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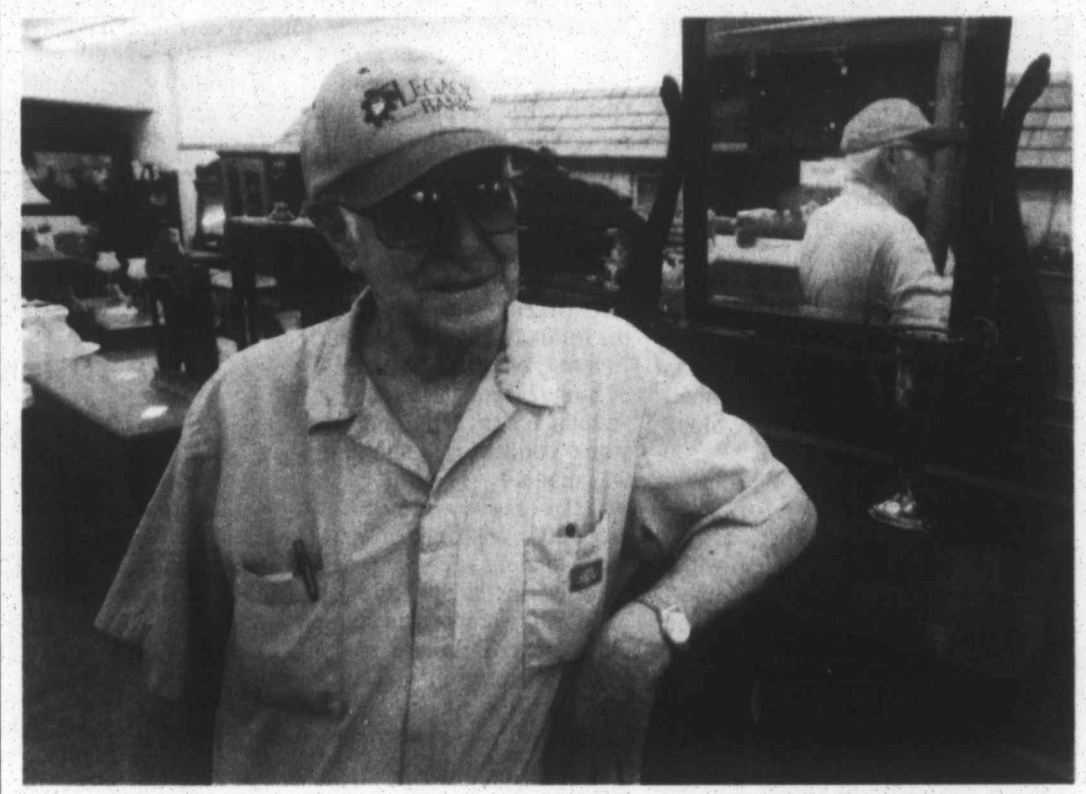
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## NEW STORE HAS OLD ROOTS



staff photo by David Bowser

Once a woman's clothing store, Dub Clement's shop on Cuyler is now filled with antiques.

## Antique shop owner doing what he loves

BY DAVID BOWSER  
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Sitting just inside the door of a new downtown antique shop on Cuyler is an old shoe shine stand.

"I bought a bunch of things out of the old Childress Hotel," said E.W. "Dub" Clement. "It'd been closed for years. I went over there, and that's one of those things that I bought out of that old hotel."

After buying it, Clement refinished it as he does with a lot of the antiques he has in his new store, The Antique Shop, in the 200 block of Cuyler.

Squeezed in the old Gilbert's store on Cuyler are headboards, dressers, bookcases, beveled mirrors, washstands, two old iceboxes, tables and desks. There are several roll top desks, including a lady's roll top. There's one desk made from an organ.

"A friend of mine made that for me," Clement said.

Along one wall is an old console radio.

With a broad grin, he said it worked until he bought it.

Clement, who is originally from Wellington, started moving into his Cuyler Street location last November.

"We bought a home here in September," he said.

His brother, Guy Clement, used to live in Pampa. "He worked for Culberson-Stowers Chevrolet for 34 years here," Clement said. "His wife, Gwen, still lives here."

Clement retired from education after spending 30 years in the school district at Wellington -- everything from custodian to superintendent,

he laughed -- and another 10 years as federal programs director for the Mangum, Okla., school district.

"I started at Wellington," he said, "teaching and coaching, and I ended up as superintendent."

Clement had an antique store in Mangum. "I had a woman that ran it for me," he said.

Clement said she and her husband had run a grocery store in Mangum and had retired. The woman's husband died, and she was living in the back of the store. Clement rented the front of the store for his antique business.

After about a year, he asked her if she'd be willing to run the store for him.

"She ran it for 17 years," Clement said. "She's one of the finest ladies that ever walked the face of the earth."

She taught Sunday school at the Baptist Church in Mangum for 52 years. She was 88 before she gave up the store.

"She always worked on commission," Clement said. She lived to be 91.

"We sold out our property in Mangum," Clement said. That's when he and his wife moved to Pampa and found the old Gilbert's store on Cuyler. "I understand it was a woman's store for years and years," Clement said of his new location.

He said he's always enjoyed antiques.

"I kind of dabbled in them in Wellington just for the fun of it," Clement said.

He said most of the furniture in his home is antique.

"This is my thing," he said, motioning to the antiques around him in his new shop. "I enjoy doing it."

## Search for police chief continues

BY DAVID BOWSER  
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Letters will go out today to the remaining applicants for Pampa Police Chief.

City Manager Richard Morris said after an extended meeting Thursday afternoon with Assistant City Manager Shane Stokes that they had narrowed the list to seven.

"We're sending off letters to those we want additional information from," Morris said.

He said that the city initially had gotten 41 applications.

"Essentially," Morris said, "they were from all over the U.S."

He said they had really gone through an extensive review of the applicants this week.

"We have not set a timeline," Morris said. "We're continuing to work on it."

Eventually, he said he plans to narrow the selection down to two or three before interviewing prospective candidates.

Morris commended Interim Police Chief Donny Brown, noting that Brown already had other duties and that the additional responsibilities as head of the department had increased Brown's workload.

"He's had to put in a lot of hours," Morris said.

## C C names wind energy program coordinator

Officials at Clarendon College have named Donny Cagle as the new Wind Energy Program Coordinator and Instructor.

He began his new duties this week in the college's new Wind Energy Program.

Cagle has a background in renewable energy and most recently worked with the Alternative Energy Institute at West Texas A&M University in Canyon, in cooperation with the US Department of Agriculture Research Service in Bushland, Texas.

"We are very excited to have Donny in this position," Dr. Debra Kuhl, Dean of Instruction, said. "He is going to be a tremendous asset to the College."

"My goal is to train successful wind technicians and help them find work in the industry," Cagle said. "I want to help people take advantage of the opportunities this industry has available and use their skills to advance themselves."

Cagle graduated from West Texas A&M University with a Bachelor's degree in Engineering Technology in 2005. He will graduate with a Master's degree in Engineering Technology in December from WTAMU.

## Palo Duro Canyon State Park marks 75th anniversary

Boz Scaggs concert, free park admission highlight special weekend

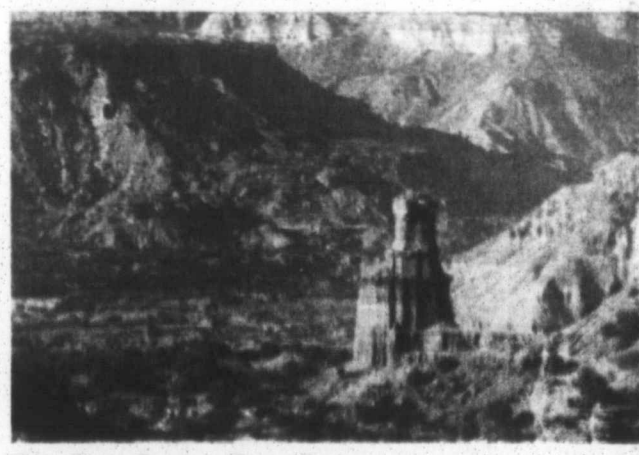
CANYON, TX—A park known to many as the "Grand Canyon of Texas" and beloved by generations who have visited its landmark features celebrates 75 years as a popular Panhandle travel destination near Amarillo, with special events and activities scheduled for the weekend of July 4-5.

To celebrate the 75th anniversary, the park is offering free admission to all visitors, waiving the customary \$5 per-person adult admission fee (children ages 12 and younger are always free). The park will also host a number of activities such as nature hikes and wildlife viewing tours along some of the park's numerous nature trails.

Highlighting the weekend's festivities will be a special edition of the musical drama "Texas" on the evening of July 4—including extra fireworks and music to honor the Fourth of July tradition—and a concert by Boz Scaggs and his band the evening of July 5. Both events are scheduled for the park's Pioneer Amphitheater. A portion of the proceeds from the concert will benefit the Partners in Palo

Duro Canyon Foundation and the Texas Panhandle Heritage Foundation.

"Palo Duro Canyon has been important to everyone who has lived here, going back some 12,000 years," said park superintendent Randy Ferris. "From prehistoric man to the Comanche and Kiowa peoples, who considered it a sacred place, to ranchers who brought livestock here because of the water. In the 1930s, the Civilian Conservation Corp came here to restore access to this place and help build the economy. Everywhere you look, Lighthouse Rock



Palo Duro Canyon State Park is an icon to this region; to escape from our busy lives. You can still drive people even name local businesses in honor of it. Now, Palo Duro Canyon State Park gives us a place to escape from our busy lives. You can still drive into the canyon, and imagine you are the first person ever to discover it."

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## PAMPA FORECAST

Friday	Saturday	Sunday
High 48 Low 28	High 56 Low 31	High 54 Low 26

**Friday:** Mostly cloudy, with a high near 90. South wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.  
**Friday Night:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before 1 a.m. Partly cloudy, with a low around 65. Windy, with a south wind between 15 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.  
**Saturday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 91. Southwest wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.  
**Saturday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 66. South southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.  
**Sunday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 88. West southwest wind 5 to 10 mph increasing to between 15 and 20 mph. Winds could gust as high as 30 mph.  
**Sunday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 61. West wind between 5 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

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## Lotto Texas numbers

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night:  
 • Winning numbers drawn: 2-18-32-43-48-50.  
 • Number matching six of six: 0.  
 • Number matching five of six: 23. Prize: \$1,632.  
 • Number matching four of six: 905. Prize: \$61.  
 • Number matching three of six: 19,176. Prize: \$3.  
 • Estimated jackpot for Saturday night drawing: \$12 million.

## Cash Five Texas results

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Results of the Cash 5 drawing Wednesday night:  
 • Winning numbers drawn: 4-7-16-29-31.  
 • Number matching five of five: 0.  
 • Matching four of five: 69. Prize: \$527.  
 • Matching three of five: 2,618. Prize: \$10.  
 • Matching two of five: 26,067. Prize: \$2.  
 • Next Cash 5 drawing: Thursday night.

## Daily 4 results

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Wednesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order:  
 • 2-9-5-3. Sum It Up: 19  
 • (two, nine, five, three. Sum It Up: nineteen)

## Pick 3 results

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order:  
 • 5-8-1. Sum It Up: 14  
 • (five, eight, one. Sum It Up: fourteen)

## Case of condemned killer of 2 to get another look

HOUSTON (AP) — The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals on Wednesday sent back to a trial court the case of an East Texas man condemned for a cross-state murder spree that left two men dead.  
 • Attorneys for Clinton Lee Young questioned what they said was false testimony presented by prosecutors and a failure by prosecutors to produce evidence favorable to Young at his 2003 trial in Midland. Young's lawyers also argued that some evidence was improperly suppressed.  
 • In each instance Young's constitutional rights were violated, they contended.  
 • In a brief order Wednesday, the appeals court remanded the case to the trial court in Midland County to examine the allegations. Two other challenges raised by Young's

lawyers were rejected by the state's highest appeals court.  
 • The same court in 2005 upheld Young's conviction and death sentence and the U.S. Supreme Court a year later refused to review the case. Another appeal to the Court of Criminal Appeals also was rejected in 2006.  
 • The most recent appeal was filed in April.  
 • Young, 25, from Ore City, was convicted of the 2001 fatal shootings of Samuel Petrey, 52, of Eastland, and Doyle Douglas, 41, of Ore City.  
 • Testimony showed Young, who was 18 at the time of the slayings, killed Petrey in a Midland oil-field after carjacking him the night before in a grocery store parking lot in Eastland, about 200 miles east of Midland.

## Obituaries There are no obituaries today

### Emergency Services

**PAMPA PD**  
**MONDAY**  
 Harassment was reported in the 1800 block of north Nelson, and the 900 block of north Wells.

A stolen vehicle report was made on the 1300 block of north Price road, and in the 2100 block of north Williston.

Fraud was reported in the 900 block of east Francis.

A prowler was reported in the 2100 block of north Russell.

Tuesday  
 No animal control calls were made on this date.

Officers conducted two traffic stops.

A suspicious person was reported at the intersection of Kingsmill and Hobart streets, the 1000 block of north Duncan, the 300 block of north Warren, at the intersection of Tyng and Starkweather, at the intersection of Browning and Cuyler, and the intersection of Browning and Wynne streets.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 800 block of north Wells.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 800 block of north Russell.

A prowler was reported in the 1800 block of north Hamilton.

Pampa Police Department responded to the following calls between 7 a.m. Tuesday, June 2 and 7 a.m. Wednesday, June 3.

**T u e s d a y**  
 A total of 13 calls and/or stops concerning animals was made. Officers conducted 14 traffic stops.

A false alarm was reported in the 2100 block of north Perryton Parkway. An offense against family and children was reported in the 400 block of north Red Deer street.

A civil matter was reported in the 500 block of Montague, the 500 block of south Barnes, and in the 400 block of north Purviance.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1600 block of north Sumner where a window was broken worth an estimated \$200, and the 500 block of north Yeager where a tire was slashed worth an estimated \$100 value.

Theft was reported in the 1300 block of north Mary Ellen where a wallet with contents was stolen worth an estimated \$100, the 500 block of north Dwight where a bicycle was stolen, the 1000 block of east Frederic, and in the 800 block of north Dwight.

Forgery by check was reported in the lobby of the PPD with a loss of \$683. Harassment was reported in the lobby of PPD.

Suspicious persons were reported at the intersection of Gillespie and Brown streets, 300 block of west Brown, at the intersection of Foster and Gillespie, and in the 700 block of east Kentucky. An automobile accident was reported in the 700 block of east Kentucky, the intersection of Sumner and Eighteenth street, and in the 2100 block of north Dogwood. Criminal trespass was reported in the 100 block of south Russell. Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1400 block of west Somerville.

Pampa Police Department responded to the following calls between 7 a.m. Wednesday, June 3 and 7 a.m. Thursday, June 4.

**W e d n e s d a y**  
 8:52 a.m.— One unit and four personnel responded

to the 300 block of Miami street on a medical assist.

**Thursday**  
 8:06 a.m.— One unit and one personnel reported to the 1900 block of north Hobart for a fire prevention training.

7:14 p.m.— One unit and three personnel responded to an automobile accident in the 200 block of east Francis. Wednesday

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**FIRE**  
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# Pickens left indelible mark on Obama

**JEFF LATZKE**  
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WRITER

**OKLAHOMA CITY (AP)** — With a black Sharpie marker, T. Boone Pickens mapped out for Barack Obama the way to U.S. energy independence — right there on a white tablecloth.

It was a demonstration he wouldn't soon forget. After Pickens' wife encountered Obama at a function this week in Las Vegas, she relayed word that the president was still astounded by her husband's indelible markings.

But as he tours the country promoting his "Pickens Plan," the Texas billionaire is confident that Obama has done more than just remember his plea. He believes the president will make great strides this year in formulating an energy plan that is less reliant on countries that aren't friendly with the U.S.

"I know the man understands the problem and I

know that he knows the solution, and I know that that's the direction we're headed and you are going to see this year the most progressive, monumental changes in energy policy in America you have ever seen," Pickens said Wednesday during a speech at a downtown Oklahoma City hotel.

"It's going to affect your life, mine, all of us in America."

Pickens used his speech at the annual Sovereignty Symposium to ask American Indians to support the construction of wind turbines and solar panels on tribal land as part of his goal to eliminate America's dependence on foreign oil. Pickens wants to convert the country's electrical supply to alternative sources like wind and solar power, which would then free up natural gas to fuel vehicles.

He said American Indians would be affected as wind farms spring up on

the Plains from Oklahoma to the Canadian border and as solar technology gets installed in Southwest states from Texas to California.

"This is going to affect you, too. ... I encourage you to look at it closely. Don't try to stop it. Work out the best deal you can for yourself and let it happen," Pickens said.

Stating matter-of-factly that he's "done a very good job of predicting the price of oil" to build his fortune over the years, Pickens said current energy policy has America headed toward importing 75 percent of its oil at a cost of \$300 per barrel by the year 2019. That would cost the U.S. more than \$2 trillion annually, Pickens said.

"That is not sustainable. It is not possible," Pickens said. "Something has to change."

Pickens has worked with members of Congress to propose a bill outlining the plan he has been promot-

ing since last summer with a series of town hall meetings across the country.

"We have to get our oar in the water. We have to make something happen. We have got to start getting on our own resources," Pickens said.

"It's way too easy and way too dangerous to continue to rely on the enemy for our resources. We cannot do that. And I do believe that this is teed up for President Obama. It's a big, fat ball sitting on a tee for him and I think he's going to knock it out of the park."

Pickens said that during his 90-minute meeting with Obama in August, the future president discussed his preference to use battery technology to power vehicles. Pickens said he explained to Obama that natural gas was the only American resource that could power an 18-wheeler.

"Natural gas is cleaner, it's cheaper, it's ours

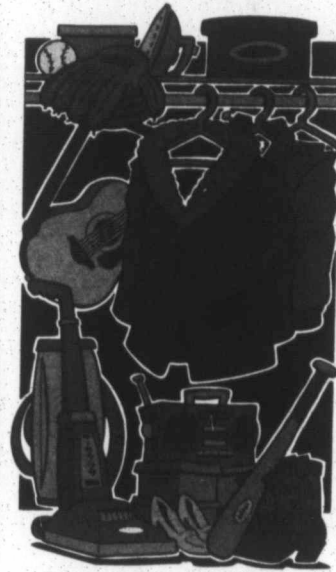
and it's abundant. Lucky break for us," Pickens said. "Lucky break. A window of opportunity, and I'm convinced this administration will not let that window close without us getting through it. We are going to have this happen."

Pickens also predicted that oil prices, which fell to \$66.12 per barrel on Wednesday, would reach \$75 by the end of the year and consumers would again see \$3-per-gallon gasoline.

"Now the price of gasoline has gone down, but the dependency features still exist, so it's a security problem for us more than it is an economic problem," Pickens said. "So, today, we're importing just as much oil as we did a year ago."

"The No. 1 problem we have is security," he added. "There's no question that we're buying oil from the enemy and we're paying for both sides of a war."

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## Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

**DEAR ABBY:** Please tell "Thrifty Shopper in New Jersey" (Feb. 28) she can send coupons left over from her coupon swap to an overseas military base. Several organizations on base, including the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society ([www.nmcrs.org](http://www.nmcrs.org)) and the Fleet and Family Support Centers, collect and distribute coupons.

Because of the costs of living overseas, coupons can be vital to military families. Thank you, Abby, for your support of us throughout the years. -- NAVY WIFE IN JAPAN

**DEAR NAVY WIFE:** No, thank you for the valuable information. Readers, the Defense Commissary Agency (DeCA) recommends that people not send coupons that are more than three months beyond their expiration date. Manufacturers require commissaries to return coupons within six months of expiration. Coupons older than six months by the time they make it to the manufacturer will not be honored. Therefore, the value of the coupon comes out of the commissary budget. Read on:

**DEAR ABBY:** There's a wonderful Web site called the Overseas Coupon Program. On this site, people can adopt a military base in the branch of service and location of their choice. It's a very easy way to help military personnel and their families. For details, go to [ocpnet.org](http://ocpnet.org). -- LINDA L., WINNSBORO, TEXAS

**DEAR ABBY:** Suggest that nice lady offer the coupons on FreeCycle.org. It is a listing board for unwanted or unneeded

items. Its purpose is to keep things out of landfills. Listing is free, and all the items must be free. She can join the group in her area and maybe it will start a trend of coupon sharing. In these times of money woes, we can all benefit by saving some money at the grocery store.

Thanks for all the years of enjoyment, Abby. I am glad my first time writing to you isn't because I have a problem, but to help someone. God bless! -- L.B. IN NANUET, N.Y.

**DEAR ABBY:** "Thrifty" should visit [www.afullcup.com](http://www.afullcup.com). It's a large group of online coupon swappers that lists hundreds of online coupons as well as runs swaps

via "snail" mail. They also offer information for people who want to learn how to use coupons to their fullest potential. That way, "Thrifty Shopper" can expand her swap and also find herself some great deals. -- JODY S., PENGILLY, MINN.

**DEAR ABBY:** Since military families overseas don't have much access to coupons like we do here and because prices are so high overseas, coupons are very much appreciated.

Many military groups such as the Marine Corps League, American Legion and VFW, and service organizations such as Kiwanis, Rotary and not to mention church groups, senior centers, etc. around

the country have coupon projects in which they collect coupons from within the community and send them to military bases overseas.

"Thrifty Shopper" should inquire within her local community to see if there is a group involved in such a program. I am the coordinator for our local Marine Corps League coupon project. We have a Web site that gives more information, including how anyone can start a project in their own community. Visit [www.couponproject.zoomshare.com](http://www.couponproject.zoomshare.com) for more information. -- L. PARKINSON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

**Sudoku**

Answer to yesterday's

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# Viewpoints

## Today in History

Today is Thursday, June 4, the 155th day of 2009. There are 210 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On June 4, 1942, the Pacific Battle of Midway began during World War II; three days later, American naval forces claimed a decisive victory over the Japanese.

On this date:

In 1783, the Montgolfier brothers first publicly demonstrated their hot-air balloon, which did not carry any passengers, over Annonay, France.

In 1892, the Sierra Club was incorporated in San Francisco.

In 1896, Henry Ford made a successful pre-dawn test run of his horseless carriage, called a "quadricycle," through the streets of Detroit.

In 1919, Congress approved the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution guaranteeing citizens the

right to vote regardless of their gender, and sent it to the states for ratification.

In 1939, the German ocean liner St. Louis, carrying more than 900 Jewish refugees from Germany, was turned away from the Florida coast by U.S. officials.

In 1940, the Allied military evacuation

"Reputation is a bubble which a man bursts when he tries to blow it for himself."

— Emma Carleton, American journalist

from Dunkirk, France, ended.

In 1989, Chinese army troops stormed Beijing to crush a pro-democracy movement, killing hundreds, possibly thousands, of people.

Five years ago: A powerful bomb blast ripped through a crowded outdoor market in central Russia, killing at least 11 people. President George W. Bush nominated former Missouri Sen. John Danforth to be America's U.N. ambassador.

One year ago: Barack Obama, having clinched the Democratic presidential nomination, picked Caroline Kennedy to help him choose a running mate. Police in Hartford, Conn., released a surveillance video showing a 78-year-old man being struck by a hit-and-run driver on a busy city street and being ignored by most passers-by. (The victim, Angel Acre Torres, was removed from life support on May 11, 2009.) The Detroit Red Wings won the Stanley Cup for the fourth time in 11 seasons with a 3-2 victory over the Pittsburgh Penguins in Game 6 of the finals.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Bruce Dern is 73. Musician Roger Ball is 65. Actress-singer Michelle Phillips is 65. Jazz musician Anthony Braxton is 64. Singer Gordon Waller (Peter and Gordon) is 64. Rock musician Danny Brown (The Fixx) is 58. Actor Parker Stevenson is 57. Actor Keith David is 53. Actress Julie Gholson is 51. Actor Eddie Velez is 51. Singer-musician El DeBarge is 48. Actress Julie White is 48. Tennis player Andrea Jaeger is 44. Actor Scott Wolf is 41. Comedian Horatio Sanz is 40. Actor Noah Wyle is 38. Rock musician Stefan Lessard (The Dave Matthews Band) is 35. Actor-comedian Russell Brand is 34. Actress Angelina Jolie is 34. Rock musician JoJo Garza (Los Lonely Boys) is 29. Model Bar Refaeli is 24. Rock musician Zac Farro is 19.



## Asampling of Texaseditorial opinion

The Dallas Morning News on Straus as the new Speaker of the Texas House:

The story that beat all others in the 2009 Texas Legislature is the emergence of Joe Straus as speaker of the House.

Gov. Rick Perry and Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst naturally had their share of the spotlight, focusing on policies from school standards to voter identification. But it was the emergence of their younger, untested colleague that mattered above all else. And more often than not, the newcomer ran the chamber with a steady hand.

In fact, until the House's rendezvous with the voter ID bill over the Memorial Day weekend, Straus' leadership of the rambunctious chamber had been as flawless as one could expect from a freshman speaker. Democrats had few complaints, and most Republicans liked the way their even-handed colleague ran the show. Six years of Tom Craddick's tight control of the House had left most members ready for a change.

The soft-spoken Straus, a centrist Republican from San Antonio, supplanted it. He had been a state representative for only two full terms and becoming speaker for this session could not have been on his mind for long. He emerged as a possible candidate only after disaffected members settled on him as their lead challenger to the sharply conservative Craddick a few days before the '09 session began.

The background is important because Straus easily could have failed. He did not. He figured out how to run the House, which is about as easy as learning how to drive a train as it hurtles down the tracks.

This story, from a Democrat no less, best illustrates Straus' smooth work: The committee the Democrat was serving on

was struggling with an issue. Members decided they should seek guidance from "upper management," meaning Straus and his team.

What happened next was revealing: The speaker told committee members to work it out themselves. That was far from standard operating procedure in the Craddick years, but Straus believes committees should have the freedom to come up with their own solutions.

Unfortunately, letting the process follow its own course can have its casualties, depending whom you give authority to shape policy. Straus guaranteed the defeat of the local-option transportation plan by the team he put in place. That blew the best opportunity in this lawmaking session to fight urban traffic congestion. Ironically, he told this newspaper's editorial board in February that he believes transportation in Texas is underfunded. His instincts were right on this problem, but he did nothing to steer the House toward a solid solution.

This points to the challenge that will come if Straus is elected speaker again in 2011. Speakers aren't just supposed to keep the trains on track; as the House leader, he also has an obligation to pursue policies that are best for the state. Speaker Straus has the next 18 months to work on that part of his approach to governing.

Over the last five months, he mostly proved himself in his hurried debut, which makes his performance the story of this session. How well he scores in a second term depends upon how he matches his commitment to fairness in the House with good policies for the state.

Austin American-Statesman on close watches of Sen. John Cornyn and U.S. Supreme Court nominee Sonia Sotomayor: U.S. Sen. John Cornyn,

R-Texas, is absolutely right when he asserts that the confirmation of Sonia Sotomayor to the nation's highest court should be a rigorous one.

He could have gone a step farther and added that the confirmation process should be a fair one. Cornyn, however, fell into the attack launched by his party's ultraconservative wing, which took great umbrage at comments attributed to the U.S. Supreme Court nominee a federal appeals court judge in New York that were quite provocative.

First, the ultraconservatives say, Sotomayor said somewhere that judges make policy.

Gasp! Before calling for the defibrillators, those taking offense at Sotomayor's supposed comments might want to read Plessy v. Ferguson or Brown v. Board of Education. Or, closer to home or much more recently, the Texas 3rd Court of Appeals decisions that stood both law and common sense on its head by declaring in a campaign finance case that the definition of "funds" did not include checks.

If all that musty reading is just too much bother, they might want to quote Sotomayor accurately or in full context.

She did say appeals courts are where policy is made, but she was quick to add: "I'm not promoting it, and I'm not advocating it ... The court of appeals is where, before the Supreme Court makes the final decision, the law is percolating. Its interpretation, its application."

Like it or not, she accurately explained a portion of the role of judiciary under that treasured system of checks and balances.

Legislatures are not sacrosanct, and neither are laws they write. Legislation is written by human beings making compromises that are sometimes downright ugly. The judiciary is there

to check that rights are not trampled during the deal making.

The other comment that caused a stir in the ultra-right bullpen paraphrased Sotomayor as saying her Latina upbringing makes her a better judge than a white male. Sotomayor's parents moved to New York from Puerto Rico.

What she said was this: "Gender and national origins may and will make a difference in our judging." But wait, there's more. She paraphrased a fellow woman jurist, who, Sotomayor said, "believes that judges must transcend their personal sympathies and prejudices and aspire to achieve a greater degree of fairness and integrity based on the reason of law."

Which should put her pretty much in sync with what Cornyn says he's looking for. Cornyn's comments are significant because of his ascendancy in the Republican Senate leadership and his seat on the Judiciary Committee.

Cornyn will also be watched closely during the confirmation process because his home state is rich with Latino voters. Gratuitous insults will further alienate Latinos from the Republican Party.

Cornyn said he wants the confirmation process to allow Sotomayor "to prove herself to possess the impartiality, integrity, legal expertise and judicial temperament" of a Supreme Court justice.

She did just that by defending the right of a police employee in New York to send "patently offensive, hateful and insulting" racist communications on his free time. She was on the losing end of the decision, but she wrote that "concerns about race relations in the community" should not trump "the centrality of the First Amendment in our lives" when government is "confronted with speech it does not like."

Others have questioned her intellectual capacity for the job. Sotomayor was at the top of her class at Princeton and was an editor at the Yale Law Journal and was appointed to the bench by President George H.W. Bush.

Barring some earth-shaking development, there's no reason that Sotomayor won't survive a fair and unbiased review. Cornyn plays a huge role in setting the tone. Let's hope he sets the right one.

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## EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

• **Miami's 60<sup>th</sup> Annual National Cow Calling Contest** will be held June 5-7 in the Robert's county park on highway 60.

• **The Wolf Creek Improvement Board will be hosting a Children's Fishing Tournament at Lake Fryer on Saturday, June 6, 2009.** Registration will begin at 8 a.m. at the gazebo on the north shore of the lake. There will be a \$1.00/contestant registration fee with all proceeds dedicated for improvements to the lake. The first 220 contestants will receive a free registration bag including a fishing pole and T-shirt. However, last year we had more contestants than fishing poles so anyone who has a fishing pole is encouraged to bring theirs as backup!! Saturday is a free fishing day for all ages so no permits will be needed. The tournament ends at 12:00 noon with prizes awarded at 1 p.m. Prizes will be awarded in three age groups: ages 1-5, ages 6-10, and ages 11-14. Additional "All Ages" prizes will be awarded for

First Fish Caught, Largest Fish, Smallest Fish, First Turtle, Most Unusual Thing Found In The Park, and the Contestant Who Traveled The Furthest. A special category prize will be given for anyone 80 or over assisting a contestant. For further information please contact Kay Allison at Allegiance Communications 806-435-3231 during business hours or Jan Hickey at 806-435-3249.

• **Gray County Genealogical Society** will hold their monthly meeting at 7 p.m. the fourth Monday of each month, except for December. Visitors are welcome.

• **T.O.P.S. Club**, a weight loss group, is seeking new members. The club meets from 5:30-6:30 p.m. each Monday at 513 E. Francis. New members welcome.

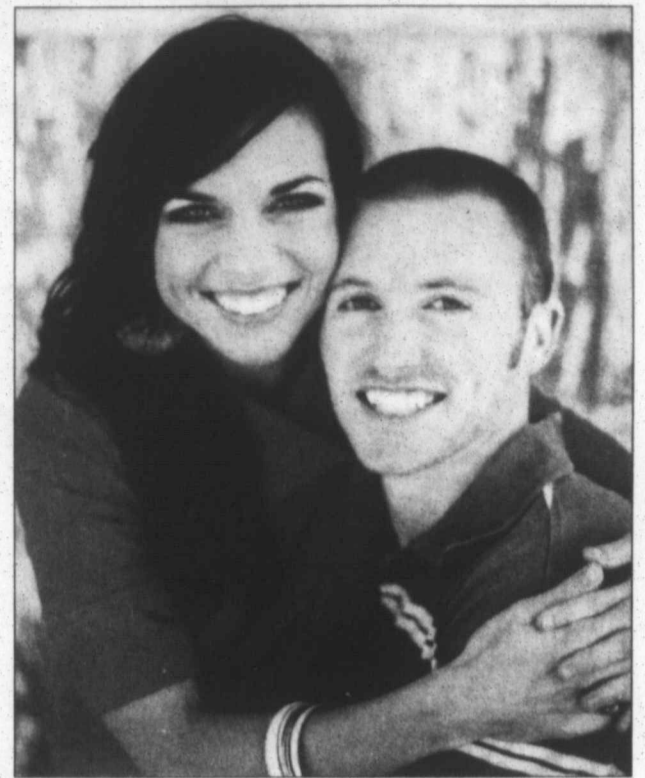
• **T.O.P.S. Club**, a weight loss group, meets at 11:30 a.m. at noon each Monday at St. Paul's Methodist Church, 511 N. Hobart.

## Whisenhunt, Covalt to wed

Monte and Laura Covalt of Pampa are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Abbi to Cole Whisenhunt of Lubbock.

The couple will exchange vows at The Legacy in Lubbock on July 18. The bride-elect is a 2004 graduate of Pampa High School and a 2008 graduate of Texas Tech University with a bachelor's degree in communication studies. She is currently studying dental hygiene at Amarillo College.

The groom is the son of Joe and DeAnn Etridge of Brady. He is a 2004 graduate of Brady High School and a 2008 graduate of Texas Tech University with a bachelor's degree in business.



Altrusa International, Inc. of Pampa, Texas officers for 2009-2010 are Barb Hahn, Outgoing President; Kerrick Horton, President; Judy Warner, Director; Mary McDaniel, Parliamentarian; Rochelle Lacy, Corresponding Secretary; Allison Watson, Treasurer; Tiffany Qualls, Director; Kitty Hall, Recording Secretary and Eileen Kludt, Director. Not pictured: Terry Gamblin, Vice President and Annette Chase, Foundation Treasurer.

## Altrusa holds annual installation

ALTRUSA INTERNATIONAL, INC. OF PAMPA, TEXAS met May 26, 2009 at Pampa Senior Center for the annual Installation Banquet. Members were greeted and escorted by Monty Nelson, Jeff Boyd, Jason Bagwell, Benny Horton, and Rev. Kenny Rigoulot. Meredith Bagwell and Valerie Hill served as hostesses.

Mary McDaniel conducted a new member initiation ceremony for Tracy Bruce and Nicole Routh.

President Barb Hahn reported on the awards won by the club at the District Conference held in April

in Temple, Texas. The following awards were given:

First place - Yearbook  
First place - Mamie L. Bass for the Children's Christmas Shopping Tour  
Recognition for ABC Book Boxes and Altrusa website

Perfect Attendance awards were also given to the following members: Jennifer Brumley, Terry Gamblin, Kerrick Horton, Myrna Orr, Tiffany Qualls, Barb Hahn, Mary McDaniel, Leona Willis, Terri Williams, Ruby Royle and Pat Johnson.

Brenda Tucker installed the new

club officers for 2009-2010 using Hollywood stars as a theme.

Barb Hahn gave the president's report over the past year's projects and passed the gavel and pin to the new president, Kerrick Horton.

The new president announced her theme "Stars of Service Lighting the Way" and her goals for the next year. Horton then presented the past presidents pin and plaque to the outgoing president, Barb Hahn.

The next meeting will be held June 12 at noon at First United Methodist Church.

## Surgeon finally gets bachelor's degree

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — The achievements of Dr. David Lichtman's 43-year medical career may seem impressive since he's a specialized surgeon, a retired U.S. Navy rear admiral and a former commander of the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Md.

One thing Lichtman, now chairman of the orthopedics department at the University of North Texas Health Science Center and the JPS Health Network, couldn't claim was an undergraduate degree.

Tufts University near Boston recently resolved the quirk in his curriculum vitae by granting him a bachelor's degree in chemistry and biology without his ever returning to the classroom.

Lichtman, 67, jokes that his years of cumulative experience as a surgeon — including treating returning Vietnam War veterans — must be the equivalent of one year's schooling at Tufts.

"I didn't think I needed a bachelor's degree because I figured I was going to graduate from medical school," he said. "But because it went unfinished, I used to have dreams that I went back to Tufts."


Linda Dixon, secretary to the board of trustees at Tufts and a classmate of Lichtman's, said the uni-

versity decided to award him a four-year degree after hearing the story of how he didn't get his degree and getting several glowing letters of recommendation. The school has done this in only a few

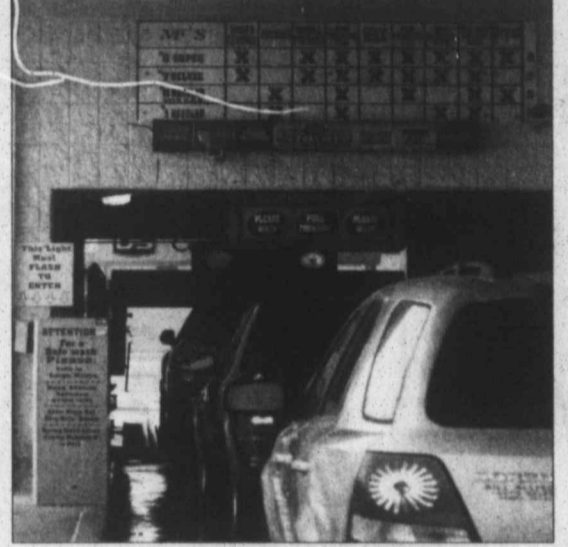
cases. "There are a handful of individuals like Dr. Lichtman who would lead very exemplary lives and many years later they or their children would think, 'Gosh, it would be great to

finish that degree,' " she said.

"This is very unusual. But I'm sure Dr. Lichtman is very deserving since he was granted the degree," Dixon said.



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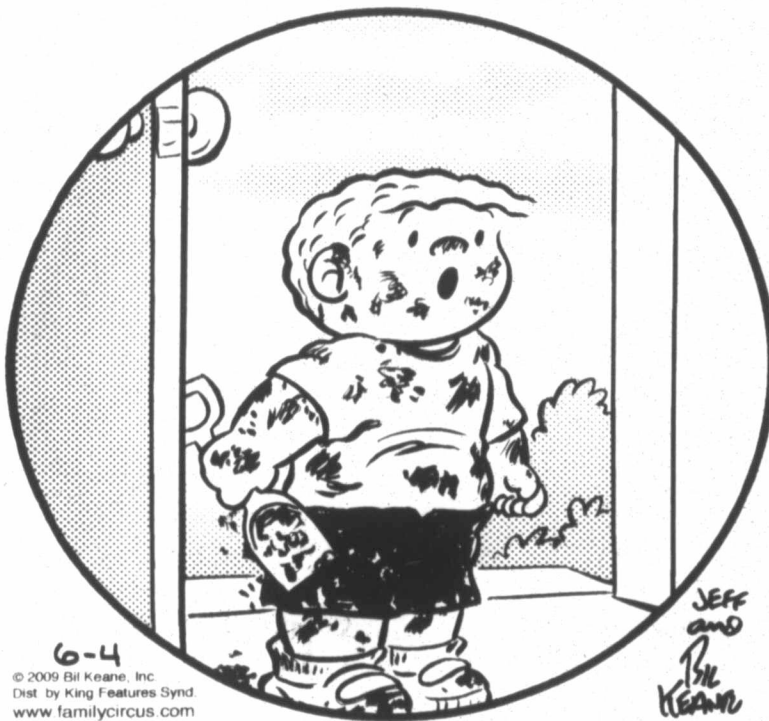
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"Marm, I wasn't done lecturing you."

## THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



"Mommy, was tonight gonna be a bath night?"

## For Better Or Worse



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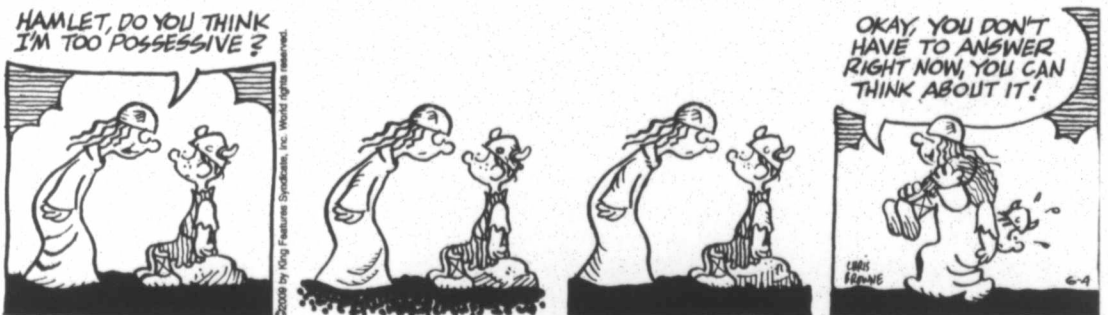
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Flo & Friends



## Daily Crossword Puzzle

### CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

#### ACROSS DOWN

- 1 Unbending man!
- 6 Toss around
- 11 Came up type
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- 13 Perry's assistant
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- 25 Double play duo
- 26 John Travolta movie
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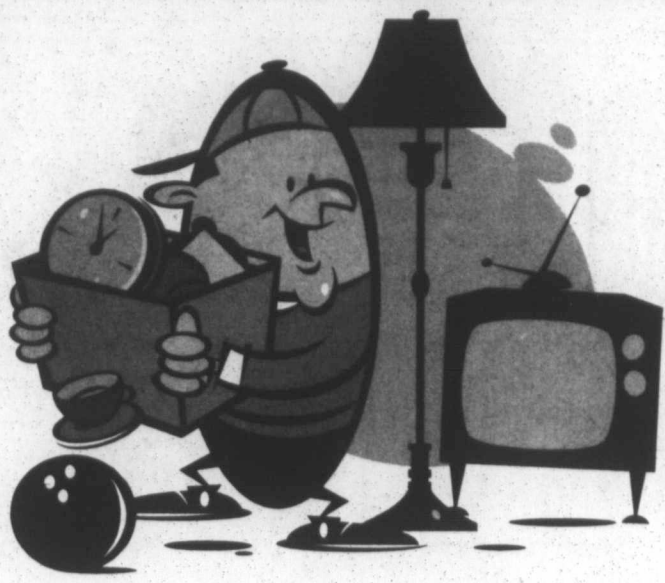
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#### Yesterday's answer

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- 21 Gyllenhaal
- 22 Boosted
- 23 To this point
- 24 "Unforgettable" singer
- 25 Be in the red
- 26 Public speakers
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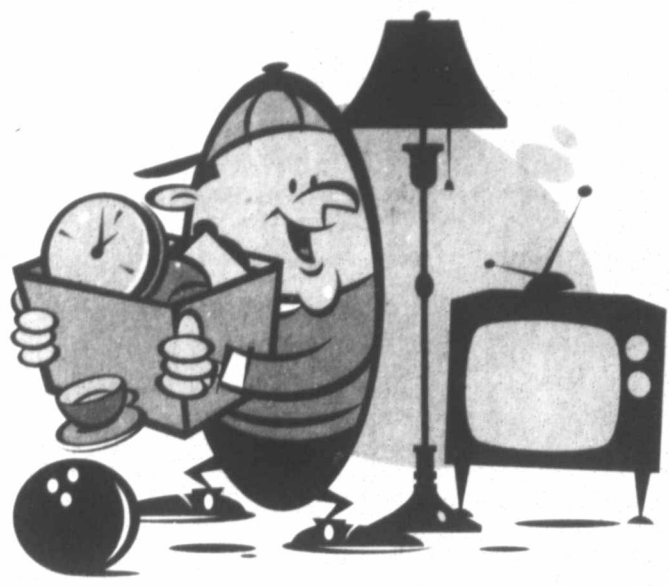


# Hunt for Treasures

## The Pampa News' City Wide Garage Sale Guide

Come away with a lot more than you bargained for with these local garage sale listings.

<p><b>Sale Under Carport</b> 1234 S. Hobart Friday 8-6 Sat 8-7 Furniture, Junior clothing, Vanity table, Lots of misc.</p>	<p><b>1910 Mary Ellen</b> Sat. 8-7 Boys clothes sz 8-12, Girls clothes sz 0-6, Treadmill, Kitchen stuff, Toys, Electric Guitar, Psp, Lots of Misc.</p>	<p><b>Garage Sale</b> 2309 Alcock Sat June 6th 9am-7 (Dales Automotive Bldg) Dinning Room Set, Desk, Clothes, &amp; Lots of Misc.</p>	<p><b>Backyard Sale</b> 604 Powell Sat only 8-7 Men/Women clothing, Baby bed, Port-a-crib, Hideaway Couch, Bed Spreads, Dog House, Computer Mon, Tools, Trailer Hitches, Luggage and Many more!</p>
<p><b>Garage Sale:</b> 1140 Farley Sat 8-7 Furn., Big screen TV, Crafts, Household, Saddle, lots of misc.</p>	<p><b>1608 Evergreen</b> Sat only 9am-7 Ambercrombie &amp; Fitch, &amp; many cool teenager &amp; college clothes w/ tags still on them. Major garage clean out! Everything goes cheap! Come see our Bargains!</p>	<p><b>Garage Sale</b> 2401 Duncan June 6th Sat 8am-7 Furniture, Freezer, baby items, clothes, home decor, and lots of misc.</p>	<p><b>Huge Moving Sale- Everything Must Go</b> 1841 Grape Lane Sat June 6th 9am-7 TV Stand, Washer/ Dryer, Refrigerator, Bedroom Suite, Heat Exchanger, TV, Queen Bedding, Desk, Clothing, Travel Trailer, Misc.</p>
<p><b>Garage Sale:</b> Schneider House 120 S. Russell Sat 8-4 Dolls, Clothes, Home furnishings, Electronics, Misc.</p>	<p><b>2107 N. Nelson</b> Sat. 8-2 Girls clothes sz 2-5, boys sz inf.-6, kitchen items, storm doors, decor, womens clothes, toys, full bed frame, vacuum, storm windows, lots more!</p>	<p><b>Garage Sale</b> 1529 N. Zimmers Saturday 8-7 Furniture &amp; Misc. items.</p>	<p><b>Flea Market</b> 105 N. Cuyler Sat 9-4 Sun 10-3 Everything but the flea for sale.</p>
<p><b>721 W. Wilks</b> Friday 8-6 &amp; Sat 8-6 Tools, Kids toys, Picture frames, Antiques, Books &amp; Misc.</p>	<p><b>2310 Royal</b> (1 block S. of Hwy. 152 on S. Price Rd.) Fri 12-6, Sat 8-2 Moved and We Have Lots of Everything!</p>	<p><b>Garage Sale</b> 1509 N. Christy Sat. June 6th 8- noon Household, Blankets, Small Jr. Clothes, DVDs, Books</p>	<p><b>500 Red Deer</b> Fri &amp; Sat 8-6 Fishing stuff, pots/pans, 100 glass punch cups, books, afghans, picture frames, toys all kinds, folding table, 5 Box 30x30 shells, much more.</p>
<p><b>Garage Sale</b> 1811 Christine Sat 8-7 Lots of furniture and household items.</p>	<p><b>2300 Beech</b> Toddler clothes, Mens XL-38, Womens, Microwave, Odds &amp; Ends.</p>	<p><b>717 N. Faulkner</b> Sat. Girls clothes sz 8-12, some furniture, misc.</p>	<p><b>See Page 8 for even more great garage sale locations</b></p>



# Hunt for Treasures

## The Pampa News' City Wide Garage Sale Guide

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<p><b>Multi Family,</b> 1915 Williston, Sat 9-2 Car, Movies, Bookshelves, Car seat, Men's clothes, Blankets, Cookie jars, Antiques, Chair, Glassware, and more.</p>	<p><b>2564 Aspen</b> Fri &amp; Sat. 8-? Kids clothes, Violin, TV, Beanies, Furn., 16 ft Gooseneck stock trailer, etc.</p>	<p><b>1315 Wilks</b> Fri &amp; Sat 8-5 Large Garage Sale Travel Trailer &amp; Boat Lawn Mowers, Furn., Tools, Tires, Ford truck, 18 ft trailer, air cond., Woodchipper, Lots more.</p>	<p><b>1314 Mary Ellen St.</b> Small kitchen appl, bedding, vacuum cleaners, picture frames, furniture, clothes</p>
<p><b>3 Family Garage Sale.</b> 2206 Chestnut. Friday 3-6 Sat 8-? Kitchen table &amp; Chairs, Gas stove, 2 rocking chairs, Queen bed, clothes, household decor &amp; misc.</p>	<p><b>1615 Grape.</b> Sat 8-? Topper for Chevrolet Pickup, Bicycles, Clothing, &amp; Misc. Household Items</p>	<p><b>508 Wynne St.</b> Fri &amp; Sat 9am -3pm Computer parts, kids toys, kids clothes, books, and misc. <b>NO EARLY SALES!</b></p>	<p><b>2126 N. Russell</b> Furniture, Washer, Baby Items, Tons of Clothes-exc cond. Boys &amp; Girls, Womens, Misc.</p>
<p><b>2 Family Sale,</b> 2610 Navajo Sat 8- All is gone! Tons infant/tod girls clothes/shoes, toys, baby items, nice mens/womens clothes, shoes, maternity, fireplace set, books, DVD's, etc.</p>	<p><b>Huge Sale!</b> 905 S. Schneider Fri &amp; Sat 8-? Furn., over 1000 VCR movies, nice clothes-all 25 cents, chest freezer, too much to list!</p>	<p><b>Brookshire &amp; Friends Sale</b> Sat 8-4 Off Loop 171 &amp; the Overpass Ford motorhome, Ford A.R.E. brand topper, 87 Toyota motor &amp; parts, chrome p/u acc., windows, dishwasher, toys, speakers</p>	<p><b>3 Family Sale</b> East of Pampa on Loop 171-1/8 m. S. of Hwy 60 &amp; Loop 171 intersection. Fri &amp; Sat 8-? Sun 1-5 clothes, toys, Wii games, couch, desk, Wii console-needs repair, dishwasher, misc.</p>
<p><b>Garage Sale</b> 2619 Seminole Sat 8-12 King sz bed w/ built in night stands and mattress set, washer/dryer, girls sz 12-14 clothes, lots of misc.</p>	<p><b>SHEPHERD'S HELPING</b> Hands &amp; Shephard's Crook Home Health Community Flea Market/Garage Sale June 5th 916 N. Crest</p>	<p><b>3 Family Garage Sale</b> 1321 Charles Fri 5th &amp; Sat 6th 8am - 2pm Toys, clothes, furniture, and much more!</p>	<p><b>Multi Family Garage Sale:</b> 721 N. Faulkner Sat &amp; Sun 9am-? Piano, lotsa clothes, xtra nice plus size, ladies and girls, shoes, household goods and tons of misc. No Early Birds!</p>
<p><b>Moving Sale</b> 2703 Cherokee, Fri &amp; Sat 8-4pm Furniture &amp; lots of misc., washer/dryer, Everything under the sun!</p>	<p><b>Garage Sale</b> 1137 Sandlewood Sat 8am-? Furniture, tools, crafts and material.</p>	<p><b>Huge Yard Sale</b> 709 Sumner June 5th &amp; 6th 8:30 -? Plus-size clothes, crafts, misc., <b>NO EARLY BIRDS!</b></p>	<p><b>Garage/Estate Sale:</b> 604 &amp; 608 Jupiter Dr. Fri &amp; Sat 8am-? Oak Ent.Ctr, 31" JVC TV, quality ladies clothes sz 10, purses, shoes sz 5-5.5, nice home, holiday/yard decor, Americana &amp; Texas items &amp; More!</p>

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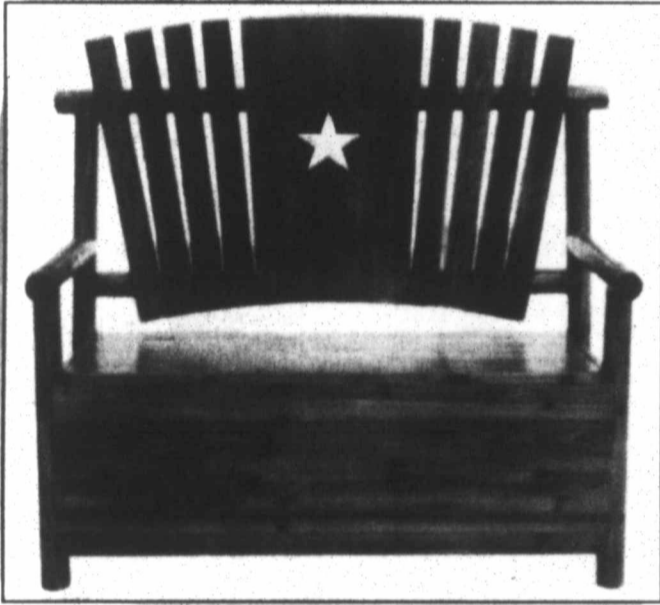
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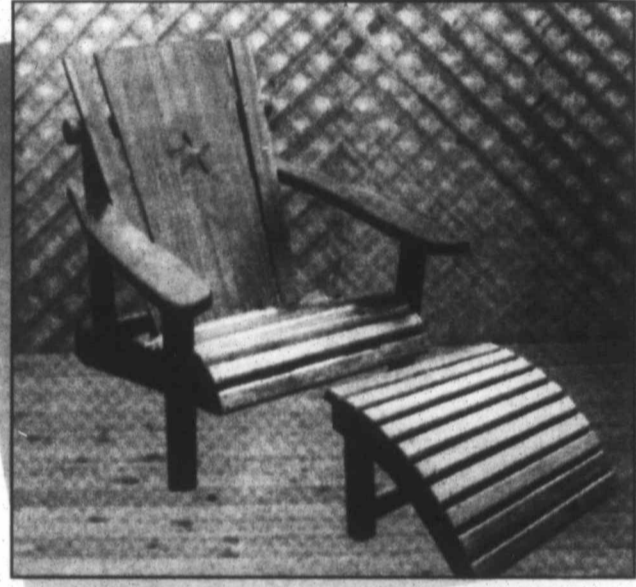
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