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Hunting to acquire Titan for \$775 million

London company expects shareholders to OK deal in September

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Titan Specialties, Ltd., the Pampa-based company that designs and manufactures products for the oil and gas industries, is being acquired by U.K. energy services provider Hunting PLC.

The London-based Hunting has agreed to buy TSI Acquisition Holdings - and consequently, its subsidiaries, including Titan from majority owner Riverstone Holdings LLC for \$775 million.

Riverstone, headquartered in New York City, is a private equity firm focused on investments in the power and energy sectors.

Hunting, while headquartered in England, also maintains a corporate office in Houston. The company has principal operations in the United Kingdom, United States, Canada, China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Mexico, Netherlands, Singapore and the United Arab Emirates.

Titan, founded in Pampa in 1966, is a leading provider of well-logging instruments, perforating gun systems, shaped charges and other tools and hardware used in the drilling and maintenance of oil and gas wells. The proposed acquisition positions Hunting towards a greater presence in North American shale oil and gas production.

"Titan is an excellent business and a market leader in perforating products in North America, a market which has exciting opportunities and in which we have been eager to grow," said Hunting Chief Executive Dennis Proctor in a media release on the company's website. "It will fit well within Hunting's Well Construction and Completion divisions offering complementary products and services and a strong U.S. distribution footprint."

Ken Babcock, chief executive officer of Titan Specialties, lauded the proposed deal.

"The combination of Titan and Hunting is a great fit," he said. TITAN cont. on page 2

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staff photo by Mollie Bryant

Becky Odell plays with Mr. Stitches, the resident feline at Sew What Embroidery and Quilt Corner, located on Hobart and Highway 60.

Panhandle Vets' Hall to induct six

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The public is invited to a banquet honoring this year's inductees to the Panhandle Veterans' Hall of Honor, a class that includes three ex-Army servicemen from Pampa.

The banquet will be held at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 20, at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 157, 105 S. Cuyler in downtown Pampa.

The six men to be enshrined this year are Joe Hernandez, Pampa, Army; Bill J. Williamson, Pampa, Army; Kenneth E. Lance, Pampa, Army; Richard B. Organ, Amarillo, Army; Douglas M. Smith, Panhandle, Marine Corps; and Edmund H. Lutz, Euclid, California, Air Force.

The Hall of Fame was initiated in 1990 to honor veterans from the Panhandle region who have distinguished themselves in military service. John Tripplehorn, president of the Panhandle Veterans Hall of Honor, began seeking nominations for the 2011 class earlier in the year.

To be eligible for the Hall, HALL cont. on page 2

Local pianist, 14, to give performance at Faith Bible

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On 7 p.m. on Saturday, August 13, Greg Smith will give a piano performance at Faith Bible Church on 110 West Kingsmill. Smith, 14, will play a sampling of classical music, from baroque to contemporary.

"It will be a chronological journey through different periods of classical music," said Smith, a freshman at Pampa High School. 'You can expect to hear Mozart and Rachmaninoff alongside modern pieces."

Smith's mother, Lisa, began teaching him to play piano when he was in kindergarten, and in first grade he began taking lessons from Doris Goad.

Goad called Smith "one of a kind," and said she hasn't seen another student progress so quickly during her career. "This is the first student I've had to perform a recital at 14," she said. Smith is also a budding com-

"When I was 9, I sent in a piano composition called 'Dragonfly' to a competition in the magazine SMITH cont. on page 3



photo courtesy of Lisa Smith

Pampa's Greg Smith, 14, will play a sampling of piano compositions from classical to contemporary at the Faith Bible Church on Saturday, Aug. 13.

520 in Pampa Buck the Christmas Events Theme Contest tentries to The Chamber of Commerce dine for submission is September 30.

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"Hunting's international distribution presence will enable Titan to grow much faster internationally and, in addition, Titan will be able to leverage Hunting's global manufacturing footprint."

After completion of the merger, TSI Acquisitions Holdings LLC will be a wholly owned subsidiary of Hunting Energy Services, Inc.

Per the U.S. government's federal premerger notification program, parties involved in large business acquisitions such as this one are required to notify the Federal Trade Commission and Department of Justice before the merger occurs. Upon the filing of such notification, the deal is then subject to a 30-day waiting period, during which it is illegal to close the transaction. Such filings are usually automatically approved after 30 days; Hunting's website says that Hunting and TSI will make all relevant filings on or around Aug. 5.

Because of the size of the deal, it is also subject to the approval of Hunting's shareholders, a provision currently projected to be met at the company's general meeting in September. The acquisition is expected to be completed shortly afterwards. Nevertheless, the deal was being reported on international news outlets such as Bloomberg

and The Wall Street Journal as early as Friday morning.

There is currently no word on how the move will affect Titan's local interests. Calls to Titan's Pampa office regarding the sale viere directed to the company's corporate office in Houston, where representatives declined to comment due to the deal not being fully completed at

According to Titan public relations representative Peggy Lemons, Titan's Pampa plant currently employs 245

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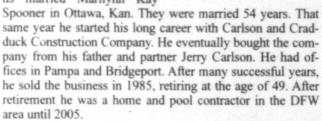
military personnel must have either been born in one of the 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle; raised in the region; went into the service while living in the region; served at the Pampa Army Air Field during World War II or stationed in any of the 26 counties during their service; or moved to the Panhandle after being dis-

Obituaries

Charles Curtis Cradduck, 75

Charles Curtis Cradduck, age 75, passed away July 9, 2011, at his home in Coppell, surrounded by love from family and friends.

Curtis was born on May 29, 1936, to John Merrill and Magalena Cradduck in Fittstown, Okla. He attended school in Tecumseh, Okla. In 1955, he graduated from Pampa High School. He attended the University of Oklahoma. On December 23, 1956, Curtis married Marilynn Kay



Cradduck

Curtis was a certified pilot who owned and flew several planes, including his beloved Beechcraft Bonanza A-36. He loved racing and breeding American quarter horses. He was part owner of a mare that qualified for the All American Futurity in 2000. Curtis volunteered at the Male Health Institute in Irving. He and Marilynn enjoyed a long and happy retirement, touring the United States, Mexico, Canada and Europe. They purchased a home in 1995 in Coppell, and have resided there

Curtis was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers and two sisters. He is survived by his wife, Marilynn; three daughters, Kim Kubinski and P.K. Thomas of Weatherford, Viki and Steve Gage of Fort Worth, and Leigh Ann and Dan Adams of Decatur; granddaughters, Aimee Hadnot, Courtney Roe, Whitney Gage and Miranda Kubinski; great-grandchildren, Cameron and Carsyn Sapp; and many loving nieces and

Curtis left a legacy of undeniable strength, honor, compassion and loyalty. He loved life and his family and is a man who will always be remembered for his generous spirit and amazing sense of humor. He will be missed by all who loved

As per Curtis' wishes there will be no memorial services.

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Merdeith Elizabeth Cox, 77

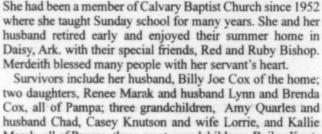
Merdeith Elizabeth Cox, 77, died Friday, Aug. 5, 2011, in Pampa.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Aug. 8, 2011, in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with Rev. Richard Bartel, associate pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial will be at Memory Gardens Cemetery

Mrs. Cox was born Feb. 11, 1934, in Kilgore and had

been a resident of Pampa since 1945. She married Billy Joe Cox on Sept. 25, 1953, in Pampa. Merdeith worked for Ideal Food Stores for 29 years.



Marak, all of Pampa; three great-grandchildren, Bailey Knutson, Nataleigh Knutson, and Marlee Quarles, all of Pampa; three nieces, Becky Saltzman and husband Tommy, Debbie Heiser and husband Howard, and Cindy Graef, all of Pampa; a nephew, Mike Taylor and wife Nancy of Yorba Linda, Calif.; a sister-in-law, Carol Bachus of Amarillo; and a brotherin-law, Myrel Looper of Pampa. She was preceded in death by her twin sister, Mildred Looper.

Memorials may be made to Tralee Crisis Center, 308 S. Cuyler, Pampa, TX 79065.

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North Perryton. A domestic disturbance occurred at the 1200 block

of East Kingsmill. A threat was reported at

the 1100 block of Sirrocco. A theft occurred at the 1900 block of North Dun-

An accident occurred at the 2800 block of North Charles.

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A suspicious person was reported at the 500 block of South Cuyler.

Disorderly conduct was reported at the 2600 block of North Hobart.

Police investigated an alarm at the 2100 block of

North Sumner.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Department reported the following arrests for the 24 hour period ending Friday, August 5 at 7 a.m. Thursday, August 4

Sunny Vanell Jackson,

48, was arrested by police for capias pro fines times two, no driver's license, and expired motor vehicle insurance. Pamela Jane Woodruff,

49, was arrested by deputies on charges of possession of a controlled substance, no driver's license. no insurance, and capias pro fines times three.



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LUBBOCK (AP) - Some park workers in West Texas have taken advantage of the drought by mowing dry lake-

The Lubbock Avalanche-Journal reported Friday that the drought had expanded the duties of park workers to include getting rid of unwanted vegetation.

Operation manager Stewart Gerhart says crews have ered rifles in a five-day been mowing down giant, flammable cattails.

Gerhart says workers have been trying to clean out what they can "while the getting's good." Crews have also spent some hot afternoons picking up dead fish lining the city's playa lakes. Experts say high temperatures have sapped the lake levels and limited oxygen for the catfish, in Arizona known as "Fast stocked bluegills and sunfish.

US oil and gas rig count up by 12

HOUSTON (AP) — The number of rigs actively exploring for oil and natural gas in the U.S. increased by 12 this week to 1,920.

Houston-based drilling product provider Baker Hughes Inc. reported Friday that 1,031 rigs were exploring for oil and 883 for natural gas. Six were listed congressional as miscellaneous. A year ago this week the rig count stood at 1,605.

Of the major oil- and gas-producing states, Oklahoma gained nine rigs, North Dakota gained five, Texas gained four, New Mexico gained two and California mistakes. and Pennsylvania each gained one. Louisiana and Wyoming each lost three rigs and Arkansas, Colorado and West Virginia each lost one. Alaska was unchanged. The rig count peaked at 4,530 in 1981. A low of 488 was recorded in 1999.

'Ether Man' suspect convicted

PUEBLO, Colo. (AP) - A man suspected of being a serial rapist known as the "Ether Man" faces up to 84 years in prison for trying to blow up the home of a Colorado police officer.

Forty-nine-year-old Robert Bruce was convicted in the attempted murder case Thursday in Pueblo. He'll be sentenced Sept. 23.

Prosecutors say Bruce tried to kill officer Nathan Pruce to keep him from testifying against him in a peeping Tom case. They argued Bruce was trying to keep authorities from linking him to rape cases in New Mexico and Texas Piano Explorer," he said. using DNA evidence.

The Pueblo Chieftain (http://bit.ly/nUCkvL) reports that Pueblo prosecutors say they're prepared to go forward with a rape case against Bruce in October. They're also working with authorities in Texas and New Mexico on cases there.

Heat a factor in derailment?

MINEOLA (AP) — Union Pacific officials are trying to determine whether heat was a factor in an 18-car derailment in rural East Texas,

UP spokeswoman Raquel Espinoza says crews are working to clear the tracks, several miles east of Mineola, but it would likely be Saturday before the line reopens.

She says nobody was hurt Thursday afternoon in the derailment of a train made up of four locomotives and 99 cars, traveling from Kingfisher, Okla., to Westwego, La.

Investigators are trying to determine the cause of the derailment. The National Weather Service says the temperature in the area reached 109 degrees. UP has said excessive heat can cause tracks to buckle.

Some hopper cars overturned, spilling grain. Espinoza didn't provide a damage estimate.

Mineola is 75 miles east of Dallas.

Tasered San Antonio man dies

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — San Antonio police say a man driving the wrong way on a busy highway has died after a struggle with officers in which he was subdued with a Taser.

Police Chief William McManus says three officers were hurt Thursday trying to arrest 30-year-old Pierre Abernathy. McManus says Abernathy was handcuffed and in a patrol car when he stopped breathing and couldn't be resuscitated. An autopsy has been ordered.

McManus says six officers tried to detain Abernathy but he turned violent. One officer has a dislocated hand. Two others suffered cuts and bruises. All six have been put on administrative duty.

Police say Abernathy had a history of resisting and evading arrest, DWI and drug possession. He was charged in March with resisting and evading arrest and was free

Improvements 'won't take long'

NEWTON, Iowa (AP) — Republican congresswoman Michele Bachmann says that if she's elected president "it won't take that long" for her to turn around the ailing economy

Speaking to reporters ahead of next week's straw poll in Iowa, Bachmann says the economy would start to improve shortly after she becomes president if signals are sent to the marketplace that remove uncertainty about taxes, regulation and the nation's debt.

Bachmann said Friday a report that 117,000 jobs were created last month shows that the economy remains weak. She says this week's stock market plunge is proof that an agreement to raise the nation's debt ceiling was, in her words, "a stinky deal."

Tim Pawlenty and other candidates for the Republican nomination for president also are campaigning in Iowa ahead of the Aug. 13 straw poll.

May God give you... In every storm a rainbow, For every tear a smile, For every care a promise, And a blessing in each trial, For every problem life sends, A faithful friend to share. For every sigh, a sweet song And an answer for each prayer ink you for the prayers, the food, the cards a for being that faithful friend. rom the family of Thomas Brown Jr.

PHOENIX (AP) — Gun store owners in states along the U.S.-Mexico border sued the acting director of the federal agency that oversees firearms to halt a new requirement that they alert authorities if someone buys multiple high-pow-

The requirement, which goes into effect Aug. 14, follows a controversial 2009 law enforcement operation and Furious" that resulted in more than 2,000 highpowered weapons making their way to Mexico as authorities went after people directing gun buys on behalf of cartels.

The operation has been the subject of recent hearings in which the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives acknowledged making

The ATF's new requirement for high-powered rifle buys applies to California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas. It stipulates that gun shop owners must start providing the agency with detailed information, including birth dates, addresses, race and gender, about people who buy two or more semi-automatic rifles greater than .22 cali-

Smith

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'I won first place.

When he was 11, Smith won second place in another competition, this time with the composition based on a book or film character. He chose Nemo, from Disney's "Finding Nemo."

"I really like to play," said Smith. "It's one of my favorite hobbies.

"I play so much that sometimes my mom has to tell me to stop."

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bers in a five-day period.

In the three lawsuits filed Wednesday and Thursday against ATF Acting Director Kenneth Melson. store owners in Arizona, New Mexico and Texas argued the ATF does not have the right to make the requirement because it would hurt the businesses economically and invade the privacy of customers.

ATF spokesman Drew Wade said Friday that his agency will vigorously defend its authority to collect information from gun store owners.

He cited the Gun Control Act, saying it provides ATF with that authority. He also said courts have consistently upheld the law.

"The point of this request

is to provide a targeted approach to address the problem of illegal gun trafficking through sales to 'straw purchasers,' people who claim to be the true buyers of firearms but in reality are purchasing firearms on behalf of others,' he read from a prepared

The lawsuits were filed in Washington, Texas and New Mexico and are being funded by the National Rifle Association. The suits do not seek money, only a stop to ATF enforcement of the new requirement.

"We think the whole premise is ludicrous," NRA spokesman Andrew Arulanandam said about the regulation. "What they're trying to tell the American public is that \$40 billion-dollar transnational criminal enterprises will somehow miraculously follow their paperwork rules and that's going to solve some problems.'

Arulanandam sees the new requirement as a smoke screen to take away attention from the "Fast and Furious" program. Of the 2,000 guns that got into Mexico, only about onefourth have been recovered, meaning the rest could still in the hands of drug smugglers.

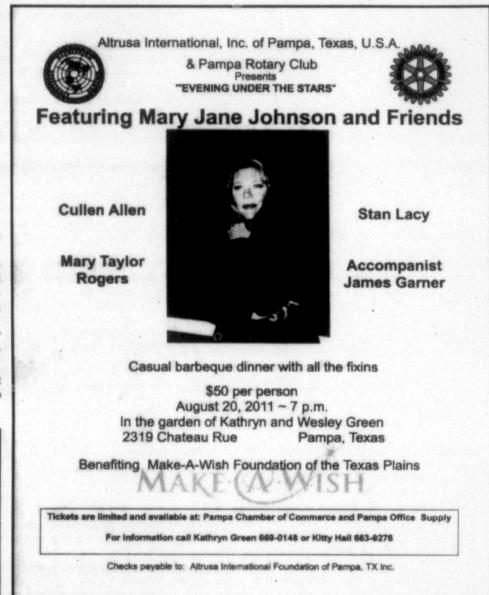
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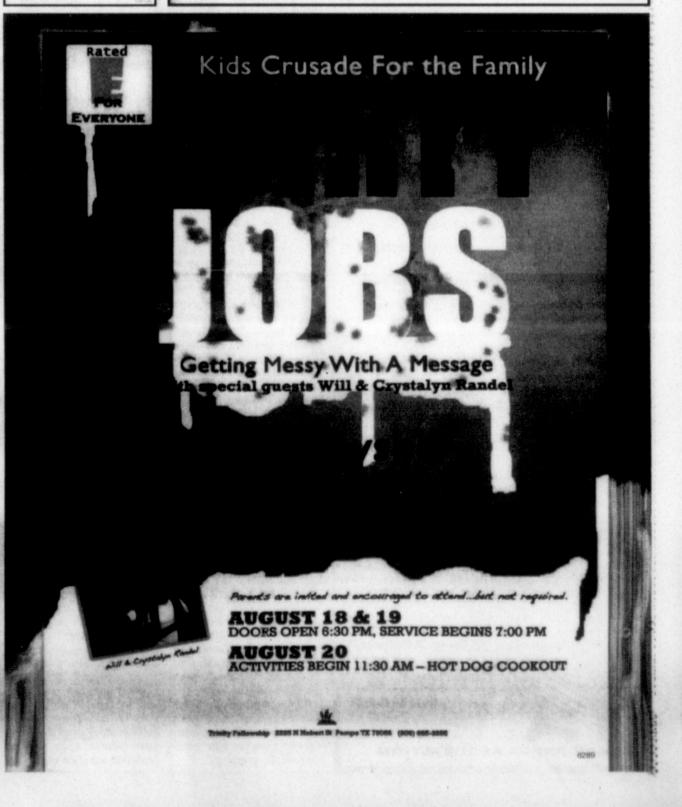
scene where Border Patrol Agent Brian Terry was shot to death in southern Arizona on Dec. 14, although it's still unclear whether the fatal bullet came from one of those weapons or another gun.

Terry and three other agents exchanged gunfire with a crew of border outlaws. Officials have said one person has been charged with Terry's killing; the rest escaped to Mexico. The case was later sealed.

Ben Suissa, owner of Foothills Firearms in Yuma, is one of the two Arizona gun store owners suing Melson over the new requirement involving high-powered rifles. The other store is J & G Sales in Prescott.

"This is a constitutional battle against a government that seems to have no bounds," Suissa said. "I feel for the plight they're having down there (in Mexico), but blaming it on law-abiding gun shops is preposterous





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Today in History

Today is Saturday, Aug. 6, the 218th day of 2011. There are 147 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 6, 1961, Soviet cosmonaut Gherman Titov became the second man to orbit Earth as he flew aboard Vostok 2, call sign "Eagle" (hence Titov's repeated exclamation over the radio, "I am Eagle!").

On this date:

In 1806, the Holy Roman Empire went out of existence as Emperor Francis II abdicated.

In 1825, Upper Peru became the autonomous republic of Bolivia.

In 1890, convicted murderer William Kemmler became the first person to be executed in the electric chair as he was put to death at Auburn State Prison in New York.

In 1911, actress-comedian Lucille Ball was born in Jamestown, N.Y

In 1926, Gertrude Ederle became the first woman to swim the English Channel, arriving in Kingsdown, England, from France in 14 1/2 hours. In 1945, during World War II, the United States dropped an atomic bomb on Hiroshima, Japan, resulting in an estimated 140,000 deaths.

In 1965, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed the Voting Rights Act.

In 1978, Pope Paul VI died at Castel Gandolfo at age 80.

In 1986, William J. Schroeder died after living 620 days with the Jarvik 7 artificial heart.

In 1991, the World Wide Web made its public debut as a means of accessing webpages over the Ten years ago: Ending months of specula-

tion, former President Bill Clinton said he would write his much sought-after memoirs for publisher Five years ago: Oil giant BP announced an

indefinite shutdown of the biggest oilfield in the U.S., at Prudhoe Bay in Alaska, after finding a pipeline leak One year ago: In a stunning announcement,

Hewlett-Packard Co. said it had ousted CEO Mark Hurd after an investigation of a sexual harassment complaint found that he had falsified expense reports and other documents to conceal a relationship with a contractor

Today's Birthdays: Jazz musician Charlie Haden is 74. Actor-director Peter Bonerz is 73. Actress Louise Sorel is 71. Actor Michael Anderson Jr. is 68. Actor Ray Buktenica is 68. Actor Dorian Harewood is 61. Actress Catherine Hicks is 60. Country musician Mark DuFresne (Confederate Railroad) is 58. Actress Stepfanie Kramer is 55. Actress Faith Prince is 54. Actor Leland Orser is 51. Country singers Peggy and Patsy Lynn are 47. Actor Jeremy Ratchford is 46. Country singer Lisa Stewart is 43. Movie writer-director M. Night Shyamalan is 41. Actress Merrin Dungey is 40. Singer Geri Halliwell is 39. Actor Jason O'Mara is 39. Singer-actor David Campbell is 38. Actress Vera Farmiga is 38. Actress Ever Carradine is 37. Actress Soleil Moon Frye is 35. Actress Melissa George is 35. Rock singer Travis McCoy (Gym Class Heroes) is 30. Rock musician Eric Roberts (Gym Class Heroes) is 27

Thought for Today: "The more things you do, the more you can do." - Lucille Ball (1911-1989)



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We'll All Be Drinkin' that Free Bubble Up....

I'll wager not many recognize the words to that old Merle Haggard song, but I couldn't help thinking it this week when I was looking over the offerings of classic sodas in Frank's Hardware. There are some things you haven't heard of in years, and some things you've never heard of. I stay pretty much clear of sugary drinks, but there was one called "GUS Dry Cranberry Lime"-very tasty. (GUS stands for "Grown-Up Soda"—it's not as sweet as most others.) Sure enough, there was Bubble Up--not free, how-

Stopping -or Passing--That Buck

If the buck stops before it passes your place, you ought to attend the Financial Planning Class offered by Clarendon College - Pampa Center on August 9 and August 11. Learn tax strategies, debt management, retirement planning, and a host of other good things to know. Call 665-8801 for more information.

Did My Granddaddy Feel This Way **About Cars and Radios?**

I stopped in at the Verizon Store this week. Wow! Technology just keeps marching on, and if you think Verizon just sells phones and cell service, I encourage you to visit. I remember when desktop meant the top of your desk, wallpaper was actually on the wall, and your laptop is where the cat

I also remember when "notebook" meant a sheaf of pages held together with a spiral of wire that got bent so that the pages never turned easily. No

On modern notepads you can record and play music, take pictures, watch movies, and a zillion other thingsyou can even take notes! What really

impressed me

JOE WEAVER

was the little box-about the size of my thumbnailthat you can plug in to read credit cards. Up until now at Country Fair we have been getting a special phone line

installed just to be able to take credit cards. This will eliminate that expense. Like I said—"WOW!"

...and Tractors and Telephones and...?

It's just plain hard to keep up any more. In the old days (like maybe ten years ago) phone companies sold phones and service, cable TV companies sold cable programming, and internet companies sold internet

Rosa Rosas with Cable One was in the office this week explaining how their service has expanded to include all of the above. In particular, Rosa was explaining about internet access for business and Cable One's high speed and competitive rates. It pays to compare.

Speaking of Tractors and My Granddaddy

George Buchenau is the interim Chief Nursing Officer at Pampa Regional Medical Center. I have known George since college days and a few weeks ago we met for lunch. He told me how his grandfather came to the High Plains and was one of the first (if not THE first) dealers of International Harvester Tractors in the area. I told him his granddaddy was smarter than mine.

Granddaddy Weaver moved to the Panhandle in the late 1920s with a slew of kids and a herd of workhorses he hoped to sell. (Just the horses—the kids he planned to work!) Unfortunately, when the Weaver got here, the area had mechanized and farmers were all driving new Farmall tractors!

Win a Twenty

Christmas seems like a long way off, but we're getting an early start. I'm no good at coming up with slogans and themes (see next paragraph), so we decided to leave it to the public at large. Come up with a theme for the parade and other Christmas activities. The person who selects the theme we choose will win twenty dollars in Pampa Bucks. You can email it (harvest@pampachamber.com) or bring it or mail it (200 N Ballard) by September 30. The theme will be announced on October 7.

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What's in a Name?

The Miami Herald publishes birthdays every month, so I was able to steal a few from there.

What if Jim Light and Rusty Early opened up a breakfast-only place, called the "Early-Light Café":

What if Kaitlyn Hare and Emily Beard started a barber shop called "Beard-Hare"?

And there's got to be some way I can combine Philpott and Booze, but I just haven't come up with it!

Joe Weaver is the Executive Director of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce.

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Pessimism getting a little overbaked

Stocks and bond yields are sinking, as Wall Street disses the debt deal and instead focuses on a likely double-dip recession.

Everyone is gloomy. But is this pessimism getting a little overbaked?

Granted, the economy is sputtering, with less than 1 percent growth in the first half of the year. But if there is a recession in the cards, it will be the first time one occurs when the yield curve is steeply positive (an ultraeasy Fed) and corporate profits are strong.

And since we do have ultra-easy money and strong profits, I don't believe we're heading into a recession. Nor do I believe stocks will continue to swoon.

The principal reason for the sub-par first-half economy is the rise of inflation, which severely damaged real incomes and consumer spending. We experienced a mini oil shock, which has dampened the whole economy. Actually, it's worth remembering that oil shocks and inverted yield curves, along with falling profits, are the most important leading indicators of recessions. We don't have this right now.

Fortunately, oil and gasoline prices have come down well below their highs. That's going to take pressure off the economy.

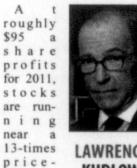
Of course, QE2 backfired, as the dollar sank and the inflation rate temporarily jumped 5 or 6 percent. However, as energy prices have eased back down, the inflation rate as measured by the consumer deflator has fallen, and is up only 1.3 percent annually for the past three months. If the dollar can hold its current level and energy prices remain quiescent, the economy will be OK.

Not great. The secondhalf economy could grow by 2.5 to 3 percent. There are so many tax-and-regulatory threats out there that it's hard to expect much more growth. But at least it's not recession.

Recent reports from the ISM purchasing managers for manufacturing and services are not signaling recession. Car sales have actually bumped up. And at least employment is rising, although slowly.

It's all sub-optimal, but it's not recession.

Meanwhile, profits are at record highs as a share of gross domestic product. Second-quarter earnings are coming in much stronger than expected. For some reason, investors have chosen to ignore profits. But they're still the mother's milk of stocks and the economy. Stocks may well be undervalued right now.



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which calculates to a near 8 percent forward-earnings yield. Compare that to a 2.6 percent 10-year Treasury bond or a 5.5 percent Baa investment-grade corporate bond, and you can see that stocks have good value. The equity-risk premium is very high.

earnings

multiple,

At the same time, corporate credit-risk spreads are relatively narrow, while financial conditions in general are vastly less stressful than they were a couple of years ago. This is not the stuff of recessions.

Regarding the debt-ceiling deal, no one is thrilled about it. But it is a step in the right direction: no tax hikes and at least some spending cuts. The level of discretionary spending will come down \$72 billion over the next two years. Even if the budget caps don't hold beyond that, it's still a budget cut without a tax increase.



We will see what phase two of the debt deal brings. It will be an uphill climb. But at least the strong possibility exists that another \$1.5 trillion will be taken out of the spending baseline. That's not nothing.

the dirty secret: Smaller

government is good for

And of course, Treasurydebt default was avoided. Slowly but surely the tea

party Republican coalition is turning the tide on spending. Too bad President Obama was out once again this week attacking millionaires, billionaires, businesses, and oil and gas with his usual soak-the-rich classwarfare redistributionism. This kind of politics has helped generate a capital strike by profitable and cash-rich businesses. It's pure folly, and it's holding back the animal spirits. KUDLOW cont. on page 6



Sunday in History

Tomorrow is Sunday, Aug. 7, the 219th day of 2011. There are 146 days left in the year.

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Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 7, 1961, Yale psychology professor Stanley Milgram began conducting his famous as well as controversial - human behavior experiments concerning obedience toward authority fig-

On this date:

In 1782, Gen. George Washington created the Order of the Purple Heart, a decoration to recognize merit in enlisted men and non-commissioned offi-

In 1882, the famous feud between the Hatfields of West Virginia and the McCoys of Kentucky erupted into full-scale violence.

In 1942, U.S. and allied forces landed at Guadalcanal, marking the start of the first major allied offensive in the Pacific during World War

In 1947, the balsa wood raft Kon-Tiki, which had carried a six-man crew 4,300 miles across the Pacific Ocean, crashed into a reef in a Polynesian archipelago; all six crew members reached land

safely. 1964, Congress In passed the Gulf of Tonkin resolution, giving President Lyndon B. Johnson broad powers in dealing with reported North Vietnamese attacks

on U.S. forces. Ten years ago: Three researchers told a committee at the National Academy of Sciences they were unswayed by arguments against human cloning and would soon try to clone human beings.

Five years ago: Oil prices jumped after BP said it had discovered corrosion so severe it would have to replace 16 miles of pipeline at the huge Prudhoe Bay oil field in Alaska.

One year ago: Elena Kagan was sworn in as the 112th justice and fourth woman to serve on the U.S. Supreme Court.

Today's Birthdays: Writer-producer Stan Freberg is 85. Rhythmand-blues singer Herb Reed (The Platters) is 83. Magician, author and lecturer James Randi is 83. Bluesman Magic Slim is 74. Actress Verna Bloom is 72. Humorist Garrison Keillor is 69. Singer B.J. Thomas is 69. Singer Lana Cantrell is 68. Actor John

Glover is 67. Actor David Rasche is 67. Rhythmand-blues singer Harold Hudson is 62. Country singer Rodney Crowell is 61. Actress Caroline Aaron is 59. Comedian Alexei Sayle is 59. Actor Wayne Knight is 56. Rock singer Bruce Dickinson is

53. Actor David Duchovny is 51. Country musician Michael Mahler (Wild Horses) is 50. Actress Delane Matthews is 50. Actor Harold Perrineau is 48. Actress Charlotte

Lewis is 44. Actress Sydney Penny is 40. Actor Michael Shannon is 37. Actress Charlize Theron is 36. Rock musician Barry Kerch (Shinedown) is 35.

ognize a palpable absurdity are very much in the way of civilization." Agnes Repplier, American essayist (1858-1950). Thought for Today:

"People who cannot rec-

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September 10 8 am - 5 pm

September 17 8 am - 5 pm8 am - 5 pm September 24

October 1 8 am - 5 pm8 am - 12 pm Last Day of Lecture October 8

October 15 6 am - 2 pm Clinical All 3 clinicals will be at Pampa Nursing Center October 22 6 am – 2 pm Clinical

October 29 6 am - 2 pm Clinical

Background check - www.mystudentcheck.com See information sheet provided Cost is \$53.58

TB Test- This can be done at your local pharmacy Valid Texas ID (MUST BE CURRENT WITH CORRECT ADDRESS!)

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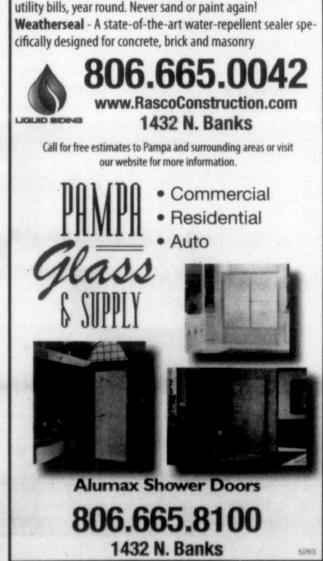
CPR - If you do not already have CPR certification you will be required to take a CPR class that will be set up before clinicals start.

CPR class- \$35.00 Time: TBA COURSE COST - \$375.00/book included.

Testing Fee - Must have a money order in the amount of \$93.00 made out as follows: NACES PLUS Foundation Competency Evaluation

IMPORTANT! You are required to attend all scheduled days in order to complete the required hours needed for certification. You cannot miss a clinical day or you will be dropped from the program. Under special circumstances there will be 1 make-up day set aside for make-up if you miss a lecture day due to illness or family emergency.

If you have questions or need additional information please contact: Christy Brooks (806)665-8801.



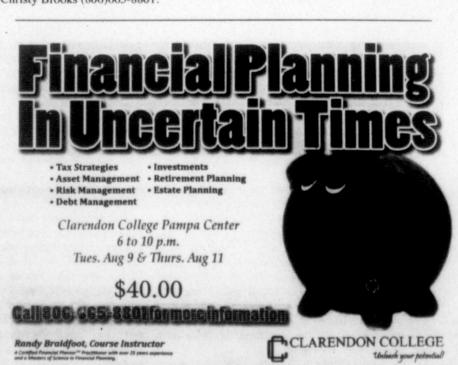
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*** If you want to be

less seen and take some

much-needed personal time,

desire for centering and

quiet, you find a conflict

brewing with a roommate.

Create greater personal

space. Tonight: Not to be

This Week: Late Tuesday,

**** Find out what

happens between you and a

friend before making a key

decision. That would make

more sense. As you gain

information and understand-

ing, happiness and celebra-

tion seem A-OK. Tonight:

This Week: Friends color

your Monday and Tuesday.

You might want to vanish

with a special person on

Wednesday. What is stop-

PISCES (Feb. 19-March

*** A take-charge atti-

want to try something in a

different way once you get

the big picture. An invest-

ment or purchase seems most interesting. Let go of

This Week: Expect to be

a force in moving a heartfelt

project forward. Go for it,

Actress Charlize Theron

(1975), actress Megan Gale

(1975), exotic dancer Mata

and you will be delighted!

BORN TODAY

Where the gang is.

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you are feeling up to snuff.

Go for what you want.

AQUARIUS

found.



A baby born today, Aug. even you. Know that you and a Moon in Scorpio. someone else's suggestion. Afterward, the Moon is in Sagittarius.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Aug. 7, 2011:

This year, you express form as a result. far more impulsiveness than in recent years. Let 20) your enthusiasm emerge, and others will respond in kind. Detachment often brings stunning insights. a somewhat controversial Foreigners, in-laws and travel keep your life exciting. Education provides escape and new ideas. If you are single, your love life could be very exciting, though not necessarily stable. If you are attached, a new addition becomes a strong possibility. SAGITTARIUS always 22) roots you on.

Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 2-So-so; 3-Average; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April

**** Keep reaching out for others. You seek a fresh perspective or a novel approach to a situation. Unexpected insights point to a very different yet effective path. Yes, a partner is way in. too serious, but indulge him or her a little, and a door will open. Tonight: How about a movie?

This Week: Confirm meetings Monday. Don't allow confusion to reign. Take the lead on a key project.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★★ A partner Tonight: Play away. always has a lot of influence on you; now he or she has even more. The unexpected develops when dealing with your own feelings. Your reaction could dumbfound 22)

7, 2011, before 8:21 a.m. need to slow down and take (PST), has a Sun in Leo a break. Tonight: Go with

This Week: Relate directly on a one-on-one level. You will get important feedback. New ideas and concepts

GEMINI (May 21-June

*** Defer to a key friend or family member. Someone keeps acting in manner. The unexpected occurs with friends or within 22) groups. Know when enough is enough. Tonight: Jostle a loved one out of the blues.

Week: This Others demand the limelight. Make it your pleasure.

CANCER (June 21-July

*** You pace yourself The Stars Show the with a goal of getting past a self-imposed restriction. 4-Positive; Someone you look up to could be getting a case of the flakies. Don't internalize people. your feelings, or else you might put yourself in a funk. 21) Tonight: Run errands on the way home.

> This Week: Dive into work, postponing networking until late Tuesday. Yes, you can squeeze everything

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) **** You are simply joyous to be surrounded by friends and loved ones. Some people might say you are nearly childlike in your spontaneity. You could try to have a serious conversation, but your mood is very light. Postpone the talk.

shortage of creativity from ous. You will love the end you. Try to use it where it counts

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept.

*** Be true to your- one. Tonight: Only what self. If you feel that it is desirable to stay close to home, do. Sometimes you into Monday. Use Monday make the reason too important. Just follow your feelings, and you will take the 22-Jan. 19) correct path. Restrict spending if need be. Tonight: Be comfortable.

This Week: You move the time is now. In your slowly into the right pace. Late Tuesday, you are in your grove. Your ideas are dynamic.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct.

**** You might want to move in a new direction and follow through on a key project you have been putting off. A partner 20-Feb. 18) or wanna-be partner could become demanding. Let this person know that you will make time soon. Tonight: Play it low-key.

This Week: Make calls; speak your mind. You have a style that attracts many

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov.

*** Though you might want to be logical, you are a deeply emotional sign. You could act out on some suppressed feelings if you are not in touch with 20) yourself. Respond to others, especially if you get out tude goes far. You might among crowds. Tonight: Where the fun is.

This Week: Curb your extravagant behavior before you get into trouble. Wednesday, focus on your an innate possessiveness. goals. Initiate conversations. Tonight: Could be late. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

**** Allow yourself This Week: There is no to be 100 percent spontaneresults. Others cannot help but respond in kind. You delight in the script you create with a fun friend or loved Hari (1876) Kudlow

Stocks dropped 100 points after Obama's press conference on Tuesday, when he once again blasted free-enter-

prise incentives. This Week: You charge

Which brings me to a final point: What's missing from the whole budget debate is a true pro-growth tax reform that would flatten rates and broaden the base for individuals and companies. A fresh round of incentives would do wonders for our ailing economy.

Unfortunately, we're going to have to wait until the 2012 election before we see any of that. In the meantime, despite an anti-growth administration, the free-market economy will continue to muddle through.

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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

AR ABBY: My fian- IN LINE cee, "Vanessa," and I have been engaged almost a year. We're to be married in three months. When I popped the question, I took her to one of her favorite spots in the Smoky Mountains. When I proposed, she was overcome with emotion - but not the kind I would have thought. She said yes, but she wasn't at all happy about being surprised. She doesn't like surprises

At the time, I was sure she had an inkling about my intentions. We had discussed becoming engaged several times. Now, as the wedding draws near, she wants me to "re-propose." It makes me feel like my first wasn't good enough, and it is really upsetting me. I only intended to do it once in my life. What would you recommend? - QUESTIONED-**OUT IN OHIO**

DEAR QUES-TIONED-OUT: I recommend you clear the air with Vanessa ASAP. Tell her you intended to propose only once in your life, and that her request has hurt your feelings. If she still insists on a second proposal, ask for a script so you won't disappoint her again. Then be prepared to have her provide you with them regularly, because unless you're a mind reader, it's the only way you'll live up to her fantasies.

DEAR ABBY: We stand in line for movie tickets, sporting events, Black Friday shopping, etc. Am I being overly sensitive when your tears, pick up the I have stood in line and the person in front of me allows family or friends to cut in? It irks me no end when I have spent anywhere from 30 minutes to several hours waiting and someone butts will relate to. And should

confrontational? Or should do it without laying a guilt I just bite my tongue and trip. move on? - STANDING

40-year-old man with a baby DEAR STANDING: face. It makes me appear much younger than I am -It's one thing when a person lets a spouse or one other person in - and quite another when it's half a dozen people. However, folks this rude can be hypersensitive when challenged and cause an altercation, so I don't recom-

mend taking them on. An exception to this would be Black Friday, or a store event in which only a certain number of shoppers will be allowed in. In a case like that, security should be notified if a large number of people are cutting in line.

DEAR ABBY: How can get my stepsons to show some compassion and love for their father? They seem to forget that they have him, and that he labored to help them become successful citizens. He's a kind and sensitive man who should be cherished. He has Alzheimer's disease and needs their love now more than ever.

They live in other states, but could call more than once a year. My husband doesn't say much about them anymore. He did when we first married six years ago. We keep busy, but I cry for him. He has no family. His first wife lived for her sons only and probably forgot about her relationship with my husband. Perhaps this attitude was passed on to his sons. How do others in my situation cope? — CRY-ING IN WISCONSIN

DEAR CRYING: Dry phone and encourage the "boys" to call their father once a week to say they are thinking of him and in front of me.

How can I tactfully adaress this without being to call, remind them — but

love him — and to share some memory their father

DEAR ABBY: I am a

so much so that I have been carded when buying alcohol or lottery tickets. People also seem to relate to me based on the age they perceive me Four months ago I grew a

beard, which makes me look more my age. I'm an actor, and in the past audiences had difficulty accepting me in certain roles because of youthful appearance. My beard solved that prob-

My sister-in-law is getting married this summer and insists I shave my beard for the ceremony and wedding photos. I keep it wellgroomed, and it gives me more confidence when dealing with people. I don't want to shave it.

My sister-in-law is recovering from cancer, and my wife thinks I'll look like a jerk if I refuse to comply. I'm not part of the wedding party, but I am the head usher and will be in many of the family photos. Is her request appropriate? My father-in-law has a beard, but he hasn't been asked to shave it. — CONFLICTED IN CANADA

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puppets, involved.

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DEAR CONFLICTED: Your letter reminds me of the ones I have printed about brides who don't want anyone associated with their wedding to be overweight, tattooed or have an unusual hairdo. They're so preoccupied with how things will look

You should not have to shave your beard in order to be an usher. Offer your sister-in-law a choice: Either you can remain as you are, or she can find someone else to steer her guests to their seats. Do not be confrontational about it. The choice will

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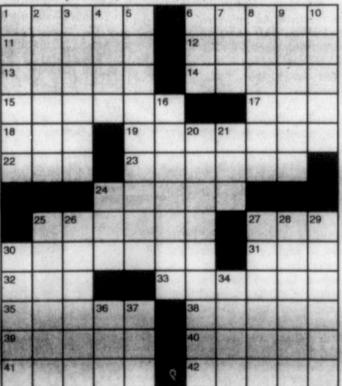
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Blackstone, Kindle to marry Sept. 3

Blackstone of Highland TX. Village, TX announce the engagement and upcoming Church of Christ in Denton, marriage of their daughter, and works at Trinity Title Aryn Nicole Blackstone to of Texas as a relationship Corey Dan Kindle.

Corey is the son of Jeff coordinator. Kindle, Beach City, TX and Laura Dyer Baird, Jenks, OK.

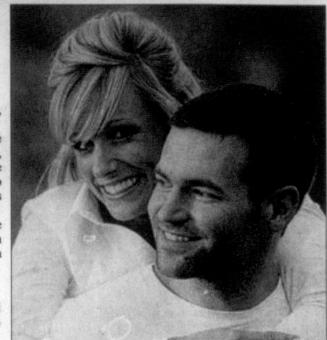
His grandparents are Bill Kindle and Patricia Carpenter Kindle of Pampa. The wedding is planned for Saturday, September 3, 2011 at Robson Ranch

Debra Country Club in Denton,

Aryn is a member of the manager and client services

Corey is a member of the Church of Christ in Denton and works at Denton Central Appraisal District.

> Aryn Blackstone and Corey Kindle



Pampa Senior Citizens Center Menu

MONDAY, August 8

Chicken fried steak or chicken spaghetti, mashed potatoes, green bean casserole, beets, beans, slaw, tossed salad, jello, devil's food cake, lemon pie, fruit cup, hot roll or combread

TUESDAY, August 9

Chili rellenos/cheese sauce, or hamburger steak, tator tots, succotash, spanish rice, beans, slaw, tossed salad, jello, Boston creme pie, cherry cheesecake, fruit cup, hot roll or combread

WEDNESDAY, August 10

Roast beef brisket/brown gravy, or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, fried okra, carrots, beans, slaw, tossed salad, jello, tomato spice cake, peach cobbler, fruit cup, hot roll or cornbread

THURSDAY, August 11

Chicken strips or liver 'n onions, flame roasted potatoes/veggies, turnip greens, corn, blackeyed peas, slaw, tossed salad, jello, strawberry shortcake, chocolate pie, fruit cup, hot roll or cornbread

FRIDAY, August 12 Fried cod filet/hush purpies or spaghetti and meat-balls, potato wedges, California blend, beans, slaw, tossed salad, jello, turtle brownies, tapioca, fruit cup,

garlic breadstick, hot roll or cornbread.

BUNDLES OF JOY



Sailor Emerson Baldridge

Baby girl for **Baldridges**

It's a girl! Morgan and Blake Baldridge are proud to announce the birth of Sailor Emerson Baldridge. Sailor was born June 17, 2011 at 4:16pm weighing 8 pounds 4 ounces and 20 inches long. She is welcomed by her grandparents, Linda and Bill Baldridge and Scott and Jamie White. Also, by great grandparents, Phyllis and Chuck White and Shirley Winborne.

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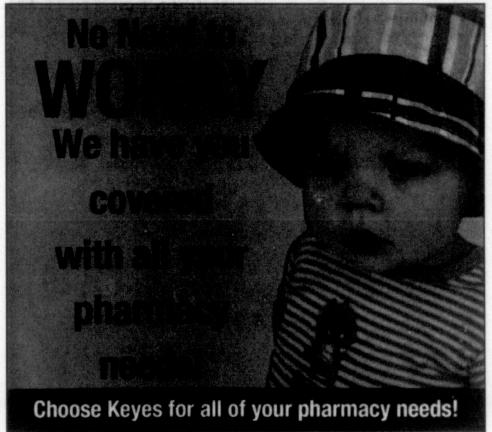
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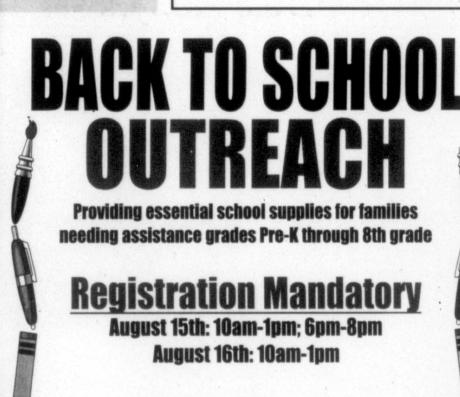
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ENDURING LOVE

Hoovers celebrate 40 years

Dannie and Angie Hoover recently celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary. They were married on June 7, 1971, in the First Presbyterian Church of Guymon, OK, with Rev. Harland Collins, former pastor, performing the 4 p.m. double ring ceremony

They are both graduates of Guymon High School and Oklahoma Panhandle University, State Goodwell, OK, where they earned degrees in education.

Hoover earned a master's degree in secondary administration from Oklahoma University, Norman, OK. He is a US Army veteran having

served his country during Vietnam.

Both have been members of Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 404, Borger, TX, where Dannie had served as a national and a state convention delegate. He also held the offices of the chapter vicepresident and chaplain.

Both are also members of Cambridge Who's Who for Executives, Professional, and Entrepreneurs.

The Hoovers are starting their 29th year in Pampa where Dannie is currently a State Farm Ins. agent.

Prior to that time Dannie had been a science teacher and a coach in Liberal, KS; a high school principal in Walsh, CO; Clifton,

KS; and Boise City, OK; an elementary, junior high, and high school principal in Jamestown, KS; and a superintendent of schools in Bridge Creek, OK

Angie has retired from teaching elementary school for 35 years. Twenty-five of those years were taught at Pampa ISD (Horace Mann and Wilson).

Their children daughter, Christy and husband Chris Miranda of Phoenix, AZ; daughter, Danette and husband Ruben Rivera of Amarillo, TX; and son, Jared Hoover of Pampa, TX.

Grandchildren Mackenzie and Miguel Rivera, Mia Miranda, and Jacob Hoover.



Angie and Dannie Hoover



Rhonda and Mark Fletcher

30th anniversary for Fletchers

Mark Rhonda and Fletcher are celebrating on August 7, 2011, their 30th wedding anniversary with a lunch at The Plaza in Amarillo with family and friends. The event is hosted by the couples children.

Mark Fletcher married the former Rhonda Poole on August 7,1981 in Pampa. The couple has lived in Pampa and Childress and moved to Amarillo in 2000. Mark worked in printing until 2008 when he started at Amarillo Gear as a CNC Machine Operator. Rhoda

Malone graduates magna cum laude

Deana Ann Malone of Pampa was among the recent graduates at Panhandle Oklahoma University. State Commencement ceremonies were held May 14.

Malone graduated magna cum laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology.

She is the daughter of Jack D. and Clara Furnish of Pampa.

April 2011 when the couple bought Accent Embroidery in Amarillo. Children of the couple and their spouses are Bradley and Jamie Fletcher and

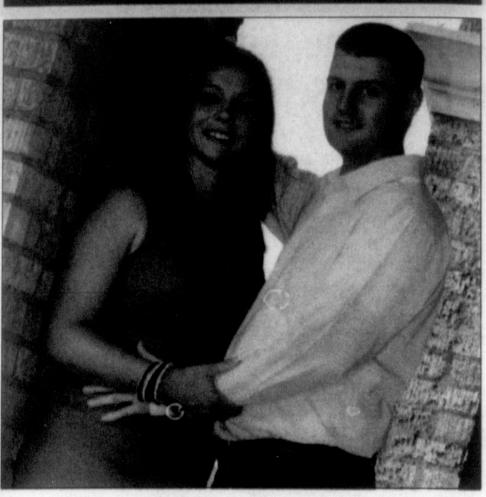
worked in car sales until Jarrett and Alyssa Fletcher, all of Amarillo.

The couple have 3 grandchildren, Michael and Gracelyn Fletcher, and Emalee Fletcher.



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WEDDING BELLS



Jackie Tillery and Randall Ellis

Tillery, Ellis to wed Oct. 15

ment of their daughter, Jackie Annette, to Randall Ellis, of Pampa, Texas.

Jackie is the granddaughter of Georgia and the late Jack Francis of the late PR. Tillery Sr., of

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Til- Terry Ellis, of Pampa, lery of Perrin, are pleased and Helena and David to announce the engage- McKnight, of Pampa, and the grandson of Jean and the late Junior Ellis, and the late Mary and Willie Heuston, all of Pampa.

The bride elect is a 2005 graduate of Perrin-Whitt Perrin, and Dorothy and High School and a 2009 graduate of West Texas A&M. She is employed Randall is the son of as a kindergarten teacher

at Austin Elementary in Pampa.

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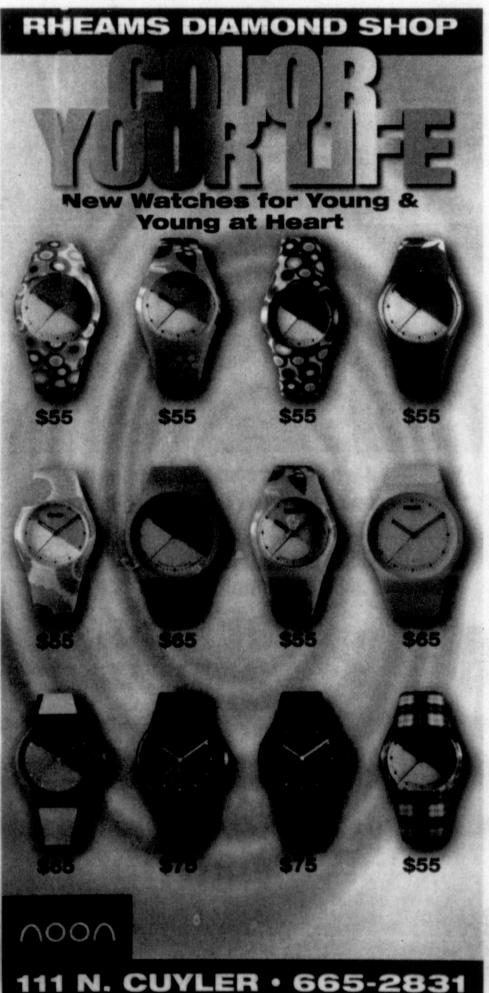
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The prospective groom is a 1999 graduate of Pampa High School and is employed by Titan Specialties in Pampa.

Jackie and Randall will be married October 15. 2011, at Willow Lake Gardens in Weatherford.



Sports Sports



Harvester volleyball returns with renewed urgency

ANDREW GLOVER aglover@thepampanews.com

Last year as juniors, Kirsten Kuhn, Caitlin Sieck, McKinlee Stokes, Stephanie Allen, Alanna Stephens, Ramie Hutto and Kailyn Troxell saw their volleyball season end in the regional quarterfinals, four rounds short of their goal. Now that they only have one year left, they and the rest of the Pampa Lady Harvesters are urgent to make sure this season won't end short of the state title.

Head coach Libby Garza said the larger group of seniors makes them more determined to reach their goal, adding they know what to expect in the playoffs.

"I think we had urgency last year, but they just didn't know what the playoffs were like," Garza said. "It helped having Taryn (Eubank) but with one senior they can't do it all. Now this year, they know what to expect and what it's about."

Stokes said they were ready for next season after last year ended.

"I think we want to go all the way to state this year," Stokes said. "We're a little more excited this year."

The Lady Harvesters return eight of 11 players from last season. Garza said the players moved up from junior varsity are fitting in well.

"The girls take those younger players and love them," Garza said. "Taylor Gilles and Madison Joyce are great to have. They are great volleyball players. They have a lot to learn but they keep the play at a competitive level."

Joining the varsity this year are juniors Maddie Fatheree, Taylor Gilles, Madison Joyce and Diamond Maruffo.

Sieck said she's excited that everyone is back.

"We're used to playing with everyone," Sieck said. "We have that chemistry. We have to get used to the new girls, but we're OK with that because we've played with them all summer.

Kuhn said the team has really good chemistry this season.

"We're good friends off the court also," Kuhn said. "We get along pretty well and play well together. It's been easier playing as a team with seven seniors instead of a bunch of new people."

Pampa opens their season Tuesday

against Amarillo San Jacinto and Plainview, then Friday and Saturday, they compete in the Randall Tournament. Sieck said they are playing a tough nondistrict schedule to prepare them for

"Our preseason is pretty tough," Sieck said. "We're excited because it's going to get us ready for our teams in district."

Garza said her girls wanted to play tough competition and believes it will help when they reach district.

"We have a pretty talented group this year," Garza said. "I want them to be challenged a lot before we get into district. Because in district anything goes."

Pampa went 7-2 in district and won the district title in their first season in District 1-3A. Kuhn said district will be tougher because everyone will be gunning for

"Coach Garza always tells us that we have a big target on our backs," Kuhn said. "So just keeping up with that and playing like we know how to play and not down to our competition is what we need to focus on this year."

Stokes said everyone wanting to beat them will give them added motivation.

"It will motivate us to keep that target and keep the title that we have," Stokes said. "We just need to have the same momentum.

Garza agreed adding that her girls are ready for district.

"Their goal is to make state," Garza said. "They aren't stopping till that happens."

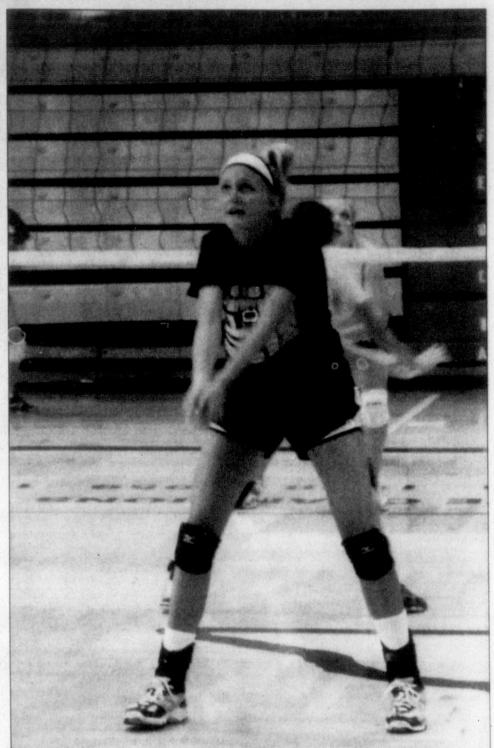
Keep an eye Stephanie Allen,

Allen will be starting as an out-

side hitter after spending most of last season as a reserve. Garza said she has really

stepped up. "She by far is looking amazing right

now. I'm excited because we finally got there. She's just owning it."



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Senior Kailyn Troxell passes a ball in practice Monday. Troxell is one of seven seniors. The large senior class is making the Lady Harvesters more urgent to accomplish their goal.

this week in **SPORTS:**

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AUG Monday

- · Late Night Scramble, Hidden Hills
- · Tennis League. 7 & 8:30 p.m., Pampa Youth Center
- · Cross Country Two-a-days begin, 7 a.m., Randy Matson Track

AUG Tuesday

- · Recreation Softball Tournament, games start at 7 p.m., Softball Complex
- · Pampa High School Volleyball vs. San Jacinto, Plainview, games start at 4 p.m., McNeely



Wednesday

- · Hidden Hills Senior Scramble, Hidden
- · Recreation Softball Tournament, games start at 7 p.m., Softball Complex

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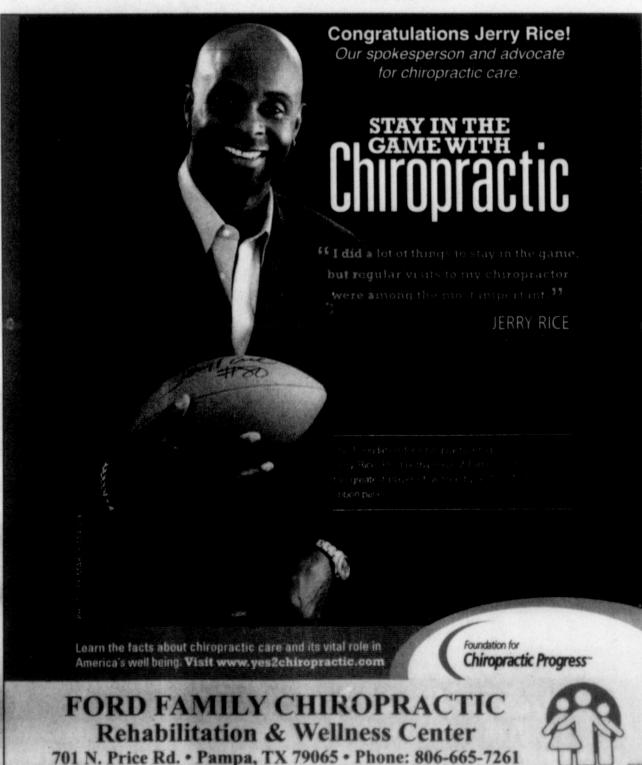
· Lefors Football Scrimmage vs. Follett Darrouzett and Groom 5 p.m., Shaw

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Saturday

· Ryder Cup Pampa CC vs. Borger CC, 9 a.m.,

 Pampa Football Scrimmage vs. Bushland, 11 a.m., Bushland.



Sports

WEEKLY SCOREBOARD

Pampa Recreation League SPRING KICKBALL STANDINGS

MIXED D1	Conf.	Overal
Snapping Turtles	0-0	8-2
Carter Sand & Gravel	0-0	8-2
Wonder Pets	0-0	8-2
Sears	0-0	7-3
Sandy's Pub	0-0	4-6
New Kicks On the Block	0-0	4-6
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Hoggatt Transmission	5-3	11-3
Reloaded	4-4	7-7
Killgo's Woodworks	3-5	7-7
Angels in the Outfield	0-8	1-12
MIXED D2	Conf.	Overall
Comac Well Service	7-1	
Premier Well Service	6-2	9-4
Enbridge	3-5	4-9
Xtra Auto Center	2-6	5-9
4.2 Energy	2-6	4-10
MIXED D3	Conf.	Overall
Brock	7-1	11-3
Outlaws	6-2	11-3
NOV	3-5	5-9
Chief Plastics	3-5	4-9
NOV Red	1-7	1-12
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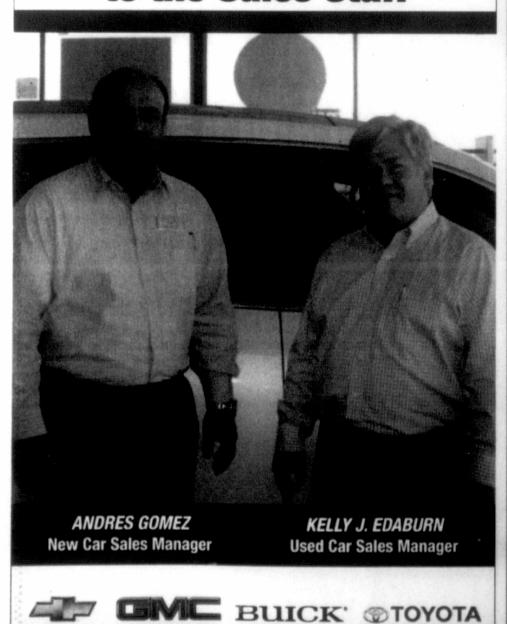
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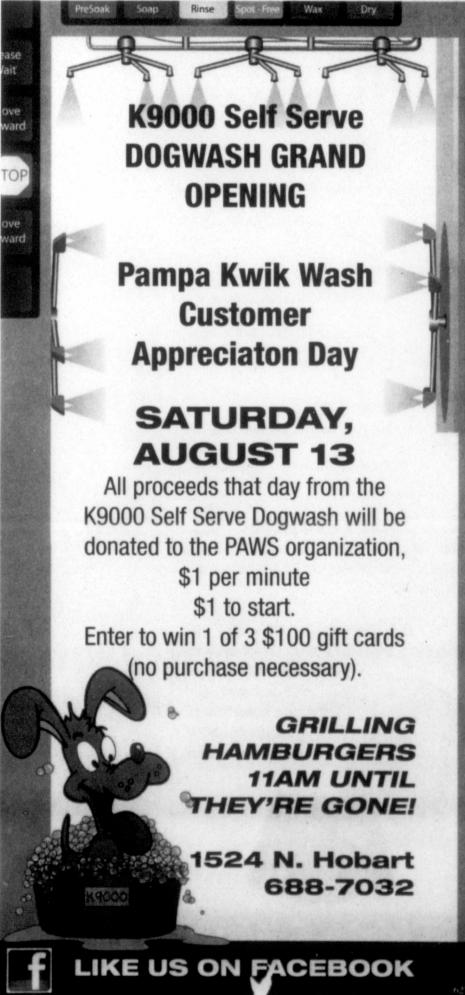
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Pampa Second: Macy Cochran -

Pampa Pole Bending, Girls Group 7 First: Shayley Morriss

Lefors **Bull Riding, Boys Group 5** First: Zane Mccoy - Pampa Goat Tying, Girls Group 3 First: Maggie Hernandez -

Pampa Goat Tying, Girls Group 4 First: Remi Didway, Pampa Second: Sierra Sharp,

Adrian Third: Blaine Carroll -

Crowell Goat Tying, Boys Group 4 First: Braydon Oxley -

Pampa Goat Tying, Girls Group 5 First: Rilee Didway - Pampa Second: Matty Wells, Hereford

Goat Tying, Girls Group 6 First: Bailey Wichert -Pampa

Second: Marlee Youree, Pampa Goat Tying, Girls Group 7

First: Cheyenne Tull, Stinnett Adult/Youth Team Roping

First: Bodee Baldwin/Brokk Baldwin - Amarillo **ALL-AROUND TITLES:**

Group 3 All-Around Cowgirl: Gracie Tucker, Canyon All-Around Cowboy: Trevor Hale, Perryton

Group 4 All-Around Cowgirl: Third: Didway, Pampa All-Around Cowboy: Justin Thomas, Pampa

Group 5

All-Around Cowboy: Ben Tucker, Canyon Group 6

All-Around Cowgirl: Macy Cochran, Pampa All-Around Cowboy: Wesley Sims, Happy Group 7

All-Around Cowgirl: Shayley Morris, Lefors All-Around Cowboy: Spencer Nicholson, Lefors

Kid Pony Show Results

Calf Riding, Group II First: Levi Windsor, White Deer

Second: Ty Clawson, Borger Third: Tatum Sharp, Adrian Stick Horse Race, Boys Group I

First: Kade Parks, Pampa Second: Rowdy Sharp, Adrian Third: Bodee Bowman,

Pampa Stick Horse Race, Girls Group I

First: Dally Hall, Canyon Second: Raynee Bass, Fritch Third: Harlee Gomez, Shamrock Goat Ribbon Race, Boys

Group I First: C.J. Taylor, Pampa Second: Lance Dyer, Pampa Third: Mac Cochran, Pampa

Goat Ribbon Race, Girls Group I First: Raynee Bass, Fritch Second: Dally Hall, Canyon Harlee Third: Gomez.

Shamrock Flag Race, Boys Group II First: Taylor Pritchett, Joshua

Second: Gage Hoganson, Pampa Third: Levi Windsor, White Golfette, Boys Group I First: Rowdy Sharp, Adrian Second: No Qualified Time Third: No Qualified Time Golfette, Girls Group I First: Erin Larue, Pampa Second: No Qualified Time Third: No Qualified Time Golfette, Boys Group II First: Gage Hoganson, Pampa

Second: Levi Windsor, White Deer Golfette, Girls Group II First: Emma Chisum, Pampa

Walk & Lead Barrel Race, Group I Harlee Gomez, First: Shamrock

Second: No Qualified Time

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Barrel Race, Girls Group I First: Raynee Bass, Fritch Second: Dally Hall, Canyon Third: Erin Larue, Pampa Barrel Race, Boys Group II First: Levi Windsor, White Second: Elijah Dyer, White

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Hidden Hills

First (61): K. Everson, G. Owens, N. Lancaster, O.

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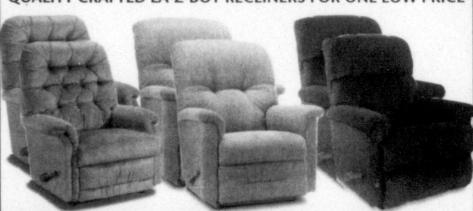
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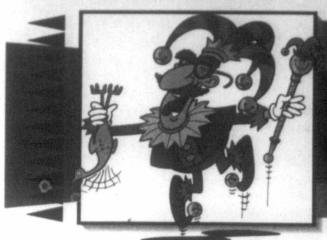
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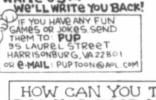








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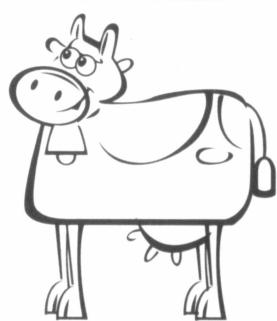
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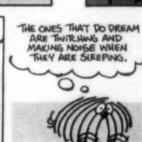
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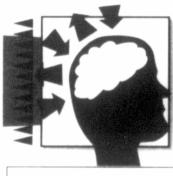


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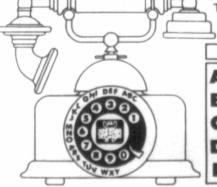
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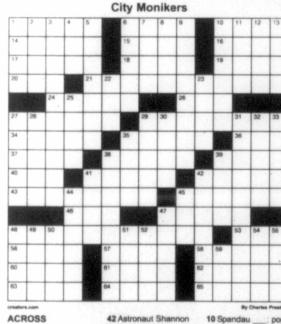
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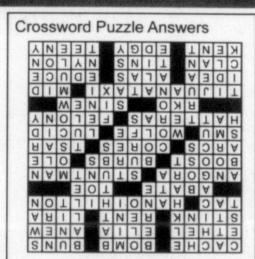
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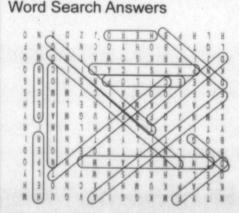
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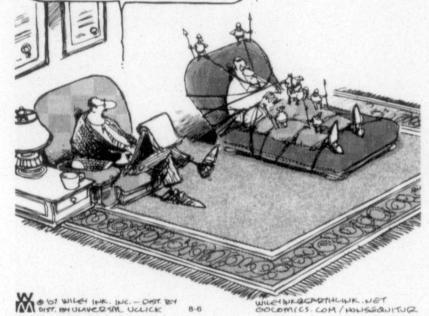
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Saturday, Aug. 6,2011:

This year, you might believe you are being clear, but you will be giving mixed signals. You often distance yourself from others without intending to. Ask several respected and trusted friends or family members if perhaps your body language doesn't match your message. Some of you might opt to take a class in communication. Be aware of the possibility. If you are single, you could meet someone through family or close to your home. Take your time dating this year. If you are attached, the two of you probably will see the communication issue just mentioned rear its ugly head. SCORPIO can pressure you.

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)

** Deal directly with issues that surround a key partnership. The discussion could go anywhere from trying to resolve a disagreement to deciding as a team your next step. Use care not to confuse matters by saying one thing but doing another. Tonight: Dinner with a favorite person.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

**** Others prove to be challenging because they are so determined to have matters tumble the way they want. You might see that you are spreading yourself thin. Worry less about what is happening and more about the quality of the interac-

tion. Tonight: Say "yes" to living. GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

*** You might do the unthinkable work on a project rather than socialize. Don't let someone's question throw you. You know what is good for you. Don't feel as if you have to explain everything. You don't. Tonight: Let your energy be a factor in making choices.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

**** Amid everything that is happening, you might be wondering if you need to cancel some plans. Give 125 percent to whatever you do, and you will have your answer. Don't allow someone else's tantrum to dominate. Tonight: Fun and

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

*** Just as you are ready to take off and soar, you discover that a family member or roommate needs something. It might feel as if you have shackles on. Be a little more easygoing, but also know when to respond to your own needs. Tonight: Entertain at home.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Your ability to communicate crosses a barrier. You have an opportunity to heal a relationship, if you so choose. Don't take people's comments personally, and you will be far happier. Tonight: Strutting your stuff.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*** A friend might be trying very hard to point you in the correct direction. Do remember that what is right for you might not be right for this person, and vice versa. Try to open up to different types thinking. Tonight: Your treat.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

*** You might be all smiles. Pressure could be building where you least expect it. Listen to news more openly. Don't allow a judgment to cloud your thinking. Remain imaginative yet direct with others. Tonight: Enjoying the moment

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

*** You might want to project yourself differently than a friend. You also might want to make plans independently. Honor your needs, but also expect a bit of a backlash. You need to follow your own drummer. Tonight: Don't read more into a situation than is really there.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

**** Find the crowds and find your friends. In this type of setting, you'll feel great. A partner manifests some jealousy. Single Goats might discover just how interested someone is by his or her possessiveness. Tonight: Where your friends are.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) *** ★ Others often follow your lead. Right now, the same people could reverse their direction out of the blue. You wonder what is going on. Don't worry about the present situation. Remember, everyone is free to do what they want. Tonight: Ask,

and you shall receive. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

*★★★ Keep reaching for more of what you desire. Listen to news with an open mind. Following the now-possible path could be very exciting yet problematic in some way. You might need to give up a lot. Tonight: Use your imagi-

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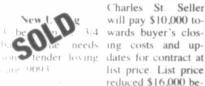
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Emotional depth helps 'Rise' SDLIT-SCREEN breathe new life into series

Judging from the trailers for "Rise of the Planet of the Apes" and the terrible 2001 remake that spawned it, I was ready to write "Rise" off as another summer dud.

I would like to formally apologize to our soon-to-be primate overlords. Go see "Rise of the Planet of the Apes." It's really good.

In a franchise that's been marked with terrible makeup, Charlton Heston chewing up as much scenery as possible and a Tim Burton rehash that was very, well, Tim Burton, it's hard to believe that a new movie can deliver a genuine dose of emotion.

Still, that's exactly what audiences get with "Rise," starring James Franco as Charles Rodman, a scientist determined to find a cure for Alzheimer's through drug testing on chimpanzees. Rodman's father, played touchingly by John Lithgow, is saddled with the disease, and Franco shines in their interactions. It's initially hard to buy Franco, who's usually stoned or fighting Spider-man in every other movie he's in, as a research scientist, but Franco's versatility really shows through as he plays against type.

The real star of the show, though, is Andy Serkis, who we never actually see in the movie. Serkis, the acclaimed motioncapture actor once nominated for an Oscar for his portrayal of Gollum in the "Lord of the Rings" series, plays Caesar, Rodman's chimp. Rodman adopted Caesar as a baby when his mother, on whom Rodman's firm had been testing the Alzheimer's drug, died in a laboratory mishap.

Caesar inherited the effects of the drug from his mother, resulting in his intelligence becoming greatly heightened. The film is more about Caesar than Rodman, and as it progresses, we see Caesar's transformation from a wide-eyed baby to a bitter adult, confused and affronted over his treatment as a pet and a second class individual.

It's a testament to how far visual effects in Hollywood have gone to say that Caesar's face conveys his emotional maturation and metamorphosis to a tee. It's also a big pat on the back of Serkis, on whose face motion



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a big part of why the movie works so well. Premium computer graphics, great acting and stylish direction more than make up for the occasional silliness of the film's overarching concept. The franchise itself may have been a tired one, but "Rise" goes far in reawakening the series. "Rise of the Planet of the Apes" gets two great big opposable

capture dots were used

to create the animated

Caesar's expressions.

Serkis, who has prior

experience aping apes

(he did motion capture

for Peter Jackson's

"King Kong"), is a

great actor in his own

right, and the humanity

he lends to Caesar is

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"Rise of the Planet of the Apes" Rated PG-13 for intense and frightening

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'Crazy, Stupid, Love.' a good, different romantic comedy

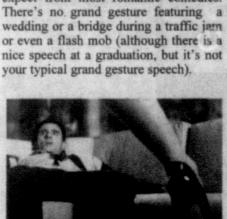
"Crazy, Stupid, Love." is the newest romantic movie to be released as counterprogramming to the boy friendly, blowem-ups of summer.

The movie features an amazing cast, which includes Steve Carell, Ryan

Gosling, Emma Stone, Julian Moore, Marissa Tomei, and Kevin Bacon.

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But even more interesting is what the movie doesn't contain: The typical tropes and plot points we've come to expect from most romantic comedies.



"Crazy, Stupid, Love." ** Rated PG-13 for sexual content and language.

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Instead of the typical "boy meets girl, screws it up, etc." model, we meet Cal (Carell) and Emily (Moore), a longtime married couple who are clearly in a rut, so much so that in the opening minutes of the film Emily admits to having an affair and wanting a divorce.

After hearing this, and subsequently jumping out of a moving car, Cal sets out to reinvent himself with the help of suave, womanizing Jacob (Gosling). With Jacob's help, a new wardrobe and confidence he's never had before, Cal becomes a bit of a womanizer himself, taking home several ladies before realizing that he what he's really searching for is the rekindled love of his wife.

Meanwhile, Jacob falls head over heels for Hannah (Stone), a young law student, causing him to completely reevaluate his lifestyle. Then there's also Cal's son, Robbie, who has a huge crush on his babysitter, who herself has a crush on Cal, creating a strange and slightly creepy, love triangle. While each plot line is treated as it's own localized story for most of the movie, they all collide in the end, to hilarious and disastrous

While the cast does an amazing job and directors Glenn Ficarra and John Requa ("I Love You Phillip Morris") did a great job directing, the real credit here has to go to writer Dan Fogelman ("Cars," "Cars 2," "Bolt," etc.), who has managed to throw out the typical romcom tropes and create a stunningly well written film, that is not only one of, if not the, best rom-com ever made, but a great

If you are looking for a movie to get away from the summer explosions and something that both you and your significant other can love check out "Crazy, Stupid, Love."

Local attorney Travis Tidmore reviews movies for The Pampa News as well as on his blog, www.thecinemaniac.com.

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