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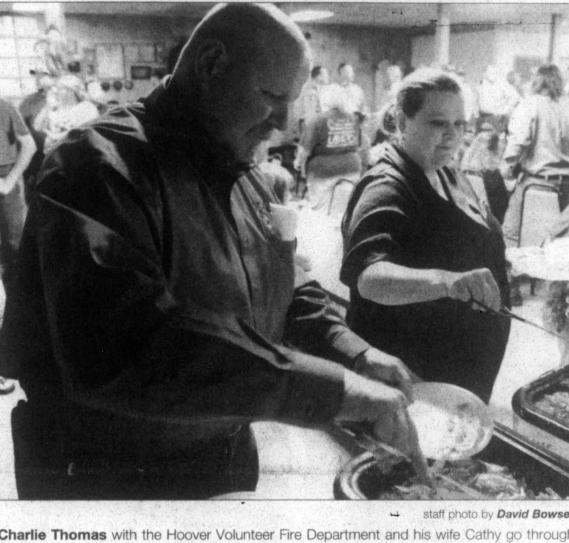


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Charlie Thomas with the Hoover Volunteer Fire Department and his wife Cathy go through the line at the Moose Lodge as the local lodge honored First Responders with dinner.

Moose Lodge treats area first responders

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Pampa first responders ate their fill and Tommy had a good time. For the sixth year in a row, the Pampa Moose Lodge hosted a

dinner for the city's first responders and emergency workers in recognition for the important job they do in the community.

The lodge fed more than 100 people Friday night, as first

responders, lodge members and families enjoyed a feast of tur-

key, ham and all the trimmings. "Jeepy" George W. McCullough III, the Supreme Governor of the Loyal Order of Moose, presented the first responders with dozens of stuffed animals of "Tommy, the Moose," to give away to help reassure children at emergency

scenes. All the proceeds from the dinner will also go to aid the first responders, said Lodge Community Affairs Chair Gary Gattis.

"It's one way of saying 'thank you," Gattis said.

"Everybody brought something," Scott Stilley, lodge president, said of the lodge's member-

He said United and Fiesta Foods also donated to the feast. MOOSE cont. on page 3

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Lefors wins final game in grand fashion

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Pampa's Thomas to turn 105

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Friends will help Iva Lee Thomas celebrate her 105th birthday Sunday at the First United Methodist Church.

Thomas was born in

what was then Indian Territory THOMAS cont. on page 3

Two in jail after McLean drug arrests

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A McLean man and a Shamrock woman were in Gray. County jail today after being arrested on drug charges near the McLean school.

Gray County Lt. Joe B. Hoard said today that deputies arrested Corey Dean Graham, 18, of McLean, and Lisa Marie Seymour, 25, of Shamrock Thursday afternoon near the school in McLean.

Hoard said deputies stopped the white Kia sedan the two were in for a traffic violation and smelled the odor of what he believed to be marijuana.

Graham, the driver of the car, could not produce a driver's ARRESTS cont. on page 3

Healing continues one year after attack at Fort Hood

ANGELA K. BROWN Associated Press

FORT HOOD (AP) - Parents, spouses and children reverently approached the 6-foot-tall granite memorial Friday, some kneeling and wiping away tears as they gently touched a name etched on the stone each belonging to one of the 13 people killed in the Fort Hood shooting rampage a year ago.

Many families of the 12 soldiers and one civilian who died Nov. 5, 2009, met for the first time at the anniversary memorial, hugging and weeping together.

"I wanted to come down here and see the place where she died and get a better understanding of what happened, and I think that's helped," said Philip Warman, of Havre De Grace, Md., who had never before been to the Texas Army post where his wife, Lt. Col. Juanita Warman, was killed as she prepared for deployment to Iraq.

"It's been very difficult, and has taken the better part of last year to back to functioning," he said.

Leila Hunt Willingham of McKinney called the memorial a good way to honor her brother and others who lost their lives that day. On Friday, she gently placed a 1987 penny - from the year her brother, Spc. Jason Dean "J.D." Hunt, was born — on the memorial.

"He was incredibly selfless from the moment he was born. He was always giving gifts, and obviously he gave the ultimate gift last year," Hunt Willingham said, her eyes welling with tears.

Later Friday, more than 1,000 soldiers, victims' families and others gathered for a memorial ceremony that included a moment of silence and the playing of taps.

Army Chief of Staff Gen. George Casey told the crowd that during the past year, he visited two units that HOOD cont. on page 3

RTAIN CALL



staff photo by Andrew Glover

Senior Reice Warner walks downfield escorted by his cousin Tad Coombs and his mother Monica Ward as he's being introduced.



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PAMPA FORECAST

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High 73 Low 41

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High 74 Low 42

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Sunday: Sunny, with a high near 73. Windy, with

a southwest wind between 15 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph. Sunday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around

41. South southwest wind around 15 mph, with

Monday: Sunny, with a high near 74. Southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 42. South southwest wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

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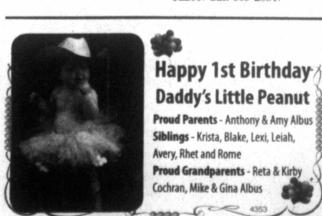
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Obituaries

Clarence E. Swindle, 76

Clarence E. Swindle, 76, died November 4, 2010, in Roberts County.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Monday, November 8, 2010, at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel, with Bob Guillo, minister from Amarillo, officiat-

Graveside services will be at 2:30 p.m. Monday, November 8, 2010, at Citizens Cemetery in Claren-

don with military honors courtesy of the U.S. Army, Fort Hood, Texas. Arrangements are by Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Swindle

Mr. Swindle was born December 27, 1933 in Donley County. He had been a resident of the Pampa area since 1970. He married Beaulah Faye Teague on June 19, 1955, in Pampa. She preceded him in death in

Clarence was an aircraft mechanic and pilot, and later became a tractor and farm implement mechanic. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving during the Korean Conflict, and was a member of the Pampa V.F.W. Post 1657. He volunteered at the Freedom Museum in Pampa

Survivors include his two daughters, Valerie Con-. rad and husband Bill of Amarillo, and Paula Hendrick and companion Heather Creger of St. Louis, Mo.; a sister, Floy Graham of Killeen, and a grandson, Cyle Hendrick of St. Louis, Mo.

Memorial may be made to Pampa V.F.W. Post 1657, P.O. Box 2684, Pampa, TX 79066-1657.

Sign the online register at www.carmichael-what-

Michael Shannon Malone, 47

Michael Shannon Malone, 47, died November 4, 2010, in Wheeler County.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, November 8, 2010, at Calvary Baptist Church, with Rev. Richard Bartel, pastor, officiating.



The Pampa Police Department has been getting complaints of citizens passing the school bus when stopped.

We want to remind the community that passing school buses when stopped are putting children at risk of getting hit by the oncoming traffic. Texas Law requires drivers to stop before reaching the school bus when the bus has activated its red flashing lights and displays a stop sign. Drivers may proceed when the bus resumes motion, the operator signals the driver to proceed, or the visual signals are no longer activated.

This offense is punishable by a fine up to \$1000, and if you have been previously convicted you can lose your license. As always thank you for helping to keep our kids safe. If you have any questions concerning this please contact Officer Stormy McCullar at 806-



Thanks to all our patrons that came out to support the American Red Cross for their Disaster Relief Night at Dolly's on Friday!

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898-5300 for additional information Dennis Burton, Instructor

> www.MyLicense2Carry.com Email-CHLclasses@aol.com

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

Mr. Malone was born April 4, 1963, in Pampa, where he had been a lifelong resident. He married Kathy Bushman on September 2, 1989, in Pampa. He worked for Conoco Phillips in Borger as a steel man since 2002. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Kathy Malone of the home; two sons, Chris Malone of Hawaii, and Sean Malone of Amarillo; daughter, Kelley Malone of the home; his parents, Harold and Neva Malone of Pampa; brother, Johnny Malone of Pampa; and two sisters, Lyssa Schaub of Houston and Laura Wheeler of Miami. He was preceded in death by a brother, Chris Anthony Malone and a sister, Debra Malone.

Memorials may be made to Calvary Baptist Church, 900 E. 23rd, Pampa, TX 79065

Sign the online register at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

J. D. Williams, 84

J. D. Williams, 84, died November 4, 2010, in Amarillo.

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, November 8, 2010, at Fairview Cemetery, with Pastor Kyle Ohsfeldt of Grace Baptist Church, officiating. Arrangements are by Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Williams was born Williams. December 18, 1925, in Hobart, Okla. He mar-

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ried Eleanor Fennell on March 31, 1950, in Lordsburg, N.M. She preceded him in death on August 23,

J. D. retired from the U. S. Postal Service in Pampa on September 18, 1981, as the Postmaster. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, serving during World War II, and was a member of the Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 AF&AM for over 50 years.

Survivors include his son, Jeff Williams of Pampa; granddaughter, Rachel Dorsey and husband Travis of Houston; two great-grandsons, Connor Dorsey and Luke Dorsey, both of Houston. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Joyce Ann Laycock. Memorials maybe made to a favorite charity.

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East Texas Woman 114 years old

DALLAS (AP) - A 114-year-old East Texas woman could now be the oldest person in the world.

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The Los Angeles-based Gerontology Research Group and London-based Guinness Records say Eunice G. Sanborn of Jacksonville has gained that distinction since the Thursday death of 114-year-old nun Eugenie Blanchard. Blanchard died on the French Caribbean island of St. Barts.

The groups say Sanborn was born July 20, 1896, in **HOOO** Louisiana. Blanchard's birth date was Feb. 16, 1896.

Dr. L. Stephen Coles of the Gerontology Research Group tells The Associated Press that he spoke to Sanborn's family Thursday and "she's doing well."

Sanborn moved to Texas in 1937 and has outlived three husbands and one elderly daughter. She told the Tyler Morning Telegraph in April that she loves everything about her life and has "no complaints."

Dead, dying corals near BP well

PENSACOLA, Fla. (AP) - Federal scientists say they have found damage to deep sea corals and other marine life several miles from where BP's blown-out well spewed millions of gallons of oil into the Gulf of Mexico.

Researchers from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration along with Penn State University and others examined the coral.

Scientists said Thursday that surveys using remotely operated vehicles down to 4,600 feet, and roughly seven miles from the BP well, found dead and dying corals. Some appeared to be coated with a "brown substance."

Further tests are needed to determine if the substance is oil, and if it came from BP's well that blew out in April off Louisiana.

Board seeks Devil's River access

HOUSTON (AP) - The Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission wants to increase accessibility to the state's last "wild" river and has instructed staff to find a way to acquire land to make that possible.

But the commission decided Thursday to hold off, for now, on a contentious land deal near the Devils River, a pristine West Texas waterway along the Mexican border.

Commission chairman Peter Holt says that deal would have required the state to swap a 20,000-acre "natural area" plus \$8 million for a 17,000-acre tract at the more accessible lower end of the waterway.

Parks Department Executive Director Scott Boruff says staff will explore the possibility of purchasing the downriver ranch outright, allowing the state to also keep the natural area

Pipeline proposed for Bakken oil

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) - A Texas company is proposing a pipeline that could transport up to 75,000 barrels of crude a day from North Dakota's booming oil patch to U.S. supply hubs in Oklahoma and Illinois.

Plains All American Pipeline LP of Houston said the 103-mile Bakken North Pipeline would run from North Dakota's northwest corner through northeast Montana and to the U.S.-Canadian border. In Canada, it would link to an existing pipeline system capable of carrying crude to Oklahoma and Illinois.

Plains pegged the project at between \$160 million and \$200 million and wants to complete it in late 2012, company spokesman Roy Lamoreaux said Thursday.

The 12-inch pipeline would begin in Trenton, in northwest North Dakota, at the Bakken shale formation, an oil-rich deposit within the Williston Basin. The U.S. Geological Survey estimates that with current technology, up to 4.3 billion barrels of oil can be recovered from the Bakken formation in North Dakota and Montana.

July 7 execution date set

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - A Texas judge has set a July 7, 2011, execution date for a Mexican national condemned for the 1994 rape and killing of a 16-year-old girl in San Antonio

The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals on Feb. 10 license, Hoard said, so he refused to reconsider additional DNA testing requested by 37-year-old Humberto Leal of Monterrey, Mexico.

State District Judge Maria Teresa Herr on Thursday set his execution date.

The San Antonio Express-News reports Leal sought more testing in an attempt to be exonerated over in the May 1994 rape and bludgeoning of Adria Sauceda. Her body was found on a road near a party they both had

The appeals court ruled last year that because of evidence and extensive DNA testing done for Leal's trial, additional testing wasn't likely to change the outcome.

Lower gas prices in Oklahoma

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) - Oklahoma Natural Gas Co. says its customers will see a decline in the cost of their winter bills because of low natural gas prices.

The company said Friday that the per-dekatherm cost of gas reflected on bills will be \$4.982 starting this week. That's compared to \$6.327 last month and \$7.126 a year

Presuming normal weather conditions, ONG officials estimate that a typical residential customer could expect to pay about 37 percent less for heating costs this winter than he or she did last winter. That's a difference the company estimates is worth \$141.67.

ONG serves more than 800,000 customers in Oklahoma.

Ute project called critical

PORTALES, N.M. (AP) - New Mexico's state engineer says the proposed \$500 million Ute pipeline is one of the most critical rural drinking water projects in the United States.

State Engineer John D'Antonio also told an audience in Portales on Thursday that federal money is vital to

The pipeline would carry water from Ute Reservoir to Clovis, Portales and other communities. Groundwater supplies are not expected to meet future demand.

Portales Mayor Sharon King says the issue will become critical in the next 20 years.

Ute Water Commission chairman Darrel Bostwick says in the 1960s, people could drill almost anywhere and get 600 to 1,000 gallons of water per minute. Now, he says they're lucky to get 200 gallons a minute and the aquifer is dry in some areas.

Moose

"It's been a community effort,"

The lodge president said they were especially honored to have McCullough of North Carolina at the dinner in

The Pampa lodge has won a number of awards this past year. Stilley said he's proud of the 130-member lodge that competed against lodges with over 1,000 members in larger metropolitan areas.

Gattis said that a lot of their fundraising work goes to local charities and

The dinner was followed by a "style show" of sorts, with some eight male

first responders modeling the latest in women's garments, as well as a karaoke

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"I hope they keep their hands to themselves," muttered one first responder model with a laugh, looking at his com-

rades feasting on the variety of desserts

each had lost several soldiers in the shootings before they deployed. He said the units were an inspiration — as were soldiers such as Staff Sgt. Patrick Zeigler, who nearly died after being shot four times but learned to walk again and continues physical therapy.

Earlier Friday, Casey and Army Secretary John McHugh presented awards to more than 50 soldiers and civilians whose actions "went above and beyond the call of duty." Capt. John Gaffaney, who was fatally shot after he threw a chair at the gunman, received an award posthumously.

The crowd rose to its feet and applauded when medals were presented to Officer Kim Munley and Sgt. Mark Todd. the two civilian Fort Hood police officers who engaged in a gunbattle with the shooter, eventually wounding him. Munley was wounded by the

"It's not about us. It's about the families," Todd said after the ceremony, adding that he thinks about the shooting every

One year ago, a gunman wearing an Army combat uniform shouted "Allahu Akbar!" Arabic for "God is great!"

and opened fire in a crowded medical building where deploying soldiers get vaccines and other tests, witnesses say. He fired rapidly, pausing only to reload, shooting at soldiers hiding under desks and those fleeing the building, according

The gunman was identified by witnesses and authorities as Maj. Nidal Hasan, an Army psychiatrist and Americanborn Muslim who was to deploy to Afghanistan the following month. Hasan, who was paralyzed from the chest down when he was shot that day, is charged with 13 counts of premeditated murder and 32 counts of attempted premeditated murder. His Article 32 hearing to determine if there's enough evidence to send him to trial will resume later this

McHugh said the 12 soldiers and one civilian were taken

Arrest

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was arrested and searched. Hoard said a deputies found a small amount of what appeared to be marijuana on Graham.

Deputies then searched the car and reported finding another small amount of marijuana.

Hoard said that both the driver, Graham, and passenger, Seymour, was arrested and taken to the Gray County jail in Pampa.

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before Oklahoma became a state.

As a toddler she moved to White Deer. Her parent brought her by covered

There will be a reception beginning at 1:30 p.m. Sunday in the Education Building next to the First United Methodist Church at Foster and Ballard.

Thomas will be 105 years old on Thursday, Nov. 11.

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away too soon. "It's a chapter in this Army

may fall will never, ever be of our history forever," he said.

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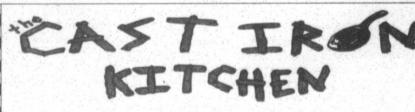
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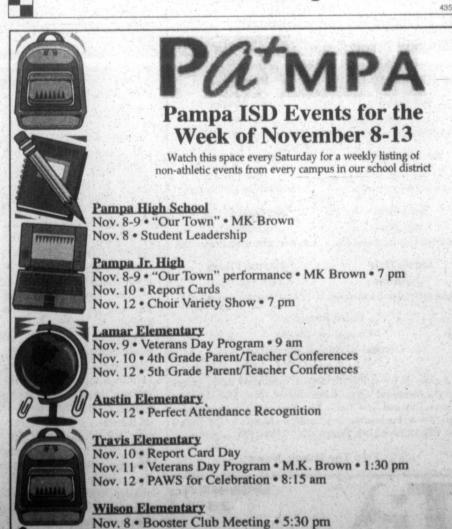




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Today in History

Today is Saturday, Nov. 6, the 310th day of 2010. There are 55 days left in the year. A reminder: Daylight-Saving Time ends at 2 a.m. local time Sunday. Clocks go back one hour.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 6, 1860, former Illinois congressman Abraham Lincoln defeated three other candidates for the presidency: John Breckinridge, John Bell and Stephen Douglas.

On this date:

In 1861, Confederate President Jefferson Davis was elected to a six-year term of office.

In 1888, Benjamin Harrison won the presidential election, defeating incumbent Grover Cleveland with enough electoral votes, even though Cleveland led in the popular vote.

In 1893, composer Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky died in St. Petersburg, Russia, at age 53.

In 1900, President William McKinley was reelected, beating Democrat William Jennings Bryan.

In 1928, in a first, the results of Republican Herbert Hoover's election victory over Democrat Alfred E. Smith were flashed onto an electric wraparound sign on the New York Times building.

In 1934, Nebraska voters approved dissolving their two-chamber legislature in favor of a nonpartisan. single legislative body (or "unicameral"), which was implemented in 1937

In 1944, British official Lord Moyne was assassinated in Cairo, Egypt, by members of the Zionist

In 1956, President Dwight D. Eisenhower won re-election, defeating Democrat Adlai E. Stevenson. In 1977, 39 people were killed when the Kelly Barnes Dam burst, sending a wall of water through

Toccoa Falls College in Georgia. In 1990, about one-fifth of the Universal Studios backlot in southern California was destroyed in an

arson fire Ten years ago: On Election Eve, George W. Bush and Al Gore campaigned through the final hours of their run for the White House, seeking lastminute momentum in a costly and exhausting race to become the nation's 43rd president.

Five years ago: An overnight tornado killed 25 people in southwestern Indiana.

One year ago: President Barack Obama signed a \$24 billion economic stimulus bill, hours after the government reported that the unemployment rate had hit 10.2 percent in Oct. 2009 for the second time since World War II.

Today's Birthdays: Director Mike Nichols is 79. Country singer Stonewall Jackson is 78. Actress Sally Field is 64. Pop singer-musician Glenn Frey (The Eagles) is 62. Singer Rory Block is 61. Jazz musician Arturo Sandoval is 61. TV host Catherine Crier is 56. California's first lady, Maria Shriver, is 55. Actress Lori Singer is 53. Actor Lance Kerwin is 50. Rock musician Paul Brindley (The Sundays) is 47. Education Secretary Arne Duncan is 46. Rock singer Coréy Glover is 46. Actor Brad Grunberg is 46. Actor Peter DeLuise is 44. Actress Kelly Rutherford is 42. Actor Ethan Hawke is 40. Actress Thandie Newton is 38. Model-actress Rebecca Romijn is 38. Actress Zoe McLellan is 36. Actress Nicole Dubuc is 32. Actress Taryn Manning 32. Actress Emma Stone is 22. Actress Mercedes Kastner is 21.

Thought for Today: "Don't try for wit. Settle for humor. You'll last longer." - Elsa Maxwell, American socialite (1883-1963).



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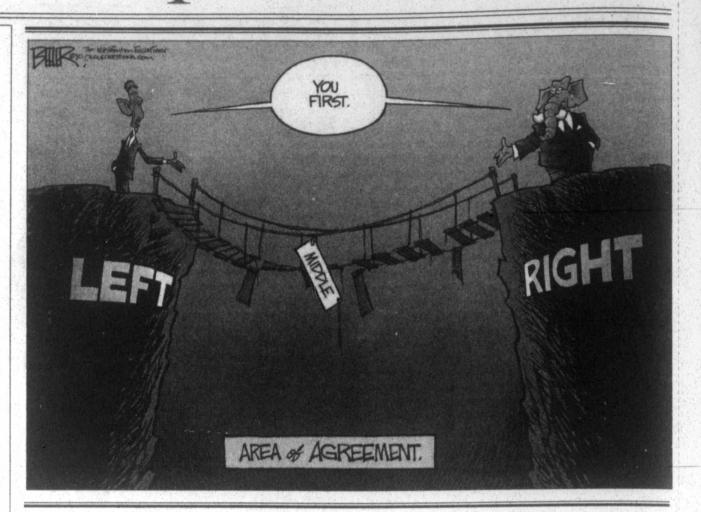
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Analysis: A two-person, two-party town

LIZ SIDOTI AP National Political Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) -This is a two-person, twoparty town now

And President Barack Obama, a Democrat, and incoming House Speaker John Boehner, a Republican, need each other - as both partners and foils while they push their own legislative agendas and lay the groundwork for the 2012 elections.

The unlikely duo must find areas of compromise to get something - anything, really - done to appease an unhappy electorate demanding economic stability from a government voters don't think works. At the same time, each leader must figure out how to use the other to draw partisan contrasts that will fire up their respective political bases.

Both risk the wrath of voters in two years if they fail on either task; nothing short of Obama's reelection, the Republicans' newfound grip on power and the country's economic well-being is at stake.

For now, Obama is the one on the defensive - and it showed in the hours after the election, with Democrats uniformly calling for common ground while the GOP put conditions on its willingness to meet halfway. Come January if not sooner, Boehner will command greater capital in Washington and sway over the domestic agenda. But Obama must find a way to reboot his presidency by altering his goals, communicating them better - or both.

The first glimpses of how both men position themselves came Wednesday, with each leader addressing the public in the wake of Republicans winning control of the House and cutting deeply into Democrats' Senate major-

ity.
"No one party will be able to dictate where we go from here," a weakened president said from the White House. "We must find common ground in

order to make progress." "I'm not suggesting this will be easy," Obama added.

Boehner signaled as much earlier in the day by claiming Obama's health care overhaul was a "monstrosity" and needed to be repealed. He also suggested that the GOP's cooperation was conditional, saying: "We hope President Obama will now respect the will of the people, change course and commit to making the changes they are demanding. To the extent he is willing to do this, we are ready to work

One by one, Democrats weighed in and called for a new approach to working together.

Fresh off his own reelection victory, Senate Democratic Leader Harry Reid said he was planning to speak with his GOP counterpart, Mitch McConnell, about ways to "build a consensus and move this country along." The Democrat said the GOP must be more open to compromise, adding that "the time for politics is now over" and Republicans must do more than "simply saying 'no."

Still, in a sign of fights, ahead, Reid said the health care measure was "ready for some tweaking" but that he won't support any move to repeal it.

There was talk of forthcoming high profile gathering with Obama and new Republican leadership.

But the day-after rhetoric was typical for the aftermath of a wave election - and it was likely to disappear as the hard reality takes shape of two parties with opposing viewpoints trying to govern a country in crisis.

In the long-term, the onus is on Republicans and Democrats alike to prove to Americans who are sour on both political parties that Washington isn't broken. Both Obama and Boehner need to show results to keep their jobs in 2012 and, in a split government, the only way to get results is to compromise.

Nothing will get done in Washington without the two meeting somewhere in the middle. And from there, divides also will have to be bridged in the Senate, which will have nearly as many Republicans as Democrats.

Could this two-party governance force politicians with diametrically opposite viewpoints to find common ground?

Maybe.

doubt There's no Obama's predicament will invoke comparisons to

Congress run by the opposition party. But for all the

differences, too.

their ranks diminished -

In the 1990s, Bill Clinton and Newt Gingrich partnered to enact welfare reform. But the Republican House speaker then was a personally polarizing figure - one who alienated the electorate - in a way that Boehner is not, at least not now. Unlike Obama and Boehner, Ronald Reagan and Tip O'Neill easily developed an amicable relationship that took the edge off their partisan differences in the 1980s. But even Reagan had to moderate his conservative ideas after Republican losses in the House.

similarities, there are stark

Both Clinton and Reagan government as the country was trying to recover from recession. But Obama's economy is rebounding at a much slower pace, with just 2 percent growth.

One area of potential compromise for Obama and Boehner concerns free trade treaties with South Korea, Colombia and Panama. But many Republicans want to join Democrats and punish China, raising the risk of a U.S.-China trade war.

Both parties also are awaiting a December report from a biparusan deficit commission, giving both sides cover as they try to both meet voters' demands and protect their own politics.

On both issues, Republicans would be all but forced to agree with Obama or face charges of hypocrisy after campaigning on them.

For Obama, this may be a second chance to make a first impression.

Throughout his presidential campaign, the Democrat spoke about the need to rise above partisan politics to find pragmatic solutions to the country's

But that proved a fallacy in practice; he forced much of his agenda through the Democratic-controlled

presidents who also faced a Congress with little to no GOP support. And in doing so, he lost the support of independents who had grasped onto his talk of changing the ways of Washington, only to be let down.

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Compromise could help him earn their backing again.

He'll need it, given that he will be maneuvering on a presidential playing field far different from the one he won on in 2008. Back then, he won in conservative places like Indiana, Virginia and North Carolina. But Obama's job approval rating is well below 50 percent in many states. And most critical presidential states across the Great Lakes and Midwest region maneuvered in divided will have Republican governors come January, making his challenge that much

greater. Boehner, for his part, has led the House Republicans for the past four years with a partisan bent. But he's shown a willingness to reach across the aisle in the past, having worked with the late Sen. Edward M. Kennedy on education reform. And a certain amount of bipartisanship could help the GOP as it works to mend an image tarnished by the divisive George W. Bush years.

"We've been given a second chance and a golden opportunity," Rep. Eric Cantor of Virginia, No. 2 House Republican in the House. He called the outcome a rejection of Obama more than an endorsement of the GOP, cautioning fellow Republicans they must to work to win public confidence.

"People want to see results," he said.

Still, compromising may be difficult given that the GOP is so intent on defeating Obama in two years.

With voters watching, the clock ticking and problems piling up, it's hard to see how either side can afford to retrench to their partisan corners.



Sunday in History

Tomorrow is Sunday, Nov. 7, the 311th day of 2010. There are 54 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 7, 1940, Washington state's original Tacoma Narrows Bridge, nicknamed "Galloping Gertie," collapsed into Puget Sound during a windstorm.

On this date:

In 1885, the transcontinental Canadian Pacific Railway was completed as the last spike was driven at Craigellachie, British Columbia.

In 1893, the state of Colorado granted its women the right to vote.

In 1910, the Victor Herbert operetta "Naughty Marietta," featuring the musical number "Ah! Sweet Mystery of Life," opened in New York. In 1916, Republican Jeannette Rankin of Montana

became the first woman elected to Congress. In 1917, Russia's Bolshevik Revolution took

place as forces led by Vladimir Ilyich Lenin overthrew the provisional government of Alexander In 1944, President Franklin D. Roosevelt won

Thomas E. Dewey In 1962, Richard Nixon, having lost California's gubernatorial race, held what he called his "last press conference," telling reporters, "You won't have Nixon to kick around anymore.'

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In 1972, President Richard Nixon was re-elected in a landslide over Democrat George McGovern. In 1973, Congress overrode President Richard Nixon's veto of the War Powers Act, which limits a chief executive's power to wage war without congressional approval.

In 1980, actor Steve McQueen died in Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico, at age 50.

Ten years ago: Americans went to the polls for an election that would result in a disputed outcome for George W. Bush and Al Gore, with Florida's electoral votes emerging as critical. Hillary Rodham Clinton became the first first lady to win public office, defeating Republican Rick Lazio for a U.S. Senate seat from New York.

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Five years ago: President George W. Bush, in Panama, defended U.S. interrogation practices and called the treatment of terrorism suspects lawful, saying, "We do not torture." A suicide bomber blew up his vehicle at a checkpoint south of Baghdad, killing four American soldiers.

One year ago: In a victory for President Barack Obama, the Democratic-controlled House narrowly passed, 220-215, landmark health care legislation to expand coverage to tens of millions who lacked it and placed tough new restrictions on the insurance industry. David Haye won the WBA heavyweight title with a majority decision over Nikolai Valuev in Nuremberg, Germany

Today's Birthdays: Evangelist Billy Graham is 92. Actor Barry Newman is 72. Singer Johnny Rivers is 68. Singer-songwriter Joni Mitchell is 67. Singer Nick Gilder is 59. Gen. David Petraeus is 58. Actor Christopher Knight ("The Brady Bunch") is 53. Rock musician Tommy, Thayer (KISS) is 50. Actress Julie Pinson is 43. Rock musician Greg Tribbett (Mudvayne) is 42. Actor Christopher Daniel Barnes is 38. Actors Jeremy and Jason London are 38. Actress Yunjin Kim is 37. Rock

musician Zach Myers (Shinedown) is 27 Thought for Today: "Man cannot live by incompetence alone." - Charlotte Whitton, Canadian feminist (1896-1975).

Tax evader gets six months in federal prison

AUSTIN — The owner of a Lubbock business has been sentenced to six months in federal prison and ordered to pay the state Comptroller \$200,000 in restitution for a scheme involving state tax evasion and wire fraud.

Mike Wooten, 48, the owner of West Texas Lighting Management, pled guilty in Lubbock federal court to misprision of a felony, which is defined in the U.S. Code as having knowledge of the commission of a felony and failing to report the crime to authorities. His sentence, handed down on Oct. 15, includes a year of supervised release after completing his prison term.

2006, Wooten began underreporting his company's taxable sales to the state Comptroller's office, knowing the amounts shown on his tax returns were materially false and fraudulent, and using wire communications to file the tax returns. Wooten admitted in his guilty plea that he did not disclose the actual amount of his company's sales to the Comptroller.

Filing falsified state tax returns and failing to remit taxes collected from a business's customers are state law violations. When a false tax return is filed electronically, the filer can be charged with the federal offense of wire fraud or misprision of a felony based on wire fraud, which is what Court documents allege that in happened in the Wooten case.

"This was a complex case involving multiple serious crimes and state and federal jurisdictions," said Texas Comptroller Susan Combs. "I am pleased that investigators in our Criminal Investigation Division were able to work with the FBI and the U.S. Attorney's office in Lubbock to see that justice was done.

Combs reports that the number of felony tax cases filed by her office increased dramatically in fiscal 2010, after the Criminal Investigation Division streamlined its caseload to focus on the most serious tax law violators. Comptroller's office filed 129 felony charges in fiscal 2010, compared to 25 in fiscal 2009.

Pronghorn disappearing from west Texas

VALENTINE (AP) - As Bill Miller looks across his ranch that spreads out under the vast West Texas sky, a oncecommon sight has became a rarity: the pronghorn.

"They're just part of the landscape," Miller said. "They should be there and they're not."

A symbol of the West, pronghorn have a body type somewhat like a deer with distinctive white stripes on their faces and necks and white markings that come halfway up their sidesThe fastest land animal in North America, they can reach speeds close to 60 mph. And in the West Texas, where desert grasslands give way to mountain ranges, their numbers are dropping and researchers don't yet know why

Miller can remember when as many as 100 pronghorn made their home on parts of his 33,000-acre ranch west of Valentine. This year, he estimates there are about 12.

Pronghorn numbers in West Texas are at about 4,700 this year, down from about 6,000 last year, when good rains indicated that the numbers should have increased. After noticing the decline, researchers started talking to ranchers, who reported finding the animals dead for no apparent reason.

"We've got so many questions and so few answers," said Louis Harveson, director of the Borderlands Research Institute for Natural Resource Management at Sul Ross State University, which has teamed up with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department to figure out what's causing the drop.

The fact that the numbers were declining, but not tied to a drought, worried experts. Drought conditions from the 1990s into the early 2000s caused numbers in West Texas to drop from a high of about 17,000 in the mid-1980s to about 5,000 in the early 2000s. But numbers had increased to about 10,000 by 2007. And while a drought for part of the year in 2008 and a spring freeze brought an understandable decrease, last year's decline was especially perplexing.

Autopsies done in the last two years have shown a high prevalence in West Texas pronghorn of a type of a parasitic worm that can weaken the animals, but researchers say they still don't know if that's the problem. Maybe, they say, the worms are simply taking advantage of pronghorn systems weakened by something else.

"We still don't have a smoking gun here," said Shawn Gray, mule deer and pronghorn program leader for Texas Parks and Wildlife. "The worms are making it probably more difficult for pronghorns to recover."

Samples taken last year from pronghorn killed during the nine-day hunting season showed that 95 percent had the worms, some with as many as 4,000 worms in their systems.

That high a level of worms are especially unusual in a desert climate, Harveson said. Adding to the mystery, they would find pronghorn with levels in the thousands sharing a pasture with a pronghorn with no worms. The numbers of worms in pronghorn located in the plateau area near Marfa were the

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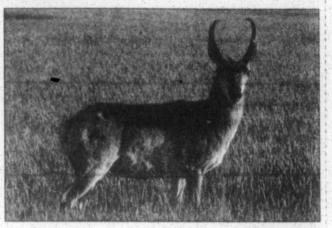
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Pronghorn antelope, like the one seen above near Borger, are becoming rare in west Texas.

highest in the area.

They are still evaluating the samples taken from pronghorn during this year's hunt in October, but Harveson said that it looks like about the same number of pronghorn have the worms as last year.

Their investigation though, isn't just focused on the worms. They are also considering everything from possible diseases to levels of nutrients like copper. Sheep and goats, for instance, with higher levels of copper have a lower occurrence of the worms because the copper, which is absorbed from plants, makes their bodies less hospitable to the parasite.

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Rains help, but much still dry

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COLLEGE STATION - Rain - substantial in some parts of the state, light in others — helped winter wheat and allowed some late plantings of winter pastures, according to Texas AgriLife Extension Service personnel.

But in many areas, soil moisture levels were rapidly dropping. Uncommonly dry conditions prevailed in the Coastal Bend, much of East, South, Southwest and West Central Texas, according to reports.

Houston County, like much of East Texas, has seen some recent rains, but it remains very dry, said Jennifer Allen, AgriLife Extension agent based in Crockett, west of

"Soil moisture is very low due to this dry spell and fall forage production has suffered greatly," Allen said. "Some producers are being forced to feed hay already due to the lack of forage availability in their pasture."

North of Tyler, conditions were a little better, said Clint Perkins, AgriLife Extension agent for Wood County. Recent rains have allowed producers to start planting winter pastures to make up for short hay supplies and summer grasses that were hammered by a mid-summer drought. The plantings are late, however, and some producers have had to start feeding hay about a month early.

"We have enough hay to get by if we have a normal winter, but we need more rain to get the winter pastures up and going,' Perkins said.

Harrison County has been drier than much of East Texas, said Randy Reeves, AgriLife Extension agent in Marshall

"Conditions are better with some recent rainfall, but overall, conditions are still dry,' Reeves said. "Winter pasture planting has been severely delayed or is non-existent."

In the Coastal Bend area, it was as if someone turned off the spigot come March, said Ron Holcomb, AgriLife Extension agent for agriculture in Liberty County, northeast of Houston.

"Until last night, (Nov. 1) we had been dry for about 45 days," Holcomb said. "This rain will help get ryegrass up that was already scratched in, but we're not out of the woods yet.

AgriLife Extension district reporters compiled the following summaries:

PANHANDLE: Temperatures were near average early in the reporting period, with the first freeze of the year mid-week, then above normal by week's end. Soil moisture levels were mostly short. The corn harvest was completed. The cotton harvest was under way with some cotton producers waiting for dry-down. Wheat was mostly in fair to good condition. Rangeland congriLIFE EXTENSION



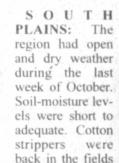
ditions were from very poor to good, with most areas reporting fair. Cattle were in good condition as producers began supplemental feeding in some

ROLLING PLAINS: Rains late in the reporting period greatly helped the winter wheat that was already planted and encouraged some producers to plant late. Ranchers welcomed the rains as pastures were beginning to dry out and stock water was rapidly dropping. Landowners hoped the rains

would green up rangeland and pastures as wildfires were becoming an issue. The Stonewall County commissioners court left a burn ban in effect due to the amount of

harvest-ready

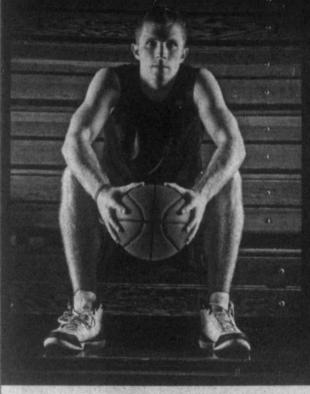
dry grass in pastures. The eastern part of the region reported a light frost. A few days of cold weather promoted winter-wheat growth and allowed some natural defoliation of cotton fields. Cotton was being harvested and looking good. In Knox County, cotton yields were averaging from 1.5 to 2 bales per acre. Livestock were in good to excellent condition with some supplemental feeding, but producers hoped the rain would allow them to graze cattle on winter wheat soon. The Parker County pecan crop neared being



by mid-week as fields dried out from thunderstorms the previous week. Effects on lint quality were yet unknown. Producers resumed planting winter wheat. Pastures and rangeland were in fair to good condition. Cattle were in good condition.

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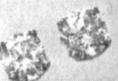
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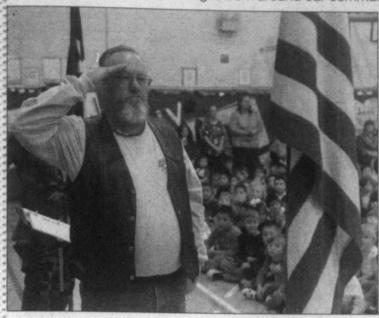
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TOP: Navy veteran Dennis Williams salutes the flag at Wilson Elementary's ceremony honoring veterans Thursday. **BOTTOM:** Wilson's fourth graders perform a patriotic program for the crowd of parents and veterans.

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The Department of Public Safety flies its flag at half-staff for the death of State Representative Edmund Kuempel on Friday.



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Election officer Ora Mae Hedrick (right) takes in the McLean voting results from Betty Morgan at the Gray County Courthouse on

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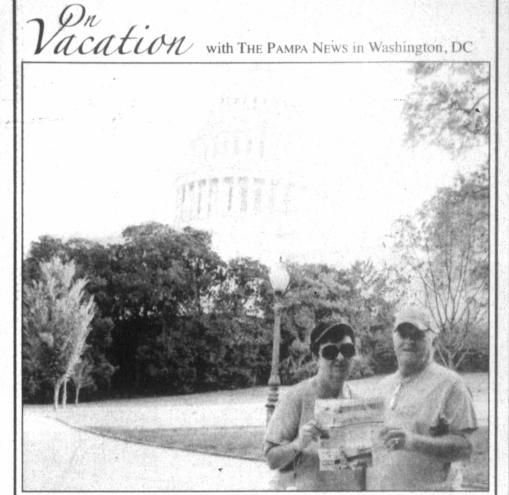
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Vacation with The Pampa News on Pike's Peak



Carol and Fred Brown snapped this photo at the summit of Pike's Peak, near Denver, Colo. The Pampa couple took the trip in July.



Pampa members of the Texas Lone Star WOCP showed these pieces of porcelain art at the recent Tri-State Fair in Amarillo.

Pampa artists display works of porcelain

Pampa members of the Texas Lone Star WOCP showed some pieces of porcelain art at the recent Tri-State Fair in Amarillo.

A variety of pieces including vases, boxes, and framed tiles and techniques comprised of overglaze painting, lusters, and enamels were Everyone displayed. who submitted an entry brought home a ribbon.

The club has participattwo years in an effort to Porcelain Art Month." raise publicawareness of porcelain art as well as to encourage new painters. The porcelain painting has been shown with the ceramic art but the fair

committee plans to open a porcelain division if enough interest is shown.

For some years china painting was thought of as a lost or dying art and painters around the world are doing what they can to disprove this idea.

During the second session of the 96th congress beginning January 3, 1980, President Jimmy Carter signed a proclamation designating that the month of July be ed in the fair for the last observed as "National

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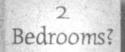


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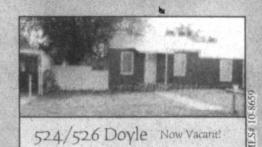
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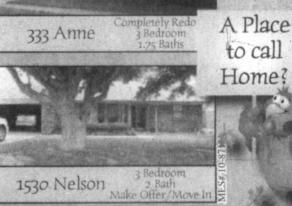
















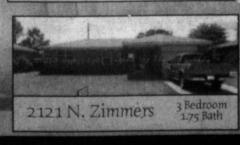






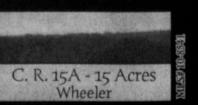


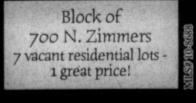






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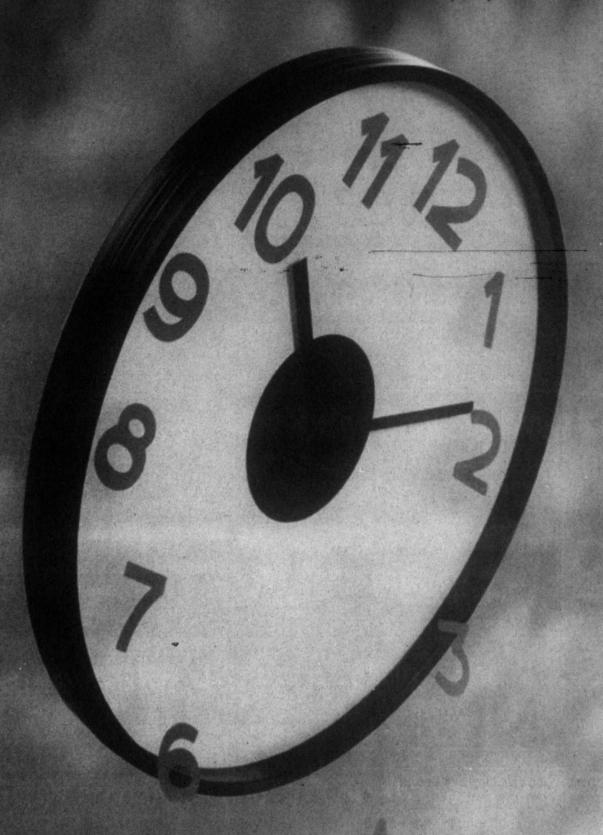




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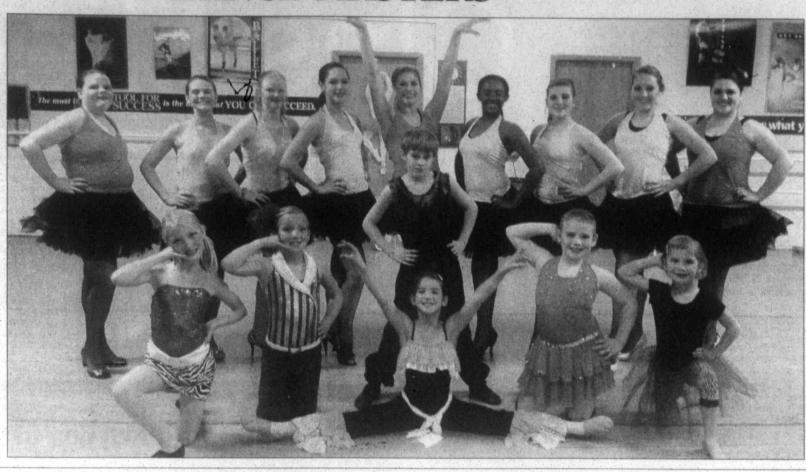
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DANCE MASTERS

Students from the Madeleine Graves Dance Studio will be competing in the upcoming Dance Masters of America Chapter 35 contest in Lubbock next Saturday, Nov. 13. Pictured are (back row, from left) Edy Brainard, Olivia Tyler, Elysa Clements, Haley Macina, Jenna Munsell. Kirrah Powell, Marlee Richardson, Caylee Steward, Danielle Zuniga; (middle) Joseph Munsell; and (front row, from left) Blayke Breeding, Halie West, Gracey Durham, Kaitlyn Roberson and Kendyll Roberson.





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I don't neglect my friends. I spend hours outside of school with them every week. But I'd rather be left alone when I'm trying to work. My friends don't understand that I'm more focused on academics and long-term goals than my short-term social life.

How can I politely get them to leave me alone when I'm working? FOCUSED ON MY GOALS IN LOS ANGE-LES

FOCUSED DEAR ON YOUR GOALS: If you haven't told your friends plainly how you feel and clearly drawn a line, you shouldn't blame them for being clueless when they cross it. Tell them you need to concentrate when you're in the library and that they are creating a problem for you. Not only will you be helping yourself, you'll be doing a favor for other students who are trying to study and who are also being distracted.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 34-year-old woman, and still single. Many people like me enjoy their lives, but I don't. I long to be married and to have a family. But because of my failures in the dating world I'm not optimistic about my chances.

The thought of marriage and family late in life frightens me, and I don't want to raise a child as a single parent. So, at my age, is it likely I may never be married?

I would appreciate it if your readers could share how they were able to change circumstances like mine. — SINGLE STILL IN LITTLE ROCK

SINGLE DEAR STILL: Please do not resign yourself to singlehood quite yet. People are settling down and marrying later today for many reasons. Because you mentioned that the thought of marriage and family "later in life" frightens you, my inclination is to suggest that you discuss it with a psychologist or other licensed professional to see whether your fear may have been instrumental in causing your relationships to fail.

However, because you requested reader input

regarding late marriage, I'm sure we'll hear from them, generously sharing their experiences. I know several couples who married later in life, and they are compatwhat do you have to say?

DEAR ABBY: I was recently promoted to a new position at work, doing something I have always wanted to do. My supervisor and I are very different - almost polar opposites, in fact. But we get along great and work well together.

Because we have started working more closely, she is now beginning to consider me her friend, asking me to "hang out" and occasionally offering me recreational drugs. I love working with her, but I don't want to hang out with her outside of work because of our differences. If something were to go wrong outside the office, it would affect our work relationship. How do I keep things strictly professional without offending her? - WARY AS-

SISTANT IN ARIZONA DEAR WARY AS-

SISTANT: By telling her (with a smile) that your time to socialize is extremely limited and, as much as you enjoy working with her, you prefer to keep your work relaible and happy. Readers, "tionships strictly professional. And should the woman offer you a controlled substance, simply say, "No thank you."

DEAR ABBY: woman driving the car ahead of me was swerving and weaving in and out of the next lane. She would slow down, then speed up, and I thought she might have been drunk.

As I pulled up beside her, I realized she was using sign language to communicate with her passenger. She would turn her head toward the pas senger, signing with both hands and ignoring her responsibilities of being a good driver. Is this legal?

That woman was driving recklessly, and I don't think she should have been driving if she couldn't pay attention to the road. -SAFE DRIVER IN LEX-INGTON, S.C.

DEAR SAFE DRIV-ER: According to the

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One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

11-6 **CRYPTOQUOTE**

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VRGR RHQCTPO Yesterday's Cryptoquote: DO YOU KNOW WHAT MY FAVORITE PART OF THE GAME IS? THE OPPORTUNITY TO PLAY. — MIKE SINGLETARY

Beverly Hills, Calif., Police Department, the use of sign language is legal as long as it doesn't interfere with safe driving. The state of California has a basic speed law that states: "No person shall drive a vehicle upon a state highway at a speed greater than is reasonable or prudent having due regard for weather, visibility, the traffic on, and the surface and width of, the highway, and in no event which endangers the safety of persons or property.

In the case you have described, the person who was signing to her passenger was in violation of this law. I'm sure your state has similar regulations.

DEAR ABBY: I recently had a dinner party in my condo. One of my guests brought along his new roommate, whom I had never met. During the evening, the young man kept placing his foot on my coffee table and rubbing the sole of his shoe over the edge and corner. I didn't say anything because I didn't want to make him feel uncomfortable. After the party end-

ed, I realized my coffee

table had been damaged by what he did.

What is a polite way to tell someone to remove his or her foot from my table without causing a scene or embarrassing him? -MITCH IN CHICAGO

DEAR MITCH: Offer the person a footstool or something to place under the offending foot that would protect your table. Or, take an even more direct approach and say to the person in a calm manner, "Please don't put your foot there because the finish on my coffee table is easily damaged."

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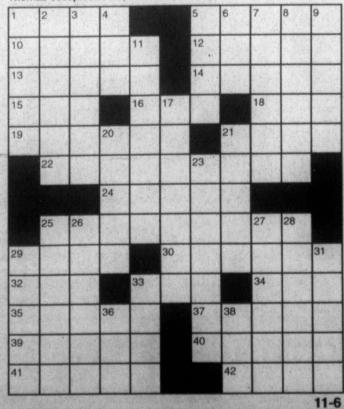
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Daily Horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Nov. 7,

This year, you have a chance to learn some family secrets. Getting clarity here could be very important. Be more conscious of a need to spend and overindulge. On some level, you could feel quite insecure and act out through spending. Rather than break the bank, start healing yourself. If you are single, you have a lot of charm, attracting many people. Use care, as an emotionally unavailable person might catch your eye. If you are attached both of you benefit from time spent away together as a couple. SAGITTARIUS has many ideas about how to invest your funds.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll 5-Dynamic: 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

**** As a fire sign, your energy gives you an edge. Learn how to contain this high-voltage drive. A partner or family member knows how to take you from tense to relaxed. Follow his or her cues. Tonight Feed the mind

This Week: Break patterns; open up to a different approach. If someone is negative, bypass him or her.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ You gain insight about a boss. or respected personality in your life. You have only heard the first chapter of a novel. A partner could be driving a hard bargain. Schedule some R and R. Tonight: Follow through on a request. This Week. Check in with a partner or key associate before planning a trip or another significant commitment. GEMINI (May 21-June 20):

*** Others seem to surface simultaneously. Can you handle everyone? If any sign is sufficiently skilled, it is yours. Step back from a difficult person. Tonight: Be sensitive to a friend or key

This Week: Others seem to want to stretch their vocal cor3ds." They want you to listen. Be polite, but plan on a

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

* ★ ★ ★ Follow through on your perfectly planned day of relaxation. Read the Sunday paper; feel free to lounge or go out and join friends. Try not to get into an overly physical project. Tonight: Early to

This Week: Get as much done at the beginning of the week as you can, You don't want to nix a last-minute social occasion, do you?

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

**** Your creativity emerges, whether you are speaking to a neighbor or trying to convince a child to clean his or her room. Someone who might spice up your life easily could appear. Don't hesitate to use your charm. Share a favorite hobby with a loved one. Tonight: Think "Monday."

This Week: Your imagination illuminates different paths. Carefully explore your 4-Positive; options with trusted friends and associ-

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

**** You venture in a new direction. When you invite a loved one or friend to join you, you notice a hesitation. You might need to blaze this path alone. Think before moving furniture. You might want to ask a friend to help. Tonight: Close to home.

This Week: You might be slow to start, but you finish in first place as the weekend enters. Remain confident.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

**** Don't hesitate to say what you are thinking. Try to avoid sarcasm, and express your frustration. Your smile and relaxing style could prevent a misunderstanding. Be willing to reveal your authentic feelings. Someone needs to hear them. Tonight: A favorite spot for

This Week: Clear your desk of messages. Schedule meetings ASAP. Your people skills peak. Consider an offer for as long. as you might need to.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

**** Do some price comparison before you decide to buy a certain item. You could be overwhelmed by everything that you are hearing. Consider stepping on the brakes. You don't need to buy this item that quickly. Tonight: Your

This Week: Don't get distracted; remain focused. You don't want to miss a key. call. Be open to an offer.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

*** Your energy attracts many people. If you need space, you need to turn away from others, explaining it is only for a short time. If you don't start taking better care of yourself, your fuse could become shorter and shorter. Do you want to push people away? Think again. Tonight: Vanish.

This Week: Go for what you really want, and don't let others interfere. Schedule key meetings for Thursday.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

** Take off for a private day with a loved one or by yourself. If you have been noticing a tendency to lose your temper, start rooting out the real issue that is causing such hurt, thus anger. Someone you look up to expresses deep caring. Tonight: Early to bed.

This Week: Hold off until you want to come forward. Gather information. You will make quite a splash.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

**** Friendship counts in your book. Make time for several special people in your life. Just because they are called friends doesn't mean they are not family in a sense. Real caring emotes from your exchanges. A male friend might push you to drive a hard bargain. Tonight: Relax to music or rent a video. This Week: Zero in on a goal Monday. Get the support you need. You enter next weekend all smiles.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

*** Having responsibilities might be one issue; however, learning to relax and schedule personal time could be another. A parent might be demanding, easily losing his or her temper. Rather than be reactive, detach and decide what might be going on. Tonight: Get a head start on tomorrow's work.

This Week: A take-charge attitude isn't so abnormal with you. Friends are distracting yet supportive.

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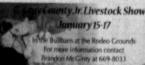


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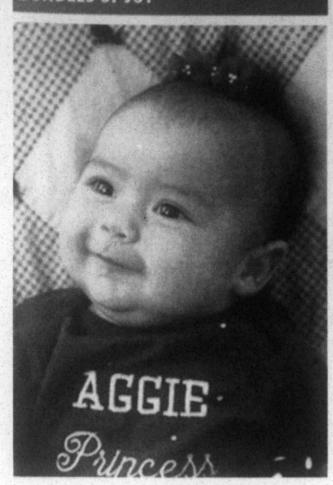
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Anniston Joy Easley

Easley baby born July 22

Brian and Jen Easley of comed by big brothers, AcKinney welcomed their Noah and Tyler. McKinney welcomed their daughter, Anniston Joy Easley, on July 22, 2010.

Anniston weighed 8 pounds and was 20 1/2

inches long at birth.

Anniston is also wel-

Anniston's grandparents are Dr. Ron and Katie Easley of Pampa and Mike and Suni Tinsley of Louisville.



Tenley Addison Barnes

Barnes baby arrives Sept. 30

Tenley Addison Barnes was born September 30, 2010 at Baptist St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo.

She weighed 7 pounds, 15 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long.

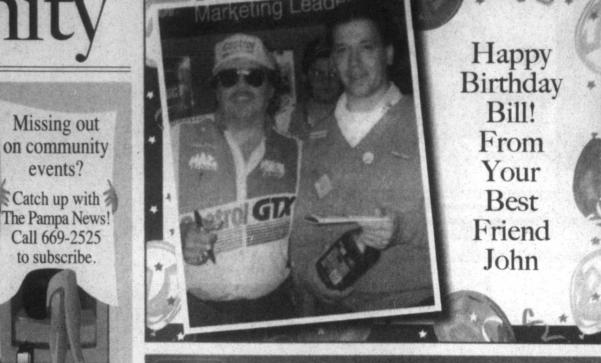
Her parents are Ryan and Briana Barnes of

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Grandparents are Bobbye Russell, Richard and

Anita Russell, and Terry and DeDe Barnes, all of Pampa. Greatgrandparents include Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bono of Plano, TX, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Russell of Panhandle, TX, Mrs. Barbara Jones of Lubbock, the late Wilfred Jones and the late Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Barnes.





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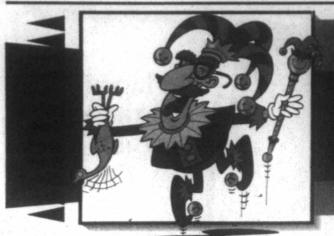
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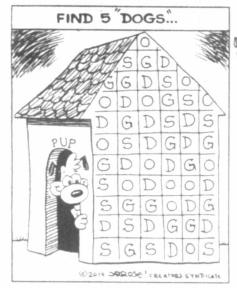


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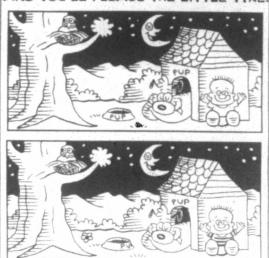
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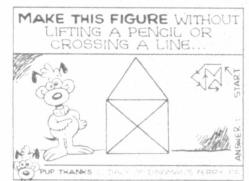




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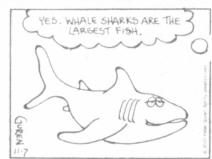


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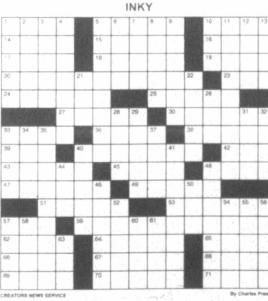
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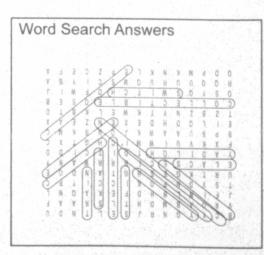
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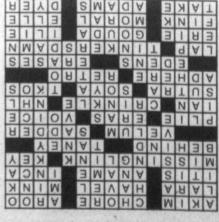
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, Nov. 8, 2010:

Follow your sixth sense, and financial benefits will head in your direction. Don't underestimate what you have to offer and your natural talents. A special event or new home affects your domestic life. You could be sinking a lot of money into your security. If you are single, you will want someone to call your own. If you are attached, the two of you will fade into your home and personal life, loving being a reclusive couple. SAGITTARIUS can

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

be an expensive friend.

*** Grasp the bigger picture. You might not be in agreement with others' ideas or attitudes. Use this chasm to energize research and to explore different options. You might not choose to share what is on your mind; you could be distracted. Tonight: Follow the music.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

**** Relate to people individually. Your personal touch helps draw people out. If you are tired, take a break. Choose a type of activity that is the opposite of what you are doing. Tonight: Listen to what a partner

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) *** Others come toward you quite

suddenly. You might not want to share your thoughts. Let others display their true colors. In order to succeed, you must step back. Tonight: Sort through your options. Just don't be alone

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

*** An easy, steady pace brings results. You could be feeling out of sorts. Recognize that not everyone has to agree with you. Still, this source of heaviness could color your day and your plans. Tonight: Take wing ASAP.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

**** Allow ideas to bubble up. A discussion could be overly heavy or serious. Don't let a distance in a relationship go too far. Both you and the other party might have problems restoring the closeness you both value. A discussion with a partner, as well as a youthful individual, creates fun and ideas. Tonight: Play the night away (even if it is Monday).

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ Take a personal day if possible. You

might need some time to work on a project or just catch up on a roommate's news. Others come forward when you are relaxed. Avoid any wild diets or health kicks -- as appealing as they may be. Tonight: You don't have to

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

**** Your ability to communicate comes through once you loosen up. You might not need to ask intrusive questions if you observe. A light and easy chat will reveal more. A special loved one touches base with you. Tonight: Hang with a favorite friend.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

*** Be careful if you are diving into the world of financial wheelers and dealers. Unless you are unusually skilled in this arena, this experience could prove to be negative. Your creativity could be funneled into a hobby or project. Tonight: Play as if there is no tomorrow

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

**** Don't expect any hassles, and most likely you will bypass any boulders in your path. Once more, you confirm the importance of a positive mind-set. A brainstorming session could explode into a special project or a new relationship. Tonight: Follow the fun and music

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

** Step back and let those who seem to be full of themselves take the lead. Everyone, including the people in question, needs to find out how much he or she is blowing hot air. At this moment, no one knows. No one questions your competency. Tonight: Take some muchneeded personal time.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

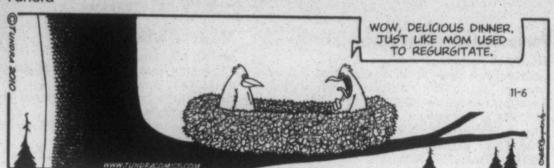
★★★★ Your ability to express yourself in groups, or perhaps in a special meeting, could define your day and a project's success. For some, the project might be as simple as expanding your immediate circle. It doesn't have to be work-related. Tonight: Being alone won't work.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

*** No matter where you are or what your plans, you could feel overwhelmed by everything that hits you from out of left field. Realize what is happening in your mind. Is there a disparity between your scenario and what might be really occurring? Tonight: Could be late. **BORN TODAY**

Singer, songwriter Bonnie Raitt (1949), actress Tara Reid (1975), singer Patti Page

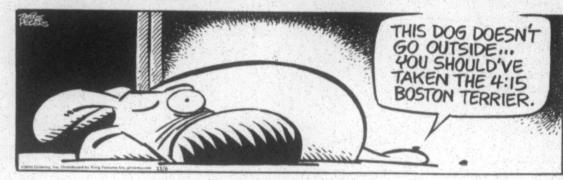
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Weekly Menus

Pampa Independent School District

MONDAY, November 8

Chicken Fried Steak or Chicken Nuggets, Whipped Potatoes, English Peas, Pineapple Tidbits, Hot Roll. Breakfast - Breakfast Pizza.

TUESDAY, November 9

Popcorn Shrimp or Pizza, Blackeyed Peas, Spinach, Fresh Fruit. Breakfast - Donut, Sausage Patty. WEDNESDAY, November 10

BBQ on a Bun or Steak Fingers Vegetarian Beans, Tossed Salad, Mixed Fruit. Breakfast - Egg Patty,---

THURSDAY, November 11

Turkey with Dressing, Whipped Potatoes, Green Beans, Fruit Cup, Chiffon Tart, Hot Roll. Breakfast - Blueberry Pancake 'N Sausage on a Stick, Syrup. FRIDAY, November 12

Bean & Cheese Burrito or Hamburger, French Fries, Burger Salad, Peaches. Breakfast - Cereal, Toast.

Pampa Senior Citizens Center

MONDAY, November 8

Chicken Fried Steak or Chicken Pot Pie, Mashed Potatoes, Fried Squash, Beets, Beans, Cole Slaw, Tossed Salad or Jello Salad, Coconut Creme Cake, Chocolate Sundae Cups or Fruit Cup, Hot Roll or Cornbread.

TUESDAY, November 9

Chicken Enchiladas or Salisbury Steak/ Gravy/ Onions, Sour Creme Potatoes, Green Beans, Fiesta Corn, Beans, Cole Slaw, Tossed Salad or Jello Salad, Marble Cake, Dutch Apple Pie or Fruit Cup, Hot Roll or Cornbread. WEDNESDAY, November 10

Roast Beef Brisket/Brown Gravy or Cook's Choice, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Carrots, Butter Beans, Cole Slaw, Tossed Salad or Jello Salad, Cherry Chip Cake, Blackberry Cobbler or Fruit Cup, Hot Roll or Cornbread.

THURSDAY, November 11

Chicken Strips or Mushroom Smothered Steak, Tater Tots, Broccoli Spears/ Cheese Sauce, Macaroni & Tomatoes, Beans, Cole Slaw, Tossed Salad or Jello Salad, Old Glory Cake, Lemon Pie or Fruit Cup, Hot Roll or Cornbread.

FRIDAY, November 12

Cod Fish Filet/Hushpuppies or Frito Pie, Potato Wedges, Cheese Hominy, Beans, Cole Slaw, Tossed Salad or Jello Salad, Turtle Brownies, Tapioca Cup or Fruit Cup, Garlic Breadstick, Hot Roll or Combread.

Southside Senior Citizens Center

TUESDAY, November 9.

Smothered Pork Chops, Buttered Rice, Broccoli, Sliced Tomatoes, Onions and Lettuce, Rolls, Dessert and Tea

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Meals on Wheels

MONDAY, November 8

Chicken Spaghetti, Garlic Bread, Mixed Vegetables, Pineapple

TUESDAY, November 9 Sausage/ Rice Casserole, Green Beans/ Tomatoes, Pears, Cornbread, Salad.

WEDNESDAY, November 10

Oven-Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Jello. THURSDAY, November 11

Swedish Meatballs Over Noodles, Lima Beans, Carrots, Applesauce. FRIDAY, November 12

Ham/ Dressing/ Gravy, Sweet Potatoes, Green Beans, Cranberry Salad.



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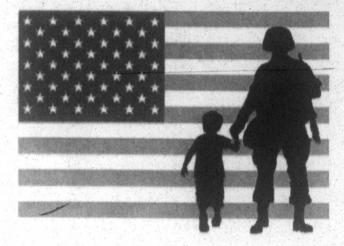
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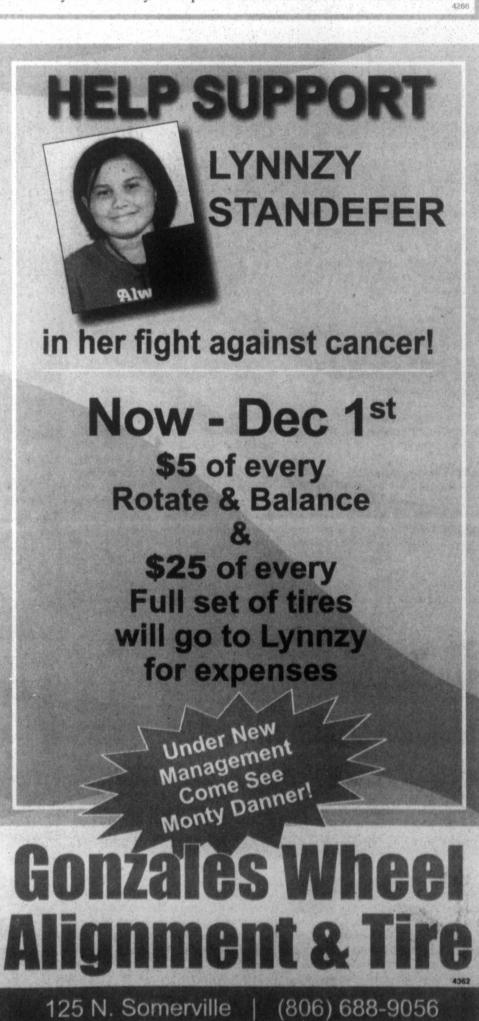


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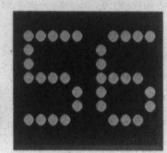
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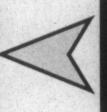
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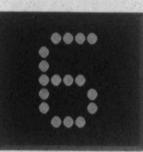














Pirates barbecue Longhorns, end on winning note

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Lefors head coach Joey Czubinski wanted to see his five seniors enjoy their last game and go out with a win. The coach got his wish as the Pirates defeated the Darrouzett Longhorns 56-6, with the 45-point rule invoked in the third quarter.

Czubinski said it was a bittersweet victory.

"It's sad, it's exciting, it's fun for them," Czubinksi said. "I wish I had one more game for them. We aren't ready to stop playing football."

Senior running back Joey Johnson said it was a good game to go out on

"It's nice to come out with a win after that five game losing streak," Johnson said. "This kind of game is nice for next year. Hopefully they can start with this momentum for next year."

Though it was Senior Night, Lefors' sophomores led the team to a strong start. Sophomore running back Colten Helfer scored two rushing touchdowns and rushed for 91 yards in the first quarter. Sophomore quarterback Spencer Nicholson started the game completing three of his first four passes for 23 yards and a touchdown. Senior Cody Hess recovered an onside kick. The Pirates recovered another onside kick later in the half. Lefors led 20-0 after the first quarter.

Czubinski said freshman Aaron DeLeon has kicked well for them all season.

"Aaron DeLeon has done a good job of that all year," Czubinski said. "He puts a nasty spin on the ball every time it bounces. We work on that so much during the week that we feel cheated if we don't get at least one.

Any time we get more than one, that's just bonus." In the second quarter, the Pirates continued where they left off and used some trickery to get on the board. Nicholson handed off to senior running back Reice Warner, who threw 37 yards to senior Zac Williams. Thirty seconds later. Helfer took a hand off from Nicholson and threw a 10-yard pass to senior Austin Brooks for a touchdown.

Czubinski said they were able to complete those plays

because of good blocking in shotgun formation. "It seems to open up our blocking assignments for the younger guys," Czubinski said. "It gives us a head start. With the defense coming at us, they are on their heels. They're either going to have great contain or take poor

angles." Lefors also got a one-yard touchdown from DeLeon. The Longhorns got their only score when Tommy

Mercer returned a Nicholson fumble 42 yards. Senior defensive back Cody Hess said the defense

played one of their best games.

"We all just stepped up and filled positions that we needed," Hess said. "I'm glad we did that."

Hess finished the game and his playing career with a 37-yard touchdown run. Hess said it couldn't be scripted



staff photo by Andrew Glover

Andrew Chambers (25) just misses getting to Darrouzett's quarterback Bill Van Hooser at the end of the irst half Friday in Lefors. The Pirates won 56-6 and finish the 2010 season with a 5-5 record

"I'm quite happy about that," Hess said.

Nicholson completed seven passes for 76 yards, threw one touchdown and was picked off once. The sophomore quarterback said the offense clicked.

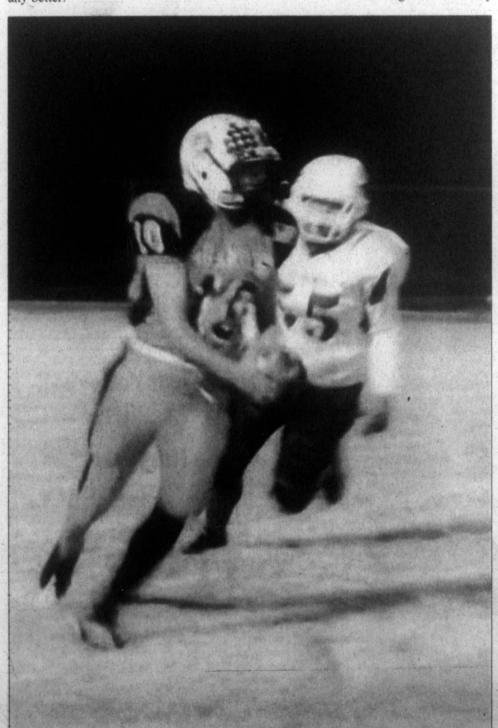
"We've been practicing hard for this game," Nicholson said. "This is one we have been looking forward to. We've been using our running back Reice a little more.

Helfer led the team in rushing with 163 yards on 11 carries and scored three touchdowns. Williams led the team in receiving with five receptions for 95 yards and scored two touchdowns.

Czubinski said it's tough realizing that the season is

over this early

"This is all they are going to think about this year, that we didn't go to the playoffs," Czubinski said. "When I turn off the lights that's it we don't play anymore. When I go home I won't have to pick up film or break down film on the weekend. We're done...Did they quit on me, no. Did we go out strong yes. We left the others coming back with a good message.



staff photo by Andrew Glover

Spencer Nicholson runs away from Darrouzett's Joe Evans Friday in Lefors. Nicholson threw for 76 yards in the Pirates 56-6 season finale victory.

Quick Summary

Lefors 56, Darrouzett 6

Records: Lefors (5-5, 1-2); Darrouzett (1-7, 0-3)

It was over when: Five Lefors seniors wanted to end their career with a win. Game ball goes to: Lefors seniors. All five seniors contributed to the Pirates victory. Joey Johnson made three extra point kicks. Reice Warner rushed for 42 yards and threw a 37-yard touchdown pass. Cody Hess recovered an onside kick, laid a massive hit in the second half and scored a 37-yard touchdown. Zac Williams caught five passes for 95 yards and scored two touchdowns. Austin Brooks caught two passes for 30 yards and scored one touchdown.

Stat of the game: 46. The total number of yards the Pirates defense allowed Friday night. The Longhorns only got three first downs and their only points were scored

Teams	1	2	3	4	Final
Darrouzett	0	6	0	X	6
Lefors	20	30	6	X	56

Scoring Summary

L Colten Helfer 35-yard run (kick failed) 7:02 1st

L Zac Williams five-yard pass from Spencer Nicholson (Joey Johnson kick) 6:10

L Helfer 17-yard run (kick blocked) 2:02 1st L Aaron DeLeon one-yard run (kick failed) 8:53 2nd

L Williams 37-yard pass from Reice Warner (Johnson kick) 7:25 2nd

L Austin Brooks 10-yard pass from Helfer (Dennis Sprouse kick) 6:51 2nd

D Tommy Mercer 42-yard fumble return (kick failed) 3:44 2nd L Helfer 29-yard run (Johnson kick) 0:05 2nd

L Cody Hess 37-yard run (45-point rule invoked) 9:42 3rd

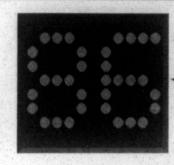
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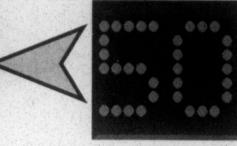
In the capsules on the volleyball players on page 10 of Friday's edition, Cassidy Winegeart was left off as one of the players Coach Garza called up to varsity. Madison Joyce was not one of the players. The Pampa News apologizes for the error.

Check out Monday's sports page for my running diary of my trip to Plainview with the volleyball team.













Warriors conquer Ft. Elliott, lock up district crown

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From the start of the season, the Miami Warriors wanted to enter the last week of the season with a chance to clinch the district title. Friday night they got the job done defeating the Fort Elliott Cougars 86-50 in Miami.

Head coach Jack Graves said it was a team effort and capitalized on their opportunities on offense.

Defensively we got stops early and that allowed us to lead 52-20 at halftime," Graves said. "It was a good a team effort. We played well all night and they worked

Graves said his key players were seniors Candido Meija

and Dakota Ratliff and junior quarterback Cole Booze.

"They played really well," Graves said. "Those guys really stepped up and made plays."

The Miami defense was able to limit Fort Elliott's senior running back Kory McLaughlin, who scored nine touchdowns last week. Graves said their defense just played disciplined.

"They took away every place he could run to," Graves said. "We didn't want him turning the corner. We filled our lanes and were coming back at him.'

Graves said his defense made the Cougars work for

"We made them put drives together," Graves said. "We

Next week, The Warriors (9-1, 3-0) face the Hedley Owls (6-4, 2-1) in the bi-district round. The Cougars (5-5, 2-1) face the Groom Tigers (8-1, 3-0). Date and location of these games are still being decided as of press time. Graves said he hasn't seen Hedley much but will look

this week in

made them march the ball pretty good."

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·Lefors Girls Basketball vs. Miami, 7:30 p.m., Miami

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Tuesday

 Pampa High School Girls Basketball vs. Plainview, JV and freshman start at 5. Plainview

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- · McLean Girls Basketball vs. Follett,
- · City League Competitive and Recreational Volleyball, games start at 6:30 p.m., PJH

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Thursday

- · Pampa High School Varsity Girls Basketball, Frenship Tournament, Frenship
- · Pampa High School JV Girls Basketball, Amarillo Tournament,
- · City League Competitive and Recreational Volleyball, games start at 6:30 p.m., PJH

Friday

- · Pampa High School Varsity Girls Basketball, Frenship Tournament, Frenship
- · Pampa High School JV Girls Basketball, Amarillo Tournament,
- · Pampa High School Varsity Football vs. Lubbock Cooper, 7:30 p.m., Kimbrough Stadium in

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Saturday

- · Pampa High School Varsity Girls Basketball, Frenship Tournament, Frenship
- · Pampa High School JV Girls Basketball, Amarillo Tournament.

Pampa High School Freshman Girls Basketball vs. Randall, 10 a.m, Dennis Cavalier Athletic Complex



· PHS Volleyball Area Round, game will be on November 4-6, Opponent and time TBA

Lady Harvesters' coaches pleased with outcome of final scrimmage

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The Pampa Lady Harvesters basketball team played their final scrimmage Thursday in Hereford.

The varsity participated in three scored scrimmages and outscored their opponent in two of them. The junior varsity outscored their opponent two out of three times. The freshman team were outscored in

one scrimmage and outscored their entire scrimmage." opponent in the other.

Head coach Gene Valentine said the scrimmage went well.

"We saw lots improvement from

all three groups," Valentine said.
Junior varsity coach Braydon Barker said his team did a good job. "We just went cold during the

Bushland game," Barker said. "The girls played extremely hard and played great defense throughout the

Valentine said he got to see several younger players play.

"We have lots of young players getting lots of playing time and it has allowed we as coaches to evaluate them at different levels of play,' Valentine said. "This will be a great benefit later in the season if a situation arises that they should be need-

COMMUNITY SPORTS

City kickball league postseason results

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First Place: Kickin' It Old School Second Place: Titan Third Place: Medicine Man

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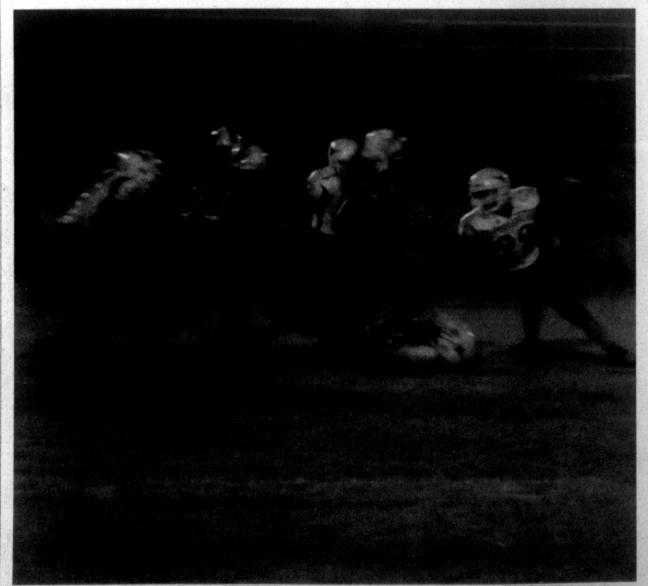
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Colten Helfer rushes past a fallen Longhorn and looks to escape Tyler Harrington (22) Friday in Lefors. The sophomore running back had 173 yards of total offense and scored three total touchdowns.

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Pampa's next opponent: Lubbock Cooper, 7:30 p.m. Friday at Kimbrough Stadium in Canyon

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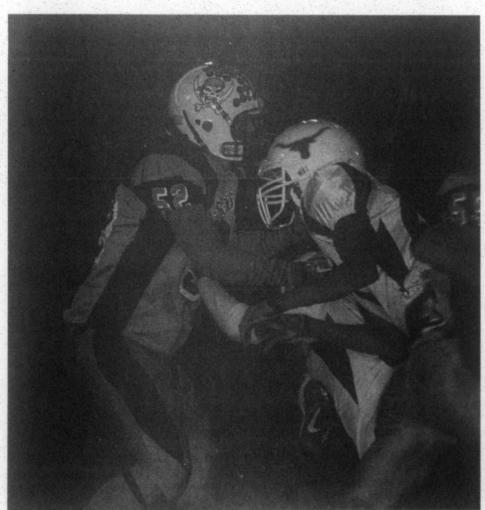
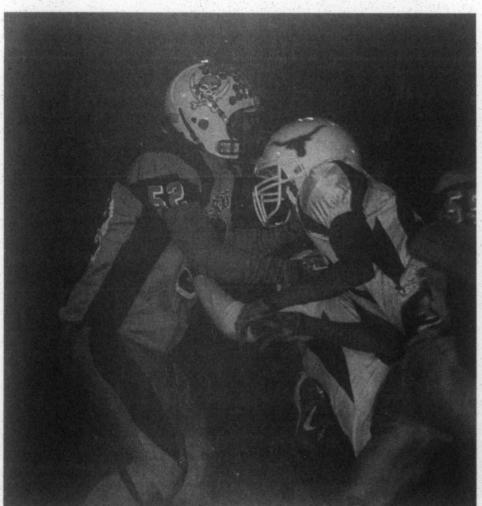


photo courtesy of Lendi Jackson Joey Johnson attempts to swipe off his a Darrouzett blocker Friday in Lefors.



Johnson made three extra point kicks in his final game. Lefors won 56-6.

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Next Week's Games: Follett vs. Crowell TBA; Valley vs. Paducah TBA

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Lefors	5 5	0.500 31	7 387	1 2	0.333			
Darrouzett	1 7	0.125 54	390	0 3	0.000			

Lefors' next opponent: none

Next Week's Games: Miami vs. Hedley TBA; Fort Elliott vs. Groom TBA

Reapers 7th grade teams end season with losses

BRITTIN EAST Special to The Pampa News

On Tuesday night, the 7th graders traveled to Westover for the final game of the season. Both games were a tale of two halves for the boys, as they couldn't seem to put it all together for a whole game. Costly turnovers played a huge role in each match; neither team was able to overcome them. It was just one of those nights for the Reapers.

In the Gold game, Pampa lost 20-8. Early on Rhett Harden and Raul Cortez made a couple good tackles a piece. The defense held strong in the first quarter, but gave up an early touchdown in the second. The Reapers quickly responded with a Joseph Radke 65-yard scramble down the sideline. The scored tied the game at 8-8. In the second half, the boys were able to put together a couple dominating drives behind the lead blocking of Harden and line-of-scrimmage blocking by Austin Miranda. But interceptions and fumbles by different members of the squad at costly times really set the defense on its heels. Matthew Lewis, Nathan Furgason, Cade Ferguson, Josh DeLoach, Radke, and Junior Villegas played solid defense, but Westover was able to capitalize off of turnovers twice in the second half. Midway through the fourth quarter, another Reaper attempt to tighten the score up was thwarted ball the ball-hawking Westover defense. It looked like Westover was about to take an even bigger lead, but a great hustle/ diving pass break up by DeLoach held them in check. Harden and DeLoach also had huge tackles on the goal line. The Reapers would attempt a couple more late deep passes, but the ever-so elusive and gun-slinging quarterback Joseph Radke was never able to get into his normal groove. The gold team finished the season with a winning record at 3-2-2. They played some incredible games this year.

"They were just as fun to watch as they were to coach."

The Green team lost 32-0 and had a very disappointing and frustrating first

half against Westover. Five first half turnovers proved to be costly for the Reapers, Rickie Johnson started the first drive with some impressive runs of 10 and 15 yards behind the consistent blocking of Francisco Salazar, Cason Troxell, Treylon Perry, and Chanceton Roberts. However, any time the offense would get something going, an unforced turnover would keep them from domination. The score was 26-0 at half, but the troops rallied on defense once again in the second half. The Green team could have chosen to pout and hang their heads, but they came back stronger and more aggressive than ever. Solon Wilson created a spark for the defense early in the third quarter with a big tackle in the backfield. Cade Engle, Eric Vizcaino, and Rickie Johnson all had great pass deflections and tackles. At one point in the fourth, Johnson had a pass deflection and a tackle on back-to-back plays that forced a Westover turnover. Austin Hernandez and Bryce Gordon showed up for some big tackles in the backfield as well. Early in the fourth quarter, it looked as if the offense had finally found some momentum when Adam Zuniga connected with Engle on several 10-15 yard pass plays. The combination of Johnson on the ground and Engle in the air caused fits for Westover. On a third and long, Zuniga threw a ball up to his play maker (Engle), who adjusted to the ball and snagged it from the defender to get a first down. Unfortunately, the momentum from that drive was smothered when a Westover linebacker cheated out to defend Engle and intercepted a pass and returned it for a touchdown. That play was the story of the night for our boys. That touchdown was the only score for Westover in the second half. Westover continued to run trick plays well into the fourth quarter, and we shut them down each time. The Green team finished the year at 1-6.

"I am so proud of these guys, and I can't wait to have them back next year," said junior high school football coach Brittin East. "We expect great things from them

FUTURE PIRATES



The Lefors Buccaneers, a third through sixth grade six-man team finished second place with a 4-3 record. Groom and two teams from Miami were in Lefors division. Miami B team finished first, Groom third and Miami A team fourth. The Buccaneers include: Bottom row from left: Brian Tapps, Tony Helfer, Tyson Tapps, Landon Shouse and Jayden Elkins. Middle row from left: Michael Reeves, Kyndan Lott, Dakota Helfer, Reilly Czubinski, Kody Hendrickson and Waylon Hinkle. Coaches from left: Roy Lott, Jeremy Helfer, **Buddy Reeves and**

Chuck Williamson.



'Megamind' a good time, SPLIT-SCREEN TV's 'Walking Dead' could but pales among its peers

A categorical cousin to Disney's "The Incredibles" and riding in the wake of Universal's "Despicable Me," Dreamworks' "Megamind" is the latest in the CGI superhero genre that always brings the crowds to the big screens.

Will it entertain those crowds while they're sitting there? Absolutely.

Will they be buzzing about it after they leave? Eh, probably not.

"Megamind," centered around the titular character voiced by Will Ferrell, is the story of an inept supervillain who's been literally and figuratively beaten down by his laundry list of failures to Metroman, the requisite caped wonder with perfect muscles and even more perfect hair, voiced by (who else?) Brad Pitt.

It's your stock superhero setup — until Megamind actually destroys Metroman. Accidentally, mind you, but still, it happens. Suddenly, the once-woebegone Megamind finds himself the king of all villainy. It's a whole new game for Megamind, and he finds out that being evil isn't all it's cracked up to be when

there's no good to chase you around. Determined to bring meaning back to his life, he decides to create a new archnemesis using Metroman's DNA. What he ends up doing, of course, brings him a little bit more than he bargained for.

The bad-guy-beats-good-guy angle is an interesting premise, to be sure, but it's one that the script ultimately doesn't do much with. Granted, it's not like you're aiming for depth with a Ferrellvoiced cartoon, but even taking that into account, it's still a predictable ride. There's enough cleverness along the way to keep a smile on your face, but there's clearly nothing new on the table.

That's where the problem lies. With "Incredibles" and "Despicable Me" setting the bar so high, "Megamind" pales in comparison. It may not be a fair standard, but that's what you get when you tackle a project like this, especially given the release date (right after "Despicable Me" opened in the summer).

Thankfully for Dreamworks, they assem-



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effect. Pitt is spot on as the over-the-top good guy, and Tina Fey, playing the token damsel, is her usual charming self.

Support players David Cross and Jonah Hill? Their voices are so perfect for animation they could do this on their heads.

bled an outstanding

cast that couldn't

possibly let the film

sink under its flaws.

Ferrell, who has one

of Hollywood's most

expressive voices,

breathes his signature

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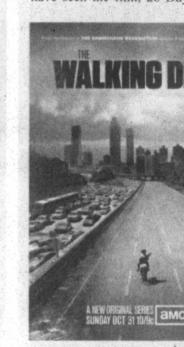
Megamind to great

If the cast of "Megamind" doesn't win you over, you probably don't like to laugh. But right after it's over, you'll probably shrug and then end up talking about the movies that came before it.

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Rated PG for action and some language.



Walking Dead Rated TV-14 for mature language and

transcend zombie genre

This past Sunday AMC debuted their newest television series, "The Walking Dead," based on a comic book series by Robert Kirkman, the series follows a group of survivors as they face life after a

zombie outbreak. The series premiere, with 5.3 million viewers, was the highest rated premiere of any AMC original series to date.

TIDMORE

Clearly, zombies are the new vam-

The series, like the comic (which is currently on it 80th issue), follows sheriff's deputy Rick Grimes (Andrew Lincoln from "Love Actually"), who awakens from a coma to find the world he knew is gone completely. (While this may seem familiar to those of you who have seen the film, 28 Days Later, the

original comic was written before that film was released.) Awakening to find dead bodies scattered everywhere, and horrific sights at every turn, Rick tries to make his way home to look for his loved ones. As Rick tries to make sense of the

world he's awakened to he is rescued/ taken captive by father and son Morgan and Duane Jones (Lennie James of "Jericho" and newcomer Adrian Kali Turner), who explain a bit of what's happened. The Walkers," as Morgan calls them,

are normal people who were infected via bites or scratches. Soon after being attacked, the victim becomes severely ill and dies, only to rise again to hunt down the living.

Meanwhile, Rick's wife, Lori (Sarah Wayne Callies of "Prison Break") and son, Carl (newcomer Chandler Riggs) are alive and living with a group of fellow survivors. We don't learn much about them in the first episode, but if the comics are any indication, their roles, as well as their fellow survivors, will become increasingly important as the series goes on. To say any more about the terrific premiere would spoil to much.

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While the series is about zombies and is therefore firmly planted in the horror genre, at it's heart it's about the human condition. Touching on subjects such as the loss of loved ones, letting go of ones past and feeling alone, the series true center lies in the human heart. What would we do in order to survive? How far would we go to find our loved ones?

These are the questions the series looks to answer and if you're scared off by the fact that it's about zombies, you may very well miss out on one of the best series television has offered up in a long time.

Local attorney Travis Tidmore reviews movies for The Pampa News as well as on his blog, www.the-

Josh Groban

Chart-topper Groban goes in new direction with Rubin

MEGAMIND

unlikely pairing over the decades, be it James Brown duetting with Luciano Pavarotti, Liza Minnelli guesting with the guyliner rock band My Chemical Romance, or Tom Waits making an entire album with country-pop songstress Crystal Gayle.

But few pairings have seemed as unlikely as that of singer Josh Groban and superstar producer Rick Rubin, who teamed up for Groban's aptly titled new album, "Illuminations." It is his first new studio release since his holiday album, "Noel," which sold 3.7 million copies in just 11 weeks in 2007 and was the top-selling album that year in the United States. It has now sold 10 million copies worldwide, an astonishing number in an era when many chart-topping albums struggle to break the 100,000 sales mark.

Groban, 29, is the unabashedly romantic pop vocal star with the nearoperatic voice. An epic balladeer, he has sold more albums in the past decade than any currently active artist not named Eminem, Britney Spears or Linkin Park.

Rubin, 47, rose to fame in the 1980s producing such budding hip-hop stars as LL Cool J and the Beastie Boys. He then branched out and produced hit albums by everyone from Slayer and Tom Petty to the Dixie Chicks and the

Pop music has created numerous late Johnny Cash. In 2007, he became the co-head of Columbia Records, one of the world's largest and most prestigious record labels.

Together, Groban and Rubin have crafted a 13-song album that finds Groban stretching beyond his comfort zone, often in ways he contends were completely alien to him.

"The process itself was very difficult," the Los Angeles-born singersongwriter said, speaking by phone recently from London, where he was wrapping up three days of back-toback interviews to promote his new

For "Illuminations," Rubin insisted that Groban strip his music down to the bare essentials, then organically rebuild from the bottom up. That meant no computer programming, drum sets, electric bass or (with one exception) electric guitar. While there are still some semi-operatic vocal flourishes on the album, the emphasis is on understatement and saying more with less.

The goal is to connect with Groban's listeners in a less glossy setting that emphasizes heart and soul over recording studio perfection. In short, Rubin wanted Groban to deviate from the winning formula that has made him the biggest pop-meets-light-classical vocal sensation of the past decade.

"I knew it was a risk for me,"

"I'd just come off the biggest-selling Christmas record in many years, and it was amazing to have that success. But there's nothing like that kind of an explosion to make you feel like: That chapter is done, what's next? I need to do something in a different way.' Rick had never recorded in this (popclassical crossover) genre before, and I'd never recorded this way before."

Just how different making "Illuminations" was surprised Groban. His penchant for

recording his albums fast collided head-on with Rubin's insistence that they take things extra-slow.

"The process itself was very difficult," Groban said. "I'm used to (a recording) studio environment where things are done very quickly. But if the songs didn't speak to us with the intimacy Rick wanted -- just a dry (sounding) vocal and a dry (sounding) piano -- then they got put in the 'No' pile, and that's a pretty frustrating process for me."

Groban laughed.

"I've never done that before, where a year-and-a-half of preparation and work leads to five minutes of magic," he added. "I get it - now!"

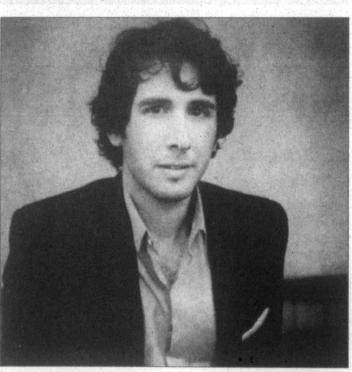


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Josh Groban recently released a new album called "Illuminations," where he worked with well-known producer Rick Rubin.



LYNDA HIRSCH on soaps

Q: Do actors get a lot of notice when they are fired from soaps? - Aimee, Springfield, Ohio

A: It varies. Sometimes, actors are given a lot of notice. Sometimes, producers wish they had not given them advance warning. This is especially true in the age of the

Internet and Twitter. A recent example is Brandon Buddy (Cole, "One Life to Live"). Months before his character was headed out of Llanview, Buddy tweeted the news. ABC had him retract the statement. They felt it was going to give away too much future storyline. Now that the character is about to really be gone, lots of viewers are shrugging, "So what? We knew he

was leaving.' Scott Clifton, who played Schuyler on the same show, had no notice. Two weeks before his exit, he asked the producers if it was safe to buy a home. They assured him "no problem." Maybe they did not realize he was asking if he had job security. Clifton moved from NYC, where "OLTL" is taped, and back to L.A. He now plays Liam, Bill Spencer's son, on "Bold and Beautiful."

One of the crueler firings happened on "Ryan's Hope." Years ago, the show wanted to recast the role of Frank Ryan (Michael Hawkins). The actor kept asking if he was being let go. "Not to worry," he was told. He should have worried. While he was working on the set, his replacement was on the other side of the set rehearsing the next week's scenes.

"Days of Our Lives" once fired a leading man because when he went on a beach vacation and returned with a cold sore. It was from the sun and easily covered with stage makeup. He was called into the producers' office and told it was his last day. Why? The actress he was working with was afraid he had AIDS (he didn't) and thought you could catch AIDS by kissing.

Most actors are savvy enough to know the end is near when their storyline is cut and they are reduced to cutting the cake at another character's wedding.

Still, many an actor learned he has been fired when he reads it in a newspaper, magazine or Internet post.