



# MISSING GIRL FOUND

## RANDALL COUNTY AUTHORITIES LOCATE AMARILLO GIRL IN CALIFORNIA

A missing Amarillo girl has been located in California.

The Randall County Sheriff's Office announced on Tuesday morning that Trinity Daelyn Payton, a missing Amarillo teenager, had been located in Chino, California.

Payton went missing last week and was last seen in security footage at the Petro Truck Stop and Restaurant on Interstate 40. Payton was seen in the footage with a truck driver, who later contacted Randall County authorities. The truck driver told authorities that he had given the Amarillo teen a ride to California and had responded to a ride request online that was arranged by an unknown person in California.

The truck driver also informed authorities that he had dropped Payton off at a Walmart in Montclair, California.

On Monday, local investigators found that a Lyft ride that had taken the teenager to the Petro Truck Stop was arranged from California.

The person coordinating the rides from California has not yet been identified.

It was announced on Tuesday that Payton had contacted a friend in Amarillo and said that she was at the Target in Chino, California. Randall County authorities were alerted and the Chino Police Department was contacted with the information.

Chino authorities have located Payton and she is in the custody of the authorities.

No further details have been released.



## Taste of Amarillo & Mariachi Festival to Take Place

The Flavors of Amarillo & Mariachi Festival will take place at the Tri-State Fairgrounds on Thursday.

Flavors of Amarillo & Mariachi Festival, hosted by the Amarillo Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, will feature different aspects of Hispanic culture as Amarillo comes together to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month. Local restaurants from Amarillo will be providing food and several local musicians will be performing at the Mariachi portion of the event.

Tickets for the event are available at Fiesta Foods and all United Supermarkets and Amigos locations in Amarillo. Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door.

The event will take place on Thursday, October 5th at 5pm in the Rex Baxter Building of the Tri-State Fairgrounds.

For more information, contact the Amarillo Hispanic Chamber of Commerce at (806) 379-8800.



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## Astros to Begin Postseason Run Thursday

The Houston Astros will return the Major League Baseball postseason on Thursday, October 5th.

In Houston's return to the MLB postseason, the team and winner of the American League West division, will face off with the Boston Red Sox. Boston is seeking to capture the American League Pennant for the first time since 2013, while Houston is seeking the American League Pennant for the first time since joining the American League in 2013.

Houston will be led by starting pitcher Justin Verlander in its playoff appearance in Houston on Thursday night.

Thursday's game begins at 3:08pm from the Minute Made Park in Houston.

## Seliger Praised by Edwards

State Senator Kel Seliger's former opponent for the Republican nomination for State Senate, District 31 has published a letter praising the Senator's performance in Austin.

D. Kirk Edwards, an Odessa oil and gas businessman, published a letter this week with the Midland Reporter-Telegram, praising Kel Seliger's performance in Austin and asked Midland voters to "don't spoil the Midland-Odessa relationship again." In the letter, Edwards criticized Texans for Fiscal Responsibility and Empower Texas and praised Senator Kel Seliger, Representative Tom Craddick and Representative Brooks Landgraf for a "stellar job."

"I hope many of you can see through what will surely be a huge negative blitz against these men in the coming months by the very rich Midland money folks and their paid for hit piece organizations called Empower Texans and Texans for Fiscal Responsibility," Edwards wrote in the letter. "You can be assured that any candidate those two groups back will be beholden to them and their increasingly negative and demeaning way of politicking."

Edwards was an opponent of Seliger's in 2004, when Seliger was seeking his first term in the State Senate. Edwards received 33 percent versus Seliger's 61 percent. Bob Barnes, Lee Gibson, Don Sparks and Jesse Quackenbush split the remaining percentages. Seliger went on to defeat Democratic nominee Elaine King Miller in the general election, 79 percent to 21 percent.

Seliger is facing Midland attorney Mike Canon and Amarillo restaurateur Victor Leal for the Republican nomination for district 31. In 2014, Canon and Seliger faced off with Seliger narrowly defeating Canon, 52 percent to 48 percent.

It is not yet clear whether the two groups cited in Edwards' letter, Texans for Fiscal Responsibility and Empower Texans, plan to support any candidates in the races for district 31 this year.

The Republican primary election for district 31 is scheduled for March of 2016.

## Local Theater Showing "Life of Brian"

One local movie theater is set to show a classic Monty Python film, this weekend.

The Cinemark Hollywood 16 movie theater in Amarillo will be showing Monty Python's 1978 comedy classic "Life of Brian." The film starts the cast of Monty Python: Graham Chapman, John Cleese, Terry Gilliam, Eric Idle, Terry Jones and Michael Palin. "Life of Brian" is described as a British religious satire and was released three years after its fellow comedy classic, "Monty Python and the Holy Grail."

"Life of Brian" revolves around Brian, who is "born on the original Christmas, in the stable next door [and] he spends his life being mistaken for a messiah," according to IMDb.

The film will play at the theater on Sunday, October 8th and Wednesday, October 11th.

## Thornberry Offers Prayers Following Las Vegas Shooting

U.S. Congressman Mac Thornberry (R-Clarendon) put out a statement on Monday, offering his thoughts and prayers to those who were affected the shooting at a Las Vegas concert on Sunday night.

In the statement, Thornberry offered his "thoughts and prayers" to the victims and the families affected by the shooting. In the statement, Thornberry also said, "Our world is not getting any safer, and it is essential to support those, such as law enforcement and military, whose job it is to protect us."

The Sunday shooting at a Las Vegas, Nevada music festival has been described as the largest mass shooting in American history. At least 59 people were killed and over 500 people were injured.



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## UK Natives to Debate at WTAMU Campus

*"Members of the West Texas A&M University forensics team will partner with two national champions from the United Kingdom (UK) at noon Tuesday, Oct. 10 at the Jack B. Kelley Student Center's Legacy Hall to debate the implementation of a policy to restrict population growth among refugees."*

WTAMU's Communication department and the Gamma Phi chapter of Lambda Pi Eta National Communication Honor Society will host Richard Hunter of Northern Ireland and Rebecca Howarth of Birmingham, England. The UK debaters will be partnered with WTAMU forensics team members Josiah Atkinson and Ryan Clark.

Hunter began debating competitively in his home country of Northern Ireland at a very young age, reaching the finals of Northern Ireland Schools Debating Competition. He attended the University of St. Andrews, where he is pursuing a degree in modern history. While at St. Andrews he has participated in dozens of competitions all over the UK and Europe. His debating achievements include reaching the finals of the Scottish leg of the John Smith Memorial Mace in 2017 as well as acting as an adjudicator at the European University Debating Championships in 2016 and 2017.

Howarth studied economics with German at the University of Birmingham, where she graduated in 2015. Her key debating achievements include reaching the Quarter Finals of the European University Debating Championships in Vienna, Austria. Between 2012 and 2015 she won five and qualified for the finals of approximately 14 national and international competitions. While studying abroad in Berlin, Howarth reached the finals of the "German as a foreign language" category of the German National Debating Championships.

Atkinson graduated from West Hardin High School in Saratoga. He is a first-year student at WTAMU majoring in communication. Atkinson has won state championships in congressional debate, Lincoln-Douglas and international extemporaneous.

Clark graduated from River Road High School in Amarillo as salutatorian of the class of 2017. He was the captain of the speech and debate team and participated in cross-examination, congressional and persuasive speaking.

The Oct. 10 debate features parliamentary style, which encourages members of the audience to interact with the arguments being claimed by the debaters. Chairs will be set up in configuration allowing a center aisle so audience members will be able to move according to whether they agree or oppose the arguments. Audience members will be encouraged to call out "hear, hear" when they agree with an argument or "for shame" when they disagree. At the end of the debate, a division of the house will take place where the audience will choose the winning team.

The UK tour of the United States tour is coordinated by the Committee on Debate and Discussion of the National Communication Association. WTAMU is one of only two Texas universities selected for the 2017 tour. For more information about the UK debaters, please contact Connie McKee at 806-651-2415 or Trudy Hanson, 806-651-2800." -**West Texas A&M University**



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## APD Investigates Robbery at Julian Apartments

Amarillo Police Department officials responded to a robbery yesterday at an apartment complex on Julian.

According to information from the police department, officers responded to the report of a robbery at an apartment complex at about 3pm at 3115 Julian. The resident of the apartment building says that she heard noises inside of the residence and called out to whoever was inside. Two suspects, described as a black male, about 5 feet 11 inches, and an Asian male, about 5 feet 8 inches, approached the witness with a gun. The witness reports that the suspects told her not to run or they would shoot. The witness ran and called Amarillo police.

When officers arrived, they found Desiree Casillas, 17, walking away from the area of the residence. She was taken into custody and booked into the Potter County Detention Center on the charge of a warrant for bond surrender on a charge of failure to identify. She was not charged in the burglary.

Officers believe the two men may have entered through the back door of the residence and fled before APD's arrival. It is unknown if the suspects took anything from the residence.

If you have any information about the incident, you are asked to contact Amarillo Crime Stoppers at 374-4400.



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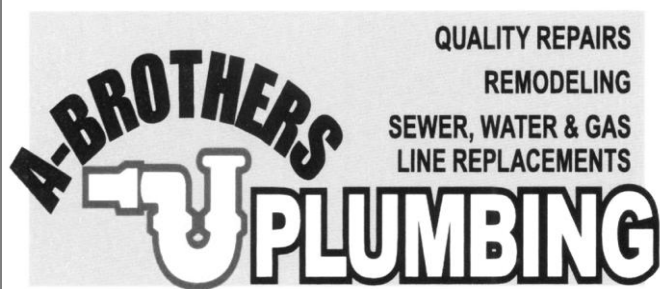
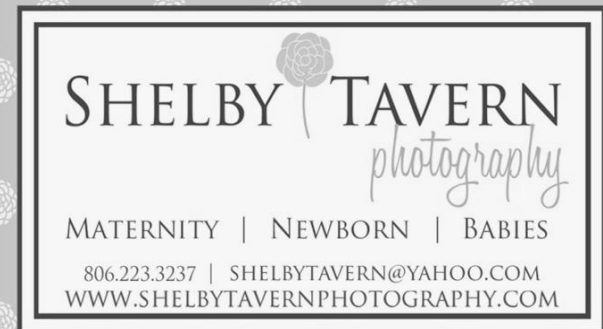
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