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Bolin trial continues with medical testimony



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The Mary Lee Bolin capital murder trial continued on Wednesday afternoon with witness testimony from the medical professionals who responded to the 911 call of the incident.

Robin Ash, a paramedic with Guardian (then the Pampa ambulance service), said Wednesday afternoon that when she entered the Bolin home in the early morning

▼ Dr. Jimmy Appel enters the courtroom Thursday morning to testify in the Bolin murder trial.

hours of May 21, 2006, she saw the baby lying on its back on the floor with Pampa firefighters working to save its life.

Ash said when she examined the Bolin baby, the baby's skin was cool to the touch, there was no pulse and the baby was not breathing on its own. She said the baby's eyes were partially open and the pupils were dilated.

That's when she made the decision to load the baby in the ambulance and go to the emergency

Riding in the back of the ambulance, Ash said she tried twice to BOLIN cont. on page 8

What now?

What happened to Chisum's Speaker bid, and where be goes from here

> ARNIE AURELLANO editor@thepampanews.com

With Tuesday's Texas House vote making the results of Monday's caucus straw vote official, Joe Straus was re-elected as Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives, ending a campaign by Pampa's Warren Chisum to bring about his

Ultimately, the race for the Speaker position turned out to be not much of one at all, with Straus winning 70 of 100 Republican votes during the caucus and 132 of 147 of total votes during the official legislative session. The high vote numbers for Straus came despite Chisum's early efforts to force the caucus itself and the late surge of support from right wing groups for Straus' other challenger, McKinney's Ken Paxton.

Chisum's push to bring about change in the House seemed as strong an effort as any during its early stages. In October, Tyler's Leo Berman dropped out of the running to endorse Chisum's candidacy. Russ Duerstine a San Angelo Republican who began working for Chisum as a consultant in November — spent a good part of the winter circulating messages opposing Straus throughout arious right wing and CHISUM cont. on page 8



ful in his bid for Speaker of the Texas House, some out of Austin say that he has already set his sights on the chairmanship of the House Appropriations Committee.

Oil and gas proposal on County agenda

DAVID BOWSER dbowser@thepampanews.com

The Gray County Commissioners Court will consider an oil and gas lease proposal on county school land in Gaines when the commission County meets Friday.

Martin Oil and Gas Company of Arizona offered the county an oil and gas lease on the county's school land in Gaines County late last year. A representative of the company is expected to meet with the commission concerning the proposal.

The money from the lease would go to schools in Gray County.

The commission will also consider a lease in the county annex building on East Frederic.

Commissioners will consider a road crossing request from Carter Sand and Gravel 2,500 feet east on Gray J south of Farm-to-Market Road 2300.

They will also consider Raymond Henry's request to install a septic system at his hangar at Perry Lefors Airport and going out for bids to replace exterior doors at the courthouse.

The commission will consider

Clarendon announces Continuing Ed classes

RANDY PRIBBLE

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Clarendon College Pampa Center is announcing its Spring 2011 Continuing Education Schedule.

Among the many courses being offered through Continuing Education this semester are Certified Nursing Aid, Concealed Handgun, Country Band, Spanish as a Second Language, Beginning Computer and CPR/First Aid.

All of the courses right now are being offered at the Pampa Center located at

1601 W. Kentucky in Pampa, Texas. Some of the courses will be housed within the college's recently finished new facilities, which college staff opened with a ribbon cutting ceremony in December.

For the complete Clarendon College course schedule for Spring 2011, visit the college's website at www.clarendoncol-

Anyone interested in classes may also call Christy Brooks, coordinator of Workforce Development, at 806-665-8801, with questions or registration information.



photo courtesy of Charla Shults

Senior 4H member Blake Chisum shows his steer. The Gray County 4H and FFA exhibitors are preparing for the Gray County Livestock Show and Sale on Saturday. For show information or to support the exhibitors as a buyer, call 662-5544.

Chamber Luncheon

Tuesday, January 18th at 11:45 a.m.

MK Brown Room at the Chamber (Kingsmill Entrance) Program: "PCC 123: Pampa Chamber in the 1st Year of the 2nd Decade of the 3rd Millenium" Sponsored by Interim Healthcare

\$10/ Person - Enchilada Buffet catered by Plaza RSVP to Chamber at 669-3241 or e-mail exec@pampachamber.com By Friday, January 14, 2011.

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24. Wind chill values between 16 and 21. North northwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 54.

Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around

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Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 27. East northeast wind 5 to 10 mph becoming west southwest.

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Wednesday, Jan. 12

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EMERGENCY SERVICES

Police Department

The Pampa Police Department reported the following call during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

There were 15 animal related calls, 4 medical calls and 2 information calls. Pampa officers performed 11 traffic stops

Wednesday, Jan. 12

An accident was reported in the 1800 block of Dun-

An escort was given to the

800 block of 23rd Avenue. A follow up investigation was performed in the 700

block of Locust. An abandoned vehicle was reported in the 100

block of Nelson. An agency assist was

given in the 700 block of Banks A failure to register as a

sex offender was reported in the 200 block of Kingsmill. An alarm was reported in the 2000 block of Dogwood

A follow up investigation was performed in the 400 block of West.

A criminal trespass was reported in the 200 block of

Kingsmill. An attempt to serve was

performed in the 1300 block of Coffee

A theft was reported in the 300 block of Kingsmill.

A theft was reported in the 1400 block of Hobart.

A criminal trespass was reported in the 400 block of Hill.

A follow up investigation was performed in the 1700 block of Chestnut.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1200 block of Hobart,

An assault was reported in the 1800 block of Hobart.

Louise Dwight, 87

Louise Dwight, 87, of Coleman and former Shamrock resident, died Sunday, January 9, 2011, at Coleman Healthcare Center.

Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m. Saturday, January 15, 2011, at Robertson Funeral Directors, Route 66 Chapel, 100 East 4th Street, McLean, with Rev. Thacker Haynes officiating. Burial will be follow in the Hillcrest Cemetery, McLean, under the direc-

tion of Robertson Funeral Directors, McLean. Local arrangements are under the direction of Stevens Funeral Home, Coleman.

She was born Betty Louise Nix on January 2, 1924, in Mankins, the daughter of Elmer and Betsy Cowan Nix. She grew up in Electra and Harold and graduated from high school at Harold. She married Clyde Dwight, Jr. on April 9, 1941. He preceded her in death on February 5, 2008. She worked for many years as a clerk at the Collingsworth County Courthouse. She moved from Shamrock to Coleman in 2005, was a lifetime member of the Order of the Eastern Star and was a member of the First Methodist Church in McLean.

She is survived by one daughter and son-on-law, Barbara and Dr. Paul Moran of Coleman; five grandchildren, Jennifer and husband John Henry of Brownwood, Joel Moran of Levelland, Jason and wife Lori Moran of Coleman, Jarrod Moran of Tecumseh, Jamie Ruth Moran of Levelland; 12 great-grandchildren, Tara, Alicia, John, Joseph, Samantha and Victoria Henry of Brownwood, Tiffany Chapman of Levelland, Megan, Emily and Sarah of Coleman, Heather and Jonathan Moran of Oklahoma City, and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; one sister, Thelma Sharp; three brothers, Elmer Lee Nix, Raymond Nix, Walter Gardner and a granddaughter, Mi-

A family visitation will be from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday, January 14, 2011, at Robertson Funeral Directors,

The family suggest memorials be made to the following: Hospice of the Big Country, 4601 Hartford, Abilene, TX 79605; Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, P.O. Box 1890 Amarillo, TX 79174-0001 or Shriners Hospitals for Children, Office of Development, 2900 Rocky Point Drive, Tampa, FL 33607.

Obituaries



Dwight

Carolyn G. Stephens Mann, 66

Survivors include two daughters, Sharon Eileene Moss

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations

be made to Abilene State School, 2501 Maple Street,

Sign the online register at www.carmichael-whatley.

and husband Gary of Amarillo, and Karon Ann Bonnell and husband Jim of Pampa; a grandson, Charles Douglas Moss of Amarillo; and a granddaughter, Jennifer Rene

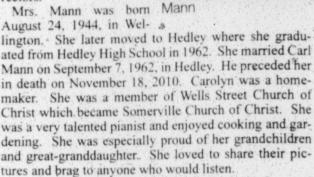
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Abilene, TX 79602, or a favorite charity.

Carolyn G. Stephens Mann, 66, died January 12, 2011, in Pampa.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, January 14, 2011, at Memory Gardens Mausoleum, with Monte Joiner, officiating.

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



Survivors include two daughters, Charla Hefner and husband Keven of Pampa, and Carla Stout and husband Ricky of League City; two grandchildren, Ashlie Stout of Friendswood and Zach Stout of League City; a greatgranddaughter, Ansley Stout of Friendswood; two brothers, Bobby Stephens of Lefors and John Lee Stephens of Sparta, Tenn. She was preceded in death by her parents.

Memorials may be made to Somerville Church of Christ, 500 N. Somerville, Pampa, TX 79065, or a favorite charity.

The family will receive friends at 1212 W. 21st Street

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Inez Downey, 92

Inez Downey, 92, died January 13, 2011, in Pampa.

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Sumner, Pampa, TX 79065.

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funer-

Mrs. Downey was born February 23, 1918, in Semi-

nole, Okla. She had been a resident of Pampa since 1953.

She married L. W. Downey on December 23, 1967, in

Memorials may be made to BSA Hospice, 800 N.

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Larry "Doodle" Donaldson, 57

BIG GARAGE Sale: RE-OPENING Mine & Larry "Doodle" Donald-

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, January 14, 2011, at the First Church of the Nazarene with Pastor Jimmye Cole, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

A missing person was re-Mr. Donaldson was born ported in the 200 block of March 14, 1953 in Charlotte, N.C. He attended An accident was reported



schools in North Carolina and worked as a painter. In September of 2000, he moved to Pampa where he worked in the oil and gas industry, and later owned Elliott Glass, He married Debbie King on August 14, 2008. Larry enjoyed the outdoors where he loved to fish, camp and barbecue. He loved kids and will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

Survivors include his wife, Debbie Donaldson of the home; three sons, Michael Mojica of Pampa, Daniel Mojica of Houston and Eric Mojica of Tulsa, Okla.; five daughters, Kristie Rosales, Kimberly Miranda and Megan Mojica, all of Pampa, Lori Donaldson and Sonja Donaldson, both of North Carolina; a brother, Buddy Donaldson of North Carolina; two sisters, Dianne Gettings and Donna Howell, both of North Carolina. He was preceded in death by his parents; and a brother, Clifton Donaldson.

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Pampa. She was a homemaker. Survivors include her husband, L. W. Downey of the home; two daughters, Betty Tuck of Winnsboro and Linda Davis of Amarillo; five sons, Jewell Snider and Tom Snider, both of Pampa, Charlie Snider of Amarillo, Gary Snider of Borger, and Jim Snider of Dayton: 15 grandchildren, numerous great-grandchildren and great-greatgrandchildren. She was preceded in death by two sons, Gene Snider and Billy Snider; and her parents, Charles

Donaldson

Maxine Smith, 87

Susie "Maxine" Smith, over fifty year resident of Pampa, died Saturday, January 8, 2011, in Denver, Colo. Services will be at 5 p.m. Sunday, January 16, in St. Paul Methodist church with her children officiating. Private family burial will be next to her husband in Fairview

Maxine was born in Atlanta, Kan., on May 16, 1923, to Susie A. Wampler and Virgil Oliver Curtis. While she was stiff and infant, the family moved to Garden City, Kan., where her grandparents resided. She attended Garden City High School and Jr. College. On November 19, 1942, she married Private Roy Smith, her high school sweetheart. After Roy's honorable discharge from the U.S. Army Air Corps, they took up residence again in Garden City and began raising their family. In 1951, Roy's job brought them to Pampa. In 2006 Maxine moved to Denver to live with her son.

Maxine was preceded in death by her husband in 1999, her sister and her three brothers.

Survivors include two daughters, Carol and husband Richard Peet, and Linda and husband David Risley, all of Pampa; four sons, Randal and wife Cynthia Smith of St. Petersburg, Fla., Charles and wife Nancy Smith of Beaumont, Kirk and wife Vonda Smith of Denver, Colo., and Skyler and wife Tamera Smith of Hillsdale, Kan.; 17 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; and two greatgreat-grandchildren.

Visitors will be received at 1717 N. Russell.

Glendene Lavelle Kirby Trout, 85

Glendene Lavelle Kirby Trout, 85, died January 11, 2011, in Amarillo.

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Trout was born April 30, 1925 in Brinkman, Okla., to Joseph Clinton Kirby and Zelma Lee Morgan Kirby. She married Thomas Oliver Trout on January 5, 1946, in Wellington. He preceded her in death on August 17, 2001. They farmed in Greer County, Okla. until 1952 when they moved to Pampa. She was an accomplished seamstress, working in her home until 1966. She then worked for J. C. Penney, retiring in 1984. She was preceded in death by her parents; one sister, Laveta Mae Kirby; one brother, Clifton Lavon Kirby; a grandson, William Thomas Moss; and a nephew, Kale Lane Kirby.



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WASHINGTON (AP) - Former House Republican leader Tom DeLay says his conviction on money laundering charges was a politically-inspired case brought by prosecutors in "the most liberal county in Texas."

DeLay tells NBC's "Today" show that prosecutors "never proved" their case against him. DeLay is free on bond after being sentenced to three years in prison and 10 years' probation on a conviction of scheming to illegally influence Texas elections.

On Thursday, he again denied the charges.

Appearing with DeLay, defense attorney Dick DeGuerin called it "a political prosecution." He said his appeal will be based partly on a 2009 Supreme Court moving toward getting a ruling that overturned a longtime ban on political activities by corporations and unions.

DeGuerin says DeLay was prosecuted "because he was so successful in bringing about redistricting in

2 ex-jailers must pay \$16M

BEAUMONT, Texas (AP) - A former Jefferson County Correctional Facility inmate has been awarded \$16 mil- to the Texas Oil and Gas lion over his 2007 videotaped beating while being booked into jail.

The civil jury decision in the excessive force lawsuit was returned Wednesday in Beaumont for 24-year-old Joseph similar name change. Christopher Roberts of Port Arthur.

Roberts testified he was stopped for making an illegal mended the agency be led turn and was arrested for unpaid traffic tickets.

Jurors on Wednesday ordered Rodney George Cole II and Johnny Lynn Vickery Jr. to each pay \$8 million in rent three. It voted to limit damages over the April 2007 beating while Roberts was that office's political fundbeing processed.

Both now-former guards claimed it was self defense.

The pair resigned after being convicted in 2008 of misdemeanor official oppression. Vickery was fined \$4,000 fine. Cole was sentenced to a year of probation and fined

El Paso: 4 crimes in 29 minutes on Wednesday

EL PASO, Texas (AP) - Two fast-moving suspects Texas to keep the U.S. have been linked to four El Paso robbery attempts in Environmental Protection 29 minutes

El Paso County Jail records show 26-year-old Carlos Antonio Soto and 20-year-old Kelsey Vasquez remained in custody Thursday.

Police say the crimes happened between 3:19 p.m. and 3:48 p.m. Tuesday. Soto allegedly had a knife and the District of Columbia

Police say a small grocery store, an adult video store, a convenience store and two people at a gas station were targeted. Nobody was hurt.

The suspects were caught shortly after driving away. Soto is charged with four counts of aggravated robbery, one count of robbery, two counts of aggravated kidnapping and probation violation. He's held without

Vasquez is charged with aggravated robbery. Bond is

Electronic jail records did not list a lawyer for either defendant.

Colo. senator returns to Capitol

DENVER (AP) - A Colorado state senator involved in a fatal crash in Texas is vowing to continue working on transportation issues even though she was blocked from leading the Senate's transportation committee.

Sen. Suzanne Williams returned to the Capitol for the start of the new legislative session Wednesday, as authorities continued to investigate the Dec. 26 crash

Investigators say Williams' Honda CR-V drifted into oncoming traffic, killing Brianna Gomez of Amarillo. Gomez was pregnant and her son survived after being delivered by emergency cesarean section.

Williams was vice-chair of the transportation committee last year and had been expected to lead it this year. However, on Monday, Senate Majority Leader John Morse said he removed Williams from consideration for the post because he's worried she won't be able to do a full-time job.

Jeb Bush heads Latino outreach

MIAMI (AP) - Former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush will help lead a Republican group's efforts to improve the party's outreach to Hispartic voters in preparation for the 2012 presidential election.

The new Hispanic Action Network is part of a growing number of Republican organizations reaching out to Hispanies and it has powerful support.

The group is meeting Thursday and Friday in Miami. It is backed by former Minnesota Sen. Norm Coleman, whose American Action Network funneled more than \$30 million in campaign money to Republicans in about 30 congressional races last year.

With the Latino population growing in swing states ing with anti-crime groups such as Nevada, Colorado and Florida, Republicans during which the governneed to chip away at Hispanics' overall 2-1 preference for Democrats.

NM colleges eye wind research

SOCORRO, N.M. (AP) - New Mexico Tech and Mesalands Community College have signed a memo-tained in the new database, randum of understanding that will lay the groundwork to better measure whether for New Mexico Tech faculty and students to participate public security efforts are in wind energy research at the North American Wind Research and Training Center in Tucumcari.

New Mexico Tech on Wednesday announced the presidents of the two schools signed the agreement last related killings, many of

Tech President Daniel Lopez says his Socorro-based school - and all universities - need to move forward in alternative energy.

He says the Tucumcari facilities offer Tech the opportunity for research in wind energy technology, generation and transmission.

Mesalands in Tucumcari recently dedicated its new 27,000-square-foot wind center, which features a 1.5-megawatt wind turbine.

The community college offers a training program for wind energy industry technicians.

AFTERNOON RUSH Railroad Commission may get new name

is 120 years old, has nothing to do with trains, planes or automobiles and oversees a massive chunk of the nation's oil and gas activities? The Railroad Commission of Texas - of

And now - after being turned down in two other state Legislative sessions the agency responsible for overseeing more than 350,000 miles of pipelines and a massive gas boom is name change to something more in line with its duties.

The Sunset Advisory Commission - a 12-member oversight committee that includes 10 state lawmakers - voted Wednesday in Austin to approve changing the agency's name Commission. Two other lawmakers are also drawing up legislation seeking a

The panel also recomby one statewide elected official instead of the curraising and create stronger, ment of its rules.

recommendations The must still be approved by state the Legislature, which convened its 140-day session on Tuesday.

The single-commissioner change brought mixed reactions from the current commissioners

Commission Chairman Michael Williams, Republican, welcomed such a move.

Texans will get undivided leadership, direction and accountability," Williams said. "Smaller, cheaper, faster government will save taxpayer dollars." **But Commissioner David** Porter, also a Republican,

said three commissioners provide valuable checks and balances when regulating a huge industry and keep the agency from being dominated by a single political voice: 'This structure allows

for diverse opinions when making important decisions, that affect all Texans," Porter said.

Williams also called the Railroad Commission "the worst-named agency in

"I mean it does not depict at all what we do and it's tremendously confusing to the public," he added, sharing anecdotes of listening to people complain about the trains and then letting them down gently by saying, "Sorry, I have nothing to do with the railroad."

The Railroad Commission was established in 1891 to oversee rates because of "a fear of Texans that those damn Yankees would raise the rates and Texans would not be able to get their products to market," Williams said.

Within a decade - when oil gushed from Spindletop in 1901 and the first major producer turned the Lone Star State into an energy giant - the commission began regulating aspects of the crucial, and volatile, industry. Since then, that role has grown, while the commission's other job overseeing railroad rates shrank

By the 1960s, the commission was almost exclusively dealing with oil and gas issues. In 2005, the commission's authority over the railroad was transferred officially to the Department of Transportation.

Yet the Texas House - in 2005 and again in 2009 failed to pass legislation that would change the commission's name. Some House lawmakers are simply reluctant to change a 120-year-old name. Others fear that because the Railroad Commission and its duties are in the state constitution, changing the name could open the door for revamping the agency, Williams explained.

Rep. Tom Craddick, a Republican who represents oil-rich Midland in West Texas, opposed the moves in the past and wonders what the cost of changing the agency's name would

"It's the oldest state agency and if you mention the Texas Railroad Commission . . . people instantly know what the agency is," Craddick said, though he has not made up his mind how he will vote this time around.

Court lifts stay that delayed EPA rule in Texas

federal appeals court lifted a brief stay granted to Agency from taking over greenhouse gas permitting in Texas

Texas had asked the U.S. Court of Appeals for on Dec. 30 to block the EPA from taking over the permitting until the court could review the case. The appeals court on the same day temporarily blocked the EPA from taking over the permits as it was set to do on Jan. 2.

But in lifting the stay Wednesday, the court said that "petitioners have not satisfied the stringent standards required for a stay pending court review."

Texas is suing to stop the EPA from implementing a plan to regulate green-

house gases. Texas is the only state that has refused to comply with the rules,

which took effect Jan. 2. The EPA took the unprecedented step last month of announcing it will directly issue permits to Texas industries after the state openly refused to comply with the regulations.

Lauren Bean, a spokeswoman for Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott said in a statement that the state "will continue to challenge the EPA's unlawful overreach."

"The EPA has overstepped its legal boundaries and exceeded its authority," she said. "While the court declined to proactively prohibit the EPA from continuing its federalization effort, today's ruling did not reach the heart of the state's claim and does not affect Texas' ability to

continue pursuing its legal challenge against the agen-

On Dec. 29, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit also declined to issue a stay that would have delayed the EPA's plans as the state's lawsuit against the federal agency moved forward.

While Texas and the EPA have disagreed for years over pollution regulation, that disagreement has intensified recently with Republican Gov. Rick

Perry accusing the EPA and the Obama administration of overstepping boundaries and meddling in states' rights.

Steve Cochran, an official with the Environmental Defense Fund, said in a statement issued after the court's ruling Wednesday: "If Texas put half the effort into carrying out greenhouse gas pollution control measures that it put into fighting them, EPA would not need to be involved."

Mexican official: 34,612 drug-war deaths in 4 yrs

MEXICO CITY (AP) -A total of 34,612 people have died in drug-related killings in Mexico in the four years since Mexican President Felipe Calderon declared an offensive against drug cartels, officials said Wednesday.

The killings reached their highest level in 2010, jumping by almost 60 percent to 15,273 deaths from 9,616 the previous year.

The rate of killings grew in the first half of 2010, but then stabilized and began to decline in the last quarter of the year, federal security spokesman Alejandro Poire said.

Calderon said Wednesday that 2010 "has been a year of extreme violence.'

"We are aware that we are going through a very difficult time on security issues," he said at a meetment presented a new data system to track drug-related crimes.

Anti-crime groups have long demanded access to information like that coneffective. Such information may also help diminish the doubt that surrounds drugwhich go unresolved or get scant investigation in Mexico.

Poire's office said the four-year figure included 30,913 execution-style killings, 3,153 deaths in shootouts between gangs, and 546 deaths involving attacks on authorities.

The president launched an offensive against Mexico's powerful drug cartels soon after taking office on Dec.

1, 2006. Calderon said many of the killings in 2010 were generated by the turf war between the Zetas drug gang and their former allies in the Gulf cartel. He and other officials noted that about half the killings took place in three northern states: Chihuahua, Sinaloa and Tamaulipas. Mexico

tal, Mexico City. Poire said drug-related killings peaked in the third quarter of 2010 and declined by almost 11 percent in the fourth quarter.

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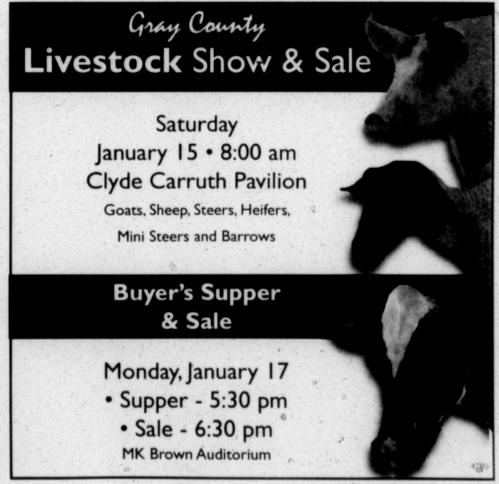
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Thanks, Mom!

For more information or questions, call: Sabrina East Program Director • 806-669-4700



Viewpoints

Today in History

Today is Thursday, Jan. 20, the 20th day of 2011 There are 345 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 20, 1961, John F. Kennedy was inaugurated as the 35th President of the United States; in his inaugural address, Kennedy declared, "Let every nation know, whether it wishes us well or ill, that we shall pay any price, bear any burden, meet any hardship, support any friend, oppose any foe to assure the survival and the success of liberty.'

In 1801, Secretary of State John Marshall was nominated by President John Adams to be chief justice of the United States (he was sworn in on Feb. 4, 1801).

In 1841, the island of Hong Kong was ceded by China to Great Britain. (It returned to Chinese control in July 1997.)

In 1937, President Franklin D. Roosevelt became the first chief executive to be inaugurated on Jan. 20 instead of March 4.

In 1942, Nazi officials held the notorious Wannsee conference, during which they arrived at their "final solution" that called for exterminating

In 1949, President Harry S. Truman, was sworn in for a second term of office.

In 1969, Richard M. Nixon was sworn in as the 37th president of the United States.

In 1981, Iran released 52 Americans it had held hostage for 444 days, minutes after the presidency had passed from Jimmy Carter to Ronald Reagan.

In 1986, the United States observed the first federal holiday in honor of slain civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr.

In 2009, Barack Obama was sworn in as the nation's 44th, as well as first African-American, president.

Ten years ago: George Walker Bush became America's 43rd president after one of the most turbulent elections in U.S. history.

Five years ago: Michael Fortier, the government's star witness in the Oklahoma City bombing trials, was released from federal prison after serving more than 10 years for failing to warn authorities about the plot.

One year ago: National Intelligence Director Dennis Blair conceded missteps in the government's handling of the Christmas Day 2009 airline bombing attempt in testimony before the Senate Homeland Security Committee.

Today's Birthdays: Country singer Slim Whitman is 87. Comedian Arte Johnson is 82: Former astronaut Buzz Aldrin is 81. Olympic gold medal figure skater Carol Heiss is 71. Movie director David Lynch is 65. Country-rock musician George Grantham (Poco) is 64. Rock musician Paul Stanley (KISS) is 59. Rock musician Ian Hill Judas Priest) is 59. Comedian Bill Maher is 55 Actor Lorenzo Lamas is 53. Country singer John Michael Montgomery is 46. Sophie, Countess of Wessex, is 46. Actor Rainn Wilson is 45. . TV personality Melissa Rivers is 43. Singer Xavier is 43. Singer Edwin McCain is 41. Actor Skeet Ulrich is 41. Rock musician Rob Bourdon (Linkin Park) is 32. Actor Evan Peters is 24.

Thought for Today: "To enjoy life one should give up the lure of life." - Mohandas K. Gandhi, Indian religious leader (1869-1948)

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An American family, 300 million strong

Editor's Note: The following is the full text of President Barack Obama's remarks at the memorial service for the victims of the shooting in Tucson, Ariz.)

To the families of those we've lost; to all who called them friends; to the students of this university, the public servants who are gathered here, the people of Tucson and the people of Arizona: I have come here tonight as an American who, like all Americans, kneels to pray with you today and will stand by you tomorrow.

There is nothing I can say that will fill the sudden hole torn in your hearts. But know this: The hopes of a nation are here tonight. We mourn with you for the fallen. We join you in your grief. And we add our faith to yours that Rep. Gabrielle Giffords and the other living victims of this tragedy will pull through.

Scripture tells us: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells. God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break

On Saturday morning, Gabby, her staff and many of her constituents gathered outside a supermarket to exercise their right to peaceful assembly and free speech. They were fulfilling a central tenet of the democracy envisioned by our founders - representatives of the people answering questions to their constituents, so as to carry their concerns back to our nation's capital. Gabby called it "Congress on Your Corner" - just an updated version of government of and by and for the people.

And that quintessentially American scene, that was the scene that was shattered by a gunman's bullets. And the six people who lost their lives on Saturday - they, too, represented what is best in us, what is best in America.

Judge John Roll served our legal system for nearly 40 years. A graduate of this university and a graduate of this law school - Judge Roll was recommended for the federal bench by John McCain 20 years ago, appointed by President George H.W. Bush and rose to become Arizona's chief federal

His colleagues described him as the hardest-working judge within the Ninth Circuit He was on his way back from attending Mass, as he did every day, when he decided to stop by and say hi to his representative. John is survived by his loving wife, Maureen, his three sons and his five beautiful grandchildren.

George and Dorothy Morris - "Dot" to her friends - were high school sweethearts who got married and had two daughters. They did everything together - traveling the open road in their RV, enjoying what their friends called a 50-year honeymoon. Saturday morning, they went by the Safeway to hear what their congresswoman had to say. When gunfire rang out, George, a former Marine, instinctively tried to shield his wife. Both were shot. Dot passed away

A New Jersey native, Phyllis Schneck retired to Tucson to beat the snow. But in the summer, she would return East, where her world revolved around her three children, her seven grandchildren and 2-year-old greatgranddaughter. A gifted quilter, she'd often work under a favorite tree or sometimes she'd sew aprons with the logos of the Jets and the Giants to give out at the church where she volunteered. A Republican, she took a liking to Gabby and wanted to get to know her better.

Dorwan and Mavy Stoddard grew up in Tucson together - about 70 years ago. They moved apart and started their own respective families. But after both were widowed they found their way back here, to, as one of Mavy's daughters put it, "be boyfriend and girlfriend again."

When they weren't out on the road in their motor home, you could find them just up the road, helping folks in need at the Mountain Avenue Church of Christ. A retired construction worker, Dorwan spent his spare time fixing up the church along with his dog, Tux. His final act of selflessness was to dive on top of his wife, sacrificing his life for hers.

Everything - everything - Gabe Zimmerman did, he did with passion. But his true passion was helping people. As Gabby's outreach director, he made the cares of thousands of her constituents his own, seeing to it that seniors got the Medicare benefits that they had earned, that veterans got the medals and the care that they deserved, that government was working for ordinary folks. He died doing what he loved - talking with people and seeing how he could help. And Gabe is survived by his parents, Ross and Emily, his brother, Ben, and his fiance, Kelly, who he planned to

"They believed ... and I believe that we can be better. Those who died here, those who saved life here - they help me believe. We may not be able to stop all evil in the world, but I know that how we treat one another, that's entirely up to us."

President Barack Obama

And then there is 9-year-old Christina Taylor Green. Christina was an A student; she was a dancer; she was a gymnast; she was a swimmer. She decided that she wanted to be the first woman to play in the Major Leagues, and as the only girl on her Little League team, no one put it past her.

She showed an appreciation for life uncommon for a girl her age. She'd remind her mother, "We are so blessed. We have the best life." And she'd pay those blessings back by participating in a charity that helped children who were less fortunate.

Our hearts are broken by their sudden passing.

Our hearts are broken - and yet, our hearts also have reason for fullness.

Our hearts are full of hope and thanks for the 13 Americans who survived the shooting, including the congresswoman many of them went to see on Saturday.

Phave just come from the University Medical Center, just a mile from here, where our friend Gabby courageously fights to recover even as we speak. And I want to tell you - her husband Mark is here and he allows me to share this with you - right after we went to visit, a few minutes after we left her room and some of her colleagues in Congress were in the room, Gabby opened her eyes for the first time. Gabby opened her eyes for the first

Gabby opened her eyes. Gabby opened her eyes, so I can tell you she knows we are here. She knows we love her. And she knows that we are rooting for her through what is undoubtedly going to be a difficult journey. We are there for her.

Our hearts are full of thanks for good news, and our hearts are full of gratitude for those who saved others. We are grateful to Daniel Hernandez. a volunteer in Gabby's office.

And, Daniel, I'm sorry, you may deny it, but we've decided you are a hero, because you ran through the chaos to minister to your boss, and tended to her wounds and helped keep her alive.

We are grateful to the men who tackled the gunman as he stopped to reload. Right over there. We are grateful for petite Patricia Maisch, who wrestled away the killer's ammunition and undoubtedly saved some lives. And we are grateful for the doctors and nurses and first responders who worked wonders to heal those who'd been hurt. We are grateful to

These men and women remind us that heroism is found not only on the fields of battle. They remind us that heroism does not require special training or physical strength. Heroism is here, in the hearts of so many of our fellow citizens, all around us, just, waiting to be summoned - as it was on Saturday morning. Their actions, their selflessness poses a challenge to each of us. It raises a question of what, beyond prayers and expressions of concern, is required of us going forward. How can we honor the fallen?

How can we be true to their memory? You see, when a tragedy like this strikes, it is part of our nature to demand explanations - to try and pose some order on the chaos and make sense out of that which seems senseless. Already we've seen a national conversation commence, not only about the motivations behind these killings, but about everything from the merits of gun safety laws to the adequacy of our mental health system. And much of this process, of debating what might be done to prevent such tragedies in the future, is an essential ingredient in our exercise of selfgovernment.

But at a time when our discourse has become so sharply polarized - at a time when we are far too eager to lay the blame for all that ails the world at the feet of those who happen to think differently than we do - it's important for us to pause for a moment and make sure that we're talking with each other in a way that heals, not in a way that

Scripture tells us that there is evil in the world, and that terrible things happen for reasons that defy human understanding. In the words of Job, When I looked for light, then came

darkness." Bad things happen, and we have to guard against simple explanations in the aftermath.

For the truth is, none of us can know exactly what triggered this vicious attack. None of us can know with any certainty what might have stopped these shots from being fired, or what thoughts lurked in the inner recesses of a violent man's mind. Yes, we have to examine all the facts behind this tragedy. We cannot and will not be passive in the face of such violence. We should be willing to challenge old assumptions in order to lessen the prospects of such violence in the future. But what we cannot do is use this tragedy as one more occasion to turn on each other. That we cannot do. That we cannot do.

As we discuss these issues, let each of us do so with a good dose of humility. Rather than pointing fingers or assigning blame, let's use this occasion to expand our moral imaginations, to listen to each other more carefully, to sharpen our instincts for empathy and remind ourselves of all the ways that our hopes and dreams are bound together.

After all, that's what most of us do when we lose somebody in our family especially if the loss is unexpected. We're shaken out of our routines. We're forced to look inward. We reflect on the past: Did we spend enough time with an aging parent, we wonder. Did we express our gratitude for all the sacrifices that they made for us? Did we tell a spouse just how desperately we loved them, not just once in a while but every single day?

So sudden loss causes us to look backward - but it also forces us to look forward; to reflect on the present and the future, on the manner in which we ships with those who are still with us.

We may ask ourselves if we've shown enough kindness and generosity and compassion to the people in our lives. Perhaps we question whether we're doing right by our children, or our community, whether our priorities

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are in order. We recognize our own mortality. and we are reminded that in the fleeting time we have on this Earth, what matters is not wealth, or status, or power, or fame - but rather, how well we have loved - and what small part we have played in making the lives of other people better. .

And that process - that process of reflection, of making sure we align our values with our actions - that, I believe, is what a tragedy like this

For those who were harmed, those who were killed -- they are part of our family, an American family 300 million strong. We may not have known them personally, but surely we see ourselves in them. In George and Dot, in Dorwan and Mavy, we sense the abiding love we have for our own husbands, our own wives, our own life partners. Phyllis -- she's our mom or our grandma; Gabe our brother or In Judge Roll, we recognize not only a man who prized his family and doing his job well, but also a man who embodied America's fidelity to

And in Gabby - in Gabby, we see a reflection of our public-spiritedness; that desire to participate in that sometimes frustrating, sometimes contentious, but always necessary and neverending process to form a more perfect

And in Christina - in Christina we see all of our children. So curious, so trusting, so energetic, so full of magic. So deserving of our love. And so deserving of our good example.

If this tragedy prompts reflection and debate - as it should - let's make sure it's worthy of those we have lost. Let's make sure it's not on the usual plane of politics and point-scoring and pettiness that drifts away in the next news cycle.

The loss of these wonderful people should make every one of us strive to be better. To be better in our private lives, to be better friends and neighbors and coworkers and parents. And if, as has been discussed in recent days, their death helps usher in more civility in our public discourse, let us remember it is not because a simple lack of civility caused this tragedy - it

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Vanity set proves to be collectible

ANNE MCCOLLAM

Q: I have enclosed a photo of my dresser vanity set that I received about 15 years ago. Because I had admired it, my friend gave it to me. It belonged to her mother and was a wedding gift in the early 1900s.

I would like to know more about its history. What's it made of? What's the age and worth? Any help would be appreciated.

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A: Your dresser vanity set is made of celluloid, an early plastic developed in the late 1800s. The round covered box was used for powder, while the one with the hole in the lid is a hair receiver. Some sets included rouge pots.

Your set was made in the 1920s or early 1930s, and it would probably be worth \$125 to \$225.

Q: My mother passed her clear glass creamer and sugar bowl along to me. Since I always loved the "Ridgeleigh" pattern, she



have the set. Enclosed is the mark on the bottom of each piece. They are in mint condition. What can

wanted me to

you tell me about my Heisey and Co. creamer and was in business sugar bowl? from. 1896 to

A: Heisey and Co. used this mark. Founded in 1896 by

A.H. Heisey in Newark, Ohio, the company produced high quality, heavy patterned glassware that is very collectible.

Made from 1935 to 1944, the



Celluloid vanity sets were popular in the early 1900s.

"Ridgeleigh" can be recognized by the vertical fluting and ground bottoms and edges. Ridgeleigh was available in a variety of pieces that included creamers, sugar bowls, candlesticks, and several sizes of bowls and vases. Heisey and Co. closed in 1957.

Your creamer and sugar would probably sell in the range of \$40 to \$50 for the set.

Q: Thirty years ago, my mother gave me an antique desk. I only know that it belonged to my greatgrandmother in the 1890s. It is a Victorian Wooton desk made of American walnut. The height is 6 feet and the width is 3 feet. The quality and the condition are still in great shape.

I would appreciate any information you can provide about my

A; Wooton desks were made in the late 1800s in Indianapolis. If you can document yours as an authentic Wooton desk, it would probably be worth at least \$10,000.

Some can sell in the six-figure range. If it's in the style of Wooten, the value would be much lower, probably in the range of \$1,500 to \$2,500.

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

Answer to yesterday's puzzle 6 3 1 5 8 7 5 4 6 2 3 8 5 2 3

BANANAGRAMS Use the 15 tiles in this bunch to create words that fit into the grids below. To get you started, a few LEVEL tiles from the bunch have been placed in the grid. Reuse the 15 tiles in the bunch for each grid. Yesterday's Answer: TOUCH, CHUTE, ACUTE, CLEAT, VALET, ALIVE; GLYPH, LYMPH, IMPLY, IMPEL, PRIME, MERIT

Speech

did not — but rather because only a more civil and honest public discourse can help us face up to the challenges of our nation in a way that would make them proud.

We should be civil because we want to live up to the example of public servants like John Roll and Gabby Giffords, who knew first and foremost that we are all Americans, and that we can question each other's ideas without questioning each other's love of country and that our task, working together, is to constantly widen the circle of our concern so that we bequeath the American Dream to future generations.

They believed - they believed, and I believe that we can be better. Those who died here, those who saved life here — they help me believe. We may not be able to stop all evil in the world, but I know that how we treat one another, that's entirely up to us.

And I believe that for all our imperfections, we are full of decency and goodness, and that the forces that divide us are not as strong as those that unite us.

That's what I believe, in part because that's what a child like Christina Taylor Green believed.

Imagine — imagine for a moment, here was a young girl who was just becoming aware of our democracy; just beginning to understand the obligations of citizenship; just starting to glimpse the fact that some day she, too. might play a part in shaping her nation's force. She had been elected to her student council. She saw public service as something exciting and hopeful. She was off to meet her congresswoman, someone she was sure was good and important and might be a role model. She saw all this through the eyes of a child, undimmed by the cynicism or vitriol that we

for granted. I want to live up to her expectations. I want our democracy to be as good as Christina imagined it. I want America to be as good as she imagined it. All of us - we should do everything we can

adults all too often just take

to make sure this country lives up to our children's

expectations As has already been mentioned, Christina was given to us on Sept. 11, 2001, one of 50 babies born that day to be pictured in a book called "Faces of Hope." On either side of her photo in that book were simple wishes for a child's life. "I hope you help those in need," read one. "I hope you know all the words to the National Anthem and sing it with your hand over your heart."

"I hope you jump in rain puddles.

If there are rain puddles in heaven, Christina is jumping in them today. And here on this Earth here on this Earth, we place our hands over our hearts, and we commit ourselves as Americans to forging a country that is forever worthy of her gentle, happy spirit

May God bless and keep those we've lost in restful and eternal peace. May He love and watch over the survivors. And may He cont. from page 4

bless the United States of America.

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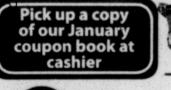
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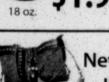
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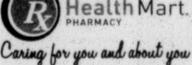




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By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

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Documents detail outbursts from Ariz. shooting suspect

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) - For four years, Jared Loughner was an unremarkable college student, commuting to classes near his home where he studied voga and algebra, business management-

But last year, his classroom conduct began to change. In February, Loughner stunned a teacher by talking about blowing up babies, a bizarre outburst that marked the start of a rapid unraveling for the 22-year old, who is accused of slaying six people and wounding 13, including Rep. Gabrielle Giffords.

After his first flare-up, campus police decided not to intervene.

"I suggested they keep an eye on him," an officer wrote.

Loughner's on-campus behavior grew increasingly erratic, menacing, even delusional. Fifty-one pages of police reports released Wednesday provided a chilling portrait of Loughner's last school year, which ended in September when he was judged mentally unhinged and suspended by Pima Community College .

As the records were released, President. Barack Obama visited Giffords in the hospital. Later, during a nationally-televised memorial service, the president revealed the congresswoman had opened her eyes shortly after he left her bedside.

Obama touched on themes of unity, patriotism and heroism in his address to the crowded arena with about 14,000 people, and he spoke at length about 9-year-old Christina Taylor Green, the youngest victim of the attack. Her funeral was set for 1 p.m. MST (3 p.m. EST) Thursday, the first of six funerals.

As Tucson and the nation remembered the victims, new details surfaced about the busy morning Loughner had in the hours before the shooting.

According to authorities, Loughner hustled to Walmart twice, was caught by police running a red light but was let go with a warning, and later grabbed a black bag from the trunk of a family car before fleeing into the desert on foot with his suspicious father giving chase. Eventually, he took a cab to the grocery store where he opened fire on Giffords and a line of people waiting to speak to her. Authorities said Thursday that Loughner was also carrying a knife but didn't use it.

Just three months earlier, he had been kicked out of school,

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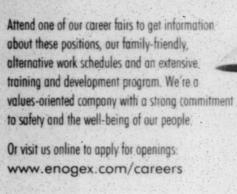
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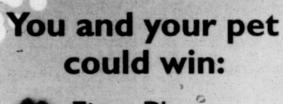


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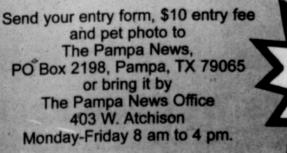
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Chisum

Lea Party groups, and Chisum announced in December that he had enough signatures to force Monday's caucus.

Paxton however, emerged as the favored candidate among the right in late December and early January, earning a number of endorsements from conservative activist groups like the Texas Republican Assembly and the anti-abortion Texas Alliance for Life. Chisum dropped out of the race after the caucus, with Paxton releasing a statement saying he had Chisum's support late Monday. On Tuesday, Chisum himself announced that he would heed the majority of the campus and vote for Strates.

so why ultimately, did Chisum's campaign efforts

According to James Henson, director of the Texas Pointes Project at the University of Texas in Austin, the Lock of support inside of the actual House made ansum scandidacy a long shot from the beginning.

I think what happened was Chisum announced his candidacy and there wasn't a stampede," Henson said. When there wasn't a stampede, it created an opening for another alternative. The problem is when you present one off as in alternative but there's not demonstrable support for you as an alternative, well, you don't remain the agreement very long."

While Chistan's failure to generate excitement within the same body gave Paxton a window to seize the same relative base. Henson said that there was more to it.

r don't think is just a matter of are you conservative out, control conservative, and that's what's interesting group the polytics of this. Henson said. There's also a right at another outside dimension to this. It's also a control of school an appeal to people that are right now appear to be not just an ideological change, but also a charge of the speaker's view towards particular interest as upstand other political operatives. Trying to say, store more conservative, Paxton or Chisum, that kind in the control of the conflict here."

Thereon dismissed the idea of Pampa's relative dissures to the rest of the state as a factor in Chisum being explosed by the groups that gravitated toward Paxton. If there, Henson theorized that Chisum's tenure as a repsentative atmost made him an establishment candidate at many ampids, a ventable poison pill in today's antificambant atmosphere.

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Tucker, it was traditional Texas conservatism that kept Straus safe.

"It's dancing with the one that brought you, that kind of Texas idea," Tucker said. "Familiarity. Speaker Straus was a known quantity. He may not have been the most conservative guy, but these other individuals, then leadership styles aren't so known, aren't so predictable."

It's also probable that the overwhelming Republican majority eased concerns about Straus' moderate leanings, added Tucker.

"The fact that the Republicans are in such total control means they don't need such a strong leader to defeat the Democrats on individual bills," Tucker said. "You don't need a strong partisan leader to obtain partisan goals when your partisan group has so much power already. The Republicans can win with a leader who says, 'Let's go with the will of the House,' rather than 'My way or the highway."

"Ultimately there wasn't an ideal candidate," echoed Henson. "What we see here is that Straus still has substantial support inside the Republican caucus. He has votes."

The real impact of this race that wasn't — a tempest in a teapot, Henson called it — was the emergence of the conservative groups that tried to influence the vote.

"This has been one of the big mysteries here in Austin," Henson said. "What did those groups really want? Did those groups ever have any expectation that they were going to oust Straus?

"My position is they did not. This was a bid for influence on Republican lawmakers, not a direct attempt to unseat Straus. The outcome here is not a surprise to very many people here at this point who have been watching this closely. I think. Most people close to the process doubted that there was much of a chance of Straus being deposed.

"Given that the 'outside groups' that got involved in this must have known that, the question is, what did they want? They wanted to make an impact on the process, to make themselves known, and to be involved. To some degree, they appear to have achieved that."

What they haven't yet proven is that they can have a direct effect on the dealings of the Texas House, said Henson.

"On one hand, they've demonstrated that they've been recognized and they can get attention in the process," he said. "On the other hand, I don't think anybody looks at them and feels like they can dominate process or they can dictate terms.

Does it get figured into the political math of the situation 'Yes, it does. But at a certain point, people writing about how powerful you are and how powerful you actually are at influencing the process are two different things."

Still. Fucker was quick to add that just because such groups weren't able to get their favored candidate into power, it doesn't mean that the outcome of the election is entirely bleak for the far right.

The experienced members (of the House) know the legislative process," Tucker said. They know they can

get likely things done with Straus in charge, given the control that they now have. These conservative groups may still end up getting exactly what they want in terms of legislation."

But what of Chisum now? Where does he go from here?

Calls to the representative's office were not immediately returned. There are rumblings in Austin that Chisum's true goal is a run at the chair of the House Appropriations Committee. Henson and Tucker agreed that Chisum is still thought of highly within the House, and Henson said that Chisum's maneuverings may have placed him in better position for the Appropriations post.

"I don't know exactly what his motivations were, but that speaks to the representative as somebody who's well-versed and deeply involved in the process," Henson said.

"He was the one that had the political and personal wherewithal to say, 'Wait a minute, dividing our forces is not good," added Tucker "He lost the Speaker race, but he came out of it looking pretty OK, I think."

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Ash said it looked like formula.

Leech said it is difficult to insert a breathing tube in a small child, but he put the tube between the vocal cords and down the air pipe and not into the baby's stomach.

"The tube was in the right place," he said.

Neither Leach nor Ash said they saw any other injuries on the child.

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Lawausa McCurley, the nurse at the emergency room, also testified that there were no marks on the baby that

would indicate other injuries.

She, too, said she had seen a white, milky fluid come up the tube when the breathing tube was put down the baby's throat. She was concerned that the tube might have gone

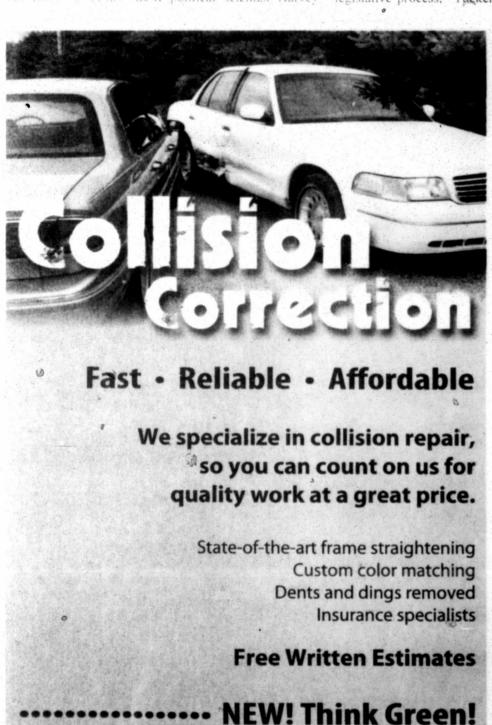
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McCurley said she had talked to the baby's parents and'
was told that the mother had fed the baby, burped it and
then gone to fold clothes. When she returned to the baby,
it wasn't breathing.

When told that their baby girl had died, McCurley said both parents fell on the floor and cried. The baby's mother, the defendant in the case, said, "I killed my baby," McCurley said.

But McCurley testified that in such cases, parents often blame themselves. She said she told Bolin, "You did not do this."

McCurley said Bolin looked at her dead daughter and said, "I'm sorry I could not save you."



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PHS wrestling lands two in Top Ten at Hereford

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The Pampa High School wrestling team had two Top Ten finishers in the Hereford Tournament January 7 and 8.

Robert Radke finished fourth in the 140 weight division. Radke's only losses were to Alan Jackson of Hobbs, N.M., and Rodney Burns from El Paso Burges. John Price finished seventh in the heavyweight division.

Head coach Billy Smith said all of his wrestlers competed well.

"This tournament is a good representation of what our regional competiton will be like," Smith said. "All of the guys got some good work in over the weekend."

The junior varsity and junior high teams competed against Dumas January 4 at the

old Pampa Junior High.

Trey Wiggins and Carlos Regelado won their match by pins.

The junior high wrestling team won 27 of 38 matches. Kade Winkler, Aaron Arreloa, Arthur Garcia, Thomas Keith, Joseph Radke, Cody White, Bruce Gordan, Chanceton Roberts, Matt Lewis, Robin Herosama, Anthony Baseden, Cade Ferguson, Clay Baten, Austin

Hendricks, Wade Ragan, Jeremiah Hawn and Omar Tovar all picked up at least one victory.

The junior high's next meet is 3:30 p.m. January 21 at Pampa.

The junior varsity's next meet is today against Amarillo High junior varsity in Amarillo.

The varsity will compete in the Vernon Tournament Friday and Saturday.

Harvester swimming team competes in Lubbock Inv.

HOLIDAY HUNT

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The Pampa Harvester swimming team competed in their final non-district meet at the Lubbock Invitational January 7 and 8.

Head coach Edward Garvin said this meet, you had to qualify to compete.

"We are competing against the fastest of the fast," Garvin said.

Pampa had four boys and four girls compete. The Harvesters didn't make it out of Friday's preliminaries.

The boys 200-yard medley relay team finished 26th with a time of 1:59.81 Spencer Estes, Cody Hudson, Karl Pfitzner and Ramon Portillo were the swimmers.

Senior Jessica Gutierrez finished 41st in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 2:26.16. Junior Karl Pfitzner finished 41st in the boys 200-yard freestyle with a time of 2:10.82.

Junior Jessica Covil finished 42nd in the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 30.40. Junior Spencer Estes finished 14th in the boys 50-yard freestyle with a time of 24.39.

Covil finished 46th in the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 1:08.64. Gutierrez finished 35th in the 500-yard freestyle with a time of 6:35.96. Junior Kendle Ramey finished 40th with a time of 6:52.34. Pfitzner finished 51st in the boys' race with a time of 6:10.92.

The Harvesters 200-yard freestyle relay team finished 22nd with a time of 1:45.90. Hudson, Portillo, Pfitzner and Estes were the swimmers.

Ramey finished 33rd in the 100-yard backstroke with a time of 1:15.98. Estes finished 20th in the 100-yard backstroke with a time of 1:04.08.

Hudson finished 28th in the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:13.00.

The Lady Harvesters finished 26th in the 400-yard freestyle relay with a time of 4:32.20. Guiterrez, Covil, Treyci Carrol and Ramey were the swimmers.

The Harvesters next meet is district Jan. 21 and 22. The boys and girls will be going for a 12th straight district title.

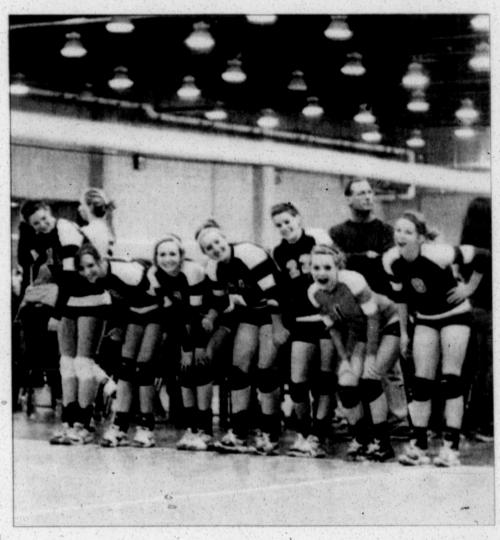


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The Pampa Crusaders pose during a tournament in Oklahoma City last weekend. Team members include: Allison Noble, Dakota Watson, Madison Joyce, Calli Brewer, Brittany Green, Taylor Giles, and Maddie Fatheree. The Crusaders next tournament is Jan. 23 in Amarillo.

PHS and PJH students compete in club volleyball

LARRY PETTY
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16-year-old girls (there are two 15 year olds & two 14's). They played match-

es against teams from Arkansas, Texas

and several from Oklahoma. There were

The Pampa Crusaders, a local club volleyball team competed in the 16 year old division despite only having three

The Crusaders finished 10th in the Gold bracket of the 16 year old Division.

Coach Larry Petty said he was very impressed with their performance, considering this was first experience in club volleyball for several of the girls. All of the girls were a part of Pampa Junior High or High School's volleyball teams this fall.

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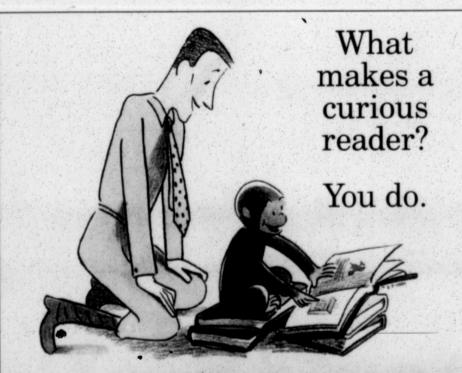


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Taryn Eubank poses with her All-Tournament plaque at the Golden Spread All-Star Volleyball Tournament last weekend.

SCHEDULE CHANGE The freshman and junior varsity girls basketball teams will play Perryton 5 p.m.

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Bryson Troxell (left), 11, and Bret Troxell, 14 were deer hunting in Wheeler County during Christmas break. Parents are Bryan and Kristie Troxell

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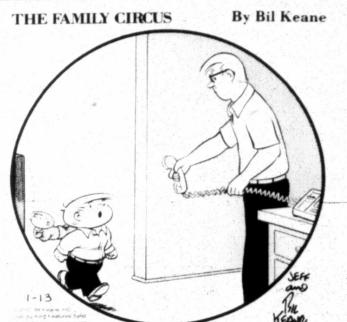
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CORRECTION

A picture in yesterday's sports page (with the story "Lady Harvesters inside shooting kennels Lady 'Dogs") misidentified Kayla Hughes as Elizabeth Terry. The Pampa News apologizes for the error.



"I sure hope it's somebody important."

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Nest Heads



HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Jan. 14, 2011:

This year, tap into your innate creativity. In fact, you might be amazed how solutions appear. Take good care of your health, and avoid any extremes. Bones and teeth could be vulnerable. If you are. single, count down the days to summer, when you might delight in admirers playing ring around the rosey around you. If you are attached, expect the summer to sizzle as you reconnect with your sweetie on a deeper level. TAURUS intrigues you.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

*** Everyone has awkward moments, you included. Today you encounter one of these strange moments where you would like to be anywhere else but where you are. Others still appreciate your strength and leadership. Tonight: Of course, a force to be noticed.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Realize the cards are stacked in your favor, even if you don't feel like it. Allow greater give-and-take. You have no reason to feel jeopardized. Add that extra creative touch to your style of communication. Tonight: Christen the weekend

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

*** If you need to withdraw or take a day off, there is no time like now. You might opt to close your door socially as well. Yes, you need and want to recharge your batteries. Do for yourself right now.

Tonight: Nowhere to be found. CANCER (June 21-July 22)

**** Zero in on what you want. You might have a gawky moment or two. Be more adventuresome in how you deal with a certain partner or friend. You seem to just go along with his or her moodiness as part of the program. Tonight: Zero in on what you want.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ You might need to reorganize your day if you accept the predominant role you want. Sorting through your priorities could be very important. Your sense of direction will be called upon. Knowing and understanding your limits remains a high priority. Tonight: Count on being a centerpiece.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

**** Retain that earthy quality

that others love. You will see how instrumental that outlook is to your well-being. Understanding evolves to a new level if you are willing to share more than in the past. Take a deep look at a new opportunity. Tonight: Take off ASAP.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*** Continue relating on an individual level. You could be distinctly uncomfortable as you make your way through another person's defensive maze. Look at your feelings. If you really want to pull out, do. Be direct in your dealings. Tonight: How about a more fun one-on-

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Defer to others, knowing what must be done. Everyone needs to see the outcome of his or her own decisions. By deferring, you are providing a wonderful opportunity to do just that. Ultimately, you are creating more respect and understanding. Tonight: The more the merrier.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

**** Understand what is happening within your immediate circle. You might need to take action or try something differently in order to ease some of the tension. Look to solutions that break the mold, not the bank. Tonight: Work as late as need be. You will feel freer later.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

**** Allow for more exchange with others. A sense of humor, a different approach and/or less intensity could work. Lighten up a situation. Deal directly with someone you care about. He or she will illuminate your day as a result. Tonight: Let your imagination lead.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

*** Stay on top of a problem; it could be much easier to deal with. Count on your sixth sense coming through. Your instincts often bypass facts and logic. Learn to put more trust in them as well. Reach out for a family member. Tonight: Buy a favorite munchie on the way home.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

**** Your ability to come to terms with a situation emerges. Someone, clearly a close friend or associate, is hard on you. At what point do you cut bait? The answer really depends on your boundaries. A meeting stars in your day. Tonight: Where your friends are.

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