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Community Day at Recreation Park Saturday

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While his proposed Lifetime Recovery Centers facility has been quite the polarizing issue at times, David Smith said that he is looking forward to a weekend that he hopes will bring the town closer together.

"That's what this is all about," said Smith, who is spearheading Saturday's Community Day celebration. "I am all for getting

people together and getting us all more active.

"It'll be good for families and for kids to get out and enjoy the outdoors and be surrounded by their friends and neighbors. It'll be fun."

The event, which will be at Recreation Park from noon to 9 p.m., will feature food, arts and crafts, jewelry, kids' games, live entertainment and a chili cook-off sponsored by Granny's Home Cookin'.

There will also be a drawing for an authentic Dallas Cowboys jersey worn by wide receiver Patrick Crayton during a real NFL game. Authenticity papers will be included with the giveaway.

The event was the brainchild of Vicki Goheen, one of Smith's staffers. Goheen said that the festival's timing was of added importance to its organizers because of their cause of helping fight drug addiction.

"(September) is National

Recovery Month," said Goheen. "We wanted to invite the community to celebrate that with us, plus also have music, fun, food, sell their wares — everything."

Smith said that he hopes that

Community Day

When: Saturday, noon to 9 p.m.
Where: Recreation Park

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HAIR CARE

Bingham gives up hair for cancer; 5K next up

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Tara Bingham's kids can explain it better than she does.

"They have a much better way of putting it," said Bingham. She recently chopped off her 10 inches of hair to donate to Locks of Love, a nonprofit organization which makes wigs for children who have lost their own hair to diseases like cancer.

"Whenever people ask them, 'Who's the bald lady?' they say, 'That's my mom.'"

"They say, 'She cut off her hair to give it to kids who don't have any.' I think that's a great way to sum it up."

Bingham said that it was a big decision for her to commit to Locks of Love, but added that the fact that she knew that the hair was going to help cancer victims made it easy to make the leap.

"You know, I'd actually always wanted to shave my head," she said, smiling. "But I'm just your normal girl. I don't do crazy things like that all the time, so it was kind of a big step. For (the hair) to go to a good cause like this just makes it that much more worthwhile for me."

"Cancer affects so many people in the world and so many people right here in our community," Bingham continued. "So I just wanted to do something to help out."

Bingham said that having her head shaved has opened her eyes to part of the isolation and scrutiny that cancer patients have to endure during their everyday lives.

"I walk around and I get these looks, because now that I'm bald, people think I have cancer," Bingham said. "It's either a pity look, or an 'I wonder why' look, you know?"

"It was uncomfortable for me, and I'm healthy. For a cancer patient to have to deal with that everyday on top of dealing with the disease, I can't even imagine that."

Bingham is taking another step to help fight cancer next month, when she will compete in the Susan G. Komen Dallas Race for the Cure 5K next month.

G. Komen Dallas Race for the Cure 5K on Oct. 16. It will be the first 5K for Bingham, who is pushing herself to be able to participate in the event.

"I've been running like 2 miles (a day), so I'm working my way up to the 5K," she said.

Bingham is currently seeking donations for her participation. Her goal is to raise \$1000 before the event; she has already raised about \$400.

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staff photo by David Bowser

United Way campaign to kick off

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The 2010 Giving Campaign for the Pampa United Way will kick off Tuesday with festivities ranging from a dunking booth to live band entertainment.

The event will be held from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on the AmeriInn Event Center Parking lot (corner of Hobart and Somerville streets).

"This is the first time we have kicked off our campaign this way," said Katrina Bigham, the organization's executive director. "We plan to have free hot dogs and hamburgers, free soft drinks, a local live band, and maybe two or three jumping booths"

Plans for other activities are still in the works, she said, adding that there will be a \$1 charge for the dunking booth and a "pie in the face" contest (\$1 per vote for the person you want to receive the pie in the face).

Donations will be accepted at the event and all proceeds will go toward the United Way's 2010 goal of \$310,000.

As always, that goal is formidable,

Pampa United Way Giving Campaign Kickoff

When: Tuesday, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Where: AmeriInn Event Center Parking Lot

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Lang: Hampton Village 50 percent complete

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The head of the group building the Hampton Village addition said this week it is about 50 percent complete.

"We're about half way there," said Tim Lang, the general manager of the limited partnership that's developing Hampton Village.

The addition, Lang said, offers affordable two, three and four bedroom homes for rent.

When completed, there will be 76 homes along with an office and clubhouse in the 1500 block of Alcock.

Lang, who lives in Austin, was in Pampa this week to talk to business leaders about the housing addition.

"I'm just up here dropping off information to some of the employers," Lang said.

He said they could share that information with their employees and let them know how to go about qualifying for a unit.

"We have pre-leasing packets available at the Pampa Chamber of Commerce office that they can pick up and

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A group of kids comes together in fellowship at Wednesday evening's "See You At The Pole" event.

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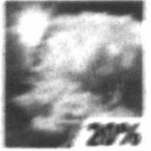

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Tonight: Scattered showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy with a low around 52. South-southwest wind between 5 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph. Chance of precipitation is 30%.

Friday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before 1 p.m. Mostly sunny with a high near 75. Calm wind becoming east between 10 and 15 mph.

Friday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy with a low around 50. Southeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Saturday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny with a high near 81. South wind around 5 mph.

Saturday Night: Mostly cloudy with a low around 56. North-northwest wind around 5 mph.

Sunday: Mostly sunny with a high near 76. Northeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy with a low around 53. Southeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

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Margaret Palmitier, 92

Margaret Palmitier, 92, died September 16, 2010, in Mexico.

Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, September 24, 2010, at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel, with John Curry officiating. Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Palmitier was born May 16, 1918, in Creek County, Okla. She had been a resident of Pampa most of her life. She married Dewey W. Palmitier on September 15, 1945, in Denver, Colorado. He preceded her in death on August 20, 2007. Margaret attended the First United Methodist Church in Pampa. She was a charter member and past president of Pampa Fine Arts Association, where she was named Artist of the Year in 1978. She was an active member of the Daughters of the American Revolution. She was very proud of her ancestral heritage, especially her father, A. F. Johnston, who was a wildcat oilman, prominent in Gray County oil exploration and production in the 1920s and 1930s. Her copper enameling has been enjoyed by many throughout the years. Due to her talents, she was a guest of the Israeli government and exhibited her artwork at the National Museum in Tel Aviv in 1981.

Survivors include three sons, Stephen Palmitier of Yukon, Okla.; Dennis Palmitier and John Palmitier and wife Ellen, all of Pampa; four grandchildren, Daniel Palmitier and wife Jessica of San Antonio, Chris Palmitier of Pampa, Doug Palmitier of Houston, and Jeremy Palmitier of Camp Speicher, Iraq; three great-grandchildren, Heather Palmitier of San Antonio, and Tyler and Emily Palmitier, both of Pampa.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Pampa Meals on Wheels, P.O. Box 939, Pampa, TX 79066-0939, or Genesis House, 615 W. Buckler, Pampa, TX 79065.

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Obituaries

Dena Ann Brasier Castleman, 35

SPRINGTOWN—Dena Ann Brasier Castleman, 35, loving mother, wife, sister and friend, passed away on Tuesday, September 21, 2010.

Graveside service will be at 10 a.m. Friday, September 24, at Goshen Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, at White's Funeral Home, 401 N. Main Street, Springtown.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Dena's memory can be made to Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure.

Dena was born March 16, 1975, in Wheatridge, Colo. to Darrell and Brenda Taylor Brasier. After high school, she moved to Texas with her mother and attended West Texas A & M University where she majored in Environmental Science. Prior to leaving work on disability, she worked for the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality as a water quality compliance inspector.

Dena was loved by everyone she came in contact with. She had a wonderful fun-loving spirit and was an inspiration to everyone around her. Dena battled breast cancer for eleven years and never lost her beautiful smile. Her hobbies included quilting, bird-watching, gardening and family. Dena was a member of several quilt guilds, enjoyed community service and volunteered for the American Cancer Society Relay for Life committee in Springtown.

Many words cannot express the gratitude Dena's family has for the many friends and family that have contributed to their care over the years.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Rudy and Dean Taylor and great-aunt, Boetiah Flynn of Pampa.

Survivors include her husband, Tom, daughter, Amanda, mother, Brenda Taylor; sisters, Melanie Peery and husband, Sammy, of Amarillo and Kari Wilson and husband, Joel, of Snaprock, N.M.; nieces, Alana, Maddy and Abby; nephews, Blake, Joshua and Hayden; in-laws, Jim and Pauline Castleman, Stephanie and Ken Raney, of Paris, and Karen and Alan Harris of Dallas.



Castleman

Vernon E. Baggerman, 78

AMARILLO—Vernon E. Baggerman, 78, died September 20, 2010, in Amarillo, Texas, surrounded by family and loved ones.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, September 25, 2010, at the United Methodist Church in Groom, with Rev. Weldon Rives of United Methodist Church of Groom, and Pastor Mike Nuthman of Hillside Christian Church of Amarillo, officiating.

Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery in Pampa, under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Baggerman was born March 20, 1932, on the family farm south of Pampa, one of eleven children. He attended Grandview Elementary and graduated from Pampa High School. He served in the U. S. Army from 1956-1957 during the Korean Conflict. Vernon worked for Gray County, Precinct 3, for over 50 years, and served on the Groom School Board in the 1970s. As a custom harvester, he traveled from Childress to Wyoming, sharing stories and jokes with lifelong friends he made along the way. Vernon brought home many fond stories from Wheatland that we will cherish. The family thanks his friends in Childress for their friendship, love and support. Vernon will long be remembered as a loving husband and father, hard working custom harvester, farmer, sports fan, and outdoorsman.

Survivors include his wife, Virginia Baggerman of the home; two sons, Ernest Baggerman and wife Diann of Miami and Roger Baggerman and wife Robin of Rowlett; two daughters, Peggy Baggerman of Groom, and Madina Joshi of McKinney; one stepson, Sam Prince of Albuquerque, N.M.; one stepdaughter, Marla Damell of Amarillo; four brothers, Ruben Baggerman and wife Lora of Groom, Nace Baggerman and wife Mary of Claude, Franklin Baggerman and wife Cleitis of Lubbock, James Baggerman and wife Maria of Mount Pleasant; three sisters, Irene Baggerman of Amarillo, Roselle Collingsworth of Pampa, Margret Whitley and husband Curtis of Groom; 14 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Vernon was preceded in death by his parents, John A. and Odell Baggerman; a brother, Johnny Baggerman; and two sisters, Caroline "Sissy" Coutts and Mildred Miller.

Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society, c/o Gerry Caylor, 2130 Charles, Pampa, TX 79065, or a favorite charity.

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James Howard Lewis, 81

James Howard Lewis, 81, died September 21, 2010, in Amarillo.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, September 24, 2010, at Mary Ellen & Harvester Church of Christ, with Glen Walton and Dean Whaley, ministers from Bell Avenue Church of Christ of Amarillo, officiating.

Burial will be at Memory Gardens Cemetery with military honors courtesy U. S. Army, Fort Hood, Texas, and Masonic rites courtesy of Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 AF&AM. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Lewis was born July 23, 1929, in Wheeler County to William J. (Bill) and Zola Lewis. He was a lifetime resident of Pampa, attending Pampa schools, and graduating from Pampa High School in 1948. He was a veteran of the U. S. Army, serving in Germany and Korea during the Korean Conflict with the 78th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, 2nd Armored Division, from 1950-1952. Upon his discharge in December of 1952, James returned to Pampa where he served with the Army Reserve unit from 1952-1956.

He attended Frank Phillips College night classes in Borger for several years, and graduated from Amarillo College Panhandle Regional Law Enforcement Academy in 1993, where he took many continuing education classes.

After returning to Pampa, James met the love of his life, Marilyn Hamilton, who he married on June 12, 1953, in Pampa. They had 57 wonderful years together, and were blessed with three children: Howard, Debbie and Bill.



Lewis

James was a wonderful husband, father and Papa. He loved his family and loved to watch his grandchildren excel in sports and academics, where all were honor students. He watched many high school and college basketball and volleyball games, golf tournaments, football games and rodeos. He will be greatly missed by his family and many friends.

He was an avid sports fan, and loved football, basketball, volleyball and rodeo. In the 1970s, he sponsored a women's traveling volleyball team that played throughout the Panhandle, winning first place wherever they played. He was a proud supporter of West Texas A&M and Wayland University athletics. He also loved to hunt and fish.

James was self-employed for several years. He worked for IRJ International for 29 years, retiring in 1993. For over 17 years, he served Gray County as Constable for Precinct 1 and 3, beginning January 1, 1993.

He was a member of Mary Ellen & Harvester Church of Christ. He was a member of Pampa Optimist Club in the 50's, 60's and 70's, coaching little league baseball and working with the football program. He was a member of the Pampa Harvester Band Booster Club for 8 years, serving as president and treasurer for 7 of those years. He was a member and officer of the Lake McClellan Improvement Group, a board member of the Lefors Senior Citizens Association, and a volunteer fireman for Lefors. He was a longtime member of the Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 AF&AM and Pampa Shrine Club, serving several terms as president, vice president and treasurer. He was a member of the Khruva Shrine Temple in Amarillo, the West Texas JP and Constable Association, and served on the Pampa Chamber of Commerce Tourism Committee.

Survivors include his wife, Marilyn Lewis of the home; three children, Howard Lewis of Des Moines, Iowa, Debbie Raymond and husband Paul of Plainview, and Bill Lewis of Pampa; two daughters-in-law, Tawny Lewis of Amarillo and Dana Lewis of Lefors; grandchildren, Tiffany and Brad Fralick of Amarillo, Britnyne and Ryan Jackson of Austin, Ryan and Erick Lewis of Pampa, Rachel of Dallas, Erika and Haley Raymond of Plainview; great-grandchild, Kinsler Fralick; foster daughter, April Walkup of Huntington, Pa.; foster granddaughter, Amber Hopkins of Las Vegas, Nev.; sister, Billie Jo Schulz of Wasilla, Ala.; brother, Harold Lewis and wife Charlotte of Pampa; nieces, Pamela Mundt of Anchorage, Ala., Andrea Caison of Pampa, and Annette and Tom Juhl of Louisville, Ky.; nephews, Jerome and William Schulz of Wasilla, Ala., Howie Lewis of Borger, Dean and Debbie Lewis of League City; numerous great nieces and great nephews; and uncle, Bismark Blackstock of Pampa. James was preceded in death by his parents.

Memorials may be made to American Heart Association, 2514 82nd Street, Suite B, Lubbock, TX 79423, or American Diabetes Association, 8008 Slide Road, Suite 12-A, Lubbock, TX 79424.

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Roland Joseph Darcé, 84

Roland Joseph Darcé, 84, died Thursday, August 26, 2010, in Austin, Texas, in Hospice Austin's Christopher House, due to lung cancer.

Memorial graveside services will be at 2 p.m., Saturday, September 25, 2010, at Fairview Cemetery in Pampa, under the direction of the Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Roland was born Nov. 17, 1925, in Rayne, La., to Victor Darcé and Felide Marguerite Landry Darcé. In 1950, while supervising the construction of rice dryers in Arkansas, Roland met Jo Perkins, and they were married Jan. 26, 1951, in Jonesboro, Ark. They made their homes in Houston and south Louisiana, including the communities of Welsh, Thibodaux and Schriever, before moving to Pampa in 1961. Between 1980 and 1994, they lived in St. Louis, Mo., and then returned to Pampa in 1994. Roland worked in the engineering division of Cabot Corp. from 1961 until his retirement in 1989.

He is survived by his daughter, Linda Williams Harder, and son-in-law, Dan Harder of Stillwater, Minn.; son, Phillip 'Flip' Darcé, and daughter-in-law, Sharee Rumsey Darcé, of Austin; son, Chad Darcé, and daughter-in-law, Carla Darcé, of Austin; grandchildren Brett Anne Williams, Lisa Williams, Caitlin Darcé, Will Darcé, Benjamin Darcé and Renee Darcé Gray; and great-grandson Kelton Gray. He is also survived by his brother, Richard Darcé, and sister-in-law, Audrey Mier Darcé, of Jennings, La., and numerous nephews, nieces and cousins.

The family requests memorial contributions, in lieu of flowers, to Hospice Austin, 4107 Spicewood Springs Road, Suite 100, Austin, TX, 78759.

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Barbara R. Williams Calloway, 77

Barbara R. Williams Calloway, 77, died September 22, 2010, in Pampa.

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Calloway was born July 14, 1933, in Dallas. She attended schools in Vernon and graduated from White Deer High School. She had been a resident of Pampa since 1949. Barbara married Ray Williams on June 19, 1954 in Raton, N.M. He preceded her in death in 1994. She later married Bill Calloway on October 27, 1995, in Pampa. She worked for Shelby Ruff Furniture, Graham Furniture, and Texas Furniture for a total of 32 years, and she was a licensed realtor. Barbara was a member of Calvary Baptist Church. She enjoyed quilting, sewing, baking and spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a son: Nick Williams in 2005.

Survivors include her husband, Bill Calloway of the home; two sons, Rob Williams and wife Judy of Amarillo, and Eddy Williams of Pampa; daughter, Terry Lemons of Pampa; stepdaughter, Vicky Sweat of Hollywood, Calif.; sister, Jo Jackson of Dallas; two brothers, J. B. Holt and wife Cheryl of Chickasha, Okla., and Howard Holt of Pampa; nine grandchildren, Jason Harris, Eric Lemons and Jordan Lemons, all of Pampa, Reagan Williams, Amy McEllyea, and Aaron Baird, all of Amarillo, Natalie Gorrell of Las Vegas, Nev., Chad Williams of Edmond, Okla., and Cody Williams of Houston; seven great-grandchildren and two step-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Calvary Baptist Church, 900 E. 23rd, Pampa, TX 79065, or BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, TX 79065.


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Texas sues over education funds

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas is suing the federal government over \$830 million in aid for schools that has been tied up in political wrangling.

A state-specific provision in the federal law requires Gov. Rick Perry to promise Washington that Texas will maintain certain state education spending levels through 2013.

Perry has said the requirement is unconstitutional because the Texas Constitution prohibits him from committing future state spending.

Texas applied for the money anyway, but was rejected because the application included a caveat that the state would not violate its own constitution.

Attorney General Greg Abbott filed the petition Thursday with the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals on behalf of Perry and other Republican state leaders. The challenge seeks to overturn the decision to deny the Texas application.

Conoco gives \$15 million to UT

AUSTIN (AP) — The chairman of ConocoPhillips is donating \$15 million to the University of Texas to build a new liberal arts building.

UT on Thursday announced the donation from ConocoPhillips CEO James Mulva and his wife, Miriam.

The structure, including a floor for the Austin school's ROTC programs, will be built on the site of Russell A. Steindam Hall, which is being demolished this fall. Steindam Hall has been home to ROTC for more than 50 years.

Mulva, who's a Navy ROTC graduate, earned a business administration degree from UT in 1968, then a master's degree the following year.

He met current UT President William Powers Jr. while both were serving overseas in the Navy.

Web site proactive against gangs

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston's gang related crime is down and officials are hoping a new website will help keep it that way.

Local, state and federal officials in Houston on Thursday announced the creation of a website that will offer residents information about gangs in the area and give them a way to report anonymous tips about possible criminal gang activity.

For the first eight months of the year, gang crime in Houston was down 4 percent compared to the same period last year.

Police Chief Charles McClelland Jr. says the website is a proactive effort to help keep that type of crime down.

Experts say the Houston area has more than 200 gangs with 10,000 members. Almost half of their criminal activity is related to drugs.

Prison for three in pot plot

McALLEN (AP) — Three men who mailed more than half a ton of packaged marijuana through a south Texas post office have been sentenced to federal prison.

Prosecutors say the men, who lived in McAllen, pleaded guilty in August 2009 to conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute at least 1,100 pounds of pot.

A judge in McAllen on Wednesday sentenced 22-year-old Jose Adan Lopez to five years in prison, while 25-year-old Ernesto Damian Caballero and 34-year-old Heriberto Emmanuel Vera must serve nearly six-year terms. Prosecutors say all three are in the U.S. illegally and face deportation after serving the prison time.

The parcels were wrapped in cellophane and surrounded by dried chili peppers in an attempt to mask the smell. The items were mailed through the Progreso post office between March 2008 and May 2009.

GOP voters want new leadership?

The Democrats' campaign to keep John Boehner from becoming the next Speaker of the House may be resonating — with Republicans, anyway.

A new Public Policy Polling survey shows that 57 percent of Republicans say the congressional GOP needs new leadership. Republicans are split on whether Boehner should win the Speaker's gavel if the GOP retakes control of the House this fall. Thirty-three percent say he should, while 34 percent say he shouldn't. Another 33 percent of GOP voters are undecided.

McConnell is in about the same shape. Thirty-three percent say the Senate GOP needs a new leader, while 27 percent think the party should stick with McConnell. A whopping 40 percent say they are "not sure."

many local entrepreneurs will be able to get something out of the event.

"I think it'll be good for small businesses that will get to show what they do, because some of the rest of us don't know they're out there. I've already learned things that are going on in town that I was unaware of just by being a part of this, so it's great."

Foremost, though, Smith reiterated that the festival is

about building bridges between everyone in the community.

"I just think it's a neat thing to get people together," he said. "I'm enjoying seeing other people in our community trying to get things going, and we want to help keep that going. If our community can become a family again and become true neighbors, then I think we can all progress and benefit from each other."

Bingham

There is no contribution too big or too small, Bingham said.

"Every dollar is priceless," said Bingham, "because every dollar goes toward so much. Every dollar goes toward research and prevention and treatment. Every dollar might help a mother have another day with

her kids."

Bingham said that she has received a lot of encouragement so far from the Pampa community.

"This is such a generous area," she said. "Everybody I've talked to has been supportive, so I hope that we can do it."

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If you would like to help sponsor Bingham for the Race for the Cure, she can be reached at 806-662-2423, or send her an e-mail at Binghamaz@yahoo.com for the secure link to the donation site. Make donations payable to: Komen Dallas Race for the Cure.

Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips



DEAR ABBY: As the mother of a child with special needs, my heart goes out to "Boiling Mad in New Jersey" (July 23). My daughter, "Kate," is also stared at in public. I, too, used to bristle at the unwanted attention, until I began to open up and talk with people. I found most of them to be compassionate and merely curious. Sometimes seeing Kate triggered their memory of a loved one who was affected by a similar challenge.

As often as I can, I take the time to do mini "public service announcements" and chat with folks who linger, look or approach. It's a great way to build a bridge between disabled individuals, who have much to teach, and the non-disabled, who have much to learn. The kids are my favorites. They'll openly ask what everyone wants to know and say what others are afraid to risk saying.

Kate is 16 now, beautiful inside and out. She's pure, loves unconditionally and always forgives. She's our teacher. Please tell "Boiling Mad" that time heals some of the rawness of a fresh diagnosis, and if she'll try to find the best in others, she'll usually be right. — HAPPIER NOW IN WASHINGTON STATE

DEAR HAPPIER: Thank you for your insightful letter. You are among many readers who shared similar views on transforming a "staring session" into a positive opportunity. Read on: DEAR ABBY: I worked with special-needs children for a number of years. I actually believe that it is good when people stare. It gives us a chance to help the child learn social skills.

Would "Boiling Mad" prefer everyone pretend her son doesn't exist? How horrible to isolate him like that. It'll make him miserable. The people looking aren't mean, they're just human. Children like to be looked at; it makes them feel important.

Her precious little boy doesn't have only disabilities. He has abilities, too, and developing them should be the focus of every activity she does with him. She'll be amazed at and proud of his growth. — KATHY IN KNOXVILLE

DEAR ABBY: My child has moderate autism spectrum disorder. Although he looks like everyone else, his extreme behavior brings stares and comments (mostly about my parenting). I now regard it as an opportunity to educate them about autism. I hand them a card explaining it that contains a link to the Autism Society of America.

This tactic, rather than ignoring people, is the way to go. If more people educated others, the stares and rude comments would become smiles and support. — JON IN BEAVER-CREEK, OHIO

DEAR ABBY: I'm one of those folks who "stare" at others. By no means is there ever a bad intent. I'm a people-watcher. I love watching people communicate in different ways, like

signing. Whether someone is in a wheelchair or has a visible disability, I value each and every person.

Maybe "Boiling Mad" doesn't understand that many of us are willing to reach out, lend a hand or just be friendly. I wish to embrace, not ignore, and I hope my behavior isn't perceived to be offensive. — WELL-MEANING AND OPEN

DEAR ABBY: As parents of a daughter with Down syndrome, we often saw people — mostly children — who couldn't take their eyes off our Sara.

When she asked us why they were staring and we told her it was because she was so beautiful, she decided to do them a favor and introduce herself. In crowded amusement park lines and outdoor events she'd walk over and say, "Hi. I'm Sara. What's your name?" We have had many great conversations with total strangers and met new friends this way over the past 23 years. Today, Sara and her mom speak at conferences all over the world promoting the hiring of people with disabilities. — PROUD DAD IN VIRGINIA

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Viewpoints

Today in History

Today is Thursday, Sept. 23, the 266th day of 2010. There are 99 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 23, 1846, Neptune was identified as a planet by German astronomer Johann Gottfried Galle (GAH'-luh).

On this date:

In 63 B.C., Caesar Augustus, the first Roman emperor, was born.

In 1779, during the Revolutionary War, the American warship Bon Homme Richard, commanded by John Paul Jones, defeated the HMS Serapis in battle.

In 1780, British spy John Andre was captured along with papers revealing Benedict Arnold's plot to surrender West Point to the British.

In 1806, the Lewis and Clark expedition returned to St. Louis more than two years after setting out for the Pacific Northwest.

In 1939, Sigmund Freud (froyd), the founder of psychoanalysis, died in London at age 83.

In 1952, Sen. Richard M. Nixon, R-Calif., salvaged his vice-presidential nomination by delivering the "Checkers" speech, in which he defended himself against allegations of improper campaign fundraising.

In 1957, nine black students who had entered Little Rock Central High School in Arkansas were forced to withdraw because of a white mob outside.

In 1962, New York's Philharmonic Hall (later renamed Avery Fisher Hall) formally opened as the first unit of the Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts.

In 1973, former Argentine president Juan Peron won a landslide election victory that returned him to power; his wife, Isabel, was elected vice president.

In 2001, 13 coal miners were killed in explosions at the Blue Creek Mine No. 5 in Brookwood, Ala.

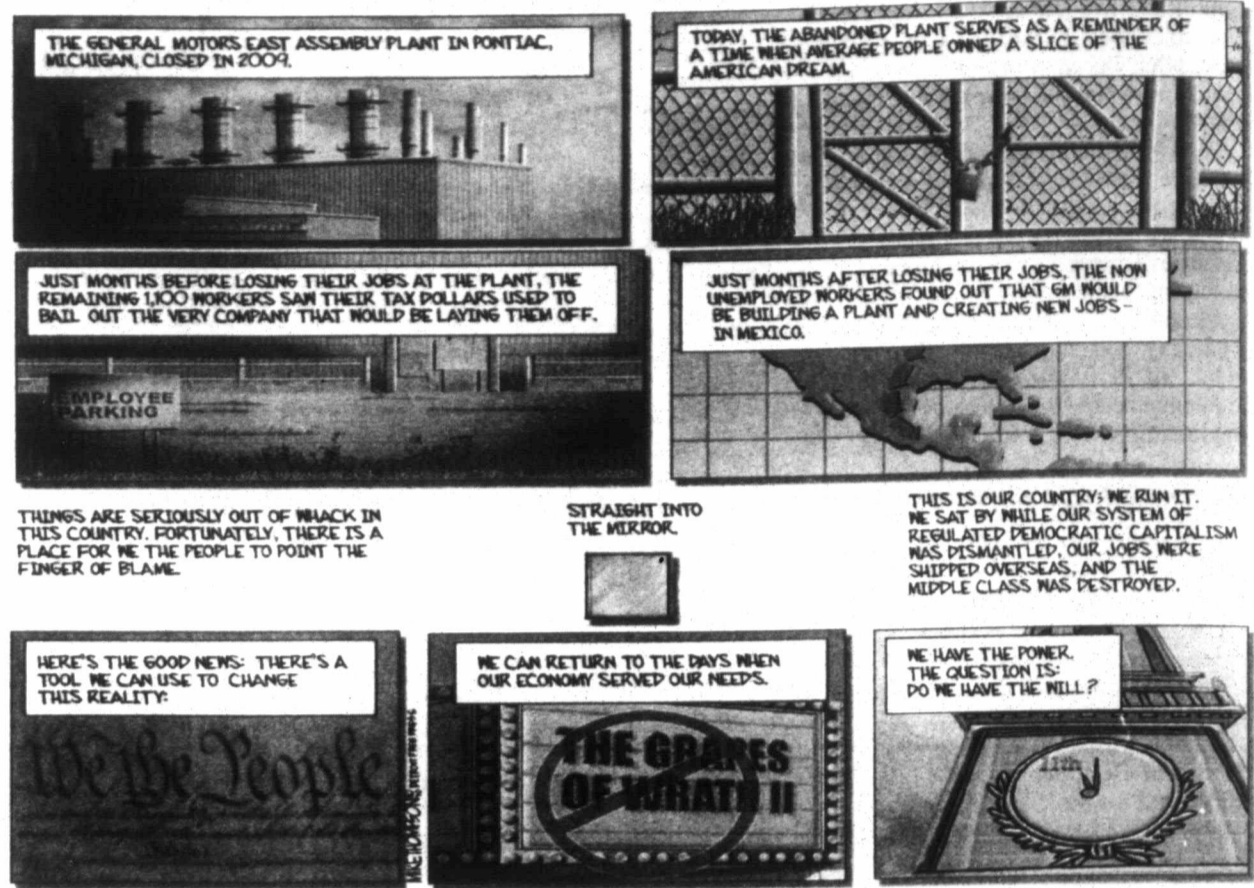
Ten years ago: At the Sydney Olympics, Maurice Greene took the men's 100-meter in 9.87 seconds; Marion Jones won the women's 100 final in 10.75 seconds. (However, in 2007, Jones forfeited the three gold medals and two bronzes she'd won in Sydney after she admitted taking a designer steroid.) Commentator Carl T. Rowan died in Washington at age 75.

Five years ago: Hurricane Rita, down to Category 3, steamed toward refinery towns along the Texas-Louisiana coast, creating havoc even before it arrived; levee breaks caused new flooding in New Orleans, and 23 people were killed when a bus carrying nursing-home evacuees caught fire in Texas. Embattled FDA Commissioner Lester Crawford abruptly resigned. Puerto Rican nationalist Filiberto Ojeda Rios, wanted in a 1983 robbery of a Connecticut armored truck, died during a gunbattle with FBI agents.

One year ago: President Barack Obama addressed the U.N. General Assembly, where he challenged world leaders to shoulder more of the globe's critical burdens, warning they could no longer castigate the U.S. as a go-it-alone bully while still demanding it cure all ills.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Mickey Rooney is 90. Actress Margaret Pellegrini ("The Wizard of Oz") is 87. Singer Julio Iglesias is 67. Actor Paul Petersen ("The Donna Reed Show") is 65. Actress-singer Mary Kay Place is 63. Rock star Bruce Springsteen is 61. Rock musician Leon Taylor (The Ventures) is 55. Actress Rosalind Chao is 53. Golfer Larry Mize is 52. Actor Jason Alexander is 51. Actor Chi McBride is 49. Actress Elizabeth Pena is 49. Country musician Don Herron (BR549) is 48. Actor Erik Todd Dellums is 46. Actress LisaRaye is 44. Singer Ani DiFranco is 40. Rock singer Sarah Bettens (K's Choice) is 38. Recording executive Jermaine Dupri is 38. Actor Kip Pardue is 34. Pop singer Erik-Michael Estrada ("Making the Band") is 31. Actress Aubrey Dollar is 30. Tennis player Melanie Oudin is 19.

Thought for Today: "Every successful revolution puts on in time the robes of the tyrant it has deposed." - Barbara Tuchman, American historian (1912-1989)



Dems better fear Tea Party candidates

Democratic political operatives are excited and filled with enthusiasm over the prospect of running against several tea party candidates in November, suggesting that the Republican nominees are so extreme and out-of-touch that there is no way they stand a chance of winning in November.

Have you listened to the euphoria in Democratic circles since Christine O'Donnell's victory this week over the legendary Mike Castle, a congressman, former governor and the man considered absolutely unbeatable? The GOP establishment had already started measuring the drapes in his U.S. Senate office. And the GOP was salivating at the chance to see Vice President Joe Biden administer the oath of office to the man who would occupy his Senate seat.

But Castle is busying himself this week packing up his campaign office after O'Donnell dusted him in the Republican primary. The same has taken place in other races. In the New York Republican gubernatorial race, Rick Lazio was also considered a shoo-in to face New York Attorney General Mario Cuomo in November, yet a tea partier with a racist streak in his body, Carl Paladino, beat the former congressman badly.

These victories, and others, have left the GOP establishment reeling, unable to figure out how

the devil they danced with has now consumed the party. What was supposed to be party unity to target the Democrats is now a party civil war, complete with infighting, backbiting and finger pointing.

The political punditry has sounded the bell and declared that for Democrats, their potential loss of the U.S. Senate is now a false alarm. And O'Donnell has assured the GOP they can't take it over.

Such talk is hilarious to Dick Arney, the former Republican House leader who is the founder of FreedomWorks, a conservative activist group aligned with tea partiers.

I caught up with Arney in the Washington, D.C. airport on Wednesday, and he had a Cheshire grin on his face as he talked about the O'Donnell victory.

Arney, who didn't endorse anyone in the race, wondered how GOP'ers could be so angry since it was an open primary. O'Donnell had the right to run and only spent a fraction of what Castle did to win the primary.

He said that in the end, it doesn't matter what polls say, what pundits try to intimate, or how much money you have. All that counts is if you have more votes than the other person. And he's dead right. Which is why Democrats shouldn't see tea party candidates like O'Donnell, Rand Paul in Kentucky and Sharron Angle in Nevada

as a firewall to keep them in power. What they should be doing is having a laser-like focus on their core supporters and driving them to the polls.

If they want to cast the tea partiers out of the mainstream, go right ahead. I don't think that will work for a second. What will matter is that voters are — in the words of the late comedian Robin Harris — "pissed off to the highest level of passivity."

This election will boil down to a rage that cannot be estimated about the economy. It was in shambles when President Barack

Obama took over, and it's still dragging along like a ball and chain on our collective feet.

If Democrats aren't focused, they'll look up and have to contend with Sen. O'Donnell, Sen. Rand and Sen. Angle. Falling asleep at the wheel in this rancorous and unpredictable election will result in nothing but disaster.

Dems, you didn't pay attention to Scott Brown and look how that worked out for you in Massachusetts. You might not want to be as carefree about these races, lest you want to be like Castle — scratching your heads on Nov. 3 and asking, "What in the hell just happened?"



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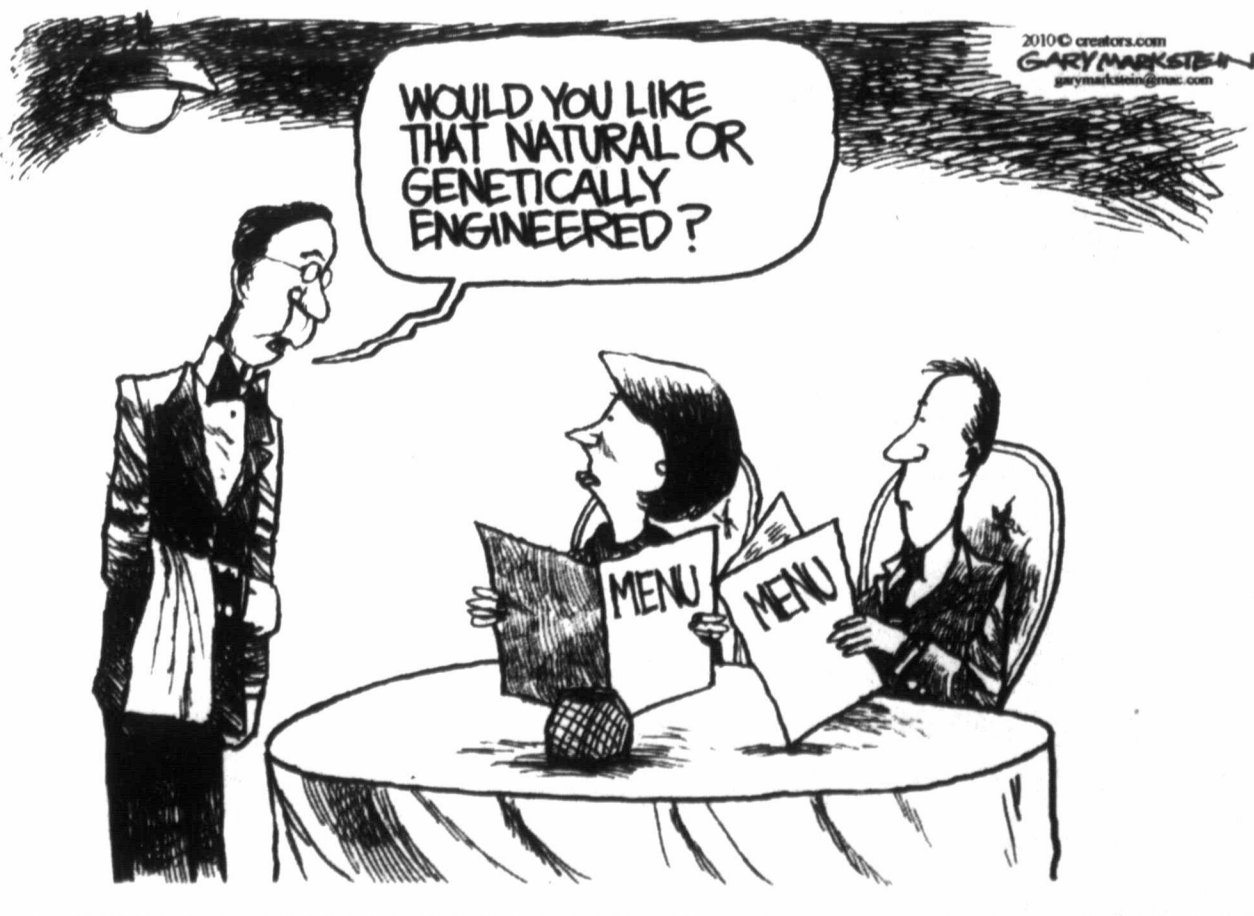
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fill out," Lang said.

He said the packets include self-addressed envelopes for returning information to the development company.

"From there, we can get them set up with an appointment somewhere down the road with our property manager," Lang said.

He said the company is in the process of selecting a property manager now.

"We'd like to have that person on site here around the middle of October," Lang said. "In the middle of November, we should have our clubhouse finished so we will have a permanent office on site."

Lang said that one of the misconceptions about Hampton Village is that it is government housing.

"It's not HUD housing," he said.

Lang said they have used state and federal grants for the development, but the development is privately owned.

"We do have to comply with state rules for the taxpayer program," he said, "but the taxpayer program is designed to provide an incentive to private developers to build affordable housing."

The funding is from a federal program, but each state administers the program at the local level.

United

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said the director, but the payoff is immense.

"Achieving the campaign goals means that 11,000 people who were helped by United Way agencies last year will again be helped this year," Bigham said.

Those agencies are 19 local organizations, including: Girl Scouts of TX -OK Plains, Boy Scouts, Golden Spread Council, Southside Senior Citizens, Community Day Care, Gray County Latch Key program, Texas Panhandle MHRM, Eastern Texas Panhandle Chapter of the American Red Cross, The Salvation Army, Genesis House, Good Samaritan Pastoral Counseling, Gray County Child Protective Services, Epilepsy Foundation of West Texas, Pampa Meals on Wheels, Tralee Crisis Center, CASA of the High Plains, Pampa Optimist Youth Club, Create a Beat!, The Bridge, and Lefors Senior Citizens.

"Donations to the local United Way means we can continue to assist in everything from providing meals on wheels to family crisis counseling," Bigham said. "And this kickoff event should be an

enjoyable time."

All the agencies will have booths at the event to distribute information and answer questions.

Live music at the event will be provided by the Kevin Karr Band.

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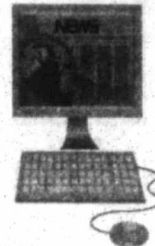
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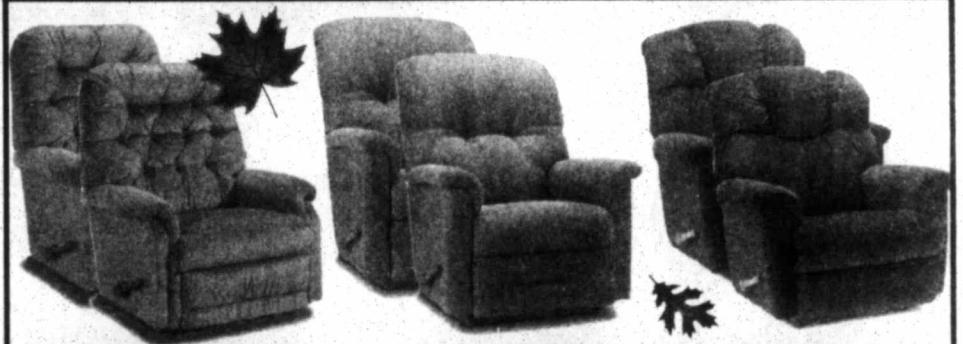
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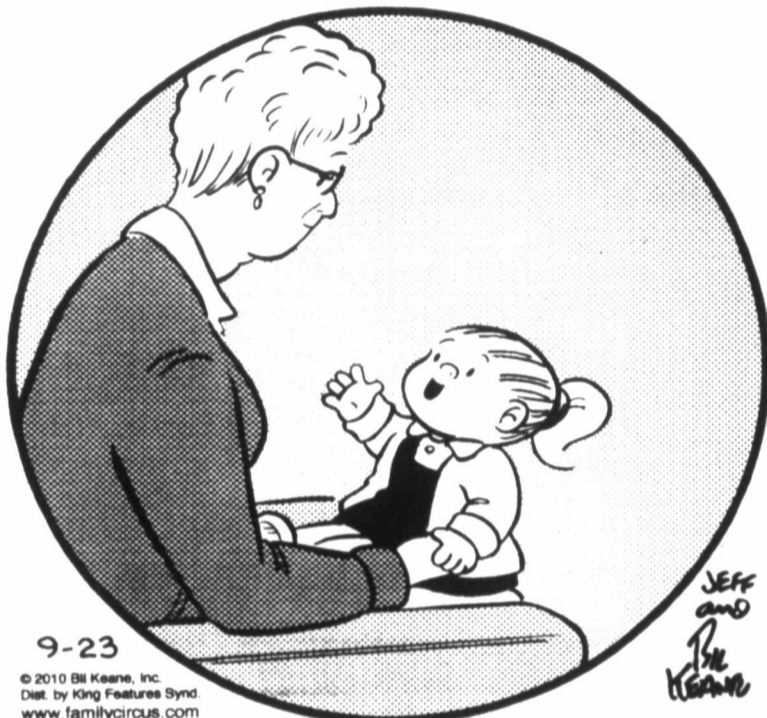
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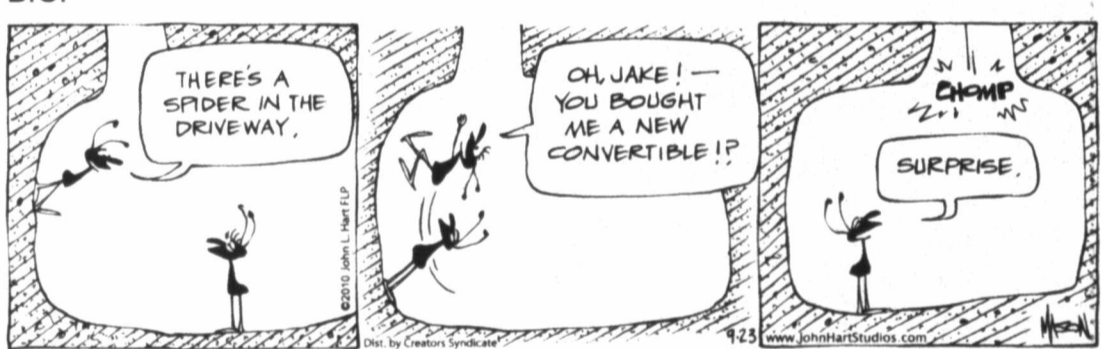
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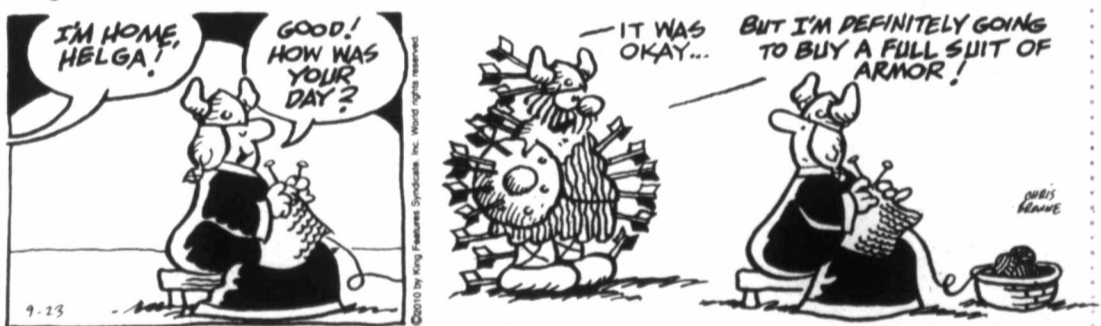
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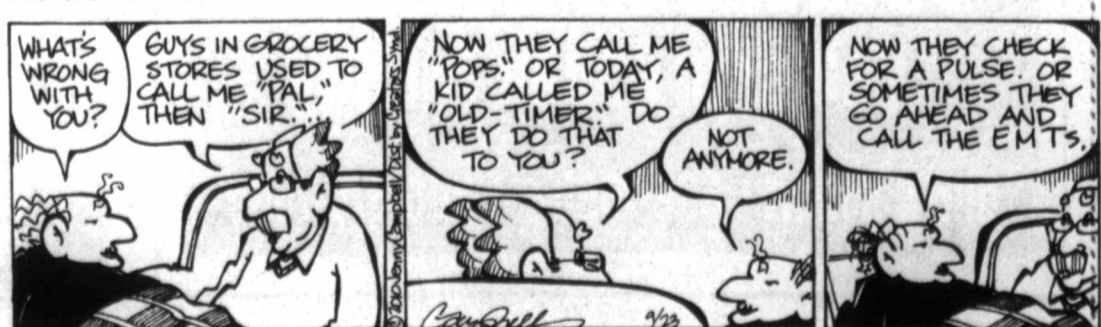
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Obama presses for peace in United Nations address

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Exhorting world leaders to push past years of cynicism and pessimism, President Barack Obama challenged the countries of the United Nations on Thursday to unite around peace efforts that he said could achieve agreement within a year to create an independent Palestine and a secure Israel.

Obama, in a speech to the U.N. General Assembly, urged fellow world leaders to press forward with renewed determination in the quest for Mideast peace, an effort that he acknowledged has encountered "few peaks and many valleys."

Without an agreement, he said, "more blood will be shed" and "this Holy Land will remain a symbol of our differences, instead of our common humanity."

As Obama spoke, Israel's seat in the hall sat empty because it was a Jewish holiday. Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas was present, listening to the president through a translator's earphone. Obama's call for a Palestinian state drew a burst of applause from throughout the hall.

Obama's one-year timeline is ambitious even if the Mideast peace process faced the best of circumstances, which it does not. He made no mention of the militant Hamas movement, which controls the Gaza Strip and refuses to accept Israel's right to exist.

The failure of past peace efforts has left both sides with rigid demands and public ambivalence about the value of a negotiated settlement.

Obama spoke with resolve of the need to address trouble spots around the world, but he tended first to the economic concerns that abound both at home and abroad.

"There is much to show for our efforts," he said, recalling the economic turmoil of years past. "We cannot — and will not — rest until these seeds of progress grow into a broader prosperity for all Americans and for people around the globe."

On a pressing security issue, Obama defended his administration's approach to engaging Iran in negotiations over its nuclear program — an effort that has failed thus far. In July the administration imposed a new set of sanctions on Iran.

"The door remains open to diplomacy should Iran choose to walk through it," he said. "But the Iranian government must demonstrate a clear and credible commitment and confirm to the world the peaceful intent of its nuclear program."

Iran recently has indicated interest in restarting talks with the West, and on Wednesday the five permanent members

of the U.N. Security Council and Germany offered Iran another chance to enter negotiations. Iranian state TV quoted Foreign Minister Manouchehr Mottaki, who was in New York, as saying that Iran is ready to resume the talks but the negotiations must be fair.

Obama also spoke to the promotion of human rights, open government and democracy — familiar themes from a president who has pushed for international cooperation against repression and tyranny.

"Make no mistake: The ultimate success of democracy in the world won't come because the United States dictates it. It will come because individual citizens demand a say in how they are governed," he said. "There is no soil where this cannot take root."

Obama drew applause in mentioning U.N. efforts to protect the rights of women, and he urged all nations to act against oppression.

"Do not stand idly by, don't be silent when dissidents everywhere are imprisoned and protesters are beaten," he said.

The president devoted his greatest attention to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, underscoring the urgency of overcoming the hurdles that he has met less than a month after relaunching direct negotiations between the parties.

Abbas is threatening to walk out of the talks if Israel does not extend a slowdown on construction of Jewish settlements in the West Bank that is set to expire next week. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has said he will not extend that partial freeze.

The looming expiration appears to have stalled the negotiations, which got under way in early September in Washington between Abbas and Netanyahu and then moved to a second round in Egypt and in Jerusalem last week. That second round ended inconclusively with little visible progress and without the expected announcement of a third session.

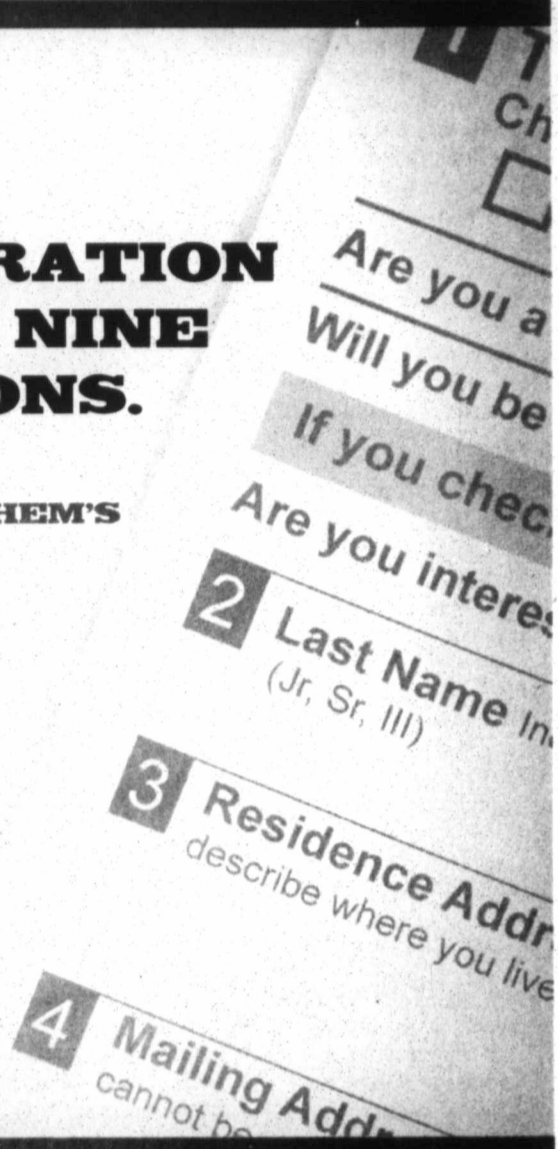
Obama underscored the administration's position that the settlement moratorium should be extended, saying it "has made a difference on the ground, and improved the atmosphere for talks."

Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton and the administration's special Middle East peace envoy George Mitchell have been meeting with officials from both sides and other interested parties this week in New York but seem to have made little headway.

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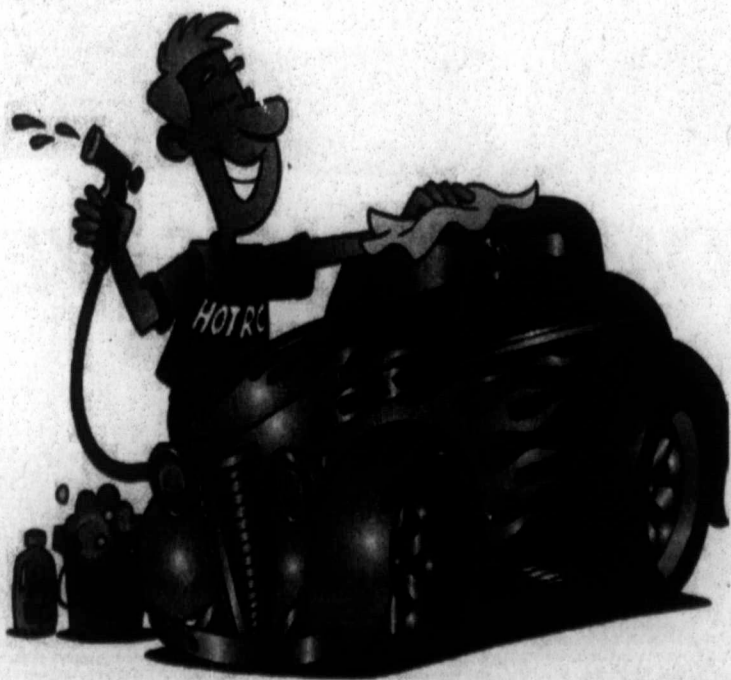
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Healthcare consumer protections kick in today

BY CARLA K. JOHNSON
AP Medical Writer

CHICAGO (AP) - The nation's new health care law adds consumer protections that kick in today, forcing insurers to meet new requirements. Coverage for children with pre-existing conditions is guaranteed. Lifetime dollar caps are eliminated. And insurers can no longer cancel policies retroactively for frivolous reasons when people get very sick.

The provisions will help the Cunninghams in Texas and the Morefields in central Illinois. But they come too late for the Janises in the Chicago suburbs. The three families shared their stories with The Associated Press.

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Home: Plano, Texas
Problem: Son uninsurable because he's a cancer survivor.
How law will help: Insurers can no longer deny coverage to children with pre-existing conditions.

The law's provision

guaranteeing coverage to children with health problems is a relief to Michelle and Bob Cunningham, whose 6-year-old son, Ryan, survived leukemia. They'll now be able to buy a family policy that will cover him.

A mechanical engineer, Bob Cunningham was laid off from his job during the recession. The suburban Dallas family is now covered through COBRA insurance from his previous employer, but that coverage will expire.

Cunningham now does contract work and would like to start his own business. But to do that would mean buying insurance on the individual market, rather than getting coverage through an employer. Insurance brokers have told the Cunninghams they won't write a policy that covers Ryan.

"They could cover the rest of us, but they couldn't give it to us for Ryan," Michelle Cunningham said. "We're willing to pay a fair premium, but they weren't willing to sell it to us at any price."

Under the new health care law, the family will be able to buy insurance cov-

ering their son. That means Bob Cunningham can pursue his small business dream, instead of plugging away at a discouraging search for employment that provides health benefits.

"If the subject of health care reform comes up, I try to tell people about our situation every time I get a chance," said Michelle Cunningham. "I want them to know that sick children really were being denied access to insurance."

Name: Jerry and Becky Morefield
Ages: 48 and 49
Home: Mahomet, Ill.
Problem: Son lost coverage when medical bills topped \$1 million lifetime limit.

How law will help: Lifetime caps eliminated. People who've maxed out must be reinstated if they're still eligible for coverage.

Jerry and Becky Morefield are parents of 15-year-old triplets with cerebral palsy. Tanner, Taylor and Tucker all use wheelchairs. Of the three, Tucker has the most fragile

health. He maxed out the \$1 million lifetime limit in his family's policy three years ago when he went into respiratory failure and was hospitalized for 12 weeks.

That meant the insurance company would no longer pay Tucker's medical bills. Illinois has picked up the slack through a program for children with special health care needs. But the strapped program puts strict limits on certain medical supplies Tucker uses, causing the family to wash and reuse equipment meant for single use.

Becky Morefield learned last week from a reporter that the new health care law might help her family. She called her husband's employer and discovered it was true. Tucker's coverage will be reinstated at the start of the plan year, Jan. 1.

"I feel wonderful," she said. "It will be nice to have an insurance company because I don't have to rely totally on the state."

Nearly 60 percent of employers offer insurance plans with a lifetime limit, according to the Kaiser Family Foundation. The new provision applies to both individual and group plans.

Name: Scott Janis
Age: 44
Home: Streamwood, Ill.
Problem: Insurer retroactively canceled his coverage after he suffered a stroke.
How law will help: A provision barring insurers

from rescinding policies comes too late for Janis, but he may get coverage through another provision of the law.

Out of the blue, Scott Janis suffered a massive stroke in November. As his medical bills reached \$175,000 a few months later, his insurance company canceled his policy.

"It's despicable to leave a man who's recovering from a stroke with no insurance," said Scott's father, Ray Janis. His parents told his story because Janis has trouble communicating following the stroke.

The company said Janis had failed to disclose an unrelated problem, low testosterone, when he applied for coverage on the individual market.

"He did fail to put down he had been seeing this urologist," said Scott's mother, Connie Janis. "Sometimes you can't remember everybody you've seen. It was inadvertent."

The new law prohibits the practice of insurers searching for small misstatements and using them as an excuse to cancel individual policies for people with high medical bills. Most states, including Illinois, now allow these types of cancellations, called rescissions, for reasons other than fraud.

Psychiatric problems were the No. 1 reason for rescissions in a study by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, which also found Illinois has one of the highest rates of rescission in the nation.

Nationally, there were about 4 such cancellations per 1,000 policies written on the individual market, NAIC found.

The new federal law comes too late for Scott and his parents, who are in their 60s. They've been fighting the insurance company as they struggle to take care of their son and find coverage for him.

Even though the new law hasn't directly helped them, the Janises think it offers important protections for consumers. And they've applied for coverage of their son for people with pre-existing conditions, a new program funded by the federal law.

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois issued a statement saying the company can't comment on Scott Janis' case because of privacy laws.

"We recognize that rescissions are difficult for everyone involved," the statement said. "We have a long-standing policy not to rescind coverage for members unless we learn that they intentionally omitted material information or provided false information at the time of their membership application."

Illinois Department of Insurance Director Michael McRaith said the new protection in the national law is "a big step forward," but the state Legislature also needs to strengthen the Illinois law. McRaith would like to require insurers to get approval from the state insurance department before they rescind policies.

Safety review at BP plant after steam accident

TEXAS CITY (AP) — Personnel at a Houston-area BP refinery spent a day reviewing safety measures after a steam release injured two pipefitters this week.

The review held Wednesday was part of a program implemented following a 2005 explosion that killed 15 workers and injured 170 more at the same refinery.

No units were shut down during the "safety standdown" that followed Tuesday's steam accident, BP spokesman Michael Marr told The Galveston County Daily News.

Marr did not immediately return a Thursday message from The Associated Press seeking an update on the conditions of the injured pipefitters, who were transported to hospitals after the

accident. They were injured Tuesday while working on a pipestill, a stack of pipes that carry steam and petroleum products through the refinery. One worker had burns over 30 percent of his body.

BP says the refinery is the third-largest in the U.S. and produces 3 percent of the nation's gasoline supply.

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Harvesters seek to keep Vernon winless on homecoming

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Coming off their first win, the Pampa Harvesters look to keep the Vernon Lions winless 7:30 p.m. Friday in Vernon.

Pampa beat Wichita Falls Hirschi 30-22 Sep. 17. A victory would give Pampa their first winning streak since the 2008 season, when they won the opening two games.

Senior defensive back Olin Boyd said they had higher energy in practice after their win last week.

"The energy from the victory carried us into Monday and Tuesday," Boyd said. "We had a good practice today."

Defensive line coach Tad Smith said they had more fun in practice.

"It was a whole lot better than last week after a loss," Smith said. "Hopefully they are having a little more confidence."

The Lions enter the game 0-4 and are only averaging 11 points per game. Senior wide

receiver Garrett Ericson said they are going to play football at Pampa's level and not theirs.

"They are going to be hungry for a win just like we were," Ericson said. "We focus on us. It's about our intensity and about the way we play. I think if we play up to our potential the scoreboard will turn out the way we want it to."

Smith said they are not going to overlook them because they were in the same situation last week.

"When you have three losses at the start of the season, you know how precious those victories

are," Smith said. "I don't think we are going to overlook anybody."

Ericson said they have good speed on defense.

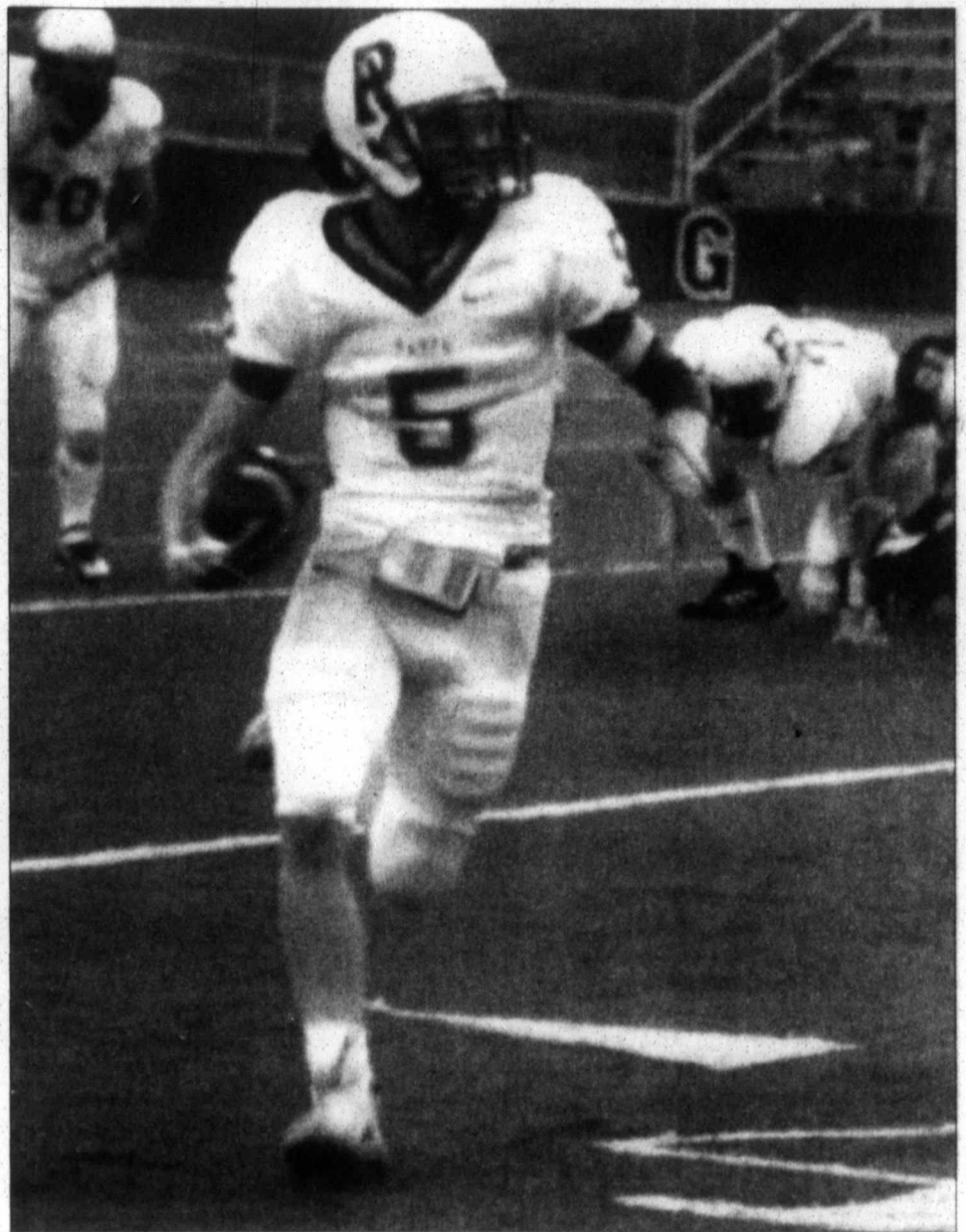
"They have some fast players," Ericson said. "I don't think they are as fast as a team as Hirschi was but they are going to be more disciplined."

Smith said one of the keys will be stopping their short passing game.

"They like to throw the screen around and do a lot of things that we haven't seen in awhile," Smith said.

Keep an eye on: Olin Boyd, Sr. DB

Vernon likes to use a screen game and spread out the defense. Pampa will have to limit the success of that offense. Look for Boyd to lead the secondary in limiting the Lions' screens.



Latigo Collins looks for room to the outside in a September 10 game at Randall. Pampa plays at Vernon 7:30 p.m. Friday and is seeking their second win. *staff photo by Andrew Glover*

City league kickball results

2010 Fall Softball - Mixed Sept. 21

Panhandle Meter 20 Sinister 4	10
Specialty Welding & Machine 19, B&G Performance Diesel 4	Hoggatt Transmission & Tire 21 UPS 1
Dominos/ Top of Texas 17, Enbridge 9	Dominos/Top of Texas 28 B&G Performance Diesel 8
UPS 19 Sinister 8	
Panhandle Meter 21 Hoggatt Transmission 4	
Specialty Welding & Machine 25 Enbridge	

Team	Conf. W-L	Overall W-L
Panhandle Meter	3-0	8-0
Specialty Welding & Machine	3-0	6-2
Domino's/Top of Texas	2-1	6-2
Hoggatt Transmission & Tire	2-1	5-3
UPS	1-2	4-4
B&G Performance Diesel	1-2	1-7
Sinister	0-3	2-6
Enbridge	0-3	0-8

Hidden Hills seniors results

Hidden Hills Seniors results 9-22-10

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L. McReynolds
T. Johnston
E. Barnett
Second- 64
P. Montoya
J. South
B. Epperson
G. Allen
Third- 66
J. Cantrell

H. Wells
J. Richardson
Fourth-66
G. McCabe
D. Dunham
N. Lancaster
M. Ball
Closest to the hole # 6 Bill Harwood
Closest to the hole # 15 RD Stephens

Holes in one

Terry Cox of White Deer made a hole in one on # 6 September 19th at Hidden Hills. He used a 7 iron from 143 yards.

Witnessed by David Teichmann, and Ralph Baker.

Carl Johnson of Pampa made a hole in one on # 15 at Hidden Hills September 20th. He used a 8 iron from 140 yds.

Witnessed by DD Lofton, Johnny Gilbert, and Ron Parnell, all of Pampa.

GRINDING IT OUT



Kristian Vizcaino carries the ball for the Reapers in their game against Perlyton Junior High Tuesday at Harvester Field. Results of the game are unknown. *photo courtesy of Randy Milligan*

Check out Friday's edition for a feature about Coach Matt Embry and Coach Kaleb Snelgroes friendly rivalry

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Pirates

Tigers look to keep rolling, end Lefors unbeaten season

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In Week One of the season, the McLean Tigers were 40-point underdogs to the Motley County Matadors, but pulled a 58-46 upset victory. The Tigers (3-1) are hoping to repeat that Friday when they host the Lefors Pirates (4-0) 7:30 p.m. for homecoming.

McLean Head Coach David Jurado said Lefors is strong and haven't missed a beat with the players they lost.

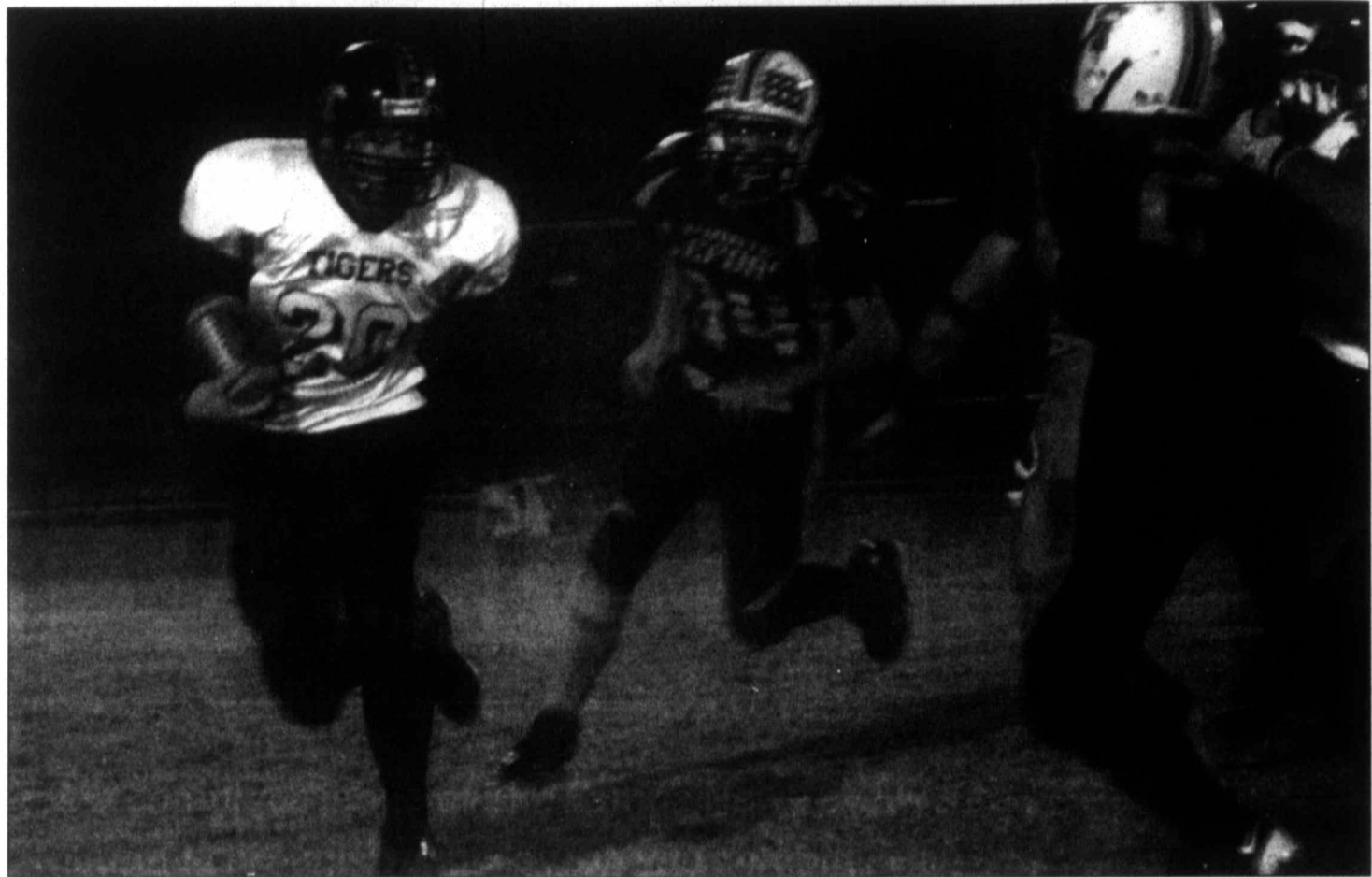
"They have six on offense and six on defense, so they are well conditioned," Jurado said. "Conditioning will be a big factor for us. They are a good team with a new system. After they lost Keenan Lott and Trever Czubinski to college. You think they are going to be down a little but they haven't skipped a beat."

Jurado said even though they are the underdogs they have confidence.

"As a coaching staff we tell our players that no matter who you play you got to believe in yourselves," Jurado said. "Our win against Motley County was a good confidence builder."

Last season the Pirates beat the Tiger 56-6 in Lefors which brought their record to 5-0. The Pirates are seeking their second consecutive 5-0 start.

Lefors head coach Joey Czubinski's comments were unavailable as of press time.



Clay Crockett tries to rush to the outside in last year's game against Lefors which the Pirates won 56-6. The Tigers rematch with the Pirates and hope to avenge that loss 7:30 p.m. Friday in McLean.

staff photo by Andrew Glover

JV volleyball closes non-district slate with sweep over LHS

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The junior varsity was hoping to get a victory to carry momentum into district

and they got it in a sweep over Lubbock High (25-15, 25-17) Tuesday in Lubbock.

Coach Braydon Barker said he made some lineup changes and they paid off.

"I wanted to come out and play our best

game of the year against a 5A team, so we could be clicking on all cylinders heading into district play," Barker said. "I thought our girls played with a lot of intensity and worked as a team."

The junior varsity finished non-district with a 8-11 record. Pampa opens district Saturday against Dalhart, the junior varsity starts at 2 and the varsity will follow.

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Cross Texas gets OK for new lines
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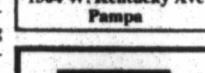
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Sept. 24, 2010:

This year, you see life from a renewed perspective. Probably, you will become more willing to flow in a different direction. Understanding evolves between you and others as you learn to listen better than in the past. If you are single, many people could present themselves as a potential suitor, but it might not work or be the right person. The smart Libra will play the field until he or she is sure. If you are attached, be a silent partner this year and let your significant other feel freer and more loved. ARIES tests your limits.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

**** Determination sometimes comes off as being rigid. You blow through misunderstandings in order to achieve your desired results. Verify with an associate that you are on the same page. Tonight: Put your feet up.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

** Much that occurs could make you feel uncomfortable. You often feel pressured by a situation that makes you ill at ease. When you can laugh, others will relax. Still, you might not have the flex to behave that easily. Tonight: Get some extra R and R. You are going to need it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

***** You might want to approach a friendship or meeting in a different way. You quickly discover that many of your past assumptions could have been off. Stop and regroup. Take advantage of the upcoming weekend. Tonight: Find your

friends.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

**** Knowing full well what you want can help you direct your energy, or at least use it appropriately. Confirm meetings and pick and choose your words. Decide to take nothing personally, as the potential for a misunderstanding is high. Tonight: Could be late!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

**** Your mind takes the lead, even over impulsiveness, though the two could merge. Pull yourself out of the here and now, and you will make excellent and supportive decisions. Be willing to forge a new path. Tonight: Think "distant drummer."

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

**** A key person in your life might be a bit demanding, wanting exactly what he or she thinks should happen. What does it really hurt to go along for the ride, at least for the day? Make sure that on some level you communicate that you are giving this person's idea a try; it is not a commitment. Tonight: Munchies while visiting with a pal.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

** Others have strong opinions, but is this really new? Simply kick back and enjoy yourself. If you see a matter differently from many people in your circle, keep testing it for now. Remain open. Don't overreact to another person's feelings. Tonight: Say "yes" to an invitation.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

**** Instigate change rather than cause yourself a problem. If you see a matter differently, be aware that others are simply demanding — for now. Give these people the time to see the net results of their ideas. Tonight: Make it early.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

**** Seize the moment, and get out of work or plans as soon as possible. You might be silly to some but intuitive to others. Make hay while you can, which might look like working harder next week. Be careful with a touchy partner or boss. Tonight: You can look at a situation in a new light.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

**** You might want to rethink a project more carefully than in the past. You can buy yourself time, especially if it means preventing an error. You might not have all your facts just yet. Tonight: Order in.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

**** Your ability to communicate gets down to the essence of the moment. You might wonder which way is best. Since you are not getting all the facts, it could be close to impossible to make a decision. Tonight: Flirt till your heart's content.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

*** Be aware of the costs of certain negotiations. If you are not comfortable, nothing will work. Trust your inner voice, especially if you believe someone isn't getting your message. Tonight: Say "yes" and only "yes."

BORN TODAY

Actor Anthony Newley (1931), creator of the Muppets Jim Henson (1936), animal-rights activist Linda McCartney (1941) ***

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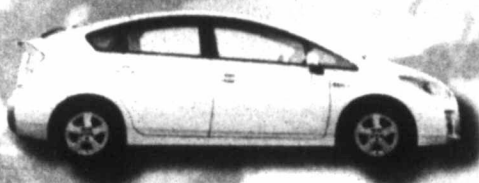
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