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Junior Rodeo, Kid Pony Show this weekend

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With the entry deadline for this weekend's Junior Rodeo and Kid Pony Show passing on Wednesday, Top O' Texas Rodeo Office Manager Cindy Kempf and her crew are entering the home stretch for the event.

Not that it means, mind you, that she can take a breather just yet.

"Busy busy busy," Kempf said with a laugh. "We've been working up to this weekend for a little while now. Now, we're just trying to get paybacks figured and programs ready so we'll be ready to go on Saturday morning."

The Junior Rodeo starts tomorrow at 8 a.m., with the Kid Pony Show following at 4 p.m. on Sunday. Both will take place at the Top O' Texas Rodeo Grounds at Recreation Park.

The Junior Rodeo, open to young cowboys and cowgirls ages 8 to 18, will consist of tie-down roping, breakaway roping, ribbon roping, pole bending, goat tying, calf riding and bull riding, team roping, a barrel race and a flag race. The kid pony show, for kids 7 and under, will include calf riding, golfette, a stick race, goat ribbon race, flag race, a barrel race and a walk and lead barrel race.

Kempf said that there's plenty to look forward to over the entire weekend, not the least of which is the junior rodeo's impressive purse.

"We're really excited because we have over \$5,000 we're paying back on the Junior Rodeo this year," Kempf said. "Of course, we're giving away belt buckles at the Kid Pony Show for first, second and third place. We'll have **RODEO** cont. on page 2

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One dead in Highway 60 wreck



The 2006 Chevrolet Silverado of Donald Sweet waits on the bed of a tow truck after a Thursday morning accident. Sweet, 46, died after his truck crashed into the back of a 2011 Dodge Ram driven by Dudley Pohnert.

Two others unhurt in three-truck crash

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Slowed traffic in a Highway 60 work zone turned deadly when a three-vehicle accident claimed the life of a Canyon man on Thursday morning.

Local authorities responded to the 8:56 a.m. call after the 2006 Chevrolet Silverado pickup of Canyon's Donald Sweet, 46, crashed into the back of the 2011 Dodge Ram of Dudley

Pohnert, 47, of White Deer.

According to the DPS accident report, the crash pushed Pohnert's vehicle into the back of a 1995 Peterbilt tractor trailer driven by Juan Campolla, 23, of Amarillo. Pohnert and Campolla had been stopped at a construction zone, waiting for their turn to drive through.

The three vehicles were headed eastbound on U.S. Hwy. 60, just east of State Hwy. 171, better known as the Loop. The

Texas Department of Public Safety, Gray County Sheriff's Department, Pampa Fire Department and ambulance service responded to the accident.

"(The wreck) kind of sandwiched the Dodge in between the Chevrolet and the trailer," said DPS Trooper Don Johnson. Sweet sustained massive internal injuries and was airlifted to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo, where he died on the **WRECK** cont. on page 2

State wraps up in Young murder trial

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The state completed its testimony Thursday in its case against Cynthia Young, who stands accused of the murder of Terry Boaz and the bodily injury of Tina Hoskins.



Young

The jury heard from character witnesses yesterday, including Kayla and Kyle Boaz, children of Terry Boaz. Kambra Boaz, another daughter of Terry Boaz, testified earlier in the week.

Tina Hoskins and Jessica Thompson also testified on Friday.

Kyle Boaz characterized Young in the weeks leading up to the accident as "stalking" his father, and several other witnesses, including Thompson, Terry Boaz' mother and step-father, corroborated this description of her behavior.

She had also threatened on several occasions to kill Boaz if she caught him with another woman, according to testimony from multiple witnesses.

The trial continued with the defense's testimony, which may run on into the next week. An accident reconstruction expert testified Thursday afternoon.

The state is being represented by prosecutor and District Attorney Lynn Switzer. Young is represented by defense attorney Harold Comer.

Pampastock to rock Pampa HS reunion on Saturday

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To find a group of folks who know how to put on something big, look no further than the Pampa High School Class of 1971.

The class will be celebrating its 40th class reunion this weekend, beginning with a meet-and-greet at the Chamber of Commerce today. The real party, though, starts when the band takes the stage at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow at the M.K. Brown Civic Center Heritage Room.

"For our entertainment on Saturday night, we have got the band that played at all of our high school dances," said Debbie Dyer Stroud, the chairperson of the class reunion committee. "When they were here, they were called

the Mojos. When they left, they became the Buster Brown Band. There's still a Buster Brown Band in existence in the Dallas area, but some of the members after the first few years went their separate ways.

"Well, we have a class member from our class (Gregg Wilson) and a class member from the class of '73 (Rick McGuire) who formed a production company called The Blues Bros. Production Company, LLC. They called and wanted to know if, for our class reunion for our entertainment, they could get this group back together for the first time in 35 years, we would want them to play for our class reunion."

That was about a year ago, Stroud said. The production company asked her to help keep the

reunion a secret until just recently.

"I had to keep my mouth shut until they had everything lined up," laughed Stroud. "I had to keep quiet for several months, and that was really hard. But they asked if it was something we wanted to do, and I said, 'Well, of course.'"

"They said, 'Are you sure the committee will go through with it,' and they said, 'You bet they will.'"

From there, Stroud said, the show has ballooned from the reunion's entertainment to a full-fledged event.

"It has grown into something that we never dreamed of," Stroud said. "It started out that we were just going to include the classes from '68 to '73, and then somebody on Facebook **PAMPASTOCK** cont. on page 10

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PAMPA FORECAST

Today	Saturday	Sunday
		
20%	20%	
High 95 Low 69	High 94 Low 71	High 97 Low 71

Today: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 95. Breezy, with a south southeast wind between 5 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Tonight: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 69. Windy, with a east southeast wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Saturday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 94. South southeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 71. South wind around 10 mph.

Sunday: Mostly sunny and hot, with a high near 97. Breezy, with a south wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 71. Breezy, with a south wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

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AWOL soldier cops to Ft. Hood attack plan

KILLEEN, (AP) — An AWOL soldier who had weapons stashed in a motel room near Fort Hood has admitted planning an attack on the Texas post, where 13 people died in 2009 in the worst mass shooting ever on a U.S. military installation, the Army said in an alert issued Thursday.

Pfc. Naser Abdo, a 21-year-old soldier granted conscientious objector status this year after he said his Muslim beliefs prevented him from fighting, was arrested Wednesday. Agents found firearms and "items that could be identified as bomb-making components, including gunpowder," in his motel room, according to FBI spokesman Erik Vasys.

The Army alert sent via email and obtained by The Associated Press says Killeen police arrested Abdo after a tip from the owners of a gun shop and that

he "was in possession of a large quantity of ammunition, weapons and a bomb inside a backpack."

Upon questioning, the alert says, he admitted planning an attack on Fort Hood.

Officials have not offered details about Abdo's possible intentions. The infantry soldier from Fort Campbell, Ky., whose hometown is Garland, Texas, applied for conscientious objector status last year. A military review board recommended this spring that he be separated from the Army.

The discharge was delayed after Abdo was charged with possessing child pornography. Fort Campbell civilian spokesman Bob Jenkins said Abdo "was fully aware that he was being investigated for possessing child pornography since November 2010." An Article 32 military hearing last month

recommended he be court-martialed; he went absent without leave during the Fourth of July holiday weekend.

Abdo told an AP reporter a week later that he was concerned about his safety and had considered purchasing a gun for protection, but had not yet done so.

The military's criminal investigation division, along with the federal Joint Terrorism Task Force, also investigated Abdo earlier this year after he was flagged for making unspecified anti-American comments while taking a language class in April, according to a U.S. official briefed on the investigation.

The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity because the investigation is ongoing, said neither the military nor the task force discovered anything at the time to indicate Abdo was planning an attack.



staff photo by Arnie Aurellano

A cleanup crew prepares to hoist away the 2011 Dodge Ram of White Deer's Dudley Pohnert after a three-vehicle accident on Highway 60 on Thursday morning. The wreck claimed the life of Canyon's Donald Sweet, 46.

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Wreck

operating table at 12:42 p.m. Neither Pohnert nor Campolla were hurt, Johnson said.

Sweet did not appear to touch his brakes before the collision, added Johnson.

"We'll never know now why he didn't," said Johnson. "He worked in that construction zone every day. He was the foreman of the blacktop crew."

Johnson said that Campolla and Pohnert were wearing their safety belts at the time of the accidents. Fire department rescue crews indicated to Johnson that Sweet was not wearing a seatbelt when they arrived.

No alcohol or drugs were involved in the accident, Johnson added.

The wreck backed up traffic in the already congested

work area for close to two hours. The congestion resulted in another accident at about 9:21 a.m. just east of the 60-171 intersection, involving the 2008 GMC of Kim Coleman, 53, of Canyon, and the 2004 Cadillac of Todd Alvey, 44, of Pampa.

Johnson described the second wreck as relatively minor, with Coleman sustaining a nosebleed but no further injuries to either driver. The Hoover Volunteer Fire Department was called to assist with the wreck.

The Highway Department was looking to finish roadwork at the accident site by yesterday, Johnson said. Nevertheless, he cautioned drivers to always be attentive when passing through work areas.

"Just people need to be aware of their construction zones," Johnson said. "Pay attention."

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BANANAGRAMS!

Change one letter in the top word to one of the letters that appears in the bottom word, then rearrange the tiles to form a new common word. Do the same with each new word until you arrive at the bottom word. For example, the path from BARK to PLUM is BARK, MARK, RAMP, RUMP, PLUM.

R A D I U M

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Yesterday's Answer

M A T R I X W I Z A R D
K L E A R I T

Rodeo

All-Around Cowboy and All-Around Cowgirl buckles for the Junior Rodeo for all groups, too, but we are very excited about that \$5,000. It goes to show once again that we have the best sponsors in the world.

"You've got some rodeos that don't even pay back that much," Kempf continued. "For us to have our junior rodeo and have it pay \$5,000, we're pretty proud of that."

The Kid Pony Show, like the Top O' Texas Rodeo, celebrates its 65th birthday this year.

"The Kid Pony Show started the same year as the ro-

deo," Kempf said, "and then a couple, maybe three or four years ago, we split it up for the older kids and made up the Junior Rodeo for ages 8 to 18. Of course, we wanted to keep the tradition of the Kid Pony Show, too... To think that after 65 years, we still have something going for the kids like we do, that's saying something."

"And really, it's those little kids, the kids 7 and under, that steal the show," Kempf said. "They're just the cutest, most entertaining people. You don't know what you're going to see. It's always just so cute."

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For the record

Police Department

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24 hour period ending Thursday, July 28 at 7 a.m.

Police reported 29 traffic related incidents.

Animal Control agents responded to 12 animal related incidents.

EMS and Pampa FD responded to 7 medical calls.

Wednesday, July 27

Police reported an escort

at the 600 block of North Ward.

Abandoned vehicles were reported at the 1800 block of Bond and the 1100 block of Juniper.

A violation of city ordinance occurred at the 2400 block of Rosewood.

Police reported abandoned vehicles at the 1900 block of North Wells and the 2100 block of North Nelson.

A violation of city ordinance occurred at the 2200 block of North Perryton.

A burglary occurred at the 1100 block of South Huff.

An accident occurred at the 1400 block of East Kingsmill.

Disorderly conduct was reported at the 700 block of Sloan.

Fraud was reported at the 200 block of West Kingsmill.

Disorderly conduct was reported at the 400 block of Hazel.

The burglary of a motor vehicle was reported at the 200 block of West Kingsmill.

Fraud was reported at the 400 block of North Davis.

Police investigated an alarm at the 1400 block of North Williston.

A burglary occurred at the 500 block of Elm.

A threat occurred at the 200 block of West Kingsmill.

Disorderly conduct occurred at the 1400 block of North Hobart.

An offense against family and children occurred at the 200 block of West Kingsmill.

Disorderly conduct was reported at the 1100 block of South Huff, the 1600 block of East Highway 60

and the 800 block of South Nelson.

A suspicious vehicle was reported at the 900 block of South Dwight.

A burglary was reported at the 200 block of West Kingsmill.

A domestic disturbance occurred at the 200 block of North Sumner.

Thursday, July 28

Suspicious persons were reported at the 700 block of North Bradley and the 900 block of West Wells.

Police investigated an alarm at the 1900 block of North Dwight.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests during the 24 hour period ending Thursday, July 28 at 7 a.m.

Wednesday, July 27

Shannon Michael Dorshey, 17, was arrested by deputies for capias pro fines times two.

Tristan Vidale Perry, 28, was arrested on assault charges.

Allen Riggins, Jr., 27, was arrested on an enhanced theft charge from Randall County.

Sudoku

Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

9	4	6	8	5	2	1	3	7
1	8	3	4	7	9	5	6	2
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Level: Intermediate

A X Y D L B A A X R
is L O N G F E L L O W

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

7-29 CRYPTOQUOTE

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P D C N N Z Q W . D Q Y I B P F K Z M O
Q I T N I M N K Y I T Z F N D O
D M O N S N Q O D M L . — N F D O Y
K Y Z S O I M

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: OUR ATTITUDE TOWARD LIFE DETERMINES LIFE'S ATTITUDE TOWARD US. — JOHN MITCHELL

AFTERNOON RUSH

Mexico suspends Juarez aid

CIUDAD JUAREZ (AP) — Mexico's federal government has suspended aid for a police-training program in the violence-racked border city of Ciudad Juarez, saying authorities there haven't followed reporting rules and have trained few police.

Mexico's National Public Safety System says it has suspended 57 million pesos (\$4.85 million) in aid scheduled to be delivered this year, because the city has done little to actually train local police.

It said Thursday that from 2008 to 2010 the city trained only about 6 percent of its police force, and none of its commanding officers.

"It is unfortunate that the federal government is not showing solidarity with Ciudad Juarez in the serious problem of insecurity," city clerk Hector Arceluz Perez told a Thursday hearing.

The announcement comes amid rising tensions between local and federal authorities, after federal police shot at a vehicle carrying Ciudad Juarez police chief Julian Leyzaola.

Arceluz said the city has opened a formal complaint against the federal police officers, accusing them of attempted murder.

Judge tosses prayer rally suit

HOUSTON (AP) — A federal judge dismissed a lawsuit that sought to stop Gov. Rick Perry from sponsoring a national day of Christian prayer and fasting, ruling Thursday that the group of atheists and agnostics did not have legal standing to sue.

U.S. District Judge Gray H. Miller said the Freedom From Religion Foundation argued against Perry's involvement based merely on feelings of exclusion, but did not show sufficient harm to merit the injunction they sought.

"The governor has done nothing more than invite others who are willing to do so to pray," Miller said.

Rich Bolton, who argued for the group, said he was considering an appeal.

"I wonder if we had a Muslim governor what would happen if the whole state was called to a Muslim prayer," said Kay Staley, one of five Texas residents named as plaintiffs in the suit.

"I think the governor needs to keep his religion out of his official duties."

Staley said she would be at the prayer rally to protest.

Americans killed in prison fight

EL PASO (AP) — Two U.S. citizens were killed during a prison fight that left 17 inmates dead and many others wounded in a municipal prison in Ciudad Juarez, across the border from El Paso, Texas.

Hector Conde, spokesman for the Cereso municipal prison, identified the dead U.S. citizens as Nicolas Frias Salas, 35, a former Los Angeles resident who was in prison for homicide and unlawful possession of weapons and Luis Adrian Estrada Perez, 28, formerly of El Paso, who was serving a term for kidnapping.

Both were living in Juarez when they were sent to prison, Conde said.

Mexican authorities told the U.S. consulate in Juarez about the deaths, but it couldn't confirm the men were U.S. citizens until relatives identified the corpses, consulate spokeswoman Olga Bashbush said.

The consulate has located one man's family so far and expects to release his name in the coming days, she said.

Don bound for Texas

MIAMI (AP) — Tropical Storm Don is over the central Gulf of Mexico but the system is not expected to become a hurricane as it moves toward southeastern Texas.

The National Hurricane Center in Miami says Don's maximum sustained winds Thursday were 45 mph (75 kph) with gradual strengthening forecast in the next 36 hours.

The storm is expected to make landfall on the Texas coast late Friday or Saturday.

A tropical storm warning is in effect for the coast from Port Mansfield to San Luis Pass.

The storm is centered about 425 miles (684 kilometers) east-southeast of Corpus Christi, Texas, and is moving northwest at 16 mph (26 kph).

Fraud a family affair

DALLAS (AP) — Three relatives who led a Texas-based oil and gas investment scheme are going to prison and have been ordered to repay nearly \$100 million.

Federal prosecutors on Thursday announced the trio, affiliated with Aspen Exploration Inc. of Plano, must also surrender artwork, luxury vehicles and real estate.

Gregory Keith Rand, 46, pleaded guilty to one count of conspiracy to commit mail fraud and securities fraud and three counts of securities fraud.

He was sentenced Wednesday to 18 years in prison. His brother, 41-year-old William Nicholas Rand, pleaded guilty to three counts of securities fraud and received a 14-year term.

Their father, 69-year-old William Anthony Rand, pleaded guilty to securities fraud, plus conspiracy to commit mail fraud and securities fraud. He was sentenced to 5½ years in prison.

Texas to ATI: Stop enrollment

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Texas Workforce Commission has ordered a company that runs 16 careers schools to halt new enrollment and complete training programs for current students.

A spokesman for ATI Enterprises Inc. says the company would provide a statement Friday. Brandon Dowdy declined additional comment Thursday to The Associated Press.

The commission in April announced the company had been put on probation and required an outside auditor to review 2010 placement results. TWC on Wednesday issued a notice of intent to revoke ATI's certificates of approval.

The order follows a yearlong investigation by WFAA-TV on the accuracy of ATI's employment and job placement claims.

The company operates eight ATI Career Training Centers, six South Texas Vocational Technical Institutes, the ATI Technical Training Center and the Dallas Nursing Institute.

How to repair a concrete walkway



Dear Pat: The concrete walkway from the driveway to the front door seems solid, but the surface is crumbling and unsightly. Can I just repair the surface somehow without the expense of a totally new walkway? — Ann H.

Dear Ann: With a little sweat and hard work, you should be able to repair the walkway, and it will look better than when it was new. Generally, the cause of a crumbling concrete surface is poor workmanship when it was poured. They probably added excess water when smoothing the surface, and this weakened the concrete.

Adding a 1- to 2-inch-thick layer of concrete over the existing walkway is the best method to repair it. Don't attempt to do the entire job at one time. Break it down into several weekend projects, doing just one or two control joint sections a time. Cleaning off the crumbling spots is as much work as repairing them.

The basic concrete overlay procedure requires four simple steps: 1) clean out the bad areas, 2) paint a thin cement glue layer, 3) apply the overlay, and 4) level the overlay. It is kind of like decorating a cake with icing.

First, use a broom to remove the larger loose pieces. Use a large masonry chisel and hammer to chip out all the crumbling concrete around these areas and to examine other suspect spots. When you are done, spray it off with a high-pressure hose nozzle.

Place wood concrete forms along the sides of the walkway. To get the height even, make spacer blocks and place a straight 2x4 across them. This determines the height of the forms. Where it must blend to your front step or driveway, taper the overlay thickness down.

Wet down the area to be repaired and cover it with plastic for several hours. It is important for the existing concrete to be saturated with water so that it does not draw the moisture rapidly out of the glue and overlay.

Here is the fun part, mixing and applying the cement glue and the concrete overlay. The cement glue is easy to mix — about equal parts of fine sand and cement. Add

enough water so that it is the consistency of thick paint.

The actual concrete overlay should be like thick cream of wheat. A mixture of about three parts of sand to one part of cement usually works well. If you add small gravel for a different appearance, the largest pieces should be not more than 30 percent of the thickness of the overlay. Larger gravel will reduce the chances of success and may not look good.

You will need a helper at this point. Have your helper paint a thin layer of the cement glue first.

Within five minutes, spread the overlay concrete layer in the forms. Use the long 2x4 again to level off the overlay. Lay it on top of the forms, and move it in a back-and-forth sawing motion over the concrete.

Let it set up for 15 to 30 minutes. When it is fairly solid, finish the top surface. If you are inexperienced at this, use a swirling broom finishing method. It makes an attractive high-traction surface and is easier than floating it smoother.

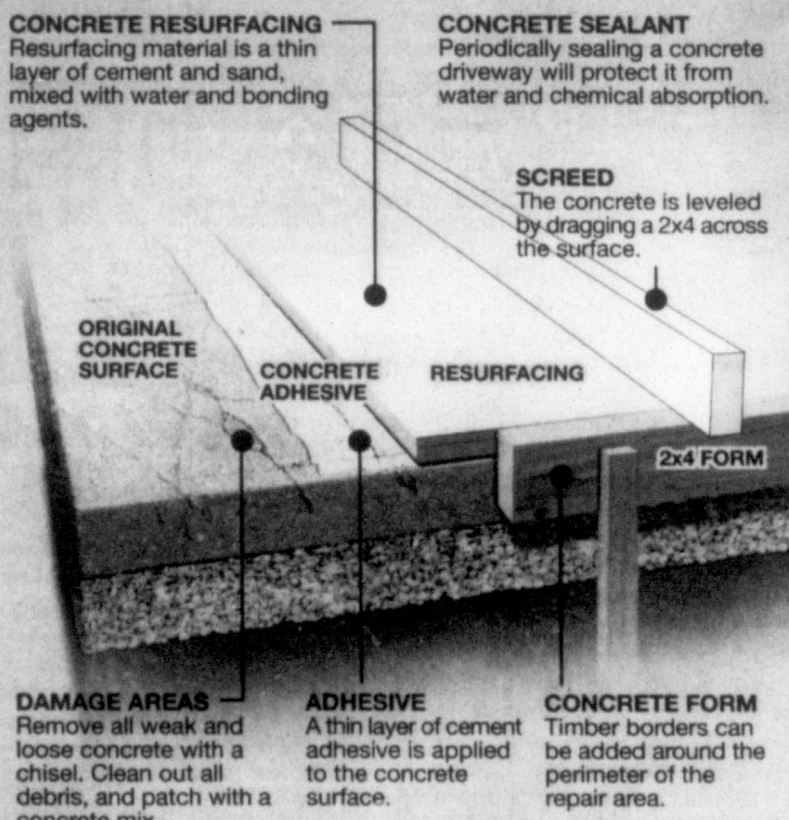
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Texas town auctions jail for \$6 million

LITTLEFIELD (AP) — A \$6 million bid has been declared the winner of an auction Thursday to sell off a prison that has been a financial millstone on the back of a small High Plains Texas town.

Littlefield put the 373-bed Bill Clayton Detention Center up for auction Thursday with a \$5 million minimum opening bid. The town built the 11-year-old, 30-acre prison complex in the hope of a financial bonanza, but instead it went broke.

City Manager Danny Davis said three parties apparently participated in the bidding, which took about 10 minutes. The identity of the winning bidder has not been made known by Williams & Williams Worldwide Real Estate Auction, which handled the bidding, he said. Davis expects the deal to close in 30 days.

A spokesman for the Tulsa, Okla.-based auction firm did not return a message seeking comment Thursday.

Littlefield floated an \$11 million bond issue to build the prison in 2000. It signed The GEO Group to man-

age the facility privately in the hope that states with overcrowded prisons would pay the town to house inmates. Instead, escapes, corruption and living conditions prompted states to withdraw their inmates, leaving an empty prison.

The sale still leaves the city owing more than \$3 million on the facility, but the sale lifts a big load off Davis and the town government.

"Absolutely, I feel the relief big time," Davis said.

"It's hard to sell something that you owe so much on." Davis said he does not know what plans the buyer has for the 95,000-square-foot lockup, its furnishings, linens, general and law library, video surveillance and security system and other equipment and amenities, "but I don't see it being used for anything but a prison."

The detention center was named for former Texas House Speaker Billy Wayne Clayton, who grew up in the Littlefield area 26 miles northwest of Lubbock.

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Viewpoints

Today in History

Today is Friday, July 29, the 210th day of 2011. There are 155 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 29, 1981, Britain's Prince Charles married Lady Diana Spencer at St. Paul's Cathedral in London.

On this date:

In 1588, the English attacked the Spanish Armada in the Battle of Gravelines, resulting in an English victory.

In 1914, transcontinental telephone service in the U.S. began with the first test phone conversation between New York and San Francisco.

In 1921, Adolf Hitler became leader (the "fuhrer") of the National Socialist German Workers Party.

In 1948, Britain's King George VI opened the Olympic Games in London.

In 1957, the International Atomic Energy Agency was established.

In 1958, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed the National Aeronautics and Space Act, creating NASA.

In 1967, an accidental rocket launch aboard the super-carrier USS Forrestal in the Gulf of Tonkin resulted in a fire and explosions that killed 134 servicemen.

In 1975, President Gerald R. Ford became the first U.S. president to visit the site of the Nazi concentration camp Auschwitz in Poland.

In 1985, the space shuttle Challenger began an 8-day mission that got off to a shaky start — the spacecraft achieved a safe orbit even though one of its main engines shut down prematurely after lift-off.

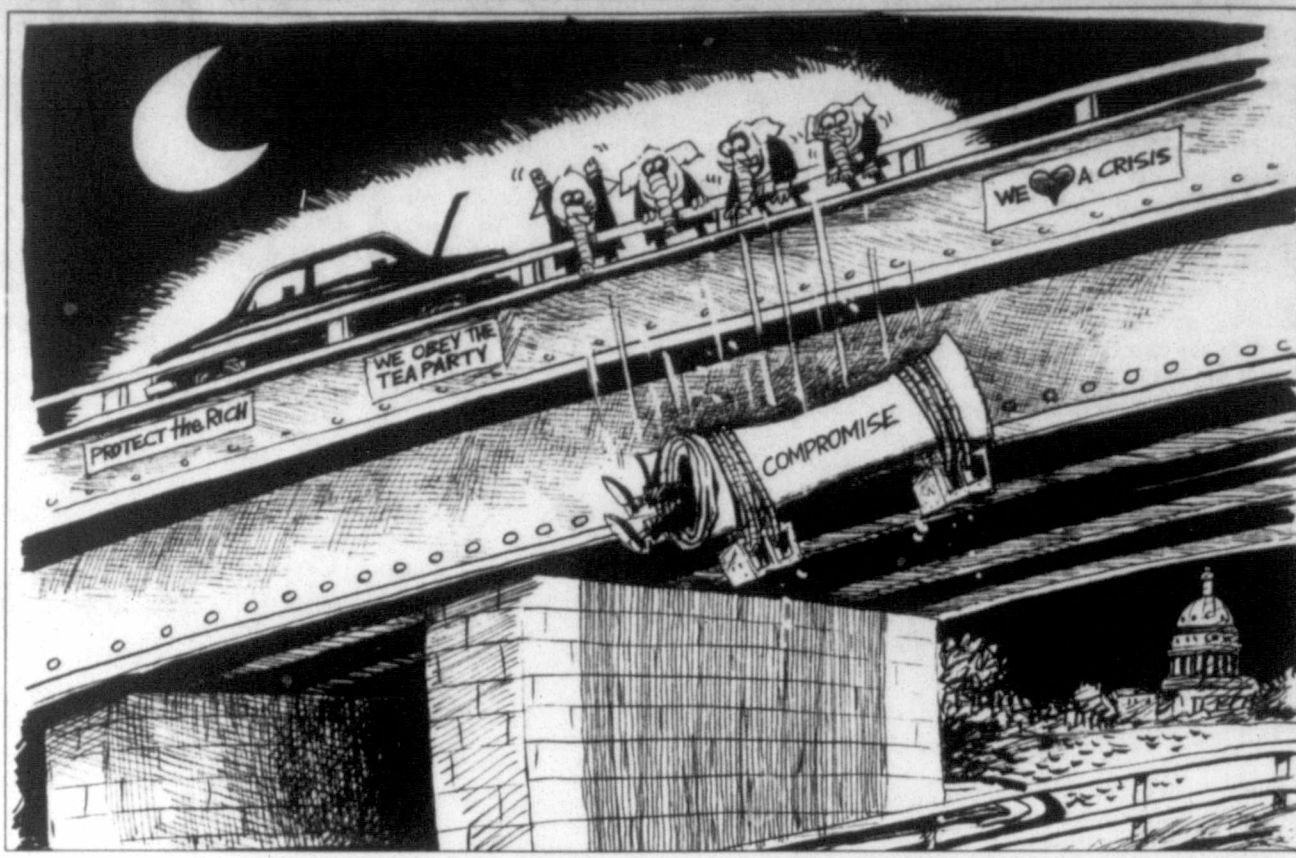
Ten years ago: In a nonbinding referendum, residents of Vieques voted overwhelmingly for the U.S. Navy to immediately stop bombing on the Puerto Rican island.

Five years ago: The U.S. command announced it was sending 3,700 troops to Baghdad to try to quell sectarian violence sweeping the Iraqi capital.

One year ago: Army Spc. Bradley Manning was flown from a detention facility in Kuwait to the Marine Corps brig in Quantico, Va., to await trial on charges of giving military secrets to WikiLeaks. The House rejected a bill that would have provided up to \$7.4 billion in aid to people sickened by World Trade Center dust; Rep. Anthony Weiner, D-N.Y., angrily denounced Republicans who'd voted against the measure, calling it "a shame, a shame."

Today's Birthdays: Comedian "Professor" Irwin Corey is 97. Actor Robert Horton is 87. Former Sen. Nancy Kassebaum-Baker is 79. Actor Robert Fuller is 77. Former Sen. Elizabeth H. Dole is 75. Actor David Warner is 70. Rock musician Neal Doughty (REO Speedwagon) is 65. Actor Mike Starr is 61. Documentary maker Ken Burns is 58. Style guru Tim Gunn ("Project Runway") is 58. Rock singer-musician Geddy Lee (Rush) is 58. Rock singer Patti Scialfa (Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band) is 58. Actress Alexandra Paul is 48. Country singer Martina McBride is 45. Rock musician Chris Gorman is 44. Actor Rodney Allen Rippey is 43. Actor Tim Omondson is 42. Actor Wil Wheaton is 39. Rhythm-and-blues singer Wanya Morris (Boyz II Men) is 38. Actor Stephen Dorff is 38. Actor Josh Radnor is 37. Hip-hop DJ music producer Danger Mouse is 34. Actress Rachel Miner is 31. Actress Allison Mack is 29. Actor Matt Prokop is 21.

Thought for Today: "The idea of my life as a fairy tale is itself a fairy tale." — Grace Kelly, American-born actress and Princess consort of Monaco (1929-1982).



Ties persist between gov't, Gulf oil industry

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Ties between offshore oil and gas companies and the agency that regulates them are so pervasive that a year after new ethics rules took effect, as many as a third of inspectors in some Gulf of Mexico offices have been disqualified to avoid potential conflicts of interest.

That makes it difficult to hire knowledgeable and independent regulators in a region where oil and gas interests are deeply intertwined in the economy and culture, and where expertise and training needed to do the job often is found in the private sector.

Documents obtained by The Associated Press show that about 1 of every 5 employees of 109 involved in inspections in the Gulf has been recused from some duties because of the risk of coming into contact with a family member or friend working for a company the inspector regulates. Ten people hired since mid-August 2008 were barred for two years from performing work where they could be in a position of policing their previous employer — a company or contractor operating offshore.

In the Lafayette, La., office of the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Enforcement and Regulation nearly 35 percent of inspectors have been disqualified because a friend or relative works for a company they could interact with on the job. In Lake Charles, La., nearly 30 percent of inspectors held their last job with an oil and gas company, meaning they can't perform any duties involving their former employer for two years.

The numbers come from recusal forms under a new ethics policy instituted last year by the Obama administration to identify and prevent possible conflicts of interest before they arise.

Copies of the forms submitted by more than 100 inspectors, engineers and permit reviewers in five Gulf coast offices were obtained by the AP under the Freedom of Information Act. Personal information, such as the names of the employees, their friends and their family members, was blacked out to protect privacy. But the companies with ties to government workers were disclosed, and they represent a who's who of the offshore oil and gas industry, from majors like Chevron, Shell and BP to smaller companies such as W&T Offshore Inc., Ankor Energy LLC and Hilcorp Energy Co.

While inappropriate behavior has been limited to a few individuals so far, as both Interior Secretary Ken Salazar and Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Enforcement and Regulation Director Michael Bromwich have stressed, the forms

quantify for the first time the extent of the bonds between the industry and the agency formerly known as the Minerals Management Service.

"The conflicts of interest addressed by this policy are not crimes or badges of shame," Bromwich said in a statement provided to the AP. "The fact is that they exist because of the close-knit communities in which much offshore activity takes place; they cannot be wished away. The issue is not the conflicts themselves, which have existed for decades, but whether they are identified, addressed and managed."

However, the number of disqualifications renewed calls by lawmakers for a stronger ethics policy to be put into law, one that also holds companies accountable and cannot be changed when new leaders come in.

"Our sense is the revolving door is still swinging too widely," Sen. Ron Wyden, D-Ore., said in an interview with the AP after he had reviewed the recusals.

Most of the recent hires came from Island Operating Co., which was the focus of an April 2010 inspector general's report about the bureau's Lake Charles office, and was mentioned in another IG report focusing on the Lake Jackson, Texas, office. The internal watchdog found that employees working for Island, an offshore contractor with nearly 1,300 employees, were hosting inspectors on hunting and fishing trips.

The reaction of the manager of the Lake Charles district office at the time summed up how the agency operated: "They do this all the time."

"Obviously, we're all oil industry," Larry Williamson told the IG's office when shown pictures of one of his inspectors on the plane en route to a football game. "Almost all of our inspectors have worked for oil companies out on these same platforms. They grew up in the same towns. Some of these people, they've been friends all their life."

Island, in a statement, said it never sponsored hunting and fishing trips. Instead, its employees were hunting and fishing with people "with whom they had both personal and working relationships."

The company said it occasionally took inspectors to informal lunches when they came to perform inspections, a common practice throughout the industry that Island said it has stopped.

The lunches, spokesman Brad Deuter said in a statement, were "done as part of our commitment to become a safer, more compliant company."

Asked why the government appeared to be hiring inspectors from Island more than other companies, Deuter said it wasn't unusual to expect that a small number of employees would be recruited by the government.

"The very characteristics that attracted us to hire these professionals in the first place are the same that (the government) is looking to build its organization with," Deuter said.

Critics say nothing has changed, despite the Obama administration's efforts.

"It's nearly impossible to determine where the oil industry ends and the government's regulatory agency begins," Scott Amey of the Project on Government Oversight said after reviewing AP's data. "These new instances indicate that BOEMRE staff are connected to individuals and oil companies, which raises concerns about lax oversight and the integrity of the agency. Without enhanced enforcement authority and independent oversight of these potential conflicts, I'm uncertain that BOEMRE can assure the public that it is truly watchdogging the offshore oil industry."

Wyden has been pushing for tougher ethics rules since a 2008 inspector general's report revealed that 13 individuals in the agency's Lakewood, Colo., and Washington offices — which had no role in Gulf of Mexico oil and gas operations — influenced contracts, worked part-time as private oil consultants and had sexual relationships with oil company employees. Some also accepted golf and ski trips, snowboarding lessons and concert tickets from the oil companies.

That report was followed by two others that examined alleged misconduct in the Lake Jackson, Texas, and Lake Charles, La., district offices, which have jurisdiction over the Gulf of Mexico. In the case of Lake Charles, the IG found that accepting gifts from oil and gas companies was commonplace. In Lake Jackson, investigators discovered government workers tipping off companies about upcoming inspections.

"It just goes on and on and on," Wyden said. "What we would like to do is fundamentally change the culture here to reduce the kind of conflicts we are talking about. To do that, Wyden says, companies also need to be held accountable."

Others say the recusals at least are a step in the right direction.

"The bad news is the oil industry still has motive and opportunity to try to control regulators," said Sara Gonzalez-Rothi, the legislative counsel for Sen. Bill Nelson, D-Fla. "But the good news is we wouldn't even be seeing some of these potential conflicts and recusals were it not for the reforms we pushed through in the past few years."

Nelson sponsored a bill that would have barred inspectors from working for the industry for two years after leaving the agency and required them to divest themselves of energy company stocks. Similar provisions are now part of a larger offshore drilling safety bill that is stalled in the Senate.

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Worship

Good preaching is about forgiveness

Faithful churchgoers listen to many sermons throughout their days, but are they hearing good and faithful preaching?

I would contend many are not! Good biblical preaching is the faithful proclamation of what our Lord handed down to His apostles and sent them to deliver to others. Good preaching is about Jesus. Good preaching has a balance of law (showing our sins) and gospel (the good news of Jesus). Good preaching is faithful to the whole of the Scriptures for they reveal and point all to Christ as the only Savior from sin and death. Good preaching is chiefly about the proclamation of the forgiveness of sins for Christ's sake.

Jesus mandates this preaching of forgiveness in Luke 24. After His resurrection, Jesus appears to a few of His disciples and opens the Holy Scriptures to them and informs them what they will be sent to do. He says to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in His name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem (vv. 46-47)." Jesus' apostles would soon be empowered by the Holy Spirit and they would go in His name preaching Christ crucified and risen for the forgiveness of sins. Check out John 20:23 and Acts 5:31 and 13:38 for more.

What should preachers be preaching then? What Paul preached — Christ crucified (1 Cor. 2:2)! Jesus suffered and died to win forgiveness and salvation for us. Thus that is what troubled sinners need to hear most clearly.

If the forgiveness of sins is what Apostolic preaching consists of then what should be avoided? Let's start with those long tear jerking stories. Oh, give the people a break! All those touching stories do is fill time and make parishioners get off course from the real point of the biblical text. Some illustrations are fine, but running story after story has very little to do about what Jesus is really saying. Most people remember the cute story, but don't have a clue how it relates to the words of our Lord. Preachers, stay with the text. Jesus' words have power, not your illustrations!

Good preaching does not include popular psychology and self-help either. Things like the ten ways to be the perfect mother, father, son, or worker. Here is how to find yourself and be a better person. Let me give you 14 ways to shape up and get off your spiritual sofa. If all you hear is how to improve your self esteem in sermons then you are not hearing much about what Jesus gave His apostles to proclaim.

The apostles preached the full force of the law of God and the good news of the forgiveness Christ won upon the cross. The law certainly cuts to the heart and kills the sinner. It shows us our sins. Thus, good preaching proclaims that you are a sinner



MICHAEL ERICKSON

the good word

and need the forgiveness that Jesus so freely gives. God's people should be constantly confronted with the law and soothed with the gospel (good news) of Christ.

Now many would say that preaching first and foremost about the forgiveness gives some the idea that they can just go out and do whatever they desire. To preach about forgiveness is not to allow a person to go and sin all they want. It does just the opposite. The forgiveness of sins helps one desire to live an upright and godly life. It's not a license to sin and it never should be.

Good preaching simply has to do with Jesus and what He has done for you: dying upon a cross and securing salvation for sinners. For example note Peter's sermon at Pentecost (Acts 2). He is not talking about the Holy Spirit, he is proclaiming the law and gospel. Peter preaches about Jesus. You could also read John 14, 15, and 16 and you would clearly see that the Holy Spirit is all about pointing to Jesus. Preaching that is lead by the Spirit is about Christ, not your personal prosperity, or how to land a Christian girlfriend, or the prayer of Jabez. It is about Christ and Him crucified.

The sad thing is that many are not hearing about forgiveness and thus are walking out of church thinking to themselves, "Oh man, what a rotten Christian I am, for I don't act and do those things my pastor is always clamoring about." Or they have the mindset of the Pharisees thinking, "Man I am sure glad that I am not like those cruddy people who aren't living like they should." If there is too much law emphasis and pop psychology dribble then it will only crush the hearers with more burden or make them trust in their own righteousness.

If you are not hearing from the pulpit the clear message about the forgiveness of sins for Christ's sake, then you are not hearing what the apostle's preached about Jesus. Take notice what is proclaimed from the pulpit and if it is not anchored in Jesus and His death and resurrection for your forgiveness go talk to your pastor, for you are not hearing what our Lord wants you to hear. If you never hear you are forgiven then I pity you and you'll be burdened beyond measure much more than comforted (Matt. 11:28-30). Christ desires you hear pardon and peace.

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CHURCH SPOTLIGHT

Crosspointe feeds hungry kids

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Crosspointe Church is looking to keep school kids and their families fed with their Power.Pack program.

Church volunteer Brenda Lambright said the church took on Lamar Elementary three years ago.

"Some kids, after they eat at school on Friday, don't eat until they return on Monday," Lambright said. "We started by feeding the kids on the weekends and delivering food to them."

Lambright said it got to be too many and had the families pick up their food at the church.

"We had almost 200 kids," Lambright

said. "We had to have the school filter them out. On the weekends, the families can pick up food at the church. We give double what we were giving before so they have enough to last the weekend."

Lambright said that, to help pay for expenses, they have donation jars set up at different places in town.

"We have jars at Smoking Joe's, Dyers and Napa Auto Parts," Lambright said. "We go to United once a month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., sometimes a little longer if we have people that will give us money when they leave."

The church is seeking to expand this ministry to Wilson Elementary. The church is located on the 700 block of E. Harvester Avenue.

GOD'S GOOD NEWS

Look forward to God's great future

DAVID BOULER
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We have all read predictions for the future. Each year, one of the news magazines will have a segment on predictions for the future. In 1899 a worker for the US Patent Office said, "Everything that can be invented has been invented." Or the statement given out by Western Union: "The new telephone has too many shortcomings to be seriously considered as a dependable method of communication."

We have all witnessed, as in the last few months, predictions about the future are usually ill-conceived guesses. I remember seeing predic-

tions that we would all be driving or piloting flying cars. But there is one source that can tell us what is ahead and is always right — the Bible, God's Word. The Bible gives us gracious words for those looking for salvation and forgiveness (John 3:16). He tells us one day Jesus Christ Himself will return for all who have placed their faith in Him. He reminds us in 1 Thessalonians 4:18 to "comfort one another with these words" about the future. We can trust God with the future and look forward to a wonderful future.

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Sports

Second year was exciting; third won't disappoint

It's hard to believe that it's already been two years since I became *The Pampa News Sports* reporter. As the old saying goes, "time flies when you are having fun."

I have to admit my second year was more exciting than the first. After experiencing losses in my first nine Harvester football games, I finally got to cover a win when Reid Miller led Pampa to a 30-22 homecoming victory over Wichita Falls Hirschi last September. Two games later I got to experience another victory. I'm sure head football coach Heath Parker appreciated me asking the opposing head coach the tough questions.

My favorite part of the fall was covering the rise of the Lady Harvester Volleyball team as they reached the regional quarter-

final. The team won a district championship and the area round, a pair of accomplishments that nearly equals the amount of prior trophies in the entire team's history (three). At that point their run equaled the farthest I advanced in the playoffs.

By far the highlight of the year was the boys basketball team's run to the regional finals, which started with Latigo Collins making a buzzer beater in the area round. The special part of their journey was they got to play on my former college's floor,

United Spirit Arena. Maybe in the future I will get to sit at that media table covering the Red Raiders.

Last year, also saw expansion in our coverage. Every week during football season we had weekly Gridiron Previews. The paper also added male and female athletes of the week. Throughout the year several players were featured. For our district champions, they got a commemorative page before they departed for the playoffs. Last April, my coverage was recognized by the Panhandle Press Association with a third place sports writing award. As I said on Facebook after I won that award, "that was just practice."

This year we are going to have even more coverage of our Gray County athletes. More players will be featured,

especially the seniors. Over the summer we added a weekly scoreboard that will feature statistics from all the area games. All Pampa athletes will get their name in the paper. Basketball, baseball and softball will have previews throughout the week as well. Unlike how movies usually go, my third should be even better than the previous two years.

Hopefully, this year I will get to cover football past the second week of November. There's a water tower in town that could use some fresh paint. Maybe one of our teams will send a crew out there before the 2011-12 season ends.

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OU ATHLETIC VIOLATIONS

Oklahoma admits two major violations in men's basketball

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Oklahoma admitted Thursday that it committed two major rules violations in its men's basketball program as it asked the NCAA for leniency despite its second serious infractions case in the last five years.

Under NCAA bylaws, a "repeat violator" can face a minimum of having the sport dropped for one or two seasons with no scholarships provided for two seasons. The NCAA infractions committee has the authority to override such a designation.

In a summary disposition report put together jointly with NCAA investigators, the school conceded that it does qualify under the description of repeat violator — having two major infractions cases within five years in the same sport — but said previous cases show those penalties "are not appropriate in

this case."

"This is an isolated incident involving a single member of the coaching staff, who clearly knew his lack of action to prevent or report the violation was not acceptable," the university said.

Instead, Oklahoma asked the NCAA to place the program on two more years of probation, vacate its wins from a 13-18 season in 2009-10, and take away one scholarship, two official visits and 10 in-person recruiting days during the upcoming academic year.

Athletic department spokesman Kenny Mossman said the school had no additional comment after releasing the 430-page report.

The violations occurred while the Sooners were still on probation for major rules violations involving recruiting phone calls by former coach Kelvin

Sampson in a case that ended in 2006 and major infractions involving football players being paid for work they weren't doing at a Norman car dealership in a 2007 case. There were also major rules violations by the men's and women's gymnastics teams considered in the football case.

In the latest case, the school said former assistant coach Oronde Taliaferro broke NCAA rules by failing to report that a player had received an impermissible extra benefit and by lying to Oklahoma and NCAA enforcement staff during the investigation.

The heavily-redacted report does not show the player's name, but former center Keith "Tiny" Gallon has said in interviews that he took \$3,000 from a Florida financial adviser to pay for his high school transcripts and allow him to attend college. Taliaferro's phone records link him to the adviser, Jeffrey Hausinger, and Hausinger even offered

in an e-mail to allow Taliaferro to stay with him.

In a partially redacted statement provided by Taliaferro for the report, he said he did wrong and calls it a "lapse in judgment" that he made out of compassion. He describes how the case is similar to how his father was murdered in Detroit when he was 6 years old.

"I know all too well about running into walls and watching my own mother fight to help get me to a better place. It is hard to not have compassion for other's struggles," Taliaferro wrote. "Sometimes good people make a poor decision, and that's what happened with everyone involved in this particular matter. That does not excuse anything at all."

Taliaferro resigned last year when it became clear he'd be implicated in the NCAA investigation.

Former head coach Jeff Capel is not implicated in the violations. He was fired in March and replaced by Lon Kruger.



Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 16-year-old girl. I have good grades, participate in sports and activities, and I'm involved in my church. My parents have always trusted me and given me freedom because they know I can handle it.

I want to attend a concert in a bigger town with a friend. However, my parents insist I must have an adult with me. I feel I'm responsible enough to go to the concert without one. How can I convince my parents? (A parent would be driving us to and from the concert.) — CAN HANDLE IT IN OREGON

DEAR CAN HANDLE IT: Your parents want to be sure you are safe. Although they trust you to act responsibly, they may not be so confident about other fans in the audience. When large numbers of people gather for sports events and concerts, there is always the chance that a few troublemakers may cause a commotion or even a stampede. That's why the performers usually have heavy security around them. Please don't take your parents' stance on this personally. They are trying to protect you.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I are hosting our daughter's wedding and reception. We had to limit the number of guests due to space and budgetary con-

siderations. Some of the RSVPs have come back with a larger number of people accepting than were listed on the invitation envelope as being invited.

How should we handle this? We expect others may do the same, and we cannot accommodate extra guests. It's a touchy situation because my daughter and her fiancé interact with these folks at the church where she works. She feels bad enough that we had to limit the number of guests — and now this situation. — FEELING AWKWARD IN MICHIGAN

DEAR FEELING AWKWARD: If this is strictly a matter of money and what you can afford, sit down with your daughter and her fiancé, explain the situation and ask if they would like to pay for the "uninvited" guests. If they say yes — fine. If they say no, call the people who indicated they plan to bring extra guests and tell them that because of space and budgetary considerations, you are unable to accommodate them. Please don't feel embarrassed to do so, because the people who should feel embarrassed are the ones who committed this breach of etiquette.

DEAR ABBY: If I tell my wife I'm going to clean the bathroom today, but I don't manage to get it done

because I was busy with other things, is that considered breaking a promise even though I didn't use the word "promise"? My wife says that if you say you're going to do something, then that is a promise. Is she right? — A MATTER OF SEMANTICS

DEAR SEMANTICS: Not exactly. If you tell your wife you are going to clean the bathroom today and don't get around to it, that is frustrating, aggravating and irresponsible. But if she responds to your statement, "Is that a promise?" and you say yes — THAT'S a promise.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a grown-up Southern girl who has had "honesty is the best policy" pounded into my head ever since I can remember. My family had a falling out when I spoke my mind about some family members because I was tired of them saying things behind other people's backs. I felt the truth should be expressed, but now I am to blame for the family issues when I was just being honest.

Where is the line in the sand where the honesty policy becomes brutal and unfeasible? — TELLING IT LIKE IT IS

DEAR TELLING IT: The line is crossed when the truth is used like a sledgehammer and the words are spoken in anger or retaliation.

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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NASCAR THIS WEEK

ON THE TUBE

All times Eastern
Sprint Cup
 Brickyard 400
 1 p.m., Sunday

Nationwide Series
 30th annual Kroger 200
 7:30 p.m., Saturday

Truck Series
 AAA Insurance 200
 7:30 p.m., Friday

BURNING ISSUES

► Past Brickyard 400s have been noteworthy as predictors of Sprint Cup championships. Not last year, though. Jamie McMurray failed to make the Chase, and this year so far, he's 29th in points.

► Jeff Burton has received more attention, or perhaps notoriety, but the most disappointing season of '11 is that of McMurray.

► Carl Edwards insists he hasn't made up his mind on where he will be next year, which will not make the rumors go away.

► Incredibly, Kyle Busch didn't race at Nashville. He was too busy winning on consecutive nights at Oxford Plains Speedway in Maine.

► Seven races remain in the regular season. A lot can change. Seven races ago, Jeff Gordon was 16th in points. Now he's seventh. Dale Earnhardt Jr. was fourth. Now he's ninth.

► Brad Keselowski's victory won't mean much unless he can reach the top 20 in points by regular season's end. Currently, he ranks 23rd.

► In order to make the Chase, Earnhardt, Tony Stewart and Clint Bowyer need wins in the worst way.

► Rumors are circulating that Nashville Superspeedway's dates on the Nationwide and Camping World Truck series schedules are in trouble. Attendance was, once again, disappointing: an estimated 11,000 for trucks and 18,000 for Nationwide.

► The top six in Cup points are closely bunched, but there's a 39-point gap between sixth-place Matt Kenseth and seventh-place Jeff Gordon. But Gordon's Chase status seems safe thanks to his two victories.

2011 STANDINGS

Sprint Cup Series	Pts.
1. Carl Edwards	652
2. Jimmie Johnson	-7
3. Kurt Busch	-11
4. Kevin Harvick	-15
5. Kyle Busch	-20
6. Matt Kenseth	-26
7. Jeff Gordon	-65
8. Ryan Newman	-66
9. Dale Earnhardt Jr.	-75
10. Denny Hamlin	-82
11. Tony Stewart	-82
12. Clint Bowyer	-110

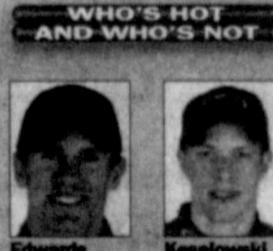
Nationwide Series

1. Reed Sorenson	702
2. Ricky Stenhouse Jr.	-5
3. Elliott Sadler	-14
4. Justin Allgaier	-30
5. Eric Almirola	-71
6. Jason Leffler	-94
7. Kenny Wallace	-97
8. Steve Wallace	-144
9. Mike Annett	-152
10. Brian Scott	-165

Camping World Truck Series

1. Johnny Sauter	431
2. Austin Dillon	-18
3. James Buescher	-42
4. Cole Whit	-43
5. Timothy Peters	-47
6. Matt Crafton	-54
7. Parker Kligerman	-58
8. Joey Coulter	-65
9. Ron Hornaday Jr.	-69
10. Todd Bodine	-81

WHO'S HOT AND WHO'S NOT



Who's hot: Austin Dillon won the Camping World Truck Series race at Nashville and finished third the next night in the Nationwide Series. ... Carl Edwards, the Cup points leader, made use of an off week to win the latter event.

Who's not: A broken axle on pit road ruined Elliott Sadler's Nashville visit and dropped him to third in Nationwide points. ... Twelfth place was a disappointment for Brad Keselowski, who started on the pole.



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SPRINT CUP

Race: Brickyard 400
Where: Indianapolis (Ind.) Motor Speedway (2.5 mi.), 160 laps/400 miles.
When: Sunday, July 31.
Last year's winner: Jamie McMurray, Chevy.
Qualifying record: Casey Mears, Dodge, 186,293 mph, Aug. 7, 2004.
Race record: Bobby Labonte, Pontiac, 155,912 mph, Aug. 5, 2000.
Last race: Stewart-Haas Racing teammates Ryan Newman and Tony Stewart both started and finished 1-2 at New Hampshire Motor Speedway. Newman's first victory of the season was the 15th of his career.

NATIONWIDE

Race: 30th annual Kroger 200
Where: Lucas Oil Raceway, Clermont, Ind. (.686 mi.), 200 laps/137.2 miles.
When: Saturday, July 30.
Last year's winner: Kyle Busch, Toyota.
Qualifying record: David Green, Chevy, 113,461 mph, Aug. 4, 1994.
Race record: Jimmy Hensley, Olds, 96,923 mph, June 22, 1985.
Last week: Carl Edwards drove a Ford to victory at Nashville Superspeedway, marking his record fourth series victory at the concrete-paved track. Edwards' Roush Fenway teammate, Ricky Stenhouse Jr., finished second.

CAMPING WORLD TRUCK

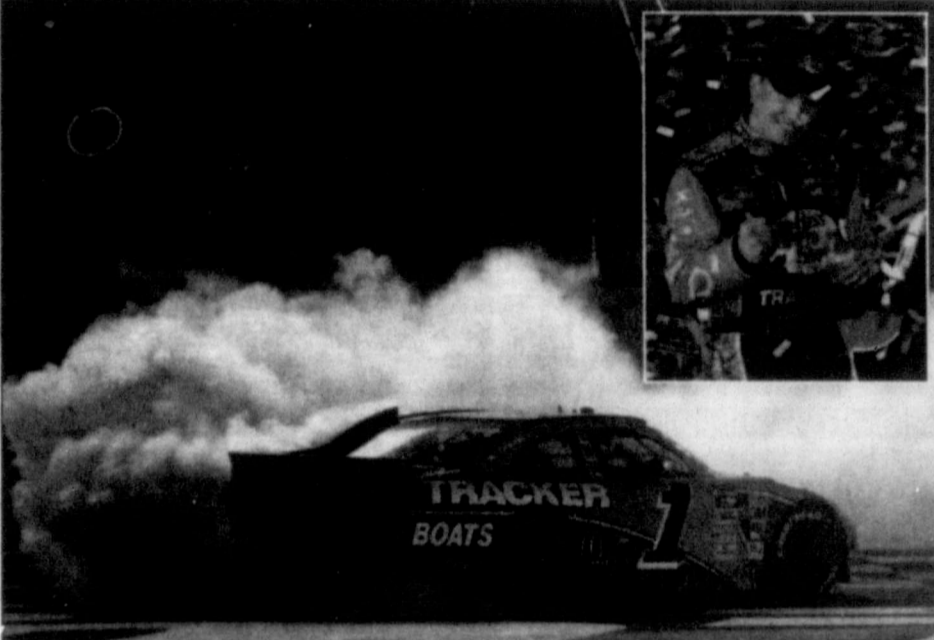
Race: AAA Insurance 200
Where: Lucas Oil Raceway, Clermont, Ind. (.686 mi.), 200 laps/137.2 miles.
When: Friday, July 29.
Last year's winner: Ron Hornaday Jr., Chevy.
Qualifying record: Joe Ruttman, Dodge, 111,843 mph, Aug. 2, 2000.
Race record: Greg Biffle, Ford, 88,704 mph, Aug. 5, 1999.
Last week: Austin Dillon followed up a runner-up finish in Iowa with a victory at Nashville Superspeedway. Dillon, in a Chevy, took the lead from another Chevy driver, Johnny Sauter, with 23 laps remaining.

INDIANAPOLIS DATA

July 31

Distance: 2.5-mile oval
 Length of frontstretch: 5/8 mi.
 Length of backstretch: 5/8 mi.
 Miles/Laps: 400 mi. = 160 laps

JAMIE McMURRAY SPRINT CUP SERIES No. 1 BASS PRO SHOPS/TRACKER CHEVROLET



Last year, Jamie McMurray had two of the biggest wins of the Sprint Cup season. This year, the Earnhardt General Racing driver has just two top-10 finishes and none in the top five. But McMurray says he's a big believer in fate and is looking forward to Indy, where he's had past successes.

Fate Turns On Jamie McMurray?

After impressive 2010 season, EGR driver eager to find Indy success

By Monte Dutton
 NASCAR This Week

What a difference a year makes. A victory in the 2010 Brickyard 400 was quite an accomplishment in itself for Jamie McMurray. Except that he also won the Daytona 500, not to mention the Bank of America 500 at Charlotte.

Yet, in spite of victories in NASCAR's two most prestigious races, McMurray, 35, failed to make the Chase for the Sprint Cup. Though the Joplin, Mo., native has won six Sprint Cup races in his career, he has never finished a season in the top 10 of the point standings.

This year, to date, has been a disaster. McMurray's numbers aren't just disappointing. They are

disastrous. He is 29th in the point standings, with only two top-10 finishes and none in the top five. He still drives the No. 1 Chevy of Earnhardt Ganassi Racing with Felix Sabates. The difference, for McMurray and crew chief Kevin "Bono" Manion, is that McMurray's Impala hasn't been fast nearly as often.

"There is certainly nothing wrong with our cars," said McMurray. "We just haven't hit on it. New tires have thrown us off at a lot of tracks, and man, we've just really struggled."

McMurray has a knack for Indianapolis Motor Speedway, though. His first Brickyard 400, in 2003, yielded a third-place finish. He's finished seventh or better four times.

A year ago, McMurray led only 16 of the 160 laps, most notably the final 11, to outduel another perennial Indy contender, Kevin Harvick.

"I'm running the last 10 laps of this race and just praying every lap there isn't going to be a caution (period) and that my car was going to have the grip it needed," said McMurray afterwards. "It's remarkable to be put in this position, and honestly, I'm in shock right now. ... Man, when it's your day, it's your day."

"I'm a big believer in fate, and this was just meant to be."

Fate has largely turned on him during the current season. Perhaps McMurray is due for a rally in the second half of the season.

Harvick's good with 'flat' racing at Indy track

By Monte Dutton
 NASCAR This Week

Kevin Harvick's record at Indianapolis Motor Speedway, site of the next Sprint Cup race on July 31, is enviable. He won the Brickyard 400 from the pole in 2003, finished second last year and has finished in the top 10 seven times in 10 tries.

What is it about the Brickyard that seems to come so naturally for Harvick?

"That's a good question. ... From the first time we stepped foot in that place ... we've had good results there," he said. "Being able to just race there is an honor. ... We've always been good on the flatter race tracks, and I think that's got something to do with it."

Heart in the right place — Jeff Gordon's trip to Africa last week was related to his participation in the Clinton Global Initiative, a caution championed by the former president.

The whirlwind trip sent Gordon to visit a refugee camp in the Congo.

Beforehand, Gordon said, "My expectations are to see some jaw-dropping, eye-opening experiences that are going to change my life forever."

Missing in action — Notably absent

NUTS AND BOLTS

from Austin Dillon's victory on July 22 in the Camping World Truck Series was a single Sprint Cup regular.

The non-household names who finished in the top five at Nashville Superspeedway were Dillon (though he is Richard Childress's grandson), Johnny Sauter, Timothy Peters, Nelson Piquet Jr. (that's domestically) and Parker Kligerman.

Scary — Kasey Kahne walked away from a spectacular crash in a sprint-car race at Williams Grove Speedway in Pennsylvania on July 22.

Kahne's car flipped and sailed out of the famed dirt track's fourth turn.

Upon further review — Though no definitive diagnosis was ever rendered, Trevor Bayne was treated for Lyme Disease earlier this year when an illness kept him out of Sprint Cup and Nationwide races.

Now, Bayne has been quoted as saying, "I'm great. I'm going back in a couple months to find out if that's officially what it was. I had treatment for that and my symptoms are gone. Hopefully, that's what it was and they knocked it out."



Trevor Bayne's mysterious illness was reportedly Lyme Disease and the rookie driver will go back in a few months to get an official diagnosis. The disease kept him out of a few Cup and Nationwide races.

FEUD OF THE WEEK



GREG BIFFLE VS. AJ ALLMENDINGER

This is more competition than feud and will be measured by performance. Roush Fenway Racing replaced Greg Erwin with Matt Puccia as Biffle's crew chief. Erwin promptly moved over to Richard Petty Motorsports to replace Mike Shiplett as Allmendinger's crew chief. Both drivers' Chase hopes are fading. Biffle is 15th, Allmendinger 16th in the current standings.

NASCAR This Week's Monte Dutton gives his take: "If either driver gets a sufficient boost from the new crew chief to make the Chase, the new crew chief will get more than the usual share of credit. Those are big 'ifs,' however."

Memorable Upsets Trivia

- Who won the 1966 Firecracker 400 at Daytona?
- Who won the 1962 Southern 500 at Darlington?
- Who won the 1960 Atlanta 500 ... and the 1962 Volunteer 500 at Bristol?
- Who won the 1981 Mason-Dixon 500 at Dover?
- Who won the 1974 Old Dominion 500 at Martinsville?
- Who won the 1974 Yankee 400 at Michigan?
- Who won the 2001 New Hampshire 300?
- Who won the 2000 Pocono 500?
- Who won the 1959 Richmond 200?
- Who won the 1972 Talladega 500?
- Who won the 1978 Talladega 500?
- Who won the 1964 Glen 151.8 at Watkins Glen?

FAN TIPS

Michael Waltrip Rides Again

Michael Waltrip, who is sort of semi-retired as a driver, attempted to compete earlier this summer at Kentucky Speedway in a Toyota whose design scheme was a tribute to Danzell Waltrip, Michael's older brother and a member of the NASCAR Hall of Fame's next class. Unfortunately, it rained before the Kentucky qualifying session was completed, meaning that Michael had no chance to make the field. Now, Waltrip recently said, he will probably give the project another shot at either Bristol or Talladega.

LEGENDS AND LORE

Don't Forget Shepherd

It's common knowledge that Jeff Gordon won the first Brickyard 400 in 1994. The Nationwide Series has been racing in the area since 1982, when Morgan Shepherd won the first race in what was then the Busch Series at a track then known as Indianapolis Raceway Park. On Aug. 13, 1982, Shepherd drove an Oldsmobile to victory in the first Kroger 200. Tommy Ellis finished second and Tommy Houston third. What will apparently be the final race at what is now Lucas Oil Raceway is scheduled for July 30. The race will be run at Indianapolis Motor Speedway in 2012.

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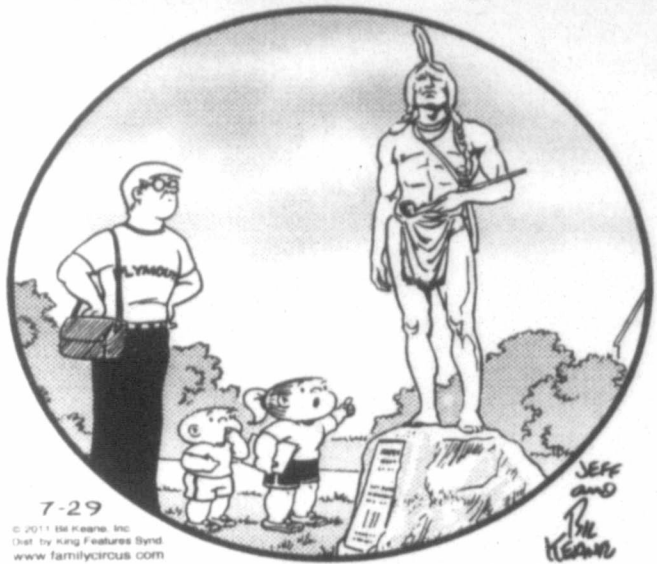
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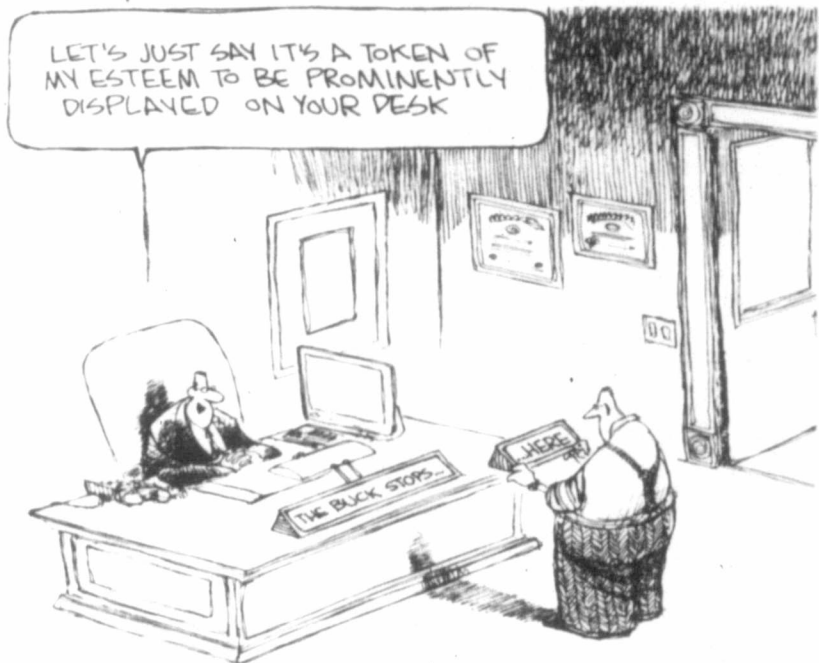
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THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil Keane



"He might've lived longer if he didn't smoke that pipe."

Non Sequitur



Nest Heads



daily horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, July 29, 2011.

This year, you see life from a renewed, dynamic perspective. You might be accused of being one-sided, but your ideas have strength, energy and power behind them. Others find it easy to follow your lead. If you are single, your charisma soars. Choosing a suitor could be complicated, especially if you like to date and enjoy life. Still, be aware of a special person who might be interested. If you are attached, the two of you might have a conflict. Remember, a relationship is a two-way street. Try to identify with your significant other more often. A fellow LEO also likes the limelight.

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)
 ★★★★★ You might feel smooth and easy, but be aware that others could be recuperating from a difficult and challenging workweek. Your mind tends to be imaginative, particularly right now. Make it OK to drift off topic. Tonight: Let the games begin.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
 ★★★ If you can work from home, all the better. You could be exhausted by recent events and decisions. Decide how much is too much and what is not enough. Your centering makes all the difference in the choices you make. Tonight: Invite some friends over.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
 ★★★★★ Keep conversations moving and direct. Adding your unusual sense of humor, questioning your plans or applying that Gemini intellect can only help. Refuse to take on any project or situation that could be a time burden. Tonight: Out and about.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
 ★★★ Curb a need to be possessive and direct. Your sense of direction makes all the difference with your finances. You can be a moody spender, being aware of your long-term goals could be critical. Don't try to keep up with the Joneses. Tonight: Your treat.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
 ★★★★★ If you had nearly every possibility in front of you, what would you choose to do? Considering that today pro-

vides as many opportunities as possible, think in those terms. Clear out work and errands first! Tonight: All smiles.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
 ★★ Take your time making decisions. You could be taken back by everything you need to do. The best way to proceed is one item at a time. Someone shows his or her caring in an odd manner. Accept the gesture gracefully. Tonight: Vanish while you can.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
 ★★★★★ Keep your eye on the big picture. Don't lose sight of your goals. Friends surround you and are supportive of a project and your decisions. The time is now to do what you desire. Smile your way through the day. Tonight: Where the action is.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
 ★★★ Take a step forward. Others might be more relaxed once they know that you will take the lead on a project or situation. Whether your leadership skills emerge in your personal or professional life makes no difference. Tonight: Leader of the gang.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
 ★★★★★ Your mind drifts — why not head out where your thoughts are? Happiness surrounds those willing to be somewhat whimsical at present. Opt for non-traditional plans or ideas. Tonight: Take off ASAP.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
 ★★★★★ Relate directly to the person at the center of an issue. You will command this person's full attention that way, and open up new interaction. Allow others to reveal more of themselves. Remember, you are a very strong personality. Tonight: Chat over dinner.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
 ★★★★★ Others come forward with unusual ideas. See what works for you, then make a decision. You have a lot to complete. Someone you care about could play devil's advocate. Be aware of what another person has to offer. Tonight: Out and about.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
 ★★★ You are playful and upbeat. Still, focus on each task and complete as much as possible. Are you dragging your heels? Don't. Stop and have a caring chat with someone you see every day but don't often speak to. Tonight: Do what feels comfortable.

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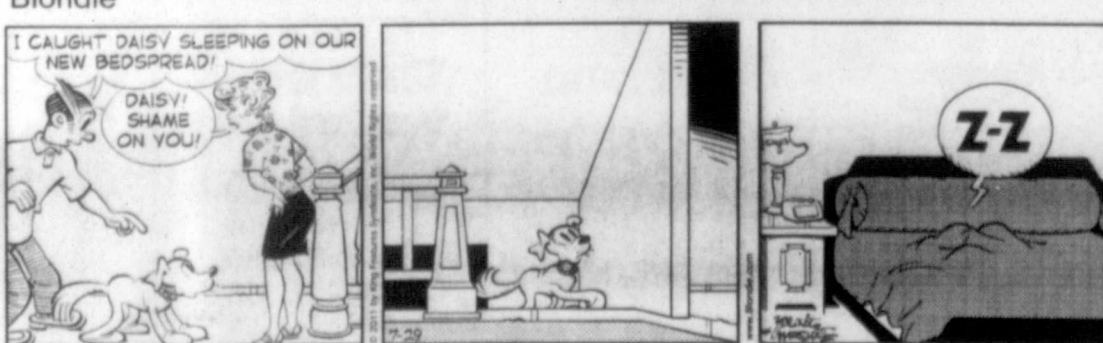
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69 Misc.

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69 Misc.

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Pampastock

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said (we should include) anybody that walked the halls of Pampa High School. So therefore, we have sold out and we have got 500 people coming to Pampa this weekend for Pampastock."

Pampastock, Stroud explained, borrows its name from the 1969 Woodstock Music and Art Fair where Jimi Hendrix, the Who, Janis Joplin and a veritable who's who of musicians put on a legendary three-day show. It may be an ambitious moniker, but Stroud said that the event has earned the name.

"We have more than (500) coming because not everybody that wanted to come could get a ticket because of the fire code," said Stroud. "So we got organized through Facebook, and now everybody that didn't get a ticket, they're coming anyhow. Everybody's all going to meet Saturday afternoon at Central Park for a sack lunch and visit there and there'll be some people there playing music. Then the ones that have a ticket will come to Pampastock, and the ones that don't are going to be in the parking lot to visit with everyone. Pampa's going to be rocking this weekend."

Stroud said that the Buster Brown Band's widespread appeal (the group lists everyone from Chaka Khan to The O'Jays to Sting as influences on its website) has made the Pampastock concert a draw for people all over.

"We not only have people from our classes from Pampa, but we've got people who did not even go to school here that want to come and hear these people play," Stroud said. "There's a lot from Amarillo. They're coming from as far away as the Philippines to hear this band play."

The concert isn't the only exciting thing coming out of this weekend's reunion, Stroud said.

"Gregg and Rick have worked and worked and worked, and they have collected donations from people that we went to school with and people from Pampa," Stroud said. "We are now going to have over \$10,000 — and this is all strictly nonprofit, no one's keeping a dime — and we are going to set up an account for the Class of '71 to go towards scholarships for high school students and financial aid for students who can't afford things like senior rings or annuals or things like that."

Stroud said that representatives from the class will form a board and will work hand in hand with PHS counselors to determine which students will receive financial aid.

"We have got all our ducks in a row," Stroud said. "This is going to be the greatest thing."

Stroud said that Facebook and online social media have been instrumental in organizing the reunion and making Pampastock as big as it looks to be.

"We've been on Facebook now for a couple of years as far as our class," Stroud said, "and it's brought us all closer together. We not only have planned this reunion through Facebook, but we've also been able to set up our own website. All of our class members are signing up on that to where all I have to do is send out one e-mail and it goes to everybody."

"It's been a lot of fun. Everybody's grown closer because of social media. It's like there's no more cliques, no more groups. Everybody's just one big group. It's been a blessing, because it's helped us all reconnect. I just love to hear everybody's stories, and it's hard to believe that we're all going to see each other this weekend. I can't wait."



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