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County proposes tax rate for 2009-2010

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While the Gray County tax rate over the past 15 years has varied from 0.439 in 1995 to 0.5225 in 2003, the proposed tax rate for 2010 is 0.47302.

At a public hearing on the tax rate Tuesday, County Judge Richard Peet said that the proposed tax rate

is simply that — proposed. He pointed out that the county has lost one of its traditionally strongest businesses, Celanese, and that tax income to the county will drop some \$25 million.

Peet said that the biggest expense the county has is the sheriff's office and jail in the county's \$7.37 mil-

lion budget. The judge said that commissioners in their budget discussions over the past month have explored cuts in county spending. Now, he said, the only thing left is cutting services or personnel.

The county budget, as proposed, is still some \$155,000 short. It could be

balanced, he indicated, by reaching into the county's reserves, which are now about \$1.5 million.

He said that the road and bridge budget allowed for few new items.

Commissioner Joe Wheeley's Precinct 1 has \$362,000. Commissioner Gary Willoughby's Precinct 2 has a 595,000 budget.

Commissioner John Mark Baggerman's Precinct 3 budget is \$439,000, which includes the purchase of one new piece of heavy equipment. Commissioner James Hefley's budget for Precinct 4 is 362,000.

There will be another public hearing on the proposed budget on Sept. 8. **TAX cont. on page 3**

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HOLIDAY READY



staff photo by David Bowser
Ronnie Holmes with Holmes Sporting Goods and Chatauqua chairman Sena Brainard hold up one of the tee shirts for Monday's celebration.

Poverty rate among elderly rising

WASHINGTON (AP) — The poverty rate among older Americans could be nearly twice as high as the traditional 10 percent level, according to a revision of a half-century-old formula for calculating medical costs and geographic variations in the cost of living.

The National Academy of Science's formula, which is gaining credibility with public officials including some in the Obama administration, would put the poverty rate for Americans 65 and over at 18.6 percent, or 6.8 million people, compared with 9.7 percent, or 3.6 million people, under the existing measure. The original government formula, created in 1955, doesn't take account of rising costs of medical care and other factors.

"It's a hidden problem," said Robin Talbert, president of the AARP. **POVERTY cont. on page 3**

After 8-year delay, program hopes to help vets

HOUSTON (AP) — The drone of helicopters still haunts William Callahan decades after Vietnam combat left him paralyzed, but he said government bureaucracy stood in the way of getting the one thing that made the echoes stop and kept him independent: a service dog.

It took four years and giving up on a Veteran's Affairs canine program for Callahan to find Taylor, a specially trained Labrador retriever.

Although the canine program's Web site touts that it "routinely" gives veterans service dogs, the program's director Neil Eckrich said only two dogs have been paired with veterans since Congress authorized the program in 2001. Eckrich acknowledged there were difficulties with the program, including the time it took to conduct studies on the dogs' benefits and problems promoting the service.

Finally, about eight years after the program began, many hope it will start finding homes for the four-legged companions that

can help disabled veterans be more independent, better deal with post traumatic stress syndrome and to just be a friend. The VA is now working on improving the program and in Washington, increasing funding for such programs is getting bipartisan support.

Callahan, 63, began trying to find a service dog in 2004, and his local VA office said the program didn't exist — even though that wasn't true. He eventually turned to one of the more than two dozen non-profit groups in the U.S. that train dogs for injured veterans.

Paralyzed from the waist down and facing the diminishing use of his arms and hands, Callahan said he needed assistance picking up items from the floor and someone to seek help in emergencies.

He credits Taylor for enabling him to stay in his Houston-area home and calming him when images from the war flash through his mind.

"He is the only friend I have that I know for sure



This photo shows Vietnam veteran Bill Callahan talking to his service dog Taylor outside his home in Baytown, Texas. Callahan, a paraplegic, is working to get service dogs like Taylor for other injured servicemen. (AP Photo/Pat Sullivan)

loves and protects me," Callahan said, leaning in to kiss Taylor. "Sometimes I wonder whether I'm giving enough to him for all he gives me."

Several disabled veterans said they too ran into walls and misinformation

when looking for help to get a service dog. Some said phone calls were never returned and local VA offices ignored their repeated inquiries.

"I was told they would not fund a dog, they had never refunded a service

dog and were unwilling to make my case," Rober Schwartz said of his conversation with his VA office in 2005.

Schwartz, 68, broke his **DOGS cont. on page 3**

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Rustlers Too will be serving scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage,
hash browns with biscuits & gravy

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For the record

PAMPA FORECAST

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
		
High 85 Low 61	High 88 Low 62	High 88 Low 62

Sunday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 pm. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 85. South southeast wind between 5 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Sunday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 61. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Labor Day: A 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 88. South wind around 10 mph.

Monday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 62. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Tuesday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 88. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Tuesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 62.

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FAA investigating American's MD-80 repairs

DALLAS (AP) — Federal regulators are investigating American Airlines over structural repairs to its aging fleet of MD-80 series aircraft.

A Federal Aviation Administration official said Friday that the investigation centered on 16 planes.

The Wall Street Journal reported FAA officials suspect American rushed to retire one of the planes to keep it away from inspectors.

A spokesman for American denied the accusation and said mothballing the aircraft wouldn't let it escape FAA scrutiny.

"We retired the plane for economic reasons, tied to our decision several months ago to reduce capacity,"

spokesman Roger Frizzell told The Associated Press. "Any other assertion is incorrect and misleading."

FAA spokesman Lynn Lunsford declined to say whether inspectors believed the airline had tried to hide the plane or whether they had examined it in the New Mexico desert, where it is now parked. He said inspectors examined "a number of planes" during an investigation that dates back at least to March.

Lunsford said the investigation centered on repairs to the rear bulkhead of the MD-80 series aircraft. As of May, American had 270 MD-80 series jets, or 44 percent of its fleet.

Obituaries

Michael L. Scothorn, 46

Michael Leon Scothorn, May 3, 1963 - August 29, 2009 was a resident of Northglenn, Colorado for 19 years and he is a member of Northside Baptist church. Michael was born in Liberal, Kansas and raised in Pampa, Texas. Graduated from Pampa High school in 1981, his job trade was as a machinist technician.

Survived by wife Lydia

Scothorn and beloved children Steven and Sean, he was one of three children born to Leon and Sue Scothorn, survived by loving sister Lisa Keough and preceded in death by Brother Eddie Scothorn, along with countless other friends and family whom were blessed to know him.

Friends and family are invited to the funeral services on Friday, September

4, 2009, 2:00 p.m. at Tabor/Rice funeral Home, 75 South 13th Ave., Brighton, Colorado.

A memorial fund has been established for the Michael Scothorn Family at Bank of the West 1200 Washington Street, Thornton, Colorado 80241 or a favorite charity.

Tabor-Rice Funeral Home handled arrangements.



Scothorn

EMERGENCY SERVICES

PAMPA PD

The Pampa Police Department responded to the following calls during the period between 7 a.m. Thursday, September 3 to 7 a.m. Friday, September 4.

Animal Control Officers responded to 11 calls or stops.

Pampa Police Officers made seven traffic stops, had five ongoing investigations, and responded to one request for information.

An alarm was reported in the 1000 block of N. Sumner Street

An accident was reported in the 1300 block of W. Kentucky Avenue.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 800 block of E. Kingsmill Avenue. A back window of a vehicle was busted. Estimated cost of damage is \$1,300.

Domestic disturbance was reported in the 600 block of N. Nelson Street. Marvin Finney was arrested for assault with minor injuries. No medical atten-

tion was needed.

A suspicious person was reported in the 300 block of E. Foster Avenue.

Forgery was reported in the 400 block of E. Frederic Avenue. A counterfeit \$10 bill was reported.

A suspicious vehicle was reported in the Starkweather and Browning intersection.

A 911 hangup was reported in the 100 block of N. Houston

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

An animal bite was reported in the 1100 block of S. Christy Street.

A suspicious person was reported in the 700 block of E. Frederic Avenue.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 100 block of N. Hobart Street.

A suspicious person was reported in the 1000 block of E. Frederic Avenue.

A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 800 block of Deane Drive.

An alarm was reported in the 400 block of N. Ballard

Street.

Burglary was reported in the 700 block of N. West Street.

A suspicious person was reported in the 100 block of N. Hobart Street.

SHERIFF

A suspicious person was reported in the 200 block of W. Craven Avenue.

A traffic stop in the 1000 block of E. Frederic Avenue resulted in the arrest of Josh Seymour.

Seymour had a warrant of Gray County Sheriff's office, Seymour tried to escape while being arrested.

An open door was reported in the 2500 block of N. Perryton Parkway. A door was coming off the hinges, estimated cost of damage is unknown.

According to Gray County Sheriff Officials, the following people were booked into Gray County Jail during the period between 7 a.m. Thursday, September 3 and 7 a.m.

Friday, September 4.

Carl Allen Hinds, 26, of Pampa was booked Thursday on a charge of failure to register as a sex offender.

Marvin Monrow Finney III, 33, of Lefors, TX, was booked Thursday on a charge of assault causing bodily injury, family violence.

Jenny Andrea Smith-Amaya, 27, of Ceres, CA, was booked Friday on a charge of money laundering over \$20,000 and under \$100,000.

Ilita Mesha Captain, 38, of Pampa, TX, was booked Friday on a charge of possession of marijuana.

Joshua Kade Seymour, 22, of Pampa, was booked Friday on a charge of theft of property over \$1,500 and under \$20,000. Seymour escaped while arrested and was confined.

Plane/pilot missing since Monday

McALLEN, Texas (AP) — The search continues for a missing pilot and his plane not heard from since Monday afternoon over northern Mexico.

Andrew Howard of McAllen was returning alone from a flight earlier Monday to Torreón, Mexico when he had to fly around heavy thunderstorms over Monterrey, Mexico. A statement issued by his family says the 52-year-old pilot radioed the McAllen tower at 1:15 p.m. and gave no indication of trouble, but he must have been low on fuel.

It's believed Howard likely crash-landed in Mexico between San

Fernando and Reynosa. Mexican transportation officials have been searching by helicopter for Howard since Tuesday.

Howard is chief pilot at McCreery Aviation, in charge of charter and air ambulance services.

Correction

There was an error in the story "King jury hears child's 911 call" in yesterday's issue of The Pampa News.

Robin Doan was mistakenly and inadvertently identified one time in the story as "Robin King."

We regret the error and apologize for it.

Lake Meredith assault may go to grand jury

A man was assaulted in the parking lot of the Sanford-Yake Marina at Lake Meredith, Saturday, August 29.

According to the National Park Service, the assault occurred between 8 and 8:45 a.m., the man was beaten and his car and wallet were stolen. The victim was airlifted to Amarillo hospital where he was treated and since has been released. The victim is in his 50s and resides in Borger, and his car was recovered in Borger.

Four people have been identified as suspects in the assault: Derick Allen Jones, 25 Clifton O'Brian Jones 18, Melissa Ann Despiens 21, and Jammie

Lyn Petty 28. As of September 2, Clifton Jones and Despiens are being held in the Potter County Detention Center. Petty is out on bail and Derick Jones is not in custody.

Other motives including robbery are being investigated by the National Park Service, the Hutchinson County Sheriff's Office, the Borger Police Department, the Amarillo Police Department and the Potter County Sheriff's Office. The Hutchinson County District Attorney's Office is reviewing the case before presenting it to a Grand Jury.

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Tax

Peet said. The commission adopted an order authorizing the issuance of \$4.17 million in bonds for Clarendon College expansion of their Pampa campus. The college will assume all risk, Judge Peet said. The county is not pledging any money for the project. The indebtedness will be paid by the college. They did set a five-cent tax rate for Clarendon College's FY2010 budget. The commission also renewed a two-year

contract with Indigent Healthcare Solutions for \$12,000 a year. In other business, the county commission approved County Clerk Susan Winborn's request to have 88 more books of records copied to replace older records on file. Winborn said that she had a bid of \$21,000 to copy the records and \$5,000 for the binding. This is an on-going project to protect aging county records. The commission also named Commissioner

Baggerman to the White Deer Land Museum board of directors. The county commission approved the recommendation of the district judges to keep salaries the same for the auditor, assistant auditor and court reporters next fiscal year. The county commission also approved PCP Midstreams' request to bore beneath Gray County Road 2 and encase a pipe the company plans to run there. The company paid their \$500 fee Tuesday.

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The commission officially ratified its agreement with Happy State Bank as the county's depository. In other business, Dr. James Hall told the commission that the new ambulance service had acquired financing from a private source. He said he could not reveal the source until all the agreements had been signed, but the new ambulance service would be ready to start on Sept. 30.

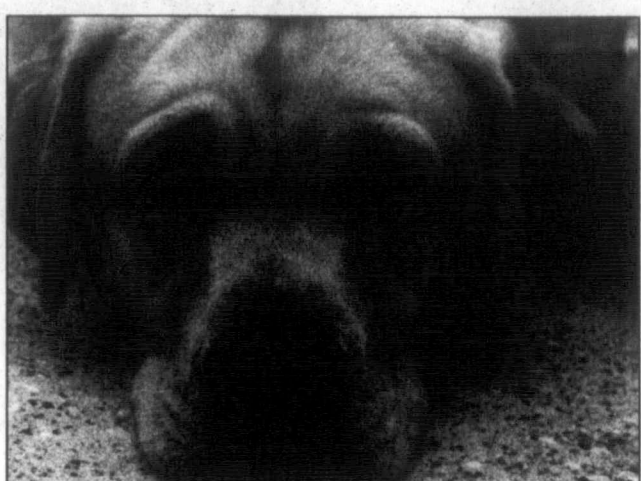
Dogs

back in Vietnam and was paralyzed from the waist down. After his wife died, he said an assistance dog was the only thing that kept him out of a nursing home. Living on Kelleys Island, Ohio in Lake Erie he also was looking for a dog that could help him on his boat.

Congress authorized but did not require the VA to provide service dogs as part of a 2001 law that enhanced veterans' health care. Money for the program was to come from the VA's general fund. For nearly six years, the agency studied ways to provide the dogs but concluded that the lack of standards and research supporting the medical benefits were huge deterrents.

"We have to take into account the veteran's health, the dog's health and taxpayer money," Eckrich said. "There were no standards that apply to training, to the dogs and to the trainers."

Baylor School of Medicine researcher Diana Rintala worked with the VA in a 2004 study that found no physical evidence of improvement when a service dog was used. Researchers tested the dif-



Taylor, a service dog and friend to Vietnam veteran Bill Callahan resting between assignments at his home in Baytown, Texas.

ficulty participants had in doing tasks with and without the dog, and measured perceptions of improvement and satisfaction and negative aspects of having a dog.

The study was too narrow to make significant assessments about the physiological and psychological impact of a service dog, Rintala said.

"We didn't measure the more emotional aspects of this," she said.

Assistance Dogs International accredits and sets training quality standards for assistance dogs organizations worldwide.

Corey Hudson, who is president of ADI North America, said the group recommended the VA financially partner with ADI or help veterans pay for expenses.

Donations allow non-profit groups to train dogs without government help, but the organizations often have waiting lists and sometimes veterans have to travel to get the dogs and pay other fees.

Those expenses along with veterinarian bills put the cost of maintaining a service dog between \$600 and \$1,000 a year, said Hudson, chief executive

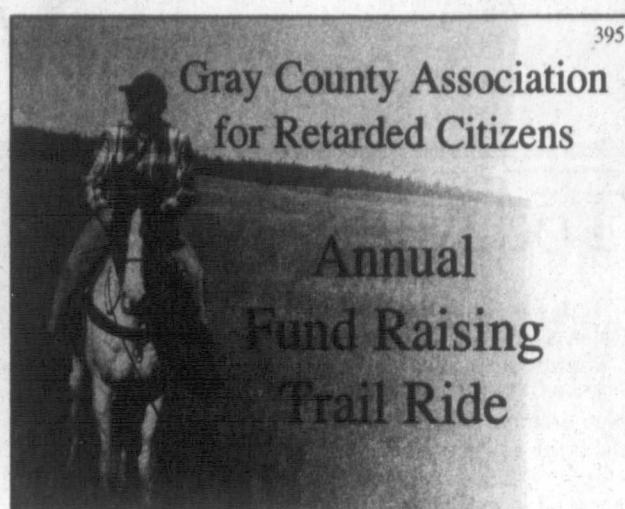
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of Canine Companions for Independence in California. Veterans on fixed incomes have a harder time keeping up, Callahan said.

The issue of service dogs is again drawing attention in Congress. Texas Republican Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison proposed a \$15 million earmark in the VA's budget next year for the service dog program. Minnesota Sen. Al Franken and Florida Rep. Ron Klein, both Democrats, are sponsoring two bills to start a pilot program through the VA to pair service dogs with veterans — mostly those with mental health issues — and establish a grant program for non-profits who provide them.

Chris Maddiford, of Boston, said he went through every program the VA offered to manage his post traumatic stress disorder after he was wounded in Afghanistan in 2003. It wasn't until he met AJ, his black Labrador retriever, that he cut down on his medications and was finally able to sleep.

Maddiford wants the VA to pair more veterans with service dogs to give returning troops the same peace he's found.



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- Invocation The Reverend Kenny Rigoulet
- First Presbyterian Church
- Flag presentation - Boy Scout Troop 404
- National Anthem- Pampa High School Band
- PHS Cheerleaders, Fight Song - PHS Band
- Meet the Cheerleaders
- 9:20 am PHS Band Concert- Rogers Myers, director
- 10:00 am Regional Medical Center 5k Fun Run Awards
- 10:10 am Harp & Cello Music, Randy and Donna Hudson
- 10:40 am Gymnastics of Pampa and House of Cheer (Basketball Court)
- 10:55 am Amarillo Raks Baladi
- 11:05 am Josh Paulson
- 11:20 am Jerry Hovey
- 11:55 am PJHS Cheerleaders
- 12:00 NOON AFS Students
- 12:10 pm PHS Choir
- 12:40 pm Josh Paulson
- 1:00 pm Chris Crow
- 1:35 pm Calvary Baptist Youth "Seven Years Bad Mirrors"
- 2:00 pm Showtime Entertainment Huck & Kim
- 2:40 pm Unspoken Page
- 3:30 pm Woody Guthrie Tribute
- 4:00 pm "Day is dying in the West" Traditional Closing- Woody Guthrie Tribute

Poverty

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Foundation, which provides job training and support to low-income seniors and is backing legislation that would adopt the NAS formula. "There are still many millions of older people on the edge, who don't have what they need to get by."

If the academy's formula is adopted, a more refined picture of American poverty could emerge that would capture everyday costs of necessities besides just food. The

result could upend long-standing notions of those in greatest need and lead eventually to shifts in how billions of federal dollars for the poor are distributed for health, housing, nutrition and child-care benefits.

The overall official poverty rate would increase, from 12.5 percent to 15.3 percent, for a total of 45.7 million people, according to rough calculations by the Census Bureau.

Pampa ISD Events for the Week of September 7-12

Watch this space every Sunday for a weekly listing of non-athletic events from every campus in our school district

September 7 is a holiday • NO SCHOOL

Pampa High School
September 8 • Choir Parent Meeting 6:30 pm Choir Room
September 10 • Senior Breakfast 7 am @ PHS Commons

Pampa Jr. High
September 8 • Mayor/Vice Mayor Petitions due
September 11 • Picture Day
September 11 • Patriot Day (wear red, white and blue)

Lamar Elementary
September 10 • Open House • 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Wislon Elementary
September 11 • Picture Day

GED Orientation • September 9th 5:30 pm Clarendon College-Pampa Center

Adult ESL Orientation • September 10th 5:30 pm Clarendon College-Pampa Center

For the most up-to-date Pampa ISD information, Go to the school website at HYPERLINK "http://www.pampaisd.net" From the parent connection drop-down menu, click on the District Event Calendar

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Viewpoints

Today in History

Today is Saturday, September 5, the 248th day of 2009. There are 117 days left in the year.

- Highlights in history on this date:
- 1590 - The Duke of Parma, advancing from the Netherlands, forces France's King Henry IV to lift the siege of Paris in Catholic League War.
 - 1658 - Dutch take Jaffnapatam, last Portuguese possession in Ceylon, the modern-day Sri Lanka.
 - 1698 - New East India Company is granted charter by King William III of England; Peter the Great executes the Streltzy rebels in Russia and imposes tax on beards.
 - 1793 - The revolutionary government in France starts the 10-month Reign of Terror, during which 17,000 people are executed.
 - 1860 - Britain, Austria, France, Prussia, Russia and Turkey sign treaty to restore order in Syria after massacre of Christians by Druse.

'It is only the poor who are forbidden to beg.'

— Anatole France, French author

- 1864 - Combined British, French and Dutch fleets attack Japan in Shimonoseki Straits in reprisal for closing ports and expelling foreigners.
- 1905 - Treaty of Portsmouth, mediated by U.S. President Theodore Roosevelt in New Hampshire, ends Russo-Japanese War.
- 1966 - Chinese news agency claims U.S. planes sunk a Communist Chinese merchant ship and damaged another in the Gulf of Tonkin, killing nine Chinese seamen and wounding seven.
- 1972 - Eleven Israeli Olympic athletes, four Palestinian guerrillas and a West German policeman are killed in a gun battle at Munich airport.
- 1975 - U.S. President Gerald Ford escapes an attempt on his life by Lynette "Squeaky" Fromme, a disciple of Charles Manson, in Sacramento, California.
- 1981 - Iran's revolutionary prosecutor general, Hojatolislam Ali Qoddousi, is the fourth major Iranian official in a week to die in a bomb blast.
- 1986 - Four gunmen holding hijacked Pan Am jet in Pakistan open fire on passengers, killing 20 and wounding more than 100.
- 1987 - Israeli jets blast Palestinian guerrilla bases near Sidon, Lebanon, killing 41 people and wounding 60.
- 1995 - American neo-Nazi Gary Lauck is extradited to Germany from Denmark to stand trial on charges of inciting racial hatred and other counts.
- 1996 - Ramzi Yousef, a Muslim extremist who allegedly masterminded the 1993 World Trade Center bombing, is convicted with two other men of planning to blow up a dozen U.S. commercial airliners.

- Today's Birthdays:
- Louis XIV, the "Sun King" of France (1638-1715); Caspar David Friedrich, German painter (1774-1840); Giacomo Meyerbeer, German composer (1791-1864); Paul Bourget, French author (1852-1935); Arthur Koestler, Hungarian-born British writer (1905-1983); John Cage, U.S. composer (1912-1992); Raquel Welch, U.S. actress (1940--); Bob Newhart, actor/comedian (1929--); Werner Herzog, German director (1942--).



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Keep Reading, Texas!

BY U.S. SENATOR KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON

In a rite of passage hundreds of years old, Texas families from Harlingen to Amarillo are hugging their children as they head back to school. This past summer, many parents nostalgically helped their kids complete their required summer reading. Many of us fondly remember discovering Huckleberry Finn and The Hardy Boys while sprawled on the grass on a hot August day.

Research shows that children who read at home with their families often perform better in school. For that reason, I take time out of my busy schedule to read with my own children. I have also enjoyed working with "Reach Out and Read," a non-profit organization that promotes children's literacy in doctors' rooms. While youngsters wait for doctors' appointments with their parents, "Reach Out and Read" gives them new books, along with advice to their parents about the importance of reading aloud. Each year, the organization distributes over 250,000 books and helps more than 200,000 Texas children enter school prepared for success.

In today's competitive economy, the skills of the next generation will be the foundation for our state's economic growth. We must work together to encourage students to stay in school and make learning a life-long endeavor.

Unfortunately, each year, a third of Texas high school students quit before graduation. Studies show that Texas has one of the highest dropout rates in the nation. Our dropout rate particularly affects lower-income families, including the 2.2 million Texas children whose parents lacked steady employment in 2007. This figure represents a three percent

increase since 2000 and accounts for one third of our state's youth.

Quitting school compounds their challenges. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, in 2005 those who left school earned \$7,200 less than high school graduates and \$28,000 less than college graduates. The Alliance for Excellent Education reports that in July 2009 the unemployment rate was an astronomical 15.4 percent for Texas high school dropouts, compared to 4.7 percent for people with bachelor's degrees or higher. The Alliance estimates that students who dropped out of Texas's Class of 2009 will forfeit more than \$34.6 billion they could have earned over their lifetimes if they had stayed in school.

For the U.S. to remain the leader of the global economy, we must bolster our national education system. And for Texas to thrive and nurture the best and the brightest, that process must start at the local level.

Just as families can encourage reading among children, communities can work to revitalize their own neighborhoods if provided more local control and flexibility. In the Senate I have supported efforts to help communities offer services like literacy and job training.

These programs help adults as well as youths. The National Adult Literacy Survey estimates that 90 million American adults lack basic literacy skills. Adult education programs provide the skills Americans need to obtain good jobs.

Our state shines as the home of the Texas Book Festival, founded in 1995 by our most beloved librarian, former First Lady Laura Bush. Held annually each autumn in Austin, it has evolved into one of the nation's foremost literary gatherings. It also spawned the National Book Festival,



Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison

which will celebrate its ninth annual installment on September 26. Founded in partnership with our nation's Library of Congress, the National Book Festival promotes literacy for fans of all genres. As an avid reader who has loved history books and biographies since I was a young girl, I was delighted to participate as an author in the National Book Festival in 2006 and 2008, and in the Texas Book Festivals as well.

Nowadays, one of my favorite reading materials is mail from my constituents throughout our state. I receive more than 20,000 letters and emails from Texans each week — over one million per year! Your feedback helps me better represent Texas, and I am grateful for your suggestions. Please keep it coming — and keep reading!

Kay Bailey Hutchison is the senior U.S. senator from Texas.

Happy Labor Day, No Really

BY MARTHA RANDOLPH CARR

The working man's holiday is upon us once again. It's the second one since the Great Recession began and the first one since we were probably able to gather a collective deep breath. We have a better idea of where our economic bottom is, which is a little easier than the chasm we were staring into last year when we were wondering how far down we could go.

One year ago we were starting the icy slide downward in the stock market that had people taking their laptops to bed with them either out of depression or obsession. People were watching helplessly as their pensions and college funds dwindled down to almost nothing. Office pools were taking bets on where the bottom would finally turn out to be.

This Labor Day we're all a little more economically sober and maybe some of the sting has worn off as we've picked through the financial rubble and started to rebuild our savings.

Of course, the country has a deficit so large it's

difficult to imagine how that could get paid back unless GM suddenly comes out with a car that runs on smog and can buy back the government's investment in their bailout.

AIG could always pay back the money because it's the right thing to do. See, you smiled just a little at that joke.

The truth is we've seen a lot of measures to stop the gush of red ink but have yet to see any proposals besides a public element to the health care bill that contain innovative ideas aimed at bettering the lives of the middle class.

Here are a few suggestions I've come up with that borrow a little from past successes with a few twists. Offer a paid trip through state college for GI's but this time include those willing to teach in K-12 public schools, social workers and those going into law enforcement or public safety. Require a certain number of years post-graduate in the field as payment for the taxpayers' generosity and work out a plan with the state colleges who already receive public

funding.

Make a deal with all of the banks that received federal bailout money to offer foreclosed homes at a discount to the same list above before the general public sees the list. Make it a package deal with a qualified fixed rate mortgage.

Bailout money, which comes from the middle class paychecks, should have consequences for those who took the funds that benefit the middle class. That would finally take it all back to more of a capitalist economy where the one who's doling out the money actually gets something real in return. As it stands now there are a lot of companies on the public dole not too long after we had started to phase out welfare. That's ironic.

In fact, every company that took the bailout money can offer at a deep discount something worth having to this group of our society that does the work that ensures we stay a great country but generally never sees the economic rewards.

Proof of the soundness of this idea would be the

benefits offered to veterans of WWII such as a college education and better mortgage rates that contributed to building such a solid middle class in the first place. Many people got the opportunity to pursue a higher education and be the first in their family to attend college. Towns became dotted with starter homes that led to stable local economies and new members at civic organizations. Everyone in America ended up benefitting from their contributions.

We can take this opportunity that the Great Recession has given us and write to our elected representatives to tell them we expect a little something for our money. That's other than some kind of vague reassurance that we averted disaster. We actually want more than that this time. Start typing, everyone. Happy Labor Day, America.

Martha Randolph Carr is the author of the novel, *The Sitting Sisters*. Martha can be found on Twitter at *MarthaRandolph* or visit *www.martharandolphcarr.com*.

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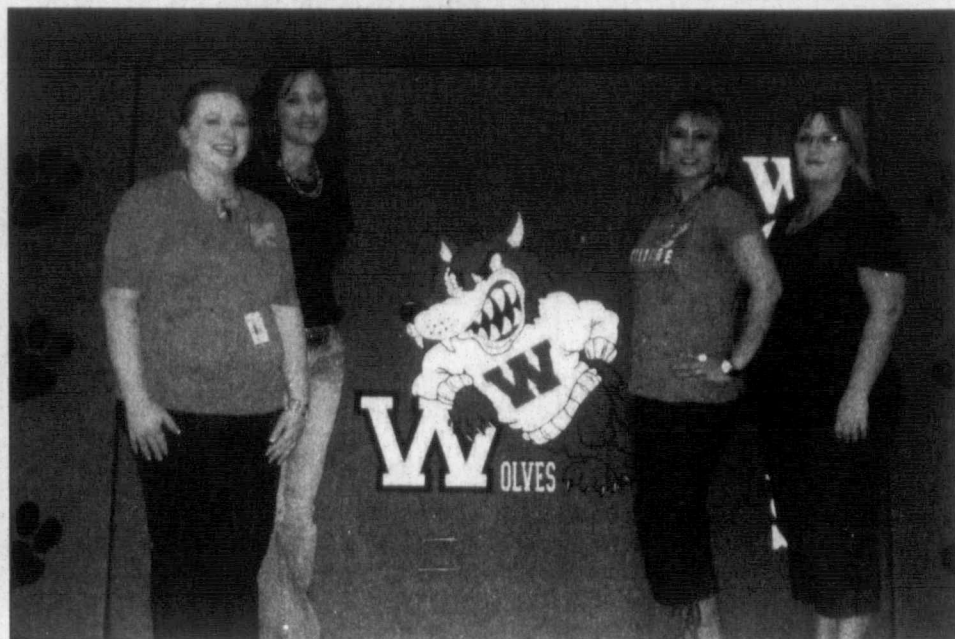
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Adeline Little (left) and Gracie Little pose at the Smithsonian Castle in Washington D.C. during a summer vacation in August. They are the daughters of Todd and Jona Little of Pampa.

Here is Dad's description:

"They are standing in front of King Kah Mun Rah's 'Pile of Loot' from the movie *Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian*. In the movie, the villainous King Kah Mun Rah steals Smithsonian artifacts and hoards them in his throne room, which he sets up in the Commons, located in the first floor of the Smithsonian Castle. They carried the paper from Washington D.C. to Maine and took photos all over the place, but they like this one the best."



These are the new mats that were purchased for the Wilson Elementary School gym. Fundraiser money was used to purchase these mats. Booster Club members are Kristen Beesley, treasurer (3rd grade teacher at Wilson), Trudy Sprinkle- President, Kelly Mayberry, vice president and Valarie Dickinson, secretary

Pampa Senior Citizens Inc.

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Tuesday
Chicken Fried Steak or broccoli/chicken casserole, mashed potatoes, beets, turnip greens, blackeyed peas, slaw, tossed salad or Jell-O salad, German Chocolate Cake or Butterscotch Pudding Cups, hot rolls or corn bread

Wednesday
Roast beef brisket with brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, green beans, cream corn, slaw, tossed salad, Jell-O salad, Carmel Cake Pie or Blueberry Creme Pie

Thursday
Chicken strips or taco salad, tator tots, cheese grits, spinach, beans, slaw, tossed salad or Jell-O salad, Devils Food cake or French Vanilla Pie, hot rolls or corn bread

Friday
Catfish and hush-puppies or Smothered Steak, potato wedges, California Blend, beans, slaw, tossed salad or Jell-O salad, cinnamon rolls or tapioca cups, garlic bread sticks, hot rolls, corn bread

Briarwood Kids Cafe

Tuesday
Soup and sandwich, lettuce/tomato, chips, dessert and drink

Thursday
Enchilada Casserole, beans, salad, dessert and drink

Pampa Meals on Wheels

Monday
Closed Holiday

Labor Day

Tuesday
Corn Dogs, macaroni cheese, pork and beans, Plum Cobbler

Wednesday
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Thursday
Chicken Strips, mashed potatoes, green beans, sugarless cake

Friday
Beef Tips, cream corn, baked apples, cookies

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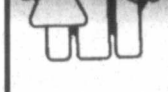
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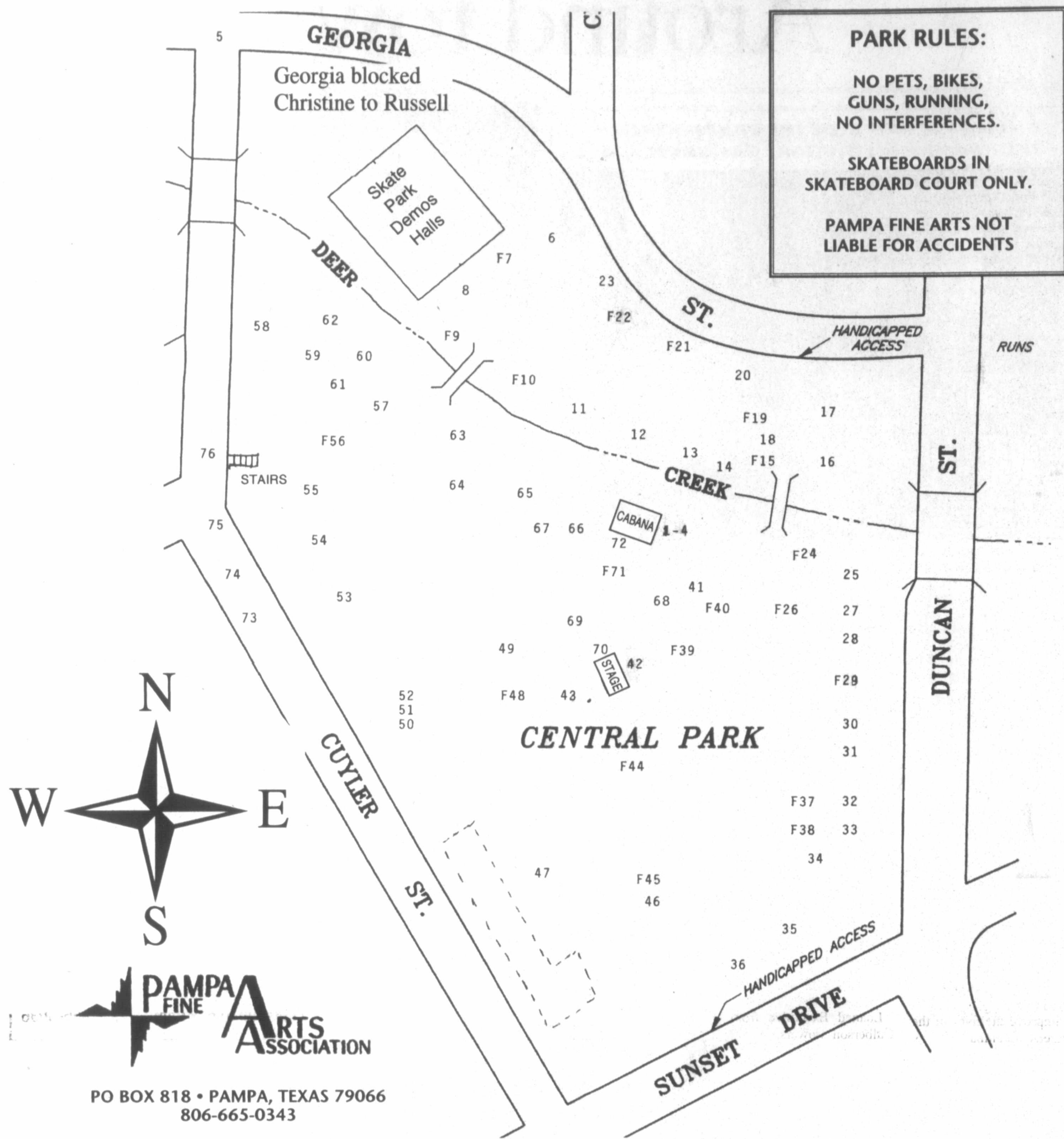
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Chautauqua Booth Locations

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| 1. Chautauqua Info - Selling Official T-Shirt | 27. Jesus in the Park-Joel the Puppet Free give away | 52. Shepherd's Helping Hands-Sand Art, Wood, Metal, Rock and Craft Sculptures |
| 2. Pampa Fine Arts Membership | 28. Homemade Gourmet-Dry ingredient pre-packaged: Seasonings, Desserts, Soup/Dip Mixes, Entrees | 53. White Nile Accessories-Selling Jewelry - Genuine Pearls - Demonstrating Making Earrings out of Pearls |
| 3. Clarendon College -Pampa Center Information | F29. Emergency Service Foundation of Texas Information on Helipad@PTMC - Tea | 54. PFAA Bouncer |
| 4. Pampa Chamber of Commerce Info | 30. Rose Emporium-Potato Bags, Jewelry, Ceramics, Flower Pots, etc. | 55. Pampa Police Department (Crime Prevention)-Candles and boxed food items |
| 5. Pampa Regional Medical Center
Fun Run, 5K: 8:00, 8:20 am | 31. Renner-Crafts - Painted Saws, Picket Fence Furniture, Wishing Wells | F56. Cornerstone Church-Free Water - Motorcycle and Hotrod Display |
| 6. Prevent Blindness America (PBA)
Vision Screening - Wal-Mart | 32. Panhandle Search and Rescue (PANSAR)
PANSAR Dogs on display & demonstrations.
Live Dogs - Info about PANSAR | 57. JC's Enterprises-Jewelry, Frames, Kid's Fun Stuff, etc. |
| F7. PBA Bake Sale - (NO COOKIES) | 33. Greyhound Adoption League of Texas
Live Rescued Retired Greyhounds | 58. Pony Rides (LIVE) |
| 8. Dunking Booth Wal-Mart Vision Center | 34. Kid's Stuff-Airbrush Tattoos, Hair Coloring
Hair Bows, Tutus, Dresses | 59. Gracelyn's Goodies-Cross Clothing, Hand Sewn Pillowcase Dresses, Bows, etc. |
| F9. PJHS 8th Grade Dance-Candy Art Machine
Pixie-Sticks | 35. Gymnastics of Pampa-Obstacle Course - 10 obstacles - Can Do Challenge 2 Courses | 60. Jessica Lynn Photography-Display Photo Art |
| F10. Girl Scouts-Cotton Candy, Pepsi, Nachos | 36. Gymnastics of Pampa-Team Pampa & House of Cheer - Car Bash | 61. Becky Scoggin-Flip Flops, Jewelry, Totes, Organizers, Crosses, etc. |
| 11. First Presbyterian Church-Water Bowling
Free-Prizes Awarded | F37. Zion Lutheran Church-Cookies, Lemonade | 62. Hastings-Give Away and Sign Up for Rental Membership |
| 12. Lighthouse Covenant Fellowship-selling
Domino Jewlery & Key Chains | F38. Zion Lutheran Church-Sausage on a Stick | 63. Jackie Stell-Jewelry |
| 13. Gray County 4-H-Washer Toss,
Nutrition/Beef & Horse Quiz
Free-Prizes Awarded | F39. Boy Scouts 414/UMC Youth-Coke Products
Dr. Pepper, Sprite | 64. Amy Champman-Christmas Decorations |
| 14. Correne's Creations-Oven Mitts, Bag holders,
Door/Window Snakes, Pin Cushions, Crafts,
Lots More | F40. Optimist Club-Hamburgers | 65. Pampa High School Cheerleaders-Face
Painting, Autographed Cheerleader Shirts,
Beads, etc. |
| F15. Rotary Pancakes 7 am | 41. Dave's Custom Airbursh-T-Shirts & Visors | 66. A Texas Lady-Western - Jewelry, Baskets,
Pillows, Place Mats, Saddle Blankets, etc. |
| 16. Woody Guthrie Tribute Musical Performers | 42. Stage Performers Tent | 67. Latina Glitter Fashion |
| 17. Mike Tennison-Metal Art | 43. PHS Choir Sound System | 68. Herbalife - Health - Weight Management-
Drawing |
| 18. St. Paul United Methodist Church-Selling
Amish Jams | F44. First Assembly of God-Tamales, Enchiladas,
Watermelon Aide, Gorditas | 69. Hi-Land Christian Church-Multi Colored Little
Bears |
| F19. Salvation Army-Coffee, Popcorn, Barbeque
Sandwich, Chips, Pickle | F45. Church of the Nazarene-Ice Cream, Hot &
Chili Dogs, Chocolate Covered Bananas | 70. Chris Crow-"Roll with the Punches" Selling
CD's 12:30-2:30 |
| 20. Balloons for Fun-Selling Balloons - Bouquets
and Singles | 46. Pampa Outback Radio Kontrol Society-Display,
Demonstration, Videos of Radio Control
Aircraft, Simulator - Age & Time Restrictions | F71. First Assembly of God-Turkey Legs, Corn on
the Cob, Hot Wings |
| F21. Iglesia Nueva Vida Church-Burritos and Snow
Cones | 47. Pokey the Clown-Cow Herd Rides -
Train rides will board here | 72. Top O' Texas Cattlewomen-Free Drawing,
Brochures |
| F22. St. Vincent Marriage Enrichment-Fruit Juices
and Beef Tacos | F48. Highland Baptist Church-Free Pops Cycles | 73. American Red Cross Exhibit |
| 23. Kreation by Kristen & More-Beaded Jewelry,
Car/Bag Charms, Crosses | 49. Shepard's Crook Home Health-Rest Tent with
Chairs | 74. Guardian Ambulance Exhibit |
| F24. Calvary Baptist "Lighthouse on 23rd Street"-
Hand Held Rolls and Mini Loaves - Small Give
Away | 50. PFFA Art Tent- Booth 51 & 52 inside | 75. Pampa Fire Dept-Fire Truck, Sparky, Patches
& Bumpers Stickers, Handouts |
| 25. Kicking Bear-Archery Booth, Gospel
Presentation, Free Drawing for Bow | 51. Carson County Museum-Selling Chances on
Gift Baskets - Children's Activities | 76. Carriage Rides
Board at the Top of Stair on Cuyler |
| F26. Calvary Baptist Church-Funnel Cakes and
Corn Dogs | | |

Around town

Loaned executives help United Way reach goal

All volunteers contributing to the success of the local United Way annual campaign are needed and appreciated, local officials say. However there is a vanguard group of volunteers who help "set the stage" for the campaign's overall success.

They are called "loaned executives" and the name is self-explanatory. These men and women are "loaned" to the United Way to spend time working with larger companies in the community during the campaign.

They go through some training, make personal contacts with local companies to make campaign presentations, follow through with the companies during the campaign and generally provide assistance and encouragement to local businesses who want to participate in the annual campaign.

The Pampa United Way's slogan this year is "How to Live United."

The goal for the campaign is \$315,000 which will assist some 19 non-profit organizations in the community.

The following people have agreed to serve as "loaned executives" this year.

Mike Ruff

Professional Director and Chairperson
Loaned himself to us as a business owner.
"A solid organization that touches many lives."

Todd Lorenz

Loaned Executive from Pampa Regional Medical Center.

"The United Way is a vital organization to Pampa. The support provided to our agencies them to improve the lives of the citizens of Pampa and Gray County."



Mike Ruff
Chairperson



Duane Harp

Duane Harp

Loaned Executive from Edward Jones Investments
"This is an amazing community, eager to help and share with one another. The United Way offers a chance for every person to have the opportunity to help in a most efficient manner."

Ryan Monroe

Loaned Executive from Happy State Bank
"United Way is a great community minded organization that saves communities all over the world. Pampa is no different and it is a cause worthy of our time, effort, and financial support."

Linda Sanchez

Loaned Executive from Xcel Energy
"United Way is a great program for the community. It's good to see our community work together."

Richard Stowers

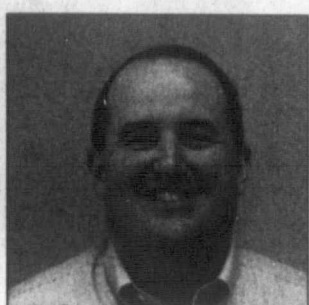
Loaned Executive from Culberson Stowers.
"Pampa United Way is important for the econo-

my and industrial recruitment."

Nita Wallace

Loaned Executive from United Supermarkets

"I believe that now more

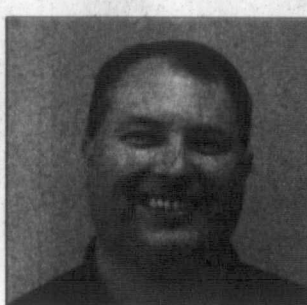


Todd Lorenz

than ever, United Way is an essential tool to help people in our community. So many people we know are in need right now."

Rev. Kenny Rigoulot

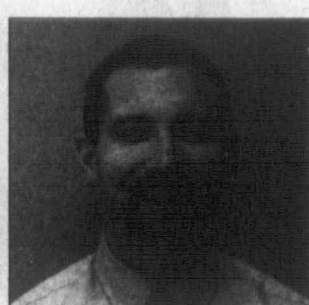
Pastor First Presbyterian Church



Ryan Monroe

"The United Way helps us raise awareness and funds for local agencies that make our community a better place to live."

Danny Seabourn



Rev. Kenny Rigoulot

Loaned Executive from Pampa Independent School District

"The United Way improves the quality of life in Pampa through the agencies that it supports."

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If My People

Soprano

Gladys Stewart
RZM

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Emilea Greer and R.J. Becco

Greer/Becco exchange vows

Emilea Greer and R.J. Becco both of Pampa, were married July 10, 2009 at the Cornerstone Baptist Church, in Pampa. Officiating the ceremony was Bro. Doug Hixson. Emilea is the daughter of Jene and Lesa Greer, Pampa and the granddaughter of Jene and Lillie Greer, Amarillo and the late Lester and Opal Cochran. R.J. is the son of James and Randa Becco, of Pueblo, CO., and the grandson of George and Laree Cooper, of Pueblo and the late Robert and Marge Becco.

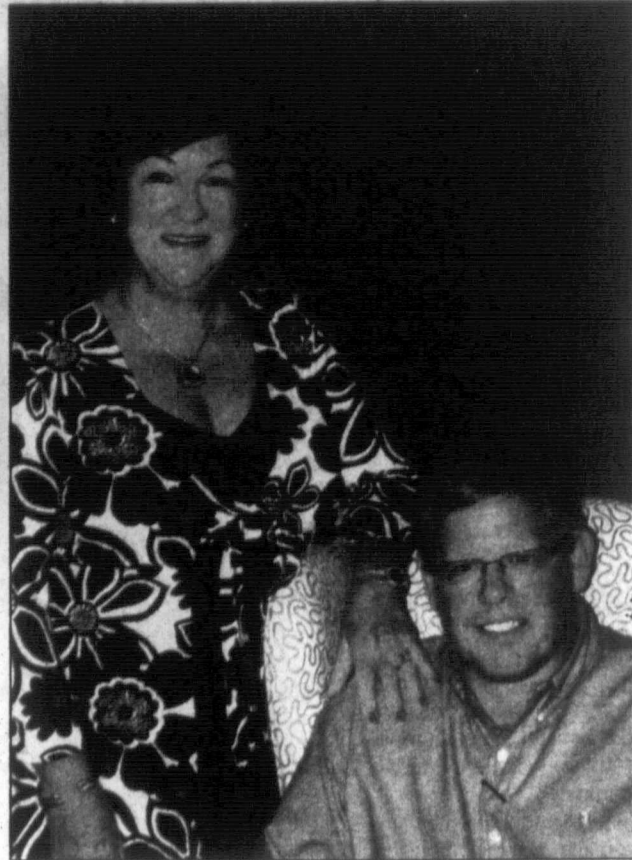
Maid of Honor was Ashley Parker, friend of the bride of Canyon and the bridesmaid was Kasey Becco, sister of the groom, of Pueblo. Flower girls were Emori Carillo, of Pampa, cousin of the bride and Helena Wheeler of Pueblo, niece of the groom. Best man was Tanner Cochran, cousin of the bride and friend of the groom, of Pampa. Groomsman was Ethan Greer brother of the bride, of Pampa. Ring bearer was Avery Cochran cousin of the bride, of Pampa. The Ushers were Mike Bate and Clint Bate both cousins of the groom, of Pueblo. Candle lighters were Raeli Walker and Calli Brewer both cousins of the bride, of Pampa. The person registering the guests was Marty Wheeler sister of the groom, of Pueblo. The wedding reception was held in the old Pampa Hardware building and the servers were sisters of the groom Marty Wheeler and Kasey Becco, both of Pueblo. Emilea is a Pampa High School graduate and is employed at National Oilwell Varco. R.J. is a Rye High School graduate, Rye, Co. and is employed at B&G Electric. The couple honeymooned in Red River, New Mexico and are making their home in Pampa.

Maya Joy Pawley



Maya Joy Pawley

Travis and Christina Pawley of Kearney, Nebraska are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Maya Joy Pawley. She was born April 30, 2009 on her great grandfather Dalton Lewis' 74th birthday in the Good Samaritan Hospital of Kearney, Nebraska at 8:12 p.m.. She weighed 7 lbs. 2 oz and was 20 3/4 in. long. She is the granddaughter of Jerrold and Virginia Pawley and Jo Ellen Jones of Kearney and Brenton and Amber Lewis of Minden, Nebraska: the great granddaughter of Ruth Jones of Lubbock formerly of Pampa and Dalton and Omajean Lewis of Pampa: and the great niece of Tonya Lewis of Pampa.



Jamie and Scott White hosted a fundraiser last week for the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center in Amarillo. The "Pampa Circle of Friends" Dinner Party and Auction was held Saturday, Aug. 27 at the AmericInn's Starlight Room. The Cancer Center serves the Panhandle in all areas of cancer care.

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Colbey Hanson (25) breaks upfield as Joey Johnson (80) goes after him.

Mats down Pampa 41-14

BY ANDREW GLOVER
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The Pampa Harvesters opening game against Borger was a high-scoring game. Last night's game against the Lubbock Estacado Matadors was a high scoring game, too. However, it was a one-sided affair with the Matadors scoring 27 points in the second quarter of a 41-14 loss.

Pampa (0-2), was limited to 208 yards of total offense after they put up over 400 yards last week. The Matadors (1-1) gained 384 yards of offense against the Harvesters defense.

The Harvesters did not get off to a good start in Lubbock. Before the offense could run one play they were penalized for false start. On fourth down, the ball was snapped over Alex Clendening's head, and the Matadors gained

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Pirates Tame Cougars

BY ANDREW GLOVER
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Earlier in the week, Lefors head coach Joey Czubinski said his team was facing one of the best sprint running backs, in Fort Elliot's Colbey Hanson. The Cougars running back definitely showed he could run the ball, ripping off eight touchdowns. In spite of Hanson's performance, Coach Ski's Pirates used a team effort to win 80-57.

It didn't take long for the fans to see Hanson's speed, as he broke a 43-yard run for a touchdown on the Cougars first drive of the game. Blake Baker ran the ball for one point giving Fort Elliot a 7-0 lead 43 seconds into the game.

Lefors only needed 14 seconds to get on the board. Trevor Czubinski ran for a 53-yard touchdown. The Pirates converted the two-point kick to take an 8-7 lead.

The Cougars gained the lead back just as quickly as they gave it up. Hanson broke a couple of tackles on his way to a 44-yard touchdown run. The extra point kick was blocked, putting Fort Elliot ahead 13-8.

On the Pirates next possession, they gave the ball back to Fort Elliot when Wakely Pairsh fumbled. With 8:18 left in the first quarter, Hanson scored his third touchdown of the game on a 36-yard run. The kick failed, but the Cougars led 19-8 much to Coach Ski's dismay. The defense wasn't all of the Pirates struggles. The offense had three turnovers in the first quarter. Lefors head coach said they were beating themselves in the first quarter.

"I was getting down on some of them (his players)," Coach Ski said. "You're not turning the ball over because they are making you. It's our mistakes. It was a fumbled snap, not tucking the ball in when you were running. It

was not falling on the ball. It was trying to make a play and not falling on the ball and starting the play over."

Lott said they were just trying to get a hand on Hanson.

"He's so fast," Lott said. "He's good by himself, but they (Ft. Elliot) were blocking good today."

After a stern lecture by their coach and being informed they will have practice on Monday, The Pirates turned things around. Keenan Lott returned the ensuing kick-off 45 yards for a touchdown. The extra point failed, bringing the Pirates within five.

Two minutes later, Lefors took the lead for good. Colton Heifer caught a pass that he took 34-yards for a touchdown. Lott completed a conversion pass to Joey Johnson to put the Pirates ahead 21-19.

Lefors scored two more touchdowns in the first quarter. Lott had a 29-yard run and Czubinski had a 28-yard run to give the Pirates a 33-19 lead to end the first quarter.

The second quarter was very interesting...and very dark. With about six minutes left in the second quarter, and Lefors leading 39-25, the Cougars had the ball facing a fourth and long. Before they could get the snap off the stadium lights went out. The game was delayed for about 10 minutes, and the lights came back on.

The teams were able to play about three more minutes on the game clock when it happened again with 2:56 left in the half. After the referees talked with the coaches, they decided to call halftime

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Sports



Winner — Jake Puryear of McLean was the winner of four 50-yard-line tickets to the upcoming Dallas Cowboys vs. Jaguars football game in a drawing held at Mikey's Liquor Store in Pampa. Above, from left, Wendy Castanon (owner), Puryear, and Mike Castanon (owner).

Lefors

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until they got the circuit breaker fixed. It took about 45 minutes for them to get the lights back on. Robert Morris had to drive to Pampa to get a new breaker and replaced the other one. Lott said the breaks were tough because Lefors had momentum at both delays. "That was very irritating," Lott said. "It helped them more than us. They were getting tired."

Coach Ski said it was a momentum killer.

"When it went out the first time we had momentum and it just killed it," Lefors head coach said. "Then we go in and get and then we get stopped again... You expect your lights to work and go through a game. It's 11:25, we started playing at 7:30 these boys were out here almost four hours."

After the break, the game resumed with the remaining time in the second quarter. Pairsh caught a 19-yard touchdown pass to put Lefors ahead 45-25 with 2:06 remaining in the half. Hanson cut into the Pirates lead again with an eight-yard run with 14 seconds left in the first half. Lefors led 45-31 at halftime.

Just like the first half, the Cougars started the second half strong. Less than a minute into the third quarter Hanson scored his seventh touchdown on a 34-yard run. The extra point failed bringing Fort Elliot within eight.

After stopping the Pirates on downs, the Cougars struck again. Kade Wilson caught a 25-yard pass and after a failed extra point the Cougars only trailed 45-43 with 7:06 left in the third.

Lefors increased their lead to 10, when Houston Whatley caught a 44-yard pass and Lott made the kick.

Two minutes later, Hanson scored his final touchdown of the game bringing the Cougars within four.

Lott and Czubinski helped the Pirates pull away. Lott had a 35-yard touchdown run and Czubinski had a 46-yard touchdown run to put Lefors ahead 67-49 at the end of three.

Coach Ski was pleased with how his team fought through adversity.

"When we needed it the most we got it," Coach Ski said. "When we needed a stop we got it, When we needed a score we got it."

While Lott and Czubinski had strong offensive performances, senior Seth Fry was the leader on defense. Fry recovered two fumbles that led to the Pirates taking over the game. Fry said he was just enjoying himself.

"Half the time I was just getting lucky," Fry said laughing. "I guess I was in

the right place at the right time."

Coach Ski said the team will focus on fixing their mistakes from this game.

"We saw too many mistakes tonight that needed to be fixed," Coach Ski said. "Basic things like filling your lane on defense and breaking down open space. Offense, I know we put up 80 points but there were times we looked sloppy. Our timing was off... So Monday we're going to spend a lot of time on timing."

The Pirates next game is at Happy against Lazbuddie.

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Frenship 41 Dumas 13

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possession at the Harvesters 15.

Alton White gave the Matadors the lead with a two-yard touchdown run, the extra point was good, making it 7-0 with 8:56 left in the first.

On the next two possessions both teams had to punt the ball. The Harvesters got the ball at their own 46 to start their third drive of the game. Clendening completed several passes, and capped the drive off with a seven-yard run with 1:34 left in the first. Colten Adams made the extra point to tie the game at seven.

Pampa's defense again forced Estacado to punt. The Harvesters drove down the field again at the beginning of the second quarter. Nathan Webb scored on a three-yard run, giving the Harvesters a 14-7 lead with 10:37 left in the half.

From that point on the game would go the Matadors way. Lubbock Estacado put together a 63-yard drive that ended with Deverick Stubblefield completing a seven-yard pass to Clarence Willard. On the ensuing kickoff Ryan Jimenez fumbled and the Matadors recovered.

Brylon Bradford gave the Matadors the lead for good, with a 36-yard run and the extra point failed, giving Lubbock Estacado a 20-14 lead with 9:07 left in the second. On Pampa's next possession, Lubbock Estacado forced them to punt. The Matadors returned the ball to the Pampa 36. The ball was moved back to midfield because of a penalty.

Nevertheless, that did not stop the Matadors. Bradford caught a five-yard pass from Stubblefield to increase Estacado's lead to 27-14.

The Harvesters had to punt again and Lubbock Estacado took full control of the game. Stubblefield threw his third touchdown pass for 77 yards to Cody Cortez, putting the

Matadors ahead 34-14 at halftime.

Stubblefield completed 10 of 19 passes for 227 yards, four touchdowns and one interception. Augustine Abigide led the Matadors in rushing with 61 yards on six carries. Willard led the team in receptions with three and Cortez led the team in yards with his 77-yard reception.

For Pampa, Clendening completed 14 of 26 passes for 177 yards and no touchdowns. Clendening had five in the opener against Borger. Pampa's starting quarterback was sacked five times. Webb led the team in rushing with seven carries for 20 yards and one touchdown. Corbin Clifton and Kendrick Alexander led the team in receptions with three each. Garrett Ericson led the team in yards with 36.

The Harvesters return home and face Big Spring who is 2-0. At press time, Pampa head coach Heath Parker was not available for comment.

Scoring Summary

First

E A. White 2 yd run (Luna kick) 8:56
P A. Clendening 7 yd run (Adams kick) 1:34

Second

P N. Webb 3 yd run (Adams kick) 10:37
E Willard 7 yd pass from Stubblefield (Luna kick) 9:23
E Bradford 36 yd run (kick failed) 9:07
E Bradford 5 yd pass from Stubblefield (Luna kick) 5:01
E Cortez 77 yd pass from Stubblefield (Luna kick) 2:55

Third

No Scoring

Fourth

E Russell 18 yd pass from Stubblefield (Luna kick) 10:58




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Lee Tucker

Crowell named to NSCS

Michael Craig Crowell of Pampa has been named a member of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars (NSCS). Crowell, a 2007 graduate of Pampa High School, is a Business and Finance Major at Texas Tech University. Membership to the NSCS is by invitation only, based on grade point average and class standing. NSCA is a member of the Association of College Honor Societies and is the nation's only interdisciplinary honors organization for first and second year college students.



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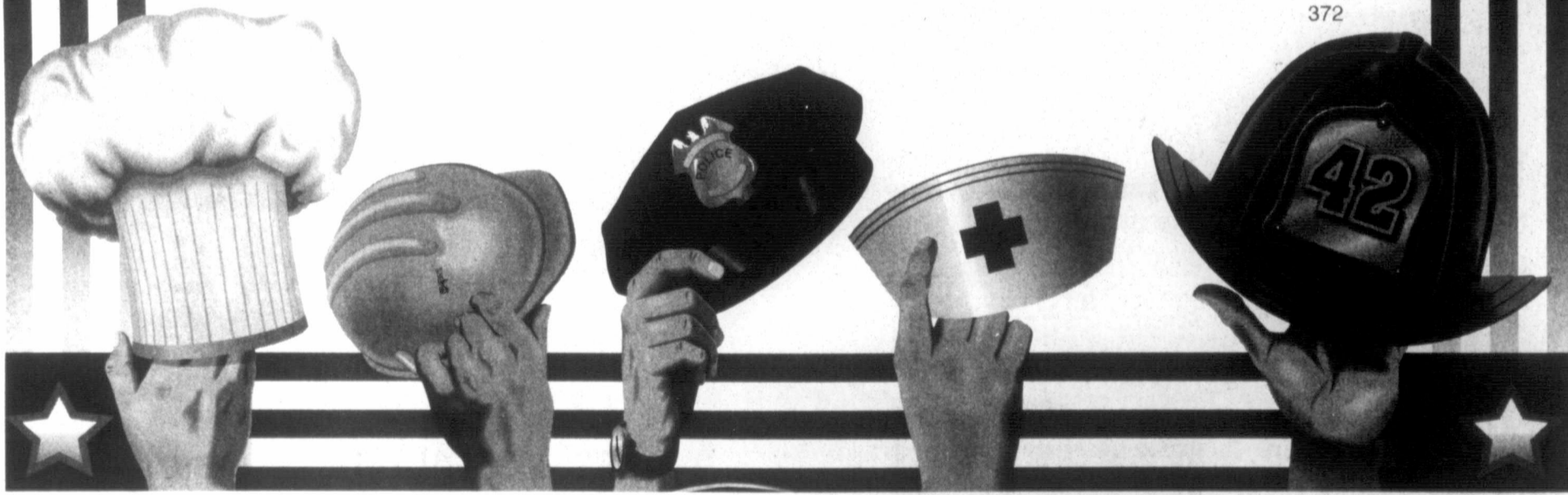
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In 1882 American labor leader Peter J. McGuire witnessed one of these labor festivals in Toronto. Inspired, he returned to New York and organized the first American "Labor Day" on September 5 of the same year.

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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

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DEAR ABBY: I would like to make the public aware of something that is the result of the poor economy.

When someone who is hurting financially is invited out to a restaurant, bar, movie, etc., and the person declines your invitation, please don't take it personally. He or she may be watching every penny. Every cent matters if it's needed for food, shelter, bills, etc. A person in this situation simply cannot afford to "splurge" on these kinds of activities.

Believe me, I know what I'm talking about. I have been invited to participate in various social events, and I can't afford to go. This is not something that I want to broadcast either. Some of us may be keeping quiet about it.

Let's face it — it's an awful situation to be in, but one we hope will not last forever. — IN THAT BOAT IN ILLINOIS

DEAR IN THAT BOAT: I'm sorry you're experiencing tough sailing, and I hope you will be out of rough waters soon.

Folks, this person is giving you a timely heads-up. If someone suddenly starts declining social invitations, it does not necessarily indicate that he or she has become antisocial. It may mean the person is financially unable to do so.

DEAR ABBY: My husband, "Fred," sees absolutely nothing wrong with the fact that he did not take a day off from work to attend my 94-year-old mother's funeral. He stopped by the ceremony for the graveside service, then left immediately and returned to work.

Fred is an independent traveling salesman who never works more than half a day, so it wasn't like he needed to hurry back to an office or place of business. He didn't even have enough love or respect for me or my mother's family to spend the day with us.

Do you agree with me this was unkind? Fred thinks I'm the one who is being unreasonable. — WOUNDED WIFE IN COLUMBIA, S.C.

DEAR WOUNDED: Of course his behavior was unkind. It was also insensitive. Regardless of your mother's age, losing a parent is painful and his place was by your side offering emotional support.

It appears you married someone who is usually centered on his own needs, and I'm willing to bet this incident isn't the only example. Please accept my sympathy on two counts: First for the loss of your mother, and second, for marrying someone who would be willfully absent when you needed him the most. Whatta guy.

DEAR ABBY: Cooking is my hobby. I enjoy hosting luncheons for my friends. I choose healthy, fresh ingredients, plan creative menus and presentation is important to me. However, it seems that someone at the table always pipes up with, "I don't eat THAT!"

I think it is rude and guests should just place an unwanted item on the side of their plate. Am I right? I don't know how to respond to people who do that. — ANNOYED HOSTESS IN NEW JERSEY

DEAR ANNOYED: Here's how. Smile and say, "If you don't like that, don't eat it!" Then pass the relish tray and say, "Would you like some crudites? Nuts?"

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PARENTS CAN'T GRIN AND BEAR DAUGHTER'S THIRD MARRIAGE

DEAR ABBY: My daughter, "Libby," is about to be married. It's her third trip to the altar, and her stepfather and I are not in favor of the marriage. After her first marriage — to a wonderful man — she had an affair with a married man who became husband No. 2. Within five years, she began another affair with a married neighbor. They are both now divorced and plan to be married later this year in a big church wedding.

My husband and I do not want to attend, but Libby has threatened to prevent us from seeing the grandkids if we don't accept husband No. 3 into our family.

How should we handle this? Should we go to the wedding even though we're adamantly opposed to it? It's obvious to us that our daughter needs professional help, which she seeks only when she begins a new affair. But we can't seem to impress upon her the importance of taking some time off before remarrying for the wrong reasons. — MOTHER OF THE BRIDE — AGAIN

DEAR M.O.B.: If only for the sake of your grandchildren, you should attend the wedding and make No. 3 as welcome as you can for as long as he lasts — which, with your daughter's track record, isn't likely to be long.

She appears to be emotionally unstable. The children need a constant in their lives, so put aside your disapproval and provide them with as much emotional support as you can. You can't "fix" your daughter — only she can do that — but you can be there for the grandkids, and that's what I recommend you do.

DEAR ABBY: I am 15, and I have been helping my older sister watch her two kids since her boyfriend left her five months ago. She has been paying me \$20 a week to watch them six hours a day while she works. I was fine with this arrangement until recently, when she began relying on me completely for baby-sitting. Now she expects me to watch them every time she goes shopping or out with her current boyfriend.

She has begun spending the night at his house and not calling to let me know I need to take care of the kids when they wake up. I know something needs to change. Am I being selfish, or should I confront her? Please help me. — TEEN SITTER IN ABILENE

DEAR TEEN SITTER: By all means talk to her. It will be a good experience in learning to stand up for yourself — a lesson you had better learn quickly, because from where I sit it appears your sister is taking advantage of you.

Responsible child supervision costs a lot more than \$20 a week, and you should not have to wonder when your sister leaves for work whether you'll see her again before the next day. What she is doing is palming off her responsibility as a parent onto you.

You were sweet to help her in the first place, but it's time to draw the line. To do that isn't being selfish; it's being smart.

DEAR ABBY: I have two granddaughters. The older one is 11, and the younger one is 18 months. I know that when the time comes for sweet 16, graduations and, most of all, weddings, I won't be here to celebrate with them. I would give anything to be able to leave them something that would let them know they were always in my heart and mind. Have you anything special to recommend? — ALWAYS IN MY HEART

DEAR ALWAYS: Being able to see you and hear your voice would be a wonderful gift. How about having videos made to be given to your granddaughters when they are 16, about to graduate and planning to be married? I'm sure you would have different thoughts to convey to them as they

reach each of these significant milestones in their lives.

If that would be too costly, then write letters to be given to them on those occasions. And if you have the means, include a keepsake gift — perhaps a piece of jewelry that belonged to you.

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BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Sept. 6, 2009:

This year, a new beginning becomes possible, especially in a key personal or financial relationship. Learn to control stress and anxiety through yoga, exercise or reframing. Sometimes you could become angry or frustrated, and express these feelings in many different ways, possibly through sarcasm. Understand what is happening with you before deciding what is going on with others. If you are single, look to 2010 for an important relationship. If you are attached, your relationship benefits from one-on-one time. Let it happen. ARIES bottom-lines issues.

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)

★★★★ Others look for your lead. You have a strong sense of direction. Frustration forces you to understand what is happening behind the scenes. Your caring is very much needed. Tonight: Whatever knocks your socks off.

This Week: You do a lot of thinking about relationships. People start popping out of the woodwork.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★ You might want to play the reclusive, sensing a very busy pace ahead. Someone you care about could be blunt, and/or you could be reactive. Your gentle ways come through, no matter what your choices. Tonight: Make it an early night. This Week: By Tuesday, you become a force to be dealt with.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Knowing what you want helps you make appropriate choices. You could be exhausted by what comes up when dealing with friends. Use care with finances and spending if you tend to suppress your feelings. Tonight: Where the action is.

This Week: Creativity needs to come forward. Do create a little uproar.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★ Your temper might surprise you.

Someone who is in charge of a situation could be more difficult than you realize. Listen to someone you look up to, who makes a choice clear. Treat this person to a special event. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

This Week: You handle a situation differently from many. Use concern with family.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Stretch your plans to include an offbeat adventure. How you see someone at a distance could evolve into an obstacle or frustration. Challenge a decision. Your unusual magnetism of the moment helps keep the peace. Tonight: Try a new type of cuisine.

This Week: An easy give-and-take exchange isn't definitive. This conversation will be repeated.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ A partner assumes a more dominant role. You might not have a problem with this situation, as you will want to think through what you take as a personal slight. Given a little time, you might look at this situation differently. Tonight: A special person appreciates your responsiveness.

This Week: You might judge a given in your life quite differently from in the past. Don't act just yet.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Sometimes you might not have time to make your own plans — today being an example. Others come toward you. Unfortunately, someone you look up to could be nothing less than irritating! Look to keeping the peace. Tonight: Enjoy the moment.

This Week: A friend could reverse gears swiftly. Review recent ideas and projects rather than initiate one.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★ Opt for a routine Sunday, following favorite rituals like reading the Sunday paper, joining friends and/or having brunch. If you can, squeeze in some exercise, as frustration could be building. Tonight: Don't push too hard, for your sake.

This Week: Don't be surprised by a restructuring of a work-related matter.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Creativity certainly has its place, yet a close friend or loved one could challenge the very basis of your thinking. You could become upset or even outraged. Don't. By detaching and understanding where this person is coming from, you could be much happier. Tonight: Forget tomorrow; live now.

This Week: Your perspective about key relationships could be changing. Don't act on any issues yet!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★ Stay close to home. Make it OK to be lazy. A roommate might have a different idea. Explain what you need, and let demands drift into never-never land. Take care of yourself first. Tonight: Order in.

This Week: A partner or associate proves to be quite manipulative. Watch and observe.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ No one is surprised that you speak your mind. Someone could be quite frustrated and nervous. Understand what needs to happen between you, giving each of you space too. Express your caring by buying a card or a token of affection. Tonight: Hang out with a friend and/or loved one.

This Week: Your opinions could change in direct proportion to another's acting out.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★ Use care with a purchase. It might not be as easy to return as you might like. Rethink a decision with care, realizing your role in a problem. Avoid risk-taking for the moment. Clear out frustration through a fun hobby or pastime. Tonight: Pay a bill or two.

This Week: Flex, as much is going to change faster than anticipated, especially in your daily life.

BORN TODAY

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, Sept. 7, 2009:
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★★★★ Is it really business as usual? You discover Murphy's law, which creates several hurdles. Know that you are entering a period where it might not be smooth sailing. Chill your major actions for the remainder of the month. Tonight: A conversation is inspiring.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ Today you might see the beginning of some mudslinging that you would prefer to avoid. Who wouldn't? Open up to potential changes, but make no decisions for the next few weeks. Trying to resolve a misunderstanding might only create more of a problem. Tonight: Vanish while you can.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Zero in on what you want, although it might be a twisted route getting there. This pattern will remain intact for the month. Listen to your inner voice concerning a friend. You might be pushing the line otherwise. A meeting could

be important. Tonight: Be open to a child's or loved one's suggestion.
CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ You are on top of your game, though it might be difficult for some to tell. Check out the dynamics in a key situation. People seem to misunderstand. You might need to do more confirming and reiterating than in the past. Tonight: A must show.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Reach out to others, even if you feel slightly exhausted or as if you cannot handle much pressure. Watch — someone has the intention of handling a situation one way, yet it probably won't wind up as he or she believes. Opportunity strikes through others. Tonight: Look at the big picture.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Defer to a partner or friend. You might suddenly feel out of kilter. Be careful with plans; confirm them to make sure you are both on the same page. In the next few weeks, you could be quite happy if you develop that extra precaution. Tonight: Go with a partner's suggestion.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ You get a sense that not everyone gets what you share, even more so in the next few weeks. Look at your communication, searching for a hidden agenda or need to express some strong feelings you have yet to identify. Tonight: Defer to others.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Understand what needs to be done, and do just that. Don't let others slow you down. Confirm plans, as others have a different idea. A personal matter adds to your good feelings. A pat on the back always feels good. Tonight:

Squeeze in some exercise.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Although you might feel playful and have a great sense of humor, it doesn't mean everyone else does. You could have difficulty understanding what a key friend really wants. Use your listening skills. Tonight: Act as if you don't have a care in the world.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Your actions could come back to haunt you. Stay sensitive to someone else, and you will know how to proceed. Not everyone is as generous as you. Know when to put a halt to giving too much. Vagueness could become a bigger problem. Tonight: Head home.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ You could feel as if you are in the eye of a hurricane. You could be on overload with so many people around you. Just because you say something doesn't mean you are heard. Confirm meetings and times. The end result will be better. Tonight: Hang out with friends.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Feelings flow between you and others, though somehow the words don't seem to match the experience. This disconnect will become more prevalent in the remainder of the month. Confirm what you are hearing — meetings and times. Tonight: Go with the flow.

BORN TODAY
Singer Buddy Holly (1936), actor Peter Lawford (1923), inventor James Van Allen (1914)

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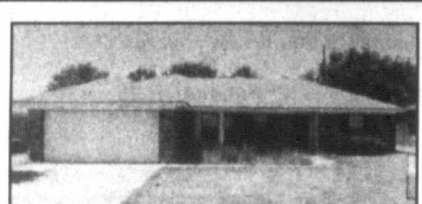
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3 Cypress Point	\$497,000	4/2.5/3 - 3179 SF/GCAD
11998 White Acres	\$288,900	4/3/2 - 2626 SF/GCAD
367 Winter Quarters	\$235,000	4/4/2 - 3500 SF/Owner + 15 acres
2369 Beech	\$210,000	3/2.5/2 - 3327 SF/GCAD
2701 Beech Ln	\$189,000	4/3.5/2 - 3710 SF/GCAD
1301 Mary Ellen	\$175,000	4/2.75/2 - 2900 SF/GCAD
1221 N Christine	\$174,000	5/2.5/2 3087 SF/GCAD
2518 Evergreen	\$172,900	3/2/2 2331 SF/GCAD
1819 Evergreen	\$152,500	4/1.75.75/2 - 2315 SF/GCAD
2235 Christine	\$142,000	3/2.5/1 - 2326 SF/GCAD
1301 Charles	\$129,900	4/2/2 - 1732 SF/GCAD
1826 Williston	\$119,900	4/2/2 - 2590 SF/GCAD
2201 N Chestnut	\$99,500	3/1.75/2 - 1875 SF/GCAD
2229 Evergreen	\$97,500	3/1.75/2 - 1846 SF/GCAD
1209 Williston	\$89,900	2/1.75/1 - 1846 SF/GCAD
405 E Linda	\$85,000	2/1.5/2 1856 SF/GCAD
1445 N Russell	\$73,000	3/1.75/2 - 1634 SF/GCAD
1715 Williston	\$70,000	3/1.5/1 - 1634 SF/GCAD
1325 Garland	\$49,900	2/1/cpl 762 SF/GCAD

LAMAR SCHOOL DISTRICT South West		
1133 S Banks	\$51,000	2/2/2 - 1008 SF/GCAD Mobile hme
1032 S Christy	\$46,900	3/2/1 - 985 SF/GCAD
1048 Neel	\$40,000	3/1.75/1 - 1277 SF/GCAD
1200 S Hobart	\$39,000	3/1/2 - 1154 SF/GCAD
411 Ward	\$25,000	2/1/0 - 723 SF/GCAD

TRAVIS SCHOOL DISTRICT West and North		
2132 Lynn	\$159,000	3/1.75/2 - 2484 SF/GCAD
1601 N Dwight	\$129,000	3/2/2 1613 SF/GCAD
2120 Lynn	\$114,000	3/1.75/2 - 1872 SF/GCAD
1801 N Zimmer	\$92,500	3/1.75/2 SF/GCAD
1912 N Christy	\$77,500	3/1/2 - 1134 SF/GCAD
1820 N Wells	\$77,000	4/1/0 - 1368 SF/GCAD
2109 Zimmers	\$73,000	3/1.75/2 - 1128 SF/GCAD
2101 N Wells	\$69,900	3/1.75/2 1435 SF/GCAD
1801 N Banks	\$69,900	3/1.5/1 - 1196 SF/GCAD
2233 Christy	\$69,000	3/1/1 - 1040 SF/GCAD
1024 Terry	\$65,000	4/2/0 - 1483 SF/GCAD
800 N Wells	\$55,900	3/2/0 - 1248 SF/GCAD

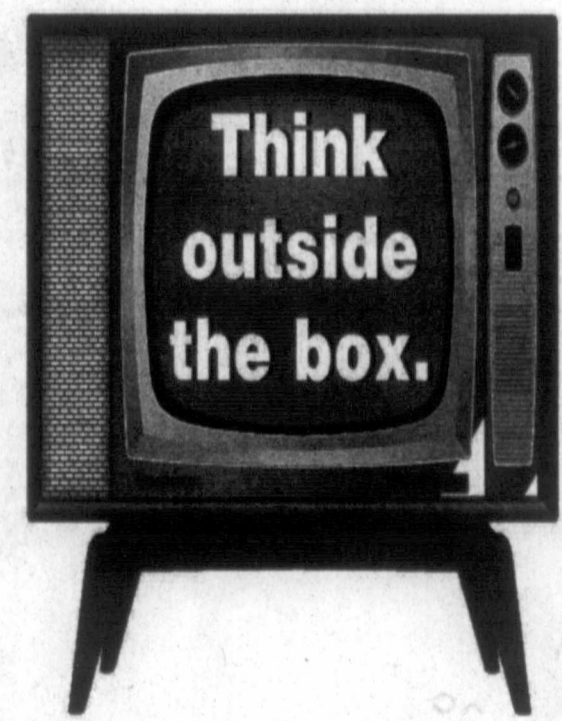
WILSON SCHOOL DISTRICT South East		
532 Red Deer	\$87,000	3/1.75/2 - 1846 SF/GCAD
121 Starkweather	\$75,000	3/2/1 - 1400 SF/GCAD
1001 E Foster	\$49,000	3/1/0 - 1220 SF/GCAD
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1729 Grape	149,900	3/2	2058
1406 Lynn	147,500	3/2	1632
1907 Evergreen	139,900	3/1.75	2075
2735 Aspen	139,000	3/2	2248
1841 Grape	132,000	3/1.75	1824
2528 Charles	131,000	3/1.75	2052
2338 Fir	130,000	3/2	1678
1237 Christine	129,000	4/ 2.75	2872
1825 N. Zimmers	129,000	3/1.75	1873
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1125 Harvester	109,000	2/1.75	1479
1308 Charles	108,500	3/1.75	1858
712 Mora	99,500	3/2	1535
1100 Christine	98,250	3/2	1724
1125 Y'llow	95,000	3/2	1341
2204 Lynn	89,500	3/1.75	1534
1806 N. Nelson	75,900	3/2	1130
1105 Charles	72,500	3/1.75	1240
2123 Beech	72,500	2/1.75	1221
2214 Duncan	69,900	3/2	1092
2630 W. Harvester	68,000	3/2	1700
1905 N. Banks	62,000	2/1	1270
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1304 Starkweather	32,500	2/1	963

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1511 N. Banks	100,000	LOT
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529 N. Hobart	65,000	LOT
2200 Coffee	50,000	LOT
Pheasant Lane	40,000	LOT
Chaumont	25,000	LOT
Harvester Ave.	19,500	1.47 ac.
Harvester/Magnolia	10,000	LOT
509 N. Cuyler	1,500	LOT

Researchers yielding good results on food cotton

COLLEGE STATION - Field trials of a new cotton are verifying previous lab and greenhouse studies indicating the crop could become a source of protein for millions of malnourished people in the world.

The cotton was engineered so that the toxic gossypol is reduced to tolerable levels in the high-protein seed but remain at higher levels in the rest of the plant to ward off pests and disease.

"The results look very promising," said Dr. Keerti Rathore, the Texas AgriLife Research plant biotechnologist in whose lab the cotton was developed.

Gossypol has long been a block for cotton farmers trying to make cotton seed available for human or animal consumption. Cotton fibers have been spun into fabric for more than 7,000 years, but generally only cattle have been able to eat the fuzzy seeds that are separated from the fiber. Cattle can tolerate the gossypol because it is gradually digested through their unique four-part stomach.

But less than three years ago, Rathore's paper in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences announced that cotton plants had been successfully altered in the lab to "silence" gossypol in the seed.

Five generations of cotton plants produced in greenhouses and the small test plot in the field this year are showing similar findings, Rathore said, though the results have not yet been published in scholarly journals.

"We have analyzed the plant leaves, flower organs and seeds," Rathore said of the first plant grown under normal farm conditions. "The levels of gossypol and related defense chemicals are similar to that of regular cotton plants in the

buds, leaves and flowers. But the seed is still showing the ultra-low levels of gossypol."

Rathore and his team used a scientific method called RNAi, a process also being used to explore cancer and HIV cures. This technology, discovered by Nobel laureates Andrew Z. Fire and Craig C. Mello, can silence specific genes. That enabled the team to target the gossypol gene in the cottonseed but let the gene express itself in the rest of the plant.

The "beauty of this project," Rathore said, is that the high-protein seed could be a new food source - especially in developing countries.

As reported in his original paper, the cottonseed from these plants meet World Health Organization and U.S. Food and Drug Administration standards for food consumption, potentially making a new, high-protein food available to 500 million people a year.

Rathore noted that for every pound of cotton fiber, the plant produces about 1.6 pounds of seed. The annual world cottonseed production equals about 44 million metric tons, and studies have shown the seed to be about 22 percent protein.

He said kernels from the safe seed could be ground into a flour-like powder and used as a protein additive in food preparations or perhaps roasted and seasoned as a nutritious snack.

Cotton Inc., which helps fund the research, is enthusiastic about the results.

"The entire cotton industry has a vested interest in expanding the uses of the cotton plant," said J. Berrye Worsham, Cotton Inc. president and CEO. "The success Dr. Rathore and his team have had with the field trial gets us one step closer to cotton being

viewed as a fiber and a food source for future generations."

Previous attempts to breed cotton varieties without gossypol were not commercially successful because the toxin was removed from the seed as well as the rest of the plant. That left the plants vulnerable to insects and disease - a risk and a cost that farmers weren't willing to accept.

A way to extract gossypol out of the oil was developed years ago, Rathore noted, but at a cost. Plus, the meal left after the oil was extracted still contained the toxin so could not be consumed by humans, or as feed for pigs, chickens or turkeys.

Rathore plans to continue field trial studies to assure the stability of the gossypol-free cotton variety,

and he has additional lines that he expects have even lower levels of the substance. But, he adds, the greatest obstacle for seeing the variety grown in fields and ultimately feeding the world's hungry may be legalities.

Because the variety is "genetically modified," the scientist and AgriLife Research will have to negotiate with others who hold patent rights to some of the basic technologies used to develop this "ultra-low seed-gossypol" cotton. He will also have to seek approval through the U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Food and Drug Administration and perhaps other agencies to make it commercially available as seed to farmers. That process could take years, he said.



Dr. Keerti Rathore and lab assistant LeeAnn Campbell harvest cotton from the first field trial of a variety that has gossypol levels low enough for human consumption. Low-gossypol cotton could ultimately make available 44 million metric tons of the high-protein seed every year to help feed malnourished people worldwide. (Texas AgriLife Research photo by Kathleen Phillips)

Freedom: Ch. 11 reorg should take just few months

WILMINGTON, Del. (AP) — An attorney for Freedom Communications told a federal bankruptcy judge Wednesday that the newspaper publisher hopes to speed through its Chapter 11 reorganization in just a few months.

Freedom attorney Robert Klyman made the remarks as Judge Kevin Carey in Wilmington approved a variety of preliminary motions to help Freedom continue operating during the proceedings.

Freedom, which owns The Orange County Register in California, dozens of other newspapers, and eight television stations, sought bankruptcy protection Tuesday, citing a steep drop in advertising revenue.

The filing by Freedom Communications Holdings Inc. was part of a prepackaged plan approved by a majority of the company's lenders, which should minimize the haggling that can bog down bankruptcy proceedings.

"We intend to be in and out of bankruptcy on an expedited basis," Klyman said Wednesday.

But the process could be slowed by the Federal Communications Commission, which must approve any change in television ownership. Freedom's reorganization plan would anoint the company's lenders as the new owners of the newspapers and television stations.

If the FCC doesn't balk, the company should be able to emerge from bankruptcy protection in four to six months, according to Freedom Chief Executive Burl Osborne.

An initial meeting

of unsecured creditors was scheduled for next Wednesday, with a second court hearing on Oct. 5.

Freedom's lenders are owed nearly \$771 million but have agreed to forgive most of that debt in return for control of the company. "This is really a great day for the debtor," said Klyman, who described Freedom as a good company with a bad balance sheet.

In its bankruptcy petition, Freedom listed liabilities of \$1.08 billion and assets with a book value of \$757 million, which Chief Financial Officer Mark McEachen declared had a fair market value "of substantially less than that amount."

The bankruptcy filing enabled Freedom to reclaim \$28.9 million that had been deposited in an escrow account in July as part of a legal settlement reached earlier this year with The Orange County Register's newspaper carriers. The class-action lawsuit had alleged that the newspaper carriers should have been treated as employees instead of contractors from July 1999 to August 2009.

The settlement would have become final Sept. 14. By seeking Chapter 11 protection before that deadline, Freedom could legally take back the \$28.9 million set aside for the settlement. The class-action group will now need to join the other unsecured creditors trying to collect money that they say Freedom owes them.

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