

## The Pampa

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 Skyler MARILYN POWERS above, and Chris Turlington, left, made the most of the last warm weather before Monday night's cold front by skateboarding in Central Park "blue norther" moon. A blue norther" moved hrough the area bringing midnight, and much cotder temperatures to the Pampa area. Wind gusts of up to 55 mph and wind chills in the 20s were forecast for

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City to canvass election votes today
By MARILYN POWERS Pampa City Commissi will have the authority to met at noon today to canvass fund a wide range of projects che votes in the Nov. 8 spe- under the 4A EDC
cial city election and declare
the results.
One of the two One of the two election posed 4 B economic develop- manufacturing and industrial ment corporation for Pampa. projects. A 4B has the The other was a state consti- structure projects that could
tutional amendment election tutional amendment election include new water and
held by Gray County con- sewage lines or low cost held by Gray County con- sewage lines or low cost
cerning nine proposed housing as well as entertainamendments, including one
defining marriage as consist-
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letic fields. ing solely of one man and one woman. Election results
announced the evening of announced the evening of
Nov. 8 indicated that the proNov. 8 indicated that the pro
posal to form a new EDC had passed by 111 votes. Pampa residents were in
favor of the new EDC, and 779 were against it.
Nov. 8 totals were 961 in
favor of the EDC, favor of the EDC, and 811
opposing it. The final tally of early, mail-in and election day
votes in favor of the EDC votes in favor of the EDC
was 1,701. The total ballots cast opposing it were 1,590 . turnout," said City Secretary
Phyllis Jeffers on Nov Phyllis Jeffers on Nov. 9 .
The total number of regis The total number of regis-
tered voters eligible to vote in Pampa city elections is in Pampa city
11,960 , she said. Pampa city voters in 2001
elected to disband the previ ous EDC that was formed in 1992 under Section 4 A of the tate's economic statutes.

## PISD board to meet Thursday on variety of items

Pampa's Independent Schoo
District's Board of Education will District's Board of Education will
neet at $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Thursday at the Building, 321 W. Albertinistration Read Right;
Among items to be considered are:

- Consideration and approval of an mendment to the budget;

Alito backs off statement
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { WASHINGTON (AP) - } & \begin{array}{l}\text { Reagan administration he }\end{array} \\ \text { Supreme Court nominee } & \text { was particularly proud to }\end{array}$ Supreme Court nominee
Samuel Alito distanced him- help $\begin{aligned} & \text { warticularly proud to } \\ & \text { argue that }\end{aligned}$ "the self today from his 1985 Constitution toes not procomments that there was no tect a right to an abortion." constitutional right to abor- "He said first of all it was tion, telling a senator in private that he had merely been "an advocate seeking a job." Calif., an abortion right supporter and the only woman on the Senate Judiciary Committee, said he asked the conservative judge about a document Alito in 1985 telling the
. Consideration and approval of a early release days for Pampa ISD
he 2005 tax roll; professional service agreement with - Approval of the scope of work of he facility study committee; - Consideration of an application radmission to the Pampa ISD eduand for a modified schedule on testing days at PHS; - Approve Schwartz and Eichelbaum Law Firm as one of
PISD's attorneys: SD's attorneys; dural operating guidelines;

Gray commission has short meeting
By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer
About 30 minutes was all
took for Gray Count commissioners to get through a six-item agenda at their meeting this morning in Gray County
Courthouse. Courthouse.
Commissioners approved adding Wanda Carter's name to the White Deer Land Museum checking account.
The 2006
The 2006 county holiday was approved. County
offices, with the exception
of law enforcement and
other emergency services,
P14yment of bills totaling other emergency services, $\$ 141,885.84$ and payroll of
will be closed for 12 days
$\$ 212,380.27$ was approved. $\begin{array}{ll}\text { will be closed for } 12 \text { days } \\ \text { in } 2006 \text { for various holi- } & \$ 212,380.27 \text { was approved. } \\ \text { There were no line item }\end{array}$ days. transfers. The county's total The county treasurer's funds as of Oct. 31 were report was approved. $\$ 2,907,230.29$ :
County Treasurer County Treasurer Lee The next meeting will be Cornelison said that the a special session at $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. county currently has
enough cash reserves to
state constitutional amendcover three pay periods, ment election. deposits county Judge Richard deposits should begin to Peet was absent from rise sharply with receipt of today's meeting to attend a property tax paym
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reading of TASB policy - Review a TEA video on chools", Children, Healthy - Hear a report on student-to acher ratios for largest and smallest classes.

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## Who were the Viking wamors？



How many silly things can you find in this bunch of Berserkers？
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Vikings didn＇t has per is Mese carved in wood or stone．That is why the runes are Good Luck Symbol
This animal was brought along on every Viking sea journey． If the captain of the ship lost his way，he would let this animal go．It always headed toward land， showing the Vikings which way to go． A Viking ship often had a flag with this animal＇s picture．What was it？ Connect the dots and use the runes to find out．

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Viking Helmets
You have probably seen comic strips or movies that show $V$ iking helmets with horns．But most Viking experts doub that Viking helmets actually had horns．



## You＇tl Rune Everything！ <br> Practice writing in runes．Rewrite each of the following each of the following words with runes．Then spell each of your spelling words in runes！ <br> Viking

The most ferociousViking warriors were called Berserkers． （That＇s where the phrase＂going berserk＂comes from．）

## Secret

England

Berserk

## France

## Newspaper

School

Teacher

Helmet

Give yourself a point for each word you translate into runes． SCORE：
Write 5－10 Words：
JUNIOR VIKING
11－15 Words：
WORD WARRIOR
TOTALLY BERSERK！


## What acharacter！＂

Self－control is
not eating all of the cake yourself！

## Kid Scoop VOAABULARY BULDERS This week＇s word BERSERK <br> The adjective berserk means to go wild or act out of control．

Jason went berserk opening his birthday presents． ripping the paper to shreds．

Use the word berserk in a sentence today when talking with your friends，parents or teachers．

## Write Onl

 AlliterateWrite a sentence where all or most of the words start with the same letters． Example：William writes words wonderfully．

## Viewpoints

## There really is no place like home <br> nd treasuring the tre

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Today in History
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$\qquad$ Square for the late Soviet President Leonid I. Brezhnev.
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Dublin an official consultative role in governing Northern Ten years ago: A partial government shutdown stretched
into a second day. The space shuttle Atlantis docked with the
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niles. I like watching native miles. I like watching native
grasses move with the wind so that the pasture looks like an ocean instead of dry land. I like the illusion of flatness, with hidden riverbeds, gullies, arroyos, and buffalo wallows that aren't seen until
the traveler reaches them. There are also hills, mounds and rises to discover.
I like having more than one season of weather, where high temperatures in
summer can reach triple digsummer can reach triple dig-
its, and low temperatures in winter can reach single digwinter can reach single dig-
its, and everything in between occurs, too.
are here, since they are mor There's nothing like listening to the wind in the treetops. I like the creatures and plants that live here. There are a lot more of them than you may think. It's always and howling at night, and to hear a hoot-owl or a mourning dove give its eerie call. I like the people here. They are friendly and accent to hear than a Texas I think that old saying Beauty is in the eye of the beholder, is tre. Ther


Windfall profits not always a problem

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 Bren they are making so much as a signal that there Williamsmoney and what they do to bring down the cost of h u m a n
gasoline. Sen. Byron wants. Let's
Dorgan, D-N.D., has intro- look at it duced a 50 percent windfall with a simple example. profit tax on every barrel of Suppose there's a disaster
oil selling for more than $\$ 40$ $\begin{array}{ll}\text { oll selling for more than } \$ 40 \text {. } & \text { wiping out food resources in } \\ \text { Let's talk about profits. } & \text { Harrisburg, Pa., and I live in }\end{array}$ First, there's normal prof- Philadelphia. Prior to the it, which is defined as the disaster, bread prices in both
minimum amount necessary
cities were $\$ 2$ a loaf. I buy a $\begin{array}{lll}\text { to keep } & \text { entrepreneurial } & \text { truckload of bread, cart it to } \\ \text { resources in their current } & \text { Harrisburg and sell it for } \$ 20\end{array}$ usage in the long run. a loaf, earning huge windfall opportunity cost of using out that there are profits to funds to finance an opera- be made, what do you think tion, and they must be equal happens? If you said other to, or greater than, the people will start carting returns available elsewhere bread to Harrisburg, bakers profits are indeed a cost of to produce more bread peobusiness - the payment to ple who formerly used their equity owners. oven to bake cakes and pies Windfall or supernormal will switch to baking bread, profits are any profits in there'll be bread conservaare above and beyond that tion in Philadelphia and elsenecessary to keep entrepre- prices will start to fall in neurial resources in their Harrisburg and windfall current usage. However, profits would vanish, go to
windfall profits are a vital the head of the class. White
 it's been 30 years sition new refinery has been built According to the America
Petroleum Institute, over th last 10 years, it has cost the comply wistry $\$ 47$ billion to sometimes useless costly and sometimes useless environ mental controls. There are
restrictions on exploiting the huge oil reserves in Alaska the Gulf and the Atlantic and Pacific coasts. Speaker Hastert said times that call for extraory times that call for extraordi-
nary measures. We expect oil nary measures. We expect ou help ease the pain American families are feeling from high energy prices." Instead of mouthing platitudes and beating up on oil
executives, Speaker Hastert executives, Speaker Haster reduce restrictions on drilling and refinery construction. Sen. Dorgan should review our 1970s experience with an oil wind fall profits tax that reduced increased our dependence on Texas Thoughts

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## Lipitor vs. Zocor in test experiment shows mixed results

CHICAGO (AP) - High doses of the cholesterol-lowering drug
Lipitor were no better at preventing major heart problems than regular doses of the competing drug Zocor, according to the latest study on efforts to aggressively treat hear conditions. The study, funded and conducted presented today at an American Heart Association meeting in

Wednesday's Journal of the
American Medical Association American Medical Association.
Many heart specialists reco Many heart specialists recom-
mend aggressively lowering LDL cholesterol levels, the bad kind, to help heart patients avoid future cardiovascular problems. So Pfizer tried that with a much higher dose f its statin drug, Lipitor Lipitor patients did appear to
fare better when the researchers grouped together any cardiovascu
heart surgery, results that echo male Scandinavian patients age findings in previous research on 61 on average who had previous aggressively lowering cholesterol. heart attacks and were given either the 1990s, doctors didn't think dose of Merck \& Co.'s Zocor. stroke would be a big factor and The researchers didn't find the decided to leave it out of the main main difference they were looking result tabulation/ssaid lead author for - fewer "major coronary Dr. Terje Pedersen, who presented events" in the Lipitor group during
the research at the conference. the research at the conference.
"We burned our fingers on that," an average follow-up of almost he said.
cardiac arrest. These events totaled
463 in the Zocor patients and 411 463 in the Zocor patients and 411
in the Lipitor patients, a difference in the Lipitor patients, a difference
that was not statistically significant. One caveat was that people stuck to the lower dose of Zocor more than the higher dose of Lipitor.
Because no increased death were Because no increased deaths were
seen from the higher dose, several seen from the higher dose, several
doctors predicted it would soon become a new standard of care.

## Bernanke vows to run Fed free of political pressure

WASHINGTON (AP) - -
White House chief economic $\begin{gathered}\text { American public. } \\ \text { Bernanke, the president }\end{gathered}$ White House chief economic
adviser Ben Bernanke adviser Ben Bernanke
pledged today to run the Federal Reserve independent of political influences, promise aimed at reassuring
investors and central bankers

Catholic bishops to set guidelines for laymen

WASHINGTON (AP) - Faced with number of Roman Catholic priests, the nation's bishops are acting today on
new guidelines for more than 30,000 lay employees who help fill the gap. These workers are known as "lay
ecclesial ministers," though some bis ops worry that this undercuts the ministry of ordained priests. The proposed guidelines distinguish lay workers from
the bishops and priests who supervise church work. The bishops also balloted on a new statement that would reaffirm their opposition to the death penalty and heard a report from New Orleans
Archbishop Alfred Hughes on the devastation left by Hurricane Katrina astation left by Hurricane Katrina.
Hughes told the bishops that half
his parishes "are devastated," 387
Catholic buildings were flooded and
864 others seriously damaged. He esti-
mated that capital losses exceed $\$ 200$
million, of which $\$ 85$ million to $\$ 100$
million won't be covered by insurance.
On the other hand, most parochial
students are being taught in reopened
schoosls, often with double sessions, or
in other dioceses, he said.
Archbishop Joseph Fiorenza of
Houston, who chairs the hierarchy's
special task force on hurricane
response, said Catholics gave $\$ 108.4$
million toward recovery in a special
collection but "that is really just a drop
in the bucket of what is needed, a drop
in the bucket."
Fiorenza said pending congressional
legislation to aid schools must include

## Drilling Intentions

That's one area where
Bernanke and Greenspan
differ. Bernanke supports a numerical inflation target, Greenspan doesn steps" will take no precipitate steps" on inflation targets,
Bernanke said. Bernanke said.


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## Sports Day

Miller, Harvesters open season tonight
By MichaEl J. STEVENS
Miller replied, "Kids love to
our work cut out for us but we are
going over there to give them a fight The Pampa Harvesters open the
2005-2006 basketball season tonight on the road against the Amarillo High played and what Pampa is known of Sandies. There's a lot of for." He added, "Another thing we are trying to instill in our
kids is a confidence they
might have been missing
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 in the past. We will
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another side of this and another side of this and
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ried about us." This is
what Miller describes as what Miller describes as
"quiet confidence." Mitler is looking for-
ward to senior leadership to help guide the
Harvesters back into the style of play Pampa once
put on the court "laret Kotara, Braydon Barker
and Aaron they hall in off-seasono and height notes the Sandies lost a lot height from last year. "So sizewise we may be a little more even past but the Sandies tend been in the year after year, they will be fine." Missing in action to this point for Miller have been the football players hat will now transition to the hard-
wood, including senior Sharod Young. "All the football players will suit up. I am expecting Sharod Young to come in and contribute right away, some of the others need to get some basketball legs but all of these guys can step in and play defense and
rebound for us, so any one of them could be called on tonight." So far as goals for the season,
Miller says, "We have many goals for our season this year. We want to obviously improve as we go. We have an extremely tough non-district
schedule with teams like Amarillo High, Canyon, Borger, Lubbock
Estacad now he feels as he prepares to coach $\quad$ and been leaders $\begin{aligned} & \text { Estacado, Plainview and some } \\ & \text { now, and }\end{aligned}$ There are all kinds of emotions. Miller. "These seniors really work tournament here in Pampa over $\begin{array}{lll}\text { Most of all we are just excited to get } & \begin{array}{l}\text { hard and really set the standard for }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Thanksgiving. We want to be pre- }\end{array} \\ \text { pared to compete for a playoff spot }\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lll}\text { to get on the floor and start seeing } & \begin{array}{c}\text { the rest of our program." } \\ \text { So ar as tonight's orionent, }\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}\text { pared to compete for a playoff spo } \\ \text { and a district championship." }\end{array} \\ \text { Miller points out, "Amarillo High is } & \text { The junior varsity team will }\end{array}$ always a difficult match-up for us. 6 p.m., while the varsity game will
where we are at."
Miller said shortly after being
They are always well coached, play named to his new post that he wanted great defense and set a lot of screens


Young, Dixon named to All-District 1st Team;
12 other Harvesters receive District 3-4A honors
Ey MCHAEL . STEvENS

A number of Pampa Harvesters received All-District honOTs. as voted on by coaches.
Senior Sharod Young was District First Tram receiver. Junior Robbie Dief for Allnamed to the Firist Team at the Cuard position. Team offense.
 Campos and seniors A.J. Manzanares (corner) and Keenan Davis (kicker). Shavious Kelley (safety) mentions went to sophomore unior Bradley (safety), senior Sharod Young (safety), (linebacker) .
Offensive honorable mentions were given to senior Jake Craig (tackle), senior Chadd Malone (tackle) and senior Chis Smin (contr).

Pampa vs. AHS

## By MICHAEL J. STEVENS

Coming off a 2-2 performance at the All-American TipOff Classic in Frenship, the Lady Harvesters (2-3) will travel to Amarillo today for their second meeting with the Lady Sandies in a week.
Now that they have a few games under them, including last week's meeting with Amarillo High, does Coach Troy
Fry feel his club is better prepared for round two tonight? Fry feel his club is better prepared for round two tonight?
"It's not that we are more prepared for the game but we are more comfortable with each other on the court. We know what Amarillo High has got and what they want to do." Fry says his team is improving with each game and ready for tonight. So far as any change from game one, Fry says, "I think we will play some zone tonight to be able to help more inside and rebound." He added, "The key to our
success is that we rebound and limit our turnovers. We success is that we rebound and limit our turnovers. We
have improved so much frem the first meeting so I hope to see the girls come out with more confidence and desire to perform at a higher level than the last meeting."
The junior varsity game will begin at 6 p.m. The varsi-
ty game will tip off at 7.30 pm ty game will tip off at $7: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

## Cowboys come from behind to clip Eagles

PHILADELPHIA (AP) - Roy Williams' eyes lit up when he saw the ball com-
ing. Somewhere, Terrell ing. Somewhere, Terrell
Owens probably was smiling, too. $\begin{aligned} & \text { Williams intercepted }\end{aligned}$ Donovan McNabb's pass and ran it back 46 yards for a touchdown with $2: 43$ left,
leading the Dallas Cowboys leading the Dallas
to a $21-20$ comeback victory over Philadelphia on Monday night in the Eagles' first game since Owens was told he's no longer wel-
come. come. "I'm tired of answering T.O. "questions," McN
said. "T.O. is not here." For 55 minutes, it didn't matter. Philadelphia was in control most of the game,
showing poise, showing poise, running the
ball well and playing with ball well and playing with
the team-oriented balance they talked about all week.

Then, Drew Bledsoe connected with Terry Glenn on happened," McNabb said. "I The Eagles had a final a 20-yard TD pass with $3: 04$ was trying to get the ball to chance, but David Akers' left that cut it to 20-14. On Reggie (Brown) and Roy
the second play after the
just did an excellent field-goa
job
failed miserably. ensuing kickoff, McNabb's poorly thrown pass was picked off by Williams, who outran McNabb as the quar terback tried to tackle him. believe he threw this ball," and it was coming to me," Williams said. "I was thinking in my head, 'Don't drop this."' McNabb was hobbling
badly after that play with a badly after that play with a
groin injury, and was schedgroin injury, and was sched-
uled for an MRI exam Tuesday. McNabb, playing with a sports hernia that will require surgery, played one more series after the inter-
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Mike McMahon for the Eagles' final possession.

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## Dear Abby...

By Pauline \& Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: Thursday, Nov. 17, will mark he American Cancer Society's 29th Annual Great American Smokeout. It's a down their cigaretes - "- "ust for one day"
 hours withouta a cigarete, then they can do it for 48 hours, 72 hours, and stop smoking for good. For nearly three decades, the American Cancer Society has designated the third Thursday of November as a day for smokers nationwide to unite and kick the deadly habit of smoking. On that day, we urge people who smoke to, instead of lighting up. put down that cigarete and call us for support in "staying quit" for good. If youre a smoker, the smartest thing you can do to improve your health and longevi$y$ is to quit smoking. The American Cancer Society Quitiline can help you douWe also advocate for policies that help smokers quit, such as insurance coverage for tobacco cessation programs and smokefree workplace laws. Research shows that smoke-free workplace laws not only encourage smokers to quii, but also protect non-smokers from exposure 10 secondand
mmoke $-a$ anown health hazard. Please. Abby, help us to spread the word that quiting smoking is one of the healthiest decisions your readers can make. It can save their lives. Sudies have shown that smokers who quit by age 35 will avoid 90 and people who ouit smoking before on and people who quit smokng betore agg
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DEAR DR. SENER: I'm delighted to help you spread the word. The Great American mokeout is something that I and my mother before me have been pleased to promote since 1985.
Readers, I hope you will take this important opportunity to heart. More people die rom lung cancer than from any other form of cancer. Quitting smoking has never been asier because medications are now available that help to suppress the symptoms of craving and withdrawal.
Call the American Cancer Society's 24 hour toll-free Quitline -- 877-937-7848 eling services in your community provid with self-help materials that offer infor mation and strategies on quitting for goed and receive information about medications available to help you quit. All services are free and provided 24/7. Yo can also go to www.cancer.org/smokeout. So, folks, if you have been promising yourelves that "one of these days" you were going to quit, why not start on Thursday, Thanksgiving gift you could possibly give yourselves and And, now, I'd like to ask a favor, please. If you quit on Thursday -- even for only 24 hours -- let me hear from you. I'd love to now long you were able to stay 2


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    reported that the CIA operates secret prisons in eight countries. The network, the Post reported, spread after $9 / 11$ and includes complexes in Thailand, Afghanistan and two "democracies in
    Eastern Europe." More than 100 prisEastern Europe. More than 100 pris-
    oners reportedly were funneled into secret detention camps.

    A day after the Post report, the New York-based Human Rights Watch made similar allegations, saying 2003 flight
    logs showed a CIA-commissioned logs showed a C1A-commissioned
    plane shuttling frequently among Afghanistan, Iraq, Romania and Poland at the same time the United States was known to be moving key al-Qaida suspects out of Afghanistan and Iraq.
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    and its culture of and its culture of gulags, vigorously
    denied that such prisons exist on their soil. The CIA offers neither confirmation not denial, but recent history makes the accusations believable. The CIA already stands accused of participating in the inhumane treatment
    of prisoners in Afghanistan and of prisoners in Afghanistan and Iraq
    and at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. The
    gency has embraced a practice called endition, in which it capturés suspect ed terrorists around the world and turns them over to nations such as Syria, tice torture after receiving worthless assurances that the suspects will not be mistreated.
    The Washington Post story drew in part on accounts by CIA personnel who eportedly had grown weary of the
    noral and practical compromises secret detention creates. The officials' concerns echo in a debate in the Senate, which is considering a $\$ 445$ billion defense bill. One provision, which the Senate overwhelmingly passed, bans See CIA, Page 5

