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# Bill could nix Pickens' plans

by David Bowser

dbowser@thepampanews.com In what appears to be a move to shut down Boone Pickens' wind farm north of Pampa, an Amarillo lawmaker has introduced proposed legislation that would repeal part of the Texas Water Code.

At a hearing on a bill by State Rep. John Smithee, R-Amarillo, Smithee told the Texas House Natural Resources Committee Tuesday that House Bill 3818, a very short bill, is designed to repeal Section 49.2205 of the Texas Water Code, which was adopted last session as an amendment to Senate Bill 3.

That amendment, Smithee said, allowed the use of water supply easements by implication to be used for electric power lines.

"If you're a rancher or a farmer," Smithee says, "there's a considerable amount of difference between having these for underground use as opposed for surface use that involves structures and electric

Pickens established a fresh water essentially changed their consupply district on his Roberts County ranch. That fresh water supply district, as a political subdivision of the State of Texas, has the ability to issue bonds, tax and the right of eminent domain, the ability to condemn property for right-of-ways, across the state.

"It's basically a property rights issue as far as we're concerned," Smithee says.

He says property owners thought they were dealing with one thing and the legislature went in and

tracts. The reason for the amendment in 2007, was supposed to be for a future wind project.

"That project is either dead or on hold, at least for right now," Smithee says, "so the purported purpose is no longer valid.'

Pickens has announced that his wind farm project across northern Gray County and southern Roberts County is on hold until the financial crisis the country is facing

Pickens- cont. on page 3



photo by Rachel Stennett

Carey Maxwell wears his "Go and DO" shirt as part of a new volunteering campaign with Cornerstone Baptist Church. Maxwell and Dennis King (pictured) are among 60 volunteers that have been pumping gas, cleaning windows, and carrying groceries for people in the communi-

# Tomorrow last day to register

Thursday, April 9, is the last day to register to vote for the May 9 election, according to Gray County Election Coordinator

Linda Lewis "Voters may register in my office at the County Courthouse or at any DPS License office,"

Lewis. Any application that is mailed must be postmarked no later than April

Applications for voter

registration my also be obtained from any post office, library or from the Secretary of State's voter information Web site: www.VOTEXAS.org.

Any application that is mailed must be postmarked no later than April

To register to vote, you must be a resident of the county in which you wish to vote, a United States citizen, at least 18 years old on Election Day, not a con-

victed felon (unless sentence, probation, and/or parole have been completed), and not declared mentally incapacitated by a court of law.

The registration proce requires that you provide a Texas driver license number or personal identification number issued by the Texas Department of Public Safety. If you don't have such a number, simply provide the last four Vote- cont. on page 3

members go and do' Baptist

Church

by Rachel Stennett rstennett@thepampanews.com

Cornerstone Church might not be doing things the traditional way, but they are still aiming to get the Easter message across this week.

Instead of doing an Easter play, Pastor Doug Hixson thought showing God's love this Easter would be best illustrated through the hands of his congregation doing various odd jobs for the community.

"We want to do more than just talking about loving people. It's time to put words into action and go do something nice for someone."

About sixty volunteers have been out this week, Sunday through Wednesday, pumping gas and carrying groceries, showing love to members of the community, at Fiesta Foods and the two gas stations in front of Walmart.

Hixson said the intentions of his group of volunteers are simple, but still, the acts of kindness are still striking some community members as surprising.

"I had a lady chase me down and try to give me money for carrying her groceries. I had to chase her back down," Hixson said of his experience

helping people. "it's not about money. People don't get things for free anymore so it makes them wonder. All we are trying to do is help."

Along with surprised reaction, the volunteers have been out in cold, windy conditions. Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday night they volunteer from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.. Sunday they worked from 3:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The volunteers range in ages, from the elderly to Hixson's nine year old

Hixson said the idea for the project, called "Go and Do" is from the story of the Good Samaritan in Luke.

"In Luke 10:37, Jesus said 'go and do likewise.' We took that phrase and have made it our motto."

Hixson said he hopes the group will "Go and Do" several times this year, even if it comes as a slight shock and a surprise to the community.

"The emphasis for us internally is to serve people with the love of God has given us. People often think that people in the church are after them for something. We aren't. We just want to do something nice for people," Hixson explained.

# ommittee approves state school bill

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A proposal to protect residents of Texas' state schools for the disabled from abuse won unanimous approval in a House committee on Tuesday.

Rep. Patrick Rose's bill, which was voted out of the House Human Services Committee and will next head to the full House, would establish a state school ombudsman, a tollfree abuse hotline and set up video surveillance cameras at Texas' 13 institutions for people with dis-The Dallas abilities, Morning News reported.

It would also require all criminal abuse allegations to be handled by an Office

of the Inspector General. A similar state school safety bill, earmarked by Gov. Rick Perry as priority legislation, passed the Senate last month. The move followed a broad federal investigation into abuse, neglect and condi-

tions at the facilities. The measure by Rose, a Dripping Springs Democrat, goes beyond the troubled state schools for the disabled, addressing the quality of care in community group homes and private residential facilities as well. It's a proposal the governor's office supports, said Perry spokeswoman

Allison Castle.

"Regardless of whether a family chooses to have their loved one in a state



based care facility they should be confident they'll receive the best quality of care," Castle said in the newspaper's online edition Tuesday.

The Rose bill calls for annual on-site surveys of group homes and requires that private residential facilities be reviewed by the state, instead of getting to conduct their own abuse and neglect investigations.

Both types of facilities would have their deaths reviewed by a third party and have abusive employees that have been banned from re-employment listed on a state misconduct reg-

"I really feel we've made a tremendous amount of headway," said Rose, who chairs the Human Services Committee. Rose said that "it's critical that care be done right, responsibly and ethically, in the state schools and community care settings.'

It's unclear what the safety bill means for other legislation Rose has filed, which would overhaul the state school system by closing several institutions over the next decade. That measure, which is far more controversial, has so far taken a back seat to the safety bill, but Rose said Bill - cont. on page 3

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#### PAMPA FORECAST

Thursday

High 64

Low 32





High 59 Low 35



Low 39

Thursday: Increasing clouds, with a high near 64. Windy, with a west northwest wind 15 to 20 mph increasing to between 25 and 30 mph. Winds could gust as high as 40 mph.

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 32. Windy, with a north northwest wind 20 to 25 mph decreasing to between 10 and 15 mph. Winds could gust as high as 35 mph. Friday: Sunny, with a high near 59. North northwest wind around 10 mph.

Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 35. East southeast wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Saturday: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 56. Southeast wind between 10 and 15 mph

Saturday Night: A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 39. East southeast wind between 5 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

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#### Cash Five Texas results

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Results of the Cash 5 drawing Tuesday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 35-16-3-21-9 Number matching five of five: 1. Prize: \$23,906 Winning ticket purchased in: Pecos Matching four of five: 83. Prize: \$130 Matching three of five: 2,501. Prize: \$10 Matching two of five: 25,721. Prize: \$2 Next Cash 5 drawing: Wednesday night.

#### Mega Millions jackpot

The jackpot in the multistate Mega Milhons lottery from Tuesday night's draw-game is now worth \$78 ing were: 2, 4, 13, 17 and The grand prize amount was 15.

rolled over after no player matched all the winning numbers in Tuesday night's \$65 million drawing. The next drawing is Friday.

Though there was no big winner on Tuesday, three players won second prizes of \$250,000 apiece. None of those tickets was sold in Texas. But one Texas tickets matched enough numbers to win \$10,000 third

The winning numbers 36. The Mega Ball number

# For the Record

## **Obituaries**

#### C.V. "Spud"Burrows, 87

C.V. "Spud"Burrows, 87, passed away, Tuesday, April 7, 2009, at Borger Healthcare Center.

Carmen Vidal Burrows was born on May 12, 1921, . in Copan, Okla. and was a resident of Borger for 64 years.

He married Bea Gilliland on January 26, 1942 in Dewey Okla.

Spud was a class A carfor Phillips penter Petroleum for 34 years. Spud loved to play golf

with his wife Bea and loved fishing.

Mr. Burrows was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 65 years, Bea, in 2007; his father Wesley Burrows; his

mother Pearl Wilson brother Burrows; his James Burrows; and two sisters. Lehoma Yard and Treva Kerr.

Survivors include his son, Joe Dean Burrows and wife Judy of Borger; three grandchildren Barry Burrows of Borger, Sherri Marsh and husband Jerod of Elko, NV, Kevin Burrows and Michelle of Lefors; seven great-grandchildren Austin Brown, Jackson Dean Benjamin Burrows, Burrows, Dillon Marsh, Roger Smith, Kyle Smith, Shelbi Burrows; sister Cleta Codding of Yukon, OK; and several nieces and nephews.

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Casket bearers will be Barry Burrows, Kevin Burrows, Jerod Marsh, Roger Smith and Kyle Smith.

Graveside services will be at 2:00 P.M., Friday, April 10, 2009 at Westlawn cemetery with Chaplain Darrell Burton of Hospice of the Southwest officiat-

Family will be at 217 Tumbleweed in Borger.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Hospice Care of the Southwest, 1301 Coulter Drive, Suite Amarillo,



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#### Ollie Pauline Wallin Buchanan, 89

Ollie Pauline Wallin Buchanan deceased on April 5, 2009. Ollie was 89 years of age and was born in Gruver, TX on April 22, 1919 to Arthur Paul Wallin and Minnie Shapley Wallin. She met her husband, Paul while attending Panhandle A&M College in Goodwell, Okla. They were married for 62 years and had three children, Mary Louise, Paul T. Jr., and James Alan. Ollie was predeceased by both parents, her husband, three brothers and one granddaughter.

Ollie and Paul lived many years in the White Deer and Pampa area. They were members Briarwood Assembly

Church in Pampa. Ollie's greatest joy was her family. She was always active with her children, grandchildren, her many friends her relatives, her community, her church, sewing, playing games with friends and dancing. Ollie was well

known for her wonderful cooking and her southern hospitality. The door to her home was always open with a warm welcome to all. Ollie is rejoicing at seeing her Lord she loved so deeply and served so faith-

fully. Her dedication and caring for her family was an example to all. Ollie was a wonderful supportive mother, but did expect the best from her children. Ollie prepared her children to love and to serve the Lord, embrace life, live it well and responsibly. Ollie's children's lives immeasurably blessed by her commitment and love for them.

Ollie is survived by her daughter, Mary Mauldin and Ned, their children, Daran and Andrea Adams, and Dawna Fisher of Round Rock; her first son, Paul T. Jr. and Cindy, and their children Matthew and Sandi Buchanan. Blake and Kippi

Buchanan, Zac and Paige Buchanan of Lubbock, and Xana and Kyle Bradley of Carbondale, Colo.; and her second son, James Alan and Susan, and their children, Clay and Mandy Buchanan of Red River, N.M. and Kimberly Buchanan of Lubbock. Ollie has eight grandchildren and 12 greatgrandchildren. Two sisters, Harley Stanfield and husband Jay of Guymon, Okla. and Betty Shirm of Oklahoma City, Okla., and numerous nieces nephews. The family sends heart-

felt "Thank You" to the many aides and nurses at Heritage Oaks Nursing Home in Lubbock for the wonderful and tender care given to Ollie for the past seven years. It is very much appreciated by the entire family. A celebration of Life

service will be held at the First United Methodist



Buchanan

Church, Spearman, Texas at 2 p.m. Friday, April 10, 2009. Burial will follow at Old Hansford Cemetery. Mr. Burl Buchanan will officiate. Services are under the direction of Rix Funeral Directors. The family recommends that in place of flowers, all memorials be send to your favorite chari-

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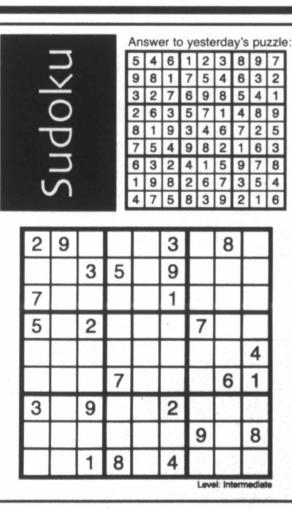
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## Smithee proposal

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subsides. Pickens said credit markets have made borrowing money for such projects almost impossible. "I can't get any money," Pickens told CNBC late last year.

Smithee says the purpose of his bill is to take the law back to where it stood two years ago.

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Pickens said he had planned to make Pampa the wind capital of the world by establishing the world's largest wind farm across Gray, Roberts, Carson and Wheeler Counties.

In order to transmit the electric power downstate and sell it to metropolitan areas demanding more energy, Pickens proposed building his own transmission lines.

Smithee's 68-word bill would prevent Mesa Power, Pickens' wind energy company, from using the powers of the fresh water supply district to construct such a power

Smithee's bill is pending in the House Natural Resources Committee. No action was taken on the bill by the committee following Tuesday's hearing.

# Voter registration

Vote - cont. from page 1

security number. If you don't have a social security number, you need to state have one of these three

digits of your social identification numbers, you are still eligible to register to vote, but will be required to provide proof that fact. If you do not of your identity at the polling place.

After you apply, a voter registration certificate (your proof of registration) will be mailed to you within 30 days

# State School emergency

Bill - cont. from page 1

he'll bring it up in committee next

"It was important for me to put all our energies behind the emergency legislation," he said.

His version of the emergency legisla-

tion also calls for strengthened training of direct care workers, adds protections for employees who report abusive colleagues and heightens the state penalty for failing to report mistreatment.

# Lawmakers debate windstorm insurance

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) -Texas legislators jumped into debate Tuesday over how to improve the troubled windstorm insurance system that serves as a last resort for hurricane protection along much of the Gulf Coast.

The House Insurance Committee, watched closely by coastal residents and insurance executives, began considering a slate of bills that propose changes to the system. It's widely agreed the Texas Insurance Windstorm Association needs an update, especially after the financial toll of last year's

Gov. Rick Perry declared reform of the windstorm association an emergency item this legislative session, which ends June 1, just as the next hurricane season is beginning.

Revamping the windstorm fund has been on the minds of legislators since private companies began pulling away from offering property policies on the Texas coast after hurricanes Katrina and Rita in 2005. The state-chartered fund — replenished in large part by payments from private insurers has become the only wind-

storm insurer for homes and businesses in 14 coun-

Rep. Todd Hunter, a Corpus Christi Republican, laid out proposals on assorted ways to potentially fund the windstorm insurance system. Among the ideas are general state revenue, federal economic stimulus money, the state's Rainy Day Fund or assessments and fees on insurers or policy holders.

'To me, it's a statewide issue," he said, emphasizing his view that operation of the windstorm insurance association is not just a coastal concern.

# sues supplier, says

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) KFC says its popcorn chicken had a bit more heat than intended.

The fried chicken giant is suing one of its suppliers, saying the cups used to hold popcorn chicken caught on fire while being reheated in the microwave oven.

Louisville-based KFC said in a federal lawsuit that Paris Packaging Inc. of Paris, Texas, changed the content of the ink used on the containers, using a new formula that includes carbon, which may catch fire if heated.

The restaurant chain said at least two people reported fires. KFC said company employees then tested the cups in a microwave oven and, after being heated for 13-19 seconds, the cups caught fire.

KFC spokesman Rick Maynard said no one was injured because of the fires.

"Since the safety of our customers is our top priority, KFC took immediate action by removing the packaging based on two reported issues," Maynard said.

KFC, a division of fast

seeking at least \$757,000 to cover the cost of more than 11,000 recalled containers and other unspecified financial damages. The company, in the suit filed Monday, also wants U.S. District Judge John G. Heyburn of Louisville to issue an order that KFC cannot be held responsible for any damage caused by

the cups that combusted. A message left for Paris Packaging was not immediately returned Tuesday morning. An e-mail sent to Paris Packaging President Bill Carver was not immediately responded

Tuesday. Paris KFC claims Packaging, which has been supplying boxes and cups KFC since 2007, changed the composition of the ink used to print labels on cups and boxes in February without notifying

the restaurant chain. The issue arose when a customer complained to KFC on Feb. 4 that the cup containing popcorn chicken "spontaneously burst into flames" while being reheated at a customer's home, KFC said.

KFC sent a notice to all restaurants and franchisees food giant Yum Brands, is on Feb. 20, telling them to

stop using the Paris Packaging containers until

further notice. According to a series of letters attached to the suit, KFC and Paris Packaging had multiple discussions about how to handle the remaining containers in KFC's supply chain and whether and how KFC would be reimbursed for the containers it could not

"Simply stated, the containers are not safe for use by Yum or its customers," KFC Vice President and General Counsel Matthew Preston wrote to Paris Packaging on March 27.

In another letter to Carver, dated March 12, offered Packaging an opportunity to remain as a supplier to the restaurant chain, provided it took financial responsibility for the recalled cups and boxes and modified the way the packages were made.

"You then stated that, under these conditions, Paris Packaging has no interest in continuing to supply this packaging to the KFC system," Preston wrote.

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# Dig at river headwaters turns up ancient finds

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Stone tools from one of the oldest hunter-gatherer groups to have lived in this area were unearthed near downtown, archaeologists

A backhoe working near Brackenridge Park accidentally unearthed an arrowhead near the headwaters of the San Antonio River several months ago. Since then, archaeologists from the University of Texas-San Antonio have found a 5,700-year-old dart point, a 5,500-yearold scraping tool and a spearhead that could go back 2,200 years.

"It's a very rich place to live at the headwaters of the San Antonio River,"

said archaeologist Jon Dowling. "These people were smart. They knew a Garden of Eden when they saw one."

The finds are not, however, the oldest in the San Antonio area. Artifacts believed to be 8,000- to 11,000-years-old have been unearthed in northern San Antonio.





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# Sports



photo submitted by Lendi Jackson

Nick Hess clears 11'6" to claim the District 8-1A title in the pole vault on Tuesday in Lefors.

# Search for PHS football coach is on

by Rachel Stennett rstennett@thepampanews.com

Pampa Independent School District is moving foward, despite the sudden resignation from football Head Coach Andy Cavalier. Cavalier resigned from his position on March 25, saying "it's time."

PISD Superintendent Barry Haenisch said that Cavalier's position has been posted for ten days as of today (April 7). After 10 days, the school board can take measures to fill the position. So far, about 30 applications have been filed.

"The Athletic Director has been working to file the applicants down," Haenisch said. "Our goal is to identify the strongest candidates we can, and provide them the opportunity to interview in person.

administrators will interview the canidates, trying to make "the best decision we can on selecting someone to lead the program." Haenisch said of the hiring

Administrators are looking for someone who has experience, succ knowledge in football. success,

"We are looking for someone who has a good philisophy of how footbal fits into the overall atheltic program, and the overall educational program." The coach will be asked to have a classroom assignment, in addition to coaching, in whatever subject they are certified in teaching in.

The school board is aiming to have the position filled by April 20 at the lat-

Haenisch said that the

A team of campus school board is open to the coach bringing assistant coaches with them. But, the new football staff should be seen as an opportunity for success, not starting over.

"We are not starting over, this is just an opportunity to reinvigorate and renew the program... We have some really good talent coming back this year, and it would be unfair to those young people to say we are just giving up on this year," Haenisch said "Any coach expressing interest in coming here plans to be successful from the get-go.'

Haenish said the school district will offer support and commitment to help each the goals the new coach will have.

Cavalier has not been hired by another school distirict yet, but he has accepted a position at Eastland, a town with a population of about 4,000, and is waiting to be hired by the school board.

Cavalier moved to Pampa in 1987 when his father, Dennis Cavalier, was hired as football coach for PHS. He played as quarterback for the Harvesters, and coached at Tascoasa High School before returning to Pampa as head coach in 2006 when his father died of a heart attack.

# Pirates take second at Lefors meet

The Lefors Pirates and Lady Pirates each claimed 2nd place in the team standings at the District 8-1A track & field meet held on Tuesday, April 7, at Lefors. The top four finishers in each event qualified for the Area meet to be held on Tuesday, April 14, in Panhandle. The Ladies were led by Valerie Miller and Emily Jackson, each of whom qualified for the Area meet in all 5 of their events. Nick Hess and Trever Czubinski did the same for the Pirates. Lady Pirates coach Tory Peet commented that he was proud of the fact that his team placed 2nd with only 7 girls competing. Pirates coach Joey Czubinski was equally happy with his team's performance.

Individual and team placings were as follows: Boys

200 meter dash - Nick Hess-2nd(24.79); Wakely Pairsh-4th (25.54)

400 meter dash - Trever Czubinski-4th (58.02) 800 meter run – Seth Scully-5th (2:29.50) 1600 meter run - Gabriel Miller-6th (5:28.92) 110 meter hurdles – Taylor Ray-7th (23.34)

300 meter hurdles - Taylor Ray-6th (55.24) 4x100 meter relay - Trever Czubinski, Nick Hess, Brandon McBee, Payton Johnson-2nd (46.78)

4x200 meter relay - Trever Czubinski, Nick Hess, Brandon McBee, Payton Johnson-1st (1:39.40)

4x400 meter relay - Wakely Pairsh, Taylor Ray, Dennis Sprouse, Dustin Forsyth-3rd (4:07.16)

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High jump - Nick Hess-3rd (5'6") Pole vault - Nick Hess-1st (11'6")

Discus - Dustin Forsyth-1st (139'11")

Long jump - Trever Czubinski-3rd (17'10 1/4") Triple jump – Trever Czubinski-3rd (38' 7 3/4") Shot put – Dustin Forsyth-1st (45' 1/2")

#### Teams:

1.	Follett			17
2.	Lefors			11
3.	Vega			93
4.	Booker			82
5.	Hartley			77
6.	Miami			23
7.	Channing			10
7.	Fort Elliott			10
9.	Higgins			4
10.	Darrouzett			1

#### Girls

100 meter dash - Emily Jackson-2nd (13.72) 200 meter dash – Emily Jackson-1st (28.50)

800 meter run – Taylor Overstreet-1st (2:38.62)

4x200 meter relay - Lacie Johnston, Valerie Miller, Taylor Overstreet, Emily Jackson-2nd (1:56.56)

4x400 meter relay - Lacie Johnston, Kaittlynne Porter, Taylor Overstreet, Valerie Miller-2nd (4:47.12)

Pole vault - Valerie Miller-1st (9'6")

Long jump - Valerie Miller-1st (15'8 1/4"); Emily Jackson-4th (14'1") Triple jump - Valerie Miller-1st (32'10 1/2"); Emily Jackson-3rd (32'2")

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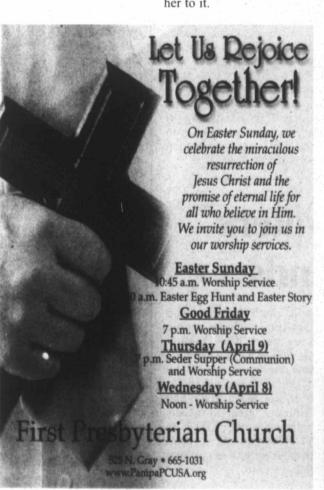
# OU doesn't want their scholarship money back

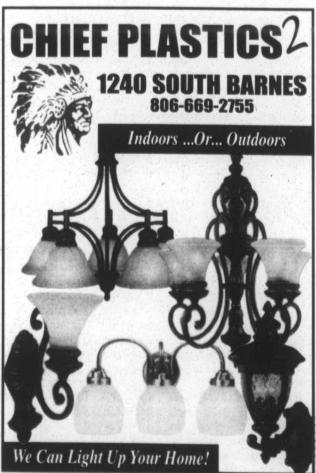
NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Courtney Paris might as well hang on to her money. Oklahoma doesn't plan to collect on her failed national championship guarantee any time soon.

Paris had promised that she would repay the university for all four years of her scholarship if the Sooners didn't win their first national championship, but athletic director Joe Castiglione told The Associated Press he doesn't plan to hold

The cost of four years at Oklahoma has been estimated conservatively at \$64,000, but the number could be even higher since Paris came from California and would have had to establish residence in Oklahoma to pay in-state tuition.

Paris figures to be one of the top picks in Thursday's WNBA draft, but that doesn't mean a multimillion-dollar contract similar to one her male counterparts would receive.

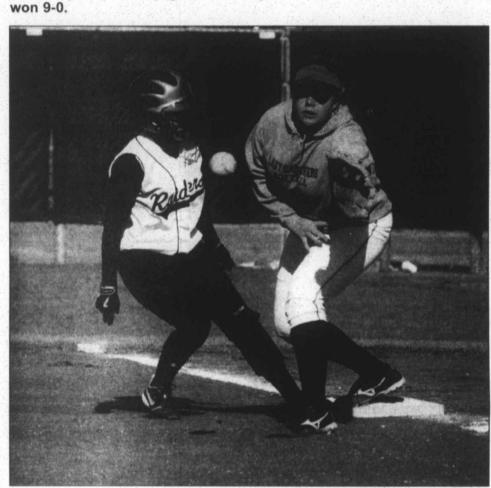




# Sports



staff photo by David Bowser Lady Harvester shortstop McKinlee Stokes, 1, guards second base as Delaney Clendening, 14, backs up the throw during the Pampa-Randall junior varsity game Monday afternoon in Amarillo. Randall



staff photo by David Bowser

Lady Harvester firstbaseman Madi Shults reaches for the ball in a pick off attempt during the Pampa-Randall junior varsity game Monday afternoon. Randall won 9-0.

# **Churchill Downs adds night racing**

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Churchill Downs, the home of the Kentucky Derby, received permission from the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission to hold night racing for the first time in the track's 135year history.

Churchill Downs will run under the lights on June 19 and June 26 - both

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Fridays — and Thursday, July 2. First post will be 6 p.m., and the 11 races each night would continue until about 11 p.m.

Gates said the track consulted with state horsemen associations about the impact the late nights would have before moving ahead with the idea.

# JV softball team blown out in the cold

AMARILLO - The Lady Harvesters junior varsity softball team traveled to Randall High School Monday afternoon to go down scoreless on the road 9-0.

With temperatures in the 40s and an icy north wind blowing both teams had trouble hanging on to the ball, but Randall's strong pitching won the day.

Randall struck out 15 Pampa girls in seven innings, leaving three stranded on

Pampa struck out 11 of the Lady Eagles and walked 11.

The junior varsity returns home Thursday to join the varsity against Palo

## Randall outscores PHS 18-

AMARILLO - The weather was better, but the score was not.

When the varsity teams faced off Tuesday afternoon, it was a balmy 71 degrees and not a breeze, but Randall won both games.

The Lady Raiders won Tuesday 18-8.

Pampa was the first to score with a run in the top of the first inning by lead off hitter Kelby Doughty, but Randall came back in the bottom of the first inning to put two runs across the plate.

Pampa answered in the top of the second with runs by Carlyn Teichmann and Shelbie Watson, but Randall exploded with seven runs in the bottom of the inning.

The third inning was scoreless, but Randall again rallied in the fourth inning with five more runs. Doughty scored again in

## **OU's** Griffin has **NBA** plans

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) Oklahoma forward Blake Griffin will give up his final two years of eligibility and head to the NBA after a sophomore season in which he was honored as college basketball's top player.

Griffin announced his decision at a campus news conference alongside coach Jeff Capel, saying it was time to take his game to the next level.

Griffin helped the Sooners win 30 games in a season for only the fifth time in school history, shattering the school records for double-doubles and rebounds along the fifth, but Teichmann stole the show with a grand slam driving in Ashley Facio, Sammie Pearson and Libby Dyson to put a total of five more runs on the scoreboard for Pampa in the inning.

Unfortunately, it was the

end of Pampa's scoring, while Randall put four more runs up to end the game.

The Lady Harvesters return home Thursday to face Palo Duro.



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# Comics

#### Marmaduke



"Sorry, Marm, just like this morning - nothing but books."

#### THE FAMILY CIRCUS



By Bil Keane



"Isn't it 'bout time for me to write my wish list to the Easter Bunny?"

#### **Daily Crossword Puzzle**

### **CROSSWORD**

By THOMAS JOSEPH 41 Baby-food

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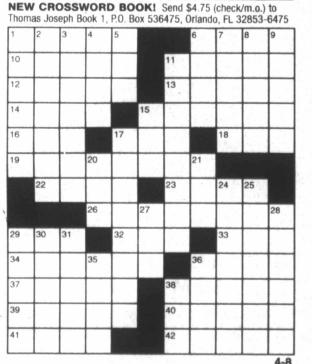
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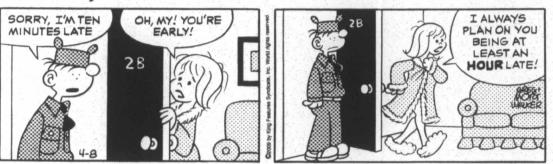
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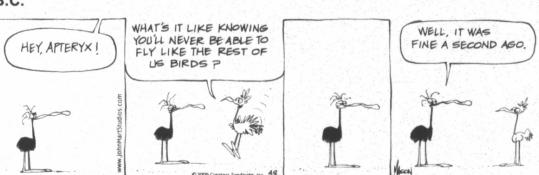
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## Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I am a divorced father of three who has worked hard at staying part of my children's lives, contributing financial and emotional support through college. I have since remarried and have a good relationship with all three, who are now on their own, working and leading normal, healthy and productive lives.

My 24-year-old daughter, "Amanda," has recently become engaged. Despite my giving her a "heads up" about wanting a courtesy

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call from her fiance, "Larry," at some point, I got nothing. Apparently, she told him it wasn't necessary. So much for who will wear the pants in their family.

Without being a jerk, I mentioned something to Larry -- half in jest -- when they called to give me their good news. Knowing that I may have been slightly offended, I can't believe he didn't call me a few days later with an explanation or an apology. When I later mentioned to Amanda that I was disappointed, she and

her sister insisted that the custom is outdated.

Larry is 30; he's no kid. I haven't found one dad yet who didn't get "the call" from a daughter's intended. Do I need to let go of this, or am I justified in speaking further to Larry about it? The wedding is getting closer, and I am ... DISMAYED IN ROSWELL, GA.

**DEAR DISMAYED: For** everyone's sake, it would be better if you cooled off and stopped the advice gathering. While I agree that the formality of asking for a woman's hand (or whatever) may be outdated, particularly if a daughter is self-supporting and out on her own, it is still a gesture of respect. It would have been nice if she had held your feelings

in higher regard, but perhaps she didn't feel her fiance would pass muster.

I don't know how many dads to whom you have confided this story, but for all concerned, it might be less embarrassing if you stopped and accepted the fact that, as much as you might like to protect your daughter, the gesture was unwelcome.

DEAR ABBY: I am a college-educated mother of three wonderful, welladjusted children. The decision that I would not work was one that my husband and I made with the understanding that we would have to forgo a lot of luxuries because we wouldn't have a second income. It has been worth it, and we have no regrets.

I would never dream of asking a working mother to give me money so I could buy something I can't afford. So why, then, do so many working moms have no compunction about asking me for my time? The requests are endless -- running their child's forgotten homework to school, picking up their kids from activities, doing their share at school functions, letting their dogs out, etc. Please tell me what to say to these nervy women. -- BUSY WITH MY OWN IN TEN-NESSEE

DEAR BUSY: The working women who ask these favors may not appreciate the fact that being a stay-at-home mother is also a full-time job. If their requests make you feel encroached upon, all you have to say is that you can't do it because you have a previous commitment." You do not have to say that the commitment is to your own children.)

However, before you start turning down these other mothers in a wholesale fashion, allow me to remind you that the way to have friends is to be one. And the time to be a friend is when someone needs one. You don't have to be a pushover -- but don't isolate yourself, either.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, April

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The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

\*\*\* You are juggling many different interests. How well you do remains to be seen in the next few days. You could be worn out or exhausted by events, people and demands. Think very carefully about a financial suggestion. Tonight: Put on a favorite piece of music.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) \*\*\* You could accomplish a lot. It might be wise to focus on easy errands and projects, and not lose your focus. You could easily become overwhelmed somewhere along the line. Listen to your inner voice, but don't act just yet! Tonight: Head home

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) \*\*\* Focus, if you can. Friends and loved ones seem to tear into you, all wanting a part of you. Before you realize it, you are doing an emotional juggling act. You could be worried about a sensitive issue. Tonight: Do you really need to choose who, what and where?

CANCER (June 21-July 22) \*\*\* Home is where your heart is. Tocay's Full Moon hits you where it hurts. Pull out all the stops when dealing with work and another issue around your personal life. You can choose to view this situation as black-or-white, or absorb another perspective. Tonight: Screen calls. Do for you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) \*\*\*\* You quickly discover that the true meaning or intent behind your words can be easily misread. How you deal with friends, neighbors and people in general impacts your day. Juggle your thoughts. You have a lot to accomplish. Tonight: Follow the music.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\* Curb wild spending if possible. Help a friend say no to an extravagance. Later, he or she will thank you for that extra support. Emotions and nervous energy will play out through your checkbook. If you can, pull back. Tonight: Think "moderation."

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\*\*\* You are all smiles and hard to contain. Others keep calling, asking and requesting your presence. Sort through what are must-dos and what you can and probably would be happiest postponing. You don't have to please everyone - not that you could. Tonight: Say yes to a special invitation.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) \*\* There are some matters you would prefer not to discuss. Conversations might seem awkward; your feelings could be hurt. Still, timing encourages reflection, compassion and understanding. Not everything is as it seems

Tonight: Head home pronto

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) \*\*\* Emphasize facts in a meeting and avoid any hearsay or wishful thinking. You come from a sound place and make a strong presentation for whatever remains key right now. Someone makes an indirect compliment about your focus. Tonight: The world is your oyster remember that and act like it.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \*\*\* You'll put in a performance few will forget if you are focused and willing to take on a responsibility. Evaluate and understand what your true potential might be if you pursue the present course. Do you want this? Is it right for

you? Tonight: Burning the candle at both

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\*\* Let your intellect, vision and imagination meld. The possibilities multiply. Cease to judge, but do recognize a good idea by jotting it down. It is important to use all your imagination. Tonight Try something new.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\*\* You recognize special moments that need to be spent with a special person. Even if it's just for business, honor your highly tuned sense of what is workable. Move forward, understand and pos-

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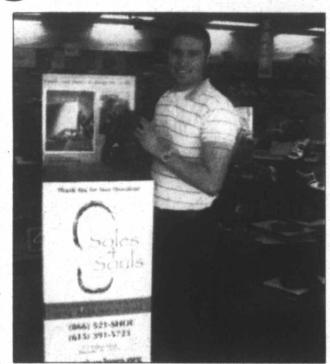
# **Brown's Shoe Fit** helping Soles4Souls

announced today that it is hosting a shoe drive in 51 of their locations to benefit Soles4Souls™ Inc., the international footwear charity that delivers shoes to needy people around the

During the shoe drive, Brown's Shoe Fit will be offering \$10 off a purchase of Clarks shoes to all customers who bring in gently worn pairs of shoes toward the effort. The shoe drive will begin on April 10 and will end on April 20, 2009. To learn more visit the Pampa location.

Josh Ward onwer of Brown's Shoe fFit in Pampa said they are pleased to be helping with the drive. "We have a drop box available already, if people want to come in now, we are ready to participate and will start the discount today,"Ward said.

"We are excited that Clarks is working with us to spread joy to people, both here in the United States and around the world," said Wayne Elsey, Founder of Soles4Souls. "It is only because of proactive retail stores, such as Brown's Shoe Fit, that we are able to accomplish our goal of getting shoes on the feet of people who



Josh Ward of Brown's Shoe Fit in kicks off the Soles4Souls Campaign.

need them most," he said. About Soles4Souls

Nashville-based Soles4Souls(tm) facilitates the donations of both new and used shoes, which are used to aid the hurting worldwide. Soles4Souls has distributed more than 4.3 million pairs (currently donating one pair every 17 seconds) to people in over 125 countries, including Honduras, Uganda, Romania, and the United

States. The charity has been featured recently in Runner's World and the Green Guide by National Geographic.

Soles4Souls 501(c)(3) recognized by the IRS; donating parties are eligible for tax advan-

Visit www.giveshoes.org http://www.giveshoes.org for more information.

# **Eastern Texas Panhandle Red Cross receives grant** from Walmart Foundation

Panhandle Chapter of the American Red Cross announced it is receiving a \$10,970 grant from the Wal-Mart Foundation, to buy cots, blankets, clean up kits and training materials to prepare for disaster. Eastern Texas Panhandle is one of 128 Red Cross chapters awarded funds as part of the Wal-Mart Foundation's initiative to support disaster response and capacity building projects nationwide.

"The grant allows us to have the necessary equipment available locally in the event of a disaster. It also covers the 'Reach and Teach' training program, where persons who will volunteer in the event of a major disaster can be trained and ready before the disaster occurs," said Executive Director of the Eastern TX Panhandle

Chapter. Wal-Mart The Foundation partnered with the American Red Cross to create a \$5 million Disaster Readiness and Capacity Building Grant Program. This grant will benefit communities across the country that reside near Red Cross chapters located in remote

areas that often become isolated during times of disaster and whose chartered jurisdictions serve less than one million people - like the Eastern TX Panhandle.

The grant will be used to purchase cots and blankets for shelter operations. With the additional cots and blankets our capacity expands to respond to a 150 family event. A limited supply of clean-up kits will be bought so to initiate a response before more supplies arrive from national. Other capacity building includes the purchase of food service items for meals and beverages. The remaining funds will be used to train volunteers to be ready to respond when the disaster strikes.

"At Wal-Mart, helping communities is what we do every day. And when a crisis strikes, that charge becomes an even greater priority," said Margaret Mckenna, president of the Wal-Mart Foundation. "Our long-standing support of the American Red Cross is evidence of our commitment to supporting local disaster relief efforts. We are hopeful that the \$5 million we have given to local Red Cross chapters across the country will

result in the swift, effective response to disasters, and development of the resources before disaster strikes.'

Wal-Mart Foundation stands ready to help and to work with local leaders, community organizations and elected officials in the instance of a disaster. With a longstanding commitment to supporting local disaster relief efforts, the Wal-Mart Foundation works with the American Red Cross and other organizations in an effort to help its neighbors and communities during times of need.

"We are appreciative to the Wal-Mart Foundation for this much needed grant to enhance our local chapters' ability to serve their communities," said Michael Brown, Vice President of Corporate and Foundation Partnerships at the American Red Cross. "Because of their generous support, we will be better positioned to prevent, prepare for and respond to disasters in communities across the country."

# Top O'Texas Cattle Women hold meeting

Top O' Texas CattleWomen met on March 3, 2009 at Mitchell's Restaurant in Shamrock, TX. President, Sena Brainard conducted the meeting.

For our Ag Day Promotion activities our local will honor Donna and Dean Burger of Pampa, TX as our 2009 Ag Family of the Year, and Dale Buckner will give away 4 \$25.00 Beef Gift Certificates on his KGNC radio talk show on March 14 & 21.

Scholarship applications for high school seniors are in the local high school counselors offices. If you are a senior and planning to major in Agriculture, Nutrition, or Health related fields be sure and apply. We are awarding one \$1000.00 scholarship and two \$500.00 scholarships. The applications

are due back by April 15, 2009. We plan to have a booth at the Shamrock St. Patrick's Day celebration Health Fair on March 14, 2009.

The Texas CattleWomem state convention is March 20 & 21, 2009 in Ft.

Mark your calendars for our Fall Style Show on September 12, 2009 in Pampa.

The meeting was attended by Dianne Buckingham & Christine Marett from Shamrock, Sandra Christner from Wheeler, Amy Brainard from Canadian, Berklee Clements from Skellytown, and Sena Brainard from Pampa.

Our next meeting is scheduled for April 13, 2009 at 10:30 a.m. in Mobeetie at the Cowboy Oasis.

#### All DPS **Driver License** offices to be closed April 10

All Driver License offices for the Texas Department of Public Safety will be closed on Friday, April 10, 2009, for statewide computer system maintenance. All offices will reopen at their regularly scheduled times on Monday, April 13, 2009.

Renew-by-phone services will be unavailable from midnight, April 9 through 7 a.m., April 22.

DPS recognizes this may cause an inconvenience and appreciates patience.

For additional information on obtaining a driver license or identification a r d

http://www.txdps.state.tx. us/administration/driver li censing control/dlindex.ht



# FORD FAMILY CHIROPRACTIC WELCOMES JOSH LINK, MSPT



Joshua J. Link, **MSPT** 

In a continuing effort to accommodate practice growth and demand, Ford Family Chiropractic is pleased to welcome Joshua Link, MSPT, who has recently joined our practice and will be providing full service physical therapy procedures.

Josh is a native of Texas and received his MSPT degree from Walsh University in Canton, OH and is licensed by the Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners.

Call to set up an appointment to discuss a care program for you that may include specific spinal adjustments, exercise recommendations, nutritional advice or other conservative methods of care based on your health history, age, current condition and lifestyle.

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Teach your child how to treat others and what to expect when they begin dating. On April 16th Tralee Crisis Center encourages parents, guardians, and role models to invite teenagers (preferably between the ages of 12-16) out on a date! During the date, teach them how to behave while dating and what to expect from their peers. Several local businesses are offering special discounts to those participating in this event. Get involved with your teenager. Many of them have questions about the opposite sex. This is your chance to listen and answer those questions.

> If you are interested please RSVP by April 13th to: **Tralee Crisis Center** 806-669-1131

Upon request you will receive an invitation and a wrist band so you will be eligible for discounts at the participating local businesses