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FEEL THE BURN



staff photo by David Bowser

Billy Barker, Jr. burns out during the weekend celebration at Recreation Park.

Area car community burns the bricks

DAVID BOWSER dbowser@thepampanews.com

A 1957 Thunderbird from Pampa won Best of Show at Burnin' the Bricks Car Show.

Allen and Jan Snapp's 1956 Thunderbird was named Best of Show at Saturday's Burnin' the Bricks 2011 car show.

They also garnered the top spot in the Pre-1960 Restored Class. Don and Pat Higgs' 1937 Chevrolet was named Cruiser's Choice. They also had the top vehicle in the Pre-1949 Street Rod Division.

Billy Barker won the burnout competition with his 1984 Monte Carlo.

Barker also was named first place in the Outlaw Division of the burnout contest and won first place in the Race Car Division of the car show.

"This year was down on entries due to the Route 66 Car Show in Amarillo," Randy Stubblefield, organizer of Burnin' the Bricks and member of the High Plains Cruisers auto club. "We had 92 entries from Texas. Oklahoma and Colorado in the car show.'

Still, Stubblefield said turnout for the burnout contest was

The burnout was real good this year and turned out a lot of smoke," Stubblefield said.

He said support for Burnin' the Bricks has been strong from sponsors and donors that make the weekend event possible. BRICKS cont. on page 7

City to meet on CRMWA, SPS tariffs

ARNIE AURELLANO editor@thepampanews.com

Among the items on the City of Pampa's agenda when the City Commission meets tomorrow is a resolution authorizing participation in the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority's Groundwater Supply Project.

Per the text of the resolution, Pampa would participate in the CRMWA project's construction costs, as well as amend its conjunctive use groundwater supply agreement with CRMWA.

Also on the city's agenda is the adoption of a city resolution denying Southwestern Public Service Company's proposed tariff sheets. Southwestern Public Service Company is a subsidiary of Xcel Energy

A pair of PEDC matters are also on the Commission's agenda. The city is scheduled to consider adopting on first reading a resolution authorizing the PEDC to enter into an amended loan agreement with Tumbleweed Services. The Commission is also set to convene into closed session to discuss an appointment to the PEDC Board of Directors.

In other business, the City will consider approving on first reading an ordinance related to "Peddlers, Solicitors and Vendors." The Commission will also consider awarding 15 bids for delinquent tax properties to various bidders and hear a report from Shane Stokes, Pampa's assistant city manager, regarding the Pampa H2O / quatic Park.

The City Comn. ission meets at 4 p.m. tomorrow in the City Commission Chamber on the third floor of City Hall, 201 W. Kingsmill.

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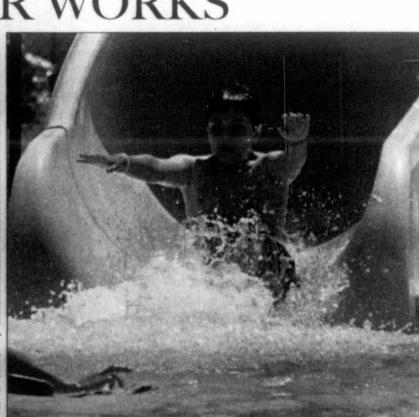
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TOP: Kyler (front, from left), Clay and Cooper Ray were the first to enter when the Pampa H2O Water Park opened Saturday. RIGHT: Clay Ray, 10, comes down one of the slides at Pampa's H2O Water Park, which opened to the public Saturday.



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PAMPA FORECAST

Tuesday

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Thursday









High 96 Low 62 Low 67

Low 68

Tonight: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before 1 a.m. Some of the storms could produce gusty winds. Partly cloudy, with a low around 69. Windy, with a south southwest wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Tuesday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 p.m. Mostly sunny, with a high near 96. North northwest wind around 10 mph.

Tuesday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before 1 a.m. Partly cloudy, with a low around 62. Breezy, with a east northeast wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Wednesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 93. Breezy, with a east wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Wednesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 67. Breezy, with a east southeast wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 96. Windy, with a east southeast wind 10 to 20 mph becoming south southwest. Winds could gust as high as 25 mph

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 68. Windy, with a south southwest wind around 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

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Obituaries

Eberardo E. "Benny" Rodriguez, 83

Eberardo E. "Benny" Rodriguez, 83, died June 12, 2011, in Pampa.

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.



Rodriguez

LAST MINUTE ADS

of paid advertisement

HAVING A Garage, Moving or Estate Sale? Going to put an ad in the Pampa News Classified Garage Sale column? Don't miss the deadline to get your ad in the paper!! Be sure of N. Wynne. to call the Pampa News Classified Dept. 669-2525, and ask for classified deadline for garage sale ads. Remember your reported in the 100 block ad needs to be read, the evening before the sale starts!!

BRANDON'S FLOWERS Annual Red Tag Sale! Many reported in the 400 block silk florals, candles, potpourri & access, 50-80% Off, Thurs of N. Perry. & Fri June 16, 17th. 123 N. Cuyler.

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Police Department

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

There were 63 trafficrelated incidents and three accidents.

Animal control officers reported 33 animal-related

Pampa EMS reported 18 medical-related incidents.

The Pampa Fire Department reported one grass fire, one standby call, one medical-related call, one special assignment and one structure fire

Lefor VEMS reported one medical-related incident

Lefors VFD reported two medical-related incidents and one special assign-

Friday, June 10

A welfare check was reported in the 1200 block of

A 911 hangup call was reported in the 1100 block of Mary Ellen.

Phone harassment was reported in the 300 block of N. 30th.

A follow-up investigation was reported in the 300 block of Ballard. A follow-up investiga-

tion was reported in the 100 block of N. Sumner.

Identity theft was reported in the 200 block of W. Kingsmill.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 400 block of S. Hughes

A 911 hangup call was reported in the 2300 block of N. Hobart.

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ported in the 2800 block of N. Charles

A follow-up investigation was reported in the 1200 block of E. Darby.

A welfare check was reported in the 2900 block of Ellen. N. Perryton Pkwy.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1100 block of N. Sumner. of W. Sierra Dr.

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

A follow-up investigation was reported in the 200 block of W. Kingsmill. A suspicious vehicle was

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ed in the 300 block of N. of E. Murphy. Hobart.

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of N. Hobart. Saturday, June 11

A follow-up investigation was reported in the 1200 block of E. Kinsmill. A hit and run was reported in the 1200 block of N. Garland.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1500 block reported in the 1100 block of N. Dogwood Ln. of N. Terrrace.

ported in the 1200 block of West.

A follow-up investigation was reported in the 700 block of N. Dwight.

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tion was reported in the reported in the 300 block reported in the 100 block of S. Gray.

the 400 block of N. Sum- 1900 block of W. Alcock. ported in the 1000 block of Criminal mischief was reported in the 800 block of N. Duncan. A gas drive-off was re-

ported in the 1000 block of W. Wilks.

A threat was reported in the 1300 block of N. Mary

A special assignment was reported in the 1400 block

A welfare check was re- Rd. ported in the 2100 block of N. Coffee.

Theft was reported in the N. Hobart. 800 block of W. 25th. Water was shut off in the

2400 block of N. Fir. A sewer choke was re-

ported in the 1100 block of Sandlewood Dr. Water was shut off in the

2200 block of N. Williston. A follow-up investiga-Disorderly conduct was tion was reported in the

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Monday, June 13 A suspicious person was reported in the 700 block

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> A building check was reported at Wilks and Huff.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests over the weekend.

Friday, June 10

Ismael Martinez Espino, 29, was arrested by police on charges of driving while license invalid, violation of driver's license restrictions and failure to appear.

Raymond Dale Shell, 26, of Shawnee, Okla., was arrested by deputies afterbeing accused of parole violation in connection with an aggravated assault

Saturday, June 11 Carmen Parker, 37, of Stinnett, was arrested by police on driving while intoxicated charges.

Cecil Andrew Lewis, 48, was arrested by police on outstanding Capias Pro Fine warrents.

Teresa Gail Mundell, 37, was arrested by police on outstanding Capias Pro Fine warrants.

Sunday, June 12 Stephanie Ann Stein, 28,

was arrested by police on charges of driving while intoxicated, assault be threat and failure to appear. Maria Luisa Torres, 44, was arrested by police on

Capias Pro Fine warrants. Julio Cesar Salas, 27, of Wheeler, was arrested bydeputies on charges of unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon.

Monday, June 13

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II, 39, was arrested by po-

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DALLAS (AP) - Private collectors have purchased dinosaur bones as part of more than \$5.3 million in rare items sold at auction in Dallas.

Heritage Auction says an allosaurus and a stegosaurus, in an offering known as the Fighting Pair, sold for nearly \$2.75 million Sunday.

The Dallas-based auction house declined to disclose the buyer, other than saying the bones would head for an overseas museum.

The Dallas Morning News reported Monday that 430 bidders took part in the auction, which also featured a stuffed polar bear, a rare fossilized bird egg and pre-

Former Rep. Purcell dead at 92

WICHITA FALLS (AP) - Former U.S. Rep. Graham Purcell, who represented a northwest Texas district through virtually all of the 1960s and early '70s, has died at age 92.

A statement issued by Lunn's Colonial Funeral Home says Purcell died at his Wichita Falls home Saturday

The Archer City native and World War II Army veteran practiced law in Wichita Falls until his appointment as a state district judge in Wichita County in 1955. He resigned to wage a successful 1961 special election run for a U.S. House seat and was re-elected five times, serving until 1973.

Purcell then practiced law in Washington, D.C., for 15 more years before retiring to Wichita Falls in 1988. Funeral is scheduled for Tuesday at First Presbyterian Church in Wichita Falls, with burial in Archer City

Pentagon Papers released today

AUSTIN (AP) - The complete Pentagon Papers are being made public by the federal government for the

The Lyndon B. Johnson Library and Museum in Austin will unveil the once-top secret, 7,000-page Pentagon study of the Vietnam War on Monday.

Simultaneous releases are scheduled at the National Archives in Washington, the John F. Kennedy Library in Boston, the Richard Nixon Library in Yorba Linda, Calif., and the National Archives in College Park, Md.

The release comes exactly 40 years after The New York Times published leaked portions of the report. A federal judge soon halted their publication, though other newspapers then began publishing the docu-

A split U.S. Supreme Court eventually struck down the judge's ruling, leading to a major legal victory for press freedom.

Divorce papers don't replace federal law

TOM MARGENAU Creator's Syndicate

Q: I took my Social Security at age 62. I'm now 67. I've been worried that I may have messed up my eligibility for widow's benefits on my ex-husband's Social Security record. He is 25 years older than me and in failing health.

My divorce papers specifically state that when he dies, I will get full widow's benefits on his record. But someone told me I will get reduced widow's benefits because I took my own retirement benefits early. Is this true?

A: You will get full widow's benefits on your ex-husband's Social Security record when he dies. But it has absolutely nothing to do with that widow's clause in your divorce papers.

I am always amazed how people think that something a lawyer scribbles into a divorce decree can have any impact on their Social Security eligibility. Federal law is federal law. And you will receive Social Security benefits based on what the law says, not based on divorce settlement shenanigans.

But in your case, that's OK because the law says the fact that you took reduced retirement benefits on your own record will have no impact on what you are due from your husband's record after he dies. The only factor that determines how much you are due is your age when he dies. If you're over age 66 (and you said you are 67), you will get a full divorced widow's rate. Or to put that more precisely, you will continue to receive your reduced retirement benefit, which will be supplemented up to 100 percent of your exhusband's Social Security benefit.

Q: My husband was an executive with a large convenience store chain. When he retired at age 62 and took Social Security, he received a big retroactive payment that included past vacation and sick

Social Security and you

pay. Now at 63, he recently got a Q: My brother is getting Social letter from Social Security telling

made too much money last year. We discussed this with Social Security officials and explained that the money he received was not earnings, but vacation and sick pay. They said all we need to do is have his company sign a form (which they gave us) to clarify the situation. The problem is his company won't sign the form. What

him he was overpaid because he

A: Why in the world won't they sign the form? It's such a simple little matter that can be so easily resolved with a few strokes of a

Here is just a bit of background to help other readers understand what it going on. People under age 66 who are receiving Social Security benefits are limited in the amount of money they can earn. And shortly before or after a person retires, it is common for him or her to get accumulated sick and vacation pay that makes the retiree look like he or she has exceeded the Social Security earnings limit. But such special payments do NOT count toward the earnings limit. And usually a simple statement signed by the former employer resolves the issue.

I'm not sure why your husband's employer is giving him such a hard time. I'd suggest he go back and ask to speak to a supervisor or manager.

People often gripe about government employees being stubborn and inflexible. But this email shows that corporations can also be staffed by bureaucrats unwilling to go the extra mile to help out a client. It sounds like your

husband worked for such a business. I won't mention the name of the employer in this column, but I will say that they serve slushy drinks and cheap hot dogs and dvertise that they are open from

Security disability benefits. The Social Security office told him when he turns 62 in a couple months, he will be required to file for regular Social Security and that his benefits will be reduced. This doesn't seem fair. Can you explain A: I will bet your brother is

NOT getting Social Security disability. He is probably getting Supplemental Security Income (SSI) disability payments. SSI is a federal welfare program. And like any welfare program, SSI rules require that a recipient file for any other government benefits he or she might be due. (SSI is supposed to be a "benefit of last resort." In other words, you can only receive SSI if you don't qualify for any other kind of government help.) So, when he turns 62 and becomes eligible for Social Security retirement benefits, he must file for those benefits, even if it pays less money than he was getting before.

If your brother was receiving Social Security disability benefits, then he would not be required to file for reduced retirement benefits at age 62. He would continue to receive disability benefits until he reaches age 66. At that point, he would be switched from the disability program to the retirement program, although the changeover would be transparent to him because his monthly benefit amount would remain the same.

If you have a Social Security question, Tom Margenau has the answer. Contact him at thomas.margenau@comcast.net.

TX educators worry schools won't recover from budget

AUSTIN (AP) - Educators fear that a new measure that will slash \$4 billion in funding to Texas public schools over the next two years will permanently handicap them because it removes any longterm obligation for the state to maintain a minimum support level.

Normally, a school's funding level is determined by a formula based on enrollment, but for the first time since World War II the Legislature has reduced perstudent funding, a trend that could continue under the new school finance law.

Education advocates argue lawmakers could fund everything else before appropriating education money, potentially leaving schools with a smaller chunk of state money each year.

"The concern is that you end up chronically funding public education on an 'as funds are left over' basis, and that's a long-term concern," said school finance expert Dan Casey of MOAK, Casey & Associates.

The cuts aren't as drastic as initial proposals that would have shorted the Foundation School Program by nearly \$10 billion of what current law requires, but they are still enough to devastate public education, advocates say.

The state faces a budget shortfall estimated to be as large as \$27 billion. Democrats demanded throughout the session to spend more money from the Rainy Day Fund but were consistently overruled by fiscal conservatives backed by Gov. Rick Perry, who maintained that the state's savings account should be

left largely intact. A Democratic filibuster killed the school finance measure on the last day of the regular session, prompting a fed-up Perry to call lawmakers back immediately to deal with the legislation. A conference committee will now approve a final version of the measure before Perry signs it.

Democrats hoped the extra

time would bring masses of educators and parents to the Capitol to protest and get Republicans to spend more of the Rainy Day Fund. But conservative lawmakers were running thin on patience, shooting down any pleas to use more of the money, and protests were

Districts have already laid off employees, most working from the worst-case scenario budget lawmakers filed in January. But the larger issue has been the method to distribute the cuts. The \$4 billion cut is spread over two years with every district getting a 6 percent cut in 2012 and a \$2 billion reduction in 2013 that reduces funding for some schools more than others based on a complicated formula.

Rep. Rob Eissler, R-The Woodlands, said the cuts were unfortunate but necessary because of lower state revenues. He said the state is dedicating 60 percent of its general revenue on education, up from 57 percent.

The Houston school district, the state's largest public district, already laid off more than 700 teachers and 250 central departmental positions for budget reasons, a district spokesman said.

Some districts will look to raising local property taxes to make up for the loss of state dollars, but that's not an option for districts that have already reached the

Democrats and rural House Republicans argued the formula unfairly hurts their school districts and widens an already-expansive gap between poor and rich schools. Texas ranks 44th out of 50 states in per-student spending, which ranges from \$3,000 to \$13,000 a

Bill Grusendorf, executive director of Texas Association of Rural Schools, said the across-the-board cut simply maintains the status quo, calling it "ridiculous" to cut the same percentage from schools spending thousands per pupil and those spending

the minimum amount.

"This punishes those who have been lowest all along, Grusendorf said. "We fought and we fought, we testified and we testified, and it just hasn't been heard."

Most school districts get their funding based on a formula that held total per-student spending at 2006 levels. Opponents say it froze old inequities while creating new, larger ones between school districts.

Lawmakers lowered property taxes and counted on a business tax to make up the difference. But the tax has consistently underperformed, creating a recurring hole in the budget. Lawmakers have been repeatedly criticized for changing the school finance law rather than fixing the

rickety tax structure Districts already at low funding levels because of the 2006 formula have been cutting their budgets, increasing class sizes and trimming programs and staff positions for years.

Districts will not only start the school year with layoffs and larger class sizes, but face a fundamental shift in the way they receive state aid that could last for the foreseeable future.

"We are saying to school districts ... that education is not the No. 1 priority in the state of Texas," Rep. Sylvester Turner, D-Houston, argued during a floor debate Thursday. "The funding for our public schools is an afterthought. We are giving our children in the state of Texas what is left over."

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Pampa ISD will hold a public meeting at 6:00 PM, June 23, 2011 in Carver Center Board Room, 321 W. Albert, Pampa, Texas. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax \$1.040000/\$100 (proposed rate for maintenance and operations)

School Debt Service Tax \$0.328800/\$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Approved by Local Voters

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is

indicated for each of the following expenditure categories: Maintenance and operations (2.91)% (decrease) Debt service 0.01% increase

(2.55)% (decrease)

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)

Preceding Tax Year \$1,282,539,054 \$1,299,464,204 Total appraised value* of all property \$10,550,550 \$14,291,160 Total appraised value*of new property* Total taxable value*** of all property \$1,047,910,344 \$1,048,894,056 Total taxable value*** of new property** \$10,550,550 \$14,291,160

Total expenditures

"Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code

"New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code *** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$50,870,000

* Outstanding principal

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Für	nd*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$1.040000	\$0.328800		\$1.368800	\$4,467	\$4,051
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$1.051680	\$0.295210		\$1.346890	\$4,364	\$4,112
Proposed Rate	\$1.040000	\$0.328800		\$1.368800	\$4,407	\$4,110

The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$48,901.	\$49,330
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$33,901	\$34,330
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$1,368800	\$1.368800
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$464.04	\$469.91
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$5.87

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is \$1.04. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of \$1.04.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)

Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)

\$2,613,572

June 13, 2011

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Viewpoints

Today in History

Today is Monday, June 13, the 164th day of 2011. There are 201 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History:

On June 13, 1971, The New York Times began publishing excerpts of the Pentagon Papers, a secret study of America's involvement in Vietnam from 1945 to 1967 that had been leaked to the paper by military analyst Daniel Ellsberg.

On this date:

In 1886, King Ludwig II of Bavaria drowned in Lake Starnberg.

In 1927, aviation hero Charles Lindbergh was honored with a ticker-tape parade in New York

In 1935, James Braddock claimed the title of world heavyweight boxing champion from Max Baer in a 15-round fight in Long Island City, N.Y. In 1944, Germany began launching flying-bomb attacks against Britain during World War II.

In 1966, the Supreme Court ruled in Miranda vs. Arizona that criminal suspects had to be informed of their constitutional rights to consult with an attorney and to remain silent.

In 1967, President Lyndon B. Johnson nominated Solicitor-General Thurgood Marshall to become the first black justice on the U.S. Supreme Court. In 1986, Benny Goodman, the clarinet-playing

'King of Swing," died in New York at age 77. In 1996, the 81-day-old Freemen standoff ended as 16 remaining members of the anti-government group surrendered to the FBI and left their Montana ranch.

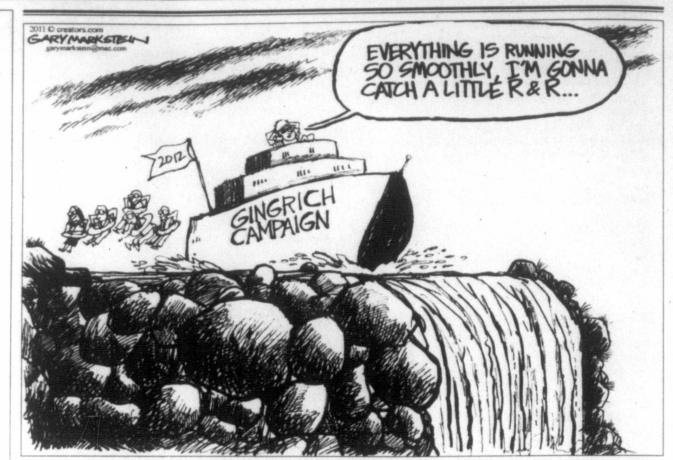
Ten years ago: President George W. Bush met behind closed doors with NATO leaders in Brussels. Belgium, where he pitched his missile detense plans

Five years ago: President George W. Bush told Iraqı Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki during a surprise visit to Baghdad that the fate of his warscarred country was in Iraqi hands; for their part, Iraq's new leaders sought a promise from Bush not to withdraw U.S. troops too quickly.

One year ago: Gary Faulkner, a Colorado construction worker, was detained in Pakistan while on a one-man mission to hunt down Osama bin Laden (Faulkner was released by Pakistani authorities 10 days later). The final "Annie" (formerly "Little Orphan Annie") comic strip ran in fewer than 20 newspapers, ending with a cliffhanger.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Bob McGrath is 79. Artist Christo is 76. Magician Siegfried (Siegfried & Roy) is 72. Singer Bobby Freeman is 71. Actor Malcolm McDowell is 68. Singer Dennis Locorriere is 62. Actor Richard Thomas is 60. Actor Jonathan Hogan is 60. Actor Stellan Skarsgard is 60. Comedian Tim Allen is 58. Actress Ally Sheedy is 49. TV anchor Hannah Storm is 49. Rock musician Paul deLisle (Smash Mouth) is 48. Actress Lisa Vidal is 46. Singer David Gray is 43. Actor Jamie Walters is 42. Singer-musician Rivers (uomo (Weezer) is 41. Country singer Susan Havnes is 39. Actor Steve-O ("Jackass") is 37. Actor Ethan Embry is 33. Actor Chris Evans is 30. Actress Sarah Schaub is 28. Actress Kat Dennings is 25. Actress Mary-Kate Olsen is 25. Actress Ashley Olsen is 25.

Thought for Today: "A faith is a necessity to a man. Woe to him who believes in nothing." - Victor Hugo French writer (1802-1885)



The end of a surprisingly good political career

Exit Newt Gingrich. Well, not quite yet, officially. On his Facebook page, Gingrich says he will endure "the rigors of campaigning for public office" and "will carry the message of American renewal to every part of this great land, whatever it

Without, however, the assistance of his 16 top campaign aides, some of whom had been with him for years, who resigned en masse last Thursday. They wanted him to spend more time on personal campaigning. He and his wife, Callista, figured they could do a lot of their campaigning and fundraising over the Internet.

This is not the first time that political allies have turned on Gingrich. Most of his fellow House Republican leaders tried to mount a coup to overthrow him in July 1997, in his third year as speaker of the House; he survived, but not for long. Thus, he has twice shown that he can inspire ties of great loyalty and can do things that make those ties snap and recoil against him.

Gingrich may keep campaigning -at the Republican Jewish Coalition on Sunday and at a debate in New Hampshire on Monday night -- but his campaign is effectively over, just a month after he declared he was running

In 30 days, he careened from one disaster to another, denouncing House Budget Committee Chairman Paul Ryan's Medicare plan as "right-wing social engineering" on the Sunday after announcing, later taking a two-week vacation on a cruise in Greece and Turkey.

There is plenty being written about Gingrich's flaws. His personal life has not been entirely admirable, to say the least. He is prone to hyperbole, to making outrageous statements he cannot defend, to shifting positions without informing allies. He spreads himself too thin, writing counterfactual histories of the Civil War and World War II, making documentaries on subjects such as Pope John Paul II's 1979 visit to Poland, setting up one organization after another.

But in the long run, the most inter-

things about Newt Gingrich are not his flaws, but his strengths. What enabled this Army brat with no real hometown to become a major political figure who did much to shape

American public

policy? It certainly was not connections to any particular political group. Gingrich graduated from good universities, but he is essentially an autodidact, a self-educated loner. He has long been credited with having new ideas, but looking back on his nearly 40-year political career -- he first ran for Congress in Georgia in 1974 -- I think his keenest insights were not about public policy, but about political possibilities.

BARONE

He foresaw that Republicans could win congressional races in the smalltown South and worked hard to prove it, losing first in the Watergate year and then in 1976, when Jimmy Carter swept Georgia, before he beat a conservative Democrat in 1978.

I remember that starting in 1984, he was predicting that Republicans could win a majority in the House. He was wrong then, but he was right in 1994 and he was right about the reasons all along. He saw that Republicans would win most Southern seats and that talented young Democrats elected in the Vietnam/Watergate years would in

time retire or be defeated.

He coached politically clueless Republican candidates with the high tech of the day -- hours of Newt on audiotape -- and bucked the Bush 41 White House and House Republican leader in opposing a tax increase in

As speaker, Gingrich had more policy successes than his current detractors recall. He held federal spending essentially static for a year, setting the budget on a path to surpluses; passed a landmark welfare reform act; and set in motion a Medicare reform commission that recommended premium support, the main feature of Ryan's proposal.

Through all this, Gingrich always was searching for ideas that commanded 70 percent support. He understood that dovish Democrats' disdain for American exceptionalism was a grave political liability and sought to exploit it. But after his first moments in the spotlight as speaker, he turned off voters. I think he reminded them of the high-school nerd/egghead whom all the other kids disliked.

Gingrich turns 68 next week; this was obviously the last year he could run for president. His chances were never great and now seem nonexistent. But we shouldn't forget what this man, with his unusual gifts and despite glaring flaws, managed to accomplish against great odds.

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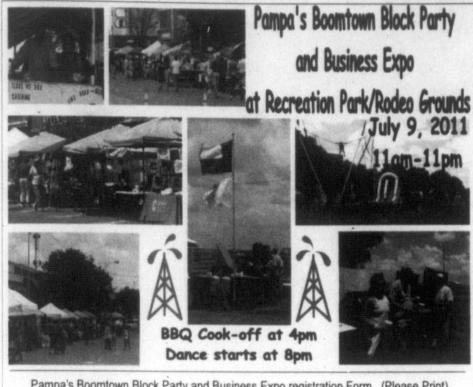
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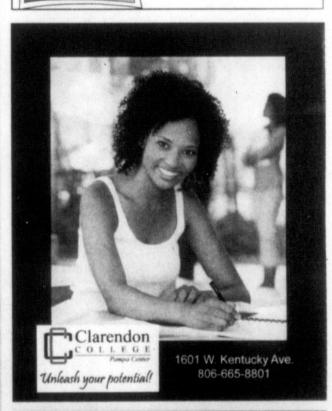
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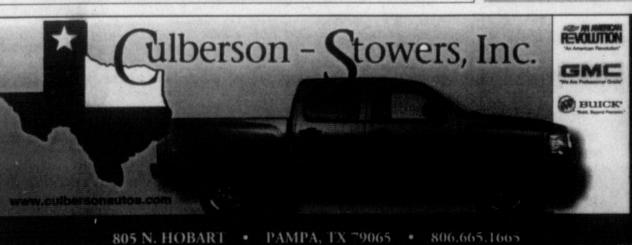
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James Spa's truck disappears in the smoke as he burns out during Saturday's Burning the Bricks celebration. >

Note: A full Burnin' the Bricks event album will be in tomorrow's edition of The Pampa News.



staff photo by David Bowser

Bricks

While the weekend festivities are a lot of fun, Stubblefield said there is a serious side to the event.

"In the seven years since we have started this show, we have given \$32,500 in scholarships to graduat-ing seniors," Stubblefield said. "We hope we can keep this tradition going for the next generation to carry on."

In the Antique Car Show, Bob Schiffman won first place with his 1929 Chevrolet.

In the Pre-1949 Street Rod competition, Ken Allen and his 1931 Ford won second. Stephanie Held and her 1940 Ford and Gene and Brenda Pittso and their 1946 Chevrolet tied for third.

Don Van Houten won the 1946-1960 Custom Rod Show with a 1956 Chevrolet.

Brad Higby won the 1960-1975 Original Restored competition with a 1965 Thunderbird. Bob Schiffman was second with his 1964 1/2 Mustang. Staci Proctor with a 1962 Impala and Rick Garrison with a 1976 Lincoln tied for third.

1976-1999 In the Original Restored cat-McDowell won first place Camaro. 1974 KandiCruz was second

with a 1979 Datsun 280Z. In the Orphan All Years Division, Wynona Seely won first place with a 1950 Hudson. Ken Carden was second with a 1949

Hudson. Michael Dickenson won first place in the Rat Rod Division with a 1930 Ford. Terry Scobee was second with a 1947 Ford.

Casey Garrison won Special Interest with a 1953 Chevrolet.

In the Original Unrestored Class Up to 1999, Bob Schiffman won with a 1976 Bronco. Allen Snapp was second with a 1974 Bronco. Jerry Daniels with a 1977 Lincoln and Fred Martin with a 1955 Chevrolet tied for third.

In the 1955-1956-1957 Chevrolet Division, Mike Held with a 1955 Chevrolet won first place. Charlie Emmons was second with a 1955 Chevrolet. Cliff Bradstreet was third with a 1955 Chevrolet.

Ryan and Fred Martin won the 1953-1979 Corvette Division with a 1963 Corvette. Dennis Luellen was second with a 1968 Corvette. Blake Villanueva was third with a 1979 Corvette.

Carmen Whitehead won the 1980-1999 Corvette category with a 1995 Corvette.

Mary Nell Finsterwald the 1967-1973 won Camaro with a 1969 Camaro. Bob Finsterwald egory, Randy and Pam was second with a 1972

> Pre-1973 Chevy the Muscle Car competition with a 1970 Chevelle. Kasey Garrison was second with a 1966 El Camino.

In the Pre-1973 Other Other Muscle Car Division, Karmen Norris

won first place with a 1968 Oldsmobile 442.

Rex and Brenda Payne won first place in the Pre-1973 Ford Muscle Car Division with their 1965 Mustang. O.L. Tucker Jr. won second with his 1965 Mustang and third with his 1970 Mustang.

David Adcock won the Modern Muscle Car Division with a 2010 Thomas Challenger. Reynolds was second with a 2007 Mustang. Don Peterson with a 1986 Camaro and Stan Organ with a 2002 Corvette tied for third.

In the Pre-1950s Antique Truck Division, Kenneth Cox won first place with a 1934 Ford. Richard and Sue Mathews were second with a 1948 Chevrolet.

In the Original Truck competition, Tammy Maple won first with a 1950 Chevrolet. Greg Purcell was second with a 1949 Chevrolet. Randy Swires was third with a 1947 Ford.

In the 1950-1972 Classic Truck Division, Javier Gonzales won first with a 1955 Chevrolet. Greg Purcell was second with a 1950 Chevrolet. Larry Ray was third with a 1966 Chevrolet.

Zack Williams won Truck Division with a 1984 Chevrolet. Raymond Swaney was second with a 1953 Chevrolet. Lonnie Turner was third with a 2004 Chevrolet.

Cleo Meaker won the Convertible Class with a cont. from page 1

In the Race Car Division, Jaren Cartrite was second with a 1974 Chevrolet. Alex and Blaine Cunningham Jr. with a dragster and John Collins with a 1970 Camaro tied for third.

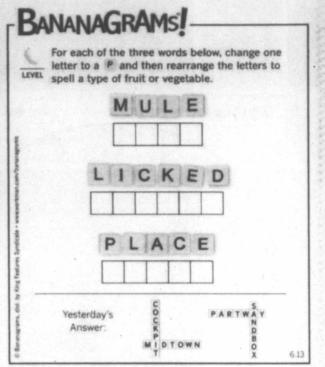
Eddy Merrianda won first in the Any Car 2000 and Up category with a 2002 Chevrolet. Amber Merrianda was second with a 2004 Pontiac.

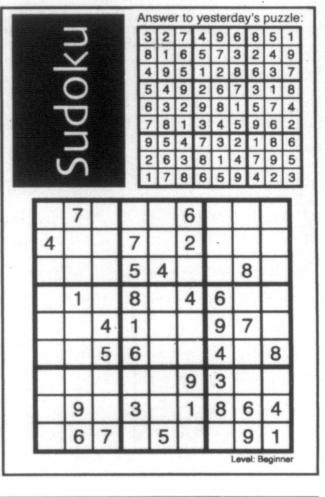
Tom Turner was second in the Pre-1960 Original Restored Division with a 1957 Oldsmobile. Jimmy Clark with a 1955 Mercury and Nancy Swaney with a 1956 Thunderbird tied for

Cliff Hudson was second in the Outlaw Division of the Burn Out in a 1986 Mazda.

Rodney Scobee won first in the Super Stock Bun Out category with a 1947 Ford. Eddie Miranda was second with a 2002 Camaro. Tim Davis won the Stock

Division of the Burn Out with a 1974 Ford. Kody Hendricks was second.





Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

My child. ABBY: daughter recently told us she is attracted to women. I feel she has been unduly influenced by her mentor/ professor at her college, as she quoted this woman sev- and downs, but we always eral times when she "came manage to survive the bad My daughter has al-

ways been quiet and shy. She finds it difficult to make eye contact with anyone. How am I to accept this, especially since I feel her mentor took advantage of the situation? I am finding it difficult to function at all. I love my daughter very much. This just hurts. MOM AT A LOSS IN **OREGON**

DEAR MOM AT A LOSS: I understand this has been a shock for you, and for that you have my sympathy. It is possible that your daughter has always been quiet and shy GLE, because she was wrestling with who she is, so the fact that she told you her feelings is a good thing.

Because you are hurting, it would be helpful for you to talk to other parents of lesbians and gays. They can help you through this period of adjustment. You can find support by contacting PFLAG (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays) by calling unless you can get him to (202) 467-8180 or log-level with you about what the problem is.

If you do, you'll be bet
DEAR ABBY: My darter able to support your ling wife died not long ago.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have been married eight years and have two children. Our marriage has had its share of ups times. My problem is my hus-

band sleeps on the couch 95 percent of the time instead of in our bed. He makes excuses such as he "fell asleep watching TV," or "the kids were sleeping in our bed" - even when they weren't. He even goes to sleep on the couch after we have had sex. I don't like sleeping by

myself every night, and I have tried to explain how OWER upsetting this is to me. My little girl has even asked why Daddy sleeps on the couch. Any suggestions? MISSING MY SNUG-MELBOURNE, FLA.

MISSING DEAR YOUR SNUGGLE: Yes. Have you asked your husband why he's not in bed with you anymore? Your statement that he leaves for the couch after you have had sex could indicate that one or both of you may have a sleeping disorder that prevents him getting enough rest. But you'll never find out

I'm still grieving. Please tell me what to do when women show up as if I'm available to date. They're not shy. I'm not interested in anyone, especially since my wife just passed away. I am still emotionally attached to her, and I don't want that feeling to fade.

Abby, these women are forward and aggressive. I can't believe how some of them dress. I miss my wife. I truly loved her and continue to do so. I know in time I'll meet someone, but I'm not ready to jump out there because my heart still belongs to my wife. I welcome your advice, Abby HUNTSVILLE WID-

DEAR WIDOWER: Please accept my deepest sympathy for the loss of your beloved wife. Because you wrote to me in longhand rather than via the Internet, I'm assuming you are an older gentleman. Available men in your demographic are hard to find, which is probably why you're under siege by the casserole brigade. Actually, it's a compliment that they're lining up. However, because you're not ready to move in that direction, politely tell the women you prefer to be left alone right now to sort out your feelings. And, if anything changes, you will let them

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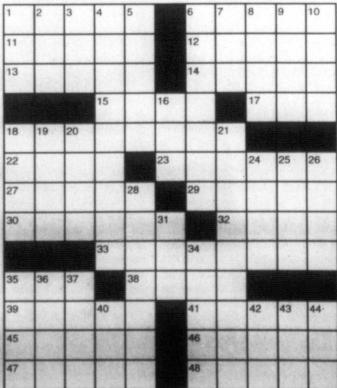
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This year, you see life from a more vital and dynamic perspective. You will attract people who might want to harness your energy and power. The issue will be how to effectively deal with a power play or control game. The only way to win is not to play. If you are single, you discover the importance of having a vital bond. Use caution with those you attract. Often, people put on a strong act to mask vulnerability. If you are attached, the two of you need to respect your differences. The bond will gain strength, veracity and empathy as a result. SAGITTARIUS often can be challenging.

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)

★★★★ Keep reaching out for more

information. Your willingness to forge ahead will make a considerable difference. You see a new path quite suddenly. A smile helps encourage others to find the right way. Tonight: Allow your mind to roam.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Deal with others directly. You might not be able to tolerate someone entering your personal realm. Listen to what is going on behind the scenes. Extremes seem to keep you juggling different concerns. Remain centered, and head in the right direction. Tonight: Visit over dinner.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Listen to news with a touch of cynicism. Allow greater give-and-take in your relationships. A child or loved one could be overly serious and want his or her way. You can try to help this person see the rainbow of possibilities like you do. Tonight: Listen to offers.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★ You might want to juggle different interests more carefully. A boss might surprise you in the most unexpected manner. A tendency to overindulge comes out - that is one of your prevalent characteristics under stress. Tonight: Squeeze in some exercise.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

*** Your enormous creativity remains key in nearly all areas of your life. A child or loved one might need more attention, and lets you know it. How do you indulge his or her need but not reward demanding behavior? Know when you have

had enough. Tonight: Be playful VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

*** If you can stay close to home, please do. You could be very tired and dragging. An element of surprise surrounds financial dealings and perhaps a partnership. Know that there is very little you cannot do. Just ride out the moment. Tonight: Happy at home

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

**** Keep communication flowing. You might be taken aback by someone's views. Take good care of your health. Stop kidding yourself about how you feel. A family matter could drag you down. To-

night: Catch up on someone's news. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

*** Curb a need to have others do what you want. Often, you might have difficulty letting go of control. Know that you can only control yourself. Communication could be stagnant at times. Tonight: Your

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

**** Your spunk characterizes much that goes on. How you see a changeable situation could vary with your mood. A meeting takes on unusual significance. Let go of a need to have control or have things happen your way. Tonight: Celebrating living

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★ You might not realize how blue or quiet you are. Others react and tend to push hard to have a situation fall as they might want. Let go for now. Take a walk to reduce stress, knowing full well where you are heading and why. Tonight: Take some much-needed personal time.

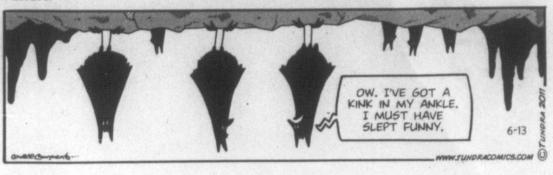
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

**** Focus on friends and getting together. A meeting might hold more of a social significance than the reason it has been formally called for. You might be obsessing over a conversation or issue. Let go, if you can. Tonight: Follow your

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

*** You could be in a situation where you need to take action. Don't sell yourself short. You will be on top of a professional or community issue before you know it. Relax, but be willing to accept more responsibility. Take a stand if need be. Tonight: Till the wee hours.

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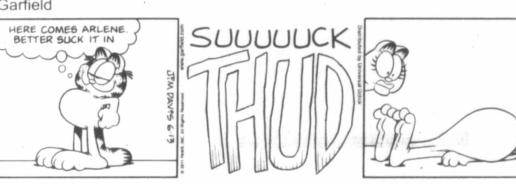
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Most of the 2011 season, Pampa High School graduates Madi Shults and Jordan Mayhew played at the corners. Saturday at the Greater West Texas Softball Coaches Association All-Star game at Lubbock Christian, there was no better way for the two graduates to close their career than to play at their respective positions in their last two innings on the field.

Shults said it was nice to play one more game with

It was fun getting to play one more game with Shults said. "I'm not going to play in cellege and she is. It was fun spending time with her.

Mayhew said it was fun getting play with Shults.

"It was great playing with her again," Mayhew said. Both Pampa graduates played on the West. Though Mayhew finished the game at third, she started at pitcher, tossing the first three innings. Mayhew allowed five runs (three earned) on seven hits,

walked three, hit one batter and struck out three taking the loss. McLean's Ashley Byron was the winning pitcher, only giving up one run on two hits in three innings.

Shults played first base in the first, second, fifth and sixth innings. She caught a foul pop up in the fifth. Both players each got two at-bats, with neither getting a hit. Mayhew grounded out and lined out to short. Shults grounded out and struck out but nearly reached first on a dropped strikeout. The East won

Mayhew said it wasn't a big deal going up against the East's pitching.

"I've seen Ashley (Byron) a lot before because I played with her and against her," Mayhew said. "It was good to see her again."

Shults said both pitchers had different styles and they had to adjust.

'The first pitcher was a lot faster than (Mayhew and I) have seen in a long time," Shults said. "The next one was slower so we had to adjust. (Sharissa) Stoddard was more like we've seen in district. Not batting in awhile was kind of a disadvantage.'

Mayhew and Shults' last game was May 7 in the area round against Midland Greenwood. The two graduates helped the Lady Harvesters to a district title and a ninth straight playoff berth.



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Madi Shults awaits a throw at first base. Shults played her regular first base slot in four innings during Saturday's All-Star Game.



