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# Studebaker sworn in as City Commissioner



staff photo by Arnie Aurellano

John Studebaker is sworn into the City Commission by City Secretary Karen Price.

**ARNIE AURELLANO** editor@thepampanews.com

The Pampa City Commission is whole again.

After John Studebaker's victory in last weekend's runoff election, the City Commission declared the results of the runoff official and Studebaker was sworn in as Ward 1 City Commissioner at Tuesday's regular commission meeting at City Hall.

He took his seat on the commissioners' panel directly afterwards, finally filling the seat left vacant by former commissioner Brad Pingel's move to mayor after the general election in May

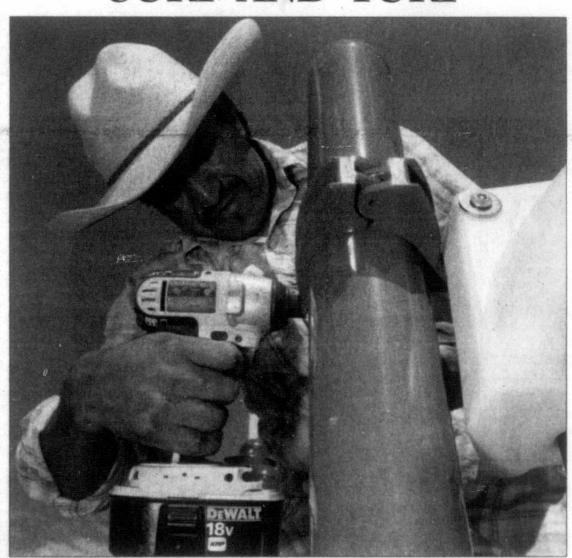
Studebaker won the seat by defeating Cleo Meaker, who was also in attendance.

· The Commission adopted on second and final reading an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances relative to peddlers, solicitors and ven-

The changes, as explained by Pampa Police Chief Kelly Rushing at the June 14 City Commission meeting, decrease the amount of time that a soliciting permit is valid from one year to 30 days. They also require a current driver's license be on file at the Code Enforcement office and increase the amount of the bond required to \$10,000 for an individual permit or \$25,000 for a master permit.

· The Commission authorized City Manager Richard Morris to enter into CITY cont. on page 5

# **SURF AND TURF**



staff photo by David Bowser

Leonard Jimenez was one of a crew assembling playground equipment at Pampa's aquatic park today. The playground equipment is expected to be completed early next month.

# Several items on Gray Co. meeting slate

DAVID BOWSER dbowser@thepampanews.com

Several different items are on the schedule for the Grav County Commissioners Court this week, as it will consider an agreement for the sheriff's office, a contract for with Securus for inmate phone service in the county jail and a certificate of appreciation for a deputy when the commission meets in regular session Friday morning.

Also on the agenda, commissioners will also recognize training certification for several county employees.

In addition, they will consider becoming a participating member of AeroCare, an EMS medical helicopter ambulance service based out of Lubbock.

They are expected to reappoint Judge Willis Smith to the Texas Panhandle Center of Behavioral and Developmental Health.

The commission will also accept bids for tax delinquent properties and consider a treasurer's report.

The Gray County Commissioners Court will meet in regular session beginning at 9 a.m., Friday, in the county courtroom of the courthouse at 205 N.

# Wheeler County grand jury returns 13 indictments

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WHEELER - A Wheeler County grand jury returned 13 indictments against a dozen people this month.

Nine of the indictments were for drug-related

Cameron Shayne Swearingen, 38, was indicted on charges of possession of a controlled substance greater than four grams but less than 200 grams in connection with an arrest for possession of methamphetamine in April, 2010.

Swearingen had been convicted in 1994, on two counts of injury to a minor and on manufacturing a controlled substance and possession of a controlled substance in 2002, in Oklahoma. Swearingen was also indicted by the Wheeler County grand jury of charges of unlawful possession of firearms by a felon.

Bond for Swearingen was set at \$15,000 on the possession charge and \$12,500 on the firearm charge.

Gerardo Rubio Baez, 40, was indicted on charges of possession of a controlled substance greater than 400 grams in connection with an arrest for methamphetamine in April, 2010.

Bond was set for Baez at \$25,000 Sandra Karina Castro-Lugo, 36, was indicted on charges of possession of a controlled substance, more than 400 grams of methamphetamine, in connection with an arrest in April,

Bond was set at \$25,000. Jon Michael Walker, 20, was indicted on charges of possession of a controlled sub-

stance, more than four grams but less than 400 grams of psilocybin, in connection with an arrest in October, 2009.

Bond was set for Walker at \$12,500.

Jose Guadalupe Rocha-Borjas, 26, was indicted on charges of possession of marijuana, more than 50 pounds but less than 500 pounds, in connection with a May, 2010, arrest. Bond was set at \$12,500.

Kathy Lee North, 29, was indicted on charg-

es of possession of a controlled substance, more than four grams but less than 200 grams, in connection with an April, 2010, arrest. Bond was set for North at \$12,500.

Christopher Marvin Umsted, 28, was indicted on charges of possession of a controlled substance, more than one gram but less than INDICTMENTS cont. on page 5

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High 96 Low 74

Tonight: Clear, with a low around 72. Windy, with a south southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

Thursday: Sunny and hot, with a high near 100. Windy, with a south southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

Thursday Night: Clear, with a low around 72. Windy, with a south wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

Friday: Sunny and hot, with a high near 99. Windy, with a south southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Friday Night: Clear, with a low around 74. Windy, with a south southwest wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 96. Windy, with a south southwest wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph

Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 74. Windy, with a south wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

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# **Obituaries**

## Valorie Elliott Pfannenstiel, 52

Valorie Elliott Pfannenstiel died June 23, 2011, in Houston, Texas.

She was born October 25, 1958, in Kermit. She attended schools in Pampa, Texas and was a former member of First Christian church. She worked as a travel agent in Pampa before moving to Houston. She loved to travel, but her life was devoted to her



Pfannenstiel

She was preceded in death by her husband, Glenn Davis; a daughter, Evangeline Davis; two sisters, Lisa Elliott and JoBeth Shelly; her father, B.J. Elliott; and stepfather, Bob Baker.

She is survived by two sons, Dameon Hood of Tyler and Stephen Davis and wife Lisa; two daughters, Savannah Hood and Carolina Montenegro and husband Rudy; three grandchildren, Vincent Martin, Riley Davis and Emily Montenegro, all of Houston; two brothers, Dean Elliott and wife Debbie of Pampa and Bobby Elliott of Apline; a stepbrother, Kelley Baker and wife Melody of Pampa; a stepsister, Terri Wilterding and husband David of Amarillo; and her mother, Peggy Baker of Cuernavaca, Mexico.

Memorial services are pending.

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the 400 block of S. Hughes.

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Disorderly conduct was

was reported in

N. Dwight.

S. Banks.

N. Lowry.

# For the record

Cont. from Tuesday

## Police Department

Sunday, June 26 Disorderly conduct was

reported in the 800 block of S. Banks

A suspicious person was Cuyler.

A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 1600 block eight ambulance calls. of E. Hwy. 60.

of E. Darby. A suspicious person was two grass fires.

reported in the 1200 block of E. Foster. An alarm was reported in

the 900 block of Crane Rd. 1900 block of N. Duncan.

An agency assist was reported at Hwy. 60 W. A domestic disturbance was reported in the 300

block of N. Perry. Disorderly conduct was reported twice in the 1200 block of E. Francis.

Endangering a child or the elderly was reported in the 200 block of W. Kingsmill. Theft was reported in the

1000 block of Neel Rd. A 911 hangup call was reported in the 600 block of N. Banks

Burglary of a motor vehi-

block of N. Rosewood Ln. S. Ballard. A building check was rerted in the 1400 block of N. Sumner

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 200 block of W. Kingsmill.

A suspicious person was reported at Hobart and

A missing person was reported in the 2200 block of

N. Aspen Dr. A domestic disturbance was reported in the 200

block of W. Kingsmill. Harassment was reported in the 600 block of N

Faulkner. A suspicious person was mill.

reported in the 1300 block of N. Hobart. Disorderly conduct was

reported in the 700 block of N. Christy. A suspicious person was

reported in the 1100 block Hobart. of Gwedolyn. Disorderly conduct was

reported in the 1600 block of N. Faulkner. Burglary was reported in was reported in the 1900 the 2200 block of N. Wil-

Theft was reported in the

2800 block of N. Charles. Monday, June 27

A prowler was reported in Turtle Creek Ln. A domestic disturbance

was reported in the 1300 block of Coffee.

A suspicious person was reported at Tuke and Cuyler. An álarm was reported twice in the 1700 block of

N. Hobart. Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1700 block of N. Hobart.

ment reported the following of N. Sumner. incidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Tuesday.

There were seven trafficrelated incidents.

Animal control officers reported at Francis and reported 10 animal-related incidents.

Pampa EMS reported The Pampa Fire Depart-

Disorderly conduct was ment responded to two in- of Crane Rd. reported in the 1200 block vestigation calls, two medical-related incidents and tion was reported in the 200 The Lefors VFD respond-

ed to one grass fire. Monday, June 27

A suspicious person was Water was shut off in the reported in the 100 block of reported in the 1000 block tion. N. Cuyler.

> Found property was reported in the 200 block of reported in the 1600 block W. Kingsmill. A suspicious person was

Starkweather. A burglary was reported in

the 500 block of N. Naida. Criminal trespass was reported at Tyng. A follow-up investiga-

tion was reported in the 600 block of N. Faulkner. A follow-up investigation was reported in the 200

block of W. Kingsmill. A medical incident was mill. cle was reported in the 2900 reported in the 300 block of

Burglary of a motor vehi- Somerville. cle was reported in the 200 block of W. Kingsmill.

Two follow-up investigations were reported in the 200 block of W. Kingsmill.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 900 block of N. Frost

Theft was reported in the reported in the 100 block of 200 block of W. Kingsmill. Theft was reported in the

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

block of N. Hobart. A threat was reported in . of N. Aspen Dr. the 200 block of W. Kings-

Fraud was reported in the

200 block of W. Kingsmill. Theft was reported in the

reported in the 200 block of

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Water was shut off at

Price Rd. and Alcock.

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the 500 block of N. Davis. 200 block of W. Kingsmill. Tuesday, June 28 A follow-up investigation A domestic disturbance

was reported in the 1000 N. was reported in the 200 block of W. Kingsmill. Criminal mischief was re-

An assault was reported in ported in the 1000 block of the 300 block of N. Davis. E. Fisher.

A suspicious person was A follow-up investigation reported in the 200 block of N. Russell. block of N. Evergreen.

An assault was reported in or detention. A domestic disturbance

the 300 block of N. Davis. was reported at Sumner and Criminal mischief was reported in the 600 block of Phone harassment was N. Frost.

Sheriff's Office

Phone harassment was re-The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests over the Identity theft was reportweekend. ed in the 200 block of W.

Saturday, June 25 John Colby McCoy, 24, was arrested by the Lefors Marshall on charges of An attempt to serve was public intoxication. reported in the 900 block of

Carlos Enrique Arvizu,

Disorderly conduct was 21, was arrested by police The Pampa Police Depart- reported in the 2100 block on charges of possession of marijuana, on bond sur-A sewer choke was rerender in connection with charges of possession of a ported in the 800 block of controlled substance and

> reported in the 900 block of rants. Geoffery Lyle Bowley, 22, was arrested by the Lefors Marshall on charges of public intoxication.

on 11 capias pro fine war-

Robert Raymond Swear-An attempt to serve was ingim, 38, was arrested by reported in the 1100 block Department of Public Safe-A follow-up investigaty Troopers on charges of driving while intoxicated and having an open con-An attempt to serve was

Jonathan Lee White, 26, was arrested by police on An attempt to serve was charges of public intoxica-

Sunday, June 26

Blanca Marie Barrera, 25, was arrested by Department of Public Safety Troopers on charges of reported at Browning and reported in the 1100 block driving while intoxicated.

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Bruce David Ellwanger, 26, was arrested by police on charges of having a pro-Disorderly conduct was hibited weapon.

Luis Richard Naranjo, 32 was arrested by police on A 911 hang up was reportcharges of driving while intoxicated.

Daniel Duran Montero, A threat was reported in 24, was arrested by Department of Public Safety Troopers on charges of A runaway was reported driving while in intoxicated in the 1600 block of N. with a child under 15 years of age.

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests for the 24-hour period ending at 7 reported in the 800 block of a.m. Tuesday.

Monday, June 27 Disorderly conduct was Mick Gene Pendergrass, 54, was arrested by deputies on charges of criminal

Disorderly conduct was trespass. reported in the 300 block of Juan Francisco Rocha, 35, was arrested by police Disorderly conduct was on capias pro fine warrants in connection with charges reported in the 2700 block of no valid driver's license, A follow-up investigation failure to maintain financial was reported in the 2200 responsibility and failure to

Randall Jack Hatcher, 20, A prowler was reported in of Shamrock, was arrested by deputies on a warrant in connection with charges of burglary of a building.

> Tuesday, June 28 Sammy Devron Laury, 38, of Amarillo, was arrested by deputies for violation of parole, motion to revoke parole, and evading arrest

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests during the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. today.

Tuesday, June 28

Russell Lance Whitehead, 50, was arrested by police on charges of burglary of a building.

Ashli Diane Harris, 23, was arrested by deputies on a bond surrender in connection with aggravated robbery charges.



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NEBRASKA CITY, Neb. (AP) - Authorities say a 39-year-old Texas homicide suspect has been captured in southeast Nebraska.

The Nebraska State Patrol said in a news release Wednesday that Sisro Johnson was being held in Otoe County Jail. The homicide warrant came from Garland,

The patrol says a Nebraska trooper tried to stop a sport utility vehicle on U.S. Highway 75 just north of the Kansas state line a little before 9:30 p.m. Tuesday. The trooper says the SUV matched the description given for the Texas suspect's vehicle.

After pulling to the shoulder, the SUV soon roared off into a chase that reached speeds of 110 mph. The chase continued north for nearly 30 miles until the SUV stopped after one of its tires went flat.

Johnson was taken into custody without incident.

## Calderon feels 'misunderstood'

MEXICO CITY (AP) - Mexican President Felipe Calderon says he feels "misunderstood" in his government's fight against drug trafficking and crime.

Calderon told Milenio Television in an interview broadcast Tuesday that his conscience is clear despite mounting violence. Government figures the struggle against and between drug gangs has claimed more than 35,000 lives since 2006. Others put the toll near 40,000.

The president said he did what he had to do and cited some successes, such as the capture of 21 of the country's 37 top drug lords. But he said people need to see other types of accomplishments, such as "peace and quiet in their homes."

"I know that there is a misunderstanding. If we explained ourselves better, I think people would not just be more disposed to support (our policy), but we could move forward more rapidly," Calderon said.

He asserted that many people do support his strategy, though "perhaps silently.

Calderon said he plans to remain in Mexico after his term ends if security permits.

## Rare white buffalo named

GREENVILLE (AP) - A rare white buffalo calf regarded as sacred by Lakota Sioux tradition has officially been named at a ceremony that has drawn hundreds of people in the East Texas city of Greenville.

Arby Little Soldier said Wednesday the calf born to his herd was named Lightning Medicine Cloud because he was born during a thunderstorm and as a tribute to the first known white buffalo in Texas born in 1933.

Lakota Sioux tradition holds that Whope, the goddess of peace, once appeared in the form of a white buffalo calf. Some say the goddess will return once four such calves are born to American Indians.

Little Soldier said the buffalo represents hope for all nations and races:

## Tropical storm organizes in Gulf

MIAMI (AP) - Forecasters say Tropical Storm Arlene is slowly organizing and is expected to strengthen in the Gulf of Mexico as it moves toward

Tropical storm warnings have been issued in Mexico tours fire areas for the northeastern coast from Barra De Nautla north to Bahia Algodones. The storm is expected to make landfall in northeastern Mexico early Thursday.

The National Hurricane Center in Miami says Arlene is about 175 miles (280 kilometers) east of Tampico, Mexico, on Wednesday. The storm has maximum sustained winds of 40 mph (65 kph) and is moving west-northwest near 8 mph (13 kph). Arlene is the first named storm of the Atlantic hurricane season.

The main threat to Mexico is heavy rains that could cause flash floods and mudslides. Forecasters say extreme south Texas also could get rain.

## Fire rages near Los Alamos

LOS ALAMOS, N.M. (AP) - A wildfire 12 miles southwest of Los Alamos is 3 percent contained after burning across nearly 61,000 acres or 95 square

Forest Service fire managers described the fire as active with short range spotting and short crown runs with fire growth in all directions. There was some thunderstorm activity Tuesday however no measurable rain fell over the fire area.

Meanwhile, top lab officials and fire managers say they're confident the flames won't reach key buildings or areas where radioactive waste is stored at the Los Alamos National Laboratory

That's been a big worry for residents concerned about a dangerous smoke plume if flames reached barrels of radioactive waste.

To ease fire concerns, a community meeting is planned Wednesday afternoon for residents evacuated from Los Alamos.

Associated Press

LUBBOCK (AP) - West Texas farmer Billy Brown remembers the devastating drought that spanned the state in the 1950s - and believes this one is worse.

Brown is among the farmers and ranchers across all of Texas who can now apply for lowinterest emergency loans after the U.S. Department of Agriculture on Tuesday designated the entire state a natural disaster area.

Texas is enduring its worst drought in decades as high temperatures, windy conditions and lack of rainfall persist across most of the state.

Because the dry conditions across the nation's second-leading agricultural state come as commodity prices are strong, Brown said farmers and ranchers are taking an even larger

'The grass just crackles underneath the feet," Brown, 72, said of walking across his acreage in the town of Panhandle where he grows corn, cotton,

wheat and grain sorghum. "It will be that way until we get sufficient rain to turn everything around."

Agriculture Department designated 213 of Texas' counties directly affected by drought as disaster areas, and the remaining 41 also qualified for assistance because they are contiguous. Thirtytwo counties in Louisiana, Oklahoma, Arkansas and New Mexico also garnered the designation because they are adjacent to Texas counties.

Many producers have lost their entire crop because of drought and wildfires, Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack said in the news release.

"President Obama and I want these farmers and ranchers to know that we will support them through the recovery process and help them once again become productive suppliers of food, fiber and fuel that keep America prospering," he said. "This designation will help provide

that support." Ranchers and farmers must qualify for the loans

that will come from the USDA's Farm Service Agency

Texas has been suffering for months, the result of an intense La Nina weather pattern, which is a cooling of the tropical Pacific Ocean.

The state just endured its driest-ever eight-month span - ending May 31 and some parts have not seen significant precipitation since August, prompting drastic drops in lake and underground water levels. Burn bans are in place in 235 of the state's 254 counties and nearly 260 water suppliers, most around the San Antonio area, have either voluntary or mandatory restrictions on water use.

May, typically the state's wettest month, did little to alleviate the problem, yielding less than half its average rainfall at an estimated 1.65 inches.

The state is also enduring its worst wildfire season ever. More than 3 million acres have been scorched by the wildfires that have not even spared the more humid East Texas region.

It all means Texas agriculture could sustain its worst single-year loss, potentially topping the 2006 record of \$4.1 billion. There will be no dryland crops in the Panhandle and South Plains regions. Even irrigated cotton acres are fighting for survival as incessantly windy conditions dry out moisture that farmers put onto fields.

Crop insurance will only cover part of the cost of planting a field that never gets a crop up.

Brown thinks this year's conditions are worse than the dry spell of the 1950s, which lasted about six years, affected every part of the state and is considered to be the area's "drought of record." He knows that he, like many producers, will miss out on the high commodity prices. With rain it could have been an "exceptional" year, he said.

"It'll be a lean year compared to what we expected," the farmer of 40 years said. "But we'll be able to cover our expenses.'

# Bodies of 3 immigrants found on South Texas road

SAN DIEGO (AP) - A reserve deputy driving home from work swerved violently off the road and overturned his car after his headlights revealed the battered bodies of three men on a dark South Texas road.

The incident happened about 1 a.m. Tuesday as Duval County reserve deputy Alonzo Zamora was driving along Farm-to-Market Road 1329 when he suddenly saw the bodies. Sheriff's Sgt. David Canales) says Zamora suffered only bumps and bruises in the crash.

Canales says the men were a 30-year-0old from El Salvador, a 23-year-

# Ag Secretary

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) - Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack will be in New Mexico and Arizona today to talk about his department's efforts to help those affected by the wildfires ravaging the Southwest.

Vilsack is scheduled to stop in Albuquerque for a press briefing before traveling to areas recently damaged by fire.

In New Mexico, crews are battling a blaze that has scorched more than 93 square miles. The Las Conchas fire has forced the closure of a government nuclear laboratory as well as the evacuation of thousands of residents from the Los Alamos area

Crews along the Arizona-New Mexico border are working to contain the largest wildfire in Arizona his-

The Wallow fire started in eastern Arizona. It has burned nearly 841 square miles, including about 25 square miles in New Mexico.

old from the Dominican Republic and a 23-year-old from Mexico. Each suffered head injuries, and the

Salvadoran also had a broken forearm.

Circumstances that led to their deaths are unclear, a homicide investigation.

but the Canales tells the Alice Echo-News that the Texas Rangers have begun

# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips



DEAR ABBY: I'm a hang around all day fry- for a family and the path gangbanger ing your brain from all the to success does not stop at looking at spending the rest drugs and alcohol. Trust the street corner. of my life isolated in a little me, when you're behind bird cage. Every day I ask bars thinking about what myself the same question. you did, you'll be missing Was it really worth throwing my life away? All I think your homeboys are did was help a "homeboy" from getting hurt. I got Well, let me tell you this caught and was convicted ... they're not! I guarantee but you need to reach out. on eight charges that led to you that the only people more than four consecutive who are actually willing to week a dear friend, Betty, life sentences. That ain't change places with you are passed away. She was a no joke! The sad part of it your parents. Your REAL former neighbor and the is that the so-called homeboy turned his back on me homeboys want to do time when I needed him most. for you? Hell, no! I should've pulled away

when I could've. and teens like myself who are choosing the wrong path to realize what you're getting into while there is still time. Tell parents out there, if you see your kid is messing up in school, using drugs, hanging with the wrong crowd, anything that would lead to gang affiliation, reach out and help them while you still can before they're in too deep. family. Or they want to fit HOMEBOY in and be cool.

It may be fun at the mo-

your family the most. You going to be there for you?

I hope this letter helps some people out there. I just The main reason for want to make a contributhis letter is to help parents tion to society before I get locked up in the dungeon forever. This is to show you not all gangbangers are evil and cruel. Life is short. Live it smart, not stupid. the question I ask myself, "Was it all worth it?" The material things go faster than you think and could all be taken away with the snap of a finger from the They (teens) turn toward split second of a decision gang life in search of the you make. It's not worth love they need from their your life. - HOMESICK

DEAR HOMESICK: To all the gangbangers You write well and your who think you're cool and letter contains a powerful being a gangster, get away message. I'm printing it from it while you still can. without editing. Let your experience be a warning ment, but it's not when you to others. I hope from the get caught and you have to sad circumstances of your behind bars. There's bet- person will realize that a one wisely. ter things to do in life than gang is a poor substitute

If a troubled young person is in school, he or she should talk to a counselor. If there is a church nearby, talk to a priest or minister. There are alternatives to joining a gang,

DEAR ABBY: Last family. Do you think your kindest, gentlest, most patient soul I ever met. Although she was twice my age, we became good friends - proof that age knows no boundaries.

Two days after Betty died, I was on a work break. I had been thinking about her all morning and how she had influenced my life. Just then I saw a penny Now I can finally answer on the floor and picked it up. It was a 1992 penny the year Betty and I first money, the girls and all the met. I knew right then it was a message from her letting me know she is OK. I'll carry that penny with me always in remembrance

Abby, this letter is my tribute to her, and a reminder to all who read it: Cherish your friends. You never know how long they - or you - will be around. -TOM IN SANTA MARIA,

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# Today in History

Today is Wednesday, July 6, the 187th day of 2011. There are 178 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 6, 1945, President Harry S. Truman signed an executive order establishing the Medal of Freedom.

On this date:

In 1777, during the American Revolution, British forces captured Fort Ticonderoga.

In 1809, French troops arrested Pope Pius VII, who had excommunicated Emperor Napoleon I; the pope was confined for about five years.

In 1885, French scientist Louis Pasteur tested an anti-rabies vaccine on 9-year-old Joseph Meister, who had been bitten by an infected dog; the boy did not develop rabies.

In 1917, during World War I, Arab forces led by T.E. Lawrence and Auda Abu Tayi captured the port of Aqaba from the Turks.

In 1928, the first all-talking feature, "Lights of New York," had its gala premiere in New York.

In 1944, an estimated 168 people died in a fire that broke out during a performance in the main tent of the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus in Hartford, Conn.

In 1957, Althea Gibson became the first black tennis player to win a Wimbledon singles title as she defeated fellow American Darlene Hard 6-3,

In 1988, 167 North Sea oil workers were killed when a series of explosions and fires destroyed a drilling platform.

In 1989, the U.S. Army destroyed its last Pershing 1A missiles at an ammunition plant in Karnack, Texas, under terms of the 1987 Intermediate-range Nuclear Forces Treaty.

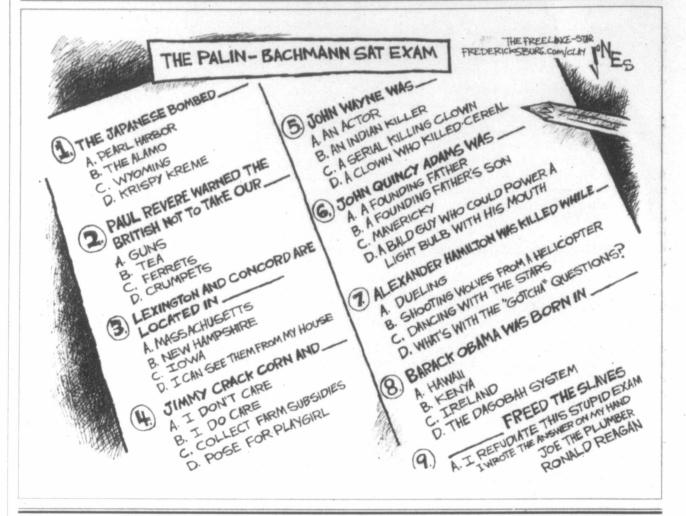
Ten years ago: Former FBI agent Robert Hanssen pleaded guilty to 15 criminal counts and agreed to give a full accounting of his spying activities for Moscow

Five years ago: The space shuttle Discovery docked with the international space station, bringing with it European Space Agency astronaut Thomas Reiter, who began a 6-month stay aboard the station.

One year ago: Queen Elizabeth II addressed the United Nations for the first time since 1957 during her first New York visit in over 30 years; she then laid a wreath at ground zero.

Today's Birthdays: Former first lady Nancy Reagan is 90. Singer-actress Della Reese is 80. Actor Ned Beatty is 74. Singer Gene Chandler is 71: Country singer Jeannie Seely is 71. Actor Burt Ward is 66. Former President George W. Bush is 65. Actor-director Sylvester Stallone is 65. Actor Fred Dryer is 65. Actress Shelley Hack is 64. Actress Nathalie Baye is 63. Actress Allyce Beasley is 60. Actor Geoffrey Rush is 60. Actor Grant Goodeve is 59. Country singer Nanci Griffith is 58. Rock musician John Keeble (Spandau Ballet) is 52. Actor Brian Posehn is 45. Actress Tia Mowry is 33. Actress Tamera Mowry is 33. Actress Eva Green is 31. Actor Gregory Smith is 28. Rock singer Kate Nash is 24. Actor Jeremy Suarez is 21.

Thought for Today: "Freedom is always and exclusively freedom for the one who thinks differently." Rosa Luxemburg, Polish-German revolutionary (1871-1919)



# Obama 2010 campaign to go beyond email, text

**KEN THOMAS** Associated Press

CHICAGO (AP) - Call him the Digital Candidate: President Barack Obama is asking supporters to use Facebook to declare "I'm In!" for his re-election campaign and is using Twitter to personally blast out messages to his nearly 9 million

Emails to supporters seek smalldollar donations in exchange for campaign coffee mugs or a chance to win dinner with the president. The campaign's website helps supporters find local events, plan meetings and raise money while its digital team develops the next big thing.

If Obama broke new ground in 2008 using email, text messages and the Web to reach voters, Obama version 2.0 aims to take the Web campaign to the next level ΓÇö harnessing the expansive roles that the Internet and social media are playing in voters' lives.

The Republican presidential field has also embraced the Web and social media, turning to Facebook and Twitter to launch their campaigns and directing supporters to Facebook sites for videos, messages and online discussions.

The successful campaign is going to be one that integrates all the various elements of the digital channel email, text, website, mobile apps, and social networks - together as one digital program and also mixing the digital program together with the offline reality of field organizations," said Joe Rospars, the Obama campaign's chief digital strategist.

"In the end," Rospars said, "all the digital stuff is in service of the offline reality of knocking on doors, making phone calls and ultimately persuading voters and turning them

out." Obama took advantage of a strong Internet campaign in 2008 to raise an estimated \$500 million online while regularly communicating with supporters through text messages, an email list estimated at more than 13 million and content on his www. BarackObama.com website.

When Obama was close to announcing his vice presidential selection of Joe Biden, the campaign encouraged supporters to find out by text message, a move that prompted more than 2 million people to sign

Three years later, social media outlets like Facebook and Twitter have exploded, smart phones and apps are more prevalent, tablet computers are on the rise, and most Americans are online. When Obama announced

his presidential campaign in 2007, Facebook had fewer than 20 million users worldwide. That number has now surpassed 500 million.

"There's no online and offline organizing. There's organizing," said Jeremy Bird, Obama's national field director, during a session at Netroots Nation in Minneapolis. Digital strategists say Obama's

campaign has an advantage over the Republican field because of the work his camp conducted in 2008 and the months it will have before Republicans coalesce around a chal-

The Obama campaign declines to say how many of its supporters have clicked the "I'm In!" button, but Facebook brings Obama's campaign to millions of news feeds, allowing supporters to share content, plan events and recruit friends in ways that email couldn't in 2008

"If you're my friend and I see that you're going out to canvass this weekend for Barack Obama, I'm much more likely to participate because I know my friends are doing it," said Stephen Geer, a former director of email and online fundraising for Obama for America. He's now vice president of new media at OMP, a Washington fundraising and communications firm.

Facebook has grown in prominence in political campaigns since 2008 ΓÇö for example, more than 12 million people clicked the "I Voted" button in 2010, signifying that they had cast ballots, compared with about 5.4 million in 2008. A recent study by the Pew Internet & American Life Project found that Facebook users are more likely to engage in political activity than someone who browses the Internet or uses other social media services.

Twitter, meanwhile, was still in its infancy when Obama first ran for president and played little role in that campaign. This time, Obama has signaled the value of his (at) barackobama handle, telling supporters he'll regularly send personal tweets signed "-BO.

His campaign has set up separate Twitter accounts for all 50 states to communicate with supporters. By its nature, Twitter allows the campaign to monitor public opinion on a minute-by-minute basis, respond to critics and shape the news.

While social media may generate new interest in 2012, technology could play an important role in the more mundane, shoe-leather work of registering new voters and turning

In 2008, campaign supporters who knocked on doors of potential voters largely used paper "walk sheets" that were printed out at local headquarters. The results of the doorto-door meetings were keyed into databases to guide the campaign's work to persuade voters on Obama's behalf.

This time, the campaign is exploring ways of streamlining the process, from bringing more uniformity to how the information is taken down and entered into a database to using mobile devices, tablet computers or improvements to the website to help volunteers find key households or input data gathered at doorsteps. The approach could save time and help the campaign be more strategic about the households it targets.

The Democratic National Committee, for example, experimented with an app in 2010 that used global positioning systems to help canvassers find targeted households in certain neighborhoods, something that could be used more broadly in the presidential campaign.

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Email is still king when it comes to fundraising, and online strategists consider the Obama campaign's massive email list a gold mine. The campaign has replayed some of its greatest hits in fundraising pitches - offering small donors a chance to win dinner with Obama and Biden and matching the contributions of \$5 or more from first-time donors.

Pivoting off the "birther" controversy, the campaign created a "Made in the USA" mug, with a picture of Obama's long-form birth certificate on the back, for supporters who gave \$15 or more.

Online advertising, meanwhile, is also expected to grow in sophistication. Political campaigns have been ramping up their use of online ads, turning to ads of 15 to 30 seconds that appear before video clips running on websites like Youtube and Hulu.

"We're getting a lot of questions now from people thinking strategically on how to drive their message next year online," said Andrew Roos, a political ads executive with Google.

Rospars, the mastermind behind! Obama's digital success in 2008, cautions against looking at 2012 as the Facebook or Twitter campaign. Instead, it's about making all things digital work in harmony to pay off in November 2012.

"It's tempting to sort of pile onto." the one new thing and sort of put all; your eggs in one basket," Rospars; said. "But I think in the history of campaigns, big bets like that don't tend to pay off. It's actually about integrating everything."

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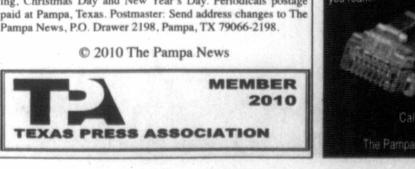
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a lease agreement with Gray County 4-H Club for the Hereford Breeder's Barn

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Brady Alfredo Daniel, 56, was indicted on charges of money laundering in connection with a November, 2009, arrest on charges of transporting more than \$1,500 but less than \$20,000 in funds that were proceeds of criminal activities. Bond was set for Daniel at \$10,000.

# Denial won't help aggression



Creator's Syndicate There seems to be some general confusion about

what constitutes aggression. What are the signs? look like? I spoke with a woman

recently who said her dog is angry. How do you know he's angry, I asked. "He growls and barks at other people and dogs," she said.

What does aggression look like?

It looks like anger. It looks like Cujo. It looks like bared teeth and frothing at the mouth. But it also looks like tension straight tail, ears up, wide eyes, a stiffening of the body and face, a gradual lifting of the snout in response to direct eye contact.

sound like?

It sounds like growling

rumble to a threatening, lip-curling snarl. Barking can be a sign of aggresnothing to do with aggres-

sion. However, barking in tandem with any of the above is safe to define as aggression.

The following letter from What does dog aggression a reader demonstrates the signs and progression of aggression left unchecked:

'We have a serious issue with our sweet girl, 'Suki.' She shows severe fear aggression with certain people. It used to be "Sounds aggressive to a little low growl, which progressed to lunging with "No," she said. "He's some backtracking. Now it is full-on, in-your-face snarling, barking and even jumping on or at certain people if we don't grab her

in time "Suki does very well on walks, walking right by people and dogs, often looking at them but quickly ignoring them. It's only if they approach, stop and stare directly at her that she gets stressed out. She also frequently startles on walks What does aggression and is often looking behind her even if no one is there.

"It is to the point that - anything from a low even my brother and father don't want us to bring her because she does this to them whenever they stand sion, too, although dogs up or walk around the use their bark to commu- house. She is fine with nicate in ways that have them if they are seated and will even approach them,

lick them and let them pet and play with her. But the second they stand up, she is in their face snarling and growling and not letting them go anywhere. Please help!

The most important thing I can say about dog aggression is don't put a euphemism on it. Don't call it anger. Don't call it moodiness. Don't call it unpredictability. Call it what it is, and get professional help. Dogs don't grow out of aggression; they grow into it. Suki isn't the exception; she's the rule.

I believe there's a solution to most problems, including dog aggression. My philosophy has always been: Don't get rid of the dog; get rid of the problem. But don't just dress up your big bad wolf in grandma's clothing. In order to fix a problem, you have to admit

Woof

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

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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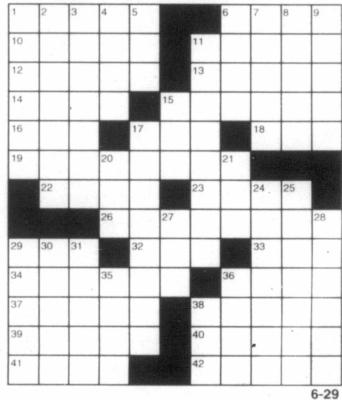
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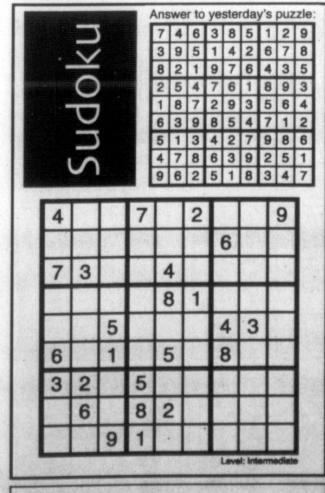


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By Bil Keane



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, June 30, 2011:

This year, you might be more involved in background work or research. Make it a point to take yoga or some other centering activity. When you energize, you never seem to stop. During these periods, you want to come from a centered place. If you are single, your charisma remains high. Others certainly want to be close. The issue is what you want. If you are attached, remember, two people are included in this relationship. Be sensitive to your sweetie. CANCER under-

stands your ups and downs. 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)

★★★★ Rest assured there is more going on than meets the eye. Relax and see what is anchoring others. Your instincts easily could be on target with a family member. In general, learn to trust your intuition. Tonight: Avoid a power play

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

\*\*\*\* Clearly you know how to focus your energy and get your message across. You are able to verbalize your vision, for the most part. Step away from a power play, and you will be a lot happier. Tonight: Plans change

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★ You feel energized and ready to go. A matter involving spending, finances and what you offer emerges. Be careful, as someone you deal with financially could become quite controlling. A meeting takes an unexpected turn. Tonight: Buy a card on the way home.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) \*\*\* You greet a more positive day than you have had in a while. You might want to express a great deal more sensitivity than in the past. A boss or a matter involving the community could take a strange turn. Tonight: As you like

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

\*\*\* Play it low-key, knowing that you can deal with what comes down the path. A misunderstanding could be taken personally. The smart Leo will let it go. Pressure builds as someone tries to structure your day. Tonight: Do only

what you want

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Zero in on what you want. A meeting or gathering of friends proves to be exciting, as it could shake up the status quo. A close friend or loved one shares much more than you expected. Someone changes his or her plans. Tonight: Where the action is.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

\*\*\* Be aware of a boss or supervisor. You cannot change directions, but you can become more responsible. Those close to you do the unexpected. Flex with the moment. A family member could be challenging. Tonight: Out

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Keep reaching out for more feedback. You could be looking for answers where there are none. If you could loosen your thoughts from a rigid stance, you would see another way or solution. Tonight: Go with the unusual.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) \*\*\* Your vision of the possibilities could be a lot different from reality. You will see what goes on when a risk is taken today. The smart Sag will back off. You are able to accomplish a lot when cooperating with an associate.

Tonight: Togetherness is the theme. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

\*\*\* Others come forward with this idea or that idea. You cannot and should not discourage others. If you feel one direction is too zany, ask more questions to help that person see what you see. Tonight: Sort through invitations.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\* Accomplishment could be the name of the game if you relax and go for the moment. Your ability to see past the inevitable helps many people focus, if you can express your vision. Communication could bring out a negative com-

ment. Let it go. Tonight: Head home. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

\*\*\*\* Tap into your creativity, and you'll see interesting, if not desirable, results. Don't risk any funds, no matter how foolproof or good an idea is. Think positively with a child or new friend. Don't get dragged into a power play. Tonight: Avoid a controlling indi-

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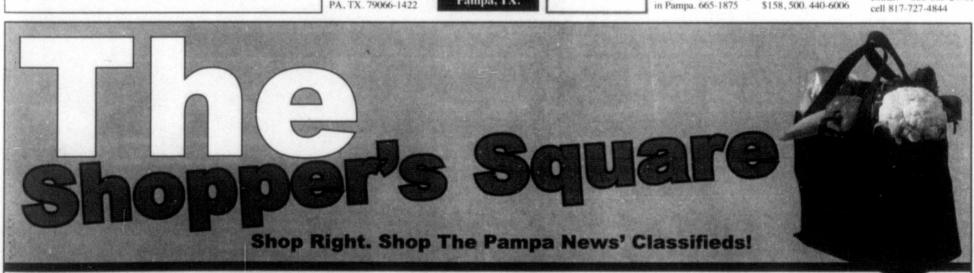
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# Sports

# PHS girls basketball improve chemistry

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After missing the playoffs for the third time in four seasons, some of the Pampa Lady Harvesters basketball team worked on their game at tournaments and team

The team played in tournaments in the Amarillo area and went to a team camp in Portales, N.M. Senior Kailyn Troxell said they played well at the camp.

We were focusing on playing together and running plays," Troxell said. "We made sure we defended well." Junior Taylor Morgan said they executed better offen-

"We passed better and made more shots," Morgan said. The returning varsity players and some of the junior varsity players attended the camp. Troxell said the junior varsity players played well.

'A lot of them really stepped up and helped us out," Troxell said.

Junior Allison Ceyanes said it was fun playing at the varsity level. "It was a good experience," Ceyanes said. "I got to

Cevanes said the team needed to improve their chem-

'We all have to get along together," Ceyanes said.

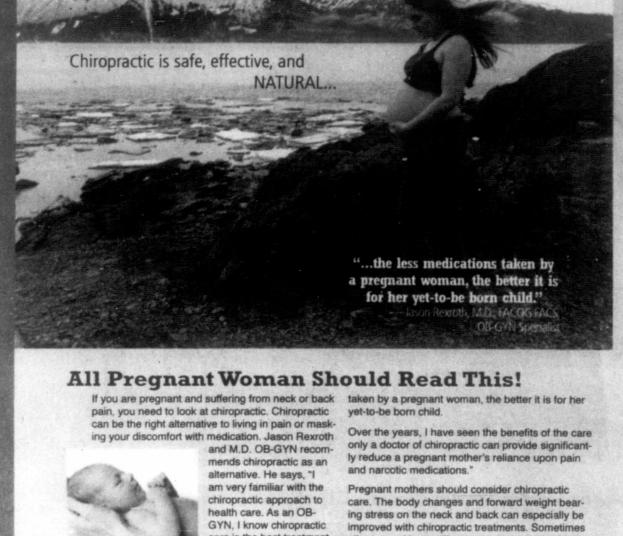
Troxell said the camp went better than last year. We practiced more before it, so we were more pre-

pared," Troxell said. "It will help us for next season. Pampa competed in four tournaments against teams

from Amarillo, Canadian and Panhandle Steve Kuhn helped coach the team in the summer and said the girls got along well.

They spent a lot of time together," Kuhn said. Kevin Sieck also worked with the team. Last season the Lady Harvesters finished 6-21.





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