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**PHS excited about new computer initiative**

**ARNIE AURELLANO**  
 editor@thepampanews.com  
 More details are becoming available regarding the new laptop computers Pampa High School students will be using as classroom resources next school year.  
 The effort to provide each student with a Lenovo Thinkpad laptop, monikered the "1:1 Initiative" by the school district,

was made possible by a \$200,000 grant provided by the Rural Technology Pilot Program. The initiative is the culmination one of the high school's long-term goals, said PHS Principal Tanya Larkin.  
 "We have been planning and moving with this philosophy in mind for three years," Larkin said. "We've been waiting for the stars to align where we had the instructional readiness, the

money from the grant, and (the opportunity) to redistribute money that we already used on technology."  
 With education budgeting such a hot topic, Larkin stressed that the computers represent no added expense to the school system.  
 "This will cost us no additional money on our budget," she said. "The grant provided the start-up money, and with the money we have for replacing (desktop

computers in our annual budget, instead of doing that, we'll put that money towards this initiative."  
 Tanya Quisenberry, communications committee co-chair for the 1:1 Initiative, said that the high school's teachers are already brainstorming ways to integrate the computers into their lesson plans for next year.  
 "Oh my gosh, our teachers our **COMPUTERS** cont. on page 7

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 PHS softball looks back at 2011  
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 The Savage Truth on money by Terry Savage  
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**ON A ROLL**

staff photo by **David Bowser**

**Justin Roberts of Games2U** keeps up with Brandon Neill, 11, in the giant inflatable "hamster ball" at Central Park on Monday. Austin's fifth graders took the day off for an end-of-school party at the park.

**New radio station gets call letters**

**ARNIE AURELLANO**  
 editor@thepampanews.com  
**KDRL:** It's got a nice ring to it, especially to Darrell Sehorn, general manager at KGRO-KOMX Radio.  
 The letters represent the call sign for Pampa's newest radio station and bear more than a passing resemblance to Sehorn's first name.  
 "It just turned out to work," Sehorn said with a modest chuckle.  
 "You know, there were a lot of people working on call letters," said Sehorn. "It's pretty tough to come up with something that's available. At any rate, the owner of the facility came up with KDRL, and it was available and, he thought, appropriate. I was honored by that."  
 The letters were cleared by the Federal Communications Commission on May 16. Now, Sehorn said, the station is undergoing FCC compliance testing en route to going on the air in the near future.  
 "This week, we're doing proofs of measurements to send to the Federal Communications Commission," Sehorn said. "The work has been completed at our tower site. We have studio work yet to do. We're hoping for sometime in the summer that it will be in the airways for the top of Texas."  
 Those proofs of measurement, Sehorn explained, involve an engineer out of Tyler conducting **RADIO** cont. on page 7

**Notification of Election to be set at City meeting**

**DAVID BOWSER**  
 dbowser@thepampanews.com  
 The Pampa City Commission will set the Notification of Election for the June 25 runoff election when it meets today at City Hall.  
 John Stuebaker and Cleo Meaker will face each other in a runoff in June since none of the three candidates in the race won a majority of the vote.

Stuebaker tallied 362 of 932 votes for 38.84 percent. Meaker got 296 votes, or 31.76 percent of the vote. Gary Winton came in third with 274 votes.  
 The proposed Notification of Election that the city commission will discuss today lists Lovett Memorial Library, 111 N. Houston, as the polling place for the June 25 runoff. The polls will be open from 7 **CITY** cont. on page 3

**In midst of tough wildfire season, county 'fortunate'**

**DAVID BOWSER**  
 dbowser@thepampanews.com  
 As wildfires threaten the Texas Panhandle and West Texas, the Gray County Emergency Coordinator said today that the county has been fortunate.  
 Emergency Coordinator Joe Millican said that there have been wildfires around Gray County, but so far the county has escaped any major wildfires.

"In January and February," Millican said today, "there were some fires near Lefors."  
 Major wildfires over the past few months have been reported in Hutchinson, Ochiltree and Wheeler Counties, but to a great extent, Millican said, Gray County has been spared.  
 Gray County has been under a burn ban since December.  
 "We've been very fortunate," **WILDFIRES** cont. on page 3

**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  
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### PAMPA FORECAST

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
High 74 Low 48	High 82 Low 57	High 81 Low 55

**Tonight:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 53. Windy, with a west northwest wind 25 to 30 mph decreasing to between 15 and 20 mph. Winds could gust as high as 40 mph.

**Wednesday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 74. Very windy, with a northwest wind 20 to 25 mph increasing to between 30 and 35 mph. Winds could gust as high as 45 mph.

**Wednesday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 48. Windy, with a north northwest wind 25 to 30 mph decreasing to between 15 and 20 mph. Winds could gust as high as 45 mph.

**Thursday:** Sunny, with a high near 82. Breezy, with a north northwest wind 10 to 15 mph becoming south. Winds could gust as high as 20 mph.

**Thursday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 57. Windy, with a south wind between 20 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

**Friday:** Sunny, with a high near 81. Windy, with a south west wind 15 to 20 mph becoming north northwest. Winds could gust as high as 30 mph.

**Friday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 55. Windy, with a east wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

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## Obituaries

### Frank M. Daugherty, 87

Frank M. Daugherty, 87, died May 22, 2011, in Amarillo. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Frank was born April 10, 1924 at Hoover, to J. M. and Twila Daugherty. He was a graduate of Pampa High School and received a Masters Degree in business from West Texas State University in Canyon. He married Patricia Butler in 1949,



Daugherty

and they were married for 61 years. He taught school in Groom, farmed and raised cattle east of Pampa, and retired from the Internal Revenue Service in 1984.

Survivors include his wife, Pat Daugherty of the home; son, Dan Daugherty and wife Donna of Pampa; daughter, Cathy Scribner and husband Billy of Pampa; four grandchildren, Michael Daugherty, AC/2 U.S. Navy, of Corpus Christi, Garrett Scribner and wife Carisa, Misty LeBlanc, OD and husband Toby, and Lindsay Hudson, OD and husband Matt, all of Pampa; five great-grandchildren, Hudson Scribner, Hope Scribner, Tate LeBlanc, Cy LeBlanc, and Hagen Hudson; and a sister, Jean Espisito of Dallas. Frank was preceded in death by two brothers, Leon Daugherty and Bruce Daugherty; and a sister, Vera Hooper.

Sign the online register at [www.carmichael-whitley.com](http://www.carmichael-whitley.com).

## For the record

### Police Department

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents over the weekend.

There were 54 traffic-related incidents, four accidents and one medical-related incident.

Animal Control Officers reported 23 animal-related incidents.

Pampa EMS reported 16 ambulance calls.

The Pampa Fire Department reported three medical-related calls, one investigation, one vehicle fire, one dumpster fire and three grass fires.

Lefors Volunteer EMS reported two ambulance call.

Lefors VFD reported three medical-related incidents and one grass fire.

**Friday, May 20**

An information call was reported in the 100 block of S. Starkweather.

A domestic disturbance was reported at Hobart and Francis.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 2400 block of N. Charles.

A burglary was reported in the 600 block of W. Foster.

Officers reported a fingerprinting in the 200 block of W. Kingsmill.

A welfare check was reported in the 700 block of N. Nelson.

A follow-up investigation

was reported in the 200 block of N. Wells.

A suspicious person was reported in the 800 block of S. Hobart.

An information call was reported in the 1200 block of N. Hobart.

Warrant service was reported in the 200 block of W. Kingsmill.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 100 block of E. Harvester.

Violation of a protective order was reported in the 1200 block of W. Carter.

Water was shut off in the 100 block of N. Houston.

A suspicious person was reported at Atchison and Lowry.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1000 block of E. Browning.

A burglary was reported in the 1100 block of N. Starkweather.

An information call was reported in the 1100 block of Cinderella Dr.

Water was shut off in the 900 block of E. Murphy.

A sewer choke was reported in the 2100 block of N. Christine.

A runaway was reported in the 300 block of N. Wells.

A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 1900 block of N. Duncan.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 500 block of S. Gray.

An information call was reported in the 1600 block of E. Hwy. 60.

A follow-up investigation was reported in the 300 block of N. Wells.

**Saturday, May 21**

A follow-up investigation

was reported in the 1900 block of N. Zimmer.

A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 900 block of N. Frost.

A missing person was reported in the 400 block of N. Lowry.

Two burglaries was reported in the 1600-block of N. Hobart.

An alarm was reported in the 900 block of S. Barnes.

An information call was reported in the 1300 block of W. Kentucky.

An abandoned vehicle was reported in the 800 block of W. Kingsmill.

A hazmat call was reported in the 100 block of W. Harvester.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1200 block of N. Wells.

An information call was reported in the 1300 block of W. Kentucky.

An alarm was reported in the 900 block of W. Kentucky.

Disorderly conduct was reported at Browning and Warren.

Theft was reported in the 100 block of Village Dr.

Theft was reported in the 1000 block of W. Wells.

An alarm was reported in the 200 block E. Foster.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 800 block of N. Wells.

Water was shut off in the 300 block of E. Tuke.

Water was shut off in the 300 block of N. Warren.

Water was shut off in the 100 block of N. Warren.

An agency assist was reported in the 600 block of N. Ward.

A domestic disturbance

was reported in the 1100 block of N. Christine.

Theft was reported in the 1400 block of N. Hobart.

A follow-up investigation was reported in the 1100 block of E. Foster.

A suspicious person was reported in the 100 block of S. Wynne.

A follow-up investigation was reported in the 500 block of Doucette.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 300 block of S. Anne.

An attempt to serve was reported in the 300 block of S. Anne.

An information call was reported in the 1000 block of Twiford.

An information call was reported in the 1600 block of N. Williston.

An alarm was reported in the 1300 block of N. Hobart.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 700 block of E. Browning.

A follow-up investigation was reported in the 1100 block of N. Christine.

An information call was reported in the 100 block of W. 30th.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1900 block of W. Williston.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1500 block of N. Coffee.

A suspicious person was reported at Sumner and Randy Matson.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 200 block of S. Main.

**Sunday, May 22**

A building check was reported in the 600 block of W. Foster.

## Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips



DEAR ABBY: I was shocked and angered by the letter from "West Virginia Traveler" (April 16) on towel usage and tipping hotel housekeepers. His priorities and "knowledge" of hotel staff are seriously skewed. This man is taking his peevishness out on hotel employees who can least afford to take it.

The concierge is paid well to deal with disgruntled guests and make things right. The bellman gets tipped to carry a bag from the lobby to your room. If a doorman calls a cab for you, he gets tipped. If there is a restaurant, the servers are tipped.

The one person who is most critical to making your stay comfortable and pleasant is the maid/housekeeper. She is the one who makes sure you have a clean bathroom, fresh sheets and plenty of toilet paper. She does the grungiest job in the hotel, gets paid very little, is rarely thanked in person and is the last to be tipped. She needs these tips more than anyone else.

I make a point of tipping every single day of my stay, and I have always received the best room service imaginable. — LU-ANN IN KEENE, N.H.

**DEAR LUANN:** Thank you for your letter. Housekeepers everywhere will be grateful for

**your support. Read on:**

DEAR ABBY: I am a housekeeper in a popular hotel chain. Our staff leaves cards in the bathrooms asking our guests to please conserve and hang towels for reuse if possible. Just because you can be wasteful, it doesn't mean you should. — JENNIFER IN CANADA

DEAR ABBY: "Traveler" said not a single housekeeper has been "exceptional." What about the simple fact that housekeepers clean up his mess during his stay? They take out his trash, refresh his towels and replace used soaps and shampoos. Housekeepers vacuum anything tracked in, remake beds, wipe down the sink and bath/showers.

I can say from personal experience that many hotel guests wouldn't leave their homes in the condition they leave their hotel rooms, and sadly, they feel that it's acceptable. Housekeepers work hard to provide a clean and comfortable room prior to a guest's arrival, and strive to maintain that comfort throughout the guest's stay. In addition, they will fulfill any request within their abilities. I'd say this alone is pretty darn "exceptional." — GUEST SERVICE REP IN UTAH

**DEAR ABBY:** Leaving a tip for housekeeping in a hotel is a matter of social responsibility/social justice. A striking majority of hotel maids are women — many of color, invariably in a lower income bracket and, often, single mothers. They work extraordinarily hard for less than minimum wage in cities where the cost of living is much higher than their incomes. In other words, they are not paid a living wage. Consider it a "mitzvah" (a blessing) to leave a tip. It can make a difference between a family "getting by" and one that is drowning. This is about doing the right thing. — AN M.D. IN MONTE SERENO, CALIF.

**DEAR ABBY:** Why would someone make insulting remarks and then say, "I'm only kidding"? My husband constantly berates and insults me. Why does he want to hurt me all the time? Am I being too sensitive or is he being cruel? — FEELING INSECURE IN MASSACHUSETTS

**DEAR FEELING INSECURE:** You're not being too sensitive; what your husband is doing IS cruel. It's also cowardly. I don't know why he wants to hurt you. But the question you should be asking is not why he wants to hurt you, but rather, why you continue to tolerate it.

# AFTERNOONRUSH Wildfires

## School finance bill collapses

AUSTIN (AP) — A school finance bill needed to balance the proposed state budget has collapsed in the Texas House.

The measure was supposed to relieve the state of about \$2 billion in obligations to public school districts. But the bill violated parliamentary rules and was killed late Monday night.

Republican state Sen. Florence Shapiro said it was clear the House was not prepared to reform school finance formulas. Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst said he hopes the changes can be added onto another bill concerning the budget.

That would require a special motion this late in the session, which ends May 30.

If the Legislature cannot produce a balanced budget and pass all of the supporting legislation necessary to fund it, the governor will be forced to call a special session.

## Parents settle over frat death

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Calif. (AP) — The parents of a California freshman pledge who died of alcohol poisoning after fraternity hazing have reached a settlement with Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Eighteen-year-old Carson Starkey of Austin, Texas, was found dead after the Dec. 1, 2008, fraternity hazing. Starkey was a freshman at California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo.

Scott and Julia Starkey filed a lawsuit against the fraternity's Illinois-based national headquarters saying they wanted changes in Sigma Alpha Epsilon chapter operations, including hazing and alcohol use.

The *San Luis Obispo Tribune* says the couple announced the settlement Monday without disclosing details.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon says in a statement that it has a zero-tolerance policy against hazing.

Four men involved in Starkey's death were convicted of misdemeanors and got jail terms ranging from 30 days to six months.

## Storm cancels airline's flights

DALLAS (AP) — American Airlines has canceled 72 more flights since storms rolled through Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport and hail damaged some planes.

American spokeswoman Andrea Huguely says the flights canceled Tuesday came a day after cancellation of around 130 flights at the carrier's main hub led to weather-related schedule backups.

Huguely told The Associated Press that 25 planes required inspection for possible hail damage. She says two planes found with minor damage have been repaired, 16 passed inspection and seven still faced inspection Tuesday.

She says spring storms expected Tuesday in North Texas, the Chicago and New York areas could mean additional cancellations.

Dozens of travelers ended up spending Monday night at DFW Airport, the world's eighth by passenger count, according to the Airports Council International.

## Calpine, Entergy strike deal

NEW YORK (AP) — Calpine Corp. said Tuesday a subsidiary has signed a 10-year power-purchase agreement with Entergy Services Inc. starting in June 2012.

Terms of the deal were not disclosed. Calpine, a wholesale power company based in Houston, said Calpine Energy Services will provide 485 megawatts of power from its natural gas-fired Carville Energy Center, located in St. Gabriel, La.

Under the power-purchase agreement, Calpine will provide Entergy a blend of base-load, intermediate and peaking power.

The deal must be approved by the Louisiana Public Service Commission.

Calpine shares rose 20 cents to \$15.60 in morning trading.

## Houston homeless count up

HOUSTON (AP) — The homeless population in Harris and Fort Bend counties jumped 25 percent this year in a tally that could affect how much government money is provided to help the Houston area, an advocacy group said.

In a report released Monday, the Coalition for the Homeless of Houston/Harris County said its Jan. 31 census found 8,538 men, women and children were homeless this year, compared with 6,819 in 2010. If jail inmates without homes were included, this year's count would top 13,000, according to the group.

Millican said. "It's really, really dry."

The Texas Forest Service reported extremely dry conditions today in the panhandle and West Texas.

A wildfire in Archer County, south of Wichita Falls, is reported to be 50 percent contained with over 500 acres burned off.

State officials reported no structures in danger, but the

fire in the tall grass is being fought by local and state firefighters, including a helicopter.

The fire danger due to low humidity and high winds is forecast for today west of a line from Wichita Falls to Abilene to Del Rio.

Winds in the Pampa area are forecast to be 30 to 40 mph today and this evening.

## City

a.m. to 7 p.m.

Early voting will be from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. beginning June 13, and continuing through June 21, at the Gray County Courthouse.

The city commission will also consider the appointment of an election

judge and alternative during their meeting today.

The commission will also consider on second and final reading of an ordinance amending the city budget for additional seal coating and designating stop signs at Sumner

and Randy Matson and Sumner and Harvester, around Pampa's new H2O Aquatic Park.


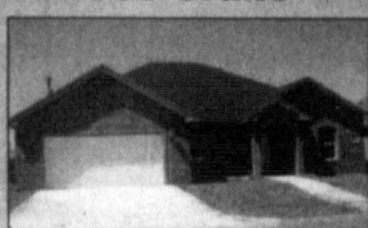









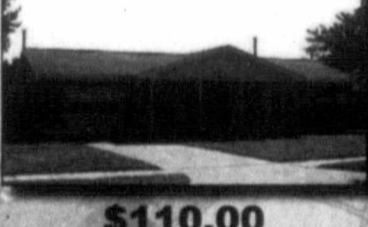
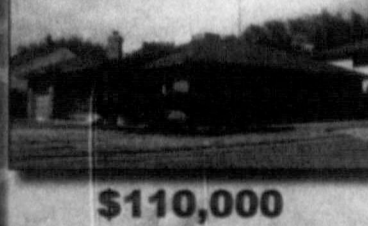


The Pampa City Commission meeting is scheduled to begin at 4 p.m., today, in the city commission chambers on the third floor of City Hall.

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# Vacation...

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Sudoku

Answer to yesterday's puzzle:


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# Viewpoints

## Today in History

Today is Tuesday, May 24, the 144th day of 2011. There are 221 days left in the year.

### Today's Highlight in History:

On May 24, 1844, Samuel F.B. Morse transmitted the message, "What hath God wrought" from Washington to Baltimore as he formally opened America's first telegraph line.

### On this date:

In 1775, John Hancock was elected President of the Continental Congress, succeeding Peyton Randolph.

In 1883, the Brooklyn Bridge, linking Brooklyn and Manhattan, was dedicated by President Chester Alan Arthur and New York Gov. Grover Cleveland, and opened to traffic.

In 1935, the first major league baseball game to be played at night took place at Cincinnati's Crosley Field as the Reds beat the Philadelphia Phillies, 2-1.

In 1941, the German battleship Bismarck sank the British dreadnought HMS Hood in the North Atlantic, killing all but three of the 1,418 men on board.

In 1961, a group of Freedom Riders was arrested after arriving at a bus terminal in Jackson, Miss., charged with breaching the peace for entering white-designated areas. (They ended up serving 60 days in jail.)

In 1962, astronaut Scott Carpenter became the second American to orbit the Earth as he flew aboard Aurora 7.

In 1976, Britain and France opened trans-Atlantic Concorde supersonic transport service to Washington.

In 1980, Iran rejected a call by the World Court in The Hague to release the American hostages.

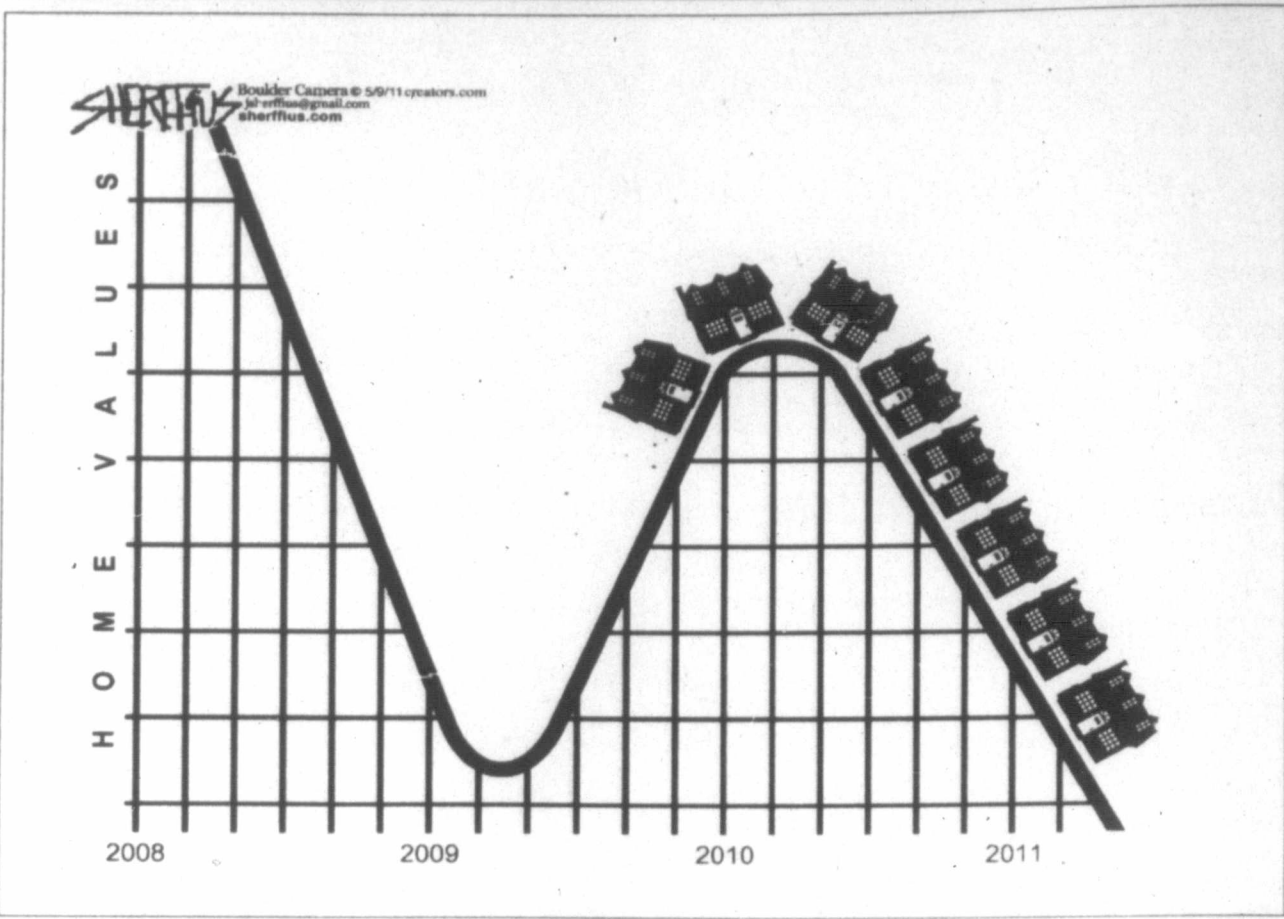
**Ten years ago:** Democrats gained control of the U.S. Senate for the first time since 1994 when Vermont Sen. James Jeffords abandoned the Republican Party and declared himself an independent.

**Five years ago:** In rare, election-year harmony, House Republican and Democratic leaders jointly demanded the FBI return documents taken in a Capitol Hill raid as part of a bribery investigation of U.S. Rep. William Jefferson, D-La. (President George W. Bush ordered the documents placed under temporary seal; Jefferson was later found guilty of bribery and is appealing his conviction.)

**One year ago:** Coast Guard Commandant Thad Allen, the Obama administration's point man on the BP oil spill, rejected the idea of taking over the crisis, saying the government had neither BP's expertise nor its deep-sea equipment.

**Today's Birthdays:** Comedian Tommy Chong is 73. Singer Bob Dylan is 70. Actor Gary Burghoff is 68. Singer Patti LaBelle is 67. Actress Priscilla Presley is 66. Country singer Mike Reid is 64. Actor Jim Broadbent is 62. Actor Alfred Molina is 58. Singer Rosanne Cash is 56. Actress Kristin Scott Thomas is 51. Rock musician Jimmy Ashurst (Buckcherry) is 48. Rock musician Vivian Trimble is 48. Actor John C. Reilly is 46. Actor Eric Close is 44. Rapper-recording executive Heavy D is 44. Rock musician Rich Robinson is 42. Actor Bryan Greenburg is 33. Actor Billy L. Sullivan is 31. Actor-rapper Jerod Mixon (aka Big Tyme) is 30. Rock musician Cody Hanson (Hinder) is 29. Country singer Billy Gilman is 23. Actor Cayden Boyd is 17.

**Thought for Today:** "If we wait for the moment when everything, absolutely everything is ready, we shall never begin." — Ivan Turgenev, Russian author



## The self-destructing Republican party?

If the Wall Street Republicans and the conservative Republicans don't resolve their differences and work as a TEAM ("together everyone achieves more"), we will go back to having a Democratic majority in Congress and President Barack Obama will be re-elected for another four years.

Ripples began to form last year when then Republican Senate candidate Rand Paul of Kentucky spouted what some say were typical libertarian views but what to others sounded like criticisms of the fixed and firm Civil Rights Act of 1964.

Then there were House Republicans bickering back and forth forever over how much to cut from congressional budgets. Democrats learned quickly that all they needed to do was stay out of their way and allow Republican schisms to be viewed by the world.

In April, a Republican candidate for governor in West Virginia, Larry Faircloth, called President Obama a "Sambo" and House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi a "bimbo." He proposed that Sylvester Stallone take the place of Vice President Joe Biden and that Obama start a campaign slogan, "Vote Sambo, Rambo and Bimbo." Faircloth apologized, but the damage was done.

And a more recent example came when Newt Gingrich criticized Rep. Paul Ryan's Medicare plan as "right-wing social engineering." Newt apologized, but the damage already was done.

There's a difference between "gotcha" politics and political friendly fire, but when Republicans are polarizing on issues from civil rights to health care reform, you can bet there's going to be a field day of Democrats ridiculing Republicans' disunity and dissolution.

We also can be assured of this: Republicans will never unify behind a presidential candidate as long as friendly fire and infighting create fractures and factions that character-



CHUCK NORRIS

ize their party.

I don't know at this time which Republican candidate running for the presidential seat has the overall qualifications to successfully out-debate Obama, win the presidency and get our country back

on the right track. I deeply respect his decision, but I was extremely disappointed when Mike Huckabee announced that he will not be making a presidential run in this election. When I was on the campaign trail with Mike, he was connecting with not only the Republican base but also many liberal-leaning people. Mike had a great mix of African-American and Hispanic followers at his rallies, as well.

You have to remember that Mike began his run for president with 2 percent of voter support and very little money. But he started resonating with the people, and they liked what he had to say. Mike only raised \$13 million throughout his campaign but was still able to defeat every other candidate running except for John McCain. That included Mitt Romney, who had spent \$107 million during his campaign, \$44 million of his own money! Mike would have won South Carolina if Fred Thompson hadn't jumped into the race and siphoned off many votes that probably would have gone to Mike otherwise.

Seeing as many people know that I campaigned for Mike in 2008, I have been bombarded by people asking why he isn't running again, because they were planning on voting for him.

To that point, I feel that Mike has the ability to reach a wider spectrum of voters than any other candidate running, from Wall Street to Main

Street, conservative to liberal and a diversity of all ethnic backgrounds. And quite possibly the most important issue of all is that I believe Mike has the ability to out-debate Obama, which would not be an easy task to do. We all know that Obama has the gift of gab and is a brazen young man who can make you believe he has your best interests at heart.

President Obama had the opportunity to be one of our greatest and most transparent presidents. Unfortunately, he failed that test. He not only reneged on all of his bipartisan campaign promises but also is well on his way to fundamentally transforming America, and it is not for the better.

It's been said that if you don't stand for something, you'll fall for anything. At the moment, that adage characterizes too much of the Republican Party. Republicans need to return to their roots, remember who they are and reunify around those common tenets. In short, we need to get back to the basics.

And if Republicans are bewildered about those basics, then let Ronald Reagan remind us all of the platform on which not only to rebuild the Republican Party but also to reawaken America: "The basis of conservatism is a desire for less government interference or less centralized authority or more individual freedom." All decisions and plans should be based upon that philosophical conviction.

I pray one of the Republican candidates can prove to us that he possesses the leadership to rally us all behind the fundamentals and lead us on to victory in the 2012 presidential election. If not, by 2016, we will be well on the road not only to our partisan demise but also to a one-world government, if we aren't already there.

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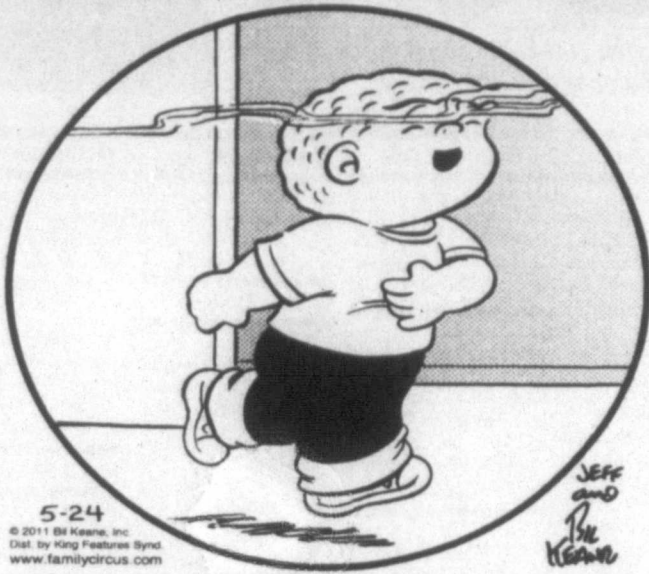
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"Something smells good. I sure hope it's food."

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Nest Heads



## daily horoscope

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Wednesday, May 25, 2011:  
This year, you often feel as if you have to repeat the same action over and over, or the same conversation over and over. On the other hand, you gain a great deal of prominence in your chosen field or in your community. Your instincts always lead you in the right direction when dealing with authority figures. You simply know what is correct and take the most effective suggestion or action. If you are single, you could meet someone through your community or professional involvements. This person could be quite a gem. Whether he or she is the gem of your life might be another issue. If you are attached, the two of you will bond more intensely if you pursue a common commitment together.

**PISCES** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)  
\*\*\*\*\* Creativity stems from a different situation that could be challenging on some level. A partnership opens up and you see matters in a different light as a result of this talk. You might be more easygoing with this person than in the past. Tonight: Say "yes" to an invitation.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)  
\*\*\*\*\* Your concern seems to focus on what is happening within your personal life. You have gone out of your way for someone you care about. A conversation between the two of you involving expectations and choices might be important. Tonight: Make it easy.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)  
\*\*\*\*\* Your words help motivate others. Your creativity helps people find solutions. Stay open to a healthy amount of personal activity. Everyone gains at the present. A mutual admiration society could be forming. Tonight: Catch up with a loved one and his or her news.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)  
\*\*\*\*\* You might want to rethink your involvement in a financial investment. In order to add to and update your home, you might want to splurge. Make sure you are getting what you want and need here. Tonight: Balance your checkbook first.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)  
\*\*\*\*\* Your words seem to be unusually moving and important. Don't stop the flow of a talk with a child and/or loved one. Finally, the air starts to clear. You wonder what is going on here. Ask yourself a question about who, what and where. Tonight: All smiles.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)  
\*\*\*\*\* Become a home-run slugger in your life. Aim for what you want, knowing you have appeal and savvy. How you handle a personal matter could change once you see the dynamics involved. You are not necessarily the problem. Tonight: Zero in on the possibilities.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)  
\*\*\*\*\* You stand up to criticism well, but sometimes it is difficult to handle someone's compliments. You will see that much that goes on impacts your well-being. Feedback might be more valuable than you initially thought. Tonight: A must appearance.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)  
\*\*\*\*\* Be willing to go past the immediate. Clear your mind of present thinking in an attempt to get past restrictions. The more innovative your thinking, the better off you are. Let someone else play devil's advocate. Tonight: Take in new vistas.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)  
\*\*\*\*\* Deal directly with others about funds and money issues. You will see how open you can become if you relax and take in an alternative perspective. Conversations

about a community responsibility and investment might be more important than you realize. Tonight: Chat over dinner.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)  
\*\*\*\*\* Others continue with their controlling attitude, though a discussion could open up a situation. An invitation to brainstorm needs to be accepted. You gain new depth about a situation involving someone at a distance or a behind-the-scenes work matter. Tonight: Visualize.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)  
\*\*\* Know that if you don't follow through on a project or work-related matter, it is unlikely another person will. Certainly, the job won't be up to your standards. A partner has many interesting sharings, if you are willing to listen. Tonight: Do what makes you smile.

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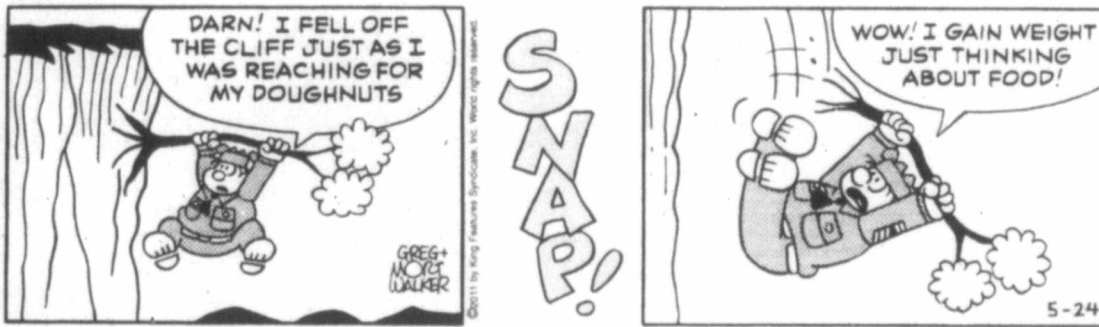
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## Radio

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tests today with all three local stations transmitting at full power. The engineer will be measuring for spurious emissions and running other standard FCC procedures.

If things go well, Sehorn said, the radio station estimates a live date sometime in July.

"It's going to add to broadcast operations," Sehorn said. "The only reason we're able to do it is because KGRO and KOMX have been successful all these years thanks to our loyal listeners... We look at it as an opportunity to overall broaden the base."

## Computers

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so excited, they can't even wait for the computers to get here," Quisenberry said. "They've already got ideas on how to use them in their classrooms. We've been meeting on this for a while awaiting the school board, and so when they approved it, it just sort of set everything in motion. It's very exciting for our teachers."

"We're at about 80 percent readiness (with our teachers)," Larkin added. "The other 20 percent may be nervous, but excited."

Quisenberry said the students are both "pumped and nervous" about having new technology available to them next year. The kids will receive the computers after a short, beginning-of-year program that will familiarize them with the expectations that come with having the computers on hand.

"They'll have to go through digital citizenship learning before they're allowed to get their computer, and that just helps us give them the expectations that they're going to have," Quisenberry said. "It's going to be during their advisory time so that they can learn what the social expectations are of having a laptop."

Quisenberry said that the details of the digital citizenship class are currently still being developed, although she added that the school is looking at a week or more of advisory time. There is a student group that is helping structure the program, Quisenberry added.

In conjunction with the rolling out of the new laptops, Quisenberry said that the school will be a WiFi hotspot so the Thinkpads can have around-the-clock access to the Web in class and all around the PHS campus.

"(The students) can come park in our parking lot and use it after hours," she said.

To alleviate security concerns, Quisenberry said that technology coordinator Suzie Jameson and a logistics committee have already developed an acceptable use policy waiting to be printed and released to parents.

As for the teachers, they will be undergoing training up to and during the implementation of the computers in class.

"The teachers are going to be learning this summer as well as all through the fall," Quisenberry said. "Teachers will be given different kinds of instruction through Region 16 as well as each other. We have 20 teachers right now that are working together to help us with what is called Project SHARE, which is something that the state has come up with that's a collaborative work for teachers. Through that process and through learning during our in-service time, the teachers will start school with skills ready to apply it in the classroom as best they can."

Quisenberry stressed that the laptops do not signal the imminent exit of books from Pampa High School.

"It'll just be a tool just like we've used everything else," she said. "It's not going to replace anything that we currently use as a resource. It's going to be an added resource that will allow for the opening of a lot of other resources to us that we haven't had. Books are still going to be a part of some classrooms, just like the laptops will be. (The computers) will just enhance what we already have."

There will be an initial flat \$40 fee for each student to use the laptop for the year. Larkin said that payment plans and financial aid have been discussed for families of students who may not be able to afford the charge.

"We'll provide lots of different options, including scholarships for students of high need," Larkin said. "All those things will be in place."

Insurance information and replacement costs are currently being discussed in meetings. A handbook with such details will be distributed at the beginning of next school year.

Other concerns, if any, will be addressed through continual communication with area parents, Quisenberry said.

"We'll be putting together summer parent meetings. We're putting together a focus group, that's our first initial thing. We actually just posted a survey online for all the parents. We're already initiating all of that this year."

Quisenberry said that the school is excited to finally implement the program and added that she was looking forward to watching the student body adapt to the new resource.

"I think it's going to be great for those kids," she said. "They're ready to see how this is going to work. They have a lot of questions for us that we just don't know yet. We have ideas, but we don't know how this is going to happen. We'll see how it pans out once school starts."

"One of the things we're going to do is constantly assess those kids and talk to teachers and talk to parents. It's going to be a yearlong conversation as to how to make it better. It's going to be something that we will continually work on and make the best of."

## Innovation, not govt. spending, creates jobs

TERRY SAVAGE  
Creator's Syndicate



Amid all the headlines about jobs and employment, it took someone from another country to make this point to me. He said, "It looks like the new American status symbol is having a job!"

It's a startling concept that Americans might measure our success not by a new car or a big house, or even the size of a paycheck. It's come down to one simple fact that divides our citizens and drives our hopes and fears. How secure is your job?

The balance is lopsided, according to the most recent unemployment numbers. With 9 percent officially unemployed, and more than 90 percent holding jobs, you wouldn't think this anxiety could have such an impact on our national psyche.

But the headlines mask troubling times for Americans and their families. Many of the now-employed have jobs earning far less than they budgeted for in better times. Many more have simply "dropped out" of the workforce and are no longer counted in the unemployment statistics.

If you are a recent grad burdened with student debt, the outlook for finding a job is improving. If you are in your late 50s or early 60s, things are not so good. You may be telling friends that you took early retirement -- but it's a long bridge to Medicare and Social Security. And if you are an inner-city high school grad or dropout, it's hard to find a path to America's promise.

Economists found some good cheer in the latest statistics: The economy added 244,000 jobs last month, mostly in the private sector. That number has been increasing monthly so far this year, up from only 78,000 new jobs in January.

But it falls woefully short of the

13 million private-sector jobs that must be added over the next three years to bring unemployment down to 6 percent. The economy must add at least 300,000 jobs every month to reach that goal. And that requires annual economic growth of at least 4 percent, far above the 1.8 percent annual growth rate of the most recent quarter.

(Don't forget that the working-age population grows by about 1 percent ever year, so this is a moving target. We need to increase jobs just to stay even.)

Even more worrisome is the weekly "initial claims" for unemployment, which jumped to an unexpected 474,000 in the most recent week. The trend of this unemployment line has turned sharply upward in the past month, signaling growing weakness in the job market and a potential slowdown in the economy.

Economists can find both hopeful and pessimistic numbers within all these reports. But the real issue is how they impact your own financial planning and your outlook on the future.

First, let's get beyond the belief that America is inevitably going to sink into a permanent state of slow job and economic growth. We're in a transition period, and unfortunately many jobs that used to offer significant wages no longer exist. That list ranges from factory workers to middle management. Many have been outsourced not to other countries, but to technology. But technology itself creates new jobs.

There's a great example: Groupon was formed in Chicago in the depths of the recent recession,

offering bargains to consumers on a tight budget. In just three years, the company has created more than 5,000 jobs and become an engine of growth for many small businesses. Facebook is in the process of adding 2,000 jobs just to compete with Groupon.

While you may not see these job openings posted, just as ants know where there's a picnic, word spreads among the tech-savvy community. It's a new economy, and new kinds of jobs are being created.

That kind of economic change is irreversible and inevitable -- no matter what the politicians try to do to stop the process. Businesses can't support unprofitable jobs in a competitive world, and government can't "create" jobs forever. We need a productive economy to create good jobs in the private sector and support government jobs that are paid for with tax dollars.

Our policies, and politics, in Washington are not creating a climate for job growth. It's a credit to the underlying strength and will of the American economy that we get as many new jobs as we do.

Today, there is uncertainty over taxes, over our national debt and over future regulation. That's not a climate for real economic growth. If we want more jobs, let's ask Congress to get out of the way of the certainty and optimism that lead to economic growth and jobs in the real economy.

Then all who want to can acquire the new American status symbol: a good paying job. And that's The Savage Truth.

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## Abortion issues dominate House debate

AUSTIN(AP) — For some Republicans in the Texas House, it's becoming all about abortion, all the time.

With the end of the legislative session less than a week away, conservatives did their best Monday to tack obscure anti-abortion measures onto important but otherwise unrelated legislation. Liberals countered with long-winded speeches, points of order and other clumsy delaying tactics -- as well as warnings that women across Texas are being forced to turn to back-alley abortions.

Last week, the House approved a measure stripping funding from state hospitals and clinics that perform abortions or even "abortion-related services," as part of a bill aiming to hold down state Medicaid costs. While that full bill has yet to be passed by the Senate, both chambers of the legislature have approved legislation requiring doctors to perform a sonogram before conducting an abortion -- a law that Republican Gov. Rick Perry has scheduled a special ceremonial to sign on Tuesday.

This time, as lawmakers took up a proposal creating health cooperatives for private insurance companies, Republican Rep. Bryan Hughes proposed an amendment that would bar private insurers statewide from reimbursing patients for abortions

once federal health care reform championed by the Obama administration is implemented in Texas.

Republicans outnumber Democrats in the House 101 to 49, but Hughes was forced to withdraw that motion after opponents raised a point of order, delaying a vote on the entire bill for more than an hour.

Later, during hourslong, marathon debate on a measure making it easier for local courts to exchange cases and dockets, Hughes introduced an amendment that would raise the standards by which Texas judges can authorize minors to undergo abortions without parental consent.

Currently, a judge may approve an abortion for a girl under 18 when determining that a preponderance of the evidence shows having one without parental consent is in her best interest. Hughes wanted to raise the bar, authorizing judges to bypass parental consent for abortions only when there is "clear and convincing" evidence that doing so benefits the minor seeking to have one.

Rep. Jessica Farrar of Houston, the leader of House Democrats, raised another point of order that delayed voting. "Why are you doing this? Why do we need this?" she asked.

Hughes, who hails from Mineola, replied, "This is a big decision and we want to make sure these young people are prepared."

"I'm just amazed, all of these

issues that have come up, the sonograms, now this," Farrar said. "The only people I see on this floor trying to advocate are men. I don't understand the obsession of men to regulate certain body parts."

Fellow Democrat Rep. Rene Oliveira of Brownsville said an unknown number of girls are leaving Texas for Mexico to undergo abortions.

"It's already hard enough for a young girl to do this," he said. "Why do we want to make it harder?"

Hughes' was again forced to withdraw that amendment, but two others also attached to the judicial reform bill passed.

One, sponsored by Rep. Will Hartnett, a Republican from Dallas, calls for collecting data on the number of times a state judge rules to waive parental consent in cases where minors seek abortions. Another, drafted by Rep. Phil King, R-Weatherford, states that a court-appointed legal guardian can't serve as a girl's attorney when she is seeking to waive parental consent and have an abortion.

The full judicial reform bill passed on a voice vote, but only after some representatives complained that it had become a "Christmas tree" piled high with 29 amendments. It heads to the Senate, which will have to consider it before the end of the session May 30.

## School steroid testing avoids budget cuts

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas is likely to keep testing high school athletes for steroids despite deep budget cuts across the state, but it will likely focus the testing on only a few sports -- including football, baseball and track, state legislators said Monday.

The state will spend about \$1.5 million over the next two years, far below the original \$6 million budget when it was created in 2008. The final cost will be determined this week when lawmakers vote on the 2012-13 state budget.

Criticism has been mounting since the program began. More than 50,000 tests yielded fewer than 30 confirmed findings of steroid use.

Rep. Dan Flynn, a Van Republican who helped create the program, said steroid testing was difficult to defend at a time when budget cuts in public education threaten the jobs of tens of thousands of teachers and school workers across Texas.

But Flynn said Monday he believes steroid testing still works as a deterrent. Flynn and Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Plano, chairwoman of the Senate education committee, said the program has a valuable ally in Republican Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, who first championed it during his 2006 election campaign and wants to keep it alive.

Flynn and Shapiro said lawmakers are still looking for where to draw the money from but are committed to paying for it.

Dewhurst "believes the program is important and that it saves lives," spokesman Mike Walz said.

Texas was the third state to begin steroid testing but did it on a far wider scale than anyone else. Every one of the state's 700,000-plus public school athletes -- from freshmen female tennis players to senior offensive linemen in football -- are eligible to be randomly selected, pulled from class and required to submit a urine sample.

In April, the University Interscholastic League released the results of tests conducted last fall. Out of 2,083 tests at 135 schools, one tested positive for steroids. The most tested sports were football for boys and soccer for girls.

Flynn and Shapiro said the program will more tightly-focused to test athletes in sports that have been shown the most likely to encourage steroid use for strength or speed.

"The existence of a program, even a smaller one, is still an effective deterrent," Walz said.

Steroid testing advocate Don Hooton of Frisco, who started the Taylor Hooton Foundation after his 17-year-old son's 2003 suicide was linked to steroid use, said a narrower program is more likely to catch cheaters. Hooton was happy to hear the program would survive.

"Make it so a senior offensive lineman has a better chance of getting tested than a freshman female volleyball player," Hooton said.

### BANANAGRAMS!

Add a U to each of the five-letter words below and then rearrange the letters in each word to form a new six-letter word.

LEVEL

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Yesterday's Answer: GOAT, LION, HORSE

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# Sports

## Softball team celebrates 2011 season achievements



staff photo by Andrew Glover

Head coach Bobbi Gill talks about her three seniors— Madi Shults, Jordan Mayhew and Shanna Keown— as assistant Stephanie Cameron looks on.

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The Pampa Lady Harvesters softball team spent time Monday remembering their season that concluded with an undefeated district championship and an area round berth during their annual banquet at the AmericInn Event Center.

The Lady Harvesters finished 26-9 and 9-0 in district. The junior varsity finished 26-6-1 and 7-1-1 in district.

Coach Jim Gill said the junior varsity had a successful season.

"If I had one thing to say about these girls, it would be their never say die attitude," Gill said. "They never believed at any point in time that we were beat as long as we had the last at-bat." Head coach Bobbi Gill

said this season was different in that she had to replace so many starters.

"We knew we had a young team coming in," Gill said. "We stuck with what we were doing and we chugged on, raised the bar and took the challenge head on. I couldn't ask for anything more."

Head coach Gill talked about each player introducing them by class.

"I couldn't ask for a more receptive group of freshmen to take on the roles we asked of them," Gill said. "Martecia (Alexander) is a versatile outfielder for us. Plays so hard. We switched her to the left side of the plate last year and she embraces that... (Madi Shults) is

the epitome of what hard work and buying into a program will do for a person."

After the player introductions, awards were given out. Alexander won the Hustling Lady Harvester Award. Senior Jordan Mayhew won the Heart Award.

The whole team won the Amy Youree Award. Eleven different players were voted for the award that goes to somebody that loves the game, the team, the camaraderie and is excited every day they come to the field.

Junior Alanna Stephens was awarded the team's Most Valuable Player award.

### Highs and Lows of the 2011 Lady Harvesters

#### Highs

- Won 14 straight games from March 19 to April 23.
- Won District 1-3A with a 9-0 record beating teams by an average score of 13-5.
- Finished second in the Snyder and Pilot Point Tournaments.
- Head coach Bobbi Gill won her 200th game against Salado in the Pilot Point Tournament March 14.
- Freshman Krysten Miller became the first Lady Harvester to hit for the cycle since Cassy Tice in 2007
- The Lady Harvesters went 10-0 at home extending their streak to 17.
- Eight Lady Harvesters earned All-District recognition.

#### Lows

- Failed to advance past the area round for the first time since 2004.
- Made 13 fielding errors in their area round series against Midland Greenwood.
- Gave up five or more runs in seven of their last 10 games.

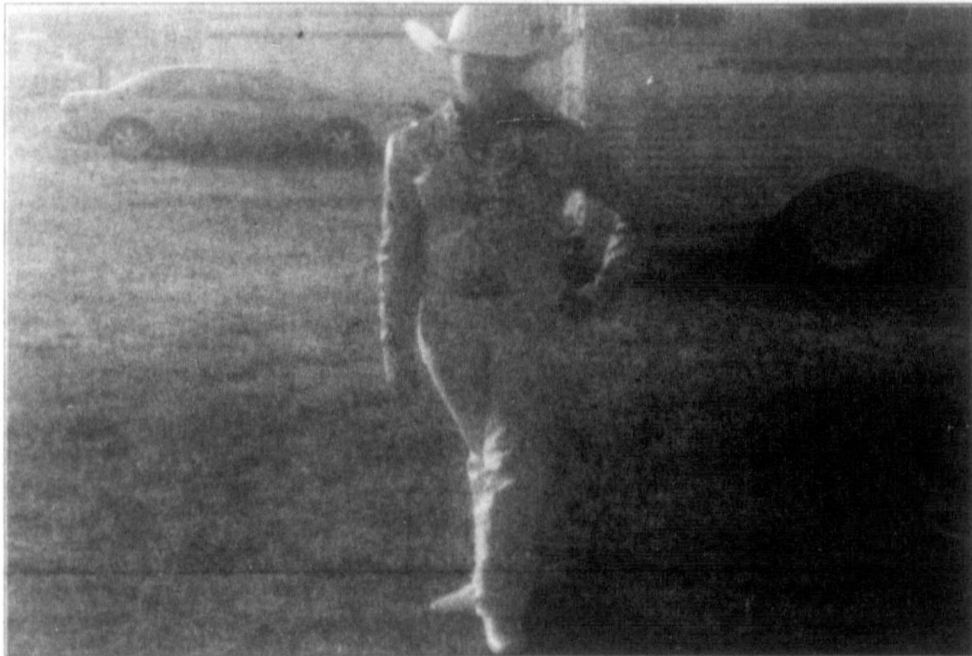
## Guerra makes state junior high rodeo finals

SPECIAL TO THE PAMPA NEWS

The Texas Junior High Rodeo Association, an extension of the National High School Rodeo Association and the Texas High School Rodeo Association, is proud to announce that Hunter Guerra will be attending the state finals in Gonzales the week of May 29 to June 4.

Guerra will be representing Region 1 in the bid for becoming the Miss TJHRA Princess 2011 at the state finals rodeo held in Gonzales. The princess contest will be held May 28-30. She won the title of the Region 1 Princess back in November.

Texas Junior High Rodeo has 10 regions throughout Texas with 500 members in the junior high division. Out of those 10 regions, only the top eight in each



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Hunter Guerra poses in rodeo gear before a competition. Guerra will compete in the Junior state finals May 29-June 4. Guerra will represent Region 1 in bid for becoming the Miss TJHRA Princess 2011.

event qualify for the State Finals. At the Texas Junior High Rodeo State Finals only the top four will go to the National Finals, which will be held

this year in Gallup, N.M., in July. There, they will compete with contestants from all over the United States as well as Canada and Australia.

There will be two performances at 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. daily beginning May 30 through June 3, taking the top 15 in each event to the short go on June 4.

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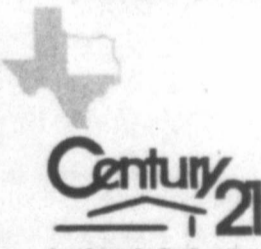
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