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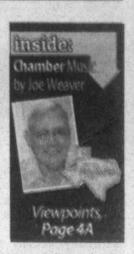
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Ready to Move In



staff photo by David Bowser

Dean Ray Jaramillo of Clarendon College's Pampa Campus tours the Cosmetology Lab in one of the two buildings that will open to the public next week. Workers are tackling finishing touches and faculty members are preparing to move in. The new buildings will add about 25,000 square feet of classrooms and lab space to the Pampa campus. The campus population has grown from 152 students to over 400 students since Jaramillo came to Pampa in

Adds 25,000 sq. feet to Pampa campus

DAVID BOWSER

Ray Jaramillo has worn a look of concern and concentration for the past three years as he has worked to expand the Clarendon College Campus at Pampa.

He is now smiling as the grand opening of the new additions to the college approaches.

Jaramillo, dean of the Pampa campus, was still busy working with contractors today on finishing details so his faculty can begin moving in to the two new buildings next week.

A new 15,000 square foot building southwest of the administration building on campus will house the nursing, EMT and cos-

A 10,000 building behind that will house the welding and wind energy departments.

The larger of the two buildings will also house a student lounge and recreational facilities.

Long range plans for the campus call for a library, gymnasium and student center. Eventually, Jaramillo said, he would like to see dormitories and a a cafeteria built on campus that are part of

Open House 5 p.m. - 6 p.m. Thursday. Dec. 16.

the master plan.

While the Pampa campus has had a nursing program for a while, the new facilities will allow an expansion for that program as well as room for new programs including welding, wind energy, cosmetology, heating and air conditioning and EMT studies.

The new buildings also offer library space courtesy of the Norma and David Payne Foundation, Jaramillo said.

The grand opening of the new buildings at the Clarendon College Pampa Campus will be from 5 P.M. to 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 16, at the Pampa Center Technology Building,

Perryton scrambles to save 'Toys' event

RANDY PRIBBLE rpribbler@thepampanews.com

JoAnn McCoy does a lot of baking.

As the driving force behind the Perryton "Toys for Tots" program, her bake sales (the latest one netted \$4,000), help to insure a Merry Christmas for hundreds of Perryton kids.

Everything was on course for another successful year until Wednesday, when it was discovered that approximately threefourths of the toys stored away had been stolen.

"We need about \$8,000 to replace the stolen toys", McCoy said. "What they didn't take, they tried to set on fire. They lit some paper and threw it on a carpet and it went out. Then they took one of the coloring books we had as a gift and set fire to it and threw it on the rest of the toys. It went out also.

The thieves didn't succeed in destroying all of the toys and McCoy is determined that they will not succeed in ruining Christmas for her local kids.

She took over her volunteer post as ramrod of the Toys for Tots program three years ago simply because the lady who has faithfully chaired it for years was no longer physically up for the challenge.

"I started fundraising, using bake sales to raise money," McCoy said. "And we received donations as well."

"Last year, she added. "We were able to give 384 kids three toys each."

The distribution, set this year for Dec. 21, was to be the usual grand affair involving deliveries by firemen and local law enforcement people and fire trucks and a lot of community

The theft has put a damper on TOYS cont. on page 5

Pampa's sale tax receipts higher than expected

The City of Pampa is starting the new fiscal year off right.

Sales tax receipts for October, the first month of the city's fiscal year, were 8.20 over what the city had budgeted, according to Pampa Finance Director Robin Bailey.

The city had budgeted 236,533.25 for the first month of the new fiscal year.

The Texas Comptroller's Office reported the city collected \$255,930.68. Of the total \$341,240.90 col-

lected by Pampa in October sales tax, \$85,310.23 goes to the Pampa Economic Development Corporation. Bailey said that is 9.73 percent over the collections for the same time last year. The city collected \$233,234.34 for the same month last year.

Sales tax reports typically run one to two months behind the month being calculated because of collection and reporting requirements.

With one month so far being reported in this fiscal year, Bailey said the collection of sales tax is \$19,391.42 over budget and \$22,698.34 over the same period last year.

"We're looking good," Bailey said. "So far, this year is great."

This is the sixth month in a row to exceed the previous year's sales tax receipts, an indication of a steadily growing recovery.

Share favorite Christmas memories with readers

you have a favorite Christmas memory? Maybe it something special your mom baked, or a special present, or a memory of a relative, or a special church service. Maybe it was a special trip, or maybe it was not so special - just a holiday spent with the people you

Whatever your special memory, we invite you to share it with our readers.

Email your special Christmas memory to rpribble@ thepampanews.com by Friday, Dec. 17 and it might be included in a special story prior to the holidays. If you prefer, mail the memory to "Christmas Memories," The Pampa News, 403 West Atchison, Pampa, TX 79065 or drop it by our office. Just make sure we receive it by Dec. 17.

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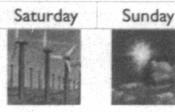
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PAMPA FORECAST



High 49 Low 23 High 47 Low 25 High 61 Low 32

Monday

Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 32. Wind chill values between 24 and 29. South southeast wind 10 to 15 mph becoming west northwest. Winds could gust as high as 20 mph.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 49. Wind chill values between 20 and 30 early. Windy, with a north northwest wind between 15 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 23. North northwest wind between 5 and 15 mph.

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 47. Calm wind becoming southwest between 5 and 10 mph.

Sunday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around South southwest wind around 5 mph.

Monday: Sunny, with a high near 61. South southwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Monday Night: Clear, with a low around 32 South southwest wind around 10 mph.

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> TEXAS FURY Volleyball will be wrapping presents at Diamonds & Doorknobs, 1508 N. Hobart, on Sat. from 12 - 4 p.m. Just bring the present and the box, prices from \$1-\$5 depending on the size. Tickets will also be sold for a pair of Diamond Stud Earrings.

Obituaries

Marietta Johnson West, 88

Marietta Johnson West, 88, of Borger passed away Wednesday, December 8,

Marietta was born Tuesday, October 14, 1922, in Gent, Belgium to Richard and Marie Oosterlinck.

She was a volunteer at Helping Hands for eighteen years. She was also a member of the VFW Auxiliary, Rebecca's and Royal Neighbors.

She was preceded in death by her husbands, Maurice Blommaert and Homer Lee West and grandson Rusty Ehrlich.

Survivors include three sons, Johnny Blommaert and wife Erna, Teddy West and wife Joyce and Billy West and wife Galyna all of Borger; five daughters, Marie Smith of Quieln, Monique Iman of Irving, Loretta Scott and husband Sheldon of Borger, Stan and Trish Zimmerman of Pampa and Denvia Dally and husband Bill of Borger; twenty grandchildren, forty-two great-grandchildren and eleven great-great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m., Saturday, Decem-

ber 11, 2010, at the First Assembly of God Church in Borger, with Bro. Calvin Newton officiating and Rev. Leonard Forsythe assisting.

Burial will follow at Highland Park Cemetery in Borg-

Carrie Rose Hughes, 91

Carrie Rose Hughes, 91, died December 10, 2010, in

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral

Ryne David Malone, 21

Ryne David Malone, 21, died December 8, 2010, in Lubbock.

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Ryne was born October 13, 1989, in Pampa where he was a lifelong resident. He was a 2008 graduate of Pampa High School where he played varsity football and earned the "Fighting Heart" award. Ryne was named to the Academic



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All-State Football Team, and in his senior year, was voted Prom King. He was currently a junior at Texas Tech University, majoring in wildlife fisheries and management. His ultimate goal was to become a game warden. Ryne was a member of First Baptist Church in Pampa and Indiana Avenue Baptist College Ministry in Lubbock. He had a tremendous love for God and strived to lead people to Christ. This past summer, he was a counselor at Hidden Falls Ranch in Wayside, a Christian camp that he loved. He was an avid outdoorsman and enjoyed hunting, fishing and hiking. His best buddy was his black Labrador retriever, "Hanley. Survivors include his parents, Johnny and Cheryl Malo-

ne of Pampa; two brothers, Chadd Malone of Lubbock and Reid Malone of Pampa; maternal grandparents, Larry and Linda Starnes of Pampa; paternal grandparents, Harold and Neva Malone of Pampa; several aunts, uncles and

Memorials may be made to Hidden Falls Ranch, P.O. Box 136, Wayside, TX 79094; Indiana Avenue Baptist College Ministry, 8315 Indiana Avenue, Lubbock, TX 79423; or First Baptist Church, P.O., Box 621, Pampa, TX 79066-0621

Sign the online register at www.carmichael-whatley.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Police Department

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

Police reported 28 traffic-related calls and one accident Animal control report-

ed seven animal-related calls:

four ambulance calls.

Wednesday, Dec. 8 Firefighters reported a structure fire in the 2200

block of North Russell. A spill of hazardous material was reported in the 1800 block of North

An assault was reported in the 500 block of North

Powell. Officers made a welfare check in the 800 block of

North Nelson. A vehicle was reported

to police as being stolen. Officers had escort duty in the 600 block of North Ward.

A spill of hazardous material was reported in the 500 block of North

Magnolia. A suspicious person

block of East Kentucky. Officers assisted a motorist in the 100 block of West Brown. A narcotics violation

was reported in the 100 block of East Harvester. A theft was reported in the 1200 block of Hobart. An alarm was reported

in the 200 block of West A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 1600

block of West Kentucky. A domestic disturbance was reported in the 700 block of East Malone.

Firefighters made a good intention call in the 1100 block of Crane.

Disorderly conduct was reported at Juniper and Rosewood.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 2600 block of North Hobart.

A suspicious person was reported in the 900 block of East Frederic. A theft was reported to

police.

Thursday, Dec. 9 A suspicious person was reported at Crawford and Love.

Officers made a welfare check in the 300 block of North West.

An abandoned vehicle

was reported at Tignor and Frederic. Disorderly conduct was

reported in the 400 block of North Lowry. A motor home was re-

ported burglarized in torist at Hobart and Kenthe 500 block of South tucky Somerville. lije bilind Samur ear eniger mehne

The Pampa Police De- was reported at Nelson partment reported the fol- and Alcock. lowing incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. today.

Police reported 14 traffic-related calls. Animal Control Officers

reported 15 animal-related calls. Pampa EMS reported nine ambulance calls. Lefors Animal Control re-

ported one medical emergency. Lefors Volunteer Fire Department reported one medical emergency. The Pampa Fire Department reported two medical emergencies.

Thursday, Dec. 9

An unattended death was reported in the 1300 block of North Coffee.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1500 block of North Hamilton.

A suspicious person was reported in the 1000 block of West Wilks.

A hazardous material spill was reported in the 500 block of North Davis.

A grass fire was reported on Texas Highway 273 North.

A theft was reported to police.

Officers assisted a mo-A theft was reported to

police. A suspicious person

Officers were placed on special assignment in the 2400 block of North

A suspicious vehicle was reported to police.

A domestic dispute was reported in the 1000 block of Charles.

A dumpster fire was reported in the 900 block of

A theft was reported in the 100 block of North Faulkner. A threat was reported in the 1000 block of South Hobart.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1000 block of North Wells.

A suspicious person was reported in the 100 block of South Starkweather. Officers made a welfare

check in the 300 block of

North Warren. Friday, Dec. 10

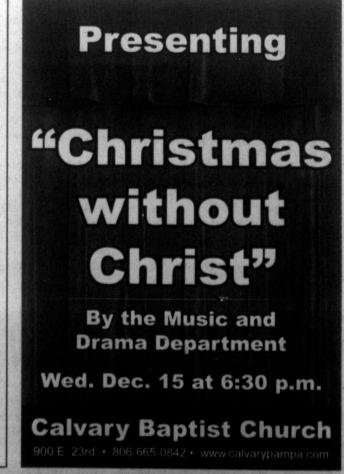
A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 400 block of South Gillespie.

ELEBRATING

Mike & Dorothy Porter's 67th anniversary and their 90th and 85th birthdays



YOU ARE INVITED to come to the reception from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 11th at VFW Post #1657. The reception will be hosted by their 6 children and a family dinner will ensue afterwards. Dorothy Stone married Mike Porter in 1943 in Fort Worth, Texas. They have been residents of Pampa for 65 years. Both are retired and are members of First Baptist Church. Mike is a member of VFW post # 1657 and Dorothy is a member of Ladies Auxiliary. Their children are Jan McCathernand and husband Glenn; Cheri Patterson and husband Dan all of Amarillo; Mickey Porter and wife Suzie of Utah; Rod Porter and wife Barbara of Lefors; Jeanna Zuniga and Husband Daniel and Deanna Polasek and husband Eugene, all of Pampa. They have 15 grandchildren and 12 great-grand-



Bonuses for fund managers

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) - A nearly 13 percent return for the pension system that benefits Texas teachers means \$9.7 million in performance bonuses to its investment

The Austin American-Statesman reported, for its Friday editions, that the \$104 billion Teacher Retirement System of Texas turned in the best one-year performance among the nation's largest public pension funds. The return earned Chief Investment Officer Britt Harris a bonus of nearly double his \$480,000 base salary.

But Tim Lee with the Texas Retired Teachers Association says the bonuses are "going to sting" for retirees who haven't had an increase in their monthly checks in the past decade.

The fund still has only 83 cents for every dollar needed to meet its long-term obligations. Texas law says no additional benefits can go to retirees unless the trust fund is considered fully funded.

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TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) - The new chief of the U.S. Border Patrol's Tucson Sector will come from El Paso,

Agency officials say Randy Hill will replace Victor Manjarrez Jr., who recently left the post after just nine months due to undisclosed personal reasons.

The Arizona Daily Star says Hill becomes the third consecutive Tucson sector chief to come from the same position in the El Paso sector. Manjarrez and his predecessor, Robert W. Gilbert, were also El Paso sector

Hill had been in El Paso since September. He previously was the Del Rio sector chief dating back to November 2005. He began his Border Patrol career in 1978 in Las

Manjarrez is a Tucson native and graduate of the University of Arizona. The 21-year Border Patrol veteran became the Tucson sector chief in February. His stint is the shortest of any Tucson Sector chief since 1955.

Red light camera dispute in court

HOUSTON (AP) - A federal judge in Houston is being asked whether the Nov. 2 decision by Houston voters to turn off red-light cameras was legal.

City Attorney David Feldman on Thursday argued that Houston does not owe the company that operated the program, American Traffic Solutions Inc., more money because the contract was voided by the decision

Scottsdale, Ariz.,-based ATS maintains the contract, which expires in 2014, is not automatically nullified and that the city should keep the cameras operating and paying the company. ATS also questions whether a public referendum can overturn public safety laws.

U.S. District Judge Lynn Hughes has ordered both sides, by next week, to produce additional arguments about legality of the referendum, which was approved with 53 percent support.

The cameras were turned off Nov. 15.

UT Tower trademarked

CEDAR PARK, Texas (AP) ΓCö A replica of the famed 307-foot-tall University of Texas tower has landed an Austin-area car wash operator in hot water. UT officials are claiming potential trademark viola-

tions with the 60-foot-tall structure at Tower Car Wash in Cedar Park. The car wash opened this month.

Owner and Longhorns fan Bob Tesch says he just wanted to create something interesting and inspirational. Tesch, who attended UT, says he's a proud alum. UT's Craig Westemeier says they're working with the car wash on possible design changes for the tower-

UT says the campus tower is the school's most distinguishing landmark and is a symbol of academic excellence and personal opportunity.

Man guilty of prostituting girl

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - A San Antonio man faces up to life in prison after being convicted in what prosecutors say was the abduction, rape and prostituting of a 13-year-old runaway girl.

The penalty phase was scheduled Friday for 45-yearold Juan Moreno.

A jury on Thursday night convicted Moreno of human trafficking, super aggravated sexual assault of a child, aggravated kidnapping and compelling prosti-

Prosecutors say Moreno was a dealer who three years ago kidnapped the girl after she tried to buy drugs from him, then raped her and sold her to other men for sex. The victim, who's now 16, testified she was drugged, tied up and locked in a bedroom at a San Antonio

house. Defense attorney William Maynard says the girl is

Moreno's 41-year-old brother, Bobby "Spider"

Moreno, faces trial later.

Ping-ponging gas prices rebound

IRVING, Texas (AP) ΓÇö Rebounding crude oil prices translated into rebounding retail gasoline prices across the state and the nation this week.

The weekly AAA Texas gasoline price survey shows the average price of a gallon of regular unleaded in Texas shot up by a dime to \$2.82 and by 7 cents to

The cheapest gasoline in Texas is found in El Paso. The city that had the state's most expensive gasoline for several months now has the cheapest at \$2.75 per gallon for regular unleaded, 8 cents above last week. The most expensive gasoline in Texas is in Texarkana, where the average rose 9 cents to \$2.84 per gallon. The biggest price jump was 12 cents per gallon in Corpus Christi, to a \$2.79 average, and Galveston, to a \$2.80 average.

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AFTERNOONRUSH Foes of nuke rules argue case at hearing

Associated Press

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) Opponents of a plan to allow nuclear waste from 36 other states to be buried near the Texas-New Mexico border raised their concerns Thursday at a public hearing, complaining that the rules are being rushed through the approval process.

Craig McDonald of Texans for Public Justice was among the 25 people who argued against the proposal during the meeting of the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact Commission in Austin. He called it a "rush to radiation," suggesting the 30-day comment period that ends Dec. 26 doesn't allow nearly enough time to weigh the issues, particularly because it comes during the holiday season.

"In the development of the timeline for this rule the commercial interests have been placed well ahead of the public interest," he said. "Public safety and fiscal responsibility demand a much more thorough examination of the consequences of the adop-

But Rick Jacobi, a licensed nuclear engineer speaking on behalf of the company that operates the site, Dallas-based Waste Control Specialists, said the commission has given the public ample time to comment.

"This rule has been more than thoroughly reviewed, debated, discussed, amended and considered by both the public and the commission," Jacobi said.

A previous set of rules withdrawn for revisions this summer had allowed for a 90-day comment period.

Opponents of the plan far outnumbered the supporters at the meeting and expressed concerns about the potential dangers of transporting the waste and the threat to the Ogallala Aquifer and other groundwater sources should radiation leak from the site. Supporters of the site say the Ogallala is not beneath the property.

eight-member The commission made up of appointees by the governors of Texas and Vermont approved the wording of the proposed rules last

a compact that allows both states to bury nuclear waste at the privately operated site in West Texas.

Control Waste Specialists, which got its license to dispose of lowlevel nuclear waste last year, has yet to receive final approval from Texas environmental regulators to build the compact's disposal facility 30 miles west of Andrews.

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality is considering an amendment to the company's disposal license that would modify the design and construction of the compact's site and change its environmental monitoring

Texas and Vermont have already been given clearance to bury at the site once the facility is built. Federal waste will be disposed at the site but in a separate location on the property.

In the early 1980s, the federal government started urging states to build lowlevel nuclear waste landfills, either on their own or in cooperation with other states in compact systems Since then, South Carolina

entered into a compact with New Jersey and Connecticut, agreeing to dispose of nuclear waste at a landfill that later accepted waste from dozens of other states.

Should the proposed rules be adopted by the commission, low-level radioactive waste from 36 other states could be also dumped at a privately run facility in a remote region of West Texas. Requests for importation or exportation would be considered on a case-by-case basis.

The waste would become the property of Texas once the disposal facility accepts the low-level waste, and the state would be liable for any possible future contamination after the facility closes.

If the more recent proposed rules are approved, the new disposal site would start taking worker clothing, glass, metal and other low-level materials currently stored at nuclear power plants, hospitals, universities and research labs

The commission hasn't yet set a date for its next

Probe into Texas network's blackmail claim dropped

LINDA STEWART BALL Associated Press

DALLAS (AP) Authorities have dropped their investigation into a Christian television network's allegations of extortion by three former employees, a suburban Dallas-area police department said Thursday.

Bedford Police spokesman Lt. Kirk Roberts said the department reviewed details provided by Daystar Television Network and also consulted with the Tarrant County District Attorney's Office before determining that "there does not appear to be any criminal conduct under the Texas law."

Daystar is a global Christian network based in the Dallas-area suburb of Bedford that airs high-profile evangelists including Joel Osteen, T.D. Jakes, Benny Hinn, Kenneth Copeland, Creflo Dollar and Joyce Meyers.

It made secular headlines last week when the BLACKMAIL cont. on page 5 Rev. Marcus Lamb, who co-founded the network, appeared before a worldwide television audience with his wife, Joni, to admit that he had an affair with a woman years ago - and to allege that three unnamed people had tried to extort \$7.5 million from him to stay quiet about his infidelity.

The next day, former employee Jeanette Hawkins sued Daystar, saying she was promised a Christian working environment and was devastated after learning that Marcus Lamb, also a prominent televangelist, was having an affair with her supervisor. She claimed his network was trying to cover it up.

Daystar countersued Hawkins last Friday, saying she and her attorney made "outrageous allegations" and amended the original lawsuit that they'd given to media outlets.

"This shows that the claim of extortion was utterly baseless," said Hawkins' attorney, James Fisher. "That is now beyond dispute because the police statement says their decision was based on details provided by Daystar. . . . Taking everything Daystar said at face value, they had nothing.'

Fisher said authorities did not interview him or his clients but commended Bedford police and prosecutors "for their diligence in acting on this matter so quickly."

Daystar issued a statement saying it "will continue to aggressively pursue its legal claims to prevent former employees and their legal counsel from capitalizing on the personal crisis experienced by co-founders, the Lambs. The network also said

it took its concerns to the U.S. Attorney's Office in the Northern District of Texas. A spokeswoman in that office said it is their policy to neither confirm nor deny an investigation.

Federal prosecutor Chad E. Meacham, speaking in general terms about the federal offense of extortion, said it's a crime for a person to wrongfully obtain or attempt to wrongfully obtain property from another person when that person's consent was induced by actual or threatened force, violence or fear

But it is not wrong for a person to engage in hard bargaining, or strong negotiation tactics, to increase pay for legitimate services, he said in an e-mailed



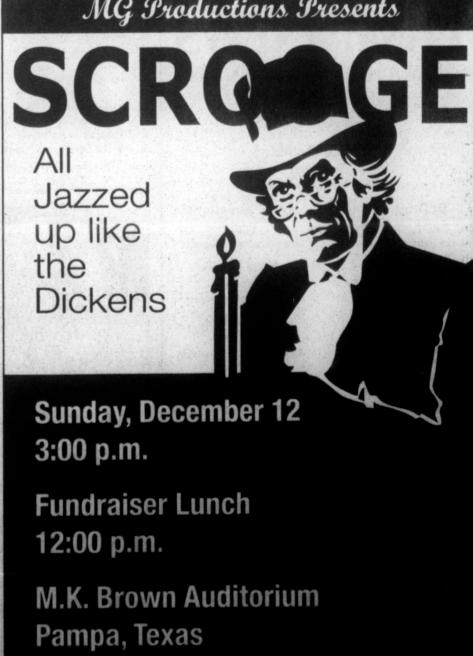
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Viewpoints

Today in History

Today is Friday, Dec. 10, the 344th day of 2010. There are 21 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 10, 1906, President Theodore Roosevelt became the first American to be awarded the Nobel Peace Prize, for helping mediate an end to the Russo-Japanese War.

On this date:

In 1520, Martin Luther publicly burned the papal edict demanding that he recant, or face excommuni-

In 1817, Mississippi was admitted as the 20th state. In 1884, Mark Twain's novel "Adventures of Huckleberry Finn" was first published, in Canada as well as England (however, the book was not released in the United States until Feb. 1885).

In 1910, the U.S. Census Bureau reported that the population of the United States stood at 91,972,266. The opera "La fanciulla del West" (The Girl of the Golden West), by Giacomo Puccini, had its world premiere at New York's Metropolitan Opera.

In 1931, Jane Addams became the first American woman to be awarded the Nobel Peace Prize (the corecipient was Nicholas Murray Butler).

In 1948, the U.N. General Assembly adopted its Universal Declaration on Human Rights. In 1950, Ralph J. Bunche was awarded the Nobel

Peace Prize, the first black American to receive the award.

In 1964, Martin Luther King Jr. received his Nobel Peace Prize.

In 1967, singer Otis Redding, 26, and six others were killed when their plane crashed into Wisconsin's Lake Monona.

In 1984, South African Bishop Desmond Tutu received the Nobel Peace Prize.

Ten years ago: In Washington, lawyers for Al Gore and George W. Bush filed briefs outlining their cases to be argued the next day before the U.S. Supreme Court.

Five years ago: A U.N. conference on global warming ended in Montreal with an agreement by more than 150 nations (not including the United States) to open talks on mandatory post-2012 reductions in greenhouse gases.

One year ago: President Barack Obama accepted the Nobel Peace Prize with a humble acknowledgment of his scant accomplishments and a robust defense of the U.S. at war. James Cameron's 3-D film epic "Avatar" had its world premiere in London.

Today's Birthdays: Former Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter is 80. Actor Tommy Kirk is 69. Actress Fionnula Flanagan is 69. Pop singer Chad Stuart (Chad and Jeremy) is 69. Actress-singer Gloria Loring is 64. Pop-funk musician Walter "Clyde" Orange (The Commodores) is 64. Rhythmand-blues singer Ralph Tavares is 62. Rhythm-andblues singer Jessica Cleaves (Friends of Distinction) is 62. Country singer Johnny Rodriguez is 59. Actress Susan Dey is 58. Former Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich is 54. Actor Michael Clarke Duncan is 53. Jazz musician Paul Hardcastle is 53. Actordirector Kenneth Branagh is 50. Actress Nia Peeples is 49. TV chef Bobby Flay is 46. Rock singermusician J Mascis is 45. Country singer Kevin Sharp is 40. Actress-comedian Arden Myrin is 37. Rock musician Meg White (The White Stripes) is 36. Violinist Sarah Chang is 30. Actress Raven-Symone

Thought for Today: "Beauty is not caused. It is." Emily Dickinson, American poet (born this date in 1830, died in 1886).



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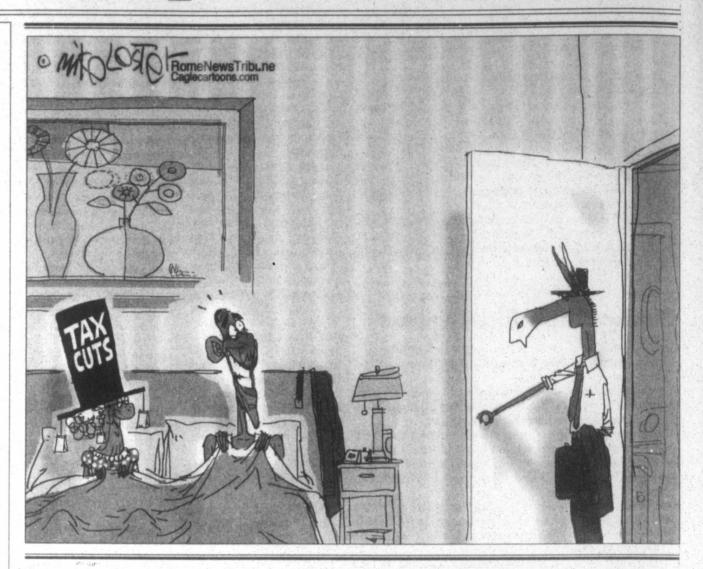
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It's beginning to (feel) a lot like Christmas

Mainly Christmas

What a great day! Almost all reports on Christmas on Main were positive. (There are always one or two Grinches!) The weather was "Christmasy". Several animals were adopted from the PAWS organization. After seeing Santa at the White Deer Land Museum after the parade, some folks stayed and toured the facility. The VFW and the Texas Furniture building were full of crafters, vendors, and shoppers.

I have received a lot of compliments on the day, but I want to be clear that it was all organized and produced by Pam, Myra, Teresa, Linda, and the others at Shepherd's Helping Hands. They did a terrific job—and thanks to all of the sponsors, volunteers, and especially participants who made it a

I love a parade

Well, the Chamber did have a couple of roles: the parade and the Shop Pampa drawings.

Regarding the parade, I was especially pleased in the number of participants, and how many of them got in the spirit of "Boomtown Christmas". There were gushers and flares and tanks and period automobiles.

This parade was the first time I have ever seen a Knights of Columbus Color Guard. They are impressive in their regalia!

While the Chamber hosts the parade, it would not have been accomplished without Peggy Coleman and others of Pampa's emergency responders getting everyone lined out.

Thanks also to Benny Horton and Mary Lee Bolin for driving cars representing the Citizen of the Year and the Business of the Year-also to Sheila Webb and Bob Marx for representing the Top o' Texans-

Chamber Music the Goldcoats. thanks (And



Band was awesome-but then, we have come to expect that! (Special thanks to Charles Henry. I

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cars.)

had the office by myself the two days preceding the event, and Charles ame in one day to help me out while I had to be gone.)

The third time's a charm...or is that the 30th time?

Getting a "Boomtown Bucks" winner was a snap at 3 pm. Carol Ziegelgruber had the number that matched the first ticket drawn by youngster Katy Strickland for a prize of \$500 bucks. It lulled us into a false sense of ease.

At 6 pm, we began drawing for a second winner. Santa drew. No luck. A PHS Cheerleader drew. No luck. A tov soldier, a snowman, and a young boy drew. No luck. It was getting cold. We interrupted the drawing to turn on the Christmas tree lights. We drew some more. I can't be exactly sure how many numbers we called out, but when I emptied my pockets

later, I had 30 drawn tickets. The waiting paid off for winner Betty Winters—an appropriate name, as we were all feeling winter by this time! (Thanks to John Horst for tightening up our hopper and to Davee Smith for helping me get it set up.)

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Hark! Hark!

"Hark the Herald Angels Sing" is probably my favorite Christmas Carol. Wonderful words by Charles Wesley and a majestic tune by Felix Mendelssohn. But I have seen "It's A Wonderful Life" so many times I can pretty much quote it, and when we got to the third verse this past Sunday, so help me all I could think of was "Why do you have to keep playing that stupid tune over and over?" (I was ashamed of myself!)

Weird at Woody's

Last Friday I took a call from a man wanting to know about the "foll music thing" we had in Pampa. I told him about the semi-monthly jam sessions and that he would be welcome any time. He told me he was from south of Amarillo, but that he planned on coming that very evening.

My wife and I had been invited to dinner with friends, so I hadn't planned on going to the Guthrie Center, but thought I'd drop by to see if the fellow came. When Thelma Bray pointed him out, I introduced myself. "Andrew Price" he said, reciprocating. "Your name sounds familiar." When I said that his did as well, he told me he worked for the Boy Scout Council. I knew where I heard his name.

You were on the conference call with Jim Anderson (our area's new Boy Scout executive) when we reported in earlier this week." An odd coincidence.

Joe Weaver is the Executive Director of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce



Tips on installing a stainless steel sink

Dear Pat: I love the look of stainless steel appliances in the kitchen. So far, I have a stainless dishwasher, refrigerator and oven; now my old sink is sticking out like a sore thumb. Is installing a stainless steel sink a do-it-yourself project I can handle since my budget is limited? Tara S.

Dear Tara: Stainless appliances give a kitchen a modern and stylish feel. Since you already have most of your kitchen looking new, you might as well do the sink next. Remember, maintaining the stainless steel shine is a must for keeping that new-kitchen look.

Stainless is a great, durable, easyto-handle choice for a sink. Sinks come in a range of styles, from one large sink to three smallersized sinks with a disposal area. Depending on your family size and needs, there seems to be an option for almost everyone.

If your budget will allow for it, choose a thick sink. The metal thickness ranges from .028 inches to .050 inches. Although less expensive, a thinner unit is more likely to become dented and can even sound cheaper when something is dropped in it.

If you must go with a less-expensive model, try spraying foam insulation under the sink after it is installed to help improve the rigidity. This may also provide some additional condensation control. If you are measuring in gauges, remember: The lower the number, the thicker the metal and the higher

After you have removed your old sink, measure the opening in the countertop. Take your measurements from underneath the counter and be extremely accurate. The overall dimensions of the new sink should be at least 1/2 inch larger than the opening. This way, you will have some overlap.

If you can't find a matching size to fit the old opening, buy the nextlargest sink and cut with a jigsaw. Don't worry if your cutting skills are not up to par. The countertop HOME HOW-TO

edge will be hidden under the new sink's flange.

After you have decided on a sink and are sure it will fit, apply a layer of plumber's putty around the sink's edge. Align the sink in the hole and press it firmly down so it sits on the putty and forms a watertight seal.

Install the tightening clips underneath the sink to secure it to the countertop. Be sure you bend the clips away from the outer edge of the sink. Using a damp cloth, wipe away any excess putty.

Now you are ready for a faucet

HOME HOW-TO

for the faucet, while others still need some work done. Follow the manufacturer's instructions for your particular model.

To maintain the beauty and shine of your new sink, avoid getting any chlorine-based chemicals such as bleach on it for extended periods. Rinsing your sink after each use will help remove any residue. Stainless steel can retain its luster when it is cleaned with household cleanser and a soft towel. Avoid leaving a wet steel wool cleaning pad in the sink. Follow these tips, and your sink is sure to be shining for years to come.

Send your questions to Here's How, 6906 Royalgreen Dr., Cincinnati, OH 45244 or visit www.dulley.com.

Toys

the event.

"We are totally clueless," McCoy "Nothing like this has happened before. It is pretty heartbreaking."

"But," she quickly added, "it is going to work out."

The community has already responded with donations of toys and

The Booker (TX) Lion's Club has sent a donation.

Brad Pingel (who is also McCoy's son) of the The Pampa Lion's Club said the local organization has committed cont. from page 1

\$750 to the cause and the Pampa Walmart has donated \$250.

"Basically we are just going to have to replace the toys," McCoy said. "Santa will deliver those toys on the 21st."

To make a monetary donation, make the check or money order to Perryton Toys for Tots, c/o JoAnn McCoy, 1609 Harvard, Perryton, TX 79070. Donations of new toys are also accepted and may be sent to the same address.

For more information, call 435-8817

Texas home sales down from October

COLLEGE STATION, cent lower than October Tex. (Real Estate Center) Just over 14,400 existing homes were sold in Texas last month, according to newly released data from Texas Multiple Listing Services (MLS). That's a 26 percent drop from October 2009.

Real Estate Center Research Economist Dr. Jim Gaines said the drop was not unexpected after last year's "unsustainable" tax stimulus effects.

"Last October and November sales exploded because of the first-time buyer's tax credit," Gaines said, noting that sales for October '09 were up 16 percent from the year before. "This year, without the tax credit incentive, October sales were 26 percent lower than last October's sales and 14 per'08 sales."

Gaines said to expect similar kinds of negative numbers when comparing spring 2011 sales figures with the inflated sales from this past spring, which he said were a result of the extended and expanded tax

"The fall may not be as large since the second round of tax incentives didn't generate the same level of increase in sales as the earlier credit," he said.

Meanwhile, the median price for an existing home increased by 2 percent last month to \$145,100, and there was a 7.8-month

October 2010 MLS data for many Texas cities (current as of Nov. 29, 2010) are available on the Real Estate Center website

Texas dairy company settles Vt. antitrust lawsuit

MONTPELIER, Vt. (AP) the Dallas-based Dean A national dairy processor says it is going to pay \$30 million to settle a class-action lawsuit filed spokesman and that at least one of Vermont and other northment, it will agree to a Host Phil McGraw told Larry Ross said later that them knew she had forgiv- eastern states that accused number of other terms and the firm of violating federal antitrust laws.

> The news of the settlement between Dean Foods and the farmers was contained in a filing Thursday to the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The lawsuit alleged that

Foods and others were forcing farmers to work with them.

Dean Foods' filing says by dairy farmers from that, in addition to the payconditions. It did not say what those conditions are.

Dean spokeswoman Liliana Esposito says the company can't comment until the deal has been approved by a court, which is expected next week.

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Fisher has said that when he initially approached Daystar last month it was to initiate settlement discussions on behalf of his three clients.

On Thursday, the Lambs appeared on the Dr. Phil show, talking about how they had mended their marriage. The talk show host said he wanted people to see that it's possible for marriages to overcome infidelity; that "couples do heal, they do survive, they do keep their families

the Lambs their story was "an inspiration and victory" because Marcus Lamb accepted "100 percent responsibility" and the couple is getting their marriage back on track.

Marcus Lamb said he will be stepping down from preaching for at least a year followed by a year's probation, as required by his denomination, the Church of God in Cleveland, Tenn.

"That's just part of the consequences of sin,' Marcus Lamb said.

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Daystar the Lambs would meet with denomination leaders next week to work out the details and the process is not punitive.

Asked how they felt about the former employees, Joni Lamb said she was having a difficult time

en her husband and that the Lambs were trying to heal their marriage privately.

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"All you can do is tell the truth and take your pain and use it to try to help someone else," Joni Lamb

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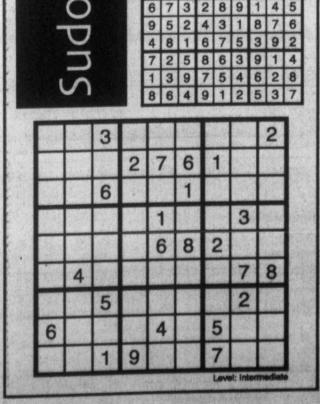








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Calvary Baptist performs Christmas program Wed.

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Calvary Baptist Church performs their Christmas program "A Christmas Without Christ" 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at the sanc-

The program is about a man named Michael Stewart that wants to keep Christmas secular and doesn't believe in celebrating the birth of Christ. Through a strange set of circumstances Michael realizes that celebrating the birth of Christ is what Christmas is all about. Worship pastor Gary Jameson said they perform a different program every year and the youth

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pastor came up with the idea for the script. "The script is kind of based on the same concept the movie "A Wonderful Life" was based off of," Jameson said.

The program will include music from the choir and instrumentalist. Jameson said the program is a great way to celebrate the Christmas season.

"It's a good drama and people will enjoy it," Jameson said. "It's a good way to celebrate the season.'

The program is about an hour long and nursery will be provided for kids up to four years old. Calvary Baptist is located on the 900 block of East 23rd Street.



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Calvary Baptist Choir Members sing in last year's Christmas program.

Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: My husband "Zak" and I have been married five years. His brother "Tom" has never liked me. In fact, he went out of his way to ruin our wedding. Just before the ceremony he feigned a dramatic illness, yelled obscenities at my aunt for taking pictures and refused to wear his dress shirt or tie. Abby, he was a grooms-

Tom is being married this spring to a woman who likes me even less than he does. I want no part of their wedding, nor do I even want to attend. Zak insists that I go and be "civil." Is my husband right? Should I swallow my feelings and go to the wedding, or am I justified in sitting this one out? - THE "BLACK SHEEP" IN-LAW

DEAR B.S.I.L: While I understand your feelings, my advice is to go to the wedding and be civil. Don't do it for Tom and his fiancee. Do it for your husband. Considering the way your brother- and sister-in-law-to-be appear to feel about you, you won't have to tolerate their company often, so count your blessings.

DEAR ABBY: I had an affair with a married man for about nine months. I broke it off after finally realizing it wasn't going anywhere and he was lying to me about his intentions. Part of me wants him to feel pain for his actions. I want to contact his spouse anonymously and tell him not to trust him. Most of my friends advise against this, while a few tell me to go ahead. What do you think? - JOHN IN SAN FRANCISCO

DEAR JOHN: Please do not repre-

sent yourself as an example of injured and outraged virtue "done wrong" by a married man. You knew he was married and you were a willing participant. If you insist on contacting your lover's spouse and causing pain, have the testicular fortitude to identify yourself. To do so anonymously would be cowardly.

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DEAR ABBY: A couple of years ago my son went away to school and met a girl from another state who had no family or friends here. "Celia" was adopted as a baby and didn't get along well with her adoptive family. When my son returned home, Celia came with him - engaged. Our family accepted her into our home and our hearts.

When their engagement was called off, because Celia had nowhere to go, she moved in with me and my husband. She continued to live with us until she met someone and they were married. She is close to my other kids, especially my two daughters.

Celia recently gave birth to a baby boy. She refers to me as his grandma, which pleases me greatly. I have two other grandchildren whom I adore. My question is, how do I explain to people who ask, when I have the baby, who he is? When I say "my grandson," they ask me from which of my kids. That leads to a long, drawn-out explanation I don't always feel like making. - FULL OF LOVE IN MIS-

DEAR FULL OF LOVE: Why not say, "My honorary grandson"? And if you are questioned further, add, "His mother is like a daughter to me."

PAMPA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE **GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS** FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

		10 General Fund	Debt Service Fund	60 Capital Projects	Other Funds	Total Government Funds
	Revenues:	1. 1. 1. 1. 1.				
5700	Total Local and		\$3,418,218	\$75,895	\$771,595	\$15,566,982
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5900	Federal Program Revenues	\$235,600			\$5,535,503	\$5,771,103
5020	Total Revenues	\$23,634,422	\$3,698,495	\$75,895	\$6,521,088	\$33,929,900
	Expenditures:					
0011	Instruction	\$13,903,246			\$2,441,617	\$16,344,863
0012	Instructional Resources and Media Services	\$407,871			\$11,562	\$419,433
0013	Curriculum and Instruc- tional Staff Development	\$494,974			\$466,443	\$961,417
0021	Instructional Leadership	\$201,776			\$105,549	\$307,325
0023	School Leadership	\$1,497,996			\$15,962	\$1,513,958
0031	Guidance, Counselling and Evaluation Services	\$876,925			\$18,219	\$895,144
0032	Social Work Services	\$28,206	i Hallini		\$35,205	\$63,411
0033		\$264,705			\$54,813	\$319,518
0034	Student (Pupil) Transportation	\$287,866			\$87,053	\$374,919
0035	Food Services				\$1,890,745	\$1,890,745
0036	Extracurricular Activities	\$1,189,519			\$82,874	\$1,272,393
0041	General Administration	\$1,135,324			\$712	\$1,136,135
0051	Facilities Maintenance and Operations	\$2,392,117			\$175,060	\$2,567,177
0052	Security and Monitoring Services	\$174,051				\$174,051
0053	Data Processing Services	\$447,645			\$61,805	\$509,450
0061	Community Services	\$96,131			\$155,211	\$251,342
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0071	Debt Service - Principal on Long Term Debt	\$38,712	\$416,292		\$82,859	\$537,863
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0093	Payments to Fiscal Agent/ Member Districts of SSA				\$1,097,293	\$1,097,293
0099	Other Intergovernmental Charges	\$322,210				\$322,210
6030	Total Expenditures	\$24,314,169	\$3,032,167	\$18,578,077	\$7,230,592	\$53,155,005
1100	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) . Expenditures	(\$679,747)	\$666,328	(\$18,502,182)		(\$19,225,105)
	Other Financing So	urces (Use	s):	1.56		
7915	Transfers In	\$206			\$12,899	\$13,105
8911	Transfers Out (Use)	(\$12,899)			(\$206)	(\$13,105)
7060	Total Other Financing	(\$12,693)			\$12,693	(#15,105)
1200	Sources (Uses) Net Change in Fund	(\$692,440)	\$666,328	(\$18,502,182)	(\$696,811)	(\$19,225,105
0100	Balances Fund Balance - July 1	\$9,736,166	\$1,705,057	\$24,929,087	\$1,240,608	\$37,610,918
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The Good Word: Light in the Darkness

Each of the gospel writers begins their version of the good news a little differently. Mark begins with the ministry of John the Baptist. It's not a bad place to begin, after all, the Old Testament ends with Malachi's declaration that a prophet will come to prepare the way for the day of the Lord. But Matthew doesn't think that Mark goes back far enough, so he starts with Jesus' genealogy and tracks it back to David before he goes on to tell us how Jesus was born of Mary. Luke must have thought that Matthew didn't go back far enough either, because he tracks Jesus' genealogy all the way back to Adam after he tells us about the birth of Jesus as well as John the Baptist. While John doesn't mention anything about a manger, or shepherds, or Wisemen; John decides to start his version of the story with the beginning.

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I In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was with God in the beginning. 3 Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. 4 In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. 5 The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

Notice that John does not say that the light will destroy the darkness, or that the darkness will suddenly disappear when the light arrives. Rather, what John seems to be saying is that, while there is still darkness out there, it is ultimately powerless in terms of overcoming the light. It would have been nice if ohn had said that, once light entered the world, the darkness went away. But of course, we know that that's not the case. There is still darkness in our world ... still sadness ... still evil ... still death. The difference is that those things will not, and cannot prevail. The light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it.

Many of you know what it is like to be in the darkness. When we lose our loved ones, their lights are extinguished and our world becomes a darker place. When we lose a loved one, the light that once gave us so much joy is suddenly snuffed out; the light that once warmed our hearts has been replaced by the cold darkness. Whether you are separated from your loved ones by death or physical or emotional distance, you long for the light that has been lost.

For many of you, this is a particularly difficult time of year. All the Christmas lights that are strung up during this season are reminders of the light that you have lost. In the midst of all the joy and celebration, your pain becomes more acute and your hurts seem heavier. Even the lights can seem like darkness to you. But today we give thanks, because the light of the world shines in the darkness. There is no where we can go to escape the love of God. Even in the darkness, God is there. Sometimes when there is an absence in our lives, we experience a stronger sense of God's presence in our lives.

A few years ago people made a big fuss over a biography written about Mother Teresa. The author of the book published a number of Mother Teresa's letters to her confessor and in these letters



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Mother Teresa expressed deep anguish over God's apparent absence in her life. said that if Mother Teresa could question God's presence in her life, then surely God must not exist. However, what these critics failed to recognize was the growth that

she experienced. After many years of anguish over God's apparent absence in her life, Mother Teresa's confessor suggested that when she felt this way she should consider when Jesus was on the cross and cried out, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me" (Matthew 27:46; Mark 15:34). From that point on, whenever Mother Teresa felt like God was absent, she felt like she could relate to her Lord and Savior who also felt God's apparent absence. She knew that darkness is as light to God. She understood that God sent us the light of the world and "In him was life, and that life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." As we prepare to celebrate Christ coming in the manger, we look forward to the day when Christ will come again to make all things new. Revelation 22:5 says, "There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign forever and ever." Today we look forward to the day when God will wipe every tear from our eyes and we will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. We look forward to that never-ending

This year when I was stringing up our Christmas lights on our house, my wife asked my daughter what I was doing. She said, "He's hanging from the lights." My wife laughed and asked if my daughter meant to say that I was hanging up the lights. After I got down off the roof my daughter wanted me to turn on the lights and I told her that they were already on. She said that they didn't look on to her. Then I explained to her that it is hard to see the light during the day. So later that night, I took her out to see the lights burning brightly in the darkness. Whether you are in a bright and happy place or you are in a dark and lonely place, please know that God is with you.

Today we recognize that darkness, sin, and death are all around us. John did not say that when the light appeared darkness was expelled, that will come later. While these things still exist, they do not have the last word. The One who has the last word is the One who had the first word ... "Let there be light!"

CHURCH SPOTLIGHT

First Assembly of God to host Gaither Homecoming soloist

ANDREW GLOVER aglover@thepampanews.com

A soloist on the Gaither Homecoming Video Series will perform a Christmas concert at a Pampa church Sunday.

Ann Downing will be singing at the First Assembly of God 10:45 a.m. Pastor Leland Lewis said Ann called

"She had an open date and we agreed to bring her in," Lewis said.

Anyone can come and be there and the event is free. Lewis said music is a way to approach God.

She will be doing a Christmas concert," Lewis said. "It'll be good for people to come and be touched by the

Downing celebrated world-wide broadcast success with a number one spot on the Billboard Magazine's chart for video sales. The Gaither Homecoming Videos have included Downing since her original success in 1991. Downing has performed in the country's largest venues including Carnegie Hall, the Crystal Cathedral and the Billy Graham Crusade in Nashville.

Downing's ministry is also home to the Ms. Lillie Project, a service ministry to nursing homes to provide televisions, DVD players and Gaither Homecoming Videos to facilities across the country. Ann Downing Ministries also helps to host Ann's Middle Tennessee Women's Retreat.

First Assembly of God is located on the 500 block of South Cuyler Street. A free will offering will be taken at

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Saturday, Dec. 11, 2010:

This year, you could step into a new financial world where you become pro-active. You also might spend more than you want to in order to create more of what you want. Establish limits. Your home life becomes a focal point too. You might buy a home, remodel or simply move. The quality of your family interactions improves. If you are single, romance knocks on your door this spring. You easily could have a choice of more than one person. If you are attached, the two of you might want to plan a special trip together. PISCES can stress you out eas-

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)

★★★ Much goes on behind the scenes. Say little but observe a lot. Your ability to determine what is happening could help you gain a firmer grip on a personal matter. Tonight: Shh - sometimes mystery is more

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

*** You gravitate to the right place at the right time. Meet friends halfway, or be willing to try a new spot together. What you are doing makes no difference, as long as you are together. Tonight: Say "yes" to an offer.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

** Allow greater give-and-take between you and a partner. You could be overwhelmed by everything that you hear, and for good reason. Be willing to initiate some dramatic changes within your immediate circle. Tonight: Out and about. A force to be noticed.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Take off for the movies or a day trip. You will discover just how much you enjoy yourself in another setting. Relax and have an important discussion with a friend or loved one. Note how this person is changing right in front of your very eyes.

Tonight: Keep "escape" the theme.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) *** You might want to see what is going on within a relationship. At first you might need to coax someone to talk. Allow greater depth to develop between you and those you deal with every day. Tonight:

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**** Others come forward -- some with invitations and others with what might seem like really good, fun ideas for plans. You have so many choices that you could be overwhelmed. Don't even try to squeeze every one in. Tonight: The only answer is

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★ Whether you dragged some work home or decided to get into a project, you are focused. Visit with a child or loved one if you can. This person wants to participate and be more a part of your day. Remember how important this person is. Tonight: Pizza night.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★ Your sense of well-being emerges in a conversation. A loved one or new friend makes it no secret how he or she feels about you. Communication could take on a sarcastic tone if you are not careful. Tonight: Create the kind of evening you always wanted.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) *** You might not realize how im-

portant your role is on the home front. Some situations you cannot change, but your support is most desired. Be careful how much you invest in your home, real estate or another type of security. Tonight: Beam in what

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

**** The words you choose could make a big difference, as well as your facial expressions and your gestures. Recognize that others can see through any act you might put up. Decide to be authentic. Tonight: Hang with a dear friend at a favorite place.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★ Even if your inner voice says it is great to invest or spend in a certain manner, you could be taking too big of a risk for you. Talk through a change very carefully with someone whose financial knowledge you trust. Tonight: Treating doesn't have to cost.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

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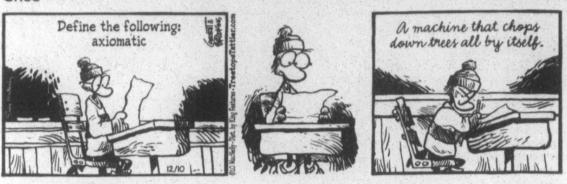
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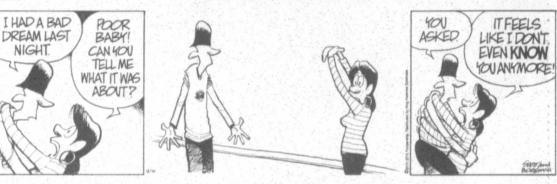
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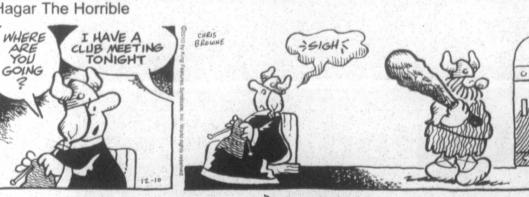




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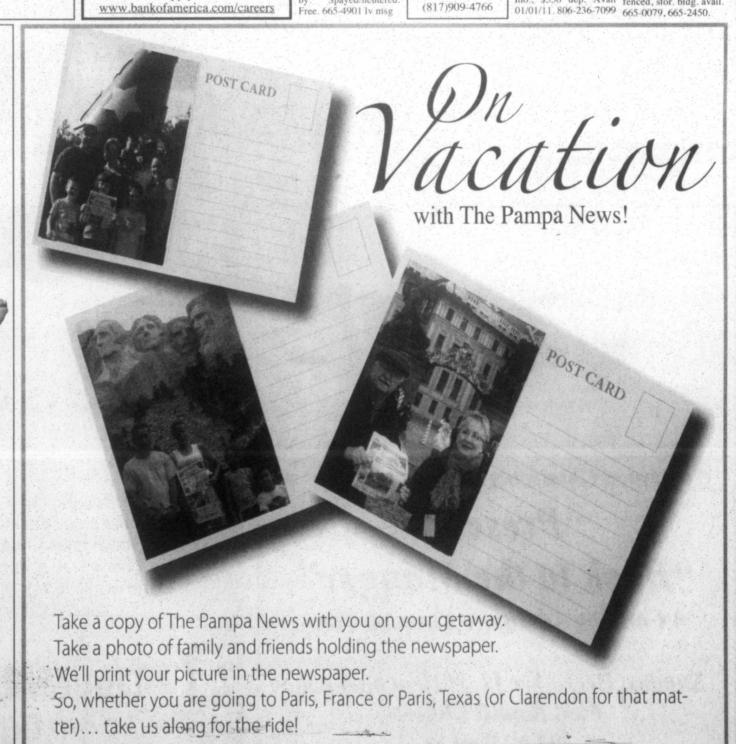


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Senior Brandon Gannaway said they had

better technique than their opponents. "We just had better technique and that

won us the match," Gannaway said. Head coach Billy Smith said they wres-

tled well. "I put a lot of young guys on the mat," Smith said. "I put two juniors on the mat and everyone else was sophomores or

freshman.' Pampa scored three pins in a row including sophomore Quaid Channault and Gannaway. Channault recorded pins in both of his matches and said he was able

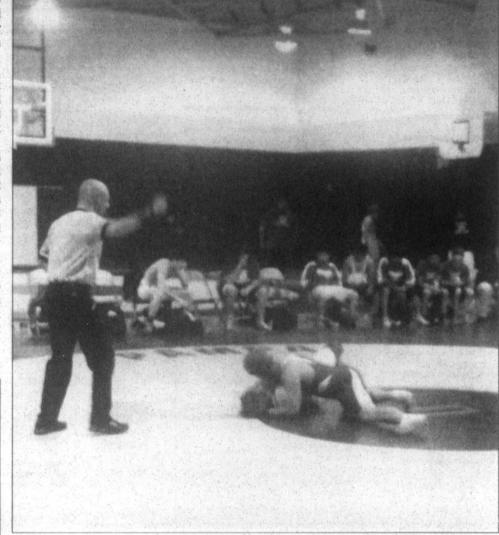
to overpower his opponent. "I just got them down," Channault said. "They were unexperienced. They got their knees too locked up to their chest and I just cradled them.'

In previous action, the Harvesters wrestled at the Randall Dual meet and picked up three wins on Dec. 4. Smith said their performance Dec. 4 was much better than their performance Dec. 3.

"Friday was not pretty," Smith said. "We come in from Thanksgiving with not really good work attitudes and you could tell. They didn't practice well and didn't wrestle well on Friday. They came back on Saturday and won two duals."

The Harvesters also wrestled in a quad against Caprock, Amarillo High and Borger Nov. 30. Those results were not available as of press time. Pampa starts competition today in the Carrollton RC Turner Tournament in Dallas. Smith said he wants his team to not be intimidated by the competition.

"Intimidation starts early," Smith said. "They worry about who they are going to get. Whoever steps out on the mat that's who you are going to wrestle. You want to be one of the ones that gets on the mat and don't worry about it.'



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Brandon Gannaway establishes position on his opponent Thursday at the Old Pampa Junior High. Gannaway pinned his opponent and Pampa beat Borger 7-6. The Harvesters wrestle in the Carrollton RC Turner Tournament today and Saturday.

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staff photo by Andrew Glover Johnny Price seeks to throw down his opponent Thursday against Borger. Price was pinned but Pampa won 7-6 for their fourth win this season.



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