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## Money could aid struggling students

Stimulus package could benefit PISD if passed

by Rachel Stennett  
rstennett@thepampanews.com  
The government economic stimulus bill, which has been passed through the House, but not the U.S. Senate, has potential to give \$1.8 million dollars to Pampa Independent School District over the next two years.  
If the bill is passed in the Senate, PISD will see increased funding in the Title I program, IDEA Special Education program, and construction improvements.  
The bill has allocated funds to go to Title I schools, which are schools that have 50 percent or more students on free or reduced lunch according to Barry

Haensch, superintendent of PISD. Out of the seven campuses that make up PISD, six are considered Title I due to the amount of low-income students. Austin Elementary is not a Title I campus. PISD serves a total of 3,400 students.  
Though Haensch assumes the money will have strict regulations, he said that the funds will help campuses with purchasing supplies and paying teacher aids, which is the purpose of Title I and IDEA.  
"We can use the money to help teach students who are struggling with material in smaller groups," Haensch explained. "Anytime we

are able to reduce the student-teacher ration below 22 to 1, a teacher or aid usually is being paid out of Title I do that." \$172,400 will be added to Title I if the bill is passed in the Senate.  
The purposes of adding funding to the IDEA special education programs is similar to Title I, Haensch said. The funds, which total over \$300,00 will go to providing salary for teacher aids and supplies for children who have been identified as special education.  
Funds amounting to over \$600,000 would be allocated to a construction fund for schools, which Haensch said may help

with remodeling and expansion, although it is unsure at this point. Specifically for PISD, the funds would help, as two out of four of the elementary schools are at capacity.  
"In those schools we do not have an open classroom. Some people are having to work out of large closets," Haensch explained.  
PISD would receive \$1.17 million next year and \$700,00 the following year.  
The school districts will not be allowed to use the funding to lower existing budget, but instead, the money will be spent to stimulate the economy and create more jobs, and play a role in keeping existing jobs. Schools are federal-  
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## OPEN HOUSE



photo by Rachel Stennett  
Carlos Regelado, parent liaison of Pampa High School, serves Frito pie dinners to parents during the open house last night (Feb. 2). Parents received a tour of the school, including the new science wing.

## Lefors man arrested for assault

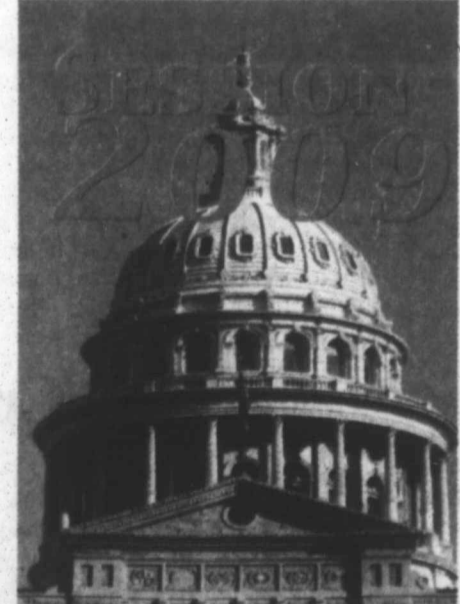
by Rachel Stennett  
rstennett@thepampanews.com  
A Lefors man was arrested yesterday when an altercation with his wife escalated as he interrupted multiple attempts for her to make an emergency call.  
Mark Ward Connell, 45, of Lefors was arrested by the Gray County Sheriff's Office yesterday (Feb. 2) just after 1 a.m., for assault causing bodily injury- family violence, and interfering with an emergency call. Bond was set at \$6,000 for Connell as and as of yesterday afternoon he remained in jail.  
According to Lt. Joe B. Hoard of GCSO, deputies were dispatched to 7917 Tumbleweed Road in Lefors on a call for family violence. The victim, wife of Connell, had said she had been assaulted by her husband and he had taken two cell phones from her and broken them during her attempts to call for emergency help. The victim found a third phone and was able to make the call.  
According to the incident report, the victim did not need to seek medical attention.  
"Deputies were assisted by the Lefors city marshal," Hoard said.

## Texas Legislative session highlights

AUSTIN (AP) — Legislative leaders have asked state agencies to cut about 2.5 percent from their current spending in an effort to avoid mandatory funding slashes in an increasingly tight state budget.  
In a letter dated Friday, House Speaker Joe Straus and Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst asked heads of state agencies for their recommendations to cut costs.  
"We do not anticipate an across the board cut if we have your guidance as to how to specifically achieve that goal while still preserving the funding for essential programs," Straus and Dewhurst, both Republicans, said in their joint letter to all state-funded agencies.  
While the national recession has impacted the Texas economy, the 2010-2011 state budget is not facing the dire circumstances other states are grappling with.  
But Friday's letter signaled deeper concern. Many lawmakers have quietly speculated that the state budget squeeze will be significantly relieved by the economic stimulus package pending in Washington.  
"It would be irresponsible to factor it into our budget process at this time as there are many details yet to be known, including the amount Texas may receive and what mandates may be attached," the two wrote in the letter.

is getting down to business, starting to dig into the multibillion-dollar state budget.  
The committee, officially formed on Friday, planned its first organizational meeting Monday. They were to hear about available revenue from the comptroller's office and spending recommendations from the Legislative Budget Board.  
The 2010-2011 budget, which officially starts in the Senate this year, is the only bill the Legislature is required to pass during the 140-

day biennial session.  
**WANTED: EDUCATED WORKFORCE**  
The Texas public education system is failing Texas employers.  
That's the conclusion of Texas Association of Business President Bill Hammond, who says the system is producing workers who are unprepared in many cases to even read an operating manual.  
Hammond called on the Legislature to raise accountability standards, accurately assess the dropout problem and end social promotion.  
Dropouts and those who received inadequate educations "are simply not going to be able to engage in the economy and will be a net drain on the economy for the rest of their lives," Hammond said.  
Hammond is asking for an end to the accountability system that "allows school districts to sweep under the rug entire segments of students based on their race or socio-economic background."  
**SOLAR POWER**  
A bipartisan group of legislators announced several initiatives designed to expand solar energy in Texas, said to have more untapped sunshine than any other U.S. state.  
Legislation filed Monday would create incentive programs, funded by fees on users,



LET'S GET IT STARTED  
The all-important Senate Finance Committee

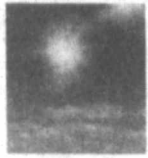
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**PAMPA FORECAST**

**Wednesday**      **Thursday**      **Friday**



High 62  
Low 37



High 68  
Low 39



High 71  
Low 39

**Tonight:** Mostly clear, with a low around 24. Wind chill values between 17 and 22. North wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south southwest.  
**Wednesday:** Sunny, with a high near 62. Wind chill values between 14 and 24 early. Southwest wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.  
**Wednesday Night:** Clear, with a low around 37. Wind chill values between 30 and 35. South southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.  
**Thursday:** Sunny, with a high near 68. Southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.  
**Thursday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 39. South southwest wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.  
**Friday:** Sunny, with a high near 71. Windy, with a west southwest wind between 15 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.  
**Friday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 39. West southwest wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

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Milo .....	\$4.47
Corn .....	\$6.44

**Cash Five Texas results**

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Cash 5 drawing Monday night:  
 Winning numbers drawn: 2 - 3 - 18 - 28 - 32.  
 Number matching five of five: 0.  
 Matching four of five: 86. Prize: \$459  
 Matching three of five: 2,889. Prize: \$10  
 Matching two of five: 28,442. Prize: \$2  
 Next Cash 5 drawing: Tuesday night.

**Texas Two Step results**

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Monday night:  
 Winning numbers drawn: 11 - 16 - 28 - 29. Bonus Ball: 2.  
 Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: 0. Prize: \$200,000  
 Number matching four of four: 7. Prize: \$1,849.  
 Number matching three of four, plus Bonus Ball: 22. Prize: \$72.  
 Number matching three of four: 1,028. Prize: \$21.  
 Number matching two of four, plus Bonus Ball: 684. Prize: \$21.  
 Number matching one of four, plus Bonus Ball: 4,362. Prize: \$7.  
 Number matching Bonus Ball alone: 7,935. Prize: \$5.  
 Estimated jackpot for Thursday night drawing: \$225,000.

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**For the Record**

**Audrey Beth Powell, 80**

Rhome, Texas — Audrey Beth Powell, 80, died January 30, 2009 in Rhome, Texas.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, February 3, 2009, at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel in Pampa, Texas, with Rev. Fines Marchman, pastor of First Baptist Church of Skellytown, officiating. Burial will be Memory Gardens Cemetery in Pampa, under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Powell was born January 21, 1929 in Collingsworth County, Texas. She married Lonnie Powell on January 5, 1946 in Mobeetie. He

preceded her in death on February 23, 2002. She was a homemaker and a former member of Barrett Baptist Church in Pampa. Audrey had strong Christian values and was ready to go be with her Lord and her dear Lonnie. Survivors include two daughters; Sharion Harper of Rhome and Janis Mathis of Flower Mound, three sisters; Edna Tosh and Juanita Powell, both of Pampa, and Ann Nell Moyer of Paradise; two brothers, Bill Alexander of Tennessee and Carl Alexander of Parker, Colorado, four grandchildren; Chris Harper, Greg Oberdiek, Marcy Gillispie and Jeff Mathis, four great-

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grandchildren; Bryan Harper, Haylea Harper, Daxton Oberdiek and Macie Gillispie.

**MEMORIALS:** Cornerstone Baptist Church, 2410 W. 23rd Ave., Pampa, Texas 79065.

**SPECIAL NOTICE:** The family will receive friends at Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Home from 5 - 7 p.m. Monday, February 2, 2009.

Sign the on-line register at [www.carmichael-whatley.com](http://www.carmichael-whatley.com)



Powell

**Emergency Services**

**AMBULANCE**

Guardian EMS ambulance service reported the following arrests between 7 a.m. Monday and 7 a.m. today.

Monday, Feb. 2  
 1:33 p.m. -- A mobile ICU responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center and transported a patient to Baptist St. Anthony's in Amarillo.

3:36 p.m. -- A mobile ICU responded to the 1500 block of West Kentucky and transported a patient to PRMC.

4:29 p.m. -- A mobile ICU responded to the 1700 block of Evergreen and transported a patient to PRMC.

8:58 p.m. -- A mobile ICU responded to the 1900 block of Helton Road and transported a patient to PRMC.

9:53 p.m. -- A mobile ICU responded to the 8600 block of Apple and transported a patient to PRMC.

Tuesday, Feb. 3  
 1:04 a.m. -- A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of Perry and transported a patient to PRMC.

5:17 a.m. -- A mobile ICU responded to the 1300 block of Mary Ellen and transported a patient to PRMC.

**PAMPA PD**

Pampa Police Department reported the following calls between 7 a.m. Friday and 7 a.m. today.

Friday, Jan. 30  
 Officers conducted 10 traffic stops. A stop in the intersection of Wilks and Banks resulted in at least one arrest.

A total of nine calls and/or stops concerning animals were made.

A total of 12 attempts to serve papers were made. Two alarms were investigated.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 400 block of Graham, and the 1300 block of Williston.

A narcotics violation was reported in the 100 block of North Nelson.

An accident was reported in the intersection of Tignor and Frederic.

Welfare checks were made in the 1300 block of North Hobart, the 1400 block of West Somerville, and the 400 block of North Doyle.

Theft was reported in the 1000 block of East Frederic, and the 100 block of South Starkweather.

Civil matters were reported in the police department lobby.

A burglary was reported in the 1500 block of Faulkner.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the intersection of Duncan and Harvester, and the 1300 block of North Starkweather.

Suspicious person calls were received from the 100 block of East Foster, the 1000 block of Huff, the

1200 block of North Hobart, and the 2400 block of North Perryton.

Saturday, Jan. 31  
 Officers conducted 16 traffic stops. A stop in the intersection of Wilks and Banks resulted in at least one arrest.

A total of 10 calls and/or stops concerning animals were made.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1600 block of Williston, the 1200 block of East Darby, and the 700 block of North Zimmers.

Two alarms were investigated.

Disorderly conduct was reported at One Medical Plaza, the 1100 block of Cinderella, the 500 block of North Russell, and the 900 block of East Fisher.

Suspicious person calls were received from the 200 block of East Browning, the intersection of Harvester and Hamilton streets, the 1000 block of North Hobart, the 900 block of Barnard, the 400 block of South Cuyler, the 900 block of Denver, and the 300 block of North Hobart.

One business was checked. Five attempts to serve papers were made.

Found property was reported in the 1400 block of North Christy.

Accidents were reported in the 2100 block of North Perryton, and the 2600 block of North Hobart.

Traffic complaints were received from the 500 block of Sloan, the 2500 block of Charles, and the 1000 block of North Hobart.

Agency assistance was rendered in the intersection of 23rd and CO Road D, and the 2300 block of West Alcock.

Phone harassment was reported in the 200 block of Miami.

Suspicious vehicle calls were received from the 300 block of South Cuyler, and the 1600 block of Coffee.

Sunday, Feb. 1  
 Officers conducted 22 traffic stops. Stops in the 800 block of Nelson, 1300 block of Duncan, and the 1300 block of Coffee resulted in arrests.

A prowler was reported in the 1000 block of South Christy.

Suspicious person calls were received from the

600 block of North Zimmers,

Suspicious vehicle calls were received from the 800 block of North Nelson.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 800 block of East Locust, the 2300 block of West Alcock, and the 500 block of North Dwight.

A welfare check was made in the 500 block of North Nelson.

Three alarms were investigated.

One stop concerning animals were made.

A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 1100 block of West Sirocco.

An open door was checked.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 300 block of East Browning.

A traffic complaint was received from the intersection of Alcock and Dwight streets.

Monday, Feb. 2  
 A prowler was reported in the 300 block of North Canadian.

Officers conducted 15 traffic stops. A stop in the 200 block of north Russell resulted in at least one arrest.

An accident was reported in the 1000 block of North Mary Ellen.

Three alarms were investigated.

Assault was reported in the 2400 block of North Charles.

Suspicious person was reported in the police department lobby, the 1300 block of North Hobart, and the 800 block of North Hobart.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 100 block of East Harvester.

A total of seven calls and/or stops concerning animals were made.

Criminal trespass was reported in the lobby of the police department.

Civil matters were reported in the 400 block of Carr.

Theft was reported in the 200 of West Alcock.

Identity theft was reported in the lobby of the PD.

Found property was reported in the 1600 block of North Christine.

Traffic complaints were received from the 900 block of East Browning, the intersection of Browning and West streets, and the 900 block

of West Kentucky.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 2400 block of Charles, the 800 block of East Browning, and the intersection of Gwendolyn and Nelson streets.

Phone harassment was reported in the lobby of the PD, and the 1800 block of North Nelson.

Sexual assault was reported in the 800 block of East Browning.

Lost property was reported in the lobby of the PD.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 100 block of West Foster, where a window was broken valued at \$200.

An abandoned vehicle was reported in the 2800 block of Perryton Parkway.

An accident was reported in the lobby of the PD.

Suspicious vehicle calls were received from the 700 block of East Murphy.

Silent/abusive 911 calls were received from the 300 block of North Davis, and the 2400 block of Cherokee.

A welfare check was made in the 500 block of North Russell.

Tuesday, Feb. 2  
 Officers conducted nine traffic stops. Stops in the 200 block of North Russell, the 200 block of North Hobart, and the 400 block of Wynne resulted in arrests.

A suspicious vehicle call was received from the 1300 block of North Garland.

Theft was reported in the 400 block of Wynne, where clothing, wallet, and keys, and \$40 was reportedly stolen.

Suspicious person calls were received from the 2100 block of North Hobart, and the 200 block of North Hobart.

**FIRE**

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls between 7 a.m. Monday and 7 a.m. today.

Monday, Feb. 2

8:00 p.m. -- One unit and three personnel responded to the 2500 block of Aspen on a smoke smell.

Tuesday, Feb. 3

1:24 a.m. -- One unit and three personnel responded to the 400 block of Perry on a med assist.

**Condemned prisoner set to die**

LIVINGSTON, Texas (AP) — Condemned killer David Martinez insists he's not giving up but just wants to move on with the death sentence a San Antonio jury gave him.

"They convicted me," Martinez, 36, said recently from a tiny visiting cage outside death row as his Wednesday evening execution approached. "That's the end of it."

Martinez would be the sixth inmate executed

already this year in the nation's most active death penalty state. Two more are scheduled for lethal injection in Huntsville next week.

Martinez has been on death row outside Livingston since he was convicted more than 13 years ago of using a baseball bat to fatally beat his live-in girlfriend and her teenage son at the woman's San Antonio home.

A federal appeals court, nearly a year ago, turned down an appeal of his conviction. Last summer, a federal judge ruled he was competent to waive his appeals, as he requested. No new court actions have been filed and none was expected.

"I'm not asking for clemency, I'm not asking for squat," he said. "February 4, that's it. I'm not going to appeal nothing."

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# Legislative round-up

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that would encourage consumers and businesses to install solar systems. Proponents say that for about \$1 a month on utility bills, Texas could see the installation of 500,000 solar roofs by 2020.

"Texas has the right stuff to become a world leader in solar energy development," said Luke Metzger, director of Environment Texas. The solar energy that falls on just one acre of West Texas land equals 800 barrels of oil a year, according to the State Energy Conservation Office.

### WATCHING LAWS MADE

The old joke about sausage is that it's better to eat it and not watch how it's made.

A group of 97 House lawmakers, however, think Texans should have more chances to tune in to see how laws are made.

The group sent a letter to Texas cable and satellite television providers asking them to broadcast legislative sessions, giving Texans a chance to watch floor debates.

Currently, only Texas residents living in Austin, or those that have access to the internet, can watch live telecasts of Texans are able to watch live telecasts of local and federal proceedings through networks such as C-SPAN.

### TRANSPORTATION TO-DO LIST

Sen. John Carona, a Dallas Republican and chairman of the Senate's transporta-

tion and homeland security committee, sent a letter Monday to fellow legislators and Gov. Rick Perry containing what he says are some of the most promising approaches to dealing with the state's transportation needs.

Leading the list is passage of a constitutional amendment to end or begin reducing diversions of transportation money to non-transportation uses. Perry and Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst also have said they want to end the practice of diverting \$1.2 billion in gas taxes every two years to the Department of Public Safety and use the money instead for road construction.

Carona said he wants to "scrub" the Texas Department of Transportation's operations and scale back the number of full-time employees to make the agency operate more efficiently.

The actions he's proposing could help reduce reliance on less efficient approaches, like traditional toll roads, Carona wrote.

### QUOTE OF THE DAY

"It's time for state government to tighten its belt, unfortunately, because of the economic bumps that we're hitting right now. But all Texas families are having to tighten their belts as well." — House Speaker Joe Straus, on the letter he and Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst sent to state agencies directing them to cut 2.5 percent from current spending.

## NBC hires local as loan officer

National Bank of Commerce announces the hiring of Heather Thompson as loan officer in the Pampa office. Heather comes to us from Great Plains Ag Credit in Amarillo, Texas where she served in both Lending and Operating capacities over the past 10 years. She has extensive experience in accounting, auditing, and loan management.

Thompson is a Pampa native, graduating from Pampa High School in the top 10% of her class. She was a member of the National Honor Society, the Pampa Band, Key Club, and was Senior Class Secretary. Heather gradu-

ated from Texas A & M University with a degree in Agricultural Economics. While studying at A&M, she participated in various clubs including the College Republicans and Wiley Lecture Series (which hosted renowned speakers such as Margaret Thatcher, Colin Powell, and Oliver North).

She lives on the family farm with her husband Richie Thompson, who is also a Pampa native. She is a sustaining member of Pampa Junior Service League, member of the National Wild Turkey Federation, Women in the Outdoors, Pampa Rotary Club, Texas A&M



Thompson

University Former Student Association, and the First United Methodist Church. She is an avid hunter (both rifle and bow), and loves to fish.

## NM man arrested in suspicious powder mailings

DALLAS (AP) — A 47-year-old New Mexico man has been arrested on charges alleging he mailed suspicious powder to banks and federal offices around the country, federal officials announced Tuesday.

The U.S. Attorney's office in Dallas said Richard Leon Goyette was arrested at the Albuquerque, N.M., airport Monday. He's scheduled to make an initial court appearance Tuesday in Albuquerque. A criminal complaint charges Goyette with knowingly and intentionally conveying false and misleading information.

Goyette is accused of mailing 65 threatening letters to financial institutions in October. Sixty-four of the letters contained an unidentified white powder that later tested negative for any hazardous materials.

Letters bearing Amarillo, Texas, postmarks with the message "It's payback time" and promising death within 10 days were sent in October to banks and financial institutions, according to the FBI.

More than 50 letters were mailed to Chase Bank branches and federal regulatory offices in 12 cities within a week. Most of the letters were in envelopes containing

white powder, which so far has tested negative for any dangerous toxins.

The U.S. Postal Inspection Service had

offered a reward of up to \$100,000 for help in arresting the letter mailers.

### Sudoku

Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

6	8	5	2	7	1	9	3	4
4	2	7	8	3	9	6	1	5
9	3	1	4	5	6	7	2	8
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# Viewpoints

## Today in History

By The Associated Press  
Today is Tuesday, Feb. 3, the 34th day of 2009. There are 331 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:**  
Fifty years ago, on Feb. 3, 1959, a single-engine plane crashed shortly after midnight near Clear Lake, Iowa, claiming the lives of rock-and-roll stars Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens and J.P. "The Big Bopper" Richardson, as well as pilot Roger Peterson. That same day, an American Airlines Lockheed Electra from Chicago crashed into New York's East River while approaching LaGuardia Airport, killing 65 of the 73 people on board.

**On this date:**  
In 1809, 200 years ago, German composer Felix Mendelssohn was born in Hamburg. Congress passed an act establishing the Illinois Territory effective March 1.

*'I can, therefore I am.'*

— Simone Wei, French philosopher

In 1865, President Abraham Lincoln and Confederate Vice President Alexander H. Stephens held a shipboard peace conference off the Virginia coast; the talks deadlocked over the issue of Southern autonomy.

In 1913, the 16th Amendment to the Constitution, providing for a federal income tax, was ratified.

In 1916, Canada's original Parliament Buildings, in Ottawa, burned down.

In 1924, the 28th president of the United States, Woodrow Wilson, died in Washington, D.C., at age 67.

In 1943, during World War II, the U.S. transport ship Dorchester, which was carrying troops to Greenland, sank after being hit by a German torpedo.

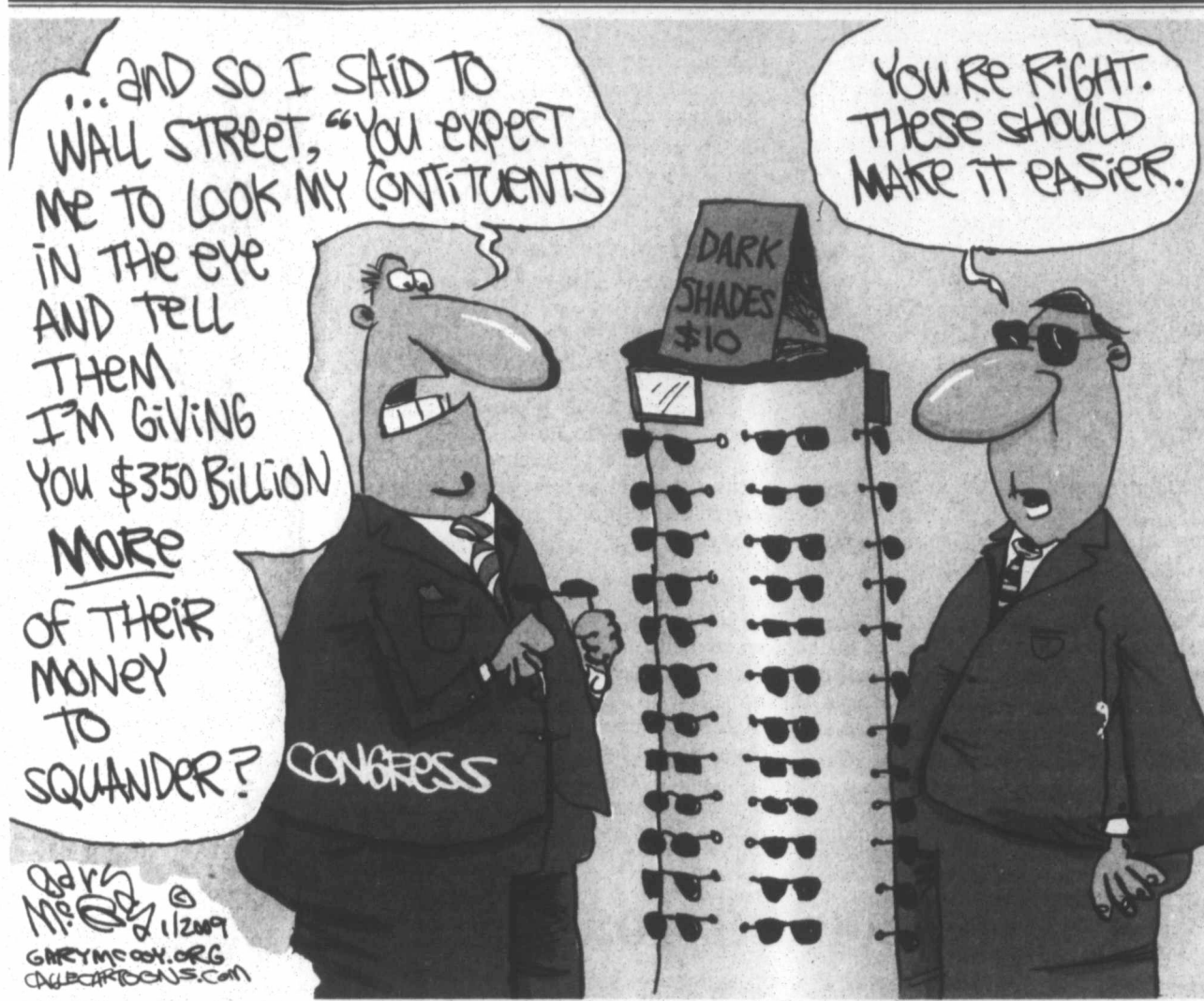
In 1966, the Soviet probe Luna 9 became the first manmade object to make a soft landing on the moon.

Ten years ago: The Clinton administration told Congress a NATO-led peacekeeping force could be needed in Kosovo for three to five years and might include up to 4,000 American troops.

Five years ago: John Kerry won Democratic presidential contests in five out of seven states. Work in the U.S. Senate slowed to a crawl, a day after ricin powder was found in the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

One year ago: The New York Giants scored a late touchdown for a spectacular Super Bowl win, 17-14, that ended the New England Patriots' run at perfection.

**Today's Birthdays:** Comedian Shelley Berman is 83. Football Hall of Famer Fran Tarkenton is 69. Actress Bridget Hanley is 68. Actress Blythe Danner is 66. Singer Dennis Edwards is 66. Football Hall of Famer Bob Griese is 64. Singer-guitarist Dave Davies (The Kinks) is 62. Singer Melanie is 62. Actress Morgan Fairchild is 59. Actor Nathan Lane is 53. Rock musician Lee Ranaldo (Sonic Youth) is 53. Actor Thomas Calabro is 50. Actor-director Keith Gordon is 48. Actress Michele Greene is 47. Country singer Matraca Berg is 45. Actress Maura Tierney is 44. Actor Warwick Davis is 39. Reggaeton singer Daddy Yankee is 33. Musician Grant Barry is 32. Singer-songwriter Jessica Harp is 27. Rapper Sean Kingston is 19.



## Editorial opinion around Texas

**The Dallas Morning News** on President Obama's budget planners:

President Barack Obama may feel as if he has no choice but to try to stimulate the economy with \$800 billion or more in new spending and tax cuts. Not to mention being locked into rescuing the banks with another \$350 billion in capital infusion.

But the new president does have control over the budget his team is preparing now for fiscal 2010, which begins Oct. 1. That document is extremely important because legislators and voters will finally see his priorities beyond the stimulus.

Two actions would reassure taxpayers that he's not just trying to shoehorn big spending projects into his plans and our future. And that he has an equal eye on being honest about spending.

First, the spending part. Obama has spoken consistently since the election that he wants to control excessive expenditures. That may sound odd from a man advocating billions upon trillions to stimulate the economy and rescue the financial sector, but that's what he's said. Americans should take him at his word.

Here's a place he can start: Reopen the farm bill. Yeah, that bloated, \$300 billion bill that Congress

twice passed over President George W. Bush's veto last year.

The bill wastes too much on subsidizing crops like corn that don't need the \$40 billion in subsidies it provides. Obama could send a powerful signal by proposing to eliminate or sharply reduce those subsidies. Beyond the symbolism, it also would allow him to generate at least some savings to offset the huge debt from the separate stimulus and bank bailout plans.

Second, the honesty part. Obama should put spending for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan in his budget, not a separate emergency spending request. The conservative Democratic Blue Dog coalition wisely has asked him to do that. If he did, Americans would have a greater sense of how war spending affects the rest of the budget.

We repeatedly urged Mr. Bush to do likewise, which he finally did. Obama can burnish his fiscal conservative credentials by starting out that way in his first budget. The move would bring a sense of reality to our spending projections.

Americans will feel better if they see healthy doses of restraint and realism when his budget rolls out.

**Fort Worth Star-Telegram** on dealing with the nurse shortage:

Texas hospitals seem to be stuck at a nurse vacancy rate of about 11 percent. The inability to fill those positions forces nurses to handle more than the optimum number of patients and work longer hours. Many get frustrated and leave at a time when they are needed the most.

The state will require 138,000 new nurses by 2015, according to a Texas State University study. But the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board reported that the number of nursing students enrolled in Texas undergraduate and graduate programs in 2003-04 was only 2,529. State medical officials say that more than 11,000 qualified applicants were turned away in 2005, largely because of faculty shortages.

The Texas Center for Nursing Workforce Studies estimates that the state must quadruple the number of nursing graduates by 2020 to meet the expected 86 percent increase in demand by that date.

According to a study from the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, the state has 609 nurses for every 100,000 residents. The national average is 782.

Finding qualified nursing faculty is even more difficult than generating degree candidates.

University instructors and community college faculty earn one-third less than they could earn in a clinical setting.

In response, the Texas Legislature in 2007 created the Texas Center for Nursing Workforce Studies to monitor employment trends and offer advice on training and recruiting. Legislators also offered low-interest mortgage loans for eligible nursing faculty and ensured the continued flow of tobacco-settlement funding for nursing education programs.

Two 2009 bills filed in the House and Senate are designed to give nurses more clout in establishing their working conditions.

The legislation would ban mandatory overtime, provide whistle-blower protection in reporting patient-care concerns, require hospitals to establish a nurse staffing policy, and have nursing commissions report directly to the hospital board.

The proposals were spawned by extensive negotiation between the Texas Nurses Association and the Texas Hospital Association. The reforms would be especially effective where nurse shortages are particularly acute.

## Letters to the editor

To the editor,  
Reading the front page of Wednesday's (January 28) paper on the approval of the \$9.1 million in Certificates of Obligation was a stunning wake-up call. Why is there such a "spending frenzy" going on in the U.S.? Who is responsible for meeting the obligation when it is time to pay up? Let me guess—the good ole taxpayers!

I agree with Mr. Robert Dixon about the water recreation/aquatic center. Taxpayers should not be saddled with that big debt. Taxpayers with no children at home will never use the three million dollar center, and it will probably turn into a public baby sitting situation, where parents drop off kids and expect someone else to be responsible for their child's welfare. Be sure to take out sufficient liability insurance if you go forward with building this facility.

With our economy in a downturn, surely if we must spend we could

invest in something beneficial to everyone.

How about a generator at our water plant? Remember the big ice storm that knocked out electricity for three or four days? During that time we had no water in our homes to use. Three million dollars would be better spent on a generator to keep the citizens of Pampa in water.

Show us some responsibility in spending unless you plan to foot the bill yourselves.  
Sonja Dodge  
Pampa

To the editor,  
Reading the Amarillo paper on how Pampa ISD if going to spend it's \$1.8 million in "stimulus money" I want to scream. I know they have rules and laws they have to go by and I am not the smartest person around, but if I have a leaking roof and bad windows in my house I repair them first before I build another addition on

my house. I don't believe the men and women on the school board run their businesses like that, so why do we let them spend our tax money like that? From the school board (to

the) city, county, state and federal government it seems as soon as they start spending someone else's money, they go "nuts".

More later,  
Ron Hadley

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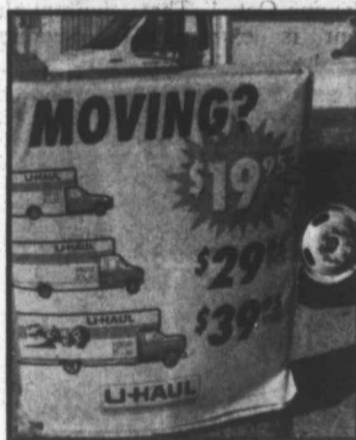
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# Harvesters down Demons, meet Caprock tonight

DUMAS — The Pampa Harvesters took the lead as the game against the Dumas Demons started Friday night and never looked back, winning 75-63.

The Harvesters led 19-15 and the end of the first quarter, 34-27 at the end of the second quarter and 57-46 at the end of the third quarter.

Hayden Skinner was high point man for the Harvesters Friday night with 17 points on the scoreboard at the end of the night. Skinner hit three baskets for six points in the first period of play and made two of three free throws. In the second quarter, he sank one basket for two, but in the third quarter he made one for two and another for three points. He had one more basket for two points in the fourth quarter.

Alex Torres was next in line with 14 points for the game. He was hot in the third quarter with three baskets for two points each, one for three points and one of two shots from the foul line.

Heath Skinner each had 12 points for the night. In the fourth quarter, Skinner went seven for seven from the foul line.

Travis Hagerman followed with 10 points. Hagerman made two baskets for two points each in the first period of play and one basket for two in the second quarter. He also went two for two from the foul line in the second and fourth quarters.

Blake Sieck had eight points for the night. They were all in the second half.

Sieck made one basket for two points in the third quarter and four points from the free throw line. For the night, Sieck was six for six from the foul line.

Alex Clendening had seven points for the game. He shot one basket for two points in the first quarter, was one for two in the second quarter, was two for two from the free throw line in the third quarter and made another basket for two in the fourth quarter.

Cobran Harris had three points for the night. He made a basket for two in the second quarter and was one for two from the free throw line in the fourth quarter.

**Lady Harvesters tip-off 6 p.m.  
Hustlin' Harvesters, 7:30 p.m.**



Harvester Blake Sieck, 12, shoots during Friday night's game against Dumas in Dumas. Pampa won 75-63.

## Pampa JV boys exorcise Demons 59-46, JV girls lose 45-38

Friday night the Harvester basketball teams traveled to Dumas. Pampa has played Dumas twice this season, dropping both contests by a slim margin.

The Harvester JV boys hit Dumas hard and fast to build an 18-4 lead in the first quarter. Jonathan Polasek sank three point baskets early for a big part of his team-high 19 points. Latigo Collins pumped in six points of his 11 total to build a 24-10 first quarter lead that would prove to be insurmountable.

In the second quarter Garrett Ericson contributed seven of his 10 points and Joseph Mechelay hit two free throws and Reid Bradley added a basket to give the Harvesters a comfortable 37-22 halftime advantage. Pampa held a 44-31 lead heading into the final quarter. Reid Miller hit a three pointer and Brandon Chairez made two free throws. They had 8 and 2 points in the game respectively.

The Harvesters cruised to a 59-47 victory leaving them with an 11-10 record.

Pampa shot well converting 8 of 20 from three point land, 10 of 41 from two and 15 of 25 from the free-throw line.

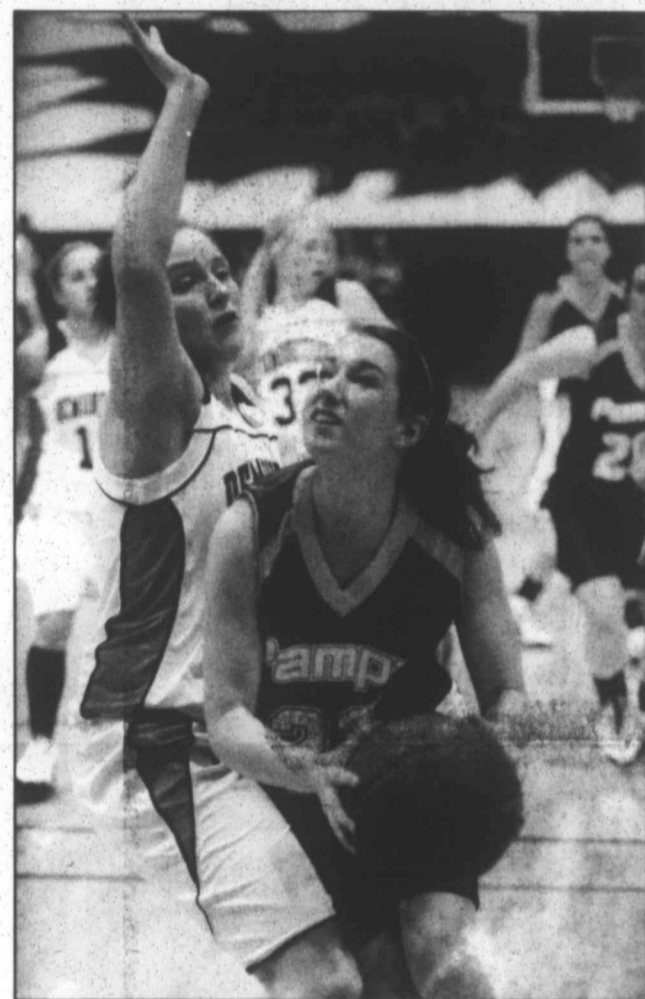
The JV Lady Harvesters began their game well as Kirsten Kuhn hit a three pointer as part of her game high 13 points. Cori Cook sank a field goal and finished the game with seven points. Delaney Clendening Kayla Hughes and Caitlin Sieck would connect for two each.

Pampa held on to a slim 11-10 lead after one period.

In the second quarter Kailyn Troxell and Kuhn and Cook scored two points each. Pampa trailed 23-17 at halftime.

In the third period the Lady Harvesters outscored Dumas 12-10 and cut Demonettes' lead to 33-29. but Pampa found points hard to come by in the final quarter as shot after shot seemed to roll around or bounce off the rim and refuse to fall.

The Lady Harvesters did sink nine free throws and, with 2:39 left on the clock, pulled to within four points. Time ran out and Pampa fell a little short, losing 45-38. Clendening and Cook scored seven each while Troxell had five points. Hughes contributed four and Sieck finished with two.



Lady Harvester Taryn Eubank, 23, prepares to shoot during the Pampa Dumas game in Dumas Friday night. Dumas won 46-43.

## Ladies lose a close game to Dumas

by David Bowser

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DUMAS — In a heart breaking loss, the Lady Harvesters went down to the Dumas Demonettes 46-43 Friday night.

Dumas put the first points on the scoreboard and led 16-8 at the end of the first quarter, but the Lady Harvesters came roaring back in the second quarter scoring 22 points to the Demonettes eight to take the lead at the half 30-24.

Pampa held on to their lead through the third quarter with both teams scoring nine points to lead at the end of the third period 39-33.

With less than three minutes left to play in the game, the Demonettes came from behind to take the lead 42-41.

Carlyn Teichmann led the Lady Harvesters in scoring with 12 points. Teichmann made a basket for two points in the first quarter and one basket in the third period for two and one in the fourth quarter for two, but it was the two three point baskets in the second quarter that drove the Lady Harvesters.

Jessica Minor followed with 10 points. The PHS senior sank one

basket in the first quarter for two and was two for two from the free throw line for a total of four points in the first period of play. The rest of her points came in the second quarter with one basket for two and one for three. She made one of two free throw attempts in the second quarter.

Taryn Eubanks was next with eight points. She scored two baskets for four points in the second quarter, one for two in the third quarter and one for another two points in the fourth quarter. She was zero for one from the foul line in the fourth quarter.

Shelbie Watson put seven points on the scoreboard for the night. She hit one of two free throws in the second quarter and made two three point shots, one in the second period and one in the third.

Andi Hutto made six points in the game. She sank one basket for two points in the first period, one in the second and one in the third.

The Lady Harvesters return home Tuesday to host the Lady Longhorns of Amarillo Caprock in McNeely Field House.



## Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I disagree with your advice to "Short and Trendy in West Texas" (Nov. 17), whose husband thinks she went against him by cutting her long hair short. I, too, like my wife's hair long, and I see nothing wrong with urging her to keep it that way. Personally, I hate shaving and have suggested to my wife that I might like to grow a beard. She said, "No way," so I keep shaving.

If keeping her hair long is such a burden for "Short and Trendy," I would suggest a better alternative might be to explain to her husband how much time it takes to care for long hair (and three kids), and see if he would be willing to take on more chores so she will have time to care for longer tresses. -- BEN IN HUNTSVILLE, ALA.

DEAR BEN: Thank you for lending your male perspective. However, most of the women who responded feel that a long mane is a pain. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Judy, my wife and the love of my life for more than 37 years, still has beautiful waist-length blond hair. It's part of who she is, and I love who she is. Therefore, I brush her hair and massage her neck and shoulders every night before we go

to bed. Long hair is more work than short hair, and taking care of my wife is part of loving her, not a "fetish" of mine. Men who want their wives to keep their hair long might learn to -- and offer to -- help take care of it. -- JUDY'S LOVING HUSBAND IN KULA, HAWAII

DEAR ABBY: I had long hair when my husband and I first were married. It was his desire that I keep it long, but as time went on it became a big hassle with the daily grind. Finally I told him that if he wanted my hair long, he would be the one taking care of it. So for one week my husband got up at 5 in the morning to wash it, dry it and style it. At the end of the week he told me, "Honey, you can do whatever you want with your hair."

If men who like long hair would do what my husband did, perhaps they would understand why we want shorter cuts. -- LONG HAIR NO MORE IN COLORADO SPRINGS

DEAR ABBY: I had the same problem with my husband. My response to him was if he wanted long hair, then he should grow HIS out. He hasn't bothered me about it since. -- J.B. IN WINNSBORO, OHIO

S.C.  
DEAR ABBY: I have a different view of this issue. The wife cutting her hair may have triggered fear in her husband. He may regard the change to short hair as a reminder that he's aging.

I remember one friend whose husband "made" her dye her hair when she began to go gray because her gray hair made him feel old. Change in one partner may worry the other partner that there will be other changes in the relationship. -- LINDA IN MATHEWS, VA.

DEAR ABBY: I have had short hair most of my life. It's easier and suits me much better than long hair. Many men I have met have asked me if I would ever consider growing it out. And here's my response to them: "You want Rapunzel? Then you'd better start acting like Prince Charming!" -- SASSY IN SHORT CUTS

DEAR ABBY: The first five years of marriage, your husband wants you to have long hair. The second five years, your husband wants his daughter to have long hair. The next five years, he wishes HE had some hair. -- CALL ME SHORTY IN AKRON, OHIO

## PACK THE PIT TONIGHT

The Pampa Lady Harvesters and Hustlin' Harvesters meet the Caprock Longhorns in district play. Our goal is to pack the pit with Pampa fans to help cheer our teams to victory.

Anyone who comes through the doors during the first half of the Lady Harvester game will receive a ticket from a basket ball booster and will automatically be registered for door prizes. The tickets will be available in both gyms, McNeely Field

house and the MPAC (where the JV games are held).

Come join the fun on Tuesday, February 3, in McNeely Field House when

Door prizes will be awarded throughout the night. You must register by half-time of the Lady Harvester game and be present when your name is drawn to win.

There will be over \$1000 worth of prizes given away.

## DAILY HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, Feb. 4, 2009.

Expect the best this year, and you just might get it! You are lively, caring and animated. Others find you to be nearly an endless source of creativity. Funnel this strength into your work and home life rather than scatter it around. Imagine its power if it were directed. If you are single, your animal magnetism speaks.

Others hear it and come toward you all year long. Pick and choose your companions with care. You could be meeting someone significant to your life's history. If you are attached, you discover the power of being a couple. Be especially considerate of your sweetie. GEMINI loves to flirt.

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)

\*\*\*\*\* You are a spirit to deal with: With as much energy as you exude, others have to run to keep up with you. An Aries focused on his or her objectives is hard to stop. You demonstrate the power of will. Tonight: Visit with friends; catch up on news.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

\*\*\* Knowing when to much is on your plate is smart. How you discharge an overwhelming load becomes a question of style. Some of you might take on your boss or the system. Are you sure this is the right way? Tonight: Get some extra rest.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

\*\*\*\*\* Check out Aries and know that you have even more energy. Investigate potential connections. Differences can help evolve a tighter

plan. Tonight: Choose what would make you smile.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

\*\* Take time before launching into action. You might question which way to go. Follow your instincts, and you will be OK. A partner backs your ideas. Use the criticism. The power of using different opinions comes out. Tonight: Decide on something reflective and quiet.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

\*\*\*\*\* Keep your goals in your mind's eye, even though you certainly have distraction served up on a platter. You could be surprised by what goes down in the next few days. Listen to others. (Yes, it is possible they are withholding something!) Tonight: A great mid-week break.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

\*\*\* Take a stand and be willing to back it up. Fiery interactions earmark your daily life. You could choose to allow a situation to become contentious. You will learn more and see a hole in a project. It never hurts to rethink a project before starting. Tonight: A must show.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

\*\*\*\*\* No one could ever say you are short on imagination, but especially right now. If you want to try a different approach or do something very differently, now is the time. Intellect merges well with fantasy, producing spectacular results. Tonight: Get into a game online or with someone in person.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

\*\*\*\*\* If you want to do something differently, by all means, do so. Sometimes you get caught in a particular situation and need help focusing on other matters. No wonder someone loses his or her temper out of the blue. Can you blame this person? Tonight: Someone is

fussing. Try changing directions.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

\*\*\*\*\* Others come to you with great ideas and new insight. Your perspective could change radically. Listen to advice that comes in out of left field. You might be surprised by another's anger or sarcasm. Tonight: Relax and then hang out.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

\*\* Curb a tendency to risk and get a bit too wild. Listen to feedback from someone you care about. He or she could trigger some anger or hurt. Remember that everyone gets sore once in a while. Feelings run below the surface. Tonight: Clear your desk.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

\*\*\*\*\* Answers are found left and right. Try to be more effective and direct in your dealings. Listen to someone close. Allow your imagination into the mix, and great ideas, as well as practical solutions, will knock on your door. Tonight: Fun and games.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

\*\*\*\*\* If you have better ideas, why not express them? Keeping some matters close to the chest doesn't help and surely isn't practical. Check out what's going on behind the scenes. Laugh and relax with others. Tonight: Order in.

BORN TODAY

Actress Ida Lupino (1918), comedian Dave Brenner (1936), first person to fly solo across the Atlantic Charles Lindbergh (1902)

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# Comics

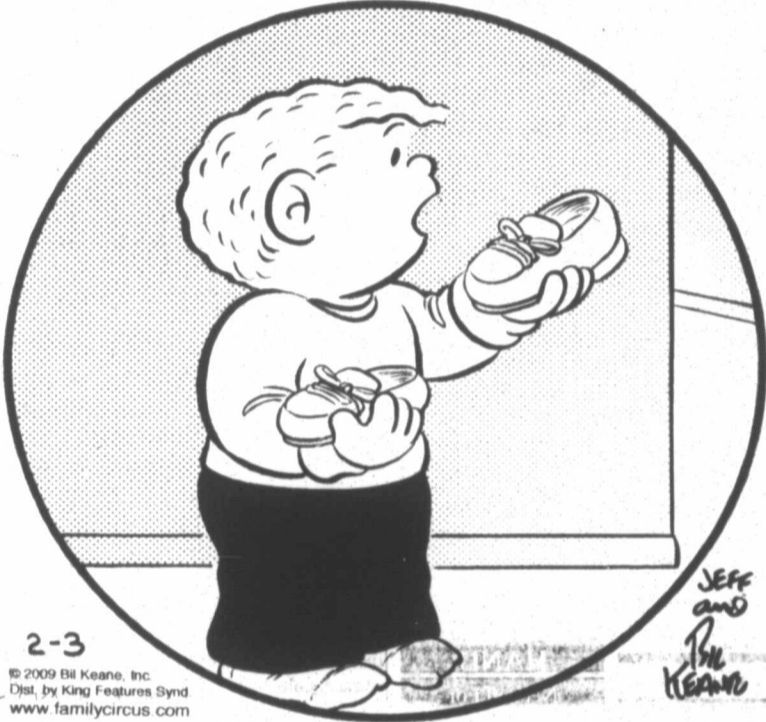
## Marmaduke



"That key is for a Ferrari. We don't have a Ferrari... do we?"

## THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane

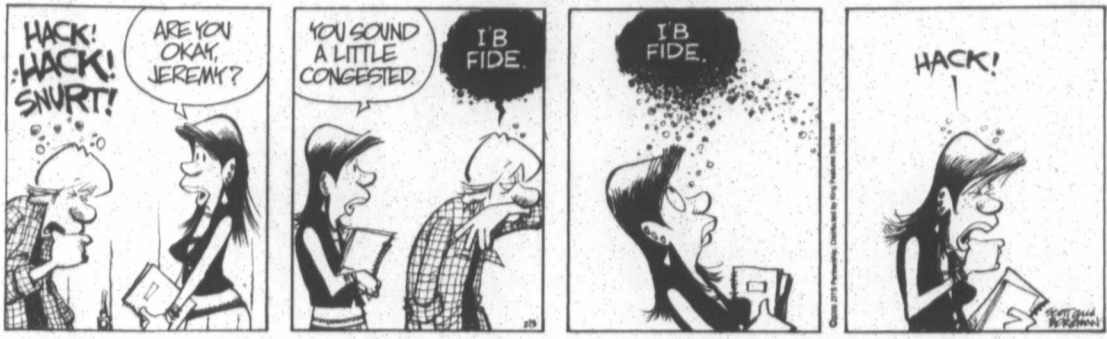


"I tied my shoes but now I can't get 'em on."

## For Better Or Worse



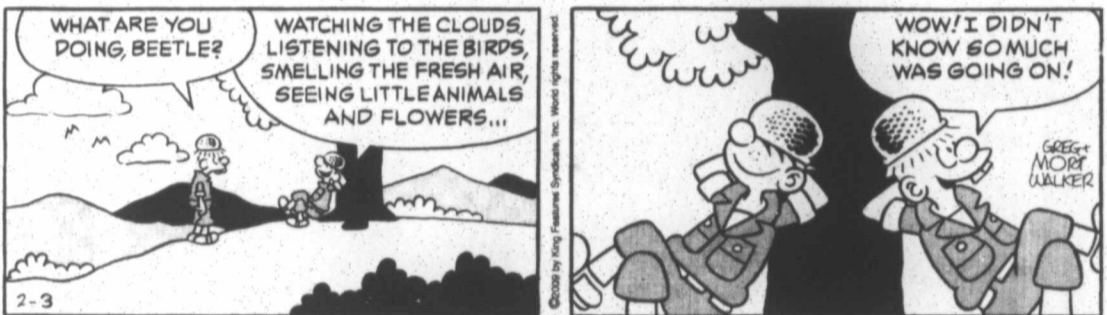
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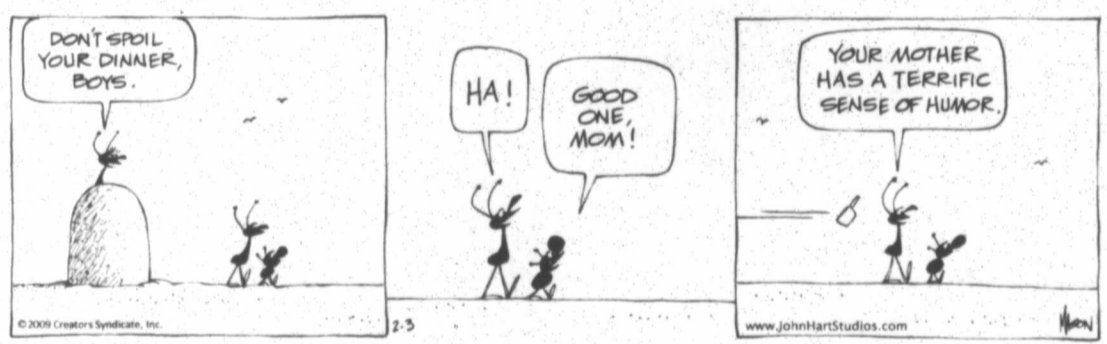
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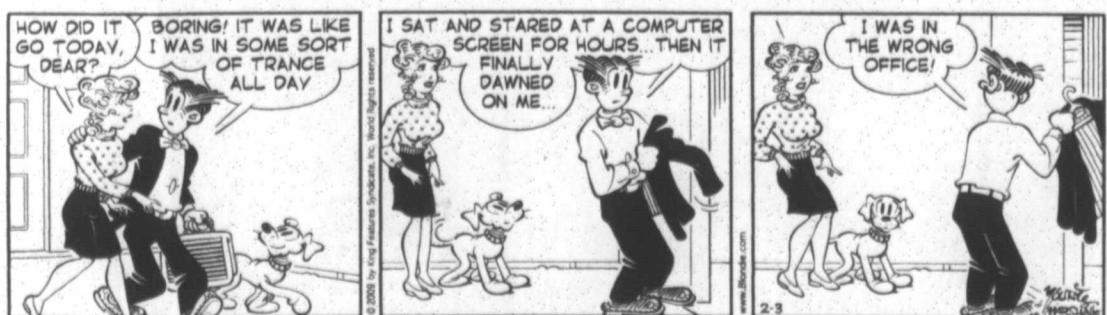
## Haggar The Horrible



## Peanuts



## Blondie



## Flo & Friends



## Daily Crossword Puzzle

### CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
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  - 1 Use a broom
  - 6 Whiskey
  - 11 Hold fill
  - 12 Sun Valley setting
  - 13 Perfectly restored
  - 15 Letter after pi
  - 16 Bear's lair
  - 17 Salon stuff
  - 18 Put in office
  - 20 Gray-brown
  - 23 Goof
  - 27 Different
  - 28 Corn Belt state
  - 29 Church areas
  - 31 "Our Gang" dog
  - 32 Light lunch
  - 34 Chips buy
  - 37 Fellow
  - 38 Carpentry tool
  - 41 Quite simple
  - 44 Fab Four drummer
  - 45 Bea Arthur series
  - 46 Devoured
  - 47 Tacked on
- DOWN**
- 1 Surgery reminder
  - 2 Clean
  - 4 Freud topic
  - 5 Curly-coated dog
  - 6 Groom-to-be
  - 7 Check users' needs
  - 8 Viper feature
  - 9 Friends' pronoun
  - 10 Coyote call
  - 14 Ruby of film
  - 18 Some swords
  - 19 Had a go at
  - 20 Brewed drink
  - 21 Swiss peak
  - 22 Ship initials
  - 24 Go bad
  - 25 Have debts
  - 26 Jamie Foxx film
  - 30 Bible strong-man
  - 31 Canal setting
  - 33 Put down
  - 34 Unadorned
  - 35 Nepal setting
  - 36 Fellow
  - 38 Tater
  - 39 Staff member
  - 40 Hoe target
  - 42 Maturity
  - 43 Blue

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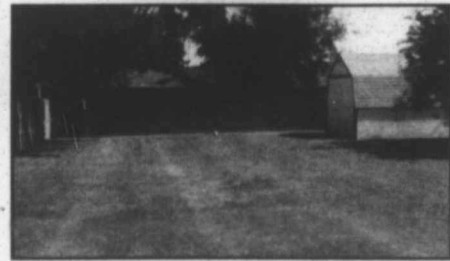
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AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

2-3 CRYPTOQUOTE

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Yesterday's Cryptoquote: I BELIEVE IN GRUMBLING; IT IS THE POLITEST FORM OF FIGHTING KNOWN. — ED HOWE

### HOME FOR SALE



Address: 1535 N. Russell St. Pampa, Tx 79065  
Price: 83,000

Property Type: Residential  
Area: Austin  
Total Bedrooms: 2  
Total Bathrooms: 1  
Total SqFt. (+/-): 1624  
Garage Stall: 2 Stalls  
Garage Remarks: Detached with GDO

List #09-8212



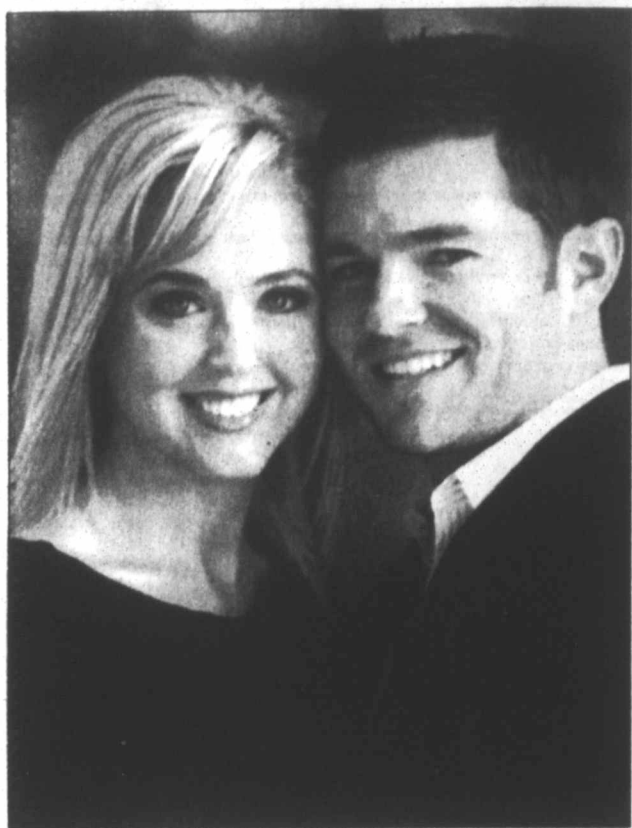
### RE/MAX Hometown

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806-626-6400 or 665-SELL (7355)

Agent - Vanessa Swindell

## AROUND TOWN

### Brown, Stauter to wed



Whitney Stauter of Idabel, Okla., and Tristian Brown of Pampa plan to wed June 6 in First Baptist Church in Idabel. The bride-to-be is the daughter of Mike and Carla Stauter of Idabel. She graduated from Idabel High School in 2004. In 2004, she earned a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Oklahoma, majoring in Education. The future groom is the son of Greg and Renee Brown of Pampa. He graduated from Pampa High School in 2003 and attended Oklahoma State University and received a Bachelor of Science degree in Public Relations. The couple plans to reside in Idabel after the ceremony.

### Winegeart, Sawyer wed

Kylie J'Nae Winegeart and Bradley Jay Sawyer exchanged wedding vows on November 28, 2008 in Pampa.

Pastor Ronnie Goode, of Trinity Fellowship Church of Pampa, performed the ceremony.

The maid of honor was Kaitlin Winegeart of Pampa, sister of the bride. Cassidy Winegeart, of Pampa, also the bride's sister, served as bridesmaid.

David Swarfford of Pampa, stood up as the best man. The groomsman was Jon East of Pampa, cousin of the bride.

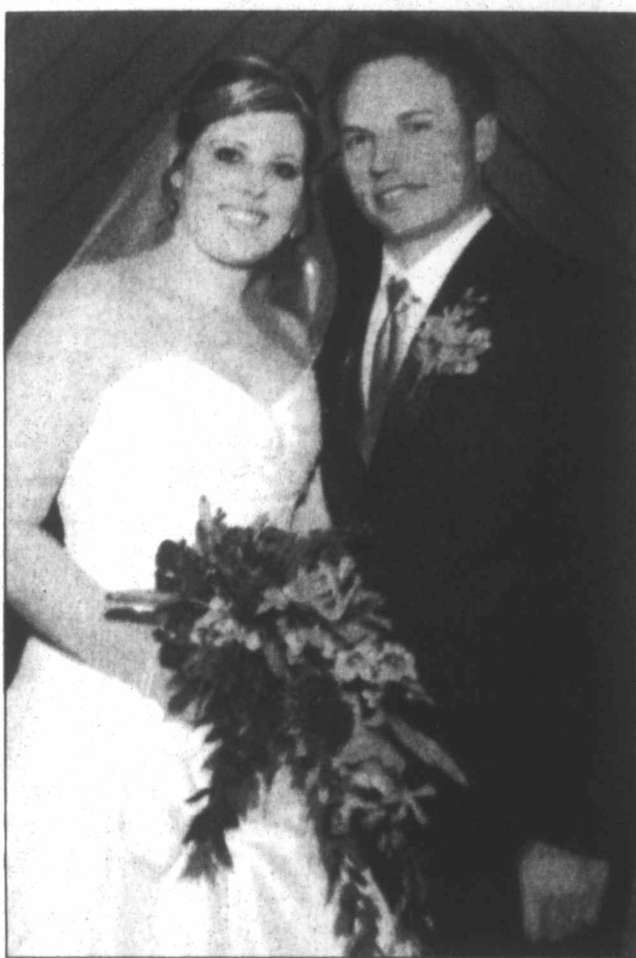
The bride's grandparents are Jim and Judy Hooker, and Earl and Mary Lou Winegeart, all of Pampa. Her great grandmother is Vera Glenn, of McLean.

The groom's grandparents are Roy and Eddie May Sawyer, of Lefors, and Frances Sims and Jerry C. Sims.

Jessica Hooker of Pampa, cousin of the bride, handled the guest book. Heather Land was the musician and vocalist.

A reception was held in the Bible Church of Pampa church parlor. Lisa Clifton of Pampa and Jamie Leigh Winegeart of Lubbock, cousin of the bride, served the guests.

The bride is the daughter of David and Lisa



Winegeart. She graduated from Pampa High School and attended Odessa College. She is self-employed as a cosmetologist.

The groom is the son of Suzzie and Ronny Lewis, and the late Barney Sawyer. He graduated from McLean High School

and attended West Texas A&M. Bradley is also a graduate of Richmond Firefighters Academy and is employed with Edura Products Corp.

The newlyweds honeymooned in New York and intend to make their home in Odessa.

### Lane, McDowell to wed



Danny and Sandy Lane of Seymour announce the engagement of their daughter, Pamela Lane to Zachary McDowell. Zachary is the son of Rickey and Elaine McDowell, of Miami.

They are planning to wed in Withita Falls on May 2.

### Preceptor Theta Iota/Beta Sigma Phi club news

Preceptor Theta Iota/Beta Sigma Phi met at 7:30 p.m. January 12 at the home of Barbara Benyshek.

President Ann Franklin presided as Recording Secretary Nancy Brogdin called role and read the minutes from the previous meeting. The minutes were approved.

Barbara Benyshek gave the treasurer's report in the absence of Treasurer Janice Hubbard.

Nancy Brogdin, scholarship committee chairman, received correspondence from the Opportunity Plan. Applications for a Beta Sigma Phi scholarship will be available in February. Committee reports were given.

Ann Franklin reported the annual Beta Sigma Phi Valentine Banquet will be held February 14 at the Pampa Country Club. Barbara Benyshek gave the program.

### Miss Irish Rose pageant seeking contestants

Shamrock, Texas will be hosting its annual Saint Patrick's Celebration March 13 - 15. One of the many highlights of this event is the crowning of Miss Irish Rose. This scholarship pageant is open to all young ladies between the ages of 14 - 19, who are currently enrolled in high school. Contestants do not have to live in the area to compete. Miss Irish Rose and the three runners-up and miss congeniality will receive a scholarship to the college of her choice. For more information, please send a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Miss Irish Rose, Attention Dana Hosack, PO Box 453, Shamrock, Texas 79079, or call Betty Lee, (806) 334-0929, or the Chamber of Commerce office, (806) 256-2501. The deadline for entry forms is February 27, 2009.

### Early rocker Holly blazed business trail

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — The legacy of rock 'n' roll icon Buddy Holly's short and meteoric ascent in the late 1950s goes beyond the music he made.

Holly, who died in a plane crash in Clear Lake, Iowa, 50 years ago Tuesday along with Ritchie Valens and J.P. Richardson — The Big Bopper — also blazed trails in the industry's business side.

He crafted his recording deals so he retained control of his music and that allowed his creativity to flourish, said Christopher Smith, an associate music professor at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Holly's birthplace.

"I think Buddy was interested in getting rich but also in growing as an artist and also in controlling his own growth as an artist," Smith said. "And that meant he couldn't owe his soul to the company store."

Holly's approach influenced others in the years after his death.

"I think that Buddy Holly's success in producing his music his way gave an empowerment to other artists to try to do it themselves," said Wes Cochran, a Tech law professor who specializes in copyright and intellectual property law. He "stood up to the record companies."

Holly was shrewd and

saw that the more legal control he held over his compositions, the greater his artistic freedom would be.

Holly's business savvy came in part from being "extremely intelligent" and his desire to promote

his own style of music, Smith said.

"He understood at a sophisticated level that to be a creative artist in popular music it was essential to control all the means and media of production," he said.

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