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## Gray voters buck state trend on amendments

By MARILYN POWERS Staff Writer
Gray County voters bucked the trend in Tuesday's general election by saying no to three of the 16 propositions creating state constitu-
tional amendments, all 16 of which passed in statewide balloting that passed in statewide balloting that
drew low voter turnout across the state and locally.
The total number of ballots cast in Gray County was 1,240 , or 8.4 percent. The total number of registered
voters in the county is 14,764 . voters in the county is 14,
Proposition 15 is one of the three
which Gray County voters did
support by a majority vote. The proposition requires the creation of
the Cancer Prevention Ine Cancer Prevention and Research
Institute of Texas and authorizes issuance of up to $\$ 3$ billion in bonds for research in Texas to find the causes of and cures for cancer.
Statewide Proposition Statewide, Proposition 15 drew 61
percent of the vote, with 39 percent percent of the vote, with 39 percent
against it. Champion cyclist Lance Armstrong, a cancer survivor, was a supporter and spokesman of the proposition, along with a bipartisan team of politicians which included Gov. Rick Perry.
Proposition 4,


#### Abstract

 for maintenance, improvement, repair and construction for state parks, historic sites, crime labs and other state projects and money for potential new prison construction, also failed in Gray County also failed in Gray County. Local voters were against it by a vote of 577 for versus 593 against. State Rep. Scott Hochberg, DHouston, detailed the planned expenditure of the $\$ 1$ billion on his Web site. The funds are to be distributed as follows: - $\$ 233$ million for three new orenovate existing prisons. - $\$ 200$ million for new regional Department of Public Safety offices, a new crime lab and crime lab expansions, and an emergency vehicle operations course - $\$ 25$ million for repairs to the Battleship Texas and $\$ 27$ million for state park repairs. - $\$ 48$ million for historic county courthouse renovations and other historic sites.

1 million for repair and renoSee VOTE, Page 3


## FPC receives \$1.6 million to support skills training

## Water Development Board

 hears PGWCD's Williams
#### Abstract

By DAVID BOWSER AUSTIN -- The Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District stood up for more public input during a Texas Water Development Board meeting this week in Austin. Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District, voiced his district board's opposition here to proposed changes in the Texas Administrative Code that Williams said are in conflict with the Texas Water Code. The proposed changes would require Groundwater Management Areas plans for Groundwater Management Areas plans for Desired Future Conditions of local aquifers Desired Future Conditions of local aquifers to reflect only the Texas Water Board's recommendation and ignore public hearing input. Williams said the Texas Water Code requires Groundwater Management Areas to revise their Desired Future Conditions after revise their Desired Future Conditions after Texas Water Development Board recommendations. The Groundwater Management Areas must then hold local hearings to solicit public comment on the amended Desired Future Conditions. "The statute "The statute then requires the Groundwater Management Areas to consider both public and TWDB comments and


## Rehearsal



Pampa News Photo by KERRI SMITH Callin Burleson, a first grade student from Travis Elementary, sings a solo this morning during the rehearsal for the school's annual Veterans Day program. The event will be at $1: 30$ p.m. Friday
M.K. Brown Auditorium and is free to attend.

worliorce will benefit from $\$ 1.6$ In addition, Frank Phillips College
million in workforce training grants will
from ther program that the Texas Workforce
Commission (TWC) administers Crankission Phillips College in Borger will receive $\$ 1.3$ million for a welding
Military figures

\$10.58. "The expansion of welding training at Frank Phillips College will provide high-demand, skilled work-" ers to Panhandle-area employers,"
said state Sen. Kel Seliger. "The said state Sen. Kel Seliger. "The
Skills Development Fund supports Skills Development Fund supports
mportant training and a stronger
"The Skills Development Fund is a great example of how a public-pri-
vate partnership should work," said state Rep. Warren Chisum. "The companies work with Frank Phillips See GRANTS, Page 3

## Thornberry cosponsors bill to reform tax system

WASHINGTON, D.C. - U.S. families a real choice at tax time." Rep. Mac Thornberry said today he The Taxpayer Choice Act would: has cosponsored "The Taxpayer Eliminate the massive tax Choice Act," a comprehensive tax increase that will occur under the
reform bill to simplify the tax sys- forthcoming expansion of the rem.
tefor "It is ridiculous that due to Congressional inaction here we are
in the eleventh month of the year in the eleventh month of the year
and taxpayers still don't know the and taxpayers still don't know the
rules for filing their taxes," rules for filing their taxes,"
Thornberry said. "That is why I Thornberry said. "That is why I have cosponsored 'The Taxpayer
Choice Act,' vidual income tax reform bill to simplify our tax system and give
forthcoming expansion of the
Alternative Minimum Tax (AMT) - Provide individuals an alternative tax system that is fair, simple, and efficient (the "Simplified Tax"), "The Taxpayer Choice Act calls for no tax increases - as other AMT
'reform' options would do," 'reform' options would do," Thornberry said. "Above all, it
offers a choice: taxpayers can See TAXES, Page 3


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Obituaries Pampa Police Department reported
the following incidents for the 24-hour
period ending at 7 a.m. today.
Ten traffic stops were made.
A traffic complaint was reported in
the 100 block of South Starkweather.
Alarms were reported in the 1500
block of North Hobart and twice in the
1300 block of West Kentucky.
A civil matter was reported in the
1100 block of Seneca.
Lost property, a white gold ring, was
reported in the 600 block of North
Cuyler, and in the police department
lobby.
Thefts were reported in the 200
block of North Wells and two instances block of North Wells and two instances
in the police department lobby, one of in the police department lobby,
which was a stolen check book. which was a stolen check book.
A domestic disturbance occurred in A domestic disturbance occurred in
the 500 block of North Cuyler where a victim suffered injuries to the face and
arms.
911 hang-up calls came in from the
1700 block of North Christine and the 1700 block of North Christine and the 1000 block of South Farley.
Animal control officers
Animal control officers made stops
concerning animals in the 400 block concerning animals in the 400 block of
North Hill, the 1000 block of North Dwight, the 500 block of North Sumner and the 600 block of North Sumner. A welfare check was made in the
1200 block of South Nelson 200 block of South Nelson.
Disorderly conduct incidents were

## ‘Cinderella'rehearsal



Pampa High School Choir members rahearse for Pana Nows Pholo oby KERRII IMm will be prosented M.K. Brown Auditorium. From left are Jacee villarreal, a stepsister; Diana Mechelay, a stepsister: Michael Fermuik, the prince; Brenna Albracht, the wicked stepmother; and Chandler Talley, Cinderella. Show times are 8 p.m. Nov. 16 and 17 and 2:30 p.m. Nov. 18. Adulit tickets are $\$ 7$ and students and children are 55 .
reported in the 300 block of South
Cuyber and in the police depo Cuyler and in the police department Escort Escort service was provided in the 300 block of South Cuyler. A gas drive off occurred in the 1000 Motorist assistance was provided in he 500 block of South Cuyler. A burglary occurred in the 1200 block of Wilcox.
Criminal mischief was reported in the 1600 block of Christine. A prowler was seen in the 600 block
of North Christy. A suspicious person was spotted at
the intersection of Brown and West the intersection of Brown and West.
Gray County Sheriff's Office report ed the following arrests today.
Jesus Rene Torres, 21, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO for violation of probation, theft of property.
Joseph Adam Wilson, 19, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO for violation of robation, possession of marijuana.
Carl Wayne Dunn, 52 of Pampa wa Carl Wayne Dunn, 52 , of Pampa was for evading arrest, theft under $\$ 50$ and failure to appear.
William Troglin, 42, of $\quad 2: 50 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ - - One unit and four per Ariz., was arrested by GCSO fort, sonnel responded to the 1300 block of Ariz., was arrested by GCSO for Garland on a carbon monoxide check.
escape, fugitive from justice.

Guardian EMS Ambulance reported the following calls during the 24 -hou period ending at 7 a.m. today.
7:45 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded the 300 block of Tignor. $9: 16$ a.m. - A mobile ICU responded
to the 500 block of Schneider. Call disto the 500 block of Schneider. Call disregarded en route.
Pampa Fire Department reported the ollowing calls for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today. onnel responded to the 300 block of Tignor on a medical assist.
9:17 a.m. - One unit and four per-
sonnel responded to sonnel responded to the 500 block of Schneider on a medical assist. 11:25 a.m. - Two units and seven of West Kentucky on a false alarm. 11:31 a.m. - Two units and seven ersonnel responded to the 1300 block f West Kentucky on a false alarm. 2:22 p.m. - One unit and four perorth Dwight on a smoke odor investi ation. Garland on a carbon monoxide check.

Nominations due for book award
AUSTIN, Texas -
Submit your nomination Submit your nominations
now for the Texas Historical Commission's (THC) prestigious T.R. Fehrenbach Book
Award. The competition honors books based on original research that preserve, record and recount the pre history or history of Texas.
Books must be published Books must be published
in 2007 (with a 2007 copyinght) with a minimum print run of 200 copies. The THC will award up to three
$\$ 1,000$ prizes at the 2008 $\$ 1,000$ prizes at the 2008 Annual
Preservation $\begin{array}{r}\text { Historic } \\ \text { Conference, }\end{array}$ May 1-3 in Corpus Christi. This award is named in honor of T.R. Fehrenbach, Texas historian and former THC chair. Fehrenbach is the author of 18 books, including Lone Star, the
most widely read book about Texas history.
Texas history.
The deadline for submis sions is $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Dec. 31. For guidelines -m. Dec. visit www.thc.state.tx.us or call 512/463-8886.

## Stargazers enjoyed viewing Comet Holmes

By BOBBY SCHIFFMAN Special to the News Approximately 60 astron- view of Comet Holmes and Approximately 60 astron- many other cele
omy enthusiasts braved the
of the night sky cool night air and came out Bill Edens with binoculars, Rosemary Schiffman

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with a Meade $8^{\prime \prime}$ SchmidtCassegrain telescope, Jim Rhodes (Amarillo Astronomy Club president)
with a Meade 8 " Schmidt with a Meade $8^{\prime \prime}$ SchmidtGage with an Orion 12" reflector telescope, the author with a Hardin Optical $12^{\prime \prime}$ reflector telescope and
Reagan Herman with an Reagan Herman with an
Obsession $20^{\prime \prime}$ reflector telescope guided participants through the night sky. Participants from Pampa, Borger and Lefors viewed Comet Holmes and com-
pared the comet to M57, The pared the comet to M57, The
Ring Nebula in the constellation Lyra. Very early reated to the star party were reated with views of the planet Jupiter and its Galiilean moons, which was
setting fast in the southwest setting fay.
$\qquad$ Those who arrived after
11 p.m. were treated to views of the planet Mars rising in the east. Other night sky objects offered for viewing, as time and opportunity permitted, were planets Uranus and Neptune; M27,
the Dumbbell Nebula in the constellation Vulpecula; and

M31, the Andromeda
Galaxy. Participants were told sto ries of a king and old sto ries of a king and queen, horse, a sea monster and a female Gorgon (Medusa) while descriptions were made of the constellations Cepheus,
Andromeda, Casseopeia,
Perseus, Andromeda,
Pegasus and
Cetus Perseus,
Cas. A flying swan, a soaring eagle, a musical harp, a Charioteer, seven sisters and a ram were pointed out in the constellations, Cygnus, Aquila, Lyra, Auriga, The bright stars were seen Deneb, tail of the Swan Altair; Vega; Capella, the she goat and her kids; and Hamal in Aries were also pointed out to participants. As the night, weeks and
months pass, these and other montss pass, these and other
celestial objects will fade from view in the west and allow room in the night sky for new objects to appear Watch for announcements of opportunities to view these new obj
parties.

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| Continued from Page 1 <br> vation of mental health residential schools and mental health hospitals. <br> - \$32 million for deferred maintenance and asbestos abatement at state buildings. <br> - $\$ 28$ million for new construction at existing Texas Youth Commission facilities and to build one new facility. <br> - \$14 million for maintenance at various Texas National Guard facilities. <br> The third proposed amendment which drew Gray County voters' disapproval was Proposition 16, which earned 541 local favorable votes and 617 votes against it. <br> Proposition 16 provides for issuance of additional general obligation bonds by the Texas Water Development Board up to $\$ 250$ million to provide assistance to economically distressed areas. <br> The remaining 13 constitutional amendments, and their Gray County vote totals, are: <br> Proposition 1: For, 766; against, 398. Continues the constitutional appropriation for facilities and other capital items at Angelo State University in a change of governance of the university. <br> Proposition 2: For, 656; against, 522. Issues $\$ 500$ million in general obligation bonds to finance student loans. Authorizes bond enhancement agreements for general obligation bonds |
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## Water

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 regional water plans, but Conditions legal process allows the Texas Water Development Board to review, not approve theGroundwater Management Areas final Desired Future Conditions after local pubic hearings.
'approval,"" Williams said "approval," Williams said,
"shifts groundwater management in Texas from groundwater districts to state control, which exceeds the statutory authority. Such a major change in water law administrative rules." Williams' comments were echoed by seven other water district managers or attorneys representing groundwater conservation
districts. A like number other groundwater conservation district officials attending the hearing indi-
issued for that purpose.
Proposition 3: For, Proposition 3: For, 722;
against, 402. Authorizes the against, 402. Authorizes the
Legislature to provide that tegislature to provide that value of a residence homestead for ad valorem taxa-
tion is the lesser tion is the lesser of these:
The most recent The most recent market
value of the home as detervalue of the home as deter-
mined by the appraisal entimined by the appraisal enti-
ty or 110 percent, or a greater percentage, of the appraised value of the home for the preceding tax year. Proposition 5: For, 729;
against, 427 . Authorizes the against, 427. Authorizes the
Legislature to permit the Legislature to permit the
voters of a municipality with a population under 10,000 to authorize its governing body to enter an agreement with an owner of real property in or adjacent
to the municinality that has to the municipality that has
been approved for funding been approved for funding
under certain programs administered by the Texas
Department of Department of Agriculture. Allows the parties to agree that all ad valorem taxes property may not be increased for the first five tax years after the tax year in which the agreement is made.
Proposition 6: For, 914;
against, 279 against, 279. Authorizes the
Legislature to exempt from Legislature to exempt from
ad valorem taxation one motor vehicle that the owner uses in his or her occupation or profession
and for personal activities and for personal activities. Proposition 7: For, 914;
against, 263. Allows govagainst, 263. Allows gov-
ernmental entities to sell ernmental entities to sell
property acquired through eminent domain back to the previous owners at the price the entities paid to acquire
the property. the property.
Proposition
Proposition 8: For, 772;
against, 389. Clarifies cer-
tain provisions relating to
the making of a home equi-
ty loan and use of home
y loan and use of
equity loan proceeds. Proposition 9: For, 956 against, 228. Authorizes the Legislature to exempt all or part of the residence home-
steads of certain totally abled veterans from ad val orem veteration and authoriz es a change in the manner of determining the amount of he existing exemption from ad valorem taxation to which a disabled veteran is ntitled.
Proposition 10: For, 968 ;
gainst, 206. Abolishes th constitutional authority for the office of inspector of hides and animals. Proposition 11: For, 911;
against, 256. Requires that a gainst, 256. Requires that a recorded vote be taken by a
house of the Legislature on inal passage of any bill, ther than certain local bills nd ceremonial resolutions and provides for public
access to those recorded access to those record Proposition 12: For, 59
12, against, 573. Provides for ion in general obligation bonds by the Texas ransportation Commission or highway improvement
projects. Proposition 13: For, 953,
against, 240. Authorizes the denial of bail to someone who violates certain court
orders or conditions orders or conditions of
release in a felony or family violence case. Proposition 14: For, 808; against, 372 . Permits a jus-
ice or judge who reaches tice or judge who reaches he mandatory retirement age while in office to serve
the remainder of his or her the remainder
 $\begin{array}{ll}\text { cated they planned to sub- } & \text { Desired Future Conditions } \\ \text { mit written comments sup- } & \text { again, taking into consider- }\end{array}$ porting Williams' contentions.
As it stands now,
Groundwater Management Aroas are required to deter Areas are required to deter-
mine the Desired Future Condition of aquifers in their areas, Once the local Groundwater Management Area boards do that, they
forward that information forward that information to
the Texas Water te Texas Water
Development Board. When it reaches the Texas Water Development Board, it can
be challenged. be challenged.
The Texas Water The Texas Water
Development Board will review the Desired Future review the Desired Future
Conditions decision of the Groundwater Management Area and return it to the local Groundwater Management Area board for reconsideration
The local Groundwater
Management Area boar has to consider the recommendations and present them to the public, holding a hearing on the revisions.

fit from programs like "Responding to the workforce needs of Texas employers is one of our top
priorities, and the Skills priorities, and the Skills Development Fund is one of
the best methods we have the best methods we have
for doing that," said TWC Chair Diane Rath. "With these grants, area employers gain acustom-trained work-
force and workers force and workers learn valuable skills strengthen-
ing economic developing economic develop-
In Fiscal Year (FY) 2007,
Skills Development Fund grants created or upgraded

American tox ers, including over taxpay- 28,000 in District 13, are still unprotected from the AMT. When Republicans were in the majority, we acted early each year to protect taxpay-,
ers from the "bracket creep" ers from the bracket creep
caused by the fact that the AMT is not indexed for inflation. Every day the new Majority delays passing an AMT fix means a
delay in protessing tax delay in protessing tax
refunds for as many as 50 refundion hardworking tax-
again, taking into considerDevelopment Board's recommendations and the rec-
ommendations from the local public hearings. Created by the Texa Legislature to foster coop-
cration among adjoining groundwater conservation districts, Groundwater the state are in the process of state are in the process
determining Desired Future Conditions of their aquifers. They face a dead-
line of 2010 . line of 2010 .
The Groundwater Panagement Area in th Panhandle, GMA based Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District, the Canadianbased Hemphill County Underground Conservation District, the Dumas-based North Plains District and parts of the Lubbock-based High Plains Underground Wat Conservation District.

## average hourly wage of $\$ 19.04$. These grants assistde 281 Texas employers with their customized training needs. The Legislature has appropriated $\$ 50$ mil Development Fund for the 2008-09 biennium. Employers seeking more information about the Skill Development Fund may visit the TWC Web site at http://www.twc.state.tx.us/ vcs/funds/sdfintro.html. cs/funds/sdfintro.html. Frank Phillips Colle contact: Patti Wieronski at (806) 457-4200 $\times 802$ pwieronski@fpctx.edu.

 designed in 1969 as a mandatory add-on to the existing tax code. It was wealthy taxpayers from wealthy taxpayers from
exploiting loopholes in the tax code to escape legitimate tax obligations. But because it was never indexed for inflation, the AMT in 2008 will subject
close to 30 million more taxpayers to an automatic tax increase, Thornberry said.

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ally," Thornberry said
"Most unfairly, close to 30 payers."

## Taxes

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choose the new, simpli. fied system or stay with the er option suits them. "The new majority Congress passed a
which I opposed, that would raise taxes by an estimated $\$ 2.7$ trillion - more than $\$ 2,000$ per household annu

## Viewpoints

## Leave the falling to some other season

Don't fall into fall, har-har
OK, my sense of humor is ... OK, my sense of humor is no doubt skewed, but I
recently received an electronic press release from the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons titled "Step Up to a Fall Free Autumn, so little funny, can't I? Actually, it is quite funny A co-worker (and dear friend) advised me earlier this week that if she was walking in a peculiar way it was for a good reason. Sh explained that she'd fallen a
home in an effort to avoid stepping on her dog. I sort of could commiser ate. This past weekend attempted to back down onto a small step-stool in the kitchen and in the process
nicked the corner of my face near my left eyebrow on the
edge of the kitchen counter.
And the correlation And the correlation
between the two incidents? Both were dog-related, of I was only scrunching
I myself down onto the stepstool in the first place to get my two dogs. They were my two dogs. They were demanding attention, and I frequently perch on the kitchen stool to pet an praise them.
Though not dog-related, he following safety tips batim from the academy release and are suggested in warding against LADDERrelated falls

- Select the most appropriexample, if you are working example, if you are working
inside your home, choose a


## Today in History

Today is Thursday, Nov. 8, the 312th day of 2007. There Today's Highlight in Hist
On Nov. 8, 1923, Adolf Hitler launched his first attempt at seizing power with a failed coup in Munich, Germany, that came to be known as the "Beer-Hall Putsch.
On this date:
In 1837, Mount Holyoke Female Seminary, a college
exclusively for women, opened in South Hadley In 1889, Montana became the 41 st state.
In 1889, Montana became the 41 st state.
In 1932, New York Gov. Franklin D. R
incumbent Herbert Hoover for the presidency
 Vice President Richard M. Nixon for the presidency In 1566, Repubican candidate Ronald Reagan was elected
governor of California, defeating Democratic incumbent Pat In 1966, Edward W. Brooke, R-Mass., became the first black candidate to be elected to the U.S. Senate by popular In 1987, 11 people were killed when an Irish Republican Army bomb exploded as crowds gathered in Enniskillen, dead.
In 1988, Vice President George Bush won the presidential election, defeating Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis. Ten years ago: Chinese engineers diverted the Yangtze River to make way for the Three Gorges Dam, the most ambiHolyfield won the IBF heavyweight title in a fierce fight against Michael Moorer in Las Vegas.
Five years ago: The U.N. Security Council unanimously approved Resolution 1441, which gave weapons inspectors the muscle they needed to hunt for illicit weapons in Iraq. President Bush said the new resolution presented the Iraqi
regime "with a final test." regime "with a final test."

## The Pat

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[^0]stepstool or small utility lad-
der - a size for working at der - a size for working at
low or medium heights. When you are working outside and need to reach your gutter, an extension ladder is
most likely your best choice Check your your best choice. mum load capacity to Skyla
ensure that youre your you, your
equipment
and supplies do not exceed the
weight specifications for the adder.
Inspect the ladder. Check
ladder screws ladder for any loose screws, hinges or rungs that from its last use. Cle fixed any oil, dirt, or other subany oil, dirt, or other sub-
stance that could be slippery.

Properly position the
ladder. Ladders should
always be placed on a firm always be placed on a firm,
level surface. Watch for spots on the ground or floor that are uneven, soft or slippery. Always engage the ladder locks or braces before climbing. If working out-

feet from the wall. If you are climbing onto a roof, the ladder should extend at least
three feet higher than the edge of the rooftop. Additionally, the uppertand lower sections of an extension ladder should overlap to provide stability.
Make sure your shoelaces are tied and the soles of your shoes have good traction, and are free of any debris or greasy, oily or wet substances. Do not wear leather-
soled shoes, as they are slip soled shoes, as they are slip
pery. pery. reaching or leaning too far to one side can make you lose your balance and fall. Instead, climb down the lad-
der, move it and climb back der, move it and climb back
up again.
-
ing. Ask someone to hold the ladder to provide stability
while you climb up and while you climb up and
down. Stay in the center of the ladder as you climb, and always hold the side rails with both hands. Also, make sure that only one person - Move materials with caution. If you need to move large items or equipment while on the ladder, do so slowly and carefully.
Moving heavy items suddenMoving heavy items suddenthrown off-balance and fall. - Do not use a ladder as a eat between tasks. You from wour to take a break use the top step or pail never as a seat - not even shelf as a seat
stepladder.


## Mail merge using Microsoft Word, part 2

Last week, I began a les-
son in Mail Merge Microsoft Word. If you missed it, you can find it or my $\begin{aligned} & \text { my } \\ & \text { or own } \\ & \text { or } \\ & \text { htt: }\end{aligned}$ own:/ww.EricSpellmann: om
Ready? Let's start where
we left off. Make sure you we left off. Make sure you Main" document Letter Main" document on your
screen. Also, make sure you screen. Also, make sure you
have the Mail Merge Task Pane open (Pull down the "OOLS menu and choose "Letters and Mailings" and
then "Mail Merge Wizard").

- Create a Data Source - Create a Data Source is where people tend to get is where people tend to get a
bit confused. It's totally understandable, considering some of the language
Microsoft uses Microsoft uses. You have three choices:


## Texas Thoughts

## By The Associated Press

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Oct. 29
El Paso Times on shield laws:
On Oct. 16, members of the U.S. House of Representatives gave
resounding approval to HR 2102 the Free Flow of Information Act.
The vote was $398-21$ in favor of
measure that would set ground rules
delineating when reporters can be pro-
tected from revealing the identities of
confidential sources in federal court.
Earlier, on Oct. 4, the Senate
Judiciary Committee approved S. 2035 ,
a similar bill.
Now it's up to senators to vote for
this bill when it's brought up to the full

Senate
To gexas' two Republican senators need to get bed yet. Sen. John Comyn is member of the Senate Judiciary Committee and was one of the bipartisan majority who voted for it. But shortly after his affirmative committee vote, Cornyn told about 200 people at
the Society of Professional Journalists 2007 Convention and Nalists Journalism Conference that help was needed in defining exactly who is a journalist.
A specific example given by his office was whether the definition of
journalist would cover a blogin journalist would cover a blogger or
someone who is operating a social networking site such as Facebook While his point is well-taken, it
unlikely that a blogger or social networker would be involved in a situation where federal investigators would want to know about confidential sources. ism in S. 2035: "The term 'journalism' means the regular gathering, preparing, collecting, photographing, recording, writing, editing, reporting, or publishcerns local, national, or international events or other matters of public interest for dissemination to the public." Trying to narrow that definition could be detrimental to the practice and spirit of a shield law and could delay passage of a shield law indefinitely.

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‘Great Pumpkin
Ford Family Chiropractic in Pampa held a "Great Pumpkin" weight guessing contest. Pictured from left to right are Dr. Nathan Lester, winners Linda Hall and Caragan Niccum, and Dr. Mark W. Ford Jr. Each winner received a $\mathbf{\$ 5 0}$ gas card
Chesney, Underwood take top prizes at CMA awards

- Kenny Chesney and Carrie Underwood picked up where they left off last year at the Country
Association Awards. Association Awards.
Chesney won his second straight entertainer of the year award Wednesday, while Underwood made it back-to-back trophies a female vocalist of the year. so many wonderful things," said Underwood, the former "American Idol", sensation who also won single of the year, for "Before He "If you told me a few years ago I had been nominated with the people I'm nominated with, I would

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the Free Flow of Information Act, and that she is going to further study the bill. These are not the solid commitments that
this measure needs. And this measure needs. And
they are not the solid commitments the public deserves, because the public is the ultimate beneficiary of the free flow of information and
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tial sources. A recent tial sources. A recent
example is the scandal concerning veterans care that started at Walter Reed Army Medical Center. That was made possible by confidential sources,
sources who probably never would have sai anything if their identities were going to be compromised.
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right to an open, transparent government. Urge your senators to vote for the legislation. URL: http://www.elpasotimes.com
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { have called you absolutely } \\ \text { insane." } & \begin{array}{l}\text { award at least once - this } \\ \text { will do," said Paisley, who }\end{array} \\ \text { Chesney, who also took } \\ \text { also won music video for his }\end{array}$ Chesney, who also took the music association's top
honor in 2004, was humble in his acceptance. in his acceptance. to stand on the stages that I stand on every summer and get to sing the songs that I sing," the star said. "I love country music doing what I do."
Brad Paisley, who won in
the male vocalist teared up as he he thanked his father, who he said carried amplifiers and ran sound "even though he did "I can't tell you what this means to me to win this. I always wanted to win this also won mus."
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E Earlier, Sugarland won vocal duo of the year, wreak vocal duo of the year, breaking Brooks \& Dunn's long-
standing lock on the award they had won the duo category 14 of the last 15 years, including the last six in a row. "If we're standing up here, we have this lofty view
because we're standing on because we're standing on
the shoulders of giants who've come before us, said Sugarland's Jennifer Nettles.

The award for newcomer of the year went to 17-year old Taylor Swift. She gave tearful speech in which she oked, "This is definitely the
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STRAIGHT

highlight of my senior year."
Rascal Flatts won top vocal group, and George Strait took top album for "It hit "Give It Away", won song of the year. Other winners included
Tracy Lawrence, featuring Tracy Lawrence, featuring
Tim McGraw and Chesney, for musical event for "Find Out Who Your Friends Are";
and Jerry Douglas of Union Station as musician of the Statio
year.

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On Tuesday, about 77 per cent of voters approved
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enjoyed," said McMeans
 ravis Tigers The Travis Elementary students and faculty cordially invite you to the ninth annual
Veterans Day Celebration November 9, 2007 1:30 pm


## Dear Abby...

## By Pauline \& Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: "Anonymous in Arizona" him for it before he even had the gender (Sept. 7) was wondering how to explain to reassignment surgery. Ignoring it and acther future children that their father's broth- ing like he's some sort of oddity that's not er was born a girl, particularly in childhood to be mentioned is probably the worst thing photos in which he appears as a girl. While that could be done -- for everyone, includmost of your reply was sound -- especially ing John. - SAN JOSE, CALIF., READhow transgendered people are born in the ER wrong body (which I wish more people could understand) -- I disagree with your advice about the photo albums. As a transgendered man, I'd be mortified if I knew a photo of me in dresses and pigtails from my youth was included in a family album for my son to see. But I also know many transpeople who wouldn't mind at all. How we deal with our background is a personal and individual decision. Anonymous' brother-in-law "John" should be allowed to have a say in whether or not images of him reasonable should be included. It would be reasonable for her husband to approach his the issue. If John doesn't mind childhood photos in an album, then great. If he does, however, then Anonymous should do her best to find ones of her husband only, or
have the pictures cropped. - MICHIGAN TRANSGUY

DEAR ABBY Anonymous shouldn't be so sure that John doesn't know she knows. Most spouses discuss their childhoods with each other, and John probably assumes ther is brother had told her about his history. At some point the children will ask more questions, as will adults. Most transpeople are open about their gender, and Anonymous can use the photo album as an epportunity to teach, as you stated, that ohn was always male. People need to hear his message, so that they, too, can undertand. As with same-sex love, gender ssues should be discussed matter-of-factly with children. - LIBBY IN ATLANTA

DEAR ABBY: To show respect and acceptance, she should ask John how he would handle such a conversation with her hild. In addition, when her child ask bout the apparent discrepancy in the pho tos, at what will inevitably be the inappropriate moment (i.e. Thanksgiving dinner), she and John should be prepared rather than exchanging awkward glances It takes communication to keep the dynamics of a family healthy. (Take it from some one who has a few skeletons in the closet!) - JENNY IN RENO
be to talk to John for his

DEAR ABBY: Although the subject is "something that is never mentioned," the writer's husband needs to sit down with his brother and discuss the matter. The fact that John is transgendered appears to be the elephant in the living room that no one wants to discuss. Surely John has anticipated these things from early on in his new life, and a psychiatrist most likely prepared

DEAR ABBY: I'm also a transman (born in a female body). It was refreshing to read such a sensible reply. Most often, we trans gendered folk are treated as freaks even though it has been proven again and again that gender is determined by what is between your ears, not between your legs. - MIKHAIL IN GRAND RAPIDS

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## Sports

## Harvesters play last game tonight

By JORDAN REAGAN
Sports Editor
Last week, the Pampa
Harvesters (4-5, 1-3) tried
to keep their playoff hopes
alive with a win over
Dumas, but were defeated
in a close match on
Harvester Field.
No longer in the running
for the playoffs, Pampa will
play their last game of the
season tonight against Palo
Duro at Dick Bivins
Stadium in Amarillo.
Currently standing with a
5-4 record overall, the
Harvesters can even out
thier win-loss record with a
win tonight.
"This week has been one
that we talked about enjoy-
ing," head coach Andy
Cavalier said, "We talked
about the fact that complet-
ing any endeavor that has
not turned out the way you
wanted shows what is in
your heart. Having this
characteristic will be some-
thing that will have much
more of an effect on our
lives than any number of
wins."
Their last week of prac-
tice has been cut short due
to the game being played on
Thursday, much like the
week prior to their trip to
Lubbock to take on
Estacado earlier in the sea-
son.
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Photo by RODGER SMITH Senior receiver Michael Fernuik (80), stands ready before a play during las Friday's home game against the Dumas Demons. Fernuik received one pass Friday night for a total of seven yards.

Estacado, there are no thun- with Pampa.
derstorms in the forecast for Amarillo tonight, so the game should begin and end as planned. Pampa's
tonight, the Palo Duro Dons (3-6, 1-3), also no longer have a chance at the play offs, and share their only
district.win against Caproc
with Pampa. Tonight's game is much more about us and our effort and execution than
anything Palo Duro will anything Palo Duro will
do," Cavalier said, "We need to play and coach in this game like it is our first of the year, when our expectations were extremeexpectations were extreme-
ly high. If we do that, we
will have an opportunity to win. No matter what the outcome of the game is, i we compete in this manner we will walk off the field what we started." The Harvesters will take on the Dons at $7: 30$ tonight at Dick Bivins Stadium in at Dick Bi
Amarillo.

Hidden Hills results

## Seniors Scramb Hidden Hills

| Hidden Hills |
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| Golf Course |
| Nov. 7, 2007 |
| 1st Place (61) |
| Don Adams |
| Nathan Lancaster |
| Howard Musgrave |
| Bob Lyle |
| 2nd Place (63) |
| Dick Dunham |
| Travis Taylor |
| Jerry South |
| James Gray |

3rd Place (64)
Gerry McCabe
Bob Swope
Waldon Haynes
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oe Magry
Bill Hammer
Duane Cash
Cloest to the Pin ow Lindsey (\#15) (\#6)

## Franchione gives

 other backs a chance in Goodson's absenceCOLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) - Once Texas A\&M
coach Dennis Franchione finished answering questions about his employment status this week, he was asked to explai why Mike Goodson missed the first half of Saturday's game at Oklahoma.
The explosive Goodson, A\&M's third-leading, rusher rushed seven times for 28 yards and caught a pass for a los,
in the second half of the Aggies' $42-14$ loss in Norman in the second half of the Aggies' 42-14 loss in Norm
spent the first half holding his helmet on the sideline. "He missed practice time," Franchione said, "If you wan to call that discipline, you can. It really wasn't that. He had some personal family issues. He
behind on knowing the game plan
Goodson did not attend Tuesday's weekly media availabil ity, though several media outlets requested him for inter-

## Los Angeles Angels admit they'd love Alex Rodriguez

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) - While other teams play down their interest, the Los Alex Rodriguez.
The Angels had a meet-and-greet with ARod's agent, Scott Boras, at the general managers' meetings. The New York Mets also
spoke with Boras but won't say whether spoke with Boras but won't say
they're in or out of the competition.
Tony Reagins, who just took o
Angels' GM, had glowing words for A-Rod.
"We had an initial conversation with Scott,
"and it was introductory," he said Wednesday
"He probably makes any team that he's a part Retter.
Reagins said if talks progressed, the Angels would welcome a chance to speak
with Rodriguez. Reagins acknowledged marketing, as well as baseball skills, would play a role in a decision to sign A-Rod.
"In this day and age, I think that is a part of it," he said.
While the Mets have the cash to sign Rodriguez, they haven't committed to makaward, Rodriguez is expected to sign a deal topping the record $\$ 252$ million, 10 -year contract the Texas Rangers gave him before the 2001 season. Before A-Rod opted out of that agreement, Boras told the New York
Yankees they had to offer $\$ 350$ million just to get a meeting with the third baseman. Other possible destinations are thought to include the Boston Red Sox, Chicago Cubs and Detroit Tigers. All those teams say that they're not interested at this point. On the next-to-last day of the four-day gathering, closer Brad Lidge was traded by
the Houston Astros to the Philadelphia Phillies along with infielder Eric Bruntlett for speedy outfielder Michael Bourn, righthander Geoff Geary and minor league third baseman Mike Costanzo. Other big names in


The final day of the annual meetings, GMs were to discuss whether first- and third-base coaches should wear helmets. Mike Coolbaugh, a first-base coach for the Tulsa, was killed in July when he was struck on the head by a line drive during a game. up during their meeting and stated what their up during their meeting and stated what eiser
offseason goals were. Many mentioned specific players they were making available. The idea was suggested by Boston's Theo Epstein and Florida's Larry Beinfest, cochairs of this year's meeting.
"Usually it takes a while
"Usually it takes a while to be able to reach all 29 other teams and hear what
they're trying to do. This increased our efficiency tremendously. It saves us all a lot of time," Epstein said. "Some teams were specific. Some were more guarded.
The 30 -year-old
The 30-year-old Lidge was 5-3 with 19 saves in 27 chances for the Astros last year 2fter converting 32 of 38 opportunities in
He lost his closer's job to Dan Wheeler one week into the 2007 season but regained the role in mid-June.
"We're getting one of the premier closers in the game," Phillies assistant general manager Ruben Amaro Jr. said. "The marketplace, as we all know, is a little scarce out
there as far as pitching. We felt this was one there as far as pitching. We felt this was one
of the best ways for us to really improve." Cabrera was the first really big name being dangled. He'll make more than $\$ 10$ million next season, too expensive for the Marlins to retain. Having lost A-Rod, the Yankees need a third baseman but team exec-
utive Hank Steinbrenner was clear on what New York won't do.
"It's pretty obvious which players we're not going to trade," he said, before rattling off the team's most-prized young pitchers. "(Joba) Chamberlain, (Phil) Hughes and even (lan) Kennedy. Not for a position play-

Ginobili scores 25 points to lead Spurs over winless Heat

SAN ANTONIO (AP) -
There was Manu Ginobili, There was Manu Ginobili, hitting yet another 3-pointer for the San Antonio Spurs
and scoring 25 points. And there were the Miami Heat who looked as if, even i they had Dwyane Wade back, it might not have.
"Ginobili is a handful," "Ginobili is a handful, Heat coach Pat Riley said
Wednesday night after his team lost $88-78$ and fell to $0-4$ this season. "He's unpredictable. It's hard to defend him.
But, even adding Tony Parker's 23 points to the
mix, Spurs coach Gre Popovich wasn't ready to claim too much credit.
$\qquad$ huge satisfaction out of the huge satisfaction out of the
win with Dwyane Wade not
bench. That's what we used
to do."
there," Popovich said. "But we're going to take the win,
we worked hard for it. But we realize they were pretty undermanned." Riley nor the team would hide behind the Wade excuse, but they did acknowledge what the the Heat. Riley said Wade has been participating in full-contact drills over the last two or three days. "I think that's where (the Spurs), a lot of times they seven seconds of the shot clock with" Parker and Ginobili, Riley said. "Right now, when we break down, we don't have anybody hat's doing that. He hapsitting on the Duncan Duncan rebounds.
Ginobili hit four of the
Spurs' seven 3-pointers and scored 12 points in the third quarter, after San Antonio led by only one at halftime. "In the first half we didn't have it, that was pretty obvi-
ous," Ginobili said. "Then in the third quarter we trie to change the pace a little bi - play more, play faster better, more passes - and I think it worked. We changed the attitude totally - Tim Duncan scored 12 points and Francisco Elson had 12 points and 14 rebounds for San Antonio arker had eight assists and bounds. grabbed eigh

USOC receives confirmation of no Bible ban in Beijing Olympic village
DENVER (AP) - The U.S. Olympic ers cited "security reasons" for prohibiting Committee received confirmation from Olympic officials Wednesday that there will into the Olympic village in Beijing next year.
The USOC contacted the International Olympic Committee about the issue in response to a story posted on the Catholic
News Agency Web site citing a list News Agency Web site citing a list orro-
hibited items that was reported to include Bibles.
Gazzett story said the Italian daily, La
Gazzetta dello Sport, reported that organiz-
athletes from corrying any kind of religious symbol at Olympic facilities. Those reports cussions on several Web sites. USOC spokesman Darryl Seibel said the federation contacted the 10 C about the news reports.
"We have he
We have heard from the $1 O C$ and there will be no restriction on athletes bringing the Bible or any other religious book into
the village for their personal use," Seibel said in a telephone interview from USOC offices in Colorado Springs.

Reagan, Stokes pick perfect 10 for week 10

Week 11

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| Lub. Coronado at Tascosa |
| Hereford at Dumas |
| Perryton at Borger |
| Wheeler at Memphis |
| College |
| Texas Tech at Texas |
| Auburn at Georgia |
| USC at California |
| Professional |
| Dallas at N.Y. Giants |
| Minnesota at Green Bay |
| Detroit at Arizona |
| Cumulative Totals |
| Reagan $\quad 63-36$ |
| Smith |
| Hooper |
| 63-36 |
| Facio |
| F2-37 |
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## Harris Ratings

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6. Abilene 6. Abilene
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12. G.P. North Shore
13. Cypress Falls




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|  | 19. D'Hanis |

## O.J. Simpson due in court in Las Vegas armed robbery case, faces 12 charges

LAS VEGAS (AP) - When that now," said Tom Scotto, 45, a went with Simpson and California told police after his Sept. 15 arrest O.J. Simpson returns to a court- North Miami Beach, Fla., auto
room to face armed robbery body shop owner. $\begin{aligned} & \text { room to face armed robbery } \\ & \text { charges, the former football star } \\ & \text { will also be facing years of doubts }\end{aligned}$ $\begin{gathered}\text { body shop owner. } \\ \text { The men arrested in the Sept. } 13 \\ \text { incident were brought together by }\end{gathered}$ will also be facing years of doubts
and questions about his acquittal on murder charges more than a decade
$\stackrel{\text { ago. }}{\text { A Las Vegas justice of the peace }}$ will be asked to determine after a two-day hearing starting Thursday
if there is enough evidence to take Simpson and two co-defendants to trial on charges that they robbed two sports memorabilia dealers in a Las Vegas hotel room. In Simpson's mind, according to ed in Simpson being found not guilty in the 1994 slayings of his wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman.
"He believes he's being tried for
went with Simpson and California told police after his Sept. 15 arrest
collectibles broker Tom Riccio to that he and McClinton carried meet memorabilia dealers Alfred guns, but that he kept one in his casino hotel room. Simpson has maintained that he Fromong were frisked.
wanted to retrieve items he claimed "O.J. said 'hey, just bring some had been stolen from him by a for-,", firearms,"' Alexander said, accordmer agent, including the suit he ing to a transcript of his tape$\begin{aligned} & \text { wore the day he was acquitted in } \\ & \text { Los Angeles. }\end{aligned} \begin{aligned} & \text { recorded statement to detectives. } \\ & \text { McClinton, 49 of Las Vegas, }\end{aligned}$ The case is likely to pivot on who later turned two handguns Simpson's contention that he didn't over to police and surrendered his ask anyone to bring guns, that he concealed weapons permit, is didn't know anyone had guns and expected to bolster that account. that no guns were displayed.
Three of Simpson's co-defen- case has certain weaknesses, dants have pleaded guilty or agreed including some unsavory witnessdo do so and are expected to testify es. $\begin{aligned} & \text { against him. } \\ & \text { Cashmore, a journeyman labor- eight men who were in }\end{aligned}$
of room with Simpson, six have Cashmore, a journeyman labor- the room with Simpson, six have
er, said McClinton displayed a gun. run afoul of the law before, with
cocaine trafficking and assault among them.
Moreover, Moreover, Simpson's lawyers
have argued that the men who turned against him lied to win generous plea bargains for themselves. "He's got a bunch of people making up anything they can make Simpson and the others are like y to be bound over for tria "because the burden of proof is such that all they have to show is that some evidence suggests crime occurred," said Tom Pitaro, a veteran Las Vegas defense lawyer
who teaches trial advocacy at the who teaches trial advocacy at the
Boyd School of Law at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Clark County District Attorney David Roger and prosecutor Chris Owens declined comment on their
plans for the hearing.

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