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Gray County Judge Richard Peet said Gray County was created under that Constitution in

"Counties do not have a formal

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District Attorney Lynn Switzer also appeared before the commission to say that she had lost a member of her staff and asked

office, but since county's aren't "We've had a position come chartered in the State of Texas, open in my office for my intake coordinator," Switzer said.

> Gray County Treasurer Scott Hahn told commissioners that as of Oct. 31, the county had borrowed money until certificates of deposit came due in November. The money has since been repaid from the funds in the CDs. The interest rate from the CDs was too good, he said, to cash the CDs in early.

> The commission also appointed Commissioner Gary Willoughby their representative to the Executive Board of Panhandle Community Services. County Clerk Susan Winborne has been the representative for the past 11 years, but because of a term limit could not be reappointed to the

Lights, action, Holidays!

BY DAVID BOWSER

dbowser@thepampanews.com Pampa is getting into the Christmas

With Jack Frost nipping at noses,

Pampa merchants are well into the holiday season. Ken Rheams said that so far there

are 31 lighted trees in downtown Pampa this year. "It's the most lights probably in

one area in town," he said. Owner of Rheams Diamond Shop on Cuyler, Rheams said the trees were all sponsored by the Downtown Business Association with help from

the City of Pampa. "Individuals in the community always help donate to it, too," he

He cited the work by the VFW, also located on Cuyler, in the downtown decorations.

"We've been doing this for about 20 years," Rheams said. "For about 20 years, we've been putting the

lights up. He said that riding through the trees on Cuyler at night leading up to Christmas looks like a winter

wonderland. "We do this every year," Rheams said. "It makes Pampa look a little more Christmassy.'

Something else that will add to the yuletide festivities is Pampa's annual Christmas Parade this weekend.

"The parade will start at 2 p.m., Saturday," said Weaver. "They'll be marshaling at the depot."

Participants will start at the BNSF train deport on East Atchison and head for Cuyler. The parade route turns north on Cuyler to Francis where it will turn west to Somerville. At Somerville, the parade route turns south to Foster and then west

to Ward. The parade disbands at Ward and Foster. Weaver said the parade participants can use Atchison to return to the BNSF depot.

Jean Willingham, Citizen of the Year, will be the Parade Marshal. The Pampa High School band will be there in the parade.

"Santa will be at the end of the parade in an antique fire truck throwing candy," Weaver said.

Of course, the parade would not be possible without the hours of volunteer work that goes into it, Weaver said.

'The Retail Committee has helped a lot," he said. "Bob Marx is the chairman of the Retail Committee."

Pampa EMS is helping organize the parade. The Pampa Police Department will be handling traffic control.

"The Christmas Parade is supposed to be a big one again this year," Rheams said.

HOLIDAYS cont. on page 3

A large red bird holds forth on the Christmas tree that Sandra Martin is decorating in Gray County Judge Richard Peet's office. The official Gray County Christmas tree on the courthouse's first floor is scheduled

County accepts local company's bid for insurance coverage

BY DAVID BOWSER

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Duncan Fraser and Bridges will provide the county's liability and property insurance for the next year.

The Gray Count Commissioners Court voted to accept the Pampa insurance company's bid of \$154,666 for comprehensive general liability, property, public officials and employees liability, airport liability, a heavy equipment floater, business auto, county law enforcement liability and workers compensation insurance during their regular meeting

The commission also approved a resolution outlining the organization of Gray County. Happy State Bank had requested a coun-

card to the District Attorney's er, which they did. the commission offered the bank a history lesson and traced the organization of the county from the region's declaration of independence from Mexico in 1836 through the adoption of its Constitution of 1876, under

which the state operates today.

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Texas Constitution, he said.

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phone or over e-mail. Instead, go to the bank and talk to someone face to face. Any bank or credit union representative should know if there is an issue with your

- Stormy S. McCullar, Crime Prevention Officer



"This is the message of Christmas: We are never

Pampa man charged with sexual assault of a child A warrant had been issued for BY DAVID BOWSER

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A Pampa man was free on \$10,000 bond Wednesday after being charged with sexual

assault of a child. Jesus Soto, 30, 101 S. Nelson, was released on bond this morning after turning himself in Tuesday night.

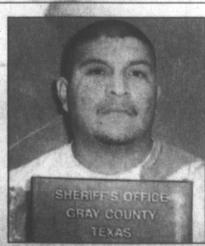
his arrest in connection with the sexual assault of a 14-year-old girl over the Thanksgiving holi-

Gray County Lt. Joe B. Hoard said today that deputies were called to a motel in the 12000 block of East Frederic about 3 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 29, in connection with the incident.

After investigating, deputies obtained a warrant for the arrest of Soto, charging him with sexual assault of a child.

Soto surrendered to deputies at the Gray County Sheriff's Office about 7 p.m., Tuesday.

Gray County Justice of the Peace Kurt Curfman set bond on Soto Wednesday morning.



Jesus Soto



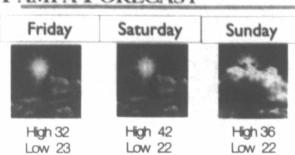






For the record

PAMPA FORECAST



Tonight: A 20 percent chance of snow before midnight. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 13. Wind chill values between 6 and 11. North northwest wind around 5 mph.

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 32. Wind chill values between 7 and 17. North northwest wind 5 to 15 mph becoming south southwest. Winds could gust as high as 20

Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 23. Wind chill values between 14 and 19. South southwest wind around 10 mph.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 42. South southwest wind 5 to 10 mph increasing to between 15 and 20 mph. Winds could gust as high as 25 mph.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 22. South southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Sunday: Partly sunny, with a high near 36. North northwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Sunday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 22. North northeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

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Obituaries

George W. Gamblin, 79

Pampa-December 1, 2009, in Pampa, Texas.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, December 3, 2009, at First Christian Church, with Rev. Roy King, interim minister, and Paul Carruth, associate area minister for the Christian Church in the Southwest, officiating.

Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors. Mr. Gamblin was born

April 7, 1930 in Cushing, Oklahoma, to Clay and Mona Gamblin. He was reared in Pampa, attending Horace Mann Elementary and graduating from Pampa High School in

George 1948. He was very proud W. Gamblin, 79, died of both schools and being a Pampa Harvester. George was the captain of the 1948 Harvester basketball team and was an all-district pitcher for the first organized Pampa High School baseball team. He married Mardell Hawkins on August 18, 1950 in Pampa. He was employed as a salesman for H. R. Thompson Parts & Supply for 48 years, working in Pampa and the surrounding Panhandle area. George was a member of the First Christian Church since 1956, serving various positions in the church during his membership. He was awarded Elder Emeritus in

wife of 59 years, Mardell Gamblin of the home; four sons, Kris Gamblin and wife Terry of Pampa, Marshall Gamblin and wife Sheryl of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Kory Gamblin of Fort Worth, and Grant Gamblin of Dallas; four grandchildren: Stephanie McGee and husband Sam, Jennifer Wehrli and husband Jeff, all of Bethany, Oklahoma, David Gamblin and wife Michelle of Lewisville, and Kyle Gamblin and wife Amy of Pampa; seven great-grandchildren, Ella, Emerson, Duncan, Gage, Josh, Silas and Molly; and a brother, Buford Gamblin of Little Elm. George was preceded 2008. in death by his parents; Survivors include his a brother, Bill Gamblin;



Gamblin

and a great-grandson, Max O'Neal Wehrli.

MEMORIALS: Christian Church, 1633 N. Nelson, Pampa, Texas

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John T. "Tommy" Hollis, 90

Fort Worth— John T. "Tommy" Hollis, 90, died December 1, 2009, in Fort Worth, Texas. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Convicted sex offender still loose

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Rewards totaling \$30,000 are offered for information leading to Texas prison escapee Arcade Joseph Comeaux Jr.

Department of Corrections spokeswoman Michelle Lyons said Thursday that the convicted sex offender was still on the run.

Comeaux was in a wheelchair Monday when he pulled a gun on two guards during a transfer from a unit in Huntsville to one in Beaumont. Both guards were released after being forced to drive to the Baytown area, where Comeaux ran way.

Comeaux was serving life in prison for aggravated sexual assault out of Brazos County.

The U.S. Marshal's Service is offering a \$25,000 reward for information leading to the capture of Comeaux. Crime Stoppers will pay up to an additional \$5,000 for tips leading to his arrest.

2 hurt in fall from roof area at Cowboys Stadium

Crews used baskets, lines

and ladders to lower the

workers in a rescue that

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Two maintenance workers who were not wearing safety harnesses slipped and fell from the roof area of towering Cowboys Stadium on Thursday morning, and at least one suffered serious injuries, authorities said.

The two were work-JAMMING AT Woody ing on the top hatch of Guthrie Music Center, Fri. the retractable-roof venue around 7:20 a.m. when they slipped, Assistant Fire Chief Don Crowson said. They were not using "fall protection," he said.

The workers fell from an upper roof to a lower section, police spokeswoman Tiara Ellis Richard said.

Live TV coverage showed fire department crews on the roof of the nearly \$1.2 billion stadium, where the Dallas Cowboys began playing this season.

Pampa Fire

EMERGENCY SERVICES

FIRE

Department reported the following calls for service between 7 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 2 and 7 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 3.

9:18 a.m.— Public service 700 Bradley, installing a CO detector, 1 unit 3 personnel.

1:42 p.m.— First responder 2300 block Mary Ellen 1 unit, 3 personnel.

4:51 p.m.— false alarm alarm at Meredith House, 9 personnel and 3 units.



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took about 90 minutes. Both workers were transported to hospitals. Crowson said one man was Hot Chocolate severely injured but he had

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Protests prompt Salvation Army policy change

LOS ANGELES (AP) The Salvation Army says it will no longer ask for a parent's social security number before giving Christmas toys to children at some local branches.

Juan Alanis, a spokesman for the Salvation Army's Houston branch, says the charity changed its policy Wednesday following a protest by Hispanic immigrants in os Angeles.

Alanis says the Christian organization never wanted to give the appearance of discrimination based on legal status and decided to not require a social security number to register for ts Angel Tree program.

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About two dozen parents and children protest-

Service Hope Dec 12

A Service of Hope for the Pampa community will be held at First Presbyterian Church (525 N. Gray) on Saturday, December 12 at 4:00 pm. The holidays are a time of celebration, but they can often be full of sorrow for those who are suffering through a loss, an illness, or separation from loved ones. The service will include prayer, scripture, a brief sermon, and an invitation to light a candle in memory or in honor of those we love. Please join us for this special service as we remember our loved ones, recognize our pain, and seek hope and comfort in Jesus Christ.

Holidays

After the parade, the Chamber of Commerce will have a drawing for \$500. At 4 p.m., in front of The Plaza Restaurant in Coronado Center, there will be a second drawing for another \$500.

"Ticket holders must be present to win," Weaver said.

"There are a few merchants downtown that are going to have open houses Saturday to go along with the Christmas Parade to kick off the Christmas Season," Rheams said. "We're going to have hot cider here for people."

Rheams is excited about this year's holiday season.

"We look for Christmas to be prosperous for everyone in town," Rheams said. "I think more people are going to try to shop locally as much as they can. We have a lot of things to offer in Pampa."

This is Rheams 33rd year to be in business in Pampa as well as his 33rd Christmas.

"It's just always amazed me how much support we have in the community and the surrounding area," Rheams said.

With a grin, Rheams said that now he's getting second and even third generations of faithful customers coming in.

"I had one from Canadian that came in," he said, "and said, 'You don't know me, but you know my Dad.""

· He said its friends like that in Pampa and the surrounding area that makes Christmas a special time of year.

The weatherman is predicting a partly sunny day for Saturday with a high in the mid-40 degree range.

Fort Hood units may be part of deployment

HOUSTON (AP) - A Pentagon spokesman says hurry-up deployments to Afghanistan by Army combat units at Fort Hood and other stateside posts are likely early next year.

That's, in the wake of President Barack Obama's disclosure Tuesday night of plans for a 30,000-troop surge to Afghanistan. Marine Maj. Shawn Turner is a spokesman for Secretary of Defense Robert Gates. He said Fort Hood-based units and others at U.S. Army and Marine corps bases will be designated publicly as soon as Friday to join the

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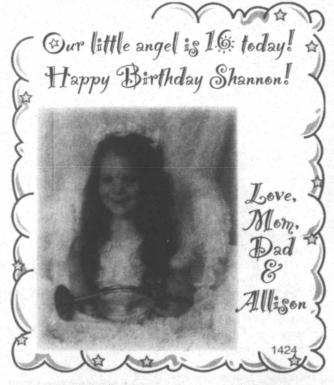
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Today in History

Today is Thursday, Dec. 3, the 337th day of 2009. There are 28 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 3, 1984, thousands of people died after a cloud of methyl isocyanate gas escaped from a pesticide plant operated by a Union Carbide subsidiary in Bhopal, India

On this date:

In 1818, Illinois was admitted as the 21st state.

In 1828, Andrew Jackson was elected president of the United States by the Electoral College.

In 1833, Oberlin College in Ohio — the first truly

'It is right noble to fight with wickedness and wrong; the mistake is in supposing that spiritual evil can be overcome by physical means .'

> Lydia Maria Child, American author

coeducational school of higher learning in the United States — began holding

In 1925, Concerto in F by George Gershwin had its world premiere at New York's Carnegie Hall, with Gershwin himself at the piano.

In 1947, the Tennessee Williams play "A Streetcar Named Desire" opened on Broadway.

In 1953, the musical "Kismet" opened on Broadway

In 1960, the musical "Camelot" opened on Broadway.

In 1967, surgeons in Cape Town, South Africa led by Dr. Christiaan Barnard performed the first human heart transplant on Louis Washkansky, who lived 18 days with the new heart. The 20th Century Limited, the famed luxury train, completed its final run from New York to Chicago.

In 1979, 11 people were killed in a crush of fans at Cincinnati's Riverfront Stadium, where The Who were performing.

In 1992, the Greek tanker Aegean Sea spilled 21.5 million gallons of crude oil when it ran aground off northwestern Spain.

Ten years ago:

World Trade Organization talks collapsed in Seattle. Six firefighters died while battling a fire in an abandoned Worcester, Mass., industrial building. Scientists failed to make contact with the Mars Polar Lander after it began its fiery descent toward the Red Planet; the spacecraft is presumed destroyed. Tori Murden of the United States became the first woman to row across the Atlantic Ocean alone as she arrived at the French Caribbean island of Guadeloupe, 81 days after leaving the Canary Islands near the coast of Africa. Billionaire banker Edmond Safra suffocated in a smoke-filled bathroom in his Monaco apartment; American nurse Ted Maher confessed to setting the fire that killed the 67-year-old Safra. Oscar-nominated actress Madeline Kahn died at age

Five years ago:

It was announced that Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld was staying on the job. Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson resigned, warning as he left of a possible terror attack on the nation's food supply. The Ukraine Supreme Court ordered a rerun of the head-to-head presidential contest, setting off rejoicing by supporters of Western-leaning Viktor Yushchenko, who ended up the winner.

One year ago:

President-elect Barack Obama selected New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson as his commerce secretary. (Richardson withdrew a month later when it appeared his confirmation hearings would be complicated by a grand jury investigation over how state contracts were issued to political donors; Gary Locke replaced him at commerce.) Theological conservatives upset by liberal views of U.S. Episcopalians and Canadian Anglicans formed a rival North American province.

Today's Birthdays:

Country singer Ferlin Husky is 84. Singer Andy Williams is 82. Movie director Jean-Luc Godard is 79. Singer Jaye P. Morgan is 78. Actor Nicolas Coster is 76. Actress Mary Alice is 68. Rock singer Ozzy Osbourne is 61. Actress Heather Menzies is 60. Rock singer Mickey Thomas is 60. Country musician Paul Gregg (Restless Heart) is 55. Actor Steven Culp is 54. Actress Daryl Hannah is 49. Actress Julianne Moore is 49. Olympic gold medal figure skater Katarina Witt is 44. Actor Brendan Fraser is 41. Singer Montell Jordan is 41. Actor Royale Watkins is 40. Actor Bruno Campos is 36. Actress Holly Marie Combs is 36. Actress Lauren Roman is 34. Pop-rock singer Daniel Bedingfield is 30. Actress Anna Chlumsky is 29. Actor Brian Bonsall is 28. Actress Amanda Seyfried is 24. Actor Michael Angarano is 22. Actor Jake T. Austin is 15.



Will state raise gas tax?

Fort Worth Star-Telegram on Texas possibly increasing gasoline taxes:

The drumbeat for a gasoline tax increase during the 2011 legislative session is hard to hear unless you pay close attention, but it's slowly building and will be louder in the coming year.

The idea is to push the state motor fuels tax up by 10 cents per gallon. The current level of 20 cents per gallon has not been changed since 1991. Texans also pay 18.4 cents per gallon in federal fuel tax, a rate set in 1993.

There's also talk of indexing the state tax to inflation, meaning that it would go up each year in tandem with a selected measure of the overall cost of living. State estimates

buying power of the motor fuels tax over the years, a slide that indexing is aimed to halt.

The current state tax is projected to bring in \$6.3 billion during the next two years. Under the Texas Constitution, one-fourth of that is reserved for educa-

The Legislature diverts some motor fuels tax revenue and other State Highway Fund revenue (motor lubricants tax, vehicle title and registration fees) to state agencies for purposes other than building, designing or maintaining roads. In the current two-year budget, diversions from the fund amount to almost \$1.6 bil-

Dallas-Fort Worth leaders have pushed hard durshow that inflation has ing the past three legis

eroded about a third of the lative sessions for more money to be devoted to transportation. The result: abject failure.

There is always opposition in Austin to any kind of tax increase.

Still, there's general agreement that traffic congestion in many parts of Texas is bad and getting worse. The chairmen of the Legislature's key transportation committees, Sen. John Carona of Dallas and Rep. Joe Pickett of El Paso, have said they will hold joint hearings on the issue in Austin next summer.

There's no use going back to the Legislature in 2011 with the same old approaches. Transportation advocates need more allies, and that means addressing some of the concerns that have blocked previous efforts.

Here are some issues that one group of those opponents, Texans for Fiscal Responsibility, wants to see on the table:

End diversions from the Highway Fund. "Put every state gas-tax dollar into road construction and maintenance," says TFR.

Devote money first "to the most congested areas,

providing relief that is real, measurable and substantive." Specifically to be excluded, TFR says, are "boondoggles like 'light

Require transparency for all local, regional and state transportation agencies that spend tax dollars. That means posting all revenues and expenditures online for all to see.

Require accountability for those same agencies, allowing state officials to audit their books. Forbid tax expenditures on lobbying.

Those aren't easy steps. Most of the gas-tax diversions, \$1.2 billion, go to support the Department of Public Safety. The need for DPS won't go away; money for it must come from somewhere.

By 2012, the state Transportation Department is expected to have no money -- other than what it can borrow -- to build new roads. It will struggle to find enough revenue to maintain existing roads.

Increasing the gasoline tax may be the way to go, but to avoid another failure, advocates must learn from their opponents.

Letters to the editor **Immigrants**

Great grandpa Samuel Willis came to America from England with a dream of a good life for himself and his family. He settled in North Carolina and after long struggles enjoyed a reasonably prosperous life there. His descendants moved westward, first to Tennessee, then Arkansas and Texas and eventually settled on land in the Indian Territory of Oklahoma. I am the descendant of an Immigrant family on the Willis side.

Years later grandpa Samuel Benson left Denmark as a teen with a little carpentry and farming experience and came into the United States at Houston. Soon he had earned enough money to send for a brother. He and the brother then repeated the process over again until all but one of the family including some of the Michelson's were here including the one he married, my grandmother Lorvena. Cela Benson, mother was born in Taylor, Texas

During the time between Sam Willis and Sam Benson boat loads of immigrants came without their consent. They had to endure unimaginable hardships and slavery and still have lingering disadvantages though now free and are making great contributions to our country.

All but the native Americans are immigrants or descendants of immigrants. Who knows, some Native Americans may have came here from Canada or Mexico. If so, we're the better for it.

These families and thousands of other similar ones from all over the world filled this country with good hardworking and decent people for the most part. Now and then a few would disappoint their family and be an

This stream of immigrants has continued to this day. Most of them contribute greatly to our society, our culture, our morals, our economy. I've heard it said that an American Indian and a Danish immigrant make pretty babies. The same can be said of any combination of immigrant decendants. All this has created and will continue to add to this nation a pool of perpetually improving descendants.

Somehow a part of our population has turned the word immigrant into a bad word when all the evidence shows that the more we participate in the immigration process the better our nation of people will become. It's a little like choosing the best ingredients and the best recipe for a cake and putting it together to make a better cake. So being a proud descendant of some immigrants who left their home country to seek a better future for themselves and their children and a Choctaw Indian named Mary Short, I'd like to thank all the Immigrants and American Indians for making the country I love a better place for

Earnest E. Willis Pampa



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FIRST BUCK



Casey Martindale took his first buck on Friday morning after Thanksgiving. The eight point buck was taken in Collingsworth county from about 50 yards.

Community Blood and Coat Drive

Coffee Memorial Blood Center will conduct a Community blood and coat drive in Pampa from 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. Wednesday, December 16, 2009 at the Clarendon College Pampa Campus.

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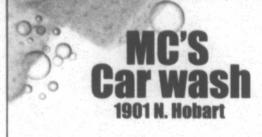
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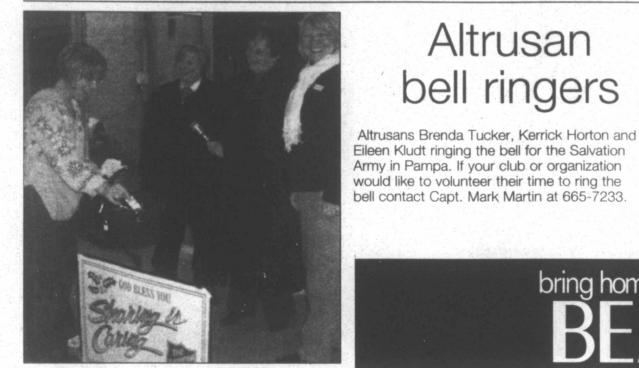
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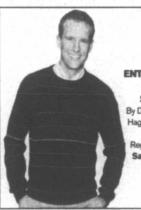
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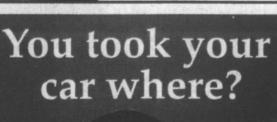
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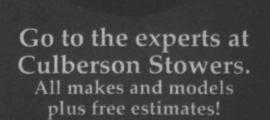


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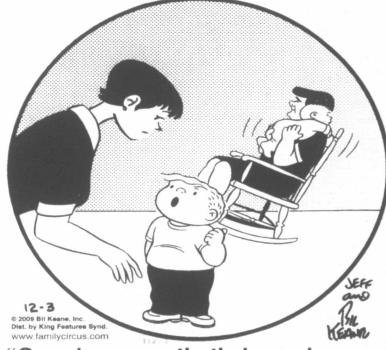
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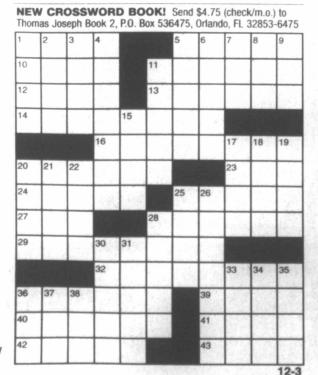
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BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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them. Don't nix these chances, but rather

look to better days and happier times.

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on your goals, making a key one a reali-

ty. Yes, it might take a lot of work, but it

is very worthwhile. If you are single, you

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*** Matters move with greater ease,

but how much of this can be contributed

to the fact that this is the end of the

week? People finally are receptive and

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difficulty with one key person. Tonight:

*** * Keep communication flowing.

even if you feel as if you want to toss

your hands in the air. Your ability to

relate and get down to the very basics

could make a difference in a discussion.

** Be more sensitive to your budget

Tonight: Hang with some friends.

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and the choices you make. You have a lot

going on, and events happen out of the

blue. Start working on your Christmas

list, but don't lose sight of your budget.

Stay on top of your game. Tonight: Your

**** When you make the effort to

reach out to someone, you could be sur-

prised by this person's reaction. Not

everyone has the same mind-set and can

flow like you. Tonight: The world is your

*** You could become a bit off or not

willing to state your case. Keep your own

counsel until you feel more comfortable.

Know that when the time is right, you

will reveal more of your feelings.

**** Zero in on and understand

exactly what it is you want. Investigate

what someone suggests, even if you

aren't totally comfortable with the fiscal

ramifications. Could there be a way

around this? Tonight: Where the gang is.

*** Know that you must accomplish

what someone else asks of you. You

could be worn down and tired by recent

events. Know when to say "enough."

You have been a bit more stiff than in the

*** Reach out for others at a dis-

tance. You could be a bit tired or with

drawn. Understand that holding yourself

and your feelings back so tightly could

cause a problem. Tonight: Take off as

past. Tonight: A must appearance.

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Tonight: Know what you want.

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*** You might need to rethink a sit

uation and decide which way you want to

go. Listen to your inner voice. Take

more serious look at a friendship that

demands a lot of energy from you

Tonight: Make time for a special friend.

**** Others seem to present on

** Clear your desk as soon as possi

ble. You'll find that you will accomplish

much more if you remain even and

steady. Honor who you are and don't let

negativity prevent you from hitting

home run. Tonight: TGIF with co-work

**** Listen to news with an eye to

greater opportunity. If you're not careful you could create a strong case of jeal-

ousy with a partner or loved one. You

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CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Tonight: Just don't be alone

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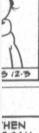
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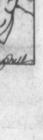


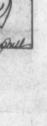






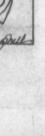






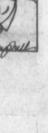


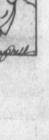










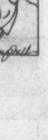












Girls swim team places seventh, boys place fifth in Monahans Meet

BY ANDREW GLOVER aglover@thepampanews.com

The Pampa girls swim team finished eighth and the boys finished fifth in their meet at Monahans November 21-22

10 teams competed in the meet. The girls had 86 points finishing two points ahead of eighth place Big Spring and nine points behind sixth place Andrews. San Angelo Central won the meet with 282 points. The boys finished 25 points ahead of sixth place Abilene Wylie and finished 51 points behind fourth place Hobbs. San Angelo Central's blue team won the meet with 297 points.

The Lady Harvesters 200 medley relay teams finished sixth and eleventh combining to earn the team 22 points. The sixth place team finished with a time of 2:21 and the eleventh place team finished with a time of 2:46. Kendle R. Ramey, Kendall Aikin, Jessica L. Gutierrez, Treyci Carroll, Christina Hart, Lindsey Phillips, Lindsay Cole and Janie Jackson were the swimmers.

The Harvesters finished second and eighth in the boys 200 Medley relay with times of 1:52 and 2:05 respectively. Christian Hinkle, Cody Hudson, Kelly Stoffle, Jaden Payne, Spencer Estes, Ethan Addy, Nate Towry, and Scott Kelly were the swimmers. Pampa earned 36 points in

Ramey finished fourth in the girls 200 freestyle with a time of 2:24 and earned 11 points. Jessica Covil finished sixth with a time of 2:24.91 earning nine points, Cole finished eleventh with a time of 2:35 earning two points and Phillips finished 19th with a time of 2:56 and did not earn points.

Towry finished fifth in the boys 200 freestyle with a time of 2:09 and earned 10 points for Pampa. Karl Pfitzner finished ninth with a time of 2:17 earned four points for Pampa. Addy finished 12th with a time of 2:24 and earned one point for Pampa.

Gutierrez finished the girls 200 individual medley with a time of 2:51 earning fifth place and ten points for Pampa. Stoffle finished first in the boys 200 individual medley with a time of 2:10 earning 15 points for Pampa. Hinkle finished seventh with a time of 2:28 and earned seven points for

Brittany Covil finished 13th in the girls 50 freestyle with a time of 32.50 seconds. Hart finished 18th with a time of '58. Jackson finished 31st ith a time of 37.91. None of the swimmers earned points. Payne was the only swimmer who earned points for Pampa in the boys 50 freestyle finishing third with a time of 25.06 seconds earning 12 points. Kelly finished 25th with a time of 29.39, Travis Hinkle finished 28th with a time

of 29.70, J.T. Brown finished 42nd with a time of 34.28 and Tanner Burnett finished 43rd with a time of 34.32.

Jessica Covil finished eighth in the girls 100 fly with a time of 1:20 and earned five points for Pampa. Stoffle finished first in the boys 100 fly with a time of 57.77 seconds and earned 15 points for the Harvesters. Payne finished tenth with a time of 1:08 and earned three points for Pampa.

finished Guitierrez fourth in the girls 100 freestyle with a time of 1:05 and earned 11 points for Pampa. Carroll finished 13th with a time of 1:10, Aikin finished 31st with a time of 1:22 and Jackson finished 34 with a time of 1:24. Estes finished 12th in the boys 100 freestyle with a time of 1:00 earning one point for Pampa. Hudson finished 15th with a time of 1:01, Kelly finished 22nd with a time of 1:10, Burnett finished 30th with a time of 1:17 and Brown finished 34th with a time of 1:24.

Ramey finished fifth in the girls 500 freestyle with a time of 6:28 and earned 10 points for the Lady Harvesters. Cole finished seventh with a time of 7:10 and earned seven points for the Lady Jarvesters. Towry finished second in the boys 500 freestyle with a time of 5:56 earning 13 points for the Harvesters. Pfitzner finished seventh with a time of 6:14 and earned seven points for the

Pampa finished fifth in the girls 200 freestyle relay with a time of 2:03 earning 20 points for Pampa. The boys teams finished first and eleventh with times of 1:39 and 2:06 respectively. The Harvesters earned 34 points in the event.

Brittany Covil finished 17th in the girls 100 backstroke with a time of 1:27.73. Hart finished 18th with a time of 1:27.92. Christian Hinkle finished sixth in the boys 100 backstroke with a time of 1:06 and earned nine points for Pampa. Estes finished 10th with a time of 1:11 and earned Pampa three points. Travis Hinkle finished 16th with a time of 1:27.

Aikin finished 12th in the girls 100 breaststroke with a time of 1:33 and earned a point for Pampa. Phillips finished 22nd with a time of 1:50. Hudson finished fourth with a time of 1:10 and earned the Harvesters 11 points. Addy finished 12th with a time of 1:18 and scored one point for Pampa. Pampa finished fifth in the girls 400 freestyle relay with a time of 4:39 and earned 20 points for the Lady Harvesters. The boys teams finished seventh and 12th in the boys 400 freestyle relay with times of 4:05 and 5:01 respectively. The Harvesters earned 16

points in the event. Pampa's next meet is December 5 at Amarillo San Jacinto.

JV girls basketball Streak builds

BY ANDREW GLOVER aglover@thepampanews.com

The Pampa Lady Harvesters junior varsity basketball team won their third and fourth consecutive games November 24 and December 1.

Pampa beat Borger 57-33 November 24. Delaney Clendening had 19 points and Kaitlynn Ramirez had 16 points. The Lady Harvesters beat Perryton 51-22 Tuesday. Caitlin Sieck had 16 points and Clendening had 13.

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The junior varsity (5-5) will play in the Miami tournament today through Saturday.

November 25, 2009 Senior Scramble First-64 Gerry McCabe

Rod Porter Nathan Lancaster James Gray Richard Abbott

Second-65

Bob Young

Eldon Maxwell

Buddy Epperson Guen Allen Third-65 Pat Montoya **Howard Wells** Darrell Hinkle Gary Brewer

Closest to Pin #6 Pat Montoya

Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: A few years ago, you printed a poem about children with special needs having been sent by God to special parents who can nurture and care for them.

Our neighbors -- dear friends of ours -- have a new baby who has challenges. Although there are days that bring with them frustrations, this loving couple is doing a wonderful job of parenting their beautiful little girl.

With the holidays approaching, would you print that poem again? I would like to give a copy to my neighbors. -- IN AWE IN MARYLAND

DEAR IN AWE: The poem you're referring to is titled, "Heaven's Very Special Child," and it's certainly worth sharing again. The author, Edna Massimilla, wrote it after her daughter -- a child with Down syndrome -- was born.

I have always found its message to be very moving and, when I spoke to Edna, she told me it was written to emphasize that every creation is for a purpose. She's in her 90s now and still writing poems and songs -- especially for children with disabilities. Read

HEAVEN'S VERY SPECIAL CHILD A meeting was held

quite far from Earth. It was time again for another birth.

Said the Angels to the Lord above --

"This special child will need much love. "Her progress may be

very slow, "Accomplishment she may not show.

"And she'll require extra care "From the folks she

meets down there. "She may not run or laugh or play, "Her thoughts may

seem quite far away. "So many times she will be labeled "'different," 'helpless'

and disabled. "So, let's be careful where she's sent. "We want her life to be

content. "Please, Lord, find the parents who "Will do a special job

for you. "They will not realize right away

"The leading role they are asked to play. "But with this child

sent from above "Comes stronger faith, and richer love.

"And soon they'll know the privilege given 'In caring for their gift

from heaven. "Their precious charge so meek and mild "Is heaven's very special child."

