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West Texas

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stay afloat

VALENTINE, Texas (AP) - Albert

Miller drives an ancient, heavy-duty Ford

truck on a bumpy dirt road and talks about how his family tries to overcome a multitude of ranching hardships and

still cling to the cowboy culture and what

The truck is Miller's official workhorse,

a clunker with a broken air conditioner

but still handy on the 33,000-acre Miller

"The biggest threat to family ranches

is the lack of a shared dream," Miller

said. "Not everybody wants to ranch

At 59, Miller, the oldest of four sons, and a younger brother help operate their

aging parents' cattle ranch, nine miles west of the tiny town of Valentine and about 21/2 hours' drive southeast of El

"There's not too many big ranches

anymore. A lot of them have been sold and belong to absentee owners. Family

Texas is still the top cattle producing

state in the nation, with an estimated 13.6 million head of cattle, according

to the Texas and Southwestern Cattle

Raisers Association in Fort Worth. Texas

Agrilife Extension Service at Texas A&M University estimates cattle account

for a direct economic impact of \$15 bil-

Some experts suggest that keeping tra-

ditional family ranches together is becom-

More and more ranchers, faced with

escalating costs of doing business,

drought in some cases, steep inheritance

taxes and other factors, give up sharing the dream and sell out to developers or investors more interested in using ranches

Neal Wilkins, director of the Texas A&M Institute of Renewable Natural

Resources, pointed out that Texas has 142 million acres of private farms, ranches

and forest land, almost the size of the entire national forest system, owned by an estimated 250,000 landowners.

"All across the entire half of the state,

we've had a huge loss over the past decade of large ranches greater than 2,000 acres

in size. Those ranches are being subdi-

vided into smaller ownerships," Wilkins said, adding that inheritance taxes are so

steep in Texas that ranchers almost have

to be independently wealthy to keep a

ranches are fewer and fewer," he said.

some fear is a fading way of life.

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Gabrielle Powell and Robert Douglas were crowned 2009 Homecoming King and Queen last night before the football game. Candidates nominated included Ashley Facio, Rylan Clark, Laura McGrath, Craig Conner, Sammie Pearson, Braden Hunt, Carlyn Teichmann, Ryan Jimenez, Ashley Williams, and Luke Watson. Complete coverage of the game is on page 2B..



staff photo by David Bowser

Doyle Lane served as Grand Marshall for the 2009 Homecoming parade. Lane was inducted into the Harvester Hall of Fame Friday morning (See story below).

ane, Woods inducted into Hall of Fame

The Harvester Hall of Fame has two new members as Pampa High School inducted Justice Fred Woods and Edwin Doyle Lane Friday, in a ceremony at the McNeely Field House.

Woods graduated from Pampa in 1953 and was member of the basketball team. In 1953 Woods the basketball team had an undefeated state championship season. Woods said his basketball coach Clifton McNeely inspired him during his high school career.

"His philosophy really welded me for future service and everything I've done," Woods said. "He said concentrate on fundamentals, keep yourself in good shape. That's exactly what we did. Fundamentals and staying in good shape will carry over into other aspects of your life."

Woods is currently serving as an associate justice for the California



Edwin Doyle Lane

Court of Appeals.

Lane graduated from Pampa in 1944, and was a member of the basketball team and swimming

and diving team. Lane said it is a tremendous honor to be inducted.

"It's something in my wildest dreams that I couldn't imagine I'd be in," Lane said. "It's an honor. It's a great instituton. It feels like you want to be a great example to the students."

Lane has been retired since 1994, after he worked 27 years for Exxon Mobil.

Woods said he liked the upgrades to Pampa High School since he was a student.

"I think it's all for the better," Woods said. "Gee I started practicing in the old Cracker Gym in downtown, I think it was on Cuyler Street. The building itself was a red brick house. Some of these (facilities) have become something that was unimaginable in my time.'

In their induction speeches, both Woods and Lane talked about how



Justice Fred Woods

they got to were they were today. Both of them referred to Pampa as the place where the oil flows the FAME cont. on page 3









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Low 50

High 68

Low 44

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Sunday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 61. South southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Monday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 pm. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 74. Windy, with a north northwest wind 10 to 15 mph increasing to between 20 and 25 mph. Winds could gust as high as 35

Monday Night: A slight chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 50. North northwest wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph. Chance of precipita-

Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 68. North northwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Tuesday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 44.

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Families press for bodies of 3 dead 11 1946 crash

SAN ANTONIO (AP) The Navy and the families of three sailors killed in a 1946 plane crash in Antarctica are clashing over the families' desires to have their remains returned

Petty Officer 1st Class Fred Williams, Ensign Maxwell Lopez and Petty Officer 1st Class Wendell Hendersin died when their plane went down in a storm on Thurston Island.

They were part of the crew of a PBM-5 Mariner

flying boat that took off from the seaplane tender USS Pine Island as part of a polar training mission.

Williams' niece, Kate Williams Beebe of San Antonio, tells the San Express-News Antonio she's tried for six years to have her uncle's body removed and buried in a family plot in Tennessee.

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Obituaries

Travis Clay Lively, 63

Clay Lively, 63, passed away at home surrounded by family on Thursday, August 20, 2009.

Mr. Lively was born August 15, 1946 in Pampa to Elaine and Travis C. Lively.

Clay was a "Class of 1964" graduate of Pampa High School where he attained the rank of Eagle Scout. He was proud of this his entire life. In 1971, he earned his

Bachelor of Arts from the University of Texas at Austin, where he met his wife of 42 years, Mary McGuire Lively.

Clay and his family returned to Pampa where he worked at the Pampa as a sports writer for The Pampa Daily News.

He worked for Georgia-Pacific in Amarillo, Dallas and Austin. After retirement, he worked for seven years as security guard at Austin Country Club. He had a passion for playing golf as well as discussing politics with friends over a few beers. He also enjoyed reading and discussing history. This love of history he passed on to his children, Michael and Jennifer. During high school and college days, playing poker and pool were favored pastimes. These were skills he never lost. He also enjoyed traveling with his family. Favorite destina-

Round Rock- Travis Hardware Company and tions include the mountains of Colorado and New Mexico, San Francisco and New Orleans, where a main attraction was the wonderful food.

> He is survived by his wife Mary; his son Michael Lively and wife Karen of Edmond, Oklahoma; his daughter Jennifer Lively of Amarillo; granddaughters Rebecca and Katherine of Edmond, Oklahoma; sister Janis Lynn Lively of Pampa; as well as cousins, nieces and nephews.

> Mr. Lively and his family would like to thank the staff of the Cedar Park Dialysis Center for their care and concern over the past years.



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Harlan "Hogie" Hoganson, 66

Pampa— Harlan "Hogie" Hoganson, 66, September 18, 2009, Pampa, Texas. Graveside services will be at 2:00 PM Monday,

September 21, 2009, at Memory Gardens Cemetery, with Rev. Lynn Hancock, pastor of Briarwood Church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

December 26, 1942 in Lachiewicz of Pampa; ents: Hogan and Ruby

Estherville, Iowa. He married Christy Boggess on April 20, 1968. He had been a resident of Pampa since 1973. He worked for J.B.S. Swift and Company as a cattle buyer for over 20 years. Harlan was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving from 1964 until 1966. He was a Methodist.

Survivors include his wife, Christy Hoganson of the home; daughter: Mr. Hoganson was born Holly Hoganson and Laura

two sons, Chris Hoganson and wife Tara, and Matt Hoganson and wife Revelle, all of Pampa; one sister, Diane Lampkin and husband Doug of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; one brother, Dean Hoganson and wife Pam of Des Moines, Iowa; two grandchildren, Avery Suzanne Hoganson and Matthew Gage Hoganson, both of Pampa. Harlan was preceded in death by his par-



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Hoganson; and a sister: Doris Hoganson. **MEMORIALS:** favorite charity.

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British woman on Texas death row loses federal appeal

British woman on Texas death row has lost a federal appeal, moving her closer to execution for the abduction and death of a woman whose child she also had snatched eight years ago in

The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, in a ruling late Thursday, rejected arguments from Linda Carty that her trial lawyers were deficient and that she still had appeals issues she should be able to raise in state courts.

Carty, 50, is one of 10 condemned women in

HOUSTON (AP) — A Texas. She is a former teacher from St. Kitts in the British Virgin Islands, where she was born, making her a British citizen.

Just last week, a taped voice recording of Carty begging Britons to help save her life was broadcast into London's Trafalgar Square.

Her lawyers could take her case to the U.S. Supreme Court. It's likely an execution date will be sought for her early next year, Roe Wilson, an assistant district attorney who handles Harris County capital case appeals, said

"We're aware of the 5th Circuit's judgment, and are conferring with Ms. Carty and our own legal advisers," a British Foreign Office spokeswoman said. She spoke on condition of anonymity, in line with department policy. The British government, which opposes capital punishment, has been involved in her appeals.

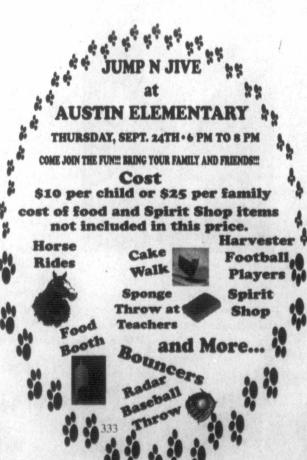
Carty in 2002 was convicted and sentenced to die for the death of Joana Rodriguez, 20, who was taken with her 4-day-old son, Ray Cabrera, from their apartment in southwest Houston.

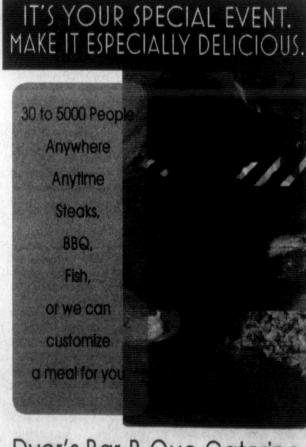
The infant was found safe in a car the same day. His mother, however, was found suffocated in the trunk of another car.

Perhaps you sent a lovely card, or sat quietly in a chair. Perhaps you sent a funeral spray, if so we saw it there. Perhaps you spoke the kindest words, as any friend could say: Perhaps you were not there at all. just thought of us that day. Whatever you did to console our hearts, we thank you so much whatever the part.

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"It points to needed changes in the tax code. And we're going to have to start rewarding landowners for good land management, good stewardship and good wildlife management. Even though people in El Paso don't see ranch land or experience its scenic beauty, they do experience the benefits of it through clean air, clean water and those sorts of things," Wilkins said.

In mid-July, James H. "Jay" Williams III, a long-time El Paso-area rancher who operated his family's ranch in the Cornudas area for many years, died without leaving any children. His siblings are managing the ranch with the help of a neighboring rancher but they are still debating whether they can keep the ranch in the family.

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Marianne "Bunny"
Beard laments it has
become tougher to find
skilled cowboys who can
rope and ride and brand
livestock and do all the
other ranch-related chores.
Her husband, Rob, a longtime rancher, is helping the
Williams family look after
the livestock.

"Cowboys are a dying breed," Beard said. "It's kind of a closed community and it's getting smaller, unfortunately."

Beard's nearest neighbor is 15 miles away. She loves the tranquility associated with ranching near Cornudas. "It's being one with nature," she said.

The dream is still intact at the Miller Ranch nestled against the Sierra Vieja mountains in the semi-arid desert of the Trans-Pecos region.

The late Espy Miller bought the original part of the ranch, about 11,000 acres, in 1925, and 10 years later bought another 22,000 acres in partnership with a brother. His grandsons and a small army of great-grandchildren still embrace the passion for ranching and help out every chance they can.

Walter Miller, the youngest of the Miller boys, is the mayor of Horizon City near El Paso.

The Miller Ranch is adjacent to the Chilicote Ranch owned by El Paso's Tigua Indian Tribe and still maintained as a working cattle ranch.

Albert Miller, the modern version of a cowboy, still tips his hat to the ladies and wears a thick handlebar moustache like an old-time Western gunslinger.

Albert Miller rolled out of Valentine, where he lives, early one morning and drove to his parents' ranch house, secluded in an oasis of pecan trees nourished by an underground spring. He suggested ranchers in far West Texas could use more rain before winter.

"It hasn't been a bad year but it hasn't been good enough," he said. "What we need is a good hurricane on either coast."

He left ranching for a spell, went to college and then spent eight years working for a federal agency before returning

home to help out on the ranch where he grew up. He and his wife also work in nearby Valentine to help supplement their income. His two sons work at nearby ranches.

"This ranch has supported several generations but there's only so many resources that a ranch has to provide income for folks," Albert Miller said. "Our costs have gone up and continue to squeeze us. In the old days, my dad bought pickup trucks for \$3,500. Now, they're \$35,000."

The Miller Ranch, about

50 miles from the nearest major town, has adapted to change over the years. The ranch still has horses but pickup trucks are more convenient for handling day-to-day chores like checking on livestock, repairing broken fences, or making sure that water pumps are working. Most of the ranch's windmills, once an icon of the American cattle ranch, are now obsolete. Some ranchers have switched to solarpowered pumps.

"To run a ranch like this, you have to know so many different things," Miller

said. "You have to be a mechanic, an electrician, a plumber, a cowboy and a fence builder. Service calls out here are of out of the question."

The stereotypical image of the weathered, veteran cowboy on horseback is gone. Albert Miller spends most of his time on a truck checking on livestock and potential trouble spots. The ranch has around 400 head of Angus-based cows, 35 bulls and 20 horses.

Clay and Jody Miller, both 83, the owners of the Miller Ranch, recently assessed their 60 years of life together on the ranch in a dining room that looks like a hunting lodge filled with paintings, books, a lifetime of mementos, and a string of awards that they have received during the years for being good stewards of the land and its resources.

The ranch routinely attracts biologists and other scientists doing research on birds, snakes or mud turtles.

Clay Miller talked about how his family has been involved in ranching in the region since 1892. He most enjoys the lifestyle, work-

"The freedom is sometimes overrated. There's enough problems to go with it, a good deal of work and lots of uncertainties," he said. "It's lovely

ing outdoors, and fam-

ily gatherings at the ranch where he has lived all his

when it rains, fierce when it doesn't."

During the past 50 years, he has seen the ranch evolve from a mostly horseback operation to a mostly motorized opera-

tion.
Clay Miller has seen some area families who

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lost the ranch to financial difficulties and a few others like Jay Williams who did not produce heirs to take care of the ranch.

"There's still a good many of us left," he said. "I don't have the statistic but the amount of land that is no longer producing livestock in this part of the world is staggering. Land just west of us was subdivided 30 years and sold, site unseen, to folks all over the country."

Nicole Miller, the daugh-

Fame

wheat grows and the wind blows. Lane said one of his favorite memories was watching the Harvesters play the Amarillo Sandies in football.

"We had gone years and years of the Amarillo Sandies beating us," Lane said. "It was always a good game but they always beat us. In 1941 that team beat Amarillo 16-12 first time in several years. In 1943 we beat them again 7-0. We always played them on Thanksgiving Day. The highlight of Thanksgiving Day."

Woods recalled the season the basketball team won the state championship the lessons he learned.

"Teamwork and choices go hand in hand," Woods said. "When you're on any team you have the choice do I go out and play as cont. from page 1 team member, or do I play

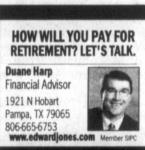
for my own glory."

The Harvester Hall of Fame Induction has been a yearly tradition since 1997.

To be inducted into the

yearly tradition since 1997. To be inducted into the Harvester Hall of Fame, the former Harvester must have graduated at least 10 years ago, must be successful for a number of years in their determined field, and must be an excellent citizen in their community.

Student body officers Emilie Troxell and Landon Long, introduced Woods and Lane. After Woods and Lane were inducted. The Pampa High School Choir performed the song "Let this be my Prayer." The band played the Harvesters fight song and the choir ended the ceremony with singing of the school song.



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Highlights in history on this date:

1356 - The English under Edward, the Black Prince, defeat the French at Poitiers and take King John II prisoner.

1656 - English fleet under Robert Blake captures Spanish treasure ships off Cadiz, Spain.

1777 - Americans defeat a British force at the First Battle of Saratoga, a turning point in the American

War of Independence. 1783 - At Versailles near Paris, the Montgolfier brothers send up the first balloon with live passen-

gers: a sheep, a rooster, and a duck. 1870 - French surrender Versailles to Germans in

Franco-Prussian War. 1881 - James A. Garfield, the 20th president of the United States, dies of wounds inflicted by an

There is no such thing as conversation. It is an illusion. There are intersecting mono-

logues, that is all.'

 Dame Rebecca West, Irish-born novelist assassin. 1941 - Germans take Kiev in the Soviet Union.

1944 - Soviet Union and Finland sign peace treaty in Moscow, ending three-year war.

1955 - Argentina's President Juan Peron is ousted after revolts by army and navy.

1962 - China attacks Indian forces, seizing part of

Kashmir after a three-week war. 1968 - Czech Foreign Minister Jiri Hajek resigns

under Soviet pressure. 1972 - Israeli diplomat is killed and another injured when letter bomb explodes at Israeli embas-

sy in London 1978 - Egypt's Cabinet unanimously approves President Anwar Sadat's Camp David agreement to sign a peace treaty with Israel within three months.

1989 - A French airliner blows up over Niger, killing 171 people. Libya is later blamed for the

1994 - U.S. troops peacefully enter Haiti to enforce the return of exiled President Jean-Bertrand

1995 - An Iranian flight attendant hijacks a Kish Air Boeing 707 to Israel during a flight from Tehran. The plane is returned to Tehran with 174 passengers and crew

2001 - Islamic clerics urge terrorist suspect Osama bin Laden to leave Afghanistan voluntarily, but set no deadline for him. The United States threatens to attack the Taliban, if they don't turn in bin Laden.

2002 - Israeli forces demolish 20 buildings and other structures in Palestinian leader Yasir Arafat's headquarters in the West Bank city of Ramallah after Palestinian suicide attacks kill seven Israelis.

Today's Birthdays: France's King Henry III (1551-1589); Jean-Baptiste Joseph Delambre, French astronomer (1749-1822); George Cadbury, British chocolate manufacturer (1839-1922); William Golding, British writer and Nobel laureate (1911-1993); Jeremy Irons, English actor (1948--); Twiggy Lawson, British actress/former model (1949--); Trisha Yearwood, U.S. country singer (1964--); Jimmy Fallon, U.S. actor/comedian (1974--);



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Americans are speaking...is the administration listening?

By U.S. SENATOR KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON

More than 235 years ago, American patriots fed up with the taxes being levied on colonists by the British government held one of the first and most famous political protests. Today, new generations of American families are evoking the name and message of the Boston Tea Party as they gather across the nation to protest the most egregious efforts of the swelling federal government.

I had the privilege of speaking with Tea Party participants at recent events in Dallas and San Antonio. While their concerns varied, I saw an overarching theme. The government is growing so big, so fast that these Texans are worried about threats to their own liberties and America's ability to remain the greatest nation in the world. They are afraid that America is drifting too far from the framers' original intent and from our basic principles. I share their concern.

I suspect those patriotic Texans with whom I met were characteristic of those who came to the U.S. capital for the National Tea Party. On September 12, more than 100,000 people representing every state peacefully assembled on the National Mall. The 100,000 or more who stood at the steps of the Capitol is only a small sampling of the broader movement. For every person who traveled to Washington, there were dozens more in their states who wanted to be there but could not come due to obligations to their families or work. Those who did come paid their own way, many of them from great dis-

Just as the Tea Party's participants came on their own, the messages displayed on their signs and banners conveyed their personal point of view. The individuality and freedom of expression guaranteed to Americans was powerfully demonstrated on those hand written signs and placards. Some were humorous and others were poignant. As can be expected in any demonstration, some

were tasteless or even offensive but those were rare and absolutely not representative of this patriotic movement. Mostly, the signs were instructive.

There were hundreds of signs that protested the number of Obama administration czars who are operating unchecked and holding unknown levels of power at the highest levels of government. The protesters were rightly concerned about the threat this poses to the government transparency and accountability guaranteed through the separation of pow-

Many signs decried the administration and the Democratic Congressional leadership's tax, borrow, and spend approach to our nation's challenges. While their families are making sacrifices to keep afloat during the economic downturn, Americans are watching the federal government spend without reservation. And they know that the government spending spree will be funded through tax hikes and that it will continue to deepen the debt that

will burden future generations. Still more signs protested the drastic health care reform proposals. Americans are outraged that the federal government is trying to force a trillion dollar government expansion on the public that gambles with the quality of our health care system. For many Tea Party participants, this was the final blow, and it is what ultimately brought them to Washington.

Incredibly, the day after the Tea Party in Washington, D.C., one of the President's top advisors dismissed the validity of these Americans' views when he said, "I don't think it's indicative of the nation's mood... I don't think we ought to be distracted by that. My message to them is, they're wrong.

The President is doing a lot of talking. In fact, he has reportedly given 265 speeches during his 234 days in office! But it isn't clear that he is listening. That is precisely what so many taxpayers are rallying against: an administration that seems



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to be out of touch with what is really going on in the hearts, minds, and households of Americans and their

These are not "fringe" protesters far from it. They are Democrats, Republicans, Independents, and Libertarians. They represent teens, 30-somethings, senior citizens, and every age bracket in between. They are the people who run America's small businesses. They are teachers, nurses, franchisees, doctors, and professionals who feel that they are increasingly being asked to shoulder the burden of the government's spending spree. Some are single and some are married. Many are parents who worry their children won't have with the same freedom or quality of life they have enjoyed. They pay their taxes. They are hard working Americans. They are the fabric of our nation.

The message every elected official should send to taxpayers is: I am listening to you. I respect your views. I understand your concerns. Ben Franklin was famously asked, "What have we got - a republic or a monarchy?" He replied, "A republic, if you can keep it." I am working with you to keep it.

Kay Bailey Hutchison is the senior U.S. senator from Texas.

Thornberry Votes no on the Student Aid and Fiscal Responsibility Act

WASHINGTON, D.C. -U.S. Congressman Mac Thornberry today issued the following statement after voting 'no' on H.R. 3221, "The Student Aid and Fiscal Responsibility Act," a bill that replaces the long standing and respected Federal Family Education Loan Program (FFELP) with government-run lending directly from the U.S. Treasury:

"For more than 40 years, the Federal Family Education Loan Program (FFELP) has provided over 200 million loans and countless young men and women with the opportunity to pursue higher education with very little cost to families. Abolishing this program will be bad for students, bad for schools, and bad for jobs. Government only lending will provide the bare minimum in services to students and families, while adding layers of bureaucratic red-tape and stacks of additional paperwork," Congressman Thornberry said.

The bill takes away a program that benefits millions and replaces it with a government-run program that will leave families with zero options. Because the private sector loan program offers schools and students a choice of lend-

ers, the private lenders compete for business. This competition has lowered the cost of student loans and improved service to both students and schools.

"The Democratic Majority in Congress is once again forcing a government takeover of private industry. They will kill 35,000 jobs in the student loan industry in the process. As the father of two college-age children, I know the cost of raising a family today is higher than ever, and I am dismayed that they will leave parents with no choice beyond a Washington bureaucracy to borrow money for their college-bound children.

"A college degree has become the cornerstone of the American dream and opens the door to job opportunities and professional fulfillment. Yet, even after financial aid is taken into account, Americans find it increasingly difficult to pay for college, and graduates find themselves burdened with high levels of debt. Removing choice in the student loan market in this time of economic unrest could have major consequences," Congressman Thornberry concluded.

PAMPA MEALS ON WHEELS

Monday, September 21
Barbecue Chicken
Baked Beans
Cole slaw
Peach cobbler

Tuesday, September 22 Polish sausage Cheese Grits Mixed Greens Cake

Wednesday, September

Tater Tot Casserole Cabbage Black-eyed Peas Mixed Fruit

Thursday September

Ham Okra/Tomatoes Pinto Beans Cornbread Pudding

Friday, September 25 Spaghetti/Meat sauce Green Beans Bread Sticks Salad. Cookies

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Tuesday Goulash or Baked Cod/ Rice

scalloped potatoes
green beans
buttered corn
beans
slaw
tossed salad
Jello
black forest cake or

lemon pie hot rolls or cornbread

Wednesday
Roast Beef Brisket/
Brown Gravy or Cook's
Choice
mashed potatoes
fried okra
carrots
butter beans
slaw

German Chocolate Upside down cake or cherry cobbler hot rolls or combread

Answer to yesterday's puzzle: 1 | 5 | 9 | 3 | 6 | 8 | 7 | 2 | 4

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Thursday Chicken Strips or Beef

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cheese hominy green peas pinto beans slaw

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carrot cake or bread pud-

ding hot rolls or combread or jalapeno combread

Friday
Catfish & Hushpuppies
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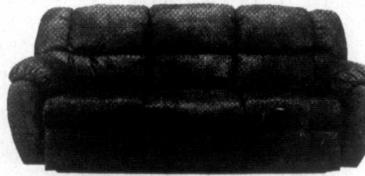
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Around town

Gray skies did not dampen spirits at small-fry tourney

Fritch— The gray skies that rolled over Lake Meredith on Saturday, September 12, could not dampen the spirits of the kids who came to fish.

Over 100 children and adults braved the brisk weather to participate in the annual event, held at the Stilling Basin at Spring Canyon. Eighty-one children registered for a chance to win prizes for the biggest fish caught in each age category, as well as the most fish caught.

One family from Pampa said that they had left home in the pouring rain, but they were determined to make the tournament. They were rewarded with overcast skies, but no rain, when they reached Spring Canyon. Many families make this a yearly ritual, with each new generation entering the tournament as they come of age.

This year's winners were:

Ages 6-8 (biggest fish): 1st - Isabella Jimenez; 2nd - Payton Brown; 3rd -Dregun Isbell

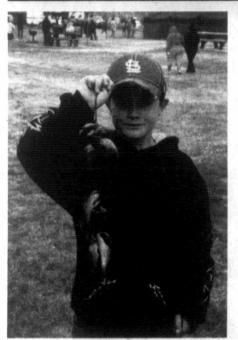
Ages 9-11 (biggest fish): 1st - Tray Floyd; 2nd -Tiffany Pena; 3rd - Lane Brown

12-14 (big-Ages gest fish): 1st - Taylor Hickman; 2nd - Elisabeth Hickman; 3rd - Ben Cosper Most fish caught: Braden

Elrod, age 8, with 12 fish Drawings were also held for bicycles and the grand prize, a three-room tenperson tent.

Bicycle winners: Chloyce Duffield, Alysa Cooper, Ireland Reinhart, Kaden Ray, David Holjes, Burt, Mariah Trever Robinson, Wesley Ward,











Regan Segler, Lane Brown all attendees. Grand prize winner: Isaac Sharp

All children who registered received door prizes, consisting of such items as rods and reels, tackle boxes, coolers, tents, sleeping bags, etc. A free hot dog lunch with all the "fixins" was also furnished for

As in past years, support from local businesses and individuals allowed the Small-Fry Fishing Tournament Association to put on the tournament with no cost to the children. Youth of all income levels are invited to participate without having to pay an

entrance fee.

Overall, 57 boys and: 24 girls registered for the tournament. Towns

represented included Fritch, Borger, Amarillo, Stinnett, Morse, Panhandle, Sanford, Dumas, Pampa.

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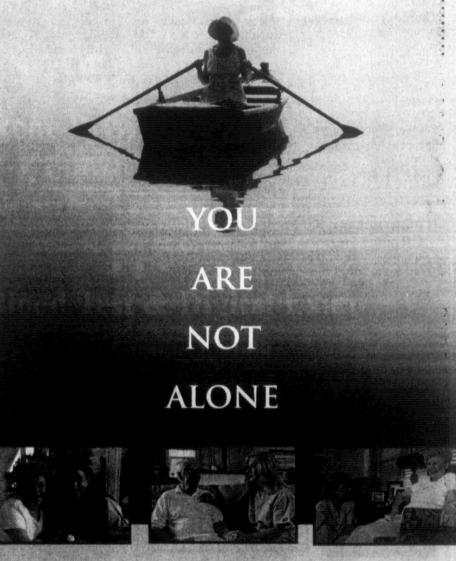
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Coronado resident of the month

Ellen Cofer was born in Antioch, OK. She lived in Skellytown many years. She was married to T.C. Cofer for about 54 years. She worked at the Skellytown School Cafeteria for 23 years. She moved to Pampa in 1997. She went to Hobart Baptist Church. She has one daughter Betty Crawford. She has two grandchildren, Neal and Kenin. She has two great grandchildren

Megan and Courtney.

She actively participates in Bible Study, Church Services, Bingo, Sr. Fitness, Resident Council and Current Events, at Healthcare Coronado

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WELCOME



The Top O' Texans Goldcoats welcomed Harvester Cleaners located on west 28th to the Pampa Chamber of Commerce on Monday, September 14th. Pictured L-R are: Lynn Allison, Roy Morriss, Mike Keagy, Pat Montoya, owners Celie Locke and John Locke, Kay West and Erica Guzman (Happy State Bank), Bob Marx, Jolita Sells (Happy State Bank), Susan Winborne, Shirley Jernigan, Shelia Webb, Darville Orr and Chuck White.

Ceremony recognizes Texans who have held land in family for generations

AUSTIN - Agriculture Commissioner Staples and the Texas Department of Agriculture today recognized 78 farms and ranches in 60 Texas counties at the 34th annual Family Land Heritage (FLH) ceremony. The ceremony was held in the House Chamber at the Texas State Capitol. The annual event recognizes families who have kept their farms and ranches in continuous agricultural production for more than 100 years.

"Today, these families are the breath of life for their ancestors' dreams," Commissioner Staples said. "The land they have nurtured, loved and cared for will forever be a part of the past, present and future of this great state."

To date, TDA has recognized more than 4,300 properties in 235 counties across Texas. Fayette County has the most honorees to date with 145 recognized family operations. This is the first year the FLH program has recognized landowners in Parmer and Randall coun-

TDA honored one family ranch in Duval County for being in continuous agricultural production for 200 years. Ten other family operations were cited for 150 years of agricultural service in Austin, Burnet, Guadalupe, Fannin, Henderson, Hopkins, Mason, Navarro and Red River counties.

Governor Rick Perry, a former agriculture comAgriculture Commissioner Todd Staples recently rec-

ognized Kenneth Wallace Fields and Carol Sanders Fields of the Fields Ranch at the Family Land Heritage ceremony in Austin at the Capitol. Fields Ranch in Wheeler County was honored for their acceptance into the Family Land Heritage Program for 100 years of agricultural operation. Fields Ranch has been in continuous agricultural production since 1907 by the same family. -Photo is courtesy of Alex Labry Photography

missioner himself, joined Commissioner Staples at this year's event to honor and thank the families for their amazing persistence and dedication to the land.

"There is nothing quite like the family farm or ranch, especially in Texas," Governor Perry said. "These places connect us to the land, to our heritage, and to God's creation in a way that can be hard to explain, and we are grateful to count so many sons and daughters of the land in our state's 24 million people. I congratulate all of today's honorees for representing the most enduring values of our state and commend you for your longevity.

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CDC: First swine flu vaccines will be spray

ATLANTA (AP) — risk from severe swine and people with asthma Health officials say the flu complications. That and other chronic respirafirst doses of swine flu vaccine will be the nasal spray version.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said Friday that about 3.4 million doses of nasal spray vaccine will be available the first week of October.

The government expects 195 million doses will be shipped out by the end of the year, most of them shots.

The nasal spray is approved for ages 2 to 49. It's not recommended for some of the people at most

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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: Last April, you printed my question about whether or not I should go to my junior prom even though I was nervous about boys and being dateless. I took your advice and went with

friends. It turned out to be the right decision. The prom was one of the funnest nights I have ever had. I danced and danced with all my friends, and there were plenty of other girls there without dates. We all just danced together and had a

great time.

I realized that I overreacted about the entire boys issue and had worried too much. It turns out I wasn't the only one who felt that way. One of my friends hadn't been sure if she wanted to go either because of not having a date. However, like me, she realized it didn't matter and went anyway -which is what I am happy

about, too.
Teenagers like me shouldn't worry about the cliche that going to the prom requires a date. It doesn't! You can just go and have a good time with your friends without worrying about life for a few hours. It gave me a chance to let go of the stress I had been having and express myself. Thank you for your advice. -- THANKFUL TEEN IN N.Y.

DEAR THANKFUL
TEEN: You're welcome.
I am often asked whether
the people who write to
me let me know how my
advice worked out. Your
letter made my day -- and
I hope it will encourage other teens who find
themselves with the same
dilemma you were facing.
Thank you for taking the
time to send the update.

DEAR ABBY: My husband just isn't romantic. When we were dating he'd bring me flowers and little surprises and cards. He never proposed -- we just kind of decided to get married. But when he bought the ring there was no getting down on one knee or

It's been more than 26

years, and I thought I'd be over this by now. Unless I beat him over the head about it, he never plans anything or does anything romantic.

We had a mini-vacation a few weeks ago, and I said, "This is supposed to be a romantic vacation." He didn't get the hint. No surprises, no dinner reservations, no flowers. What's a girl to do with a great guy with no romance in his bones? -- WISTFUL IN WILMINGTON

DEAR WISTFUL: Because he's a great guy, love him anyway. Then pick out some lovely gifts for yourself, plan the vacations and make the reservations -- including some romantic dinners. No one has everything, so focus on the positive and count your blessings.

DEAR ABBY: When my dad passed away four years ago, I was only 13. My mother has raised me by herself and brought up the issue of dating only once after Daddy died. She asked how I felt about her dating again, and I started crying.

Now that a few years have passed, I have changed my mind. I think it's time for her to get out again. The problem is, she still wears her wedding ring. I think she needs to take it off, so she can send a different message to available men. She's attractive, in her mid-50s and deserves to be happy again. How can I help her?
-- LOVING DAUGHTER, MANKATO, MINN.

DEAR DAUGHTER:
Tell your mom that now you're older, the idea of her finding love again is no longer threatening and you want her to be happy. Suggest that removing her wedding ring would be a step in the right direction—then be quiet and hear her out. She may be open to dating again—or she may be happy with her life just the way it is.

MADD peddling margaritas, sans alcohol, of course

WASHINGTON (AP) — Mothers Against Drunk Driving wants you to have a beer — alcohol-free, natch.

MADD is putting its name on a bevy of nonalcoholic drinks, including mojitos, margaritas, pina coladas, beer, and red, white and sparkling wines.

The advocacy group says it signed a license agreement with a Toronto-based marketing firm to produce the line of beverages, called MADD Virgin Drinks. They'll be sold starting this fall, with some of the profits directed toward discouraging drunk driving.

They're an alternative for people who want to serve drinks with "the great taste needed to make guests feel like they are part of the party," said MADD's national president, Laura Dean-Mooney.

The drinks are licensed with Hill Street Marketing Inc. The company and MADD officials said plan to offer the drinks in grocery, drug and specialty stores. Brian Bolshin, Hill Street's president and CEO, said

"a significant portion of sales" would go to MADD.

Chuck Hurley, chief executive officer of Irving,
Texas-based MADD, said his organization learned
about the concept from MADD's Canadian affiliate,
which has pursued a similar line of drinks.

"What's important to us is that a designated driver should be sober." Hurley said. "So a virgin cocktail perhaps would be a little more festive than just a club soda and lime and allow the person to participate in the festivities but be the sober driver to get people home." Austin Reed Davis

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Julie Davis
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the birth of
their son,
Austin Reed
Davis, born
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p.m., Aug. 2, 2009 at Texas Health H.E.B. in Bedford. He weighed 5 lbs., 4 ozs. and was 19 inches long. Grandparents are Kim Davis of Amarillo,

Karen Linderman of Arlington.
Great-Grandparents are Raymon and Shirley
Davis and Bill and Carolyn Fitzer, all of Pampa.

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Pirates ride Mustangs to homecoming victory



Joey Johnson reaches up to make a catch against Holy Cross. Johnson scored a touchdown and Lefors won 61-22. (Photo contributed by Lendi Jackson

BY ANDREW GLOVER aglover@thepampanews.com

Friday night was homecoming for the Lefors Pirates. The starting quarterback was crowned homecoming king. Head Coach Joey Czubinski said in the first half it seemed the homecoming festivities were kind of distracting his players, as the Pirates trailed at halftime for the first time this season. In the second half, Lefors focus was on finishing the game as they won 61-22 over the Amarillo Holy Cross Catholic Mustangs.

Coach Ski said his team had a tough time getting in a rhythm the first half and credited Holy Cross for that.

"They (Holy Cross) were playing well and did the stuff we thought they were going to," Coach Ski said. "They took a lead on us at halftime. They ran the ball well and forced some turnovers, and had some questionable calls go their way."

The Pirates were able to get going in the second half outscoring the Mustangs 41-0. Coach Ski was pleased with how they responded to being down at halftime.

"I told them things haven't gone our way but we need to put it aside," Lefors head coach said. "In the second half they (Lefors) played as a team and started making the play. They came and responded pretty well."

Coach Ski said it was a team effort that got Lefors the win.

"Houston Whatley stepped up," Lefors head coach said. Colten Helfer had good game. It all came together and it was a team effort."

Coach Ski said the Mustangs running back Gabriel Seidlitz had a strong first half but Lefors was able to contain him in the second half.

"He (Seidlitz) had couple of nice runs and a touchdown pass in the first half," Coach Ski said. "We weren't breaking down our space. He (Seidlitz) had 80 yards rushing and a touchdown at halftime. He had 97 total yards, so we limited him after the first half. We shut him down.

Lefors head coach said

the key to their victory was shutting down the run in the second half.

"The plays we weren't making in the first half we made in the second half," Coach Ski said. "We stopped them on fourth down, we covered our lanes."

Keenan Lott led the team in rushing with 170 yards and three rushing touchdowns. The senior quarterback completed 11 of 22 passes for 190 yards, threw five touchdown passes and had one interception. Defensively, Lott had 19 tackles.

Trever Czubinski had 94 yards rushing, completed one pass for 15 yards and 19 yards receiving. Czubinski had 18 tackles and three sacks. Houston Whatley had four receptions for 56 yards and three touchdowns. Cody Johnson had a 28-yard touchdown

The Pirates host the McLean Tigers (2-2) 7:30 p.m. September 25 at Shaw Field.





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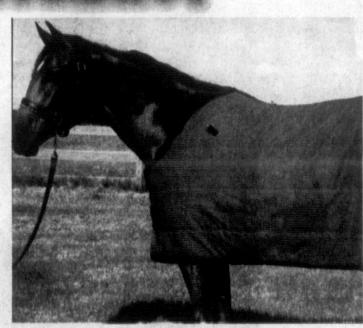


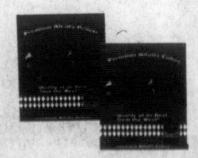
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Rangers drop Harvesters

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Friday night began with a new homecoming king and queen being crowned. The night ended with the Harvesters suffering their fourth straight loss 35-14 on homecoming.

Pampa Head Coach Heath Parker felt that he didn't prepare his players for what Perryton was going to throw at them.

"I take all the ownership of that as a coach," Parker said. "I'll make sure that never happens again."

Perryton Head Coach Neal Hugg said he felt his defense did well in the second half.

"The first drive they marched down the field and get a 7-0 lead," Hugg said. "In the second half it seemed like we got a little more pressure on the quarterback.'

The Harvesters scored on their first drive of the game. Alex Clendening completed all five of his passes for 81 yards. Garrett Ericson caught a 26-yard pass for a touchdown.

The Rangers first possession ended when CJ Swift threw an interception to Zach Organ.

However, the Harvesters were unable to take advantage of the turnover. Jose Jimenez broke a 23-yard run but Pampa was forced to punt afterwards.

Perryton took advantage of Pampa not being able to score. Shane Hodge received a handoff and flipped it back to Swift, and Swift hit Braiden Vernor for a 44-yard touchdown.

Perryton took the lead when Chance Baize scored the on a 22-yard run. Perryton was up 14-7 with 8:32 left in the second.

The Harvesters started marching down the field on their next possession. But on third down and nine inside their opponents 20, Clendening threw an inter-

ception to Tyler Heck. Perryton immediately took advantage of Pampa's miscue. Hodge ran for a 92-yard touchdown to cap off a drive that took less than a minute off the clock.

Pampa scored at the end of the first half. Clendening completed a 60-yard pass to Kendrick Alexander Clendening finished the drive with a 3-yard touchdown run, which would ended up being the last

Harvesters score. Pampa trailed 21-14 at halftime. The Rangers received the ball to start the second half. On their fourth play of the half Perryton had a touchdown called back because of holding. The Harvesters defense forced Perryton into a fourth down and five. Swift came up one yard short and Pampa got the ball back.

The Harvesters were unable to score going three-and-out. Corbin Clifton said everyone did their job on the first drive of the game but it wasn't the case later in the game.

"After that some people were doing their job and others weren't," Clifton

The Rangers second possession of the second half was just like their first as they turned it over on downs.

Pampa's next possessionstalled after Clendening was sacked twice in a row resulting in a loss of 19

The Rangers put the game away when Swift ran the ball in for 17-yard touchdown.

The Harvesters got within nine yards of scoring. However, Ericson dropped a pass on fourth down.

Parker said he anticipated a lower scoring game and his team needed to take advantage of opportunities.

"When you get an opportunity and get someone open you need to take advantage of it," Parker

Parker was pleased with how his defense played.

"I feel that we played well enough on defense to win the game," Parker said. The Harvesters are off

next week and will visit Plainview for their final non-district game 7:30 p.m. on October 2nd.

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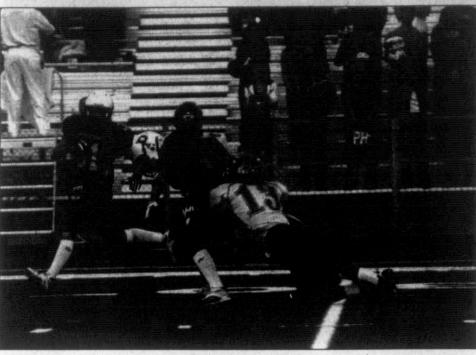
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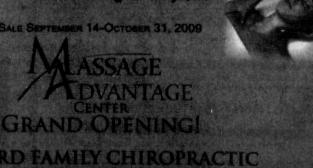
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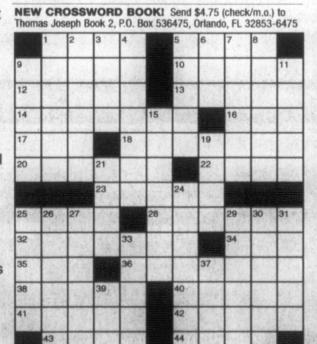
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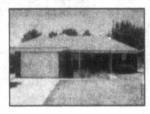
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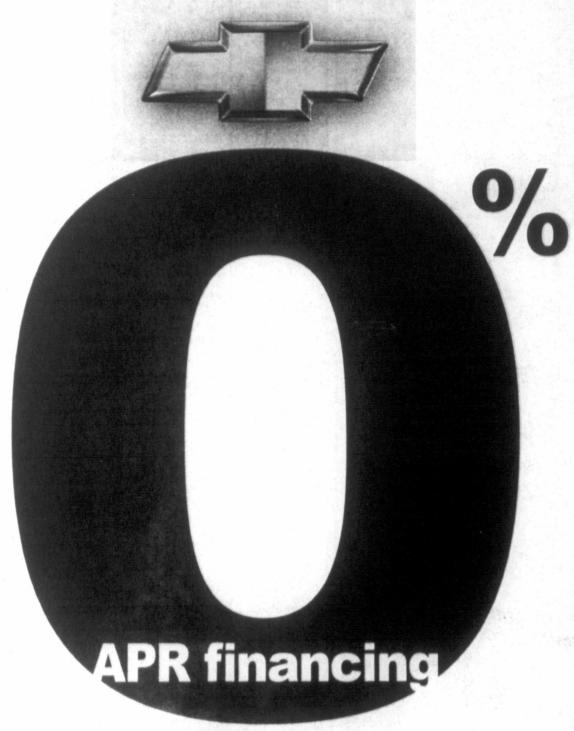


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