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Tuesday afternoon, the city commission canvassed the votes taken last Saturday and declared Brad

Pingel the new Pampa Mayor.

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Wednesday, May 18, 2011 Volume 107 • No. 37 Pingel, Holmes take oaths of office at meeting Ward Two, kept her seat and was DAVID BOWSER dbowser@thepampanews.com Brad Pingel was sworn in this week as Pampa's new mayor before a packed city commission

sworn in by City Secretary Karen Robert Dixon, commissioner

representing Ward Three, was unopposed, but was absent Tuesday afternoon. He will be OATHS cont. on page 5

Outgoing mayor Lonny Robbins (left) shares a smile with newly-elected mayor Brad Pingel as he is presented with the gavel during ceremonies Tuesday at Pampa City Hall.



staff photo by David Bowser

PIPERS-IN-TRAINING?



staff photo by Randy Pribble

Bagpiper Alex Fairbanks allows some children an up-close look at the difficult-to-master instrument. From left are Fairbanks, Kennan Rigoulot, Mason Bagwell, Tristan Black and Jackson Bagwell. Fairbanks played the pipes at the morning services on Sunday at the First Presbyterian Church's annual "Kirking (blessing) of the Tartans," the Scottish plaids which indicated the historical tribal families. As Rev. Kenny Rigolout said in his sermon: "According to legend, after the Jacobite Rebellion of 1745, the English government proposed the Act of Subscription which forbade the highlanders from speaking in Gaelic, wearing their tartans and playing the bagpipes. As they were proud people, many of them defied the Act of Subscription and the English government by wearing strips of their family's tartan underneath their clothing. They would go to worship and during a certain part of the Benediction, they would touch the place where their scrap of tartan was hidden as an act of defiance."

Grandview-**Hopkins** bond OK'ed

DAVID BOWSER dbowser@thepampanews.com

Voters in the Grandview-Hopkins Independent School District overwhelmingly passed a million dollar bond issue to renovate their school and passed a tax to repay the bonds.

Almost 90 percent of the 19 voters voted for the bond issue.

Frankie Sparling and Cesar Rodriguez won seats on the McLean school board.

Cesar Rodriguez garnered 42 **ELECTIONS** cont. on page 5

Wheat Field Day set for this Monday

ARNIE AURELLANO editor@thepampanews.com

The Texas AgriLife Extension Service in Gray, Carson and Armstrong Counties will host a

Wheat Field Day on Monday. Registration for the event will be at 10:45 a.m., with the program beginning at 11 a.m. at the Groom Community Center at the WHEAT cont. on page 5

County Commission worried about ambulance service

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Gray County Commissioners are concerned about ambulance service in the southeastern part of the county, but there may not be much they can do about it.

For the last several years, the commissioners court had been paying \$1,000 a month to keep the ambulance service viable in McLean. Last year, they increased that amount to \$20,000 annually, but with the new year, the ambulance service in that community closed down.

By contrast, the county funds the Lefors ambulance service to the tune of \$3,500 a year. the McLean area, said Gray County Judge

Members of the Lefors Volunteer Fire and Ambulance Service appeared before the Gray County Commissioners Court this week to ask for financial help with the calls they've made to McLean in an effort to try to supply ambulance service to southeastern Gray

Floyd Lott, chief of the Lefors Volunteer Fire Department, said the Lefors emergency responders could no longer provide service

The Lefors fire department had to stop ambulance runs to that part of the county

effective Monday, he said. Lefors had stepped up to the plate to help Richard Peet.

"I appreciate that very much," Peet told

Lefors has had 17 ambulance runs to the

McLean area since March 25, Peet said. "They were reimbursed for two of those,"

The county judge told commissioners that Lefors couldn't continue to cover their area and McLean's, too, and not be reimbursed.

Peet commended Pampa EMS for covering Lefors in emergency situations when the Lefors ambulance service has gone to McLean, but the judge noted that Pampa EMS isn't allowed to go further except in AMBULANCE cont. on page5

Boomtown Block Party & Business Expo and Top O' Texas BBQ Cook-off

July 9 at Recreation Park/Rodeo Grounds Registration forms available at the Chamber Office 200 N. Ballard

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High 84 Low 54

Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 53. Windy, with a south southwest wind between 20 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

Thursday: Sunny, with a high near 86. Windy, with a southwest wind 15 to 20 mph increasing to between 25 and 30 mph. Winds could gust as high as 40 mph.

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 53. Windy, with a southwest wind 25 to 30 mph decreasing to between 15 and 20 mph. Winds could gust as high as 40 mph.

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 83. Windy, with a southwest wind 15 to 20 mph increasing to between 25 and 30 mph. Winds could gust as high as 40 mph.

Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 54. Windy, with a southwest wind 25 to 30 mph decreasing to between 15 and 20 mph. Winds could gust as high as 40 mph.

Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 84. Breezy, with a west wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 54. West southwest wind around 10 mph,

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Obituaries

Nanci Deanne Bergman, 55

EDGEWOOD, N.M.-Nanci Deanne Bergman, 55, of Edgewood, N.M., peacefully passed away at her home on Monday, May 16, 2011.

Nanci was born on September 13, 1955, in Lincoln, Neb., to Harold and Mary Ellen (Halstead) Gardner. Nanci married Michael Dean Bergman, her husband of thirty-four years, on April 29, 1977. Bergman They lived in Edgewood,

N.M. for the past seventeen years having previously lived in Billings, Mont. She was a member of the Woods-End Church in Edgewood, N.M. and secretary at Bethel Storehouse in Moriarty, N.M. Nanci did everything from her heart. She loved her children, her husband, and giving back to the community through Bethel Storehouse though she had little herself. Most of all, she loved her God.

Nanci was preceded in death by her mother, Mary Ellen Gardner. She is survived by her father, Harold Gardner of Mexico; husband, Michael D. Bergman of Edgewood, N.M., sons, Jason Bergman of Delaware, and Eric Bergman and his wife Ciara of Albuquerque, N.M.; daughters, Jennifer Innes of Charlotte, N.C., Susan Bergman of Edgewood, N.M. and Mary Bergman of Albuquerque, N.M.; brothers, Rod Gardner, Randy Gardner, Bill Gardner, and Steven Gardner; sisters, Kathy Gardner and Patricia Elkins; and two grandchildren, Trystan Innes and Kedric Innes.

There will be a funeral service on Friday, May 20, 2011, at 10 a.m. at WoodsEnd Church in Edgewood, N.M. with Pastor Bryan Hackett officiating. Burial will follow the service at Mountain View Cemetery in Moriarty, N.M.

Sign the online register at www.harris-hanlonmortuary.com.

Jerome K. Littlefield, 80

Jerome K. Littlefield, 80, died May 17, 2011, in Pam-

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1964 in Tucson, Ariz. She preceded him in death on October 15, 2005. Jerome was an electrician and a member of IBEW for over 50 years. He enjoyed working on his two classic cars.

Survivors include his son, Rick Littlefield and wife Lyn of Pampa; two grandsons, Nickalus Littlefield of Los Lunas, N.M., and Cameron Littlefield of Pampa; a granddaughter, Lauren Littlefield of Pampa; brother, Alex Littlefield and wife Ann of Tallahassee, Fla. He was preceded in death by his parents, Alex and Geraldene Littlefield; and a brother, Francis Littlefield.

Memorials may be made to Lighthouse Baptist

Sign the online register at www.carmichael-whatley.

Yamileth Mendoza Huerta, 19 days

Mendoza Yamileth Huerta, 19 days, died May 14, 2011, in Amarillo.

Rosary will be at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 18, 2011, at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel, and Mass of the Angels will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, May 19, 2011, at St. Vincent dePaul Catholic Church, with Rev. Francisco Perez, pastor, officiating.

Burial will be at Fair-

view Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Huerta

Yamileth was born April 25, 2011 in Pampa. Survivors include her parents, Pedro and Maira Huerta of the home; three brothers, Alejandro Huerta, Rubicel Huerta and Pedro Huerta, Jr., all of the home; a sister, Jacqueline Huerta of the home; grandparents, Benigno Mendoza and wife Antonia Garcia of Pampa; six uncles, Abraham Huerta and wife Francisca, Francisco Mendoza and wife Cintia, Gildardo Mendoza and wife Luz, Antonio Mendoza, Alexander Mendoza, and Alberto Mendoza and wife Isabel, all of Pampa; three aunts, Lucy Hernandez and husband Juan Ruiz and Rosio Rios and husband Sergio, Yolanda Rojas

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and husband Salomon, all of Pampa.

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neral Directors. Mr. Littlefield was born March 3, 1931, in Daytona

Beach, Fla. He married Esther Delcid on September 9,

For the record

continued from Tuesday

Police Department Water was shut off in the

1500 block of N. Hobart. A motorist assist was provided at Sumner and

18th. An information call was reported in the 2800 block of N. Charles.

An 911 hangup call was reported in the 900 block of E. Gordon.

A sewer choke was reported in the 700 block of

An information call was

reported in the 100 block of N. Sumner. A follow-up investiga-

tion was reported in the 2500 block of N. Christine. Violation of a city ordinance was reported in the 2100 block of N. Sumner.

A hit-and-run was reported in the 2800 block of N. Charles.

A suspicious person was reported at Browning and Rose.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 400 block

of S. Graham.

An information call was reported in the 200 block

of W. Kingsmill. An information call was

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reported in the 200 block of W. Kingsmill.

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A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 1900 block

of N. Sumner.

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was reported in the 100 block of N. Houston.

A structure fire was reported in the 400 block of

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reported in the 100 block of N. Houston. Disorderly conduct was

reported in the 300 block of Tignor.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 800 block of E. Beryl.

A sewer choke was reported in the 700 block of N. Bradley Dr.

An information call was reported in the 600 block of nalia. E. Frederic.

A welfare check was reported in the 300 block of

N. Hobart.

was reported in the 900 block of Jordan. An alarm was reported in

the 1300 block of N. Hobart.

Monday, May 16 A follow-up investigation was reported in the 1100

block of W. Juniper. Disorderly conduct was

reported in the 1100 block of N. Starkweather. An alarm was reported in

Disorderly conduct was the 2500 block of N. Perry-

Sheriff's Office

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

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Wednesday through the Wednesday, May 11 Landon Wren Powell, 17, Water was shut of in the was arrested by police on, 2600 block of N. Seminole charges of assault causing

bodily harm, and family. violence. David Keith Smith, 46, was arrested by police on charges of driving while.

intoxicated, third time or. more. Thursday, May 12 Rene Marie Hill, 34, was :

arrested by deputies on charges of driving while intoxicated.

Friday, May 13 Walter Lawrence Johnson, 18, was arrested by

deputies on charges of possession of drug parapher-Saturday, May 14

Angela Marie Thompson, 33, was arrested by police on a capias pro fine warrant. A domestic disturbance in connection with charges of no seatbelt.

Travis Calvin Selby, 36, was arrested by police on five capias pro fine warrants.

Sunday, May 15 Astin Franklin Year-wood, 23, was arrested by Yearpolice on charges of driving while intoxicated.

Danny Tillman Boyd, 52, was arrested by deputies on a warrant in connection with charges of deadly con-

Jesus Mijares Garcia, 29, was arrested by deputies on charges of driving with an invalid license.

Valentine Casteritia, 22, was arrested by deputies on charges of littering.

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AFTERNOONRUSH Court asked to uphold polygamist verdict

Cities seek Bowl reimbursement

ARLINGTON (AP) - Dallas, Fort Worth and cities in between have asked the state for reimbursement of security costs and other local expenses from this year's Super Bowl in Arlington.

The Packers beat the Steelers 31-25 during the Feb. 6 game at retractable-roof Cowboys Stadium. An ice storm, electrical outages and travel delays plagued North

Texas the week before the game.

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City documents show Fort Worth is requesting nearly \$2.3 million from the Major Events Trust Fund for expenses ranging from police and fire personnel to snow removal. Dallas is requesting about \$3 million. Arlington is seeking at least \$715,000. Irving is asking for nearly

The Super Bowl Host Committee is also expected to cover some of the local expenses, including a more than \$1.9 million reimbursement request from Arlington.

Ship channel to get \$58M

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) - More than \$58 million has been allocated by the federal government to help pay to extend the Corpus Christi Ship Channel.

The Corpus Christi Caller-Times reported Wednesday that the extension would support the La Quinta Trade Gateway, with plans for a dock and container facility.

The Army Corps of Engineers, which announced the funding Tuesday, will be in charge of dredging, to extend the channel 1.4 miles and deepen it from the current 45 feet.

The Port of Corpus Christi has set aside \$15 million to start. The entire La Quinta Trade Gateway project is estimated to cost up to \$600 million, including development with rail lines, docks and cranes.

Teen heroin deaths spur sweep

FLOWER MOUND (AP) - A federal grand jury has indicted 17 people so far on conspiracy and gun and drug-related counts after an investigation spurred by the deaths of three suburban Dallas teens from heroin overdoses.

Two of the Flower Mound teens, ages 17 and 18, died in March 2010. A 19-year-old Flower Mound man died in July. One of those indicted is 19-yearold Joseph Hoffman of Flower Mound, who pleaded guilty in March to possession of heroin with intent to distribute and faces up to 40 years in federal prison for his part in supplying the heroin that led to one of the deaths.

Flower Mound police Capt. Wess Griffin said the arrests won't completely stop the sale or use of heroin in the affluent community, but he feels good about the

Warden's wife on trial in OK

MANGUM, Okla. (AP) - Only two jurors have been selected in the trial of a former Oklahoma prison warden's wife who allegedly fell in love with an inmate and helped him escape.

Defense attorney Garvin Isaacs said Tuesday there are now two jurors in the case of Bobbi Parker. Jury selection is scheduled to resume on Wednesday.

Parker is charged with helping convicted killer Randolph Dial escape from the Oklahoma State Reformatory in Granite 1994. She has pleaded not

Prosecutors allege the 48-year-old Parker fell in love with Dial and ran away with him. Defense attorneys say Dial kidnapped her and held her hostage until she was rescued by authorities at an east Texas chicken ranch in 2005. Dial maintained until his death in 2007 that he kidnapped Parker.

College grads hit by recession

NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J. (AP) - A Rutgers University poll finds that the most recent graduates are stuck taking lower-paying jobs that are less likely to offer health insurance.

The poll of 571 graduates of public and private fouryear schools found just over half have full-time jobs. They were graduates from 2006 to 2010.

Just under half say their first jobs didn't really require bachelor's degrees and nearly half say their parents are helping them financially.

The poll found those who graduated between 2006 and 2008 fared better than those who graduated in 2009 or 2010. The earlier grads were paid about

\$3,000 a year more in their first jobs. And 88 percent of them received health insurance, compared with 77 percent of the more recent grads. The sampling error is plus or minus 4 percent.

Publisher to anchor Trade Center

NEW YORK (AP) - Magazine publisher Conde Nast plans to occupy 1 million square feet at the rebuilt World Trade Center's signature skyscraper.

The publisher of magazines including Vogue and The New Yorker plans to move about 5,000 employees into 1 World

Trade Center in 2014. The deal has been in the works for months and was announced Tuesday

It will go before the board of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey on May 26 for approval. The authority owns the trade center site.

Conde Nast will pay an estimated \$2 billion over 25 years.

Chief financial officer John Bellando said Conde Nast would be proud to take part in the ongoing renaissance of lower Manhattan.

The Port Authority plans to take over Conde Nast's current lease near Times Square.

AUSTIN (AP) Prosecutors plan to ask an appellate court Wednesday to uphold the sexual assault conviction of a polygamous sect member in the first appeal stemming from the 2008 raid of a West Texas ranch - a massive sweep that set off one of the largest child custody cases in U.S. history.

Michael Emack. pleaded no contest last year to sexually assaulting a 16-year-old girl and was sentenced to seven years in prison. The Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints claims Emack entered the plea because he doubted he could get fair trial in the small West Texas county where jurors have reliably convicted sect members since the raid on the Yearning for Zion ranch.

Both sides are scheduled to give oral arguments Wednesday before the 3rd District Court of Appeals, where Emack's attorneys are expected to rip into the search warrant obtained by Texas authorities. The FLDS church has long claimed the raid was invalid because it was triggered by phone calls that turned out to be a hoax.

The calls to a domestic abuse hotline claimed to be from a 16-year-old

mother being abused on the ranch in Eldorado. Authorities later learned the girl didn't exist.

"The six-day siege of the YFZ Ranch community in April of 2008 was a law enforcement debacle of unprecedented scope and magnitude," wrote Gerald Goldstein, Emack's attorney, in a 49-page brief filed with the court.

The appellate court isn't expected to make an immediate ruling.

State prosecutors responded in court filings that the trial judge in Schleicher County already denied earlier attempts to suppress evidence from more than 900 boxes and 66 computers seized at the ranch. They also described Emack as paranoid that state officials targeted his church solely because of the members' religious beliefs.

"(Emack) plainly sees evidence of his persecution in everything; in every act of every state actor involved in his ultimate arrest and prosecution, at every stage," prosecutors wrote.

Emack had a child with the teenage girl after the church wed them in a "spiritual" marriage, according to prosecutors. His attorneys allege state District Judge Barbara

Walther made 21 errors in failing to uphold their motion to suppress evidence collected from the

More than 400 children living at the sprawling ranch were swept into temporary state custody during the raid. Twelve members of the church, including sect leader Warren Jeffs, went on to face charges of bigamy, sexual assault

> or both. Seven of Jeffs' followers have been prosecuted since last year, and all have been convicted. Only in one case have jurors deliberated more

than two hours.

Jeffs was extradited to Texas last year but appears unlikely to stand trial anytime soon on charges of bigamy and sexual assault. He has appeared in court with four different attorneys, had his trial date pushed back twice, and the court has yet to rule on substantial motions such as where the trial will even take place.

The FLDS church is a breakaway sect of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, the Mormon church, which renounced polygamy more than a century ago.



Study: Celibacy didn't cause abuse in clergy

WASHINGTON (AP) -Researchers commissioned by the nation's Roman Catholic bishops to analyze patterns of clergy sex abuse over decades have concluded that homosexuality, celibacy and an all-male priesthood did not cause the

The report from the John Jay College of Criminal Justice said the majority of molestation cases involved priests who were ordained in the 1940s and 1950s, at a time when seminaries did not properly train them to live a celibate life. These men were not equipped to withstand the social upheaval of the 1960s, which was a time of an increase in sexual deviancy and crime in society at large, the authors said.

The study is the last of three reports the bishops commissioned in 2002, as part of child protection reforms adopted at the height of the abuse crisis. The goal of this latest report was to help identify patterns of abuse and how the church responded to the problem in the hope of better protecting children. The report is to be released today by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Researchers reviewed abuse allegations from more than 10,000 people against thousands of priests since the 1950s.

The report says the abuse problem peaked in the 1970s, then began declining sharply, at a time when there were no changes in the celibacy mandate and only men were ordained. Therefore,

these were not factors in the crisis, researchers said. The majority of known victims were boys, prompting many in the church to say that gay priests were to blame. The John Jay researchers rejected that argument, saying the offenders chose boys because clergy had greater access to them.

According to the report, only a tiny percentage of accused priests - less than 5 percent — could be technically defined as pedophiles. The authors of the study define pedophile as an adult with an intense sexual attraction to prepubescent children.

Victim advocates have said that the study cannot be trusted since the raw data was provided by the bishops. A spokeswoman for the bishops' conference insisted the bishops fully cooperated with the study, which was partly funded with a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice.

Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

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Today in History

Today is Wednesday, May 18, the 138th day of 2011. There are 227 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 18, 1911, composer-conductor Gustav Mahler died in Vienna, Austria, at age 50.

On this date:

In 1642, the Canadian city of Montreal was founded by French colonists.

In 1896, the Supreme Court, in Plessy v. Ferguson, endorsed "separate but equal" racial segregation, a concept renounced 58 years later in Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka.

In 1910, Halley's Comet passed by earth, brushing it with its tail.

In 1933, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed a measure creating the Tennessee Valley Authority. In 1953, Jacqueline Cochran became the first woman to break the sound barrier as she piloted

a Canadair F-86 Sabre jet over Rogers Dry Lake, In 1969, astronauts Eugene A. Cernan, Thomas P. Stafford and John W. Young blasted off aboard

Apollo 10 on a mission to orbit the moon. In 1980, the Mount St. Helens volcano in Washington state exploded, leaving 57 people

dead or missing. In 1981, the New York Native, a gay newspaper, carried a story concerning rumors of "an exotic new disease" among homosexuals; it was the first published report about what came to be known as

Ten years ago: A Palestinian suicide bomber blew himself up at a shopping mall in Netanya, killing five Israelis; Israel retaliated with air strikes against security targets in the West Bank and Gaza Strip that killed ten Palestinians.

Five years ago: Visiting one of the busiest crossing sectors between the U.S. and Mexico, President George W. Bush said in Yuma, Ariz., that it made sense to put up fencing along parts of the border but not to block off the entire 2,000-mile length to keep out illegal immigrants.

One year ago: Grilled by skeptical lawmakers, Interior Secretary Ken Salazar acknowledged his agency had been lax in overseeing offshore drilling activities, and that might have contributed to the disastrous oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Bill Macy is 89. Hallof-Fame sportscaster Jack Whitaker is 87. Actor Robert Morse is 80. Actor and television executive Dwayne Hickman is 77. Baseball Hall-of-Famer Brooks Robinson is 74. Bluegrass singer-musician Rodney Dillard (The Dillards) is 69. Baseball Hallof-Famer Reggie Jackson is 65. Country singer Joe Bonsall (The Oak Ridge Boys) is 63. Rock musician Rick Wakeman (Yes) is 62. Actor James Stephens is 60. Country singer George Strait is 59. Rhythm-and-blues singer Butch Tavares (Tavares) is 58. Actor Chow Yun-Fat is 56. Rock singermusician Page Hamilton is 51. Contemporary Christian musician Barry Graul (MercyMe) is 50. omedian-writer Tina Fey is 41. Rapper Special Ed is 37. Rock singer Jack Johnson is 36. Actor Matt Long is 31. Christian-rock musician Kevin Huguley (Rush of Fools) is 29.

Thought for Today: "A conference is a gathering of people who singly can do nothing, but together can decide that nothing can be done." Fred Allen, comedian (1894-1956)



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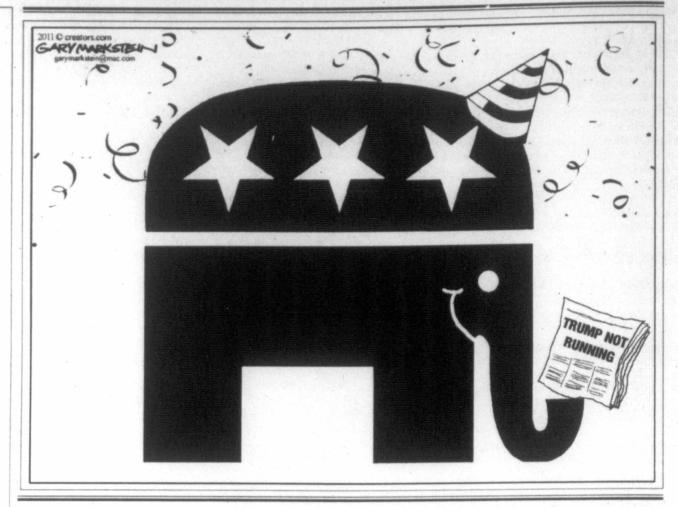
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Don't count on a tax break for gas prices

MICHAEL GORMLEY AP analysis

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — How would you like a 33-cent drop in the price of a gallon of gas?

"Hell, yes!" says Su Ramgoolam, 34-year-old mechanic from Schenectady, N.Y.

Not so fast. Whenever gas prices get near a rounder and more punishing number - \$2, \$3, \$4 a gallon - there is talk of temporarily easing state gas taxes or lifting them altogether for a time, even if it might cost a state desperately needed tax revenue. Lawmakers in at least four states are bringing it

up again as this year's summer travel

season approaches. Ramgoolam's all for it.

"For me, I'm not making that much," he said recently, standing under a blue Mobil sign offering gas at \$4.07 a gallon. "You can feel it."

But there's no definitive body of evidence that a "gas tax holiday" helps or hurts either drivers or state coffers.

"It's a teeny drop at the pump," said Patrick DeHaan, senior petroleum analyst for GasBuddy.com, a watchdog and research site on gas prices. "There is a greater risk to the state than there would be a likelihood of prompting people to go on vacation."

Politicians in New York, Indiana, New Hampshire and Illinois are talking about suspending part or all of the state and local taxes that can add 14 cents to nearly 50 cents to a gallon of gas, on top of the 18.4 cent federal tax.

It's been done before.

Florida in August 2004 nipped its share of the gas tax as prices lurked around \$2 a gallon, up from about \$1.50 in late 2003. Indiana lifted its state tax from July to October 2000, Illinois from July through December of that year. For a month in 2005, right after Hurricane Katrina scattered evacuees across, the South, Georgia suspended its share of the gasoline tax

New York's bill, proposed by Assemblyman James Tedisco and Sen. Greg Ball, both Republicans, would create a gas-tax holiday for 12 days around Memorial Day, Independence Day and Labor Day ΓCö some of the heaviest travel days of the year.

The sponsors and the National Federation of Independent Business said it would give taxpayers a break, encourage vacation spending and could even draw out-of-state dollars from tourists and those in nearby states seeking to fill up.

But in these days of tattered state budgets, it's harder even to propose the holiday as states try to protect already flat - or falling - tax revenues, and the fallout of another midyear deficit would force still more spending cuts that could trump any political

All states charge a fixed excise tax per gallon of gas that doesn't change the revenue regardless of the price of gasoline. Four states - Indiana, Michigan, California and Illinois also charge a percentage sales tax on the total purchase of gasoline.

In Indiana, Democratic Gov. Frank O'Bannon suspended the gasoline sales tax in 2000 when prices reached

about \$1.80 per gallon, a painful bite at the time despite the nostalgia it stirs now. It saved motorists \$46 million but

cost the state the same amount of lost

revenue as the economy was slowing and Indiana's budget surplus was dwindling. Gas tax holidays are easy pickings for politics: Supporters can tell voters they're looking out for the little guy

while opponents, even at the highest level of government, can criticize it as a feel-good, do-nothing stunt. This year, when House Minority Leader Patrick Bauer, D-South Bend, proposed suspending the sales tax

and state excise tax on gasoline, Republicans quickly shot down the idea, saying it would cost the state too much. Supporters acknowledged it could cost the state \$200 million while the

state's budget office and opponents said the cost would top \$300 million. "The real problem is not our tax,"

aid Rep. Jeff Espich, R-Uniondale. "It wouldn't make much difference."

Nadine Brown, a 53-year-old phlebotomist at Memorial Hospital in South Bend, Ind., said she thinks lawmakers there should have suspended the tax when it came up this legislative session.

"God, we can barely afford to put it in the tank now," she said while gassing up her van at a cost of \$4.14 a gallon. "They have so much money, they can put gas in their cars. But what about the little man on the totem pole?"

Amy Baker, coordinator of the Florida Legislature's Office of Economic and Demographic Research, said the one-month reduction in that state's gas tax in August 2004 "did achieve its purpose."

"There was some pressure on price" while prices in neighboring states increased, she said.

In 2008, with gas prices topping \$4 a gallon, presidential candidates Hillary Rodham Clinton and John McCain supported a federal gas tax holiday. The eventual victor, Sen. Barack Obama, accused them of pandering to voters by supporting a gimmick.

Reporters reminded Obama that he voted for a gas tax break in 2000 in the Illinois Legislature, when prices

reached \$2 a gallon.

New York's bill would take 33 cents off the price paid at the pump, but the cost in lost revenue is harder to figure. The legislation says a holiday would cost \$19 million, but the administration of Democratic Gov. Andrew Cuomo suspects it would be much more.

In 2006, under public pressure and the specter of \$5 gallons of gas, New

York capped its share of the sales tax on gasoline. 'Not paying a gas tax is a nice swor

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idea," Cuomo said. "The question is how much does it cost and this is a state that is functionally bankrupt.'

Some motorists, even those who say they could use the break, worry about the long-term cost.

Kenni Hayes, 35, of Troy, N.Y., has enough mistrust of government's handling of tax dollars to avoid jumping at a gas tax break. She agrees with Cuomo's concern about losing uncalculated millions in state revenues.

"People might think it's a good idea for now, to give us a tax break of a minute and enjoy our summer," she said, filling up her SUV with \$4.07-a-gallon gasoline at a Hess station. "But it's only temporary."

Consumers, small businesses and the tourism industry would probably benefit in the short term, said James M. Sallee, an assistant professor in the Harris School of the University of Chicago who researches economics and taxation.

But any gains would be probably be offset by people who timed fillups for the holiday, leaving the state to lose out on revenue just before and after a holiday, he said.

In New Hampshire, where the gas tax is 18 cents, House Republicans proposed dropping it a nickel from May through the end of June, but the measure is held up in procedural jockeying. State transportation officials estimate the cut would cost \$6.6

ois, which charges 19 cents a gamon in taxes plus 6.25 percent in sales tax, had a measure introduced to lift the sales tax for six months, but there is little chance of success in the Legislature where lawmakers from both parties oppose it.

New York's gas tax is second only to California. Compared with its neighbors, it's 33 cents per gallon more than New Jersey, 24 cents per gallon more than Massachusetts, 22 cents more than Vermont, 15 cents more than Pennsylvania and 2 cents more than Connecticut, according to the national Tax Foundation watchdog group.

Ramgoolam understands the plight of government and the perils of cutting out state revenue, but he knows his own budget better.

"Maybe a compromise?" he said. "Maybe just 15 cents off?"

Contributing to this report were Associated Press reporters Christopher Wills in Springfield, III., Tom Coyne and Deanna Martin in Indianapolis, Adam Weintraub in Sacramento, Calif., Bili Kaczor in Tallahassee, Fla., and Bob Salsberg in Boston.

We welcome your letters

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Oaths

In the race for Ward One, neither John Studebaker nor Cleo Meaker received a majority of the vote, so there will be a run cont. from page 1

off scheduled for June 25. A reception for outgoing Mayor Lonny Robbins was held after the commission

Elections

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percent of the vote for McLean's Independent School District Board of Trustees. Frankie Sparling got 26.73 percent. Randy Eddleman garnered 19.80 percent. Chet L. Bohlar got 11. 3 percent of the vote.

Two hundred two voters turned out in McLean.

Andy Swires and Michael Ray won seats on the Lefors school board.

Michael Ray got 37 percent of the 98 votes cast in the Lefors Independent School District Board of Trustees balloting. Andy Swires got 34.69 percent. Pam Franks garnered 27 .54 percent.

The Pampa Independent School District was originally scheduled to have a school board election as well. However, all candidates vying for board of trustees were running unopposed, including write-in candidate Richard Qualls, who will be taking over for departing school board president Derrell DeLoach.

Ambulance

emergency situations.

"Their license covers basically to Lefors," Peet said of Pampa EMS.

Dana Davis with the Lefors ambulance service told commissioners that Lefors is short of medical personnel. "I have four EMTs," said Davis.

Most of the time, she said there are usually only two available.

One of the problems has been the requests for which the Lefors ambulance service has been called. A majority of the calls have been to assist people that have fallen or to transport people from the nursing home in McLean to a hospital or doctor's office for routine matters.

Judge Peet said he's talked with McLean officials about getting the McLean Fire Department to assist in such situations, but the McLean Fire Department and ambulance service were separate entities. In Lefors, the fire and ambulance ser-

vice work together, Peet said.

He said that the last time he'd talked to McLean officials, they indicated that they were investigating the possibility of going to a full-time professional ambulance service rather than a volunteer service. They are talking to Pampa EMS about the potential of a satellite service in McLean, Peet said, but it won't be free.

cont. from page 1 "You can't have a full-time profes-

sional service," Peet said, "and expect

volunteer rates.' Peet said that as an incorporated city, McLean needs to address the issue. "It's not for us to address their issues," he said of the county commission.

Peet said the county was willing to help as much as it can, but McLean needs to deal with the problem. Part of the problem, Davis said, is the time it takes to get from Lefors to McLean or Alanreed.

She said that they got one call at 1:30 a.m. from Alanreed concerning abdominal pains. By the time the Lefors ambulance got to Alanreed, the patient wasn't there; the patient's husband had already taken her to Pampa.

Lott said that to make matters worse, they often have no address, only general

The Lefors group was seeking over \$900 in reimbursement for expenses from ambulance calls to the McLean area.

County commissioners agreed to pay \$2,000 from the money that had been set aside for the McLean ambulance service, but with the proviso that Lefors bills McLean for the ambulance calls in the City of McLean.

her mother.)

The first few weeks matter

MATTHEW "UNCLE

MATTY" MARGOLIS Creator's Syndicate

Where do doggies come from? There is no one right way to go about finding your dog. This week, let's shine a light on the work of responsible dog breeders and the impact it has on the dogs they bring into the world.

Steve and Kelly Porter of Aldergate breed Corgis. This is their philosophy, in their words, and it explains why they are among the best:

"From the moment puppies enter the world, they begin to learn and understand. At Aldergate, we work to get newborn puppies to be confident and comfortable with their surroundings. The result, we believe, is a firm foundation for training, which will ensure a happy, mentally healthy and eager-to learn-dog.'

How do they build this confidence in their pups?

"We concentrate on exposing every pup to as many textures and sounds and experiences with people, animals and objects as possible — all in an effort to increase each puppy's self-awareness and confidence.

The whole process is hands-on — literally. Every day involves some degree of physical handling of the pups. Here's a snapshot of what the first few weeks of a pup's life look like in the hands of a responsible breeder:

Week One: It's all about sound. Puppies can't hear at this early stage in their development, but they can feel the vibrations. Soft music at night, talk radio during the day, light vacuuming around the "whelping box" are all techniques put to use at Aldergate. During this week, they also begin gently placing the pups on their backs, while not keeping them away from mom for too

Week Two: More handling! Daily activities include counting toes, trimming the hair etween pads and toes, rubbing ears. This is the time to vacuum, clean, sing, talk, turn that radio up!"

Week Three: This is where things get really fun, according to the Porters. "Add 'toys' to the whelping box and change

them throughout the day - an empty plastic bottle, a small log, a rope with knots tied into it. Make the whelping box an interesting place. Encourage them to explore. Make time for each puppy to be the only puppy in the world. We start with cuddle time and singing while rocking the puppy in our arms - close to your face with eye-toeye contact."

Week Four: The cuddling, singing and rotating of toys continues. Plus, it's umbrella time — open and close it over the whelping box! Also, add a new play area for the pups to investigate. And finally, actual food! The Porters call it "puppy gruel," and they make sure 'slow eaters get their fair share.'

Week Five: Purposeful handling. This is when puppies begin to gain confidence and trust in you," say the Porters. We "gently place them on their backs, making sure they become calm before setting them back on their feet. Each pup should have solo time with you. Switch the time of day each puppy gets time alone and mix up the playgroups so that only a few pups at a time are in the playground."

That's just a glimpse of the first five weeks, but it's a gauge to go by when looking for a breeder. If you choose to get a dog from a breeder, you want one who devotes the time to these small and meaningful gestures. You want one who, like the Porters, recognizes that from Day One, you are raising a dog, not a puppy.'

Woof!

Dog trainer Matthew "Uncle Matty" Margolis is co-author of 18 books about dogs, a behaviorist, a popular radio and television guest, and host of the PBS series "WOOF! It's a Dog's



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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

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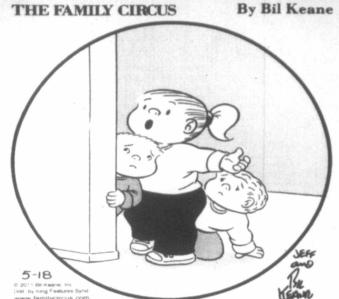
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practices.

There is a \$10.00 registration fee for participants. Anyone planning to attend must RSVP by tomorrow to the Gray County Extension Office at 669-8033, the Carson County Extension Office at 537-3882 or the Armstrong County Extension Office at 226-3021.







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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, May 19.2011

This year, you open up to new potential and a different lifestyle. Opportunities often come forward out of the blue. You do the necessary research to decide if they are a go or not. To many people, it might look as if you are carrying Lady Luck in your back pocket -- that is not the case. You do your homework. If you are single, someone quite different comes into your life. He or she finds you intriguing. If you are attached, take a long-desired trip together. Your inlaws could play a big role in events. CAP-RICORN understands you better than you

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

**★ Explore your options before committing to a set path of action. To get where you want to be, you will have to assume the lead position. Ultimately, you might make a surprise decision. Tonight: Could go till the wee hours.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

**** Relate on a one-on-one level with a key person. The caring between you evolves slowly but surely. Try to detach from a hot issue. Take a walk or do some creative visualization. You could be stunned by what comes up. Tonight: Reach out for a special person.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

**** Deal with others directly if you want results. You could be delighted by a surprise revelation, though it might force you to go in another direction. Someone you care about might be very uptight and worn out. Tonight: Make special time for a loved one

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

**** Defer to others and use the spare time for yourself. Clearly someone acts in an unpredictable manner. Unfortunately, this person has clout. You might not be comfortable with events as they seem to occur. Imagine what it must be like to be this person. Tonight: Think about weekend plans

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) *** Dig into work, and don't hesitate to create more of what you need and want. Listen to what others share, realizing

your present limits are not permanent. Stay

centered and make strong decisions. A child or loved one spurs new ideas. Tonight: Run

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) **** Your creativity opens up many

new ideas. Realize when enough is enough. You might want to have a discussion, whereas a partner could bolt if he or she feels that a heavy conversation is heading in his or her direction. Tonight: Start your weekend early. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*** You could be in a funk as you attempt to work through a poignant issue. You might feel as if you can no longer make headway or breeze through hassle after hassle. Possibly you are exhausted. Tonight:

Head home. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

**** You seem to be in the midst of the action. You could be surprised by what another person shares. What is going on here? Laughter centers others and helps you gain a perspective. Whether it's new technology or a novel approach, you could be challenged to grow. Tonight: Hang out with friends.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

*** Others consider you to be quite savvy with money. Truth be told, you take risks and have a fine-tuned sense of when to do so. Knowledge and luck mix well for you. Tonight: Balance your checkbook first. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

*** You might be presented with an offer that is too good to be true. Most of the time those types of opportunities are just that - too good to be true. In this case, you are likely to benefit from the offer. Make an important call late today. Tonight: Just be

yourself. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

** You have a lot on your mind. Staying anchored could be close to impossible. Loosen up when sharing with a child or loved one. What seemed to be impossible could happen. Keep your own counsel, with the exception of one trusted friend. Tonight: Vanish. Do your thing.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

*** A meeting might be the source of your personal stimulus. Though you are tired, an opportunity heads in your direction. Recognize what is going on within a special relationship or friendship. Let the good feelings flow. Tonight: The more people the

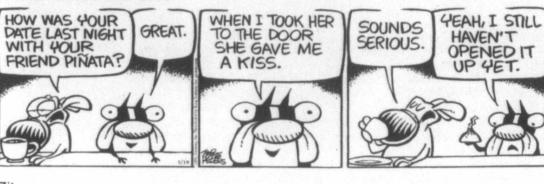
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When Kelby Doughty and Carlyn Teichmann played at Pampa High School they made several trips to the 4A softball state playoffs. Now, both are playing for Howard Junior College and finding themselves back in the postseason. Except this time, it's on a bigger stage, as they will compete in the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) tournament Thursday at St. George, Utah.

Howard is 40-18 winning the Region V Tournament May 6 and our ranked seventh in the nation. This is Howard's first appearance in the national tournament. Teichmann, who is a freshman, said she's excited about playing.

"We are getting the chance to play against some of the best teams and players in the nation, not the state," Teichmann said. "We have a great team and anxious to see how we can compete."

Doughty, a sophomore, said the national tournament doesn't compare to playing in the 4A playoffs.

"It's so much bigger," Doughty said. 'It's exciting. It's something I didn't see myself doing. Our team thought we had a good chance.

Doughty said the team had improved chemistry from her first season.

"I wouldn't trade this year for any-

thing," Doughty said.

Teichmann said this team is similar to the teams she played on at Pampa. "Both teams have had great athletes on

them and are coached by great coaches," Teichmann said. "Both Pampa and Howard have been very successful. I have made great friendships on both teams as well

As of press time, Doughty is batting

.291 with eight RBI and 36 runs scored. Teichmann is batting .301 with 11 doubles, 25 RBI and 23 runs scored. In conference play, Doughty was ranked 24th with a .375 average. Teichmann was ranked 17th with a .392 average.

Both players have been strong in fielding. Doughty has an 88.4 fielding percantage and Teichmann 97.7. Doughty (.925) ranked 37th in conference play and Teichmann (.975) was 18th.

Teichmann said Doughty does a good job in the outfield, adding it's fun to be reunited with her former high school teammate

"It's great playing with her," Teichmann said. "I'm glad I got to play with her

another season. Doughty said Teichmann has stepped

up big at first. "She's doing really good," Doughty

Teichmann said she's adjusted well to

the college game. "I've gotten used to it," Teichmann

said. "There's so many good pitchers and hitters that are older and bigger." At Pampa, Teichmann was used as a pitcher and first baseman. At Howard,

she's played first. Teichmann said she's missed pitching but wants the best for her team "I really like first," Teichmann said.

"I'm here to do whatever I need to help the team.

Howard plays against Central Alabama 1 p.m. Thursday. A live stream is available at http://panhandle.ezstream.com.

Doughty said she is looking forward to seeing the competition.

"We are playing teams we haven't seen

before," Doughty said. "I'm looking forward to playing really well.



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Kelby Doughty (left) and Carlyn Teichmann hold the NJCAA Region V trophy e tournament. Doughty and Teichmann both are f Harvesters and are competing in the NJCAA National Tournament Thursday.

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NFL LOCKOUT

Monday's talks end without agreement

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — The NFL and its lockedout players wrapped up another round of court-ordered mediation Tuesday without any signs of a new agreement and the clock ticking on the 2011 season.

Officials and attorneys for both sides said they will return for more closed-door talks with U.S. Magistrate Judge Arthur Boylan on June 7, four days after a key appeals court hearing in St. Louis on the legality of the lockout.

NFL lead negotiator Jeff Pash and Hall of Famer Carl Eller both said the talks went well, but there was no indication of any significant progress toward a new collective bargaining agreement. Pash said he thought Boylan had done a good job of "pushing the parties," but he said he doesn't believe the dispute over the future of the \$9 billion business will be settled in court.

The only way we're going to solve this is by sitting down together," Pash said, echoing the NFL's preference. for traditional negotiations in a collective bargaining setting and adding: "We owe it to our game. We owe it to our fans. We owe it to each other, to the players and to the clubs, to sit down and negotiate."

Said Pash: "I think we got some work done today, and

we're going to keep at it.

They've been at it for a long time. The two sides met for 16 days before talks fell apart March 11 and the lockout began. Boylan, who presided over four days of mediation last month and two more days this week, also had lunch with DeMaurice Smith, executive director of the NFL Players Association, and NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell.

Pash was coy when asked about the significance of that

separate meeting.

We weren't invited. Us staff guys, you know, we didn't rate for the big power lunch, so we're eager to hear about it ourselves," Pash said.

The two sides are not scheduled to meet again until June, just a month before training camps typically begin and just eight weeks before the first preseason game on Aug. 8.

"I feel we really got some movement between last night and today," Eller said, declining like the rest of the participants to discuss details.

Linebacker Mike Vrabel, one of the plaintiffs on the antitrust lawsuit against the league, questioned the NFL's commitment to striking a deal outside the courthouse after mediation concluded.

"I don't know if there's any sense of urgency on their

part," Vrabel said.



