. Tapia had at least two meets where he finished in the top ten. "We have big hopes in him making region-

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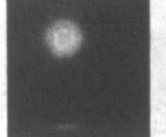


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PAMPA FORECAST

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High 100 Low 72	High 97 Low 71	High 94 Low 71

Tonight: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 72. South wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Thursday: Mostly sunny and hot, with a high near 100. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Thursday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 72. South wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Friday: Mostly sunny and hot, with a high near 97. South wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 71. South wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 94. South southwest wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 71. South wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

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Car purchase rebates in US likely to continue

WASHINGTON (AP) — Pressing colleagues to replenish the “cash-for-clunkers” car purchase program, the Democratic leader of the U.S. warned lawmakers they might miss their August vacation take-off plans Friday if they do not quickly pass the \$2 billion measure.

“If we don’t work something out on the cash for clunkers,” Sen. Harry Reid said from the Senate floor Wednesday, he would file motions to close debate. Under Senate procedure, that could mean votes on both Friday and Saturday, when lawmakers would otherwise be scattering for their coveted summer break.

“We all acknowledge there’s a significant majority that want to move forward with this legislation,” said Reid, D-Nev.

It was the senatorial version of a parents’ warning to bickering children: Work it out, or the car will be turned around instantly. There was every indication that lawmakers would extend the popular program, which offers car buyers rebates of up to \$4,500 for trading in their gas-guzzlers for new, higher-mileage models.

Reid had said on Tuesday that he had the votes to pass a \$2 billion extension already approved by the House, the amount President Barack Obama says is necessary to meet a surging demand that would otherwise deplete the program by Friday. He said Wednesday there are estimates that as many as 300,000 vehicles have been

bought under the program. Many Republicans oppose the plan — and some Democrats have concerns as well. But none was predicting that any senator would block or delay a vote.

“The matter will be completed,” said Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell.

The funding would triple the cost of \$1 billion rebate program and give as many as a half-million more Americans the chance to grab the new car incentives through September.

Car companies have credited the clunkers program with driving up sales in late July. Most consumers are buying smaller, more fuel-efficient vehicles under the program, according to a list of the top-10 selling cars released by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

The list includes Honda Civics, Toyota Corollas and Dodge Calibers. The Toyota Prius hybrid, which gets 46 miles per gallon (20 kilometers per liter), according to EPA estimates, is the fourth-best-selling car. There is one SUV on the list, the Ford Escape, which also comes in a hybrid model that can get up to 32 miles per gallon (14 kilometers per liter). With the exception of the Prius, which is built in Japan, most of the top-selling vehicles on the list are built in North America. The Hyundai Elantra, the 8th top-selling vehicle, is built in South Korea, and the Honda Fit, the 9th top-selling vehicle, is made in Japan.

Obituaries

Brian K. Watson, 49

Brian K. Watson, 49, of Amarillo died Monday Aug. 3, 2009 after a heroic battle with cancer. Services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at Coulter Road Baptist Church, 4108 S. Coulter St. with Rev. Chris Robeson, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in the Memory Gardens Cemetery.

Brian was born Dec. 25, 1959 in Guymon, OK to Glen & Melba (Coble) Watson. As a young child in the family moved to Pampa, TX and Brian graduated from Pampa High School in 1978. Shortly after graduation, he moved to Amarillo and graduated from T.S.T.I. In 1984 with an Associate degree in construction. In 1983, he started his first company, B.W. Tile which

later became Brianco Building Contractors. In 1997, he added the Four Seasons Sunrooms product line. In 2005 he changed his Co. name to Four Seasons Sunroom Design and Remodeling Center still located today at 11750 I-27.

Brian was a loving son, father, and grandfather. His special interests were anything associated with the Texas Panhandle Builders Association & the National Association of the Remodeling Industry, fishing any where, any place and any time.

Brian invited Jesus into his heart as a 10 1/2 year old boy. He was baptized at Hobart Baptist Church, Pampa, TX, on July 27, 1970. He was a member of Coulter Rd. Baptist Church

in Amarillo.

Brian is survived by his parents Glen & Melba (Coble) Watson of Amarillo, 3 children: Andrew Watson and wife Sarah Briana Joy Watson, Bianca Watson, and two step daughters he loved as his own, Breana Cooper, Bethany Shed & husband Derek all of Amarillo. He has two grandsons, Brayden and Hagen, one stepgrandson, Everett, one granddaughter London and two more grandchildren soon to come in August and September. He has a brother, Randy Watson & wife Becky, and nephew Ricky Watson, all of Pampa, a niece, Amy (Watson) Belcher, husband Jay and great nephews Lachy and Adian all of Amarillo.



Watson

The family would like to thank BSA Hospice for the tender loving care they gave Brian. The family suggest memorials to BSA Hospice or Coulter Road Baptist Church.

We invite you to sign the guestbook at www.coxlagrone.com

EMERGENCY SERVICES

SHERIFF

According to Gray County Sheriff Officials, the following people were booked into Gray County Jail during the period between 7 a.m. Tuesday, August 4 and 7 a.m. Wednesday, August 4.

Koby James Hathcoat, 40, of Pampa, was booked Tuesday afternoon, on charges of violation of probation, criminal trespass. Bond was denied.

Michael Eugene Horton, 43, of Pampa, was booked Tuesday evening on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. Horton was released on a \$10,000 bond.

AMBULANCE

Guardian EMS responded to the following calls during the period between 7 a.m. Monday, August 3 to 7 a.m. Tuesday, August 4.

Monday
6:27 p.m.—An MICU unit responded to 1000

block of E. Browning, transported one patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center

Tuesday

PAMPA PD

5:29 a.m. An MICU unit responded to 700 block of Zimmers, transported one patient to PRMC.

The Pampa Police Department responded to the following calls during the period between 7 a.m. Tuesday, August 4 to 7 a.m. Wednesday, August 5.

Monday
Animal Control Officers responded to 11 calls or stops.

Pampa Police Officers made 20 traffic stops, had seven ongoing investigations, and responded to three requests for information.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 1100 block of N. Williston Street.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1000 block of Sirocco Place. It was unknown what damages were done.

A 911 hangup was reported in the 1000 block of S. Neel Road.

A welfare check was made in the 700 block of N. Frost Street.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 2300 block of N. Hobart Street.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 200 block of W. Kingsmill Avenue.

Theft was reported in the 200 block of W. Kingsmill Avenue.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1000 block of N. Hobart Street.

Violation of City Ordinance was reported in the 853 block of S. Sumner Street.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 1200 block of N. Duncan Street. It was verbal only.

An accident was reported in the 800 block of E. Locust Street.

A threat was reported in the 200 block of W. Kingsmill Avenue.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 800 block of E. Denver Avenue.

A suspicious person was reported in the 1000 block

of E. Frederic Avenue.

A suspicious person was reported in the 2100 block of N. Hobart Street.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 500 block of N. Christy Street.

An open door was reported in the 1900 block of N. Hobart Street.

An alarm was reported in the 2200 block of N. Perryton Parkway.

A suspicious person was reported in the 1200 block of N. Christine Street.

An animal complaint was reported in the 1100 block of Willow Road.

FIRE

The Pampa Fire Department responded to the following calls Tuesday, August 4.

5:55 a.m.—One unit and three personnel responded to the 1000 block of Love on a medical assist.

7:14 a.m.—One unit and two personnel responded to the 1900 block of Alcock to a good intent call, smell of smoke, unfounded.

More crude and bad news about retail sinks energy

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Growing supplies of crude and more signs of weakness in major sectors like retail and transportation on Wednesday sent oil prices falling for the second straight day.

Benchmark crude for September delivery fell 23 cents to \$71.19 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Prices at one point dipped below \$70.

Crude prices had jumped from below \$63 a barrel last week on investor optimism the U.S. economy, the world’s biggest oil consumer, is recovering from a severe recession.

But oil took a dive Wednesday morning after the Energy Department’s Energy Information Administration said crude inventories increased by nearly 2 million barrels.

That means that in the past two weeks, about 7 million barrels of crude have been put into storage as consumers and businesses pull back.

Any economic recovery is going to rely heavily on consumers, and energy prices can dip when data suggests that people are tucking money away, rather than spending it.

On Wednesday the Institute for Supply Management reported that the services sector contracted more sharply than expected in July. The ISM showed that retailers, financial services, transportation and health care sectors experienced the 10th straight month of declines. Those businesses make up 80 percent of U.S. economic activity.

Still, retail gasoline prices

continue to rise because refiners are cutting back on production.

Demand for petroleum products was about a million barrels a day greater last year than it is now, so refiners have been trying to prevent a collapse in prices by making less gas, jet fuel and diesel.

Refiners are now operating at just over 84 percent of their capacity, which is about 9 percent below what is typical at this time of year.

Retail gasoline prices jumped 2.4 cents overnight to a new national average of \$2.585 for a gallon of regular unleaded, according to auto club AAA, Wright Express and Oil Price Information Service. That’s more than 7 cents above last week’s price, be still a little cheaper than last month.

In other Nymex trading, gasoline for September delivery fell 2.5 cents to \$2.0319 a gallon.

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Texas' 'crazy' ants: Ag pest or urban annoyance?

DALLAS (AP) — A species of ant that has ruined sewage pumps, fouled computers and made it difficult for homeowners to enjoy their yards has a new target: the honeybee.

The range of the so-called Rasberry crazy ant has more than doubled in the past year, creating a swath in 11 counties beginning near Houston and moving north, scientists say.

Given the ant's encroachment on livestock, hay bales and a few honeybee farms, some are trying to classify it as an agricultural pest, one that must soon be stopped.

"It really is spreading at an alarming rate and we need to do research now," said Danny McDonald, a Texas A&M University doctoral student who is examining the tiny creature's biology and ecology. "There's no time to wait."

But serious research requires serious dollars.

The Texas Department of Agriculture and U.S. Department of Agriculture will fund in-depth research on the Rasberry crazy ant, but only if it gets the pest classification. And to do that, state officials say more research must be done. It's a sticky Catch-22.

"This is absolutely idiotic," said Tom Rasberry, the exterminator for whom the ant is named because he fought against them early on. "If killing honeybees does not put it in the ag

pest category I don't know what does."

Honeybees are needed to pollinate crops. Honey, about 4.9 million pounds produced in Texas last year, is a sweet byproduct.

Emerging by the billions during the warm, humid season, the reddish-brown insect is at its peak in August and September and appears resistant to over-the-counter ant killers. They are believed to have arrived in a cargo shipment through the port of Houston.

Rasberry, a member of a federal-state task force created last fall in part to bring about awareness of the invasive ant, says the government is not moving fast enough to eradicate the pests, which were first seen in Texas in 2002.

The ants — formally known as "paratrechina species near pubens" — are called "crazy" because they wander erratically instead of marching in regimented lines. Although they eat stinging fire ants, they also feed on beneficial insects such as ladybugs and honeybees.

The USDA's Agriculture Research Service recently released about \$30,000 for a yearlong study by Texas AgriLife Extension Service and A&M's Center for Urban & Structural Entomology to determine how quickly the ants are spreading.

"Our folks know this is a very serious issue

and we're jumping on it to make sure we find a solution very quickly," said Bryan Black, Texas Department of Agriculture spokesman. "We want to protect agriculture and we want to protect the public, absolutely."

Critics say the initial study won't address the ant's food preferences, reproduction cycles, lifespan, temperature tolerance or effect on wildlife.

"There are literally thousands of things we need to find out to get on a fast track, otherwise we're going to do just like we did with the fire ant and wait until it was too late," Rasberry warned.

Steve Coplin, a fourth-generation commercial beekeeper in Alvin — about 30 miles south of Houston — said the ants began attacking his beehives nearly three years ago.

Initially, Coplin said, he'd just move his hives away from the infested areas but "now it's getting so widespread it's hard to keep up."

He said he's losing about 100 hives to the ants each year. At its peak, Coplin Bee Farms had about 2,500 hives, but colony collapse disorder and Hurricane Ike reduced the business to about 600 hives.

"Everything eats a honeybee — purple martins on down to dragonflies," Coplin said. "But the invasion of these ants is 100



In this July 27, 2009 photo exterminator Tom Rasberry photographs Rasberry crazy ants attacking a honeybee hive in Pearland, Texas. The ant that has ruined sewage pumps, fouled computers and made it difficult for some homeowners to enjoy their yards is spreading across southeast Texas. It's newest target is the honeybee. The ant is named for Rasberry. (AP Photo/Pat Sullivan)

times worse than anything I've seen. This is something new."

Apiculturists say the Rasberry crazy ants don't appear to be interested in the honey; they're after the brood. They invade the honeycomb cell and dine on larvae. When the bees escape, the ants take over the abandoned hive and lay eggs.

Coplin said he's forced to burn the infested hive and equipment. That's cost him about \$30,000 so far.

As an area director for the Texas Beekeepers Association, Coplin said other apiarists experiencing similar ant problems call him for advice. They fear quarantines and aerial pesticides could wipe out their precious bees along

with the ant invaders.

"I would much rather have the fire ant," Coplin said, explaining that fire ants usually just eat dead bees that have fallen from the hive. "Fire ants are not as aggressive. They might sting and hurt at worst, but these things, they just go in by the thousands."

Firefighters respond to own building — twice

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Lake Travis firefighters have responded twice this week to calls from the same familiar location — one of their own stations.

About the time the shock wore off from dousing a minor fire in the attic of Lake Travis Fire Rescue headquarters near Austin on Monday, assistant chief Robert Abbott says another call came Wednesday.

Abbott says there no injuries in either fire,

which were in the same area above administrative offices. He said Wednesday's fire was worse, leading firefighters to cut holes in the roof to contain the blaze.

Abbott says firefighters were among those evacuating during the first fire. He said they were housed elsewhere when the second blaze broke out.

Abbott said the Travis County fire marshal is investigating both fires.

Cross country

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al meet," Elms said. "He made it his freshman year and missed last year. He is very capable."

None of the girls are returning but Coach Elms

felt strongly about J'Cee Holmes.

"She has very good potential," Elms said. Holmes ran for Pampa Junior High and frequently

finished in the top five.

Elms is in his 25th year as cross country coach. The Harvesters have their first meet August 29 at Borger.

Sentenced

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\$10,000 bond, for an insufficient bond on a grand jury indictment for possession of a controlled substance.

Roberto Garcia, 45, was

charged with public intoxication and was released to pay fine later, amount is unknown.

Staci Jeanie Proctor, 43, was charged with DWI

with a child under 15 years of age. Proctor was released from the Gray County Jail on a \$3,000 bond.

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DAILY HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, Aug. 5, 2009: This year, changes could occur in an electric manner. If you are a man, an identity crisis might not be a surprise. For a woman, if you're single, this also could mean a new relationship and/or a change in the relationship with a man. Don't try to predict what will occur, but rather be ready to deal with the unexpected. If you are single, of course your status could change, and a new opportunity will appear when you least expect it. If you are attached, understand a partner's identity crisis if you are a woman. If you are a man, don't play out an identity crisis in your relationship. Work that through first. AQUARIUS plays devil's advocate.

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) ***** The Full Moon eclipse weaves an interesting dance for all. You try to push creative ideas forward. Bottom-out issues with those who might not be family, but who you love deeply. A child could be a player here too. Tonight: Hold on to your hat. Get ready for many calls and conversations.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ***** Pressure keeps building. Others hope you will take the lead. You will and can because of your innate talents. You might have trouble juggling all the innate demands of the day. Tonight: Say "no" if need be.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ***** You do a seesaw all day, juggling issues. Communication of all types floods your door. Your ability to zero in

on the bottom line could prove to be powerful. Refuse to see situations as either or. Tonight: Don't react if possible. Detach if you can.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ***** Use caution with your finances. If you can avoid making a money decision, do. Because, within one week, more information could play into the situation through another source or person.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ***** Juggling work, people and/or situations could go haywire. The eclipse occurs in your opposite sign, yet demands you to handle different interests. You have the skills, but do you have the energy to handle a multi-area high-voltage scene? Tonight: Let someone else lead.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ***** You might want to renew a commitment that involves your daily life, work and/or your health. Your awareness will be necessary with events now and in the near future. Trust your sixth sense before acting. Tonight: Make it easy.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ***** Dig into your bag of creativity and find solutions and new ways. If you are on top of your game, you'll discover the power of your creativity and sometimes unusual thoughts in finding a solution. Are you triggering someone unnecessarily? Tonight: Enjoy the moment.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ***** Your depth and understanding will come into play. How you deal with a key personal situation involving different people could define the issue. Your ability to understand another's motives is key. Tonight: Hide away at home.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

***** You could be very overwhelmed by what someone is sharing or the many people who seem to suddenly seek you out. If possible, detach and see past the obvious — others cannot right now. Tonight: Hanging out could be lively.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ***** Your more possessive side emerges when dealing with others. You also might have an instinct to move forward and not get hung up on the details of finances, people and issues. Sooner or later, you will need to. Understand what is motivating you. Tonight: Take a hard look at the bills.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ***** Listen to feedback before you impulsively go down a path or cause a problem. The lunar eclipse in your sign adds to the emotional and impulsive quality of what you do. Even you might have difficulty keeping yourself under control. Tonight: Some actions and words cannot be undone.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ***** Your ability to understand what is going on behind the scenes is tuned in, but not necessarily right-on. Give yourself space to make a decision or to work through a problem or insight. Time is your ally. Tonight: Chill!

BORN TODAY

Astronaut Neil Armstrong (1930), actress Kajol (1975), director John Huston (1906) ***

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Today in History

Today is Wednesday, August 5, the 217th day of 2009. There are 148 days left in the year.

Highlights in history on this date:
1772 - In St. Petersburg, rulers of Russia, Prussia and Austria sign the first of three partitions ending Poland's sovereign rule until 1918.

1810 - Napoleon Bonaparte imposes tax on all colonial imports into France.

1861 - The U.S. federal government levies an income tax for the first time.

1884 - Cornerstone of Statue of Liberty is laid at entrance to New York harbor.

1944 - More than 1,000 Japanese, taken as prisoners of war by Australia, unsuccessfully attempt to escape from a camp in Cowra, New South Wales; 234 are killed and 108 wounded.

1949 - United States aid to Nationalist China ceases; Earthquake in Ecuador takes about 6,000 lives.

'I slept and dreamed that life was beauty; I woke, and found that life was duty.'

— Ellen Sturgis Hooper,
American poet

1954 - Eight Western oil companies sign an agreement with Shah of Iran, restored to power after a coup, ending a worldwide boycott imposed after Iran's democratically elected government nationalized the oil industry.

1962 - South African anti-apartheid fighter Nelson

Mandela is arrested at a police roadblock; U.S. movie star Marilyn Monroe is found dead in bedroom of her Los Angeles home.

1963 - United States, Britain and Soviet Union sign a treaty outlawing nuclear tests in atmosphere, in space and under water.

1969 - The U.S. space probe Mariner 7 flies by Mars, sending back unprecedented photographs and scientific data.

1973 - Palestinian "Black September" guerrillas attack a line of travelers at Greece's Athens airport with grenades and machine guns, killing three and wounding 55.

1991 - Iraq admits to U.N. inspection team that it carried out germ warfare research for four years, but claims it abandoned research shortly after 1990 invasion of Kuwait.

1992 - Nelson Mandela leads 100,000 blacks in Pretoria in a protest to end white rule.

1997 - Korean Air jumbo jet carrying 254 persons slams into a mountain in Guam while trying to land during a nighttime thunderstorm. Only 26 people survive.

2008 — An American woman receives five puppies cloned from her beloved late pitbull, becoming the inaugural customer of a South Korean company that says it is the world's first successful commercial canine cloning service.

Today's Birthdays:

Ilya Repin, Russian painter (1844-1930); Guy de Maupassant, French writer (1850-1893); John Huston, U.S. film director (1906-1987); Neil Armstrong, U.S. astronaut and first man to set foot on Moon (1930--); Loni Anderson, U.S. actress (1946--); Tawny Kitaen, U.S. actress (1961--); Maureen McCormick (1956--).



Enhanced GI Bill provides a new era of benefits

U.S. Senator John Cornyn
In the military, there is a common expression that "we recruit troops, but we retain families." Last year, Congress reaffirmed its commitment to this principle by passing the new "Post 9/11" G.I. Bill to assist veterans of Iraq and Afghanistan.

The new program implemented under this landmark legislation, which took effect Aug. 1, improves this important education program for service members and their families. Originally passed in 1944 to help returning World War II veterans, the new bill updates and enhances benefits for service members who are fighting in today's wars, as well as

their families. Two important questions were asked during the debate on how best to improve the G.I. Bill: How do we modernize the G.I. Bill to provide maximum benefit for those who have worn the uniform while also making sure it provides for benefits to military families? And how can we best preserve and sustain the all-volunteer military force, which is so fundamental to our national security?

I believe this bill accomplishes both objectives. This legislation updates existing benefits to better empower service members through education, while at the same time bolstering recruitment and retention by helping military

personnel attend college debt-free.

Because of this bill, for the first time, service members have the ability to transfer unused educational benefits they have earned through the G.I. Bill to their spouses and children — something I worked hard to include in the final version. Transferability is the number one G.I. Bill benefit requested by today's service members, and I'm proud to report that so far, upwards of 25,000 applications to transfer benefits have been received by the Departments of Defense and Veterans Affairs.

Our troops have answered the call of duty and in return, we must fully support their right to further their education and

provide critical benefits to their family members. A modernized G.I. Bill was long overdue and is something our troops and their families deserve for their heroic service in the defense of freedom.

I'm pleased this program has begun so that many of our service members right here in Texas can take advantage of its many benefits. More importantly, I'm glad that the Post 9/11 G.I. Bill properly recognizes the critical role of education to this new Greatest Generation, while at the same time rewarding our fine men and women in uniform, as well as their families, who continue to serve our country so well and honorably.

Analysis: Obama lets N Korea's Kim save face

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Obama administration let North Korean leader Kim Jong Il save face by releasing two jailed Americans to former President Bill Clinton. The payoff — maybe not right away — is likely to be renewed dialogue with Pyongyang about its nuclear weapons program.

After meeting with Clinton, who made an unannounced visit to the North Korean capital Tuesday, Kim pardoned and freed the young journalists who allegedly crossed into the country from China earlier this year. They were serving 12-year prison sentences. "It could provide an

opportunity to move forward on the nuclear issue, and that's not necessarily a bad thing," said Victor Cha, former Asia chief at the National Security Council. "The history with the North Koreans, as they have just done the past few months, is to put themselves out on a ledge. And they always need help getting off that ledge."

North Korean behavior — ever an enigma — has included in recent months the withdrawal from nuclear talks involving the two Koreas, Japan, Russia, China and the U.S. The regime also launched a long-range rocket, conducted a second nuclear test, test-fired a barrage

of ballistic missiles, and restarted its atomic program in defiance of international criticism and the U.N. Security Council.

Obama, while pushing heavy sanctions against the North for its recent nose-thumbing of the international community, also has been low key as he pursues a resumption of talks with the Stalinist regime.

That's been difficult because the North is widely believed to be embroiled in a succession struggle after Kim reportedly suffered a stroke and began setting up a 27-year-old son to take power. Its saber-rattling was widely believed to indicate that its military wanted to show strength as

a successor is chosen.

The White House has taken pains since Clinton's arrival in Pyongyang to play the mission as a private one designed only to win the release of Laura Ling, 32, and Euna Lee, 36. Daniel Sneider, associate director of research at Stanford University's Shorenstein Asia-Pacific Research Center, said the journalists' release followed weeks of quiet negotiations between the State Department and the North Korean mission to the United Nations.

Clinton "didn't go to negotiate this, he went to reap the fruits of the negotiation," Sneider said.

Letters to the editor

To the editor,
A July 2009 review published in the American Journal of Clinical Nutrition has found that 55 studies conducted since 1958 fail to show a significant difference in the amounts of 8 of 11 nutrients in organic versus conventional food.

The news media reversed the meaning of this finding to leap to the conclusion that industrially produced food is as nutritious as organic. Even putting aside the toxins that adulterate industrial food (pesticides, genetically modified organisms, growth hormones, antibiotics, and fertilizers made from chemicals or sewage, to name just a few), the conclusion that organic is not more nutritious belies common sense.

Nutrition comes from the soil. Industrial agriculture depletes soil. Organic agriculture makes the soil richer. Soil degraded through

industrial farming produces less nutritious food. Soil enriched through organic farming produces more nutritious food.

In North America, industrial farming practices have depleted 85% of the mineral content of the farmland. Every 28 years, 1 inch of topsoil is lost to industrial farming. Of 13 major nutrients in fruits and vegetables tracked by the U.S. Department of Agriculture from 1950 to 1999, six showed noticeable declines.

In contrast, organic farming can produce 6 inches of topsoil in as little as 50 years. The Organic Center found that 97 studies conducted since 1980 show that organic food contains, on average, a 25 percent higher concentration of 11 nutrients than conventional food. (New Evidence Confirms the Nutritional Superiority of Plant-Based Organic Foods, www.organic-center.org/reportfiles/5367_Nutrient_Content_SSR_FINAL_V2.pdf)

As organic farming becomes more established, it will become increasingly clear that there is no more efficient and sustainable way to restore and improve the nutrition of farm products than to enrich the health of the soil through organic farming.

Ms. Glenda Hesley
Pampa, Tx

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Army using extreme sports to help war veterans

FORT LEWIS, Washington (AP) — Sgt. Sylvia Portillo went first.

Secured with elastic cords to a railroad bridge more than 200 feet (61 meters) over a gorge south of Mount St. Helens, Portillo's mission was to dive over the edge. She pretended to throw up, getting a nervous laugh out of the troops behind her. Then, keeping her own anxiety in check, she bungee-jumped into the lush green below.

Dozens of soldiers in the 2nd Battalion, 12th Field Artillery Regiment and the 4th Stryker Brigade Combat Team took the plunge that day last fall. Most had been recently deployed in Iraq. Few had bungee-jumped before.

As he stood at the edge, Sgt. Steve Damron felt a mix of trepidation and adrenaline that he likened to patrols through Baghdad. "It's a chance to calm our brothers down," he said, "to push that adrenaline out."

That's the idea. More than 323,000 Army soldiers have served more than one deployment in Iraq or Afghanistan, according to Defense Department statistics entering June, and the Army had the highest rate of suicides on record last year. Researchers reported this month that 37 percent of Iraq and Afghanistan veterans seeking care at Veterans Affairs clinics for the first time are being diagnosed with mental health disorders.

The battle-weary 4th Stryker Brigade based at Fort Lewis, outside Tacoma, was picked for the third and final trial of a new Army program called Warrior Adventure Quest.

It sends soldiers just back from war on outings of paintball, mountain biking, scuba diving, sky diving, whitewater rafting, alpine skiing, snowboarding and rock climbing.

Army officials say they've learned that soldiers who are used to life in a war zone suddenly find life at home to be moving at a glacial pace. The theory is that extreme experiences such as thrill sports can help troops overcome what one soldier in the 4th Stryker Brigade called "the Rambo syndrome" — the emotional need for some of the tension and fear-tinged excitement of combat.

"If they want adrenaline, let's give them adrenaline. Let's give it to them in a manner in which they are going to survive," said John O'Sullivan, the Army's program manager for outdoor recreation and the Warrior Adventure Quest.

Damron said bungee jumping worked on an emotional level.

"It's like your first time going in a house" in Iraq, he said. "You have no clue what's on the other side."

Warrior Adventure Quest is really a post-deployment extension of an emotion-based battlefield assessment the military has developed for small-unit leaders. It goes beyond the traditional review of tactics to include immediate assessments of soldiers' reactions and the acknowledgment of the need for "self and buddy aid."

The team that began developing Warrior Adventure Quest recommended debriefings after each activity. The sessions are aimed at helping soldiers realize the connection between the extreme sport



U.S. Army Sgt. Sylvia Portillo, right, prepares to bungee jump with the help of Bungee.com worker Jeremy Young, left, as she takes part in Warrior Adventure Quest, near Amboy, Wash. (AP Photo/John Klicker)

experience and challenges of reconnecting to their daily lives back home.

The Army began implementing Warrior Adventure Quest into platoon-sized units of 30 to 40 soldiers in January, at Grafenwoehr and Ansbach in Germany, and then at Fort Drum, New York, Fort Stewart, Georgia, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri and Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

By this fall, the Army will have started Warrior Adventure Quest at 26 posts worldwide.

Dr. Dan Blazer is intrigued by the program but cautions not to put too much faith in its effects for the long term. A professor of psychiatry and behavioral sciences at Duke University Medical Center who works with World War II veterans still struggling with their experiences, Blazer said in an e-mail to The Associated Press that "the premise is both interesting and in

some ways sound (just as vigorous exercise can in theory relieve anxiety)."

However, Blazer — who served on a military mental health task force in 2007 — cautioned that, "I do have one opinion about such approaches: The stress of war is unlike anything else that we can imagine or imitate. I suspect that as long as we have war, especially war such as in the two theaters currently, we are going to see PTSD," or post-traumatic stress disorder.

The program is being funded through September by the Army's Family Morale, Welfare and Recreation Command. The cost is estimated to be a minimum of \$7 million for every 80,000 soldiers who participate. The Army is still exploring how to pay for it beyond this fiscal year. It is also collecting data from these early months of the program to see if it works.

The half-dozen Fort Lewis soldiers who joined

Damron to discuss how bungee jumping related to their missions in Iraq think it does.

For them, the aggression of war remains fresh. Sounds of the urban night they used to sleep through — sirens, squealing tires — keep them on full alert. Garbage-strewn alleys in Tacoma and Seattle bring flashbacks to Baghdad. Most at the bungee-

Tikrit, north of Baghdad. Others' missions were more sporadic, causing as little as two hours of uninterrupted sleep a night.

Now home, some go on runs at midnight because they can't wind down to sleep.

"I just had to keep telling myself to slow down," Damron said. "I wanted to be active at all times of the day."

Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips



DEAR ABBY: I have been married for four weeks. Two weeks after my wedding I met a man who excites me and makes my heart race. My husband, "Mitch," and I dated for eight years prior to getting married. We're both 25.

I have only slept with one other man than Mitch in my entire life -- someone I cheated on him with for a couple of weeks. Mitch and I had dated for two years at that point, and I was only 19. Mitch never found out.

I have spent two nights with this new man. I think about him constantly -- at work and at night when Mitch is asleep. I can't get him off my mind, and he feels the same about me. But he tells me that he feels guilty, that what we're doing is wrong and I should forget about him.

My relationship with Mitch is boring. We spend a lot of time at home and don't go out much. Mitch goes to bed early, and I'm tempted to leave and go see this other man. What do I do? -- MARRIED, BUT ...

DEAR MARRIED, BUT ...: I suspect you already know what you need to do. First, level with your husband. Then see if you can have the marriage annulled because, although it has lasted only a month, it is already over.

DEAR ABBY: I have begun dating a man I'll call "Tom." Things seem to be going well. Tom has met my son -- they get along beautifully -- and we're starting to meet each other's families.

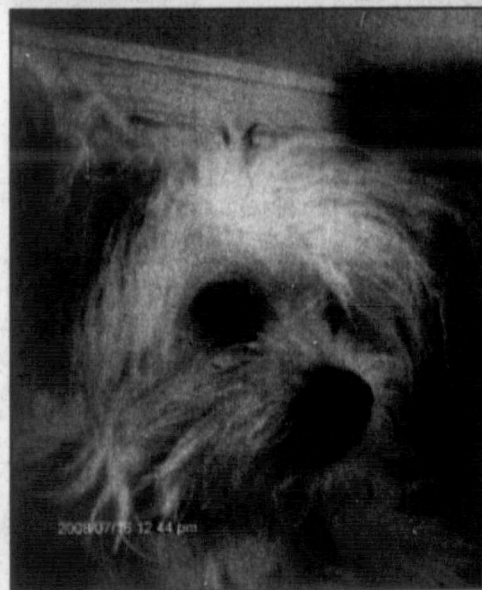
For my son's sake, I have stayed in fairly close contact with my ex's parents. They have asked on more than one occasion when they can meet my new boyfriend, but I haven't given them a straight answer because, honestly, I don't want them to meet Tom. Since I started dating again, I have been trying hard to put my past behind me, and that includes my ex and his family. To do otherwise would be bad for me. What should I do? -- MOVING ON IN DULUTH

DEAR MOVING ON: If you and Tom become more serious, at some point he is going to meet your son's grandparents.

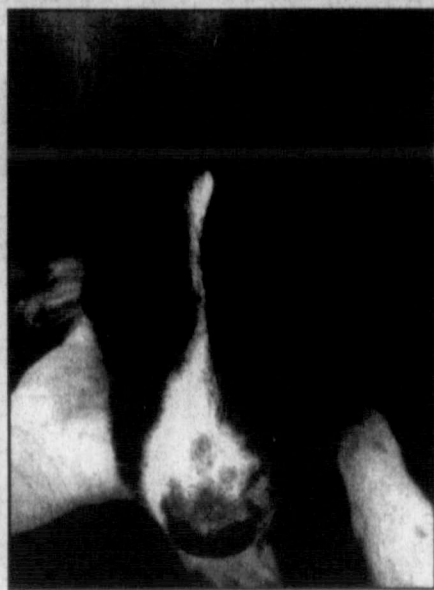
If there is something that you are ashamed of, I think you should have a frank talk with Tom and lay your cards on the table before he finds out from someone else. Unless there's a court order preventing your ex from seeing his son, I doubt that you will be able to keep these two parts of your life completely separate.

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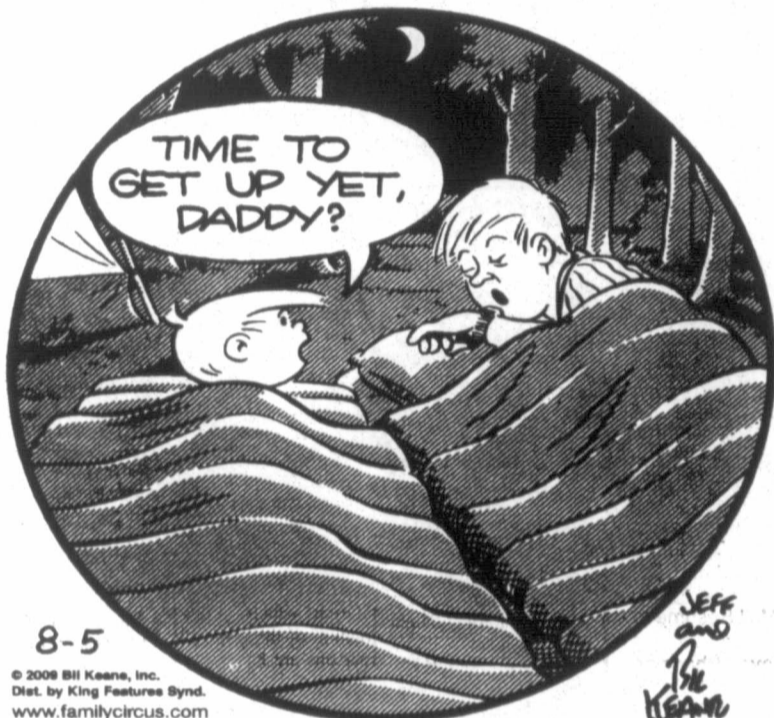
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"Well, that nothing-but-a-floor-lamp just dragged the roast off the table!"

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"Go back to sleep. It's not quite 10 o'clock!"

Daily Crossword Puzzle

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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- 5 Tap
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- 30 Angry with
- 31 Crunch targets
- 32 Heat home
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- 35 Jazz group: Abbr.
- 38 Bring to a sudden stop
- 41 Schnitzel meat
- 42 Wise one
- 43 Goddess with cow horns
- 44 Least wild
- 45 Concerning
- 1 Paul Bunyan's blue ox
- 2 Astronaut Shepard
- 3 Loquacious quality
- 4 Gettysburg loser
- 5 Exorbitant
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- 7 Persia, today
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c/o: Vanessa G. Buzzard Attorney at Law 208 N. Russell St. Pampa, TX 79065
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Vanessa G. Buzzard Attorney for Grazier Harriet Moser and

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Booster club to meet every Monday

BY BETH RICE

The Pampa High School Football Booster Club kicked off their first of what will be weekly meetings that will continue throughout the football season. The Booster Club meets every Monday at 7 p.m. in Val Halla's ready room. We had a great attendance and we are all so excited about our upcoming year! We are finalizing the ads for the 2009 football program and looking ahead to Homecoming activities to be held on 9/18. Coach Parker has some exciting new activities for us all to participate in and we want to encourage ALL parents of Junior High and High School Football players to come out on Monday evenings and be a part!

Urban gardens are changing the landscape of food

GREENSBORO, N.C. (AP) — The strip of manicured lawn adjoining Drexel Road is a token to Bobbe Wright's neighbors.

Three years ago, Wright started rescuing his front and backyards from what he considered a dull and useless grassy existence.

In its place he planted myriad fruits, vegetables and herbs: pear, peach and cherry trees; rosemary and lemon balm; cold-hardy kiwi, grapes and blackberries; sweet potatoes and bitter creasy greens.

"It's just a waste to grow all this grass when you can grow food," said Wright, a graphic artist living with his wife, Gratia, in northeast Greensboro.

"It's much healthier for you. You know where it comes from; you know who handles it. You don't have to worry about E. coli coming from Mexico."

But cities and suburbs stand to become sizable food producers as more people such as Wright rethink the purpose of yards and other urban spaces.

Look around the houses, offices, parks and churches of Greensboro and other Triad communities and you might detect the germinating seeds of urban agriculture.

Suddenly, your eyes register the tomato plants growing upside-down out of buckets on a neighbor's patio. You overhear a co-worker offering to sell surplus honey from his backyard beehives. Or perhaps your child tells you over dinner about the cucumbers growing at her day care center or school.

Widespread concern about the economy and conventional agriculture's vulnerabilities has elevated a hobby into a cause for many people.

Although backyard vegetable growers and farmers' markets are nothing new — interest has swelled around previous recessions — this time sustainable agriculture supporters are pushing for a way of growing food that prioritizes healthy human and ecological relationships over cheap food, corporate profits and convenience.

Consider this: The U.S. Department of Agriculture estimates demand for locally grown food will rise from a \$4 billion market in 2002 to \$7 billion in 2012.

Farmers' markets, which sell mostly local products, increased nationally from 1,755 in 1994 to 4,800 this year. And programs that allow customers to buy shares of a farmer's harvest grew from an estimated 60 operations in 1990 to about 2,800 this year.

The National Gardening Association estimates that 37 percent of American households will grow vegetables this year, compared with 31 percent in 2008. Culinary preferences, food safety and lower grocery bills motivate gardeners the most, according to the group's survey.

But urban agriculture supporters also say grow-

ing food can provide a security net for the poor, preserve open space and habitats, generate jobs, revitalize communities and turn organic wastes into a resource.

Bobbe Wright said one reason he decided to grow vegetables was his concern about the widespread practice of transporting perishable foods around the world and using chemical fertilizers and pesticides that pollute soil and water.

Instead of buying tomatoes shipped from thousands of miles away, Wright eats those plucked from his backyard or sold by local farmers.

Guilford County is by no means an urban gardening oasis, but signs are pointing in that direction.

The Guilford County Cooperative Extension, for example, helped create 17 community gardens since 2002, with most beginning this year. County workers installed the latest garden in July on a narrow strip of land at the downtown courthouse. And the Greensboro City Council voted last year to relax requirements for raising bees and backyard chickens.

N.C. Community Garden Partners, a group represented by about 25 nonprofits, government agencies and universities, has so far counted 70 projects across the state, most of them concentrated in Guilford, Wake, Mecklenburg and Orange counties.

Partners created an online social networking site and hopes to offer training to participants.

"There's this huge interest in community gardening, but there seems to be this lack of knowledge between people who want to start community gardens and those who have been doing it for years," said Diane Beth, a state nutritionist who helps lead the partnership.

Perhaps the most ambitious local food project in Guilford County is a proposal by Urban Harvest to create a farm on six acres in the historic Aycock neighborhood.

The nonprofit group, founded by Daniel Leiker and Justin Leonard, has garnered support from residents, city officials and the Dascalakis family that owns the site valued at more than \$2 million.

"This is high-profile," said Linn, a supporter of the project. "This is going to push questions that will push answers. And if it wasn't the right thing to do, it wouldn't have this life that it's got."

"We do need to know as a community how we work through these questions, how do we get along, how do we rent plots and grow food, how do we define these partnerships."

The farm is a long-term vision. Right now, Leiker, 27, oversees a first-phase community garden at the site while his partner interns at an urban farm in Milwaukee.

Clarendon EDC to host small business workshop

People interested in starting their own businesses are invited to attend a special seminar at the Bairfield Activity Center on the Clarendon College campus. The event is sponsored by the Clarendon Economic Development Corporation and the Small

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LAREDO, Texas (AP) — Thousands of South Texans are expected to receive free medical and dental services this week during Operation Lone Star.

Currently in its eleventh year, Operation Lone Star is a free medical treatment program offered by the military along with state and county officials. The two-week event expanded to include more cities this year after providing health care to more than 11,000 South Texans last year.

Laredo, Rio Grande City, Hebbronville and Zapata will host the event this week.

The event also serves as a way for state and local officials to train for a medical emergency. Members of the Texas Health and Human Services Commission, Texas Department of State Health Services and Texas military services are expected to participate.

Mega Millions jackpot increases to \$102 mil

ATLANTA (AP) — The jackpot in the multi-state Mega Millions lottery drawing grew to \$102 million Tuesday.

None of the tickets sold for Tuesday's \$84 million drawing matched all

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There were two second-prize winners from Friday night's drawing, matching five numbers to win \$250,000. Another 18

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