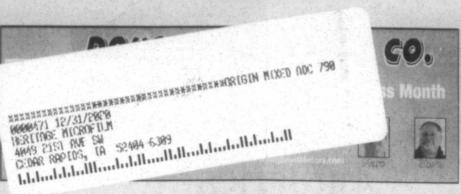




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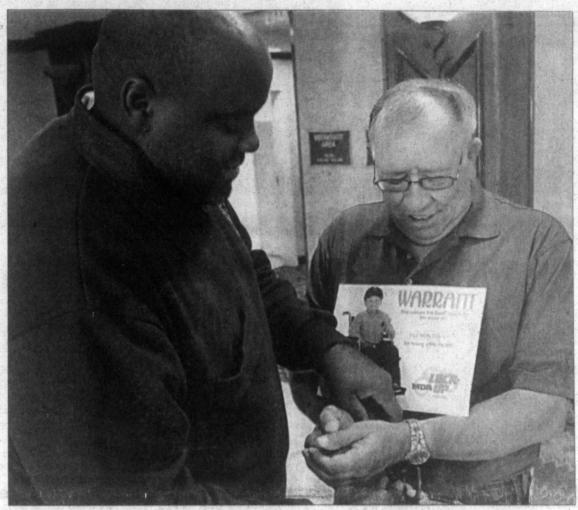
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LOCKED UP FOR GOOD



staff photo by David Bowser

Pampa Fire Marshal Michael Ryan arrests Pampa Chamber of Commerce President Pat Montoya as part of the Muscular Dystrophy Association's Lock-Up fundraiser.

Pampa goes behind bars for MDA

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Pampa Chamber of Commerce President Pat Montoya was arrested today.

So were Pampa Assistant Fire Chief Randy Dunham, Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Joe Weaver and Peggy Hall of Pampa Community Service, along with 31 other notables around the Gray County community.

No, it wasn't some high profile county-wide sting. There were no white collar misdeeds, no downtown gang activity, no

came peacefully, and everyone was out a few hours later.

Pampa's newest jailbirds were locked up at the Holiday Inn Express today as part of Muscular Dystrophy Association's annual Lock-Up benefit. Participants were "arrested and booked" by members of the Pampa Fire Department, with the "offenders" having their mugshots taken before being ushered into a holding area where they called up family and friends to raise their "bail."

All proceeds from the ben-

cross-city conspiracy. Everyone efit will go towards the MDA and its various services in the battle against muscular dystrophy, which affects thousands of people and families nationwide.

"These people - community leaders — are going behind bars for good," said Ashley McGee, Executive Director of the MDA's office in Lubbock. "This is something we do every year that helps raise a lot of money for us, and every dollar

we get will go a long way.' Each of the jailbirds will be looking to raise \$1,600 in bail money, according to McGee.

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New flood maps to go into effect

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It will cost The Pampa News as well as the rest of Gray County — anywhere from \$550 to \$4,736 in annual insurance premiums for flood insurance, according to a government website, www.floodsmart.gov.

The Federal Emergency Management Agecy, FEMA, is encouraging homeowners, businesses and renters who do not have flood insurance to buy coverage now in order to get the best possible premiums before new flood insurance rate maps go into effect next week.

A visit today to the FEMA website, www.floodsmart.gov, showed that The Pampa News could expect to pay from about \$500 to \$5,000 in annual premiums for flood insurance. The website suggested contacting an insurance agent for more precise

The new governmental flood insurance maps become effective on Thursday, Nov. 4, according to FEMA. The maps show locations of the one percent and 0.2 percent floodplains and floodways, which indicate possible flooding risks. The maps may show changes in floodplain status, according to government officials.

"We encourage everyone to look at the flood maps now and to be familiar with flood risks in the community," said Tom Russell, FEMA regional administrator. "The maps can help you make informed decisions about flood insurance and flood protection."

The flood map is on the agenda for Monday's Gray County Commissioners meeting at the Gray County Courthouse.

FEMA said that while many home and business owners are required by mortgage and lending companies FLOOD cont. on page 3

Knight speaks against peer bullying at junior high

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Simple words can break people's souls, said a Pampa High School graduate to a crowd of girls at a special convocation at the Pampa Junior High School this morning.

Chelsey Knight, 21, a 2007 graduate of Pampa High School, was back in town today to talk to girls at Pampa Junior High and share her experiences with peer bullying that led to anorexia.

Knight's story began before she moved to Pampa when she was a student in a

West Texas town of 1,000. When she was a 12-yearold sixth grader, Chelsey said she was bullied by

girls at school.

"Bullying is emotional torment," Chelsey said. "It sucks the life out of you."

She said it has taken years to overcome the pain she felt when the girls in her class turned their backs on her.

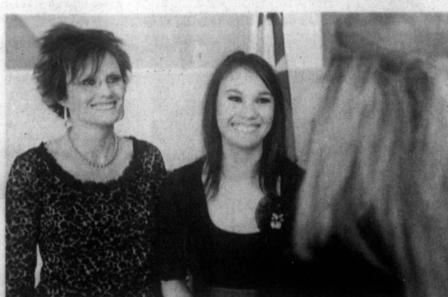
"I hated myself," Chelsey told the junior high girls in an assembly today.

She turned to exercise and counting calories and lost weight.

"I hated school," Chelsey

She said her obsession turned to madness, and she felt lonely in her dispair. "I never felt good enough," Chelsey said.

The fact that her sister was popular at school only KNIGHT cont. on page 3



staff photo by David Bowser

Chelsey Knight (center) talks with Chris Nies, right, at Pampa Junior High School today as Chelsey's mother, Lynda, listens. Chelsey, a 2007 graduate of Pampa High, was in town to talk about peer bullying.



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Have a Safe and Happy Halloween! From the Pampa Chamber of Commerce

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PAMPA FORECAST

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Tonight: Clear, with a low around 39. South

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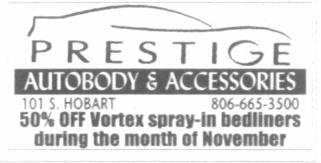
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southwest wind around 10 mph. Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 47. West southwest wind between 10 and 15

Sunday: Sunny, with a high near 74. North northwest wind around 10 mph.

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Obituaries

Ralph F. Tyler, 81

Ralph F. Tyler, 81, died October 27, 2010, in Amarillo. Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, October 29, 2010, at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel, with Rev. Andy Tyler, his nephew and pastor of First United Methodist Church of Newcastle, officiating.

Burial will be at Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Tyler was born March 28, 1929 in Pioneer, and was a 1947 graduate of Phillips High School. He married Nikki Janice Warren on March 27, 1953, in Clovis, N.M. Ralph had been a resident of Pampa since 1953. He worked for Phillips Petroleum for 47 years, retiring in 1994. He was a member of Central Baptist Church and a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving during the Korean

Conflict.

Survivors include his wife Nikki Janice Tyler of the home; two daughters, Julie Tyler of Eastland and Christy Marlar and husband Larry of Abilene; one brother, Harold Tyler and wife Merlene of Mansfield; a granddaughter, Holly Kroon and husband Tyson of Wasilla, Alaska; two great-grandchildren, Lainey Kroon and Zane Kroon, both of Wasilla, Alaska; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Seth and Jenny Tyler.

Memorials may be made to American Heart Association, 2514 82nd Street, Suite B, Lubbock, TX 79423, or Ronald McDonald House, 1501 Streit Drive, Amarillo,

Sign the online register at www.carmichael-whatley.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Police Department

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

Officers reported 20 traffic-related calls and six ac-

Animal Control Officers reported 19 animal-related calls.

Pampa EMS reported four ambulance calls. The Pampa Police Department reported one medical call The Pampa Fire Department reported on medical call. The Lefors Volunteer Fire Department reported one medical call.

Wednesday, Oct. 27

An abandoned vehicle was reported in the 1300 block of East Kingsmill.

A narcotics violation was reported in the 1100 block of North Terrace. Officers assisted another

agency in the 300 block of North Sumner. A theft was reported to

Disorderly conduct was

reported in the 800 block of North Nelson. Officers performed a

welfare check in the 2700 block of North Hobart. A suspicious person was reported in the 600 block

of East Frederic. A prowler was reported in the 1100 block of East

Found property was reported in the 400 block of North Ballard.

Officers assisted a motorist in the 800 block of East Foster.

A burglary was reported in the 400 block of North

An alarm was reported in the 200 block of East

Brown. A drunk driver was reported at Frederic and

Tignor. Disorderly conduct was

reported in the 1900 block of North Banks and in the 2200 block of North Hobart. Thursday, Oct. 28

A prowler was reported in the 800 block of North

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 1300 block of North Garland.

Alarms were reported in the 200 block of East Brown and in the 800 block of West Wilks.

A stolen vehicle was reported to police.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrest during the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. today.

Wednesday, Oct. 27 Timothy Francis Pheasant, 27, was arrested by deputies on charges of probation violation.

Unemployment claims post sharp drop

WASHINGTON (AP) - Fewer people applied for unemployment benefits last week, the second drop in a row and a hopeful sign the job market could be improving.

The Labor Department said Thursday that initial claims for jobless benefits dropped by 21,000 to a seasonally adjusted 434,000 in the week that ended Oct. 23.

It was the second-lowest number for claims this year. Photography, 207 N. Dinner Dance & Silent The only time it was lower was during the July 10 week, Auction, for Cali Covalt and that week was affected by the Independence Day holi-Willingham, Sat Oct. 30, day when state unemployment offices were closed.

Street analysts had expected a tiny increase

Claims will need to keep falling to signal a widespread Americann. \$25 Single, \$40 increase in hiring. Claims have fluctuated around 450,000. Couple Price will go up at for most of this year, and have fallen below that level seven times. But they have always rebounded in subsequent weeks, and haven't remained below 450,000 for longer

John Ryding, an economist at RDQ Economics, said in a note to clients that the drop is "encouraging." But he added that "we would need to see a couple more weeks of lower claims readings to be comfortable that employment growth is improving.

The four-week average, a less volatile measure, dropped by 5,500 to 453,250, the lowest level since the week of

Applications for unemployment aid fell steadily last year after the recession ended in June 2009, dropping from 600,000 to about 450,000 by January of this year.

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WASHINGTON (AP) - Texas is getting a \$5.6 million federal grant to study establishing a high-speed rail corridor to Oklahoma City.

U.S. Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood on Thursday announced the Texas funding as part of 54 high-speed rail projects in 23 states that will share \$2.4

LaHood says the money is meant to continue developing America's first nationwide program of high-speed intercity passenger rail service.

DOT says the money for Texas is meant to complete feasibility studies, a service development plan and environmental work for the designated corridor linking the Dallas-Fort Worth area and Oklahoma City.

The DOT statement says the rail project potentially could extend to Austin and San Antonio.

Hindu guru faces charges

AUSTIN (AP) — An elderly Hindu guru facing 20 counts of indecency with a child by sexual contact must remain in the United States until his January trial, a judge has ruled.

State District Judge Charles Ramsay revoked the passport of 82-year-old Prakashanand Saraswati on Wednesday

Attorneys for Saraswati, known as Shree Swamiji, had claimed he was too frail for trial and that he has continuing back problems.

Prosecutors say the guru has maintained an active overseas travel schedule this year, the Austin American-Statesman reported.

The charges against Saraswati accuse him of indecency in relation to his contact with two children between 1993 and 1996 at Barsana Dham, an ashram south of Austin. He was arrested in April 2008 at Washington Dulles International Airport after arriving on a flight from Europe.

FAA investigates Inhofe

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — The Federal Aviation Administration is investigating Oklahoma Sen. Jim Inhofe's landing of an airplane on a closed runway in

The twin-engine Cessna piloted by Inhofe landed last Thursday on a closed runway at the Port Isabel-Cameron County Airport.

FAA spokesman Lynn Lunsford told the Tulsa World's Washington bureau that investigators are reviewing the landing to determine if any action is necessary. He declined further comment.

Inhofe said he was not aware beforehand that the runway was closed and did not see large X's marking it as closed until it was too late to change course.

Inhofe is 75 and a commercially rated pilot with more than 50 years of flying experience. He was with two staff members and a family friend flying to a home he owns at South Padre Island.

Endangered rhino dies

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - An endangered black rhinocnamed "Herbie" has died at the San Antonio Zoo

Zoo officials say the cause of Wednesday's sudden death is sought. A necropsy did not offer an immediate reason for the death of the 18-year-old male rhino.

Herbie had been at the San Antonio Zoo since 1999 and

sired two calves, in 2001 and 2004. He was born at the San Diego Zoo,

Atlanta could be Southwest's best

DALLAS (AP) — A Southwest Airlines Co. executive says Atlanta could become the airline's top city within a few years after Southwest buys AirTran Airways.

Southwest doesn't fly to Atlanta right now, but AirTran operates about 200 flights a day there.

Executive Vice President Bob Jordan said Thursday that Southwest will augment AirTran's Atlanta service with flights to 20 or more cities where AirTran doesn't fly.

"It's easy to get to kind of 250-plus" daily flights while still being a distant second to Delta Air Lines Inc. in Atlanta, Jordan said.

Las Vegas is Southwest's top city, with 224 daily depar-

tures as of Aug. 15. Southwest made inroads against US Airways in Philadelphia and is taking on United in Denver. Now it will go head-to-head against Delta, the world's second-largest

"You would assume that there is no way they would just sit back and do nothing," Jordan said. "This is going to be

Southwest announced last month it would buy AirTran Holdings Inc. for \$1.4 billion.

Spill claimants can get interim pay

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) - Independent claims administrator Ken Feinberg says Gulf of Mexico oil spill victims can keep getting periodic interim payments for the next three years without giving up their right to sue

Feinberg said in a meeting with Florida officials Thursday that he'll offer that choice as an alternative taking a final award and giving up the right to sue after the Nov. 23 deadline for filing temporary, emergency

Feinberg also reiterated that he'll allow claims from places untouched by oil but said distance will be a factor in calculating the amount of those damages.

Most parts of Florida had no oil but still lost business because tourists stayed away due to misperceptions or fears of what might happen.

Minor spill closes waterway

PORT ARTHUR (AP) - The Coast Guard has closed vessel traffic in the Sabine (suh-BEEN')-Neches Waterway south of the Intracoastal Waterway due to a fuel spill after an accident.

The Coast Guard says the motor vessel King Yukon apparently hit the fishing vessel Capt. Scott early Thursday near Mesquite Point on the Sabine River. No injuries were reported.

The Coast Guard says the accident around 1:30 a.m. Tuesday caused minor damage to two other fishing vessels moored to the pier and that caused one of those boats, the Little Angel, to lose diesel fuel.

Clean up crews have deployed 400 feet of containment boom and sorbents to prevent further spread of diesel fuel into the waterway.

AFTERNOONRUSH Mexico: 2 dead may be massacre gunmen

CIUDAD JUAREZ, Mexico (AP) -The bodies of two men, one of them decapitated, were found in a Mexican border city Tuesday, and police suspect they may have been behind the massacre of 14 young people at a birthday party.

The bodies were found inside an SUV in Ciudad Juarez, said prosecutor Jorge Gonzalez Nicolas. One of them had been decapitated, and his head was left in the car. Both bodies had their hands and feet bound and bore signs of torture.

A sign left with the bodies accused them of killing women and children. Gonzalez said the message raised

the possibility that the two men were involved in the attack on the party Friday night.

Gunmen pulled up to two homes next door to each other in a lower-middleclass Ciudad Juarez neighborhood and opened fire on about four dozen partygoers gathered for a 15-year-old boy's birthday party.

The dead were 13 to 32 years old, including six women and girls.

Gonzalez said the survivors would be shown photographs of the faces of the two men found dead Tuesday. The two men appeared to be in their early 20s, which coincides with accounts from some of the survivors, he said.

One survivor has said that a gunman who appeared to be about 20 opened fire on the crowd after nobody would answer questions about a car parked

More than 6,500 people have been killed in Ciudad Juarez, across the border from El Paso, Texas, since a turf war erupted two years ago between the Juarez and Sinaloa drug cartels.

It has become the deadliest city in Mexico, where nationwide, more than 28,000 people have died in drug-gang violence since President Felipe Calderon deployed thousands of troops and federal police in late 2006 to step up the assault on cartels.

In northeastern Mexico, meanwhile, the entire police force of the small town of Los Ramones quit Tuesday, a day after gunmen attacked their headquar-

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Flood

to have flood insurance, FEMA and the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) recommend that everyone have flood insurance.

They warned that homes and businesses don't have to be in a floodplain to flood.

In addition, FEMA said that policy owners and those planning to buy NFIP policies are encouraged to contact their insurance agencies to ensure they have adequate coverage and that their policies meet the new flood risk data.

NFIB is offering federally-backed flood insurance

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Montoya said that he was the Lock-Up or our Fill glad to do what he can to help combat the debilitating disease.

"It's for a real good cause," he said. "Jerry Lewis has done a lot for muscular dystrophy (through the annual Jerry Lewis MDA telethon), and as individuals, I think we should step up too and do our part.

"I know sometimes, as individuals, it feels like we can't really do a lot, but every little bit helps, so this is my little bit.'

This was the first MDA Lock-Up for Montoya, who said before his "incarceration" that he was looking forward to asking his friends for bail money.

"It's exciting, but in a way, I'm a little nervous he joked. "It'll be fun to call the people I know to ask them to get me out of jail."

McGee said that, while participation numbers were slightly down this year, the Pampa area has always been a go-to community for the MDA's fundraising efforts.

"We always try to come back to our communities that have been generous to us, and (Pampa has) come up big for us time and time again, honestly," said McGee. "Whether it's

Knight

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made matters worse. Chelsey said she faced pain on a daily basis.

"I felt alone and unloved," said. she "It was me against the world."

She said she yearned for acceptance, but battled with her parents and family at home.

When she was 14, her parents finally took her to a clinic for eating disorders in Arizona where she spent two months but grew to feel safe there.

Last April, Chelsey said she ran her first marathon. It was during that 26.2 mile run that she finally realized that her family and God never gave up on her.

Today, she lives in Lubbock and works as a pharmacy technician. She also talks to school groups about peer bullying and the problems it can cause, both to the individual and to families.

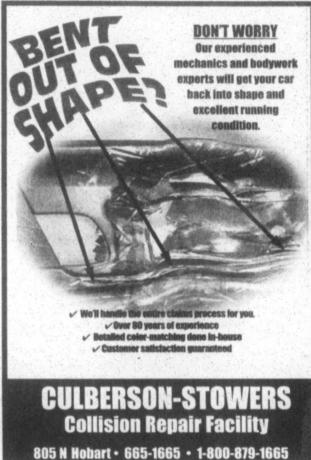
"Her courage inspires me," Linda Knight, her mother, said today Chelsey told the junior

high school girls this morning that if they are facing problems with peer bullying, they need to talk to someone about it.

You don't have to face it alone," she said. "You are valued. You are loved. You are special."

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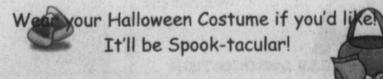
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Viewpoints

Today in History

Today is Thursday, Oct. 28, the 301st day of 2010. There are 64 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 28, 1886, the Statue of Liberty, a gift from the people of France, was dedicated in New York Harbor by President Grover Cleveland.

On this date:

In 1636, the General Court of Massachusetts passed a legislative act establishing Harvard College. In 1776, the Battle of White Plains was fought during the Revolutionary War, resulting in a limited British victory

In 1858, Rowland Hussey Macy opened his first New York store at Sixth Avenue and 14th Street in Manhattan.

In 1919. Congress enacted the Volstead Act, which provided for enforcement of Prohibition, over President Woodrow Wilson's veto.

In 1936, President Franklin D. Roosevelt rededicated the Statue of Liberty on its 50th anniversary. In 1940, Italy invaded Greece during World War

In 1962, Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev informed the United States that he had ordered the dismantling of missile bases in Cuba.

In 1980, President Jimmy Carter and Republican presidential nominee Ronald Reagan faced off in a nationally broadcast, 90-minute debate in Cleveland.

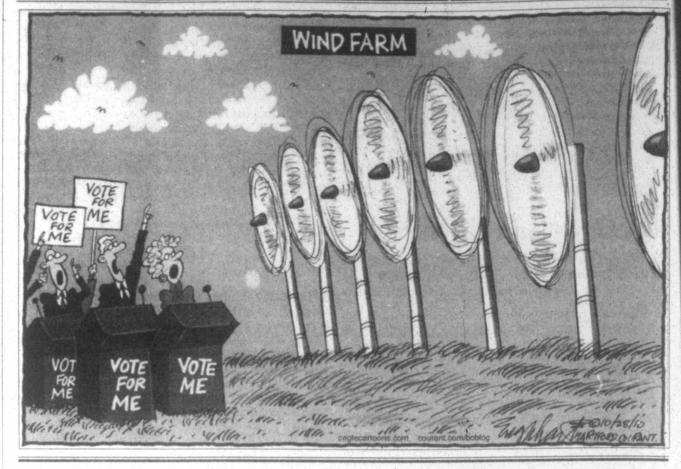
Ten years ago: The party of moderate Ibrahim Rugova won Kosovo's municipal elections.

Five years ago: Vice President Dick Cheney's top adviser, I. Lewis "Scooter" Libby, resigned after he was indicted on charges of obstruction of justice, perjury and making false statements in the CIA leak investigation. (Libby was convicted, but had his 30-month prison sentence commuted by President George W. Bush.) More than a million demonstrators flooded the streets of Tehran and other major cities in Iran to back President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad's call for the destruction of Israel.

One year ago: Taliban militants stormed a guest house used by U.N. staff in the heart of the Afghan capital, leaving 11 dead, including five U.N. staff and three attackers.

Today's Birthdays: Jazz singer Cleo Laine is 83. Actress Joan Plowright is 81. Musician-songwriter Charlie Daniels is 74. Actress Jane Alexander is 71. Singer Curtis Lee is 69. Actor Dennis Franz is 66. Pop singer Wayne Fontana is 65. Actress Telma Hopkins is 62. Olympic track and field gold medalist Bruce Jenner is 61. Actress Annie Potts is 58. Microsoft co-founder Bill Gates is 55. The president of Iran, Mahmoud Ahmadinejad is 54. Rock musician Stephen Morris (New Order) is 53. Actress Daphne Zuniga is 48. Actress Lauren Holly is 47. Actress Jami Gertz is 45. Actor-comedian Andy Richter is 44. Actress Julia Roberts is 43. Country singermusician Caitlin Cary is 42. Singer Ben Harper is 41. Country singer Brad Paisley is 38. Actor Joaquin Phoenix is 36. Pop singer Brett Dennen is 31. Rock musician Dave Tirio (Plain White T's) is 31

Thought for Today: "I prefer liberty with danger than peace with slavery." - Jean-Jacques Rousseau, Swissborn French philosopher (1712-1778)



Why are two wars not on our national radar?

Why are Two Wars Not on our National Radar?

If, as polls show, war is "off the radar" for midterm voters, it's a non-issue for midterm candidates, too. Iraq and Afghanistan, for example, show up exactly one time apiece in the GOP Pledge to America (on one page out of 48), and merely to bolster the GOP case for sanctions against Iran. Iran "worked to harm our deployed troops in Iraq and Afghanistan," the pledge notes. That's all there is about wars that have strained the military and drained the treasury for almost a decade and

Maybe for once, the political class and the people are in sync. According to a New York Times poll, only 3 percent of voters consider "Afghanistan or the war" the most important issue of the day. Given the beleaguered state of the economy, that isn't too surprising. "What is surprising," the paper points out. "is that hardly any Americans cite the war in Afghanistan at all.

Why don't they? How did we grow callous to these open wounds of war? NBC's Tom Brokaw tried to answer the question in a New York Times column by citing the fact that an all-volunteer military, only a tiny fraction of the population (less than 1 percent), is "carrying 100 percent of the battle." As U.S. military efforts in Iraq and Afghanistan drag into their seventh and ninth years, respectively, military society and civilian society are more divided than ever. The relative number of troops deployed remains quite small, as does the resulting strain on the unaffected

population at large. Thus, t h e the competently managed if incompetently conceived flow of blood and treasure doctrine continues. Most people can ignore it, so they do.

Still, cold statistics don't explain everything. The question remains: What causes a nation that can mass-empathize with miners trapped underground, save the whales, turn out for tea parties, and send hundreds of millions of dollars in charity around the globe to natural-disaster victims also look away from the appalling sacrifice our government sees fit, without cogent explanation. to demand of our mainly men and (often Islamically covered) women serving in war zones under recklessly restrictive rules of engagebecome the plight - it seems odd to use that word but I think it fits - of our fellow citizens in uniform and the hemorrhaging of our national wealth have also become matters of

indifference. One big reason is underlying mission confusion. Our leadership, beginning with the Bush administration, has failed to carry out its core strategic responsibility after 9/11: to master the study of Islamic jihad,

enemy threat that inspired the 9/11 attacks, a n d craft a strategy to turn

> back the fruit of jihad namely, the advance of Sharia (Islamic law) in the West. Instead, the politically correct, see-no-Islam strategy we pursue to this day ignores jihad, and simultaneously seeks, in effect, to thwart the imperatives of Sharia in the Islamic world, beginning with Iraq and Afghanistan.

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Meanwhile, we, people, have failed, too, abdicating our own need to know, to probe, to question what history is already revealing to have been a gross if not also grotesque misuse of military force to carry out a failed experiment in social engineering in the Islamic sector of the Third World - not national security

Since mum really is the word, I picked up on only one pro-war conservative rejoinder to Brokaw's

recent comments. Writing online at Contentions, former Bush White House official Peter Wehner offered his explanation for radio silence on war in this election: "The fact that it (Iraq) has dropped off the radar screen is an indication of the very progress Brokaw himself cannot seem to acknowledge."

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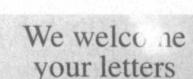
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Really? "Progress"? In a week when Iraq's Nuri al-Maliki was in Tehran seeking Mahmoud Ahmadinejad's favor and alliance with Moqtada al-Sadr while NATO forces were simultaneously themselves ferrying senior Taliban leaders to 'peace talks " in Kabul with Afghanistan's Karzai, to invoke "progress" is to dodge failure. Maybe it's no wonder Americans look the other way. Maybe it's no wonder we don't see or see only what we wish to see: nascent democratic bulwarks against jihad, not Sharia-supreme basket cases increasingly dominated by our openly jihadist enemies. And that's nothing to stay

silent about and ignore.

Washington Times columnist Diana West is a conservative with a strong bent for cultural commentary.



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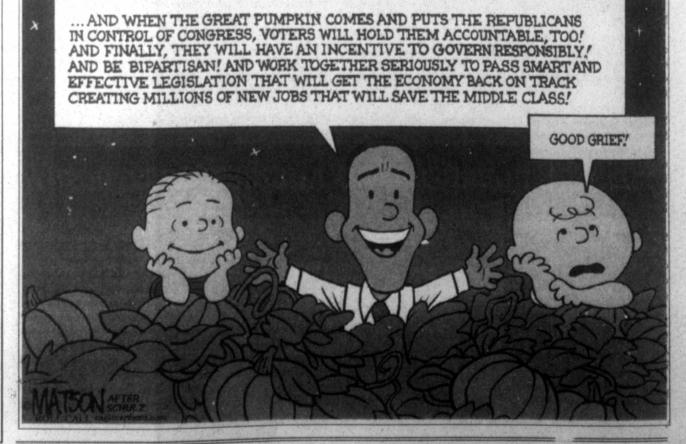
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Ceramic beer pitcher, mugs were penny arcade prizes

ANNE MCCOLLAM

Q: The enclosed photo shows a ceramic beer pitcher and six matching mugs that my father got as a teenager in the early 1930s. It was a prize obtained in exchange for all the tickets his family accumulated at the penny arcade in Rockaway Beach, N.Y. They are all marked with "Made in Japan." The word "Schnitzelbank" is located around the rim of each piece and the handles are decorated. with little pretzels. It looks like some type of bench is decorated on the pitcher.

Any information you can provide will be appreciated.

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a clamp to secure an object that was to be carved. It is also the name of a German humorous

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well as Europe and the United States.

Your circa 1930s beer set would probably be worth \$200 to

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A matching beer pitcher and mugs were made in Japan.

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Riessner Stellmacher, and Kessler was founded in Bohemia.

Still in business, it is also called Amphora Porzellan Fabrik.

Similar vases have sold in the \$400 to \$500.

Q: At a yard sale, I picked up a hardcover book titled "The Life and Times of Robinson Crusoe" by Daniel Defoe. It was illustrated by Frances Brundage and published by the Saalfield Publishing Co. of Chicago, New York and Akron, Ohio. There

tion that is dated Nov. 16, 1947. There are no publishing dates and no chapter numbers. It is in great condition.

Can you tell me anything about this book and its value?

A: The book was originally written in 1890, and Frances Brundage was a leading illustrator. Saalfield Publishing Co. published this edition from 1930 to 1940.

It can be found selling on e-Bay for around \$30 to \$35.

If you have any antique inquiries, address your questions to Anne McCollam, P.O. Box 247, Notre Dame, IN 46556. Items of a general interest will be answered in this column. Due to the volume of inquiries, she cannot answer

Indonesia tsunami death toll hits 343

MENTAWAI ISLANDS, Indonesia (AP) - Rescuers searching islands ravaged by a tsunami off western Indonesia raised the death toll to 343 Thursday as more corpses were wrapped in body bags or buried by neighbors. Officials said hundreds of missing people may have been swept out to sea.

Elsewhere in Indonesia, the volcano that killed 33 people earlier this week began erupting again, though there were no reports of new injuries or damage. Mourners held a mass burial Thursday during a lull in Mount Merapi's rumblings. The twin catastrophes struck within 24 hours in different corners of the seismically charged region, severely testing the nation's emergency response network.

Islanders dug graves and slung up tarps to sleep under in one of the hardest-hit areas, where a 10-foot (three-meter) wave had swept houses off their foundations and deposited the shattered remains in the jungle. Many residents who fled to the hills were refusing to return home for fear the sea might lash out again.

Officials say a multimillion-dollar warning system installed after a monster 2004 quake and tsunami broke down one month ago because it was not being properly maintained. A German official at the project disputed that, saying the system was working but the quake's epicenter was too close to the Mentawai islands for residents to get the warning before the killer wave hit.

Search and rescue teams - kept away for days by stormy seas and bad weather - found roads and beaches with swollen corpses lying on them, according to Harmensyah, head of the West Sumatra provincial disaster management center.

Some wore face masks as they wrapped corpses in black body bags on Pagai Utara, one of the four main islands in the Mentawai chain located between Sumatra and the

Indian Ocean. Ferry Faisal, of the West Sumatra provincial disaster management agency, raised the official toll Thursday to 343 from 311 earlier in the day. He said 338 people are

still missing. Harmensyah said the teams were losing hope of finding those missing since the wall of water, created by a 7.8-magnitute earthquake, crashed into the islands on

Monday. "They believe many, many of the bodies were swept to sea," he said.

On Pagai Seatandug island, the wave had deposited giant chunks of coral and rocks the size of people into the places where homes once stood in Pro Rogat village, one of the hardest-hit areas with 65 dead. Villagers huddled under tarps in the rain and talked about how many who had fled to the hills were too afraid to return home

Mud and palm fronds covered the body of the village's pastor, 60-year-old Simorangkir. His corpse lay on the ground, partially zipped into a body bag. Police and relatives took turns pushing a shovel through the sodden dirt next to him to create his final resting place.

His grandson, Rio, 28, traveled by boat to Pro Rogat from his home on a nearby island to check on his relatives after the quake. He said he was picking through the wreckage when someone cried out that he had found a body. Rio walked over and saw his grandfather's corpse

partially buried under several toppled palm trees. "Everybody here is so sad," Rio said, as family members prepared to place his grandfather in the grave.

On nearby Pagai Utara island, more than 100 survivors crowded into a makeshift medical center in the main town of Sikakap. Some still wept for lost loved ones as they lay on straw mats or sat on the floor, waiting for medics to treat injuries including broken limbs and cuts.

Fisherman Joni Sageru, 30, recalled being jolted awake by the quake and running outside to hear screams to run to higher ground on his island of Pagai Selaton.

"First, we saw sea water recede far away, then when it returned, it was like a big wall running toward our village," Sageru said. "Suddenly trees, houses and all things in the village were sucked into the sea and nothing was

Officials questioned whether the tsunami warning system had functioned properly. The chief of Indonesia's Meteorology and Geophysic Agency, Fauzi, said the special buoys that detect sudden changes in water level broke down last month because of inexperienced operators and

poor maintenance. However, Joern Lauterjung, head of the German-Indonesia Tsunami Early Warning Project for the Potsdam-based GeoForschungs Zentrum, said a warning did go out five minutes after the quake - but the tsunami hit so fast no one was warned in time.

"The early warning system worked very well - it can

be verified," he said.

He added that only one sensor of 300 had not been working, and had no effect on the system's operation.



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Obama, Stewart share 'Daily Show' stage

President Barack Obama moved apparently thinks politics is forno laughing matter, even ward an when he's staring down a Obama barely cracked making

any jokes during an appearance Wednesday on "The ference Daily Show" despite host Jon Stewart's attempts to draw out the president's humorous side with a few of his own snarky wise-

Less than a week before the critical Nov. 2 congressional elections. Obama said he hopes Democratic lawmakers who made tough votes will be rewarded with another term in office. He ments in the two years left on his own term in the Oval-Office and urged people to vote — early if they can.

after Obama ran a successful presidential campaign built around "very high rhetoric, hope and change."

"Are you disappointed in how it's gone?" asked the Comedy Central satirist.

Obama seemed to suggest that he wasn't disappointed. He said his advisers had told him during the euphoria of his 2008 election to "enjoy this now because two years from now folks are going to be frustrated. That is, in fact, what's happening.

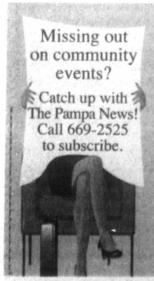
He listed as reasons a 9.6 percent unemployment rate, sinking housing values and an economy that is growing but not fast enough. But Obama said his administration has also stabilized the economy, noting it has grown for nine months in a row. He also signed major health care and financial legislation. Obama suggested that his administration did so much that "we have done things that some folks. don't even know about.'

The comment seemed to

catch Stewart by surprise. "What have you done that we don't know about?" he asked. "Are you planning a surprise party for us, filled with jobs and health care?"

Obama cited legislation extending health care to more children and broadening a national service program as examples.

"Over and over again, we





each and every day," Obama replied. "Is it enough? No. And so I expect, and I think most Democrats out there expect, that people want to see more progress."

The interview, which allowed Obama to take his campaign message to the type of audience that gets political news from programs like Stewart's, seemed more wonkish than slapstick

Stewart pressed Obama Stewart asked how the on the changed politipolitical environment got to cal climate in the country the point that Democrats and questioned him about "seem to be running on the new health care law. ed his record as well as-Democrats, who are expected to suffer a drubbing at the polls Tuesday. Obama was the guest for the entire show. Stewart is taping the show in Washington this week ahead of a rally he's holding Saturday on the National Mall.

At one point, though, when Obama asked to say something about members of Congress, Stewart prompted laughter by asking, "Are you going to curse?"

Stewart poked at Obama for saying during the presidential campaign that "we

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you're vears into your administration and the question that arises in my mind: Are we the people we were waiting for or does it turn out those people are still out there and we don't have their number?" the comedian intoned, suggesting that someone in the White House needs to call them

There was even more laughter when Obama used a now-notorious Washington phrase to defend Lawrence Summers, a top economic adviser who is leaving the the year. Stewart reminded Obama that he'd once said that different results won't come from the same people. Then Obama hired Summers, who had served in the Clinton administra-

Obama said Summers "did a heck of a job," to which Stewart said, "You don't want to use that phrase, dude.

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On the "Daily Show," Obama said he hopes voters will reward some Democrats from largely conservative districts who took votes they knew would be bad politically but did so anyway because they thought it was the right thing to do. He named freshman Rep. Tom Perriello of Virginia, who voted for Obama's health care overhaul and is in a tight race re-election race. Obama plans to campaign with Perriello on Friday.

"My hope is that those people are rewarded for taking those tough votes," Obama said. "If they are, then I think Democrats will do fine on Election Day."

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ARIES (March 21-April 19) *** All eyes turn to you, whether you like it or not. You could be overwhelmed by your feelings. At the same time, you will gain insight into what drives you. Allow greater creativity and caring to flow into your life. Tonight: Let your hair down.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

*** Communication flourishes when you focus on your long-term goals. Touch base with a key person you look up to. Let your imagination rock and roll. Unexpected developments could surprise you and point to a new course of action. Tonight: Happily mosey on home.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★ Be careful about spending. Suddenly, out of the blue, a devil-may-care attitude might be marking your actions when it comes to spending and overindulgence. Careful! A boss reacts in an unanticipated manner. Tonight: Visit with friends as you

start the weekend. CANCER (June 21-July 22)

*** Your energy is right in sync with the moment. Surprising news comes your way. The unexpected occurs with plans. You won't want to change your plans, but it might be necessary. You understand what responsibility means. Tonight: Go off and be spontaneous.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

*** Understand what is going on behind the scenes. You come to the inevitable conclusion that you might need more facts. Keep your own counsel. You don't need to let everyone know what you are thinking. Tonight: Nap, then decide.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

**** Meetings prove to be instrumental in making decisions. You discover the power of a group. A partner could surprise you with his or her actions, reminding you that you never know someone completely. Tonight: You might want to call it an early night.

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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*** Detach yourself from a boss or difficult person in your life. You have energy and dynamic ideas. Mix them together, and you are unbeatable. Funnel your energy into your weekend, friends and longterm goals. Tonight: Where the party is. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

**** You understand how very psychic or intuitive you are. Know that you need to follow through on these feelings. The long-term ramifications of suppressing your emotions could be quite overwhelming. Tonight: Bring friends

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

*** You could make inroads with a key person, if you so choose. How you handle a personal relationship really is your decision, but if you could identify with this person, your bond would be closer. Try walking in his or her shoes. Tonight: Take off ASAP.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

*** Creativity flourishes because you are able to allow others to dominate and sometimes come up with the better idea. Accepting the power of teamwork in creating a better product could be more important than you realize. Tonight: Get together with a favorite person.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

*** Complete what you start, knowing you probably won't want to work this weekend. In fact, as the day meets dusk, you already have a strong sense of what might be going on this weekend. Tonight: So many choices. Now what?

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

*** You radiate contentment and anger. You also seem to be able to find solutions when few people-can. Open up to news, and stay even and steady. Perspective defines situations. Your laughter heralds a new beginning and a change of pace. Tonight: Make it an early night.

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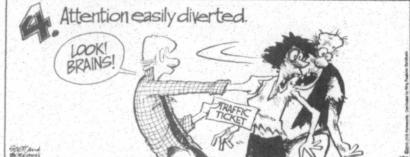


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Harvesters, Golden Wolves to battle in season finale



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Trace Carter rushes to the outside in practice Oct. 20. The Harvesters face the Golden Wolves, who are only allowing an average of six points per game in the final regular season game at Dalhart. Pampa can move into second or tie for first with a victory.

ANDREW GLOVER

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The Pampa Harvesters look to improve their district ranking when they face the Dalhart Golden Wolves (8-1, 1-1) in the final regular season game Friday at Dalhart.

Head coach Heath Parker said practice has gone decently and his players have worked hard.

"The guys realize that this is the time of year you work for," Parker said. "Starting in January until now, you want to be playing football when it means something. That's where we are and I think they are taking it serious and doing a good job with it.'

Senior wide receiver



Keep an eye on: Trent Carter Sr., LB

Dalhart has strong running attack that uses option. Communication will be key. Look for Carter to guide the defense.

Yesterday's answer

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Garrett Ericson said the offense has done well in practice

"We're picking up our tempo," Ericson said. "The faster we play the better we are. We can put up points."

Friday will be Dalhart's senior night. Parker said his team has to worry about what they have to do.

"It's another challenge with another opponent." Parker said. "I think the biggest thing with us is executing what we want to do. Try to fulfill the things we want to do offensively and defensively against that opponent and worry about ourselves."

The Golden Wolves have one of the strongest defenses in 3A. Averaging six points against per game. The most points scored on Dalhart was 12 by Brownfield Sep. 10 and Borger last week.

Parker said the game will be a good test for his offense.

"I'm excited to see how we handle all the different looks they give us," Parker said. "They are similar to a Rex Ryan defense where they are going to be bring lots of stunts from different places; which is fun if you have good communication.'

Offensively, Dalhart has a a strong option attack. The Golden Wolves gained 264 and 217 yards in wins over Perryton and Lubbock Cooper respectively. Senior linebacker Kendon Horst said their rushing attack is similar to Borger's.

"We have to be strong up front," Horst said. "We have to no what they are going to run and stop counter and pitch."

Ericson said staying composed will be key to a victory.

"We don't need to get caught up in (emotions)," Ericson said. "As long as we play our game and improve as a football team we will be happy with the result."

Parker said getting Dalhart off balance will be key to a win.

"The most important thing offensively is that we have a variety of offenses thrown at them," Parker said. "We distribute the ball to all the players equally."

Though the Harvesters (3-5, 1-1) can move into second or first with a victory, Parker said it will not affect their bi-district matchup.

"We are the largest school in our district and so is Lubbock Cooper," Parker said. "The only affect this game will really have is just another

The Harvesters can tie for the district crown if they beat Dalhart and Perryton



Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: husband, children and I were visiting our friend "Rosemary" and her husband. Our boys were playing with water guns in the front yard. One of them opened Rosemary's car door to block himself from his brother's line of fire. Rosemary, understandably, became upset and went to shut the door before the interior of her vehicle got soaked. As she did so, our son slammed the door and caught her hand in it, breaking two fingers.

We apologized profusely, thought all was forgiven and returned home. A week ago, we received a letter from Rosemary stating that we owe her money for several weeks of lost wages due to the mishap. (She's a massage therapist.) I feel that accidents happen and it just as easily could have happened to her if our children weren't present. My husband says we should give her the money because it was our child a way to save our friendship. What should we do? "HAND"-ED A CHAL-LENGE

DEAR "HAND"-ED: What your son did was unfortunate, but your attitude about it is appalling. You should not only reimburse Rosemary for the work she lost, you should also offer to pay for her medical expense.

P.S. Your son should also take responsibility and offer to do errands for her for a specific period of time. DEAR ABBY: Over

the weekend, I visited my best friend out of state. On Saturday, we'd finished touring the state capitol building and exited opposite from where we'd entered. Outside, halfway down the steps, we saw a wedding was about to start. I love weddings and wanted to watch the ceremony. The idea made my friend a little uncomfortable, but I saw no problem with it. We were about 100 feet away from the event and didn't interfere or mingle with any of the people involved. We left as soon as the ceremony finished. Of course, I wouldn't think of inviting

ourselves to the reception. My friend and I didn't argue. I'm just curious about whether watching the wedding was inappropriate under those circumstances. LOVES THE POMP IN DAYTON, OHIO

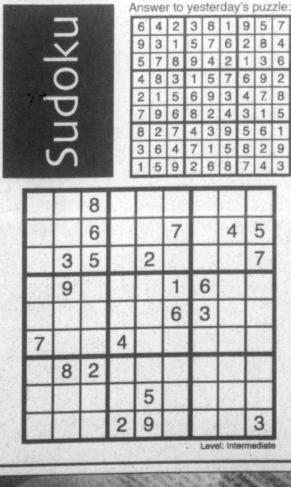
DEAR LOVES THE POMP: Because the wedding was held in a public place and you kept your distance, there was no reason why pausing to watch the ceremony was inappropriate. Nor was there any reason for the wedding party to expect complete privacy.

DEAR ABBY: I have wonderful husband who is loving, a good friend to me, and a loving father to who injured her and it's our children. Due to back problems and other contributing factors, he is unable to work.

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Abby, neither of us has a job outside the home. What can we politely tell these people that will satisfy their curiosity without embarrassing my husband? TONGUE-TIED IN WASHINGTON STATE

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Sports



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Mustangs, Skyrockets battle for district supremacy

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For the second consecutive season, the Wheeler Mustangs (5-3, 2-0) and the Wellington Skyrockets (7-2, 3-0) battle for the district title 7:30 p.m. in Wheeler.

The Skyrockets won last season's matchup 27-14. The Mustangs had a bye last week and couldn't wait to play this game.

"(Our players) are excited," Wheeler head coach Brandon Smith said. "They have been ready for Friday to get here. I hope they are focused."

The Skyrockets primarily use a spread offense. Smith said they will be focused on ball control on offense.

"Every inch is going to be key for us." Smith said. "We have to continue drives and we can't have a lot of three and outs. We want to keep Wellington's offense off the field."

The Skyrockets average 36 points per game and allow 17. Wheeler scores an average of 29 points and allows an average of 14. Wellington already has a playoff spot clinched. Wheeler can clinch with a

Hustlin' Harvesters start hoops practice for 2010-2011

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The Pampa Harvesters started practice Wednesday for the 2010-2011 basketball season at McNeely Field house. Junior guard Zach Murray said it felt

good to be back on the court. "I've loved basketball since I was really little and it feels awesome to be playing year round," Murray said.

Senior guard Jonathan Polasek said he was ready to come back.

"It felt amazing to be back on the court with the team we are going to go far with," Polasek said. "Not that last year's team wasn't great. It's nice to come out here and be the leader with great expectations and hope to fulfill them.

Head coach Dustin Miller said the first practice went well.

"It was good as could be expected," Miller said. "I wanted to do a lot of running with the basketball and do a lot of conditioning.'

The Harvesters are coming off a 10-18 season and went 2-10 in district and missed the playoffs. Polasek said the off-season was tough.

"(Miller) said he's tired of losing," Polasek said. "He worked us hard. We put up balls for a month. He just made us work and condition to get better without the ball."

Miller said he wanted to turn things

"We have good kids and couldn't put a finger on why things weren't going our way," Miller said. "The only thing we could decide on was that we just got to work on it.

Murray said they worked hard in the offseason especially the freshmen.

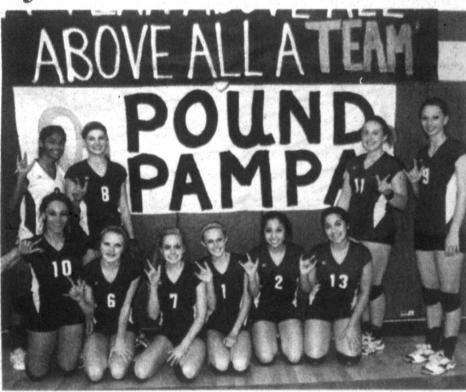
"The freshman aren't enjoying it," Murray said.

The Harvesters open the season November 16 against a to be determined opponent.



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Jesus Cabrales looks for an open man in practice with Derek Pollard guarding him Wednesday at McNeely Field house. This was the first practice of the



DISTRICT CHAMPS

The junior varsity volleyball team pose after beating Dalhart. The JV won district with an 8-1 record. Standing from left: Diamond Marrufo, Maddie Fatheree, Callie Brewer and Dakota Watson. Kneeling: Martecia Alexander, Taylor Giles, Madison Joyce, Taylor Smith, Kelly Silva and Vanessa Ramirez.

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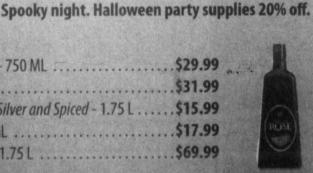


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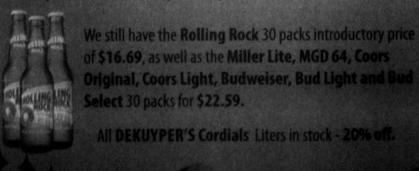


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