

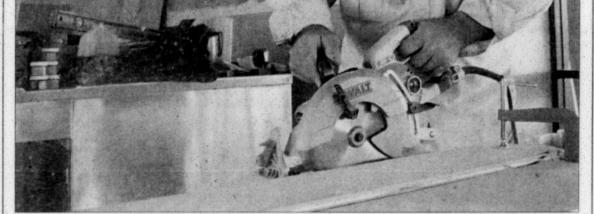
McGinty said.











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Don Donelson works on building booths at Kelley's Landing at the corner of 25th and Perryton Parkway. The new restaurant is expected to open later this spring and will specialize in hamburgers, pizza and buffalo wings.

the extensio service would be charging \$10. at meet ings in an effort to keep from having to lay off county agents in other parts of the

McGinty state.

"It is a cost recovery effort," McGinty said.

He said that means that for every educational program that the extension service presents, it. will assess a \$10 per person fee.

Last week, his office presented a program on alternative crops. EXTENSION cont. on page 2

Fire marshal reminds Pampa of ongoing burn ban

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Open fires inside the city limits of Pampa are illegal unless they're in a city-approved incinerator, Michael Ryan, Pampa's Fire Marshal, said this week.

He said the Pampa Fire Department has responded to a number of reports of people burning trash in the past few weeks.

City ordinances forbid people from burning refuse, garbage, rubbish, junk or yard trash unless it is in an incinerator approved by the Pampa Director of Public Works.

Ryan said it is a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine up to \$500.

"Outdoor cooking and grilling as long as it is being conducted with equipment that is suitable for these activities is allowed," Ryan said. "The use of chimineas and fire pits with screens or coverings to trap escaping hot embers is permitted."

He said, however, that outdoor welding, grinding and cutting operations must have a designated person as a fire watch, who is not involved in the cutting, welding or grinding operation.

"This person must be on the scene and their sole duty is as a fire watch during the operation," Ryan said. "Also, you must have a sufficient amount of an extinguishing agent such as water or a fire extinguisher, on scene and available for action."

He said that any reckless damage to another person's property can result in a felony charge of arson.

Ryan said that the recent outbreak of wildfires is a major concern. BAN cont. on page 2

Burn Ban Reminders

· Burning garbage is prohibited unless in an incinerator approved by Director of Public Works

· Outdoor cooking permitted as long as proper grills or fire pits permitted

· Outdoor welding/cutting operations must have designated "fire watch" person equipped with extinguishing agent

· Maintenance of tall grasses and weeds is recommended

Hoover Fire Department kept busy by Sunday fires

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For many residents of neighboring Hutchinson County, the weekend wild fire emergency started with the high winds on Sunday.



For the Hoover Volunteer Fire. Department, it started Friday

Joe Millican, Hoover Fire Chief and Gray County Emergency Coordinator, said his office and the Hoover fire department started planning Friday for a bad weekend.

"We knew the winds were going to get up," Millican said. "We kept hearing reports for Saturday and Sunday

Millican He said they contacted neighboring fire departments and talked about the equipment and manpower that would be available.

Millican said he also contacted Gray County precinct foremen to see what they had available if wildfires were to spread in the county.

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PAMPA FORECAST

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Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 37 Breezy, with a south wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 69 Wind chill values between 32 and 41 early. North northwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 38. Calm wind becoming south southeast between 5 and 10 mph.

Friday: Partly sunny, with a high near 56. Breezy, with a north northwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Friday Night: A chance of rain before midnight. then a chance of rain and snow. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 32. Windy, with a north northeast wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph. Chance of precipitation is 30 percent.

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Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 52 Windy, with a north northeast wind between 10. and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 28. Northeast wind around 10 mph becoming south southeast.

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Bill of rights protects funeral protesters

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Supreme Court ruled Wednesday that the First Amendment protects fundamentalist church members who mount anti-gay protests outside military funerals, despite the pain they cause grieving families.

The court voted 8-1 in favor of the Westboro Baptist Church of Topeka, Kan. The decision upheld an appeals court ruling that threw out a \$5 million judgment to the father of a dead Marine who sued church members after they picketed his son's funeral.

Chief Justice John Roberts wrote the opinion for the court. Justice Samuel Alito dissented.

Roberts said free speech rights in the First Amendment shield the funeral protesters, noting that they obeyed police directions and were 1,000 feet from the church.

Election

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"Speech is powerful. It can stir people to action, move them to tears of both joy and sorrow, and - as it did here — inflict great pain. On the facts before us, we cannot react to that pain by punishing the speaker," Roberts said. "As a nation we have chosen a different course - to protect even hurtful speech on public issues to ensure that we do not stifle public debate."

Alito strongly disagreed. "Our profound national commitment to free and open debate is not a license for the vicious verbal assault that occurred in this case," he said.

While distancing themselves from the church's message, media organizations, including The Associated Press, urged the court to side with the Phelps family because of concerns that a victory for Snyder could

erode speech rights.

Roberts described the court's holding as narrow, and in a separate opinion, Justice Stephen Breyer suggested in other circumstances, governments would not be "powerless to provide private individuals with necessary protection."

But in this case, Breyer said, it would be wrong to "punish Westboro for seeking to communicate its views on matters of public concern."

Margie Phelps, a daughter of the minister and a lawyer who argued the case at the Supreme Court, said she expected the outcome. "The only surprise is that Justice Alito did not feel compelled to follow his oath," Phelps said. "We read the law. We follow the law. The only way for a different ruling is to shred the First Amendment.

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said. "Everyone I've talked to has said that they were excited about it and wished me good luck." Current mayor Lonny Robbins has

yet to file for reelection.

So far, two others have filed for positions on the election ballot. Incumbent Robert Dixon has filed for the commissionership of Ward 3, and Mike Price has filed to run for

Ward 2 Commissioner, the position occupied by the late Bill Allison and currently held by Rebecca Holmes. The deadline for filing for a place on the ballot is 5 p.m. on March 14.

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There are tall weeds and grasses in parts of Pampa and outlying areas that pose a potential danger as fuel for a fire.

"As we have learned in the past with our present weather condition and the Texas Panhandle winds," he said, "it will not take much for a repeat of the catastrophic events of 2006 and this past weekend."

To avoid situations like in March 2006, when high winds and dry conditions burned a million acres of

Hoover

'Saturday," he said, "most of the volunteer groups staffed their stations

Nothing happened in Gray County, but Sunday, it seems like wildfires exploded in Hutchinson County

Remembering how wildfires in Hutchinson County led to fires across the eastern panhandle, Millican and the Hoover fire department went work.

mutual aid in Hutchinson County. Two Hoover fire trucks were dispatched to fight a fire on Texas Highway 152 east of Borger.

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"They fought fire for 13 hours," Millican said.

At 4 p.m., Hoover sent three units north to the edge of Roberts County to protect homes there.

"They were there about two hours," Millican said, "and then returned to the station.

grassland in the panhandle, Ryan said citizens should cut their lawns and maintain their property.

"After taking a drive around the city," he said, "I found many areas of concern that need to be addressed.'

Property owners need to tend to areas with tall weeds and grass, he said.

If this does not happen, Ryan said, then actions will be taken by the city at the property owner's expense.

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lican said, "we realized the fire wasn't coming our way, and we went on the attack.

He said they fought the blazes in Hutchinson County until about 2:30 a.m. Monday.

"There were no fires in Gray County Saturday or Sunday," Millican said. "We were really, really fortunate."

There were fires in Carson County, Hutchinson County, Wheeler County, Donley County, Collingsworth County and Hemphill County "They were all around us," Millican said of the wildfires, "but Gray County and Roberts County did not have any all weekend."

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'Sunday, some of us came in early to staff the station," he said.

More firefighters came in after We had a full station Sunday by

1 p.m.," Millican said. At 1:30 p.m. they were paged for

As of Tuesday, he would have to charge \$10 for such

"With that 38 people," McGinty said, "we would

have had to write a check to Texas AgriLife Extension

A planned program on grain sorghum Tuesday would have cost each attendee \$10 if it had not been

McGinty said that the \$10 per person fees all goes to

"None of that stays in my office or in the county,"

McGinty said the fee applies to all extension pro-

Starting Sept. 1, McGinty also said 4-H members

will be assessed a \$20 fee per year. After Oct. 31, they

He said 4-H would raise money to offset registration

McGinty said county agents were warned of a pos-

sible fee at their winter meeting in Brownwood in

while he was at the Fort Worth Stock Show, that the

grams with the exception of minority and low-income

Some 38 people attended that program.

Extension

at Texas A&M for \$380.'

will be charged a \$25 fee.

costs for district and state events.

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At 9 p.m., Sunday, four Hoover units were sent to Skellytown to help Carson County and Skellytown fire units after Skellytown was evacuated

"Once we were there and stayed in place for about an hour," Mil-

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The Gray County agent said it was not his choice, but one dictated by state financial problems.

"The whole purpose is for the extension service to be pro-active," McGinty said.

He said 94 percent of the state's extension budget is salaries

McGinty said the extension service is trying to showthe Texas Legislature that they're trying to recover some of the costs of their programs.

He said he hopes there will be a buy-in by producers and the situation won't last long.

"In a way," McGinty said, "we understand that it is needed.'

He said the extension service has lost some federal funding and stands to lose some state funding because of budget cuts

"Last year," McGinty said, "we lost 94 positions statewide."

This year, the extension service could lose 150 positions, he said.

McGinty said that the \$10 per person fee at meetings and \$20 4-H fee for students is aimed at preventing layoffs.

"It's going to cost me \$10 wherever I go, too," he said. "It's unfortunate that we're having to charge taxpayers for something that has been a taxpayer service.'

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"They would not be charged," he said.

Police Department

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

Police reported 46 trafficrelated calls and two accidents

Animal Control Officials reported eight animal-related calls.

Pampa EMS reported six medical calls. The Pampa Police Department reported one medical call.

Tuesday, March 1 An alarm was reported in the 1800 block of North Evergreen.

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reported in the 1000 block of East Browning. Officers performed a welfare check in the 900 block of South Varnon.

An alarm was reported North Juniper. in the 1100 block of North Christine.

the 300 block of North Hobart. A grass fire was reported

in the 1000 block of North Frost.

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Disorderly conduct was reported in the 400 block of Graham and in the 2300

Criminal mischief was block of Primrose. A domestic disturbance was reported in the 800

block of East Malone. City officials shut off the water in the 1100 block of

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1100 block A theft was reported in of East Harvester.

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An alarm was reported in the 100 block of South

Sheriff's Office.

The Gray County Sher?

iff's Office reported the following arrests during the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. today.

Tuesday, March 1

Brian Solis Gaylan, 18, was arrested by police on charges of driving without a valid driver's license, having an expired opera-A suspicious person was tor's license and failure to reported at Nelson and Al- maintain financial responsibility.

Jose Miguel Retana, 21, was arrested by Texas Department of Public Safety troopers in connection with charges of burglary and criminal mischief.

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Americans fatter than Canadians

ATLANTA (AP) - American adults have a significantly higher rate of obesity than their neighbors to the north, a new study says.

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About 24 percent of Canadians are obese compared to more than 34 percent of Americans, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention study released Wednesday

Researchers looked at height and weight data taken in surveys in both countries during 2007-09.

The two countries have different racial demographics. The United States has more black and Hispanic people, and both have higher rates of obesity. But even looking solely at white people, there was still a big difference a 26 percent obesity rate in Canada compared to 33 percent in the United States.

It's not clear why that is, said study-co-author Cynthia Ogden, an epidemiologist with the CDC's National Center for Health Statistics.

Drilling bid trial resumes

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - A defense lawyer for the 29-year-old man accused of disrupting a federal oiland-gas lease auction in Utah is trying to show a jury that government land managers favor business bidders over individuals.

But U.S. District Judge Dee Benson upheld frequent objections by prosecutors as Tim DeChristopher's trial resumed Wednesday. The judge largely blocked defense attorney Pat Shea's attempts to cross-examine Bureau of Land Management official Kent Hoffman about bidding procedures.

Prosecutors on Tuesday characterized DeChristopher as a saboteur who ran up bids at the 2008 auction with no intention of paying for the \$1.7 million in leases he won.

Environmentalists have made DeChristopher a symbol of opposition to federal drilling lease policy, and more than 20 supporters wearing orange scarves were in the courtroom Wednesday

DeChristopher is expected to testify when the defense starts to present its case.

Pope exonerates Jews in book

VATICAN CITY (AP) Pope Benedict XVI has made a sweeping exoneration of the Jewish people for from forcing a government shutthe death of Jesus Christ, tackling one of the most con- down. troversial issues in Christianity in a new book.

In "Jesus of Nazareth-Part II" excerpts released Wednesday, Benedict explains biblically and theologically why there is no basis in Scripture for the argument that the Jewish people as a whole were responsible for Jesus' death

Interpretations to the contrary have been used for centuries to justify the persecution of Jews.

While the Catholic Church has for five decades ing within our means," Obama said. taught that Jews weren't collectively responsible, Jewish scholars said Wednesday the argument laid out by the German-born pontiff, who has had his share of mishaps with Jews, was a landmark statement from a pope that would help fight anti-Semitism today.

Rebels push back Libyan attack





staff photo by David Bowser

Culberson Stowers managers and owners (from left) Jim Braddock, Victoria Parsons, Chris Pope, Johnny Burrit, Terry Hull and Dick and Richard Stowers celebrate the dealership being named the Chamber's 2010 Pampa Business of the Year. For more on the award, see the Chamber Awards Banquet tab in today's The Pampa News.

Senate sends stopgap bill to Obama

WASHINGTON (AP) Senate on Wednesday sent President . Barack Obama a Republican-drafted stopgap funding bill that trims \$4 billion from the budget, completing hastily processed legislation designed to keep partisan divisions

Moments later, Obama called on congressional leader to meet with top administration figures including Vice President Joe Biden to discuss a longer-term measure to fund the government through Sept. 30.

"We can find common ground on a budget that makes sure we are liv-"This agreement should be bipartisan, it should be free of any party's social or political agenda, and it should be reached without delay.

The White House said Obama will sign the bill. Congressional Republicans said

The side are.".

The Senate cleared the temporary measure by an overwhelming 91-9 vote that gives the GOP an early but modest victory in its drive to rein in government. Obama has until Friday to sign the measure and keep federal offices open and operations intact. The House passed the legislation on Tuesday.

The measure buys time for Obama, the GOP-dominated House and the Democratic-led Senate to start talks on legislation to fund the government through the end of September. House Republicans last month muscled through a measure cutting this year's budget by more than \$60 billion from last year's levels - and \$100 billion from Obama's request

while trying to block implementation of Obama's health care law and a host of environmental regulations. The White House has promised a veto and it will take weeks or said. "It is not trivial.'

The \$4 billion in savings comes from some of the easiest spending cuts for Congress to make, hitting accounts that Obama already has proposed eliminating and reaping some of the money saved by earlier moves by Republicans to ban lawmakers from "earmarking" pet projects for their districts and states.

At issue are the operating budgets of every federal agency, including the Pentagon, where Defense Secretary Robert Gates is increasingly anxious for a full-year funding bill: "Discretionary spending" represents about a third of the overall \$3.8 trillion federal budget.

"Our priorities are twofold. One, keep the government running so essential services don't get interrupted," said Senate Majority leader Harry Reid, D-Ney, "Equally important, we need to lay the groundwork with a budget that keeps what works

BREGA, Libya (AP) - Opponents of Moammar Gadhafi repelled an attack by the Libyan leader's forces trying to retake a key coastal oil installation in a topsyturvy battle Wednesday in which shells splashed in the Mediterranean and a warplane bombed a beach where month. rebel fighters were charging over the dunes. At least six people were killed in the fighting.

The assault on the Brega oil port was the first major regime counteroffensive against the opposition-held eastern half of Libya, where the population backed by mutinous army units rose up and drove out Gadhafi's rule over the past two weeks.

For the past week, pro-Gadhafi forces have been focusing on the west, securing his stronghold in the capital Tripoli and trying to take back nearby rebel-held cities with only mixed success.

Green group calls for reviews

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) - Some environmental groups -believe the U.S. government must evaluate the impacts of allowing domestic crude on a proposed pipeline designed to carry Canadian crude to refinesies along the Gulf Coast.

The groups said in a letter to the U.S. State Department that the agency is required to prepare a supplemental environmental impact statement for spurs in Montana, North, Dakota and Oklahoma to TransCanada Corp.'s proposed Keystone XL pipeline.

TransCanada spokesman Shawn Howard called the groups' letter "the latest of a series of tactics they are " employing to delay the project.'

State Department spokesman Michael Tran says the agency expects to complete its review of the Keystone XL project by the end of March. He says the agency will determine then if additional environmental review is needed.

Wildfire resources to southeast

MERKEL (AP) - Damage from West Texas wildfires is being assessed as the Texas Forest Service moves firefighting resources to the southeast part of the state.

Spokesman Lewis Kearney said Wednesday that windy conditions have eased since wildfires that began Sunday burned about 120,000 acres in West Texas, but the it's still "a very high fire danger." He says more than 70 homes were destroyed.

Kearney told The Associated Press that Texas Department of Agriculture workers are helping to assess damage to livestock, fences and other property, in case government assistance is made available.

Kearney says about 15 wildfires were reported Tuesday in Tyler, Jasper, Hardin, Orange and San Augustine counties, involving a total of nearly 300 acres. A helicopter based in Granbury is relocating to Jasper, along with bulldozers.

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it's up to Democrats to offer an alternative to carry into the talks. They have yet to produce one to respond to a \$1.2 trillion omnibus spending measure that passed the House last

"The House position is perfectly clear. We cut \$100 billion off the president's request for this fiscal year," said House Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio. "We have no clue where our colleagues on the Senate

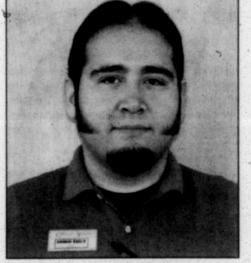
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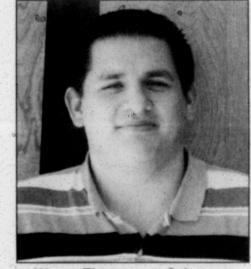
Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke said in testimony Wednesday that the House GOP spending cuts plan would reduce economic growth by as much as two-tenths of a percentage point and hurt job growth.

"That would translate into a couple hundred thousand jobs," Bernanke and cuts what doesn't. Some Republicans were restive that the bill didn't cut further.

"While some have been patting themselves on the back for proposing \$4 billion in so-called 'cuts,' in reality, this bill fully funds billions upon billions of dollars in wasteful, duplicative programs that should be eliminated, reduced, or reformed," said freshman GOP Sen. Mike Lee of Utah.







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Today in History

Today is Wednesday, March 2, the 61st day of 2011 There are 304 days left in the year.

Today's Highlights in History:

On March 2, 1861, the state of Texas, having seceded from the Union, was admitted to the Confederacy. The Territory of Nevada came into existence under an act signed by President James Buchanan.

On this date:

In 1793, the first president of the Republic of Fexas, Sam Houston, was born near Lexington, Va.

In 1836, the Republic of Texas formally declared its independence from Mexico.

In 1877, Republican Rutherford B. Hayes was declared the winner of the 1876 presidential election over Democrat Samuel J. Tilden, even though Tilden had won the popular vote.

In 1899, Mount Rainier National Park in Washington state was established.

In 1917, Puerto Ricans were granted U.S. citizenship as President Woodrow Wilson signed the Jones-Shafroth Act.

In 1943, the World War II Battle of the Bismarck Sea began; U.S. and Australian warplanes were able to inflict heavy damage on a Japanese convoy. In 1989, representatives from the 12 European Community nations agreed to ban all production of CFC's (chlorofluorocarbons) by the end of the 20th century

In 1990, more than 6,000 drivers went on strike against Greyhound Lines Inc. (The company, later declaring an impasse in negotiations, fired the strikers.)

Ten years ago: The United Nations tried in vain to persuade Afghanistan's ruling Taliban to reverse its decision to destroy a pair of giant, ancient statues of Buddha and other Buddhist relics that the regime considered idolatrous.

Five years ago: President George W. Bush and Indian Prime Minister Manmohan Singh announced a landmark civilian nuclear cooperation deal in New Delhi.

One year ago: Authorities in San Diego County found the body of 17-year-old Chelsea King, who'd been missing since Feb. 25, 2010. (John Albert Gardner III later pleaded guilty to raping and murdering King and another victim, 14-yearold Amber Dubois; he was sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole.)

Today's Birthdays: Actor John Cullum is 81. Author Tom Wolfe is 81. Former Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev is 80. Actress Barbara Luna is 72. Actor Jon Finch is 70. Author John Irving is 69. Singer Lou Reed is 69. Actress Cassie Yates is 60. Actress Laraine Newman is 59. Singer Jay Osmond is 56. Pop musician John Cowsill (The Cowsills) is 55. Tennis player Kevin Curren is 53, Country singer Larry Stewart (Restless Heart) is 52. Rock singer Jon Bon Jovi is 49. Blues singermusician Alvin Youngblood Hart is 48. Actor Daniel Craig is 43. Rock singer Chris Martin (Coldplay) is 34. Actress Heather McComb is 34. Actress Bryce Dallas Howard is 30. NFL quarterback Ben Roethlisberger is 29. Actor Robert Iler ("The Sopranos") is 26.



Texas celebrates 175 years of independence

MICHAEL GRACZYK Associated Press

WASHINGTON, Texas (AP) -The ferry crossing settlement along a trail used for generations by Native Americans and later by Spanish explorers had a single defined street and a dozen shacks and cabins when about five dozen men rode into town to make history

Their national political conventionon the banks of the Brazos River in southeast Texas was in an unfinished hall owned by a gunsmith promised \$170 for the rent.

The gunsmith never was paid.

What came out of the discussions over a few days 175 years ago this week was the Texas Declaration of Independence, a handwritten document proclaiming Texas was freeing itself from itsooppressive ruling government in Mexico. The declaration was modeled after the American Declaration of Independence authored 60 years earlier by Thomas Jefferson.

Nacogdoches a few years later, and was one of four signers representing the East Texas city.

"Our independence was born out of great bravery and sacrifice from our forefathers and should never be taken for granted," Hutchison said. "We have passed our heritage of innovation and risk-taking through the generations."

Houston McGaugh, director of the Washington on the Brazos State Park's Star of the Republic Museum, said it's important to remember declaration signers were and represented people who chose to leave their homes and move to a foreign country Texas was part of Mexico.

"I think that's just part of the Texas mystique," he said. "It was a pretty adventurous lot - or they were in trouble and had to leave town.

"It was just the people, the timbre of the people, I guess. And independence was a big deal. The people here realized they either had to fight or

William B. Travis, Texas commander at the Alamo, had written delegates imploring they follow through with the declaration so people would understand why he and his besieged forces were fighting. Houston reminded his fellow delegates that without formation of a new government, "the world is just going to see us as a bunch of outlaws," McGaugh said.

Historians believe the original and five copies of the declaration were made and signed March 2, 1836. The signing was delayed a day to coincide with Sam Houston's birthday.

Only the original remains, found vears later in a U.S. State Department file in Washington. It's believed to have been sent to Washington when the state's annexation was being discussed.

Today it's faded and brittle, the ink bleeding through the paper that's written on both sides. Its pages are on a now rare public display into April at the Texas Archives and Library in Austin. Four days after the declaration was signed, the Alamo fell. Within weeks, Houston was in command of a ragtag army that routed Santa Anna's forces in a historic 18-minute battle at San Jacinto - just outside the city that now bears Houston's name. The victory formally won Texas independence from Mexico and established the Republic of Texas. McGaugh likes to remind people the two more highly publicized historic events gained credibility because of what happened at Washington on the Brazos. Our pitch has always been poor hington on the Brazos is the have brother to the Alamo and San Jacinto," he said. Ten' years later, the Republic of Texas became a U.S. state.

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No other U.S. state has such a distinction

"The independent spirit that reigned on the Texas frontier during the era of the Texas Revolution can still be seen today throughout the state," said Light Cummins, an Austin College history professor and the Texas state historian. "Texans today pride themselves on being independent, hardworking, innovative and no-nonsense people, all of which is reflected in our view of those who participated in the Texas Revolution.

"Perhaps for that reason, many Texans believe that this state is different from any other in the nation in terms of its history and its heritage."

U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison is a descendant of English-born Charles Taylor, who moved to New York City in 1828 when he was 20, then to

Letter to the Editor

Bolin showed 'pioneer stamina'

To the Editor:

As a sixth generation descendant of a Texas hero, my granddaughter, Mary Lee Bolin, has displayed a strong pioneer stamina during three

run, and maybe both.

George Childress, a lawyer originally from Tennessee and one-time editor of the Nashville Banner newspaper, headed a committee tasked with writing the declaration. A Texas State Library account of the convention says Childress likely had a draft of the declaration with him, written in quill. The convention was at the same time the Alamo in San Antonio, 150 miles to the southwest, was under siege by Gen. Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna's Mexican army.

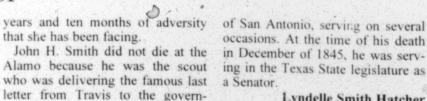
"Our political connection with the Mexican nation has forever ended, and that the people of Texas do now constitute a free, Sovereign, and independent republic, and are fully invested with all the rights and attributes which properly belong to independent nations," Childress wrote after listing grievances against Mexico.

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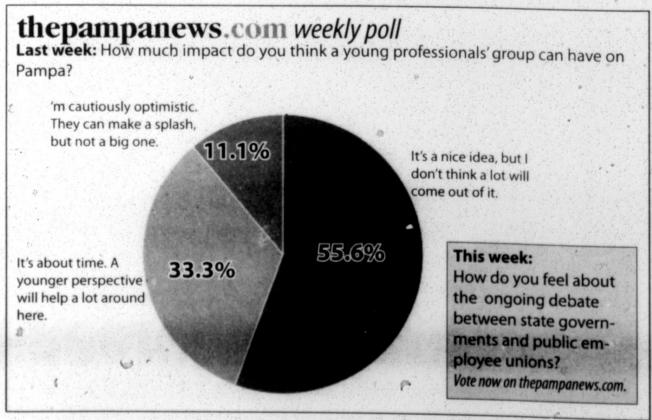
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Voter ID bill aired in House

AUSTIN (AP) Republicans on Tuesday were pushing new ID requirements for Texas voters, one of a string of bills that conservative legislators have put on the fast track in the state Legislature.

The bill, which would require a photo ID for most voters, came up for a debate in a House panel after clearing the Senate in January. Voters over age 70 and disabled voters would be exempt.

The bill's passage into law is all but certain despite claims by Democrats and civil rights groups that the legislation would erect new hurdles for minorities and the poor. Republicans say it's needed to combat voter fraud.

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Voter ID is one of several issues this week sure: to warm the hearts of conservative activists and frustrate Democrats who are essentially powerless to stop them. On Wednesday, lawmakers will hear testimony about legislation designed to crack down on illegal immigrants in so-called "sanctuary cities," and the House will debate legislation requiring women to get a sonogram before having an abortion. The Voter ID legislation was first bill out of the Senate. and the sonogram bill is the first one scheduled to hit the House floor.

"I'm always amazed that the folks who campaign on limited government, their first two priorities are more government," said Rep. Pete Gallego, a West Texas Democrat. Gallego said the both the voter ID and the sonogram bill would require the Legislature to spendy money on discretionary programs at a time when appropriators are looking for every available dollar

to plug a budget shortfall as high as \$27 billion.

Gov. Rick Perry put voter ID, abortion restrictions and the sanctuary cities bill on the fast track by declaring them "emergency" legislative priorities at the beginning of the session in January.

Rep. Larry Taylor, head of the House Republican Caucus, said the social conservative legislation was not providing a distraction to the work on the budget.

"They are emergency items as designated by the governor," Taylor said. The appropriations process is continuing. It's not slowing that down at all."

According to the House author of the voter ID legislation, GOP Rep. Patricia Harless, the \$2^e million needed for training and implementation of the bill would be paid for entirely with federal money. Harless proposed adding an exemption for disabled Texans and allowing voters to use a handgun license that had not expired more than two months before being used at a polling place.

Republicans are pushing voter ID bills across the country. The one in Texas. mirrors a law passed several years ago in Georgia.

"The point of the bill is to deter and detect fraud, increase the public confidence in the voting process and make it no more burdensome than the actual act of voting," Harless said. Georgia Secretary of State Brian Kemp, testifying before the House committee, said that since the legislation took effect there, "we have not disenfranchised anyone . especially any minority group.

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Welcome to exciting Calvary Baptist Church. We would welcome to exciting Calvary Baptist Church. We would like to share with you why Calvary Baptist Church has become one of the most dynamic churches in the Texas Panhandle.

become one of the most dynamic entrefles in the revast Panhandle. Calvary's continuous growth has caused it to be nick-named the "lighthouse on 23rd Street" A new lighthouse stands in Calvary's Lighthouse Park as a reminder of the church's mission to share the light of lesus Christ with Pampa and the surrounding area. Calvary Baptist has a large ministerial staff, ready to assist and minister to Pampa and the surrounding area. The staff consists of Richard Bartel, senior Pastor, Dallas Stringer, Associate Pastor, Gary Jameson, Minister of Music, Eric Lockwood, Youth Minister, Marty Field, Children's Minister, and Shery Etheredge, Preschool Director. For the last 15 years, Calvary Baptist Church has made enormous strides in ministry to its membership and its com-tioning. This ministry is demonstrated in our new audio-nium which is patterned after the 23rd Psalm. Our beautiful landscaping, prayer garden, and fountain reminds us of the

rum which is patterned after the 23rd Psalm. Our beautiful landscaping, prayer garden, and fountain reminds us of the shepherd that leads His sheep to lie down in green pastures and leads them beside still waters. The Psalm in its entirety pictures the faithful shepherd as He cares for His sheep through every facet of life. Literally hundreds of souls have been restored through this excellent ministry. Calvary Baptist Church is a Southern Baptist Church that utilizes relevant sermons and contemporary music to relate to people's lives.

utilizes relevant sermons and contemporary mass and people's lives. Music is an important part of the ministry at Calvary Baptist Church, Calvary's pease and worship style music, featuring the dynamic and contemporary Calvary Baptist Praise Band, is an integral part of all worship services. The pop-rock sound, using keyboards, guitar, and drums, appeals to our contemporary generation. The music ministry is lead by Gary Jameson, Minister of Music. **Small Groups:** Calvary encourages people to become a part of a small group Bible Study. The church has groups that meet in homes during the week and Sunday morning Bible Study classes for all ages. ing, believing, sacrific optimistic proponents reached out to familie reached out to familid Good News of Christ fication. It seemed like obstacle for God to ove The 1960s and "70s s all ages The 1960s and 10s tive years of ministry the Nazarene, from m in service to God. The same decline many off

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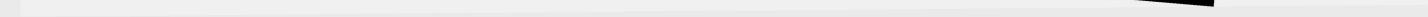
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Sports

NFL NEGOTIATIONS Ten owners attend labor talk

WASHINGTON (AP), All 10 members of the NFL owners' labor committee and New Orleans Saints quarterback Drew Brees attended Wednesday's mediation session between the league and the players' union, with fewer than 40 hours left until the collective bargaining agreement expires.

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The ninth day of talks at the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service came on the same day that the league's 32 team owners were gathering to meet at a hotel about 25 miles away in Chantilly, Va.

The CBA runs out at midnight Eastern time as Thursday becomes Friday, and among the possibilities are that the owners lock out the players or that the union decertifies. Whatever happens this week could cause the country's most popular sport to lose regular-season games to a work stoppage for the first time since 1987. Or, perhaps, everything could be resolved by management and labor in an industry with revenues topping \$9 billion annually.

"So far, obviously, we haven't been successful," Carolina Panthers owner Jerry Richardson said on his way into the mediation session shortly before 10 a.m., "but we're optimistic in due time we will." Added Richardson: "We have a league meeting, and we decided it would be a

good idea for our full committee to meet with the mediation process this morning. Our objective, of course, is to negotiate a fair agreement for the players and the teams."

NFL general counsel and lead labor negotiator Jeff Pash reiterated that it is possible that the league and union could agree to extend the deadline for arriving at a new CBA.

'We have to see where we are. We've said that's an option. We're not taking anything off the table," Pash said.

Labor committee members joining Richardson on Wednesday at the talks were Jerry Jones of the Dallas Cowboys, Bob Kraft of the New England Patriots, Art Rooney of the Pittsburgh Steelers, John Mara of the New York Giants, Mike Brown of Cincinnati Bengals, Clark Hunt of the Kansas City Chiefs, Dean Spanos of the San Diego Chargers, Mark Murphy of the Green Bay Packers, and Pat Bowlen of the Denver Broncos.

Until Mara attended Tuesday's talks, no team owners had participated in the mediation sessions that began Feb. 18.

DOG DELAY AFTERNOON



staff photo by David Bowser

Meganna Fraser helps a referee try to lead a canine who wanted to help the hometown Lady Bulldogs off the field in the first half.

What to do when a pet runs away

We give them shelter. affection, food, and entertaining toys. But once the front door opens, some pets have their minds set on escape, A cat may dart. a dog may sneak. Either way, getting outdoors unattended can spell trou-

ble : It's impossible to count all of the runaway pets. but estimates suggest hundreds of thousands. of pets go missing every year. Many of these pets end up in shelters where, unless they're adopted. they face euthanasia.

A lost pet can be devastating for an owner. Pets are[®] extended members of the family, and theirpresence in the home can be immediately missed. Should a pet get loose, there are some steps to take.

· Cats are territorial and aren't likely to venture where other cats reside. If you know where stray cats often congregate.



neighborhood. Focus on a 5- or 6-block radius around your home to find a lost dog.

• If a pet is located, do not chase the animal. He , or she may see it as a game and evade capture. Lure the pet in with a treat

• Some animals can find their ways home. Give ita little time and the pet might just return home. • If it's been several hours and the pet hasn't been found, visit area shelters to see if he or she has been picked up. Check with shelters that aren't in the immediate vicinity, too. Animals can wander great distances when lost.

· Post pictures of the pet-

ting the animal up for adoption or putting it down if it's a shelter that euthanizes. Preventing pets

from getting lost is the key to avoiding the heartache and

lost sleep searching for amissing pet.

· If a dog is allowed remain outdoors toi unleashed, do so only in a fenced-in yard.

· Be sure to license and register the pet with the city or town in which you live. Display the license and an ID tag on the pet's collar

· Use leashes and animal crates when transporting pets to and from the car

· Invest in a permanent radio-frequency identification microchip An RFID chip is the size of a grain of rice and is injected under the excess skin by the shoulders of the pet. It contains contact information should

Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: My hus- worked in the same office to know. As it turned out, I the addition of our soil.

neighbors behind us have new career. a large window in their shower, and they tend to how to approach my boss The prospect of major take a lot of nighttime when the time comes. This showers. (I'm sure you can is a very small office and, see where this is heading.) while I wouldn't call us and the spouse. Your hus-For a long time, we chose friends, we probably have band may have preferred to ignore it, but my moth- a closer relationship than to downplay it because

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DEAR GRATEFUL: surgery can be frightening -- both for the patient

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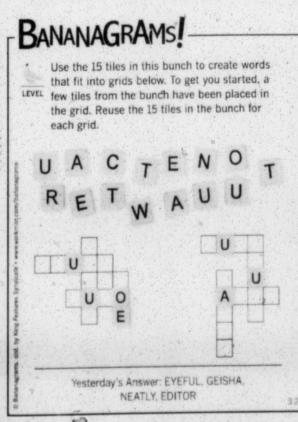
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GETTING DEAR AN EYEFUL: Another job. Explain that you are shower letter! Write ready to start in your new your neighbors a polite field and offer to spend a note telling them there few weeks training your is a clear view into their replacement to make any shower when their lights transition easier. are of at night. Explain that before your son was band recently had major born this was not of con- surgery. I wanted to call a cern to you, but now that few close friends and famyou have a small child, ily members beforehand to you would appreciate it if let them know. When I told they would work with you my husband, we had an aron a solution to this prob- gument. He felt they would lem. They may not be feel obligated to respond. aware they've been put- I felt it would be nice for ting on an X-rated show. both of us to have support

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DEAR GIVING NOyour announcement will soon. probably not come as much of a surprise to your employer. However, sure you have another job speak to your employer, thank him or her for your

DEAR ABBY: My hus-DEAR ABBY: I have and that they would want



matic and didn't want to be alone at that time. Was it wrong to ask for help? TICE: Because you have I don't think so. My adbeen in school for the vice to your husband is length of time you have, to lighten up and get well

look elsewhere for your kitty. Bring along a cat carrier and urge the cat inside with a treat. · Some dogs will see

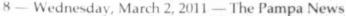
something interesting in the distance and chase a perimeter around the

around the neighborhood and ask if the mail carrier can distribute "lost pet" fliers

· Shelters have different rules regarding how long they hold an aniafter it. Others will run mal. Some will do so for a few days before putthe pet be found. Many shelters have the scanners necessary to read the chip's frequency

· Be aware of your pet when opening the door. Don't leave doors and windows open if your pet. is a known escape artist.







this extremely positive attitude into work. your daily life or a meeting. A partner appears to be on the verge of going on the warpath. Work with his or her anger, helping him or her to use it in an appropriate way. Let go of a hostile comment or two. Tonight: Burning the candle at both ends. CANCER (June 21 - July 22)

**** Resist subtlety when speaking about a situation. No innuendoes; use clear language. On some level you might feel nervous or insecure. Stop; have a talk with yourself. Note that you are surrounded by some very strong-willed people Tonight: Start thinking "weekend"!

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22)

**** Sometimes you shake your head at the politics involved in clearing out a problem. An associate plays devil's

*** Be aware of what is happening financially. If your sixth sense cuts in, by all means, honor what you feel. Curb spending until you're surer of yourself. Deal with your anger directly; no placebo, please. Tonight: Curb overindulgence. PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20)

**** You perk up by the end of the day. You might wonder exactly what is happening between you and a friend. This person becomes controlling and appears to be transforming right in front of you. Tonight: Know that you are top dog.

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Sports

Harvesters strike early, hold on late for tie vs. Borger

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In the first game against Borger, the s Pampa Harvesters jumped out to an early lead but let it slip away. Tuesday at Borger, the same thing happened, except Pampa was able to hold on and tie Borger

Head coach John True said he was pleased with his team's effort.

The kids played hard," True said. That's the potential we have. I wish we would have shown it earlier in the

Senior Ryan Stoffle said he's glad the team is still in playoff contention but would have preferred the victory.

"It was all about our effort today," Stoffle said. "We fought hard and came to their field.

Both teams were scoreless in the first half and each had scoring chances. Stoffle broke the tie with two goals in the first six minutes of the half. The senior said he was just able to finish the play

"You have to work hard and finish runs," Stoffle said. "It takes the whole team to get the ball. Everyone did their part and I finished the play."

The Bulldogs came right back. Borger scored on a restart with 28:59 left in the game. The Bulldogs scored the tying goal with 22:58 left. Borger had a scoring chance late but Pampa's goalie Raul Vasquez was able to kick the ball out. Vasquez held the ball to run off the last seconds.

Just like the girls game, a dog not wearing red and white ran on the field twice in the second half. After the second incident the dog was chased under the bleachers.

The Harvesters (1-10-2, 0-7-1) host Randall 2 p.m. Saturday. True said his team needs to win games.

'We got to win games," True said. "This is a step in the right direction. When we play Randall we need to win it or at least tie it, to get the points. Then we need to beat the teams we should beat."

staff photo by Andrew Glover

Colten Adams attempts to control the ball Tuesday against Borger. The Harvesters tied 2-2 and are still in contention for the playoffs.

Lady Harvesters play strong defense, fall to Lady 'Dogs



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The Pampa Lady Harvesters had a strong defensive game featuring two dog delays but fell 2-0 to the Borger Lady Bulldogs at Borger.

Junior K'Lynn King said they have improved a lot.

"We are working together much better," King said.

Head coach John True said they are playing well considering this is the fourth game with their current team.

better now that we got some people back," True said."When we have all of our players we are a good team. They have been playing well, they've just been unlucky.

The game had to be stopped twice in the first half because a in the second half. The Lady dog ran onto to the field. After' Harvesters (0-12-0, 0-7-0) host the second incident the dog was Randall 12 p.m. Saturday

taken out of the stadium. The Lady Bulldogs that were authorized to be on the field scored twice. The first goal came at 31:28 on a header. The second goal was scored at 24:15 with Borger kicking it past the goalie.

True said his team was out of position on the first goal and the goalie lost the balls in the sun

On the restart (Tiffany Oliver) told me she couldn't see the ball till it was past her. True said, "That's one of those "The girls are playing a lot deals you have to give to them. On the throw-in we just lost our mark and got beat.

King said Borger played good defense.

"We couldn't get around them," King said. Both teams were scoreless

Crystal Garcia chases down a loose ball against Borger Tuesday. The Lady Harvesters lost 2-0 and host Randall 12 p.m. Saturday.

Softball splits in Burkburnett Tourney

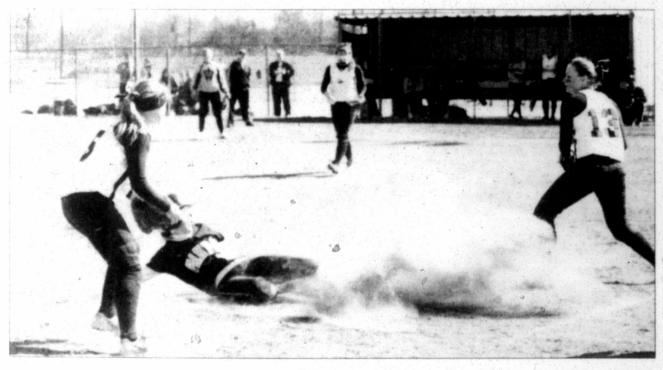


photo courtesy of Charla Shults Claire Hopkins slides into third against Whitesboro Feb. 25 in the Burkburnett Tournament. Pampa lost 7-4 and went 3-3 in the tournament.

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The Pampa Lady Harvesters softball team went 3-3 in the Burkburnett tournament Feb. 24-26.

Head coach Bobbi Gill said the tournament went as they expected.

"We were a little up and down," Gill said. "We've pinpointed areas we need to work on and we are set to do that.

Pampa opened the tournament Thursday with a 7-1 loss to Iowa Park. Senior Jordan Mayhew pitched an earned the loss. The senior also scored Pampa's only run with her second home run of the season. Sophomore outfielder Claire Hopkins had two base hits and a stolen base.

The Lady Harvesters beat Henrietta 9-3. Freshman Alexa O'Brien started and earned her first win. Sophomore Tiffany Britton closed the game. Hopkins had one hit, two stolen bases, and scored two runs. Mayhew had one hit and scored two runs and

had two RBI. Senior first baseman Madi Shults had two hits, one stolen base and two runs scored and two RBI. Junior McKinlee Stokes had one hit, scored two runs, and had an RBI. Sophomore Bailey Beck had as single and a double with 3 RBI.

Pampa opened Friday with a 5-4 victory over Abilene Wylie. Britton pitched and earned her first win. Hopkins had two singles, one run, one stolen base and the game-winning RBI. Shults hit two doubles, one run and two RBI.

The Lady Harvesters lost their second game 8-3 to Whitesboro. Mayhew started and earned the loss. Britton closed the game. Hopkins had two hits, three stolen bases, and two runs scored. Sophomore Martecia Alexander had one hit, one stolen base, one run scored and one RBI. Beck had two RBI.

The Lady Harvesters lost 9-8 to Abilene Cooper Saturday in a rematch of last season's bidistrict series. O'Brien started and earned the loss. Britton closed the game.

Hopkins had two hits and two runs scored. Britton had a single and a triple, with one run scored and

one RBI. Beck had two singles, one run scored and one RBI. Junior Alanna Stephens hit two singles and scored one run.

Pampa closed the tournament with a 17-4 win over Henrietta. Britton pitched and earned her second win. Hopkins had a single, three stolen bases, and three runs scored. Britton had a single and two runs scored. Stokes had one hit, two runs scored and one RBI. Stephens hit a double and drove in three.

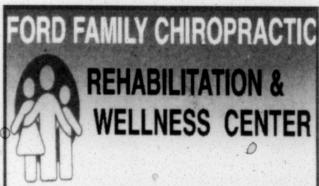
Gill said she was pleased with how her team hit the ball.

"I was extremely pleased with our offensive performance and look forward to getting back to it to see where we are the next time we step on to the field," Gill said.

The Lady Harvesters (4-3) face Lubbock Coronado in Plainview Tuesday.

SEND OFF THE HARVESTERS

The Pampa Harvesters boys basketball team leave for the Regional Quarterfinals and hopefully the Regional semifinals and finals 10 a.m. Thursday in front of McNeely Fieldhouse. The bus will go by Austin, Travis and Lamar Elementary before getting on the Amarillo Highway and out of town.



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