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## Out with the old, in with the new School district prepares for new standardized tests

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Another school year approaches, and with it will come new friends, new experiences and new school supplies for those who can't resist the smell of a freshly sharpened number two pencil. Students in third through ninth grade can also expect a new standardized testing system, which the state is touting as the most thorough examination series to date.

The State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR) will replace the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS) test that Texas students had been required to take since 2003. Incoming sophomores and juniors will remain on the TAKS track, while third through ninth graders will be brought into the STAAR system.

**TAKS**  
 Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills

- Tested students over all material leading up to the year of exams
- Designed to measure "how well each student acquires and utilizes knowledge presented in the classroom"
- High school students have to pass only four exit-level tests to graduate

paring for this transition for a while now. "We are educating ourselves as much as possible, and working on providing principals with as much information as we have," said Evan Smith, Deputy Superintendent at Pampa Independent School District.

"We have such awesome teachers who are willing to roll up their sleeves and get the job done," she said.

STAAR exams will resemble TAKS in format, but will be a little different when it comes to content. While TAKS tested students over all material leading up to the year of examination, STAAR will target the year's curriculum only. Third through eighth graders will take reading and math exams each year, writing in fourth and seventh grade, science in fifth and eighth grade, and social studies in eighth grade only.

"STAAR will be a much more rigorous test for third through eighth graders. It will be more focused on academic work and preparing students for future success," said Barry Haenisch, superintendent of the PISD.

High school students will take End of Course exams that will test college readiness in each core area of study. "Students must pass each test every year in order to graduate. That's 12 exams," said Tanya Larkin, principal at Pampa High School.

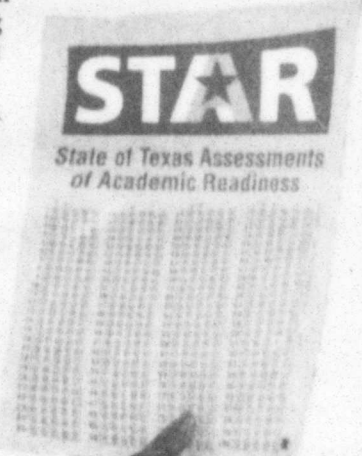
"Students will be learning the same curriculum, but deeper and at a higher level of cognition," she added.

I, and Biology. All the tests will be in multiple choice form, but the English exam will span over two days, with one day devoted to multiple choice and the other to writing.

"The test will be so much more rigorous, and the level of independent mastery will be higher than ever before," said Larkin.

The changes with the Texas Education Agency's (TEA) assessment program will not result in changes to classroom material. State curriculum will remain the same, apart from new social studies standards which are being rolled out this year.

"We won't redo the curriculum, because we'll basically have the same TEKS (Texas Essential Knowledge Testing) cont. on page 3



**STAAR**  
 State of Texas Assessment of Academic Readiness

- Will target only current year's curriculum
- Designed to measure "academic growth"; questions will focus on readiness standards to measure child's preparedness for future success in the upcoming grade level
- High school students will be required to take 12 end-of-course assessments in core content areas (math, science, English and social studies)

## Mace mishap punctuates botched Kelley's robbery

**MOLLIE BRYANT**  
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A Pampa man attempted to rob a local convenience store earlier this week and got a faceful of mace for his trouble.

On Wednesday evening at around 6 p.m., Jeremy Allen Teakell, 38, committed an act of theft in the Kelley's at 1020 East Frederic.

Two clerks who were on duty at the time locked him in the convenience store before calling the Pampa Police Department. Officer Jon Hammond arrived on the scene to issue Teakell a trespassing warning, but Teakell responded by initiating an assault against the officer.

One of the clerks came to



**Teakell**  
 were called to Kelley's to assist Hammond, and Teakell was arrested by police on charges of assault on a public servant and resisting arrest.

According to Lieutenant Colby Brown of the Pampa Police Department, Teakell was under the influence of pharmaceuticals at the time.

the rescue with pepper spray in an attempt to break up the fight. Unfortunately, she maced both Teakell and Hammond.

Additional officers

## St. Vincent's flea market open today and tomorrow

**ARNIE AURELLANO**  
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St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church will be holding the 2011 version of its annual flea market fundraising event from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. today and again from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. tomorrow inside the church gym at 2300 N. Hobart.

According to Lois Martin, president of the women's council at St. Vincent de Paul, this year's flea market is the largest in memory.

"I've been going to church here 25 years," Martin said, "and we've been doing it that long... This is the biggest one I've ever seen."

Everything for sale comes from donations from members of St. Vincent's congregation. Martin

said that the church has had several elderly parishioners move closer to their families within the last year and that the church inherited several items from them now for sale at the flea market.

"We've got a lot of nice things this year," Martin said. "Everything from clothes to furniture to children's stuff to games to purses, jewelry, baskets. We've got some nice exercise equipment, a lot of baby stuff, strollers, rockers."

The flea market is St. Vincent's biggest fundraiser of the year, Martin said. All proceeds from the sale go towards the church's various needs.

"People look forward to it every year," Martin said. "It's really one of the only fundraising things our organization does."



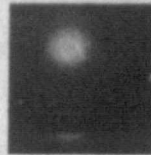
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### PAMPA FORECAST

Today	Saturday	Sunday
		
High 101 Low 73	High 104 Low 71	High 101 Low 72

**Today:** Mostly sunny and hot, with a high near 101. South southwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

**Tonight:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 73. South wind between 5 and 10 mph.

**Saturday:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny and hot, with a high near 104. Southwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

**Saturday Night:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 71. South southwest wind around 10 mph.

**Sunday:** Mostly sunny and hot, with a high near 101. Southwest wind around 10 mph.

**Sunday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 72. South wind around 10 mph.

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## Jury to hear case of Ft. Hood suspect

WACO (AP) — An AWOL soldier accused of planning to blow up a Texas restaurant frequented by Fort Hood troops could face more charges, a judge said Thursday.

U.S. Magistrate Judge Jeff Manske in Waco heard testimony from FBI agents in the case of Pfc. Naser Jason Abdo before sending the case to a grand jury. The judge said Abdo could be indicted on additional charges but didn't elaborate.

U.S. attorneys already have

charged Abdo with possession of an unregistered destructive device in connection with a bomb plot. He has yet to enter a plea. If convicted, he could face up to 10 years in prison.

The 21-year-old was arrested last week at a Killeen hotel near Fort Hood.

Investigators say Abdo had a handgun and ingredients for an explosive device, including gunpowder, two pressure cookers, clocks and wire. He is being held without bond.

Abdo was approved as a conscientious objector this year after citing his Muslim beliefs. But that status was put on hold after he was charged with possessing child pornography. Last month, he went absent without leave from Fort Campbell, Ky.

After a hearing in the same Waco federal courtroom last week, Abdo shouted the name of the soldier charged in the 2009 shooting rampage at Fort Hood that killed 13 people.

## Obituaries

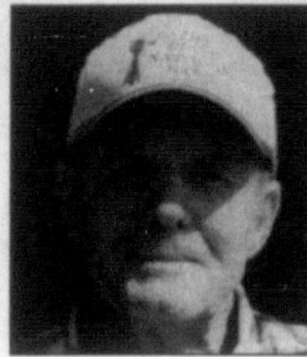
### Jim Radcliff, 71

Jim Radcliff, 71, died August 2, 2011, in Pampa.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, August 6, 2011, at First Church of the Nazarene, with Pastor Jimmy Cole, officiating.

Burial will be at Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Radcliff was born April 7, 1940, in Borger. He was a lifelong resident



Radcliff

of Pampa, graduating from Pampa High School in 1958. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving during peacetime. He married Yvonne McDaniel on May 14, 2002, in Las Vegas, Nev. Jim was the proprietor of Radcliff's Rocks & Relics for twelve years. He was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene. Jim was a scout leader for many years with the Boy Scouts and was a former member of the International Order of The Oddfellows.

Survivors include his wife, Yvonne Radcliff of the home; three daughters, Pamela Gilson of Shamrock, Renda Duran of Pampa and Amy Bennett of Amarillo; two sons, James Radcliff of Pampa and Matthew David Radcliff of California; a brother, John Radcliff of Pampa; two sisters, Mildred Rice of Canyon and Jessie Brantwein of White Deer; 13 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

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## For the record

### Police Department

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24 hour period ending Thursday, August 4 at 7 a.m.

Police reported 29 traffic related incidents.

Animal Control agents and Pampa PD responded to 14 animal related incidents.

EMS and the Pampa Fire Department responded to eight medical calls.

**Wednesday, August 3**

Police reported a gas drive off at the 1000 block

of West Wilks.

A missing person was reported at the 100 block of South Starkweather.

An offense against family and children was reported at the 300 block of South Canadian.

A domestic disturbance occurred at the 1100 block of Juniper.

A theft was reported at the 1000 block of East Frederic.

Identity theft was reported at the 1900 block of North Wells.

Police investigated a welfare check at the 1900

block of North Banks.

A domestic disturbance was reported at the 2300 block of North Rosewood.

Disorderly conduct was reported at the 1300 block of West Kentucky.

A domestic disturbance was reported at the 500 block of North Faulkner.

**Thursday, August 4**

A domestic disturbance was reported at the 700 block of East Murphy.

### Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests for the 24

hour period ending Thursday, August 4 at 7 a.m.

**Wednesday, August 3**

Thomas Dale Jedele, 23, was arrested by police on charges of littering, failure to appear in court, and interference with public duties.

Donald Wayne Perry, 36, was arrested by police for assault.

**Thursday, August 4**

Jeremy Allen Teakell, 38, was arrested by police on charges of assault on a public servant and resisting arrest, search, or transport.

## CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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## Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

**DEAR ABBY:** Like other people my age, I'm supposed to get a colonoscopy. The difficulty is that someone has to go to the two-hour appointment with me, as well as supervise me for 3 to 4 hours afterward until the anesthesia wears off.

I don't have family here, and my friends all work full time, so I hesitate to ask them. Can I hire a home health aide to go along with me? Is there a volunteer organization that provides companions? Could I stay in the recovery room for several hours and then take a taxi or drive myself home? The lack of a person to accompany me is the major reason I haven't gotten the procedure yet. I know I must not be the only person in this boat. What do you suggest? — **ON MY OWN IN BLOOMINGTON, IND.**

**DEAR ON YOUR OWN:** You're definitely not the only person who has faced this problem, which is why I'm printing your letter.

**Do you belong to a church? If so, contact your clergy person and ask if he or she knows someone in your congregation who would be willing to accompany you for the procedure, drive you home and stay for a few hours. If not, because you live in a university town, contact the school and ask if one of the students would like to earn some extra money by providing**

**you with transportation and supervision.**

**Or, ask your doctor for a referral to a health-care aide who might be available to help you. Now stop procrastinating and schedule this very important appointment.**

**DEAR ABBY:** I'm a 28-year-old married woman. I work full time, own a house with my husband and have a great family life. As an only child, I have always been close with my parents. I talk to Mom sometimes twice a day and stay at their house when my husband has to work the night shift.

I mentioned to my parents that I want to get a small tattoo on my foot. They went nuts. Mom screamed at me to get out of her house. She said if I get a tattoo I am no longer welcome in her house. I tried explaining that I am an adult and although she may not agree with my choice, the decision is not hers. Dad said tattoos are trashy. Mom wouldn't speak to me for two weeks. I had to send her flowers to smooth things over.

I don't know what to do. I still want the tattoo. My husband isn't wild about the idea, but respects my decision. How do I get my parents to come around on this matter, and on my judgment in general? — **TIME TO CUT THE CORD**

**DEAR TIME TO CUT THE CORD:** You might start by being less

**dependent on their approval. Tattoos have become so common they are now mainstream -- worn by doctors, lawyers and people in just about every profession. A tattoo on your foot would not be a sign you are a fallen woman.**

**However, think carefully about this decision because once it's on, it's there to stay. And be sure that getting it isn't a delayed form of teenage rebellion on your part and that you can live with the flak that's sure to come with it.**

**Your letter reminds me of the time I told my mother I wanted to get my ears pierced. Her response was: "I gave you a perfect body. If you want two more holes in your head, it's up to you." I did and never regretted it, but it made me think twice. And that's what you should do.**

**DEAR ABBY:** Many of us have old electric typewriters that go unused. Why not donate them to a nursing home or to an elderly person who can no longer write? Even people with severe Parkinson's disease can still hit a key with one finger and write letters they were once unable to do. — **SUSAN IN ARKANSAS**

**DEAR SUSAN:** That's a great idea, and one worth pursuing for anyone interested in recycling.

# AFTERNOONRUSH Testing

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## N.M. mayor drunk closing deal

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) - Mexico border town mayor and congressional candidate Martin Resendiz was drunk when he signed nine contracts with a California company that is now suing the city for \$1 million, according to a deposition in the case.

"The day I signed . I had way too much to drink. It was after 5 p.m. and I signed it (the contracts) and I didn't know what I was signing," Sunland Park, N.M., Mayor Martin Resendiz wrote in response to questions from lawyers for the architectural design firm Synthesis+. "My sister had to pick me up."

The lawsuit claims the company is owed \$1 million for work performed under the nine contracts, according to a report Thursday in the *Albuquerque Journal*.

## Active hurricane season forecast

MIAMI (AP)- Exceptionally high ocean temperatures and atmospheric conditions that support hurricane development will keep the Atlantic and Caribbean on track for an above-average storm season, U.S. forecasters said Thursday.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration slightly upgraded its May outlook, calling for 14 to 19 named tropical storms, up from a range of 14 to 18.

That includes the five tropical storms that have formed since the six-month hurricane season started June 1. It ends Nov. 30 and the peak period for hurricanes runs from August through October.

"The atmosphere and Atlantic Ocean are primed for high hurricane activity during August through October," said Gerry Bell, lead seasonal hurricane forecaster at NOAA's Climate Prediction Center in Washington. "Storms through October will form more frequently and become more intense than we've seen so far this season."

## Father drops cyberbully lawsuit

HOUSTON (AP) - A settlement has been reached in a lawsuit against three Houston-area girls over an alleged cyberbullying video threatening a classmate.

The Houston Chronicle reported Thursday that the lawsuit has been dropped.

Attorney Robert Naudin, representing a man who says his daughter was targeted, said Wednesday that the agreement with families of the Kingwood girls includes apologies, a donation and assurances against future bullying.

The video was done in May while the three girls, who attended Riverwood Middle School, were off campus. The lawyer father of the girl, allegedly targeted in the Facebook posting, gave the video to school officials, plus sent cease-and-desist demands to the families.

The defamation of character lawsuit was filed in June. All three girls denied the allegations. Names of the children haven't been made public.

## Houston could seek water release

HOUSTON (AP) - Houston may have to seek the release of up to 150 million gallons daily from Lake Conroe for the city's drinking water needs during the drought.

The Houston Chronicle reported Thursday that the preliminary notification came this week to the San Jacinto River Authority. No formal request has been made.

Houston owns two-thirds of the reservoir's water rights. The river authority holds the rest. The additional water, through a dam release, would flow downstream to Lake Houston and feed the city's nearby water purification plant.

Lake Conroe's level Thursday was about 197 feet, or 4 feet below normal.

## Groups oppose prayer meeting

AUSTIN (AP) - Civil liberties groups are gathering together in opposition to Texas Gov. Rick Perry's day of prayer and fasting this weekend.

The groups, which say they represent tens of thousands of Texans, oppose the governor's prayer meeting on Saturday because they say it disrespects the separation of church and state. They also complain that the groups organizing the event hold extreme positions on freedom of religion, homosexuality and the role of religion in government.

Perry has rejected the criticisms as unfair.

The Texas chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union is hosting an alternative event in Houston Friday night. The Texas Freedom Network sent Perry a letter signed by 10,000 people saying he is using religion for political gain. People for the American Way criticized the event as excluding non-evangelical Christians.

## Austin to have plug-in stations

AUSTIN (AP) - Austin Energy has announced locations for more than 100 plug-in charging stations for electric vehicles.

Austin is one of nine metro regions nationwide to take part in the program using federal stimulus funds. The U.S. Department of Energy says Texas, as of this spring, already had dozens of charging stations in Austin, San Antonio, Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston and some suburbs.

The updated list of 103 Austin plug-in charging stations, announced Wednesday, includes sites at restaurants, hotels, medical facilities, schools, retail stores and libraries.

Austin Energy offers a \$25 six-month subscription swipe card for unlimited charging. An alternative method of payment is using a credit card for \$2 per hour of charging.

## Cop gets prison for trafficking

LAREDO (AP) — A federal judge has sentenced a former Laredo police officer to 6½ years in prison for helping a trafficker move and safeguard cocaine.

The U.S. Attorney's Office says U.S. District Judge George Kazen sentenced 34-year-old Pedro Martinez III on one count of conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute cocaine.

Martinez had pleaded guilty to putting Guillermo Villarreal in touch with someone with house where he could store cocaine. Villarreal is awaiting sentencing. Martinez also conspired with former Laredo police officer Orlando Jesus Hale to ensure the safe passage of drug loads through the city in exchange for money. Hale was sentenced in April in a related case.

and Skills)," said Haenisch. "We want to be more aware of what kids are learning, set a high standard, and make sure that students are meeting that standard."

Pampa teachers have attended meetings on new testing procedures, standards and instruction this summer to prepare for the change.

"We're not taking it lightly. We have been preparing for this for years," said Larkin.

Smith doesn't expect Pampa students to have any trouble adjusting to the new testing system.

"They are used to being assessed, especially at the high school level. The tests won't be that different in format, but in content," she said.

Last September, the TEA began plans to transition schools around the state to the new testing system in accordance with House Bill 3, passed by the 81st Texas Legislature. But some educators complain that this process has not given them a clear enough vision of what to expect.

"The state has not released much information about what the test looks like, but they've given us blueprints," said Larkin.

"One problem is that TEA hasn't given us a lot of information," agreed Haenisch. "With the loss of state revenue, TEA has taken a severe beating, so they may be short-handed in trying to prepare for it."

Despite any drawbacks, educators in Pampa feel prepared for the challenge. "We hope to ensure that kids are exposed to the work and experience that they need to succeed," said Larkin.

Sudoku

Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

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# Viewpoints

## Today in History

Today is Friday, Aug. 5, the 217th day of 2011. There are 148 days left in the year.

### Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 5, 1921, a baseball game was broadcast for the first time as KDKA radio announcer Harold Arlin described the action between the Pittsburgh Pirates and the Philadelphia Phillies from Forbes Field. (The Pirates won, 8-5.)

### On this date:

In 1861, President Abraham Lincoln signed the Revenue Act of 1861, which included the first-ever federal personal income tax, a 3-percent levy on incomes above \$800 (however, no income tax ended up actually being collected under this law).

In 1864, during the Civil War, Union Admiral David G. Farragut led his fleet to victory in the Battle of Mobile Bay, Ala.

In 1936, Jesse Owens of the United States won the 200-meter dash at the Berlin Olympics, collecting the third of his four gold medals.

In 1953, Operation Big Switch began as prisoners taken during the Korean conflict were exchanged at Panmunjom.

In 1961, the amusement park Six Flags Over Texas had its official grand opening day in Arlington.

In 1962, actress Marilyn Monroe, 36, was found dead in her Los Angeles home; her death was ruled a probable suicide from an overdose of sleeping pills.

In 1963, the United States, Britain and the Soviet Union signed a treaty in Moscow banning nuclear tests in the atmosphere, in space and underwater.

In 1969, the U.S. space probe Mariner 7 flew by Mars, sending back photographs and scientific data.

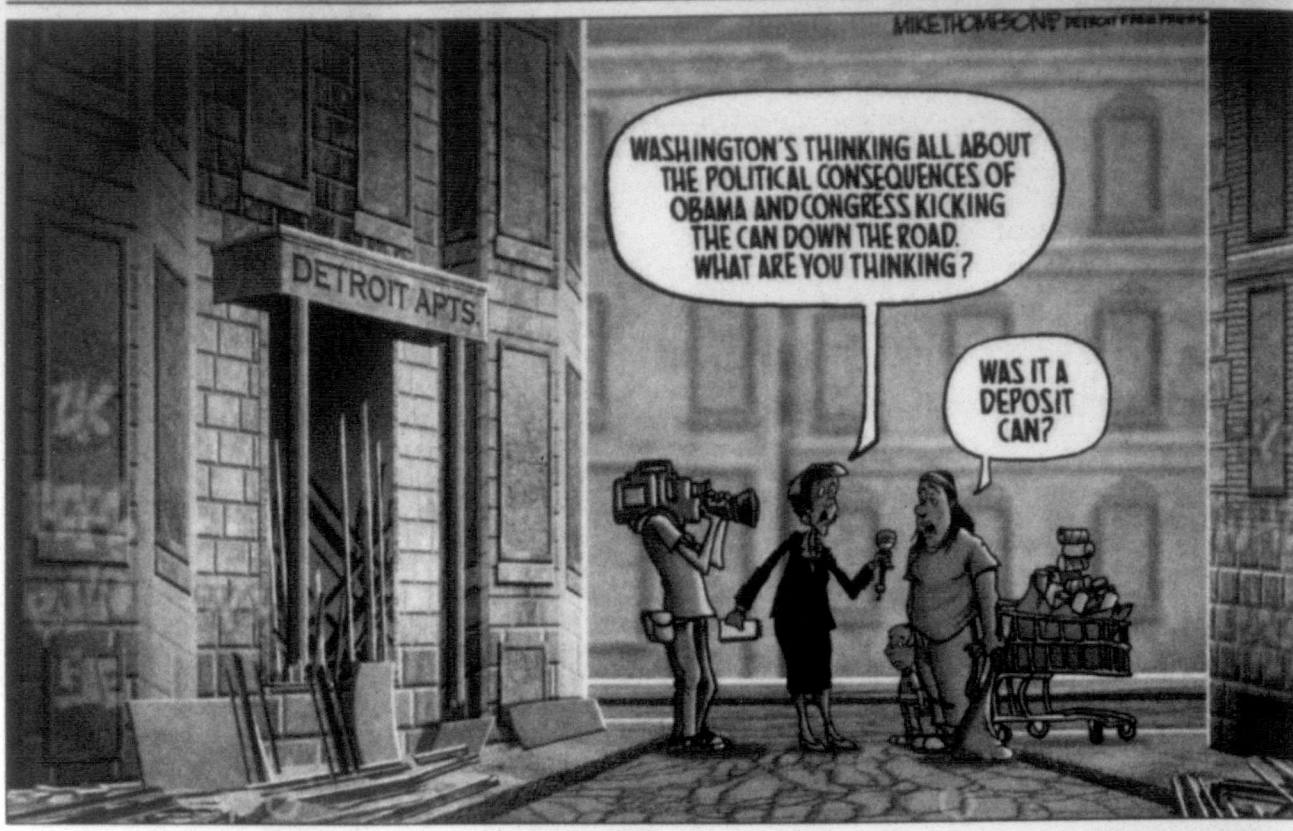
**Ten years ago:** Afghanistan's ruling Taliban jailed eight foreign aid workers, including two Americans, for allegedly preaching Christianity. (The workers were rescued in Nov. 2001 during U.S. military operations launched in the wake of 9/11.)

**Five years ago:** Floyd Landis was fired by his team and the Tour de France no longer considered him its champion after his second doping sample tested positive for higher-than-allowable levels of testosterone.

**One year ago:** BP finished pumping cement into the blown Deepwater Horizon oil well in the Gulf of Mexico. Thirty-three workers were trapped in a copper mine in northern Chile after a tunnel caved in (all 33 were rescued after being entombed for 69 days).

**Today's Birthdays:** Former astronaut Neil A. Armstrong is 81. Actor John Saxon is 75. Country songwriter Bobby Braddock is 71. Rock musician Rick Huxley (The Dave Clark Five) is 71. Actress Loni Anderson is 66. Actress Erika Slezak is 65. Rock singer Rick Derringer is 64. Actress Holly Palance is 61. Singer Samantha Sang is 58. Actress-singer Maureen McCormick is 55. Rock musician Pat Smear is 52. Actress Tawney Kitaen is 50. Country musician Mark O'Connor is 50. Actor Jonathan Silverman is 45. Country singer Terri Clark is 43. Actor Brendon Ryan Barrett is 25.

**Thought for Today:** "If everyone is thinking alike, then somebody isn't thinking." - Gen. George S. Patton (1885-1945)



## A debate about our priorities and our character

The debate we have just witnessed has shown Washington, D.C. to be not just broken, but corrupt.

The American people are disgusted watching politicians play political chicken with the nation's economy and future. In such a bitter and unprincipled atmosphere, whoever has the political clout to enforce their self-interest and retain their privileges wins the battles. But there are two casualties in such political warfare: the common good and the most vulnerable.

So how will vulnerable people fare under this deal?

"The Circle of Protection," a diverse nonpartisan movement of Christian leaders, has been deeply engaged in the budget debate to uphold the principle that low-income people should be protected. But it is hard to evaluate a deal that averts a crisis when the crisis wasn't necessary in the first place.

Over the past few weeks, our economy has indeed been held hostage as politicians negotiated the price of the release. Ultimately, I think most of us wish that no hostages had been taken in the first place, and this was no way to run a government or make important budget decisions.

The deal just passed by the House and Senate raises the debt ceiling with enough room that the issue won't have to be revisited until 2013.

The first phase is a set of agreed-upon cuts of nearly \$1 trillion over the next 10 years.

The second phase sets up a committee of legislators that is tasked with finding another \$1.5 trillion in cuts over the same time period. If the committee fails to come up with a deal, then a "trigger" is pulled and automatic cuts are enacted.

These triggered cuts are designed to be distasteful enough that, in theory, both sides will stay at the table until they have an agreement.

It appears that the voice of the faith community was at least heard and made some difference in the out-

come of the default debate. We met with the president and Democratic leaders Harry Reid and Nancy Pelosi, and all of them fought to defend low-income people as we asked them to do.

The White House protected low-income entitlement programs from automatic cuts in the "trigger" and successfully defended Medicaid.

We also pleaded for low-income people in meetings with Republican Paul Ryan and with the staffs of John Boehner and Mitch McConnell. They told us they agreed with the principle but did not uphold it in their final proposals.

We hope and pray that the protestations of the faith community will work on the hearts of both Republicans and Democrats as the details of this plan are worked out.

Genuinely reforming federal programs, including entitlements, with a special eye to protect the most vulnerable, is something the faith community has supported, but slashing programs for the poor while exempting the rich from sacrifice is repugnant to our spiritual values and contrary to scripture. This plan could still go either way.

The most glaring problem with the deal is that it doesn't, at this point, include revenues. There is no balancing between spending cuts and tax increases, and this deal, so far, falls completely on the side of spending cuts.

It is possible that revenues will be revisited in the new super committee, but given the insistence of a cuts-only approach by the Republican leaders, it is not clear how likely a more balanced approach will be.

Corporate tax loopholes for the very rich were protected, while the core

safety net for the most vulnerable is still in great jeopardy.

The private jet industry mobilized to protect its tax deductions; the most profitable oil companies in the country will continue to get their public money for offshore drilling subsidies. But programs like WIC and SNAP — providing critical nutrition help for low-income mothers and their kids — and malaria bed nets and vaccinations for children in Africa are threatened.

If the wealthy are not asked to share in the sacrifice, then cuts will undoubtedly come from those who can least afford it. But if sacrifice is shared, we can both reduce the deficit and reduce poverty as our country has done before.

We heard from those inside the negotiations that the voice of the faith community was heard — your voice mattered.

The 18,202 people across the country who joined the "Circle of Protection" have shown that poor people do have a constituency looking out for them — and that's what matters in these debates, according to the people involved in them.

This national debate about our priorities and, indeed, our character, is far from over. When all is said and done in any final deal, the faith community will be watching to see if the most vulnerable are being protected or savaged for the financial sins of the rest of us.

If low-income people are not exempted from deficit reduction, the result will be a fundamental moral default. With your help, we will continue to remind our legislators to remember that God is watching them too.

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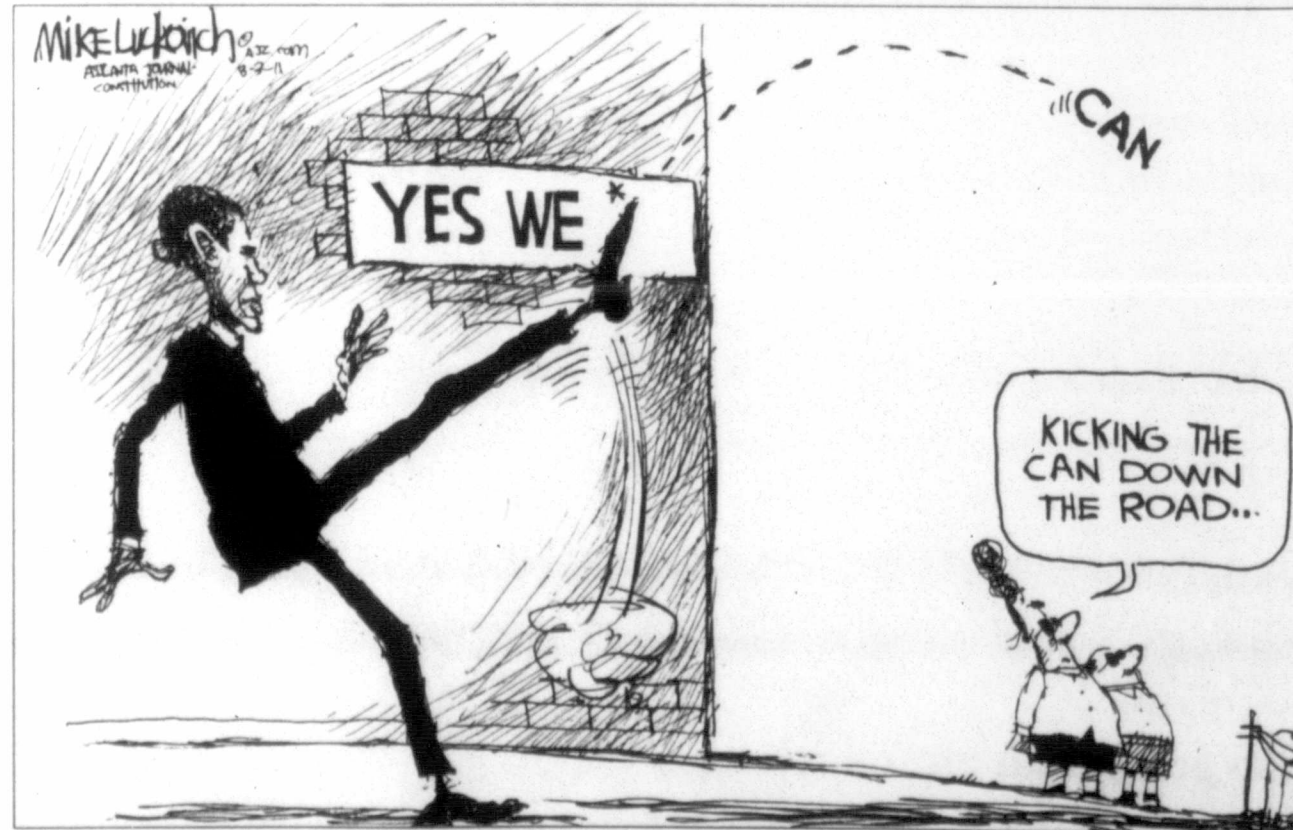
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# Worship

## Jonah is a friend of God's grace

Sometimes we can't fully appreciate the stories we learned as children until we become adults. To a child, the main point of the story of Jonah is that he got swallowed up by a whale! Actually, the Bible says Jonah was swallowed by a "big fish", but we get the point either way.

As fun as this story is for kids, it's really a story that takes on the most meaning as we mature. You see, the reason Jonah had to spend a three day "time-out" inside a sea creature was because he didn't want to obey God. And he had good reason for his rebellion. God's plan was to send Jonah to the city of Ninevah to prophesy that they would be destroyed for their sin. Jonah didn't mind a good "doom and gloom" prophecy; after all, the people of Ninevah were rotten-stinkin'-no good people. Ninevah was the capitol of the Assyrian Empire. The Assyrians, who actually invented crucifixion, were the most feared force of their day. So, Jonah was game for the idea of this evil people being wiped off the face of the earth. The problem was that Jonah knew a secret: this God who could destroy an unholy nation with the flick of his pinky finger was also the God who longs to show mercy. Jonah feared that if he brought this prophecy to the Ninevites, they would repent of their sin and God would pour grace out upon them instead of wrath. If you remember the story, that's exactly what God did.

Perhaps we understand Jonah better than we care to admit. We love the "Amazing Grace" of God...until God shares that grace with someone whom we don't think deserves it. Sometimes, we can become so disappointed and angry with people that we actually become an enemy of grace.



**BLOSSOM MATTHEWS**

### the good word

Perhaps we believe that it's impossible for God to change their hard hearts, or even worse, we so despise them that we don't want them to experience repentance and grace. When we discover those individuals and people groups on whom we've

totally given up, we've found our Ninevah.

Who is your Ninevah? Who has so disappointed you that you've completely given up on them? Or whose actions so infuriate or repulse you that you think they are just too far beyond God's grace? Like the "soup nazi" on Seinfeld who decided just who did and didn't deserve a delicious bowl of soup, it's tempting to say to those who have betrayed or done us wrong, "No grace for you!" While it is wise to set appropriate boundaries between us and those who have used or abused us, we should also keep praying that God will convict them of their sin and heal them of the brokenness in their souls that led to such actions in the first place. We all come to a place in life where we must decide whether we will be an enemy of grace (like Jonah) or a friend of grace. And it's by the grace of God alone that we can have enough love and compassion in our hearts to choose the latter.

*Blossom Matthews is the lead pastor at First United Methodist Church*

## CHURCH SPOTLIGHT

### First Assembly of God to give parents a night out

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First Assembly of God is raising money for its youth group and giving parents a night out at the same time.

The church is hosting a carnival 5 p.m. today to watch the children while the parents are out. Children's director Tammy Mendoza said the money raised will go to the youth group.

"Parents have to pay the admission fee to give kids access to all the dif-

ferent things," Mendoza said.

Admission is \$6.50. Children will get access to bounce houses, water slides, games, a dunking booth, water balloons and other things. Mendoza said there will be a silent auction.

"There will be different products donated by businesses for parents and kids to bid on," Mendoza said.

Mexican dinners will be available for \$10. The dinners include green chilis, rice and beans.

First Assembly of God is located on the 500 block of South Cuyler Street.

## GOD'S GOOD NEWS

### Hitting the curveballs of life

**DAVID BOULER**  
Highland Park Baptist Church

Coach Rob Ellis has written several articles on how to hit a curveball. He played twelve years in the major leagues. Now most of us will never play in the baseball major leagues, but we all face the curve balls of life. The question is how do we deal with them?

The story is told of a young high school baseball star who had a great talent in hitting homeruns. This got the attention of the major league scouts and he was offered a contract. He would regularly write his parents and give them a report on his success:

The first week: "Dear Dad, I am the top batter on the team. This is easier than I thought."

The second week: "Mom, things are going well. I will be a starting outfielder. I am

batting 450."

The third week: "Dear Folks, this week they started throwing curveballs. Will probably be home next week."

The point is when life throws you a curveball, don't go home, don't quit. You need to stay in the box, slow things down, and figure it out. To flee from our problems never fixes anything. A new job, a new medical complication, a new business difficulty or a thousand other things can bring in a curve ball of life. The Bible says, "Be still and know that I am God" (Psalm 46:10). The good news today is, you do not have to face your problems alone.

The Lord Jesus, a pastor, or a friend will stand beside you.

*David Bouler is a pastor at Highland Park Baptist Church in Chattanooga, Tenn.*

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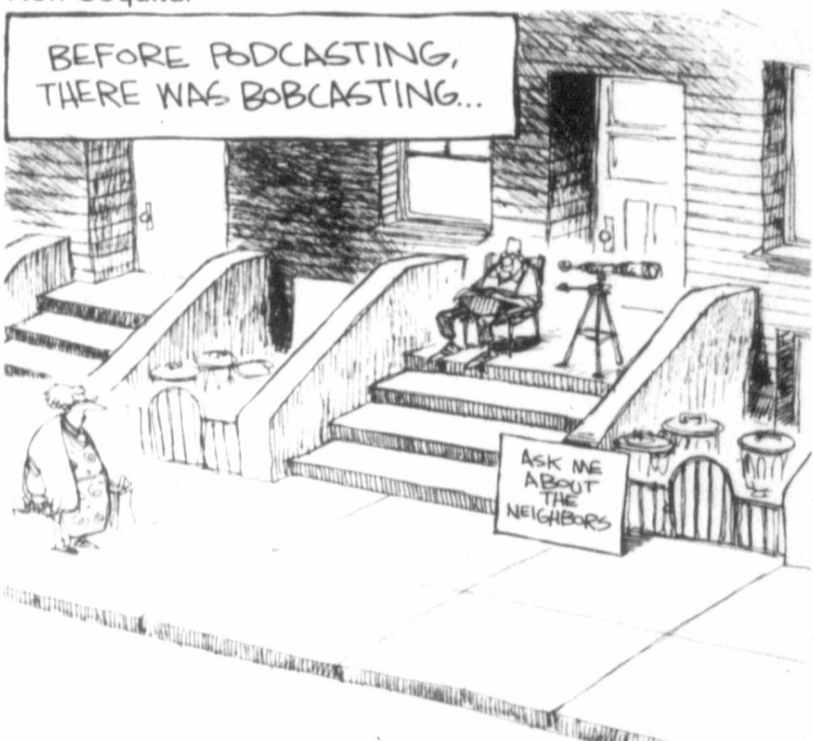


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## daily horoscope

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Friday, Aug. 5, 2011.

This year, you become more concerned with your family and your priorities. You want to build security, but the cost might be that some family secrets are revealed. Make the right decision for you, but don't forget the greater good. You often feel as if you are in the whirlwind of life. You might want to slow down through some form of exercise or meditation. If you are single, you might long for a close relationship. Don't push it to the live-in stage too soon. If you are attached, the two of you might choose to spend more time nestled in at home. **SCORPIO** can be intense and rigid.

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 be stunned by all your options. A lot appears out of the blue. You tend to go overboard with your feelings and other well-loved indulgences. Curb a need to spend right now. Listen to friends. Get opinions. Tonight: Out as a duo.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)**  
★★★★ You have many alternatives. How others present their case could be controversial. You might feel like someone is shoving ideas down your throat. Your patience develops a short fuse. Stay cool, calm and collected. Tonight: So many possibilities.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)**  
★★★ You might have pushed to your limit without knowing it. Curb fast spending, especially if you are looking at a major project. You could be overly serious as you see situations bound out of control. Tonight: Just don't push to your limit.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)**  
★★★★ Your creativity and energy mark your decisions. You seem to have an answer for nearly any problem. A group of friends is already in weekend mode. Let it all hang out. Use your energy positively. Tonight: Just ask.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)**  
★★★★ Stay centered and follow through on key personal matters. Some of you will schedule your plans around a roommate or family member. Tap into a partner's or dear friend's imagination.

Once you relax, you'll start having a good time. Tonight: Invite a friend or two over.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**  
★★★★ Consider your options more carefully than in the past. Your sense of humor emerges when dealing with a loved one or family member. It is good to have other views. Start planning a visit with a loved one at a distance. Tonight: Where there is music.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)**  
★★★ Curb a tendency to go overboard. You might want to revise your plans if you feel as if you have no control. Listen to feedback from a child or loved one who wishes you'd accept yourself and him or her more easily. Tonight: Play the night away.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)**  
★★★★ You don't need to overthink things. Act, which looks like doing more of what you want. Others come forward with a myriad of choices. You know what you want; let others know as well. Tonight: Out and about.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)**  
★★★★ Know when to duck out of decision-making. Today, work behind the scenes to accomplish more of what you desire. At the same time, you could get a lot accomplished that has been on the back burner. Tonight: Vanish while you can.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**  
★★★★ Tap into the support of a like-minded group. You'll draw results that you hadn't expected with this force behind you. A partner could be touchy and temperamental. Try not to tumble into his or her web. Tonight: Say "yes" to living.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)**  
★★★ Stay on top of requests. You easily could be overwhelmed by what is happening. Listen to news more openly, gaining a greater sense of direction and knowledge. See and understand what is going on behind the scenes. Tonight: A must appearance.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)**  
★★★★ Your ability to get to the bottom of a problem and solve an issue emerges, in this case, because of your ability to detach and gain a perspective. Relax with a child or loved one who could be quite assertive at the moment. Tonight: Kick up your heels.

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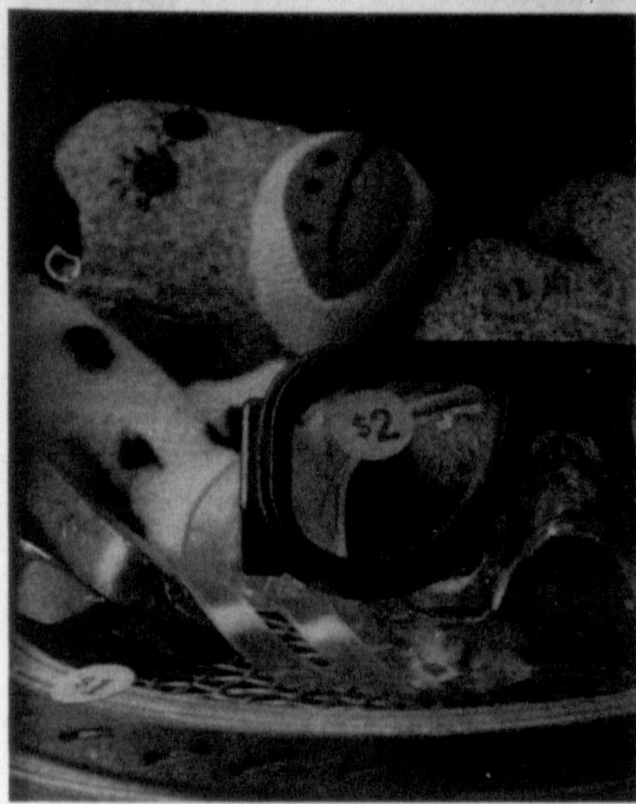


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| <p><b>Multi-Family Yard Sale</b><br/>535 N. Faulkner<br/>Fri. &amp; Sat.</p> <p>Clothes, furniture, appliances, tools, decor, 5th wheel plate hook up, tool box &amp; much, much more.</p>   | <p><b>3 Family Sale</b><br/>1841 Grape Ln.<br/>Sat. 8 a.m. - Noon</p> <p>Clothing, home decor, books, etc.</p>  | <p><b>Inside Sale</b><br/>1313 Christine<br/>Sat. 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.</p> <p>Everything must go.</p>   | <p><b>11950 McCullough</b><br/>Fri. &amp; Sat.<br/>8 a.m. - ?</p> <p>TV, new upholstered loveseat, nearly new router, Craftsman lawnmower, qu. mattress, paving bricks, baker's rack, recliner.</p> |
| <p><b>1539 N. Sumner</b><br/>Fri. Only<br/>8 a.m. - Noon<br/>Leaving for college-<br/>Need money!</p> <p>Clothes, TV, household, minicycle, misc.</p>  | <p><b>Garage Sale</b><br/>510 Roberta<br/>Fri. &amp; Sat.<br/>8 a.m. - ?</p> <p>Tools, 1994 Ford, Miller Welder, some household.</p>  | <p><b>2412 Dogwood</b><br/>Sat. 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.</p> <p>Stroller w/carrier, lots of baby stuff, Boy's infant-3T, men's and ladies clothes. LOTS of misc. items.</p>                                     | <p><b>Multi-Family Yard Sale</b><br/>1042 Farley<br/>Sat. Only<br/>7 a.m. - Noon</p>  |
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| <p><b>St. Vincent's Flea Market</b><br/>2300 N. Hobart<br/>Fri. - 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.<br/>Sat. - 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.</p> <p>Lots of great items!</p>   | <p><b>805 E. Francis</b><br/>Sat. Only<br/>8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.</p> <p>19" TV, bed frames, dryer, lots of misc.</p>   | <p><b>Garage Sale - Rain or Shine</b><br/>1821 Lynn<br/>Sat. Only<br/>8 a.m. - 3 p.m.</p> <p>Antiques, quilts &amp; afghans, movies, tools, painting, gift items, crafts, fabrics &amp; lots more.</p> | <p><b>Garage Sale</b><br/>2100 Christine<br/>Fri. &amp; Sat.<br/>8 a.m. - ?</p> <p>Kitchen table, qu. sz. mattress, lots of kid's clothes, toys.</p>  |
| <p><b>117 Walnut Dr.</b><br/>Fri. &amp; Sat.<br/>8 a.m. - ?</p> <p>Lots of good and clean stuff! Furniture, clothes - all sizes, dishes, lamps, flower arrangements, etc. All at good prices!</p>  | <p><b>1609 Mary Ellen</b><br/>Sat. 7:30 a.m. - Noon</p> <p>Clothing and misc. items</p>   |  |   |

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## ON THE TUBE

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**Sprint Cup**  
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 800, 1 p.m., Sunday  
**Nationwide Series**  
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 7:30 p.m., Saturday  
**Truck Series**  
 Good Sam RV Emergency Road  
 Service 125  
 1 p.m., Saturday

## BURNING ISSUES

► Before this season, Regan Smith had never finished in the top 10 of a Sprint Cup race. This year he has finished in the top 10 in four big races: first at Darlington, third at Indy, seventh in the Daytona 500 and eighth in Charlotte's Coca-Cola 600.

► Paul Menard became the 11th driver to win in 18 NASCAR races at Indy. He's the first to claim the first victory of his career at the Brickyard.

► Menard also became the season's fourth first-time winner, joining Smith, Trevor Bayne and David Reardon.

► What is, at least for now, the final Nationwide Series race at Lucas Oil Raceway (now "Fally Raceway Park, or "before that, Indianapolis Raceway Park) went to Brad Keselowski. Next year, the Nationwide Series race will be held at the Brickyard.

► Attendance for the Brickyard 400 was estimated at 138,000, as compared with 140,000 in 2010. Both figures were likely a tad high.

► Menard's victory put him in solid position to make the Chase, but much could change over the final six regular-season races.

► Two big names, Tony Stewart and Dale Earnhardt Jr., are in grave danger of missing out on the Chase. They are, at the moment, ninth and 10th in the points standings, respectively. Stewart has a 22-point edge over 11th-place Denny Hamlin, and Earnhardt leads Hamlin by 19. Neither has a victory.

► Menard became the 14th Cup driver to win this season. That's already one more than 2010 and as many as 2009. The last time more than 14 drivers won in a single season was 2007 (16).

## 2011 STANDINGS

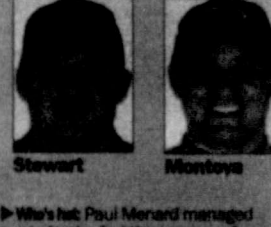
Sprint Cup Series	Pts.
1. Carl Edwards	682
2. Jimmie Johnson	611
3. Kevin Harvick	512
4. Kyle Busch	476
5. Matt Kenseth	476
6. Kurt Busch	458
7. Jeff Gordon	452
8. Ryan Newman	444
9. Tony Stewart	437
10. Dale Earnhardt Jr.	428
11. Denny Hamlin	425
12. Clint Bowyer	408

Nationwide Series	Pts.
1. Ricky Stenhouse Jr.	740
2. Reed Sorenson	603
3. Elliott Sadler	541
4. Justin Allgaier	524
5. Eric Almirall	499
6. Jason Leffler	494
7. Kenny Wallace	483
8. Steve Wallace	468
9. Brian Scott	474
10. Michael Annett	475

Camping World Truck Series	Pts.
1. Johnny Sauter	453
2. Austin Dillon	444
3. James Buescher	420
4. Timothy Peters	422
5. Cole Whit	329
6. Matt Crafton	29
7. Parker Kliggeman	46
8. Joey Coulter	50
9. Ron Hornaday Jr.	52
10. Todd Bodine	76



## WHO'S HOT AND WHO'S NOT



► **Who's hot:** Paul Menard managed to win for the first time on one of the world's great motor sports stages. ... Tony Stewart managed to fringe a top-10 finish and moved up to ninth in the standings. Without a win, the top 10 is supremely important to his Chase hopes.

► **Who's not:** High hopes didn't pan out at Indy for Juan Pablo Montoya, who is winless and 20th in the season standings. ... Clint Bowyer's Indy finish, 13th, reflects his recent fortunes.



## SPRINT CUP

**Race:** Good Sam RV Insurance 500  
**Where:** Pocono Raceway, Long Pond, Pa. (2.5 mi.), 200 laps/500 miles.  
**When:** Sunday, Aug. 7.  
**Last year's winner:** Greg Biffle, Ford.  
**Qualifying record:** Kasey Kahne, Dodge, 172.533 mph, June 11, 2004.  
**Race record:** Rusty Wallace, Ford, 144.892 mph, July 21, 1996.  
**Last week:** In a season marked by upsets, Paul Menard became the first NASCAR driver to post his first career victory at Indianapolis Motor Speedway. Menard's Chevy held off the charge of another, driven by four-time Indy winner Jeff Gordon.

## NATIONWIDE

**Race:** U.S. Cellular 250  
**Where:** Iowa Speedway, Newton (.875 mi.), 250 laps/218.8 miles.  
**When:** Saturday, Aug. 6.  
**Last year's winner:** Kyle Busch, Toyota.  
**Qualifying record:** Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Ford, 135.135 mph, Aug. 1, 2009.  
**Race record:** Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Ford, 106.132 mph, May 22, 2011.  
**Last week:** Brad Keselowski drove a Dodge to victory in what, at least for now, is the final series race at Lucas Oil Raceway in Clermont, Ind. Ricky Stenhouse Jr. led 189 laps but wound up finishing third.

## CAMPING WORLD TRUCK

**Race:** Good Sam RV Emergency Road Service 125  
**Where:** Pocono Raceway, Long Pond, Pa. (2.5 mi.), 50 laps/125 miles.  
**When:** Saturday, Aug. 6.  
**Last year's winner:** Elliott Sadler, Chevy.  
**Qualifying record:** Elliott Sadler, Chevy, 162.602 mph, July 31, 2010.  
**Race record:** Elliott Sadler, Chevy, 111.966 mph, July 31, 2010.  
**Last week:** Timothy Peters, in a Toyota, collected the third victory of his career at Lucas Oil Raceway. James Buescher finished second in a Chevy, followed by Toyota drivers David Starr and Miguel Paludo.

**POCONO DATA**

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Distance: 2.5-mile oval  
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 Length of backstretch: 3,055 ft.  
 Length of shortstretch: 1,780 ft.  
 Miles/Laps: 500 mi. = 200 laps

## IN THE SPOTLIGHT

### PAUL MENARD



Thirty-year-old Paul Menard, at left, got the first victory of his Cup career at Indianapolis Motor Speedway on Sunday. Menard could sneak into the Chase with a wild-card slot after the victory. The Wisconsin driver, who edged Jeff Gordon, says his team has a lot of work to do with six races left.

### WHAT'S UP NEXT

#### SPRINT CUP SERIES

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### FEUD OF THE WEEK

#### MATT KENSETH VS. PAUL MENARD

Cambridge, Wis., native Kenseth was gracious but a tad cool about Eau Claire native Menard's groundbreaking Brickyard victory. "I'm happy for Paul, although I was irritated with him during the race for running me off on the track on that restart. I wish no race came down to fuel mileage. But he has been running awfully good this year and deserves to get a win."

**NASCAR This Week's Monte Dutton gives his take:** "Kenseth's frustration was as much with how the race came out as with Menard for what Kenseth perceived to be tactics that were a little over the line."

#### YOUR TURN

#### LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

#### No Face Time For Carl Ever?

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**Dear NASCAR This Week,**  
 When the Obama "health boy," Carl Edwards, can't finish a race, he needs to be sent home or to his motor home. Many race fans haven't paid to watch him take over the announcer/broadcaster job, showboat and give his opinion/free time on the air. The broadcasters do a great job, and we can do without favoritism to the select few. There are 42 other drivers at each race and I feel if you want to give free airtime, then give it to a driver and team that need it ...  
 Ronnie Riggs Sr.  
 Maysville, N.C.

#### What's wrong with encouraging people to maintain good health, exercise and live an active lifestyle? Isn't it patriotic to agree to be an example for kids? As for Edwards' frequent appearances on television, the only reason he was there was that the TV networks asked him. What's wrong with drivers being accessible and cooperative? Do you really want no one but the broadcasters on screen? Would you feel the same if it was your favorite driver?

#### FAN TIPS

#### Could Your Style Win For Jr.?

How'd you like to redesign Dale Earnhardt Jr.'s No. 88 Chevrolet for the Talladega fall race? Better hurry. The contest ends on Aug. 10. Prizes include several "packages": Refreshment (mini-fridge and "hoagie"), Car (autographed die-cast, key chain and license-plate holder) and Fan (signed "hero card," flag and T-shirt). Junior himself will be the judge. For complete contest rules and to enter, visit [PaintThe88.com](http://PaintThe88.com).

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#### Richmond Owned Pocono

Tim Richmond won for the third time in his all-too-brief NASCAR career on July 24, 1983, in Pocono Raceway's Like Cola 500. The first of Richmond's four Pocono victories was in an Old Milwaukee-sponsored Pontiac owned by Raymond Beadle. He finished 1.95 seconds ahead of Darrell Waltrip. Bobby Allison finished third and Neil Bonnett fourth. Richmond's first two victories had occurred on road races in Riverside, Calif. At the time of his death in 1989 at age 34, Richmond had won 13 times in NASCAR's premier series.

Moto X Best Trick. Pastrana crashed twice on Thursday night.  
 Not to worry. Michael Waltrip said he has "a long-term vision with Travis."

# Menard Magical At Brickyard

Richard Childress Racing driver could make Chase with a wild-card bid

By Monte Dutton  
 NASCAR This Week

The Brickyard 400, NASCAR's annual visit to world-famous Indianapolis Motor Speedway, has experienced something of a reversal of form.

Previously noted as a precursor to Sprint Cup championships, Indy has rewarded surprise winners in consecutive years. Paul Menard, who held off Jeff Gordon's late charge, became the first driver to claim the first victory of his career at the 2.5-mile track that first hosted the Indianapolis 500 in 1911.

The 2010 winner, Jamie McMurray, produced a milder surprise, but McMurray, who finished fourth this time, failed to make the Chase and is not going to do so this time.

Menard, 30, may just get in. He is safely in the top 20 in points and, at least for the moment, in position to claim one of two wild-card slots in the Chase for the Sprint Cup.

Brickyard winners who went on to win the

championship in the season of their Brickyard victories were Jeff Gordon in 1998 and 2001, Dale Jarrett in 1999, Bobby Labonte in 2000, Tony Stewart in 2005 and Jimmie Johnson in 2006, 2008 and 2009.

Menard, from Eau Claire, Wis., isn't talking title yet, but he is excited about the potential for taking his shot.

"I mean, we're winners in Sprint Cup," he said. "That's the big deal. To do it at Indy, that's an even bigger deal."

"We've got six races left (in the regular season). We've still got a lot of work to do. ... We'll rely on our teammates (Kevin Harvick, Clint Bowyer and Jeff Burton) at Richard Childress Racing a lot. ... We've got to get our short-track program figured out."

Menard also took pride in defeating Gordon, the race's only four-time winner.

"To beat Jeff Gordon at Indy? Big deal," he said simply. "He came to victory lane. ... I watched Jeff win the inaugural Brickyard 400. To have him come down in victory lane after finishing second to us, very special."

## Jimmie Johnson stresses Brickyard's importance

By Monte Dutton  
 NASCAR This Week

INDIANAPOLIS — The Brickyard 400 has obviously lost some of its allure to fans who do not pack Indianapolis Motor Speedway for the annual NASCAR event as much as they once did.

To most drivers, though, the race is still perched near the sport's pinnacle.

"It's such a tough race," said three-time winner Jimmie Johnson. "There are only a couple tracks on our schedule that, when you walk into the track, you feel the history of the facility. This is one of them."

"The (Daytona) 500 and the Brickyard 400, it's argued back and forth which is more prestigious and important. It's tough for me to pick one, but they're both very special. I'm very fortunate to have won both of them."

**No need to panic** — During the past five Sprint Cup races, Dale Earnhardt Jr. has fallen from third to 10th in the points standings. His last six finishes, in reverse order, are 16th, 15th, 30th, 19th, 41st and 21st.

Oh, by the way, for Eskimos who don't already know this, he hasn't won this year or since June 15, 2008. His last five finishes at Indy, again in

## NUTS AND BOLTS

reverse order, are 16th, 27th, 36th, 12th and 34th.

"You're just doing what you can do," Earnhardt said. "I don't really get urgent. When things aren't going good and time is running out, time is running out. I'm a realist about it, and I know we've got (now) six races to try to make something happen and we're going to try to do that."

"If you get urgent and you get panicky, then you make mistakes."

**What's in a name?** — Chevy isn't quite ready to announce what car it will be racing when NASCAR's competition designs are updated in 2013.

"That's because, officially, it doesn't have a name."

"While some of the other manufacturers have announced the models with which they'll be competing, we haven't done so," said General Motors racing director Mark Kent, "and the reason we haven't done so is because we have yet to unveil the production version of the car we're going to race in 2013."

"... What I can tell you is when you see the 2013 race car next to the 2013



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Dale Earnhardt Jr., at right, isn't fretting yet about making the Chase. The driver knows he just has to make something happen with six races left before the postseason.

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## PHS wide receivers step into bigger roles for 2011

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Last season, Garrett Ericson and Latigo Collins led the receiving core, but neither one is returning this year.

Now, a new group of receivers is ready to step up and give senior quarterback Reid Miller options on passing plays.

Senior Trace Carter said they are going to have to step up this year adding that they worked hard in the offseason.

"Ericson and Collins weren't the leading receivers (in 2009)," Carter said. "Everyone has to step up and take a bigger role on the team... We got three to four solid receivers. The backups are pretty good."

Senior Joseph Vizcaino said they are going to use their speed to their advantage.

"Our speed is going to allow us to get out on the edges a lot more," Vizcaino said. "That's going to take those defenders off to the races."

Coach Del Smith said this year's receivers are a hardworking group.

"We are looking forward to what they can do," Smith said. "We are excited about them. It's always fun to see who steps up and become the next receiver."

Junior Taylor Woods said Carter will lead the group, but others will contribute.

"Trace is an athlete," Woods said. "He will lead the group then we will just follow in behind."

Senior Miguel Pacheco agreed. "He's going to be our Garrett (Ericson) this year," Pacheco said.

Smith agreed adding that this is Carter's year.

"He's a senior and worked hard in offseason," Smith said. "He's taken that role... We're excited to see what he can do this year."

Senior Miguel Pacheco said he thinks this year's receivers are pretty even.

"We are going to try to even it out," Pacheco said. "We are going to try to give Reid several options and keep the defense guessing."

Vizcaino said every receiver brings something different on the field.

"There's one or two of us, but it's a variety also," Vizcaino said. "There's leaders, but that doesn't mean they are going to get the ball more. Each one of us does something different."

Smith said it's too early to tell who is going to lead, but said the coach said that he is pleased with the receivers' attitudes at this point in the year.

"Everyone is excited to play right now," Smith said. "It's just starting. If we can keep that every day, working hard and keep the excitement that will be awesome."

Woods said the receivers are developing a good chemistry with Miller.

"We're good," Woods said. "We're on lock. He knows where I'm at when I'm running a route. I know where he is going to throw it when I'm running a route."

Carter said the athleticism of the receivers will be exciting to watch.

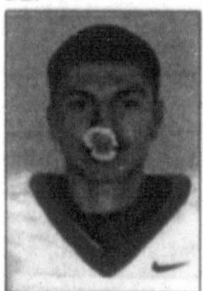
"Everyone ran under 4.7 on 40s," Carter said. "We have a little speed. Everyone has been catching and running really good routes."

Pacheco said this year's receivers will make plays.

"We are going to win more games," Pacheco said.



Pacheco



Vizcaino



Smith



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Senior Miguel Pacheco makes a grab on a comeback route in practice Wednesday. Pacheco and other receivers look to have a bigger role this season.

### Snake Proofing Seminar

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## Adding a half bath is major project

### HOME HOW-TO

Dear Pat: With my children getting older, we need an additional bathroom. There is enough room off the foyer to add a half bath. Can you give me some general tips and guidelines for installing one? — Bobbi N.

Dear Bobbi: You are talking about a major remodeling job that will probably take a month's worth of weekends to complete. Once the toilet and sink in your new half bath are operational, you can take your time completing the final finishing style touches.

The first item to consider is if you actually have adequate space to add a half bath. As a minimum, you will need a width of 30 inches for a standard size toilet. If your space is really tight, select a toilet with a round bowl design instead of an elongated one to save a few inches depth.

Two feet of open clearance in front of a toilet is a minimum. Although you may design your half bath with the sink off to the side, generally the sink is positioned directly in front of the toilet. This makes the plumbing layout simpler and allows you to build a plain rectangular room. Unless you are experienced with installing drywall, the fewer the corners, the better.

Installing a pedestal-style sink is your best choice for a cramped half bath, and they are very popular today. The small base on a pedestal sink provides more leg clearance from the toilet and gives a tiny half bath a more open feel. You should be able to find a small one, about 14 inches deep, at your local home center store.

Once you have your sink and toilet selected, lay out their locations on the floor where your half bath will be located. Make sure there are no obstructions beneath them in the floor or below it where you will have to run the plumbing. Also check the path for the cold and hot water pipes and the drain to and from the half bath.

Make a sketch to scale of where everything will be located, including the plumbing, electrical out-

lets and the walls. Show this to your local building and plumbing inspectors to be certain it meets your building codes. They can also give you some tips for your project. Apply for a building permit so the local inspectors will come and check your work as you are progressing on your project.

Frame in the walls with standard 2x4 lumber, but don't finish them with drywall at this point. You will have to add support bracing for the pedestal sink and towel bars inside of the walls. You will also have easier access to everything without any drywall installed on the walls.

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#### Bathroom Design

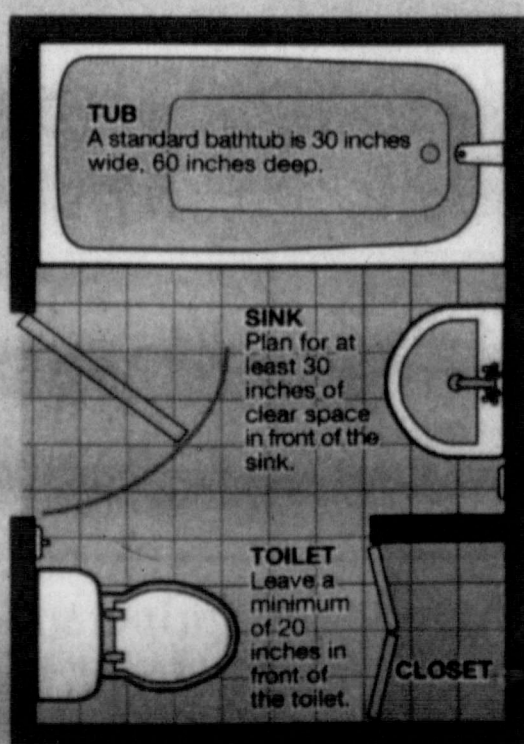
Whether you're planning a complete remodel or a quick makeover, there are a number of general issues you should consider before you begin designing your new bathroom.

**CLEARANCE**  
Design with a minimum amount of interference with door and drawer operation.

**UTILITIES**  
An important planning factor is the location of plumbing pipes and electrical wiring. Use only ground-fault circuit interrupters for electrical receptacles.

**LIGHT SWITCH**  
A minimum of 60 inches must separate light switches from a water source.

**SINK DESIGN**  
Cabinet sinks are typically 24-inches to 36-inches wide. Pedestal sinks take up less space than vanity sinks.



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