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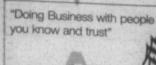
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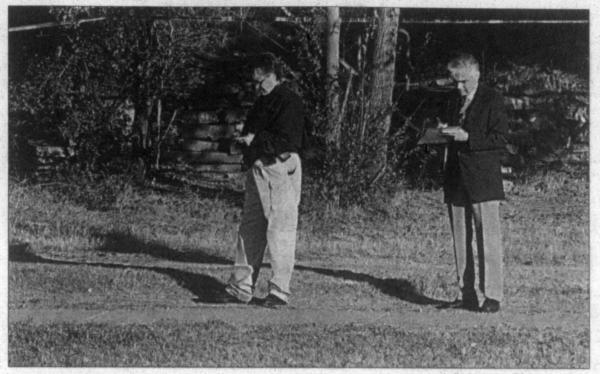
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#### to a Senior Night victory Page

# **BODY FOUND**



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Pampa Police Detective Stephanie Raymond (left) and Gray County Justice of the Peace Joe Martinez make notes at the scene of a death near the Starkweather Bridge today...

## Man found dead near Starkweather Bridge

DAVID BOWSER dbowser@thepampanews.com

The body of a 55-year-old Pampa man was found before dawn today near the Starkweather Bridge over Red Deer Creek.

The body was identified by authorities as Robert Lee "Arley" French at about mid-morning. Police said a walker on the

finding the body shortly before 7 a.m. today. The body was reported to be on the north bank of Red Deer Creek, about 50 yards east of the Starkweather Bridge and about 10 feet south of the city

hiking trail. Pampa Police Chief Kelly Rushing said there were no signs of trauma to the body, but the

Hiking and Biking Trail reported police department was investigating the case as a homicide.

Pampa police detectives were combing the area this morning. The Pampa Police Department's Criminal Trailer was brought to the scene.

Starkweather was blocked off across the bridge as officers began their investigation. BODY cont. on page 3

# PISD offers reward for vandal info

DAVID BOWSER dbowser@thepampanews.com

The Pampa Independent School District is putting up \$500 for information leading to whoever damaged the synthetic turf at Harvester Field and slit the tires on bicycles at a high school faculty member's home.

Meeting in regular session Tuesday evening, the school board voted to fund the reward through the Student Crime Stoppers program, approved spring sports bids, approved fund raising projects at the high school, approved an interlocal agreement with TexBuy and approved the appointment of the 2010-2011 Student Health Advisory Council committee members.

In other business:

· The board also heard an update on the new tennis building at Pampa High School.

Randy Stephenson, who oversees the district's construction projects, told the board that the building should be finished this week and, next week, workers would start moving lockers into the new building next to the tennis courts.

 The board also approved construction drawings for the installation of a Clearwire BOARD cont. on page 3

# Chisum: Good to have Berman's endorsement

DAVID BOWSER dbowser@thepampanews.com

Pampa's State Rep. Warren Chisum has one less challenger and one more supporter for Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives.

State Rep. Leo Berman, R-Tyler, announced this week he was withdrawing from the race for Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives and throwing his support behind Chisum, R-Pampa.

"It's good to have his endorsement," Chisum said of Berman. "He's a great Texan."

Chisum is challenging Speaker Joe Straus, R-San Antonio, to lead the

United Way

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Berman

Chisum Texas House of Representatives in Austin next session. Berman was the only other Republican challenging the San Antonio Speaker.

Berman, a retired Army Lieutenant CHISUM cont. on page 10

# PHS VOLLEYBALL CLINCHES



staff photo by Andrew Glover

In their first outing since forfeiting two games due to a UIL rule violation, the PHS volleyball team showed they wouldn't be denied, clinching the team's first postseason berth since 1999. More in SPORTS, page 8.

## Harvester Field cell tower approved

ARNIE AURELLANO editor@thepampanews.com

The Pampa City Commission has approved a cell tower at Harvester Stadium and a rezoning of property at Wilks and Nelson.

In a special meeting Tuesday afternoon following two public hearings concerning the cell tower and rezoning, the Pampa City Commission approved the first reading of the ordinances.

Ron Gainer of Clearwire said the company intends to replace an 80-foot tall light tower at Harvester Field with a 100-foot pole for Clearwire's cell system. The new tower will also serve as a light pole for the stadium.

There is no cost to the city. Clearwire will

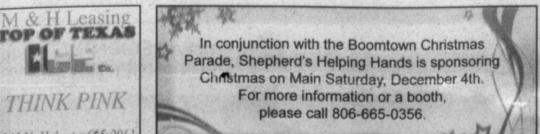
lease space from the Pampa Independent School District on the pole for their cellular network. Gainer said the cell tower would cover about

a mile of the surrounding area. The new tower will replace the existing one at the north end of the home side of the stadium.

In other business: The commission also approved rezoning 905 S. Nelson from Commercial to Single Family Three at the request of Trinity Fellowship

Church, the owner of the property. Ronnie Goode of Trinity Fellowship Church told the commission that the existing home had been renovated initially for Habitat for Humanity, but that organization did not take

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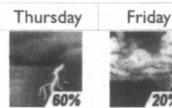
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#### PAMPA FORECAST



High 89 Low 68



Low 70



Tonight: A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, mainly after 1 a.m. Partly cloudy, with a low around 53. South wind around 10 mph. Thursday: Showers and thunderstorms likely, mainly after 1 p.m. Cloudy, with a high near 68. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph. Chance of precipitation is 60

Thursday Night: Showers and thunderstorms likely. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 51. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph. Chance of precipitation is 70%.

Friday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 71. South southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph. with gusts as high as 30 mph.

Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 47. South wind around 15 mph becoming west. Winds could gust as high as 20 mph.

Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 73. West northwest wind around 10 mph.

Saturday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 46. Southwest wind around 5 mph becoming east.

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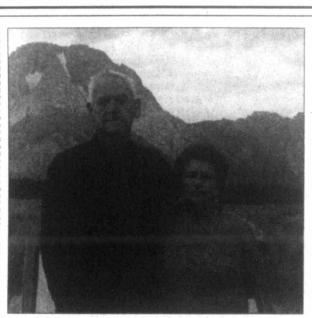
HALLOWEEN Photos will run in Fri. Oct. 29th newspaper. Deadline is Oct. 22nd, -4pm. Bring your photo by parents) to classified@ have receive your email. We will not be responsible

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SHELL is Lighthouse Covenant, 1733 reported 19 animal-related incidents.

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# Welchs to celebrate 50th

W.J. and Virginia Welch of Pampa will be celebrating their 50th anniversary on October 23, 2010 at the address of 316 Oak from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. in Pampa. The reception will be hosted by Chuck and Charlotte Hall, sister of Mrs. Welch, Dwight and Kathy Dennis, daughter of the couple, all of Pampa, Loney and Melody Wilson, granddaughter, of Mobeetie, and Michael and Nikki Dennis, grandson, of Miami. Family and friends are welcome to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Welch were married on October 1, 1960 at the home of the bride's parents. They have lived in Pampa for 65 years. Mr. Welch retired from C-E Natco in 1986 after 24 years of service. Mrs. Welch retired from Highland General Hospital in 1973 after 16 years of service. Both are members of First Pentecostal Church. During their years of marriage, they had one daughter, Kathy Dennis, of Pampa, two grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, and one great-great grandchild.

## **Obituaries**

#### Michael Ray "Mike" Young, 57

LEFORS-Michael Ray "Mike" Young, 57, died October 18, 2010, in Lefors.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, October 21, 2010, at First Baptist Church of Lefors, with Rev. Ronnie Lambert, pastor, officiating.

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

Mr. Young was born October 1, 1953, in Pampa to Far-

ris E. and Bonnie L. Young. Mike married Anna Corley on February 27, 1970, in Pampa. They were blessed with five children. He attended Barber College, but loved to work outside. He spent over 20 years working in the oilfield. He then worked for the City of Lefors, National Oilwell and Titan Specialties. Mike was employed by the Texas Department of Transportation at the time of his death. He was an avid bass fisherman and a member of the High Plains Bass Anglers. He was active in the community, serving his third term in office after being elected Mayor of Lefors in 2006. He was assistant fire chief of the Lefors Volunteer Fire Department, and was a member of First Baptist Church of Lefors.

Mike loved his family. He enjoyed family events and visiting with his children and grandchildren. He was a wonderful husband, father, grandfather and friend.

Survivors include his wife, Anna Young of the home; two daughters, Ronna Smith and husband Brian of Pampa, and Missy Ebben and husband Paul of Amarillo; two sons, Michael F. Young and fiancé Kayla Peevy of Pampa, and Chad Young of Lefors; four grandsons, Coby Smith and Tyler Smith, both of Pampa, Michael Young and Chandler Ballard, both of Amarillo; five granddaughters, Keeli Ebben,

Allyssa Ebben, Lauren Ebben, and Breanna Campbell, all of Amarillo, and Kyla Young of Missouri; two sisters, Marilyn Burke and husband Steve of Tulsa, Okla., and Debby Barnes of Pampa; a brother, Terry Young and wife Beverly of Lefors; brother-in-law, Jim Corley and wife Becky of Pampa; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. Mike was preceded in death by a son, David Young in 1994; his father, Farris Young in 1997; a brother, Rickey Young in 2002; and his mother, Bonnie Young in 2009.

Memorials may be made to Lefors Volunteer Fire Department, 107 N. Main, Lefors, TX 79054, or Interim Hospice, 1901 Medi-Park Drive, Suite 1058, Amarillo, TX 79106.

Sign the online register at www.carmichael-whatley.

#### Theda Wallin, 81

Funeral services for Theda Wallin will be conducted Thursday, October 21, 2010, at 2 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Elk City, with Dr. Russell Duck officiating. Interment will be in the Fairlawn Cemetery under the direction of the Martin Funeral Home of Elk City.

Theda Mae Wallin was born May 20, 1929, at McCloud. Okla., to Walter and Eva (Dowell) Clark and passed away Tuesday, October 19, 2010, at the age of 81. She graduated from Maud High School before her marriage to Earl Wallin on December 20, 1950. They established their home in Pampa. Mrs. Wallin worked as a telephone operator for Southwestern Bell and also as a Mary Kay Cosmetics representative. They moved to Elk City in 1994, where they have lived since. She was a member of the Central Baptist Church of Elk City. She was preceded in death by her parents and an infant son, Steven Ray Wallin.

Survivors include her husband, Earl Wallin of the Elk City home, two children, Sharon Swindell and her husband Travis of Houston, Doug Wallin and his wife Sue of Elk City, six grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and a brother, Jerold Clark and his wife Barbara of Houston.

An online registry is available at www.martinfhok.com.

### EMERGENCY SERVICES

#### Police Department

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 24-hour period ended at 8 a.m. today.

Police reported 18 traffic-related calls, one accident and three abandoned

Animal Control Officers

Pampa EMS reported lice reported one medical

Tuesday, Oct. 19 A stolen vehicle was re-

ported to police. Officers had escort duty in the 600 block of North

Fire officials had a fire prevention presentation in the 700 block of West

Officers made a welfare check in the 1100-block of Prairie. A suspicious person was

reported in the 700 block of North Deane. A suspicious person was

reported at Browning and

A 911 hangup call was

reported in the 500 block of North Frost.

Harassment was reported in the 1500 block of North Christy

Phone harassment was reported in the 1100 block of South Huff.

City crews shut off the water in the 200 block of

South Nelson. Wednesday, Oct. 20

A theft was reported in the 1100 block of North Starkweather.

Fire officials launched a fire investigation in the 700 block of North Dwight.

Officers made a welfare check in the 1100 block of West Sirocco.

A suspicious person was reported in the 1200 block of North Hamilton.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the North Sumner. Fire officials launched an

investigation in the 1600 block of East U.S. High-

A suspicious vehicle was reported at Somerville and

A suspicious person was reported in the 900 block of East Gordon.

An open door was re-

ported in the 1300 block of a.m. today. North Coffee.

A burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the

700 block of North Hazel. Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests as of 8 Tuesday, Oct. 19 John Hardy King, 59,

was arrested by police on charges of illegal dumping. Tammy Diane Ryals, 38,

of Big Spring, was arrested on charges of having a prohibited substance in a correctional facility.

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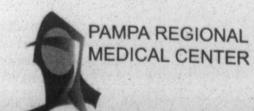
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NEW ORLEANS (AP) - Several environmental groups are suing BP PLC for the oil spill's toll on endangered species of wildlife in the Gulf of Mexico's ecosystem.

The federal suit filed Wednesday in New Orleans by Defenders of Wildlife, Gulf Restoration Network Inc. and Save the Manatee Club Inc. accuses BP of violating the Endangered Species Act.

The groups are seeking a court order requiring the company to mitigate the oil spill's impact on wildlife and restore their habitats.

The suit says the Gulf has at least 27 endangered or threatened animal species, including sea turtles, whales

#### Packer nabbed for blades in meat

AMARILLO (AP) - A former Tyson Foods meatpacker has been indicted for allegedly breaking a saw blade into four pieces and poking them into some beef. Authorities say the Sept. 30 incident was isolated, and no recalls have been issued.

Twenty-year-old Nwee Lah of Amarillo is accused of picking up a saw blade from the floor of the plant near Amarillo and breaking it into pieces as he worked on the production line.

Potter County Chief Deputy Roger Short tells the Amarillo Globe-News that a co-worker saw the alleged incident and notified management.

Lah's attorney, Mike Watkins, told The Associated Press on Wednesday that he could not comment on the

#### White stumps for east Texas votes

TEXARKANA (AP) - Democratic gubernatorial candidate Bill White is hunting for votes in deep east Texas, which used to be a battleground but has gone heavily Republican in recent statewide elections.

Ever since Democrat Ann Richards lost east Texas to George W. Bush in 1994, Republicans have carried the region in the race for governor. Even as ads blanket the airwaves tying local Democrats negatively to President Barack Obama, White thinks he can turn that around.

White told The Associated Press after meeting with supporters in Texarkana, "A lot of Texas Democrats are coming back home in my campaign. We're going to be stronger than other statewide candidates in a long

White is in a tough race against Republican Gov. Rick Perry, the longest serving governor in Texas.

#### Birth control device cut out of arm

LUFKIN (AP) — An east Texas man is accused of cutting a birth control device out of a 16-year-old girl's arm and tattooing her.

James Jacob Thompson of Groveton was jailed Wednesday on charges of practicing medicine without a license, tattooing at an unlicensed facility, tattooing an underage person and possession of a controlled substance. Angelina County Sheriff's Cpl. Jarrod Gardner says Thompson, who's 22, also was held on 14 traffic viola-

Bond was \$13,000. Gardner told The Associated Press that electronic jail records had no listing of an attorney for Thompson, who was arrested Tuesday.

Police were contacted Oct. 12 about Thompson allegedly tattooing the girl during a party, plus cutting her arm to remove a birth control device. An affidavit says the girl paid Thompson \$20 for the procedures.

#### Vatican: 'The Simpsons' Catholic

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The official Vatican newspaper has declared that beer-swilling, doughnut-loving Homer Simpson and son Bart are Catholics - and what's more, it says that parents should not be afraid to let their children watch "the adventures of the little guys in yellow."

"Few people know it, and he does everything to hide it. But it's true: Homer J. Simpson is Catholic", the Osservatore Romano newspaper said in an article on Sunday headlined "Homer and Bart are Catholics."

The Simpsons pray before meals, and "in its own way, believes in the beyond," the newspaper quoted the Jesuit study as saying.

It's the second time the animated U.S. TV series, which is broadcast in 90 countries, has been praised by the Vatican. But executive producer Al Jean told Entertainment Weekly on Monday he was in "shock and awe" at the latest assertion, adding that the Simpsons attend the "Presbylutheran" First Church of Springfield.

"We've pretty clearly shown that Homer is not Catholic," Jean said. "I really don't think he could go without eating meat on Fridays - for even an hour."

#### Robber takes seat, waits for cash

LA MARQUE (AP) - Police are seeking a robber who entered a Galveston-area restaurant around closing time, handed workers a note ordering cash then took a seat at a table and waited for the money.

La Marque police say nobody was injured in the holdup. The robber, who claimed to have a gun but did not display a weapon, escaped with about \$1,500 late

Sunday. Police spokesman Danielle Herman says officers would like to speak to a female patron who entered the wings-serving restaurant, asked a question, then left

unharmed. The Galveston County Daily News reports two workers were forced into the restaurant's walk-in freezer and the door was closed. Police say both managed to get out on

their own and summoned officers. La Marque is 10 miles northwest of Galveston.

### Body

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Gray County Justice of the Peace Joe Martinez ordered an autopsy to determine the cause of death. Rushing said the body would be taken to Lubbock for an autopsy Thursday

He said he hopes the autopsy will yield more information concerning the man's death.

In the meantime, investigators are trying to establish a

time line of where the man had been and what may have

Rushing said that anyone with any information about the case should call the Pampa Police Department.

#### Chisum

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Colonel first elected to the Texas House of Representatives in 1998, said Monday that he was withdrawing from the race and endorsing Chisum.

Chisum, 72, a Gray County rancher and oil and gas producer, was first elected to the state house in 1988, as a Conservative Democrat. He switched to the Republican Party in 1996.

Straus has served in the House only since 2005.

A native Pampan, Chisum entered the race for Speaker on Oct. 13, saying that the state would need an experienced leader next year as it confronts an \$18 billion deficit and an expected redistricting fight.

Straus has never served on budget and tax writing committees, Chisum said, and has never faced difficult budget cycle or served during a redistricting ses-

Chisum is running unchallenged in this fall's election. The Speaker will be chosen by the Texas House of Representatives when the legislative session begins in January.

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over the property. Goode said the church requested the change in zoning so the FHA would approve a loan on the property.

Pampa Public Works Director Donny Hooper told the commission that the Planning and Zoning Commission, meeting Monday night, had approved both applica-

· The commission also approved putting \$10.8 million into the city's investment accounts and spending \$1.3 million to pay September's bills.

#### Board

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Communications tower at Harvester Stadium. The company is replacing an 80-foot tall light tower at the north end of the west side of the stands with a 100-foot tower. The company will lease space from Pampa Independent School District on the tower for cell phone communications.

The Pampa City Commission approved the first reading of the city ordinance approving the project earlier Tuesday afternoon.

Clearwire Communications expected to start construction on the tower in December.

• The board also approved a Texas Association of School Boards Policy Update except for a provision dealing with electronic media between students and faculty. The PISD board chose to retain their own policy on that subject because they felt it was more precise.

Board member Lee Porter proposed that the board consider asking the Texas Legislature to review nepotism laws as they pertain to school districts, noting that in smaller districts it prevents the hiring of qualified employees if a relative is on the school board.

· The board did not discuss the PISD administration facility or the rezoning of the old junior high school that had been listed on the night's agenda since negotiations are still under way concerning both proj-

 The school board also heard reports on academic achievement, qualifications and certification.



# Household doggy dangers

MATTHEW "UNCLE MATTY" MARGOLIS Creator's Syndicate

Most dog owners know to keep the pooch away from chocolate. But what other doggy dangers lurk in and outside of the house?

Some hazards are obvious: household cleaners, pesticides, rodent poisons, bug sprays, insect repellants, paint, paint thinners and art supplies, cosmetics, pool chemicals, drain clearers, fertilizers and detergents, as well as electrical sockets, cords and wires.

Others tend to fly under the radar.

Batteries, for example, might not raise a red flag. But batteries are bite-sized! Swallowing one whole may or may not be a major problem. But chewing a battery to the extent that its corrosive fluid leaks out could be a painful event that leads to serious health concerns for the dog. In this the era of technology, a household without batteries is unimaginable. So the best solution to this problem is prevention: the safe and secure storage of all batteries and any chewable objects they power.

The fridge is a glowing Pandora's box of items both delectable and dangerous for your dog. Chocolate, particularly dark chocolate, is high on the list of foods that are off-limits to your dog. Others are:

 Raisins and Grapes: Even in small numbers, raisins and grapes are toxic and can induce kidney failure in dogs.

· Garlic and Onions: Depending on the dose, the ingestion of onions and garlic can create a life-threatening form of hemolytic anemia in dogs.

 Mushrooms: Sure, some mushrooms are harmless. But many species of mushrooms are harmful to dogs and can cause toxic shock and death. Unless you are a professional mycologist, don't take any chances. Keep your dog away from all mushrooms. This includes "backyard" varieties, which should be plucked.

· Macadamia Nuts: If your dog consumes macadamia nuts, he might luck out with some minor gastrointestinal upset. But these nuts can also cause lethargy, muscle tremors and stiffness, and bladder stones.

· Avocado: At the center of an avocado sits a large pit that looks suspiciously similar to a ball. But

even if your pooch avoids choking on the pit, avocados contain persin, which can be toxic to animals. Persin toxicity can damage the tissue of the heart and lungs and can cause pancreatitis.

 Caffeine and Alcohol: While some may find it amusing to see Fido tanked on booze or bouncing off the walls on a caffeine buzz, neither is good for his

· Xylitol: Ingestion of this sugar substitute (found in certain kinds of chewing gum, candy, chewable vitamins and baked goods) can lead to permanent brain damage, liver failure and even death in dogs.

In the garage and around street curbs, leaking anti-freeze is a serious hazard. Anti-freeze tastes sweet, so it's tempting. But lapping at anti-freeze can induce kidney failure and lead to death

often very quickly. What about plants? According to the ASPCA, "Common houseplants were the subject of 7,858 calls to APCC (Animal Poison Control Center) in 2009." The plants the ASPCA suggests dog owners beware of are: azalea, rhododendron, sago palm, lilies, kalanchoe and schefflera. Considering we're approaching the holiday season, add holly, poinsettia and mistletoe to

As always, keep human medications safely stored in medicine cabinets. And find a safe, out-of-reach place for the storage of veterinary medication, as

If you know or even suspect your dog has ingested or otherwise been exposed to anything on this list — or anything you are not 100 percent sure is safe contact your veterinarian or the 24-hour Animal Poison Control Center hotline (888-426-4435) immediately. Don't wait. When combating toxicity, early detection and proper treatment yield the best outcome.

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Dog trainer Matthew "Uncle Matty" Margolis is co-author of 18 books about dogs, a behaviorist, a popular radio and television guest, and host of the PBS series "WOOF! It's a Dog's

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The shelter is open to the public Monday - Saturday from 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

# iewpoints

## Today in History

Today is Wednesday, Oct. 20, the 293rd day of 2010. There are 72 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Oct. 20, 1973, in the so-called "Saturday Night Massacre," special Watergate prosecutor Archibald Cox was dismissed and Attorney General Elliot L. Richardson and Deputy Attorney General William B. Ruckelshaus resigned.

On this date:

In 1740, Maria Theresa became ruler of Austria, Hungary and Bohemia upon the death of her father, Holy Roman Emperor Charles VI.

In 1803, the U.S. Senate ratified the Louisiana Purchase.

In 1903, a joint commission ruled in favor of the United States in a boundary dispute between the District of Alaska and Canada.

In 1944, during World War II, Gen. Douglas MacArthur stepped ashore at Leyte in the Philippines, 2 1/2 years after saying, "I shall return."

In 1947, the House Un-American Activities Committee opened hearings into alleged Communist influence and infiltration in the U.S. motion picture industry In 1967, seven men were convicted in Meridian,

Miss., of violating the civil rights of three slain civil rights workers.

In 1968, former first lady Jacqueline Kennedy married Greek shipping magnate Aristotle Onassis.

In 1979, the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum was dedicated in Boston.

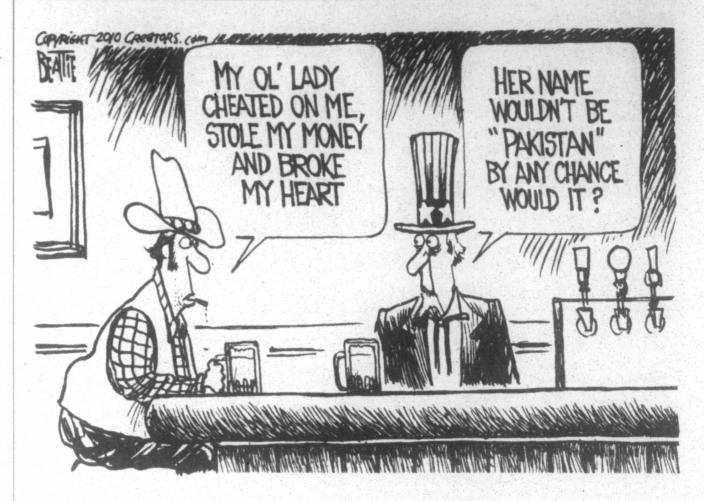
Ten years ago: An Israeli-Palestinian fruce brokered by President Bill Clinton collapsed in a hail of gunfire, with Israeli troops killing nine Palestinians and wounding dozens more.

Five years ago: U.S. Rep. Tom DeLay turned himself in at the sheriff's office in Travis County, Texas, where he was fingerprinted, photographed and released on \$10,000 bail on conspiracy and moneylaundering charges. (DeLay has yet to stand trial.)

One year ago: Ignoring appeals by Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton and even rock star Sting, Iran sentenced an Iranian-American academic, Kian Tajbakhsh, to 12 years in prison for his alleged role in anti-government protests

Today's Birthdays: Actor William Christopher is 78. Japan's Empress Michiko is 76. Rockabilly singer Wanda Jackson is 73. Singer Tom Petty is 60. Actor William "Rusty" Russ is 60. Actress Melanie Mayron is 58. Retired MLB All-Star Keith Hernandez is 57. Sen. Sheldon Whitehouse (D-R.I.) is 55. Movie director Danny Boyle ("Slumdog Millionaire") is 54. Labor Secretary Hilda Solis is 53. Actor Viggo Mortensen is 52. Rock musician Jim Sonefeld (Hootie & The Blowfish) is 46. Rock musician David Ryan is 46. Rock musician Doug Eldridge (Oleander) is 43. Political commentator and blogger Michelle Malkin is 40. Rapper Snoop Dogg is 39. Singer Dannii Minogue is 39. Country musician Jeff Loberg is 34. Actor John Krasinski is 31. Actress Katie Featherston 28. Actress Jennifer Nicole Freeman ("My Wife and

Thought for Today: "Cynicism is intellectual dandy-George Meredith, English poet (1828-1909).



# Public sector unions choke taxpayers

"I thought unions were great until at Chrysler, the union steward started screaming at me. Working at an unhurried pace, I'd exceeded 'production' for that job.'

That comment, left on my blog by a viewer who watched my Fox Business Network show about unions, matches my experience. No one ordered me to slow down, but union rules and union culture at ABC and CBS slowed the work. Sometimes a camera crew took five minutes just to get out of the car.

Now unions conspire with politicians to rip off taxpayers.

Steve Melanga of the Manhattan Institute complains that politicians get union political support by granting government workers generous pensions and health benefits. After those politicians leave office, taxpayers are liable for trillions in unfunded

"It's squeezing out all other spending," Melanga says. "Where are we going to get this \$3 trillion dollars? ... When they're (government workers) allowed to retire at 58 and the rest of us are retiring at 60 and 67 - and by the way we're living to 80 — it's crazy. The public sector is the version of the European welfare state which, by the way, in Europe, they're actually rolling back.

John Gage, president of the biggest federal workers union, the American Federation of Government Employees, disagrees: "This thing about unions and the public sector and bankrupting America, that's very far from the truth. Yes, we have a problem with pensions. Basically because these pension plans haven't been properly funded.

Melanga's response: "Fund publicsector pensions at a level that we can afford, (and turn) the pension system into a defined-contribution system. Public-sector employee unions and states have refused to do

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A defined-con-STOSSEL tribution plan is like your 401(k). Your pension benefits depend on how well your

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investments do. State and local unions, by contrast, have "definedbenefit" plans, which simply force taxpayers to send retirees a monthly check.

Gage doesn't like Malanga's suggestion: "Can you imagine working. 30, 35 years ... and (with) what just happened with the (stock) market, suddenly you're left holding noth-

I don't think they'd be holding "nothing." Yes, the market crashed, but the Dow is still above 11,000. Twenty-eight years ago, it was below 800. That's up more than 1,000 percent. Over time, 401(k)s provide a decent retirement.

When I said that we in the private sector have such plans, Gates responded, "Only because of the laws in this country which make it almost impossible for private-sector workers to organize and to have a union. ... (W)ithout unions, we'd have a 'race to the bottom.""

But this makes no sense. Do all employers move to Mexico because wages are lower there?

But many viewers side with Gage: Grover said: "Stossel's take on

Unions is nothing but appalling. According to him, workers have no rights. Workers are the ones who make a company profitable, not CEOs. In Stossel's slanted view, worker's are dirt and don't deserve anything.'

Jakob wrote: "Are you really this stupid? Do you really want to lower American workers' standards to that of Honduras and China, where democratic unions do not exist? Would you like for us to go back to a time in America before we had unions? When children worked in factories for 14-hour days and health and safety standards simply did not exist?"

These are popular views. But theyare wrong. Factories are safer because of free markets. Companies want better workers and must compete to get them. Free markets create wealth that permits parents to send their kids to schools instead of factories. Unions once helped to advance working conditions, but now union work rules mostly retard growth and progress.

Many workers understand that, and that's why only 8 percent of private-sector workers still belong to unions. In the private sector, wage and pension demands are tempered by competition. If one company pays too much, a competitor takes his business.

But governments are monopolies. They face no competition and get their money by force. So they can conspire with public-sector unions to milk taxpayers. That explains the fix re in today.

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John Stossel is host of "Stossel" on the Fox Business Network. He's the author of "Give Me a Break" and of "Myth, Lies, and Downright Stupidity.



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By Bil Keane



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Oct. 21, 2010:

This year, you frequently question reality and facts. This might reflect that often the information you are given is far from correct. Create a more solid base of fact rendering. Opinions often will differ. Learn to respect where others come from. If you are single, you certainly seem to have a magic wand, as you draw in many suitors. Forget a lack of romance. If you are attached, the two of you often have differences of opinion. Emotional reactions could be strong, but you will be more grounded if you look at the issue behind the differences. Understanding and accepting them is the way toward peace. ARIES can often challenge you

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Aver-

age; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult ARIES (March 21-April 19)

\*\*\* You are in prime shape. You don't want to push too hard to achieve your goals, as others could be reactive. Play the waiting game if need be. Explain piece by piece what is going on. Others still might have trouble grasping your ideas. Tonight: Delve into your basket of creativity. Give up judgments.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

\*\* Use your sixth sense to the max. Someone inevitably could test your patience using a gentle type of coercive logic. You need to compensate for time spent trying to convince others you are right. Is it worth it? Tonight: Vanish, because you can. **GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** 

\*\*\* Meetings and groups prove to be most fortunate. Someone you see on a regular basis could pull you in but not help you accomplish what you absolutely must at the moment. Let your creativity flow. Tonight: Start the weekend early.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

\*\* Be direct with others, though you could find it to be problematic. Tension rises in an unprecedented manner. You want to get to the bottom of a problem. You could be more upset than in the past. To-

night: Could be late. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

\*\*\* Take the high road in order to gain understanding with a matter that has been challenging. Detach from the whole story, and solutions will appear. Sometimes we have too much information, which could be the case here. Tonight: Do more

research if need be. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

\*\*\* A partner does get domineering at times. You tend to respond well to his or her attitude. Make time for a discussion. though don't expect agreement over money. Tonight: Hook up with a pal for dinner.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★ You might be in sharp disagreement with someone. How you deal with others could change radically because of another person's reaction to your generally easygoing attitude. Remember, you don't need to say yes. Tonight: Just don't

SCORPIO (Oct 23-Nov. 21)

\*\*\*\* You might say a little too much. Sometimes lying back and being the listener is the smart role. Stop being so hard on yourself. Just drop the word "no." Tonight: Get some exercise.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

\*\*\*\* You might want to rethink a special tie that could involve a creative project. Be careful about taking another's comments personally. Stay on top of discussions in a meeting. Tonight: Having fun. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

\*\*\* You know what needs to happen between you and another person. Your

fatigue could hold you back, to an extent. Be willing to slow down and take a personal day or work from home. Tonight: Order in. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\* Listen to others who seem to

want to call the shots. Just because you listen doesn't mean you agree. Know that and understand it. Confusion surrounds information where there is an issue about what is fact and what is fiction. Tonight: Ask key questions. Don't hold back

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

\*\* Be aware of the expenses of proceeding on the present course. You could be overly tired and pushed. You might want to rethink a money matter, as there could be an issue or discrepancy between facts and figures. Tonight: You might spend more than you want to!

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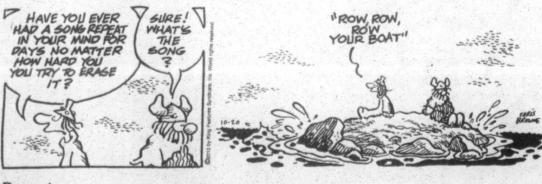


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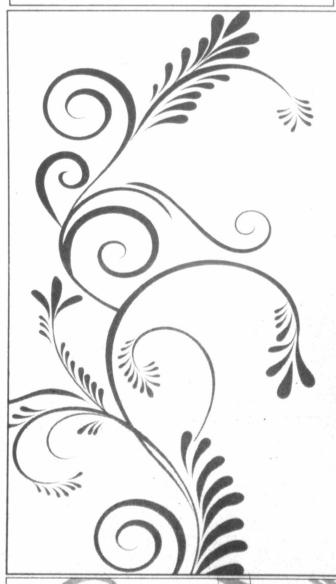
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# Sports

# Harvesters need repeat of last year's Caprock game

Pampa Harvesters enter Friday's game needing a victory to keep their playoff hopes alive. This is not a new situation for Pampa, as they faced this situation last year when they played the Caprock Longhorns. The Harvesters won that game last year and will need to do

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something similar this year. First off, the Harvesters need to get off to a good start against the Rangers.

The first possessions on both sides of the ball need to end positively for Pampa. Offensively, we score and defensively we get a stop. It's much easier to play when you have the momentum and aren't fighting out of a hole. Pampa needs to reverse history, because in six of seven games the opposing team have started well and have won five of those

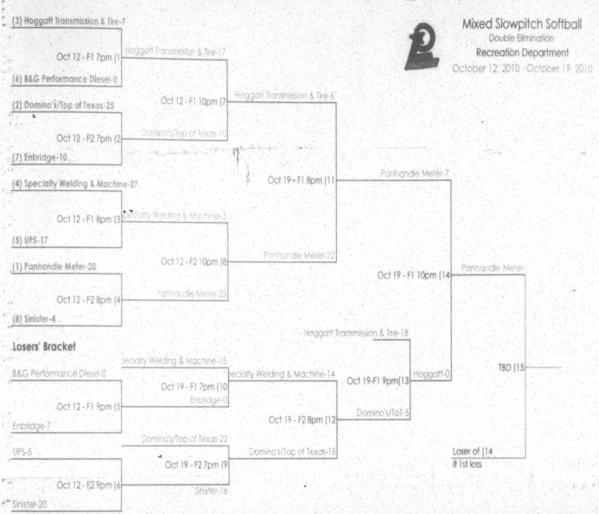
Furthermore, the Harvesters need to get the running game going, so they can get the passing game going. A multi-dimensional offense is going to be a lot harder for the opposing defense to stop. Senior running back Kendrick Alexander had a breakout game in that crucial victory over Caprock last season with 208 yards rushing and a touchdown. A performance like that on Friday will be much appreciated.

Defensively, the Harvesters have to force Perryton to throw the ball. So far this season, Pampa has defended the pass better than the run. Last week, the Bulldogs ran the ball so well they didn't even bother with the pass. If the Rangers get a successful running game going, as we've seen in other games this season it will be a long night. The Harvesters need to be in the right position and make tackles to keep the Rangers in check.

Pampa needs to focus on the smaller picture in the game. This is a game that will be won in four quarters and not the first possession. The Harvesters can't let the fact they have to win the game overwhelm them. They need to focus on one play at a time and make that play successful. Also, Pampa will have to keep their emotions in check. It will be an emotional night with senior night and us fighting for our playoff lives.

If the Harvesters gain momentum they need to keep it and put away Perryton when they have the chance. The last thing the Harvesters need to do is let the Rangers, who are in the exact same situation, hang around and think they can win this game. In other words, the Harvesters need to finish strong.

# City Rec League softball playoff results



Check out tomorrow's sports pages for previews on Pampa's game against Perryton, Lefors' district opener vs. Miami and other gridiron previews.

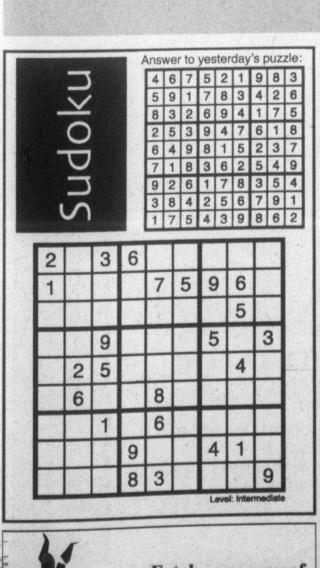
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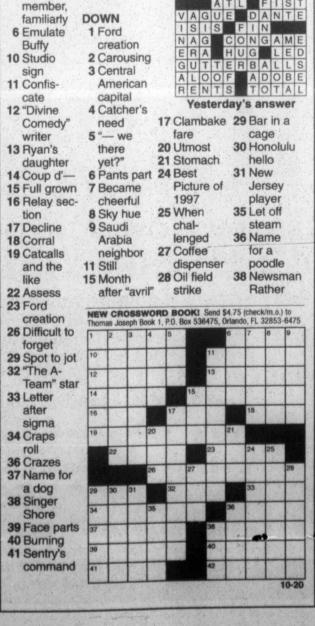
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### Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I lived with my best friend and her husband for a few months after moving to a new state. They recently went through a rough patch and she took a vacation to cool off. In her absence, and under the influence of a great deal of alcohol, her husband and I slept together. We decided it happened only because we were drunk and decided never to speak of it again.

The problem is -- it happened again, this time with almost no alcohol involved at all!

I'm reluctant to tell my friend about our trysts. I think telling her will do more harm than good. On the other hand, the guilt eats at me every day to the point that I cry over what I've done to her. Her husband doesn't What should I do? -OR NOT TO

DEAR TT OR NOT TT: Own your guilt. You've earned it. And confess your sin to your religious adviser. But if you feel that telling your friend will do more harm than good,

remain silent. DEAR ABBY: My husband of 20 years is kind, loving and wellrespected. He is one of the greatest guys you would ever meet. We have a great marriage, rarely fight and have many things in common. My problem? When he speaks, he frequently says "youse guys," and it drives me insane.

I have a brother-inlaw who uses "I seen" instead of "I saw," and I know it drives my sister crazy. How do we broach the subject with our hubbies without hurting their feelings, making them feel inadequate or angering them? I am not going to correct my husband in public, but when he says 'youse guys" around our friends, I cringe. Help! LANGUAGE PO-

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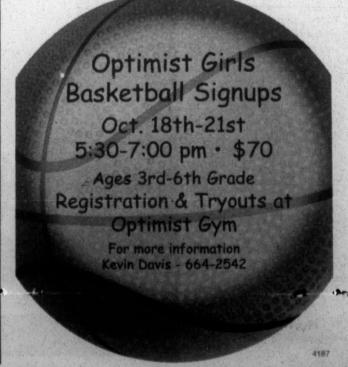
POLICE: I'm surprised that after 20 years of marriage you would only now be asking for advice on how to persuade your husband to use proper English. My advice is to tell him you love him and ask if he would like you to help him lose the "youse." If he agrees, start reminding him when he forgets. But if he says no, leave it alone and concentrate on his many virtues. In the scheme of things, isn't his one flaw rather insignificant?

DEAR ABBY: I recently sent an expensive flower arrangement to a dear friend in the hospital to let her know how much she means to me.

When I went to visit, the flowers were not in her room. When I asked about them, she said she want to tell her, ever. had given them to her nurse to display at the station. I'm as suming the gesture was to show her appreciation for the service they have given her.

> I am disappointed and hurt because they were meant to bring her some joy. I understand that when you give someone a present the person has every right to do whatever he or she wants with it, but I wish she would have waited until she was discharged to give the flowers away. Am I wrong to feel hurt? -DISAPPOINTED **CLEVELAND**

> DEAR DISAP-POINTED: The problem with nursing a hurt in silence is that it may be based on an incorrect assumption, so clear the air with your friend. If you ask her why she gave her flowers to the nurses, she may tell you she thought they were so lovely she wanted to share them with everyone who came to the floor. And that would mean your bouquet has brought joy many times over, which is what I would consider getting a big bang for your



# Sports

# No. 15 Lady Harvesters lock up Bulldogs, playoffs

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Just like their game last week, the opponent jumped out and won the first set. Also like last week, the No. 15 Pampa Lady Harvesters won the next three to win the match and re-clinched a spot in the playoffs beating the Borger Lady Bulldogs in four games (12-25, 25-21,

Head coach Libby Garza said Borger started amazing and was proud of her team responded after dropping the first set.

25-21, 25-20) Tuesday in

Borger.

"(Borger) touched everything that we send over," Garza said. "We really had to find our composure...I'm very proud of the girls tonight.'

The Lady Bulldogs scored the first three points of the first sets, but the Lady Harvesters tied the game at four. Both teams exchanged the next several points but Borger went on a run that Pampa couldn't recover from. The Lady Bulldogs went on a 9-1 run to increase their lead to 17-8 prompting Garza to call a second timeout.

Junior Kirsten Kuhn said they struggled to get their emotions under control.

"We had a lot of adrelaine going into the first game," Kuhn said. "I guess we had to calm down and get it under control. We finally did that and started playing like we usually

Garza said she thinks their nerves got the best of them.

"I think we knew that this was going to be a real emotional night," Garza said. "We kind of froze

In the second set, the Lady Harvesters grabbed momentum after both teams played close to start the game. Pampa went on a 7-1 run and held a 12-5 advantage prompting a timeout from Borger. Junior Delaney Clendening had five kills to start the game. The Lady Bulldogs would outscore the Lady Harvesters 10-5 and cut the lead to two. Pampa brought their lead back to five with a 5-2 run.

At the beginning of the third set, the Lady Bulldogs looked poised to take a 2-1 set lead, starting the game on an 8-2 run. Though it took awhile, the Lady Harvesters would get back in the game. Trailing 12-3, the Lady Harvesters went on a 13-3 run and took their second lead of the set. Pampa outscored Borger 9-6 the rest of the set.

Junior Kailyn Troxell said the team started working together better.

"We were kind of nervous the first game but we came together and pulled it out," Troxell said.

The teams started close in the fourth set but the Lady Harvesters got on roll and took an 11-7 lead prompting Borger to take a timeout. But the timeout didn't do much good as Pampa went on a 5-2 run to take a 16-9 lead. The Lady Bulldogs scored the next four points and cut Pampa's lead to three. The Lady Harvesters scored the next four points to put it back at a seven-point lead. The Lady Bulldogs still had some fight and cut the lead to three. Pampa outscored Borger 5-3.

Garza said they will have to do a better job of closing out games, especially when it could end someone's season.

"When you have the capability to put away a team, you need to put away a team," Garza said.

"We're still struggling with easing up at the end when we get a huge lead. We need to a do a better job of knowing when we are up, we got to push harder."

Junior Ramie Hutto led the team in kills with 14 and Troxell had 12. Junior Caitlin Sieck and senior Taryn Eubank led the team in blocks with three. Kuhn led the team in digs with 48 and Clendening had 18. Eubank led the team in assist with 39. Troxell and Eubank led the team in serve aces with two.

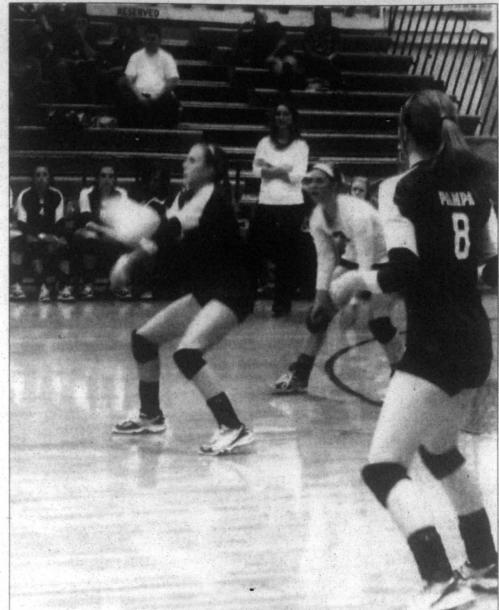
The junior varsity (14-12, 6-1) swept Borger 25-15 and 25-11. Borger jumped out to a 7-3 lead in the first set, but Pampa went on an 11-3 run and took a 15-10 lead. The Lady Bulldogs didn't get closer than three the rest of the game. Pampa was in control in the second set as they jumped out to an 11-5 lead.

Coach Braydon Barker said they played well and are keeping the momentum

"Hopefully we can come out and win the last two games and go unbeaten in district except for the forfeit," Barker said.

Borger (18-12, 3-4) also clinched the final playoff spot by Perryton losing to Dalhart Dalhart (24-15, 5-2) clinched with their victory over Perryton.

3 p.m. Saturday



staff photo by Andrew Glover

The Lady Harvesters McKinlee Stokes makes a pass in the third game Tuesday against Borger. (24-13, 5-2) host Perryton The Lady Harvesters won in four sets and have clinched a spot in the playoffs (13-18, 1-6) for senior day for the first time since 1999. Pampa is currently tied for first in district.

## District 1-3A volleyball standings

Team	DW	DL	D%	W L	W%
y-Pampa	5	2	0.714	24 13	0.648
y-Dalhart	. 5	2	0.714	24 15	0.615
y-Borger	3	3	0.429	18 12	0.600
Perryton	1	5	0.143	13 18	0.419

v=clinch playoff spot



# Rangers a win from WS berth

NEW YORK (AP) They have wandered on baseball's outskirts for a half-century, unwanted in Washington, trounced with regularity in Texas.

Now those Rangers, in the 50th season of the team's existence, are just one win from reaching the World Series for the very first time.

"It's been our goal for awhile now," Michael Young said after another blowout of the defending champion New York Yankees, 10-3 Tuesday night, gave the Rangers a 3-1 AL championship series lead.

"I think one thing this club has done is stay focused and not get ahead of ourselves," Young said. "We know what our ulti-

mate goal is.' Bengie Molina hit a goahead, three-run homer off A.J. Burnett in the sixth inning, Josh Hamilton added a pair of solo drives to give him four in four games and Nelson Cruz also went deep. The Rangers were a little giddy.

"It's not bad for a fat kid that everyone makes fun of when he runs," Molina said.

Instead of another pinstriped World Series, baseball's showcase would move down deep into the heart of Texas with a win by the Rangers in Game 5

Wednesday. "We came here, we are supposed to lose," Molina

said. Fans started streaming out of Yankee Stadium in the late innings, while Rangers president and part-

