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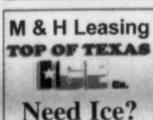
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Pampa remembers the fallen of 9/11



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Jimmye Cole of the First Church of the Nazarene addresses everyone before Sunday's 9/11 morning prayer gathering on Kingsmill Avenue.

The city's firefighters and police join hands in prayer during Sunday's ceremony. Local first responders — firefighters, police, sheriff's deputies and EMTS - were honored before the prayers.



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The flags of the United States The assembled crowd, led by a delegation from First and Texas fly at half-staff at the Assembly of God, join in unity in a rendition of "God Pampa Fire Department for 9/11. Bless America."

Pampa Police Chief Kelly Rushing joins fellow police officers in silent worship on Sunday.

with drug arrests

ARNIE AURELLANO

A routine traffic stop in the county last

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week ended with two people under arrest for drug possession.

At around 6:22 p.m. on Wednesday, a deputy from the Gray County Sheriff's Office stopped a vehicle at the 126-mile post of Interstate 40 for a traffic violation. After getting consent, the officer searched the vehicle and found approximately seven and a half pounds of marijuana.

Sandra Kay Parker, 42, of Visalia, Calif., and Brook Nichole Fairchile, 23, of Tulare, Calif., were arrested and charged with possession of marijuana in the amount of 50 pounds or less but more than four pounds.

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Traffic stop ends Woody Guthrie Days begin Friday

MOLLIE BRYANT mbryant@thepampanews.com

The Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center's upcoming Woody Guthrie Days during September 16 and 17 will provide Guthrie enthusiasts with an opportunity to explore the iconic folk music figure and learn about his connection with Pampa his-

The event will begin on Friday, and includes open jams at 8 a.m. and 6:30 p.m., performances by the Woody Guthrie Musicians and the Happy Harmonica Band and a guided tour of the Woody

Guthrie Inn. Saturday will feature a historical tour of Pampa at 9 a.m., storytelling sessions at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., and a dinner and show at 6 p.m. at the M.K. Brown Civic Center.

At 2 p.m. on Friday, Pampa can expect some special guests to the area.



a n d Ann's Bray daughter and son-in-law, and then some nieces, are all coming," said Thelma Bray, events coordinator at the Folk Center and author of "Reflections: the Life and Times of Woody

talked to

Woody's

sister-in-

law on

the phone

today,

Ann

Guthrie,

Guthrie." For Bray, the folk musician was a voice of the country. "His words tell the history of America and the beauty of America," she said.

Guthrie lived in Pampa from 1929 to 1936, and during his time here, he got married and had three kids.

"He really was just struggling to figure out how to exactly lazy, because he carried his painting supplies with him all over this place," said Ken Wilson, president of the Folk Center Board, who added that people would hire Guthrie to paint signs.

"It was a hard time. People were just struggling to survive. Men would work for a dollar a day, and try to support their families on \$30 a month, if you can imagine. added Wilson.

It's estimated that Guthrie lived in Pampa from the time he was 17 to 24, and this is reputed to be where he developed an interest in playing music, reading and writing. He eventually became a prolific songwriter and musician.

"Woody wrote lyrics constantly. He might be sitting at the table, and he'd scribble on a tablecloth or napkin as the ideas would hit him," said Wilson.

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Today





High 94 Low 63

High 86 Low 59

High 74 Low 55

Wednesday

Today: Mostly sunny, with a high near 94. Breezy, with a southwest wind 10 to 15 mph increasing to between 20 and 25 mph. Winds could gust as high as 35 mph.

Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 63. West southwest wind between 10 and 15

Tuesday: Partly sunny, with a high near 86. North northwest wind between 10 and 15

Tuesday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 59. North northeast wind 5 to 10 mph becoming southwest.

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Public Meeting Agendas

Pampa City Commission meeting

Tuesday, Sept. 13 at 5 p.m. at City Hall. Call to order -Invocation - Pledge of Allegiance Public comments - Citizens who have signed a card to speak to the City Commission will be heard at this time. Public hearing - The City Commission of the City of Pampa, Texas will conduct a public hearing onthe proposed 2011-2012 Operating Budget.

Authorizations by City Commission:

2011-2012 proposed Operating Budget.

 Consider approving the minutes of the August 23 regular City Commission meeting as presented. 2. Consider approving on first reading Ordinance No. 1556, an Ordinance of the City of Pampa adopting the

3. Consider approving the Pampa Economic Development Corporations 2011-2012 proposed operating

Consider approving on first reading Ordinance No. 1557, an Ordinance of the City of Pampa setting a tax rate of \$0.621027 on each \$100.00 valuation of property and levying an Ad Valorem Tax.

5. Consider adopting a revised Drought Contingency Plan as required by TCEQ for the City of Pampa. 6. Consider award of bid in the amount of \$300.00

from Delores McMahon for delinquent tax property at Lot 10, Block 22, Talley Addition, commonly known as 528 N. Zimmers.

Consider award of bid in the amount of \$330.00 from Treva S. Brown for delinquent tax property at Lots 8 & 9, Block 2, Cohen Addition, commonly known as 413 and 415 Maple.

8. Consider award of bid in the amount of \$330.00 from Treva S. Brown for delinquent tax property at Lots 6 thru 8, Block 1, Hunter Addition, commonly known as 511 E. Oklahoma.

9. Consider award of bid in the amount of \$400.00 from

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Tuesday, Sept. 13

•Pampa City Commission regular meeting, 5 p.m at City Hall

Thursday, Sept. 15 Billy Dean in concert, Community Concert Assn., 7:30 p.m at the M.K. Brown Audito-

 Pampa ISD School Board special meeting, 5:30 p.m. in the Carver Center admin. build-

Saturday, Sept. 24 •20th Century Club's Home Tour, 10 a.m - 2 p.m. For more info, call 665-5693.

If your nonprofit or community organization has an upcoming meeting or event, submit it to The Pampa News Community Calendar at least one week in advance by e-mailing to rpribble@ thepampanews.com. Submissions should include only the date, time and contact number for the event. The Pampa News reserves the right to edit or reject any submission.

Shannen K. Lang for delinquent tax property at Lots 40 & 41, Block 1, Hunter Addition, commonly known as 514 Harlem.

10. Consider calling a Special City Commission Meeting on Sept. 20 at 4 p.m.

Pampa ISD School Board meeting

Thursday, Sept. 15 at 5:30 p.m. in the Carver Center admin, building

 Consideration and action to approve moving Celebration Freedom Week from the week of

Sept.19, to the week of Nov. 1. Consideration and action to approve a contract for purchase of real property located at 1233 N. Hobart (former Albertson's)

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String of wildfires takes toll on firefighters

BASTROP, Texas (AP) — The flames of the massive wildfire that had swallowed nearly 1,400 homes in Central Texas had been tamed, but Webster Fire Chief Patrick Shipp and his crew - veterans of a fire season pushing his team to the limit know the danger doesn't end there.

Carrying a 40-pound safety pack and protective clothing covering nearly every inch of skin, Shipp and his team hunt down hot spot after hot spot in the Bastrop area, where one of the most destructive wildfires in the state's history has burned for a week. Heavy ash paints a bleak, almost monochrome landscape. It's hard to breathe. Every 10 minutes or so, Shipp squirts Visine in his eyes to ease the sting.

"Every step you take is like a dust storm all around you, it's pretty surreal," Shipp said.

It's a familiar environment for Shipp and hundreds of other firefighters who have spent the past several months battling blazes across the state, and there's little sign of relief. Shipp has been deployed two other times from his home 160 miles away from Bastrop, and he knows the fight won't end anytime soon.

"We'll probably leave here and go somewhere else," Shipp said.

Texas is suffering its worst wildfire outbreak in state history. The Bastrop-area fire has been the largest of nearly 190 wildfires the Texas Forest Service says erupted this week, leaving nearly 1,700 homes statewide in charred ruins, killing four people and forcing thousands of people to evacuate. The forecast for the months ahead

offers little optimism. A La Nina

weather pattern is setting up across the region that will likely sustain the dry, windy conditions that are so crucial to sparking and sustaining dangerous fires like the one near Bastrop.

Since Texas' fire season began in December, local and state firefighters have responded to more than 20,900 wildfires that have consumed about 3.6 million acres - roughly the size of the state of Connecticut. Shipp is among firefighters from

around the state who are battling the blaze through the Texas Intrastate Fire Mutual Aid System — a Texas Forest Service program that uses local departments to help in major blazes and other emergencies. They're working alongside teams of federal and local firefighters against the Bastrop fire, which officials say is about 40 percent contained.

Hundreds of firefighters from Texas and nationwide have been sleeping and resting at Camp Swift, a National Guard post near the blaze, with engines from cities around the state crowding a field as they returned from Thursday's shift. By Thursday night, firefighters said the largest flames had been tamed and they were now focusing on putting out hotspots and ensuring homes were safe for resident to return.

As they rested at the camp and prepared themselves for another long day ahead, firefighters acknowledged the weariness of chasing blaze after blaze.

"It wears you down, but it's what we do," said Jim Rodgers, chief of Northeast Fire and Rescue in Humble, Texas, who was working alongside Shipp.

Shipp said the intensity of the fire on the first day was unlike anything he had seen. "We would mark a place on the

map and say, 'We're not going to let the fire get there,' but when the fire would get there, it would jump over us," Shipp said. "We would have to retreat to the next road and finally made our last stand before we got beat again." Since the start of the year, Shipp

and his crew — a collection of 11 firefighters from five fire departments - have battled wildfires in West Texas in the spring and in Midway earlier this summer. They already were eveing fires in Montgomery County that they expected to be dispatched next.

"This crew has missed Easter, Father's Day, Memorial Day, the 9/11 anniversary and my kid's first football game," Shipp said. When he returned Thursday night, Shipp had received a text message that his 12 year-old son's team won the game earlier that evening.

The impact on the state's firefighters is undeniable, officials say.

"There's no doubt that this fire season has taken its toll on fire departments in Texas," said Chris Barron, executive director of the State Firemen's and Fire Marshal's Association of Texas.

Barron, whose group has set up a fund to raise money to buy protective equipment and clothing for volunteer firefighters, said it's too early to say what the physical and emotional impact on the state's firefighters will be from this season.

And, Barron notes, "Fire season isn't even close to being over yet."

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Roger Dean Willis, 54

Roger Dean Willis, 54 passed away Sunday, September 4, 2011 in Pampa.

Memorial services will be at 2:00 PM Wednesday, Sept. 14, 2011, at Trinity Fellowship Church with

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Rev. Ronnie Goode, as-

Oct. 24, 1956 in Fort Worth where he graduated from high school. He served in the U.S.

Army where he was stationed in South Korea. Roger married Lanette

Heuer on May 1, 2008 in

Amarillo. He had been a resident of Pampa since 2005 He was the church custodian at Trinity Fellowship from 2005-April of 2011.

Roger was an avid golfer and was a member of Hid den Hills Golf Course. He was a loving husband, fa ther, and grandfather.

Willis is survived by his wife, Lanette Willis of th home; two sons, Jason Kidwell of Fort Worth and Chris Lavrenz and wife Tara of Pampa; three daugh ters, Jeanette Longoria and husband Gilberto, and Rosmarie Stark all of Pampa, and Addie Furgerson and husband Mase Furgerson Jr of Lefors and by 14 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a brother and by hi

parents. Memorials may be sent to Trinity Fellow ship, 2225 N. Hobart, Pampa, TX 79065.

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AUSTIN (AP) - Texas Gov. Rick Perry says the heroism of first-responders and ordinary citizens during the Sept. 11 attacks was a call to action "for a generation of

The Republican presidential hopeful says some joined the military and went to war, others went into law

He says in the face of "overwhelming evil," America responded with love for those affected but also with "a determination to strike back against those who commit-

Perry laid a wreath before an Austin monument honoring those who died 10 years ago Sunday.

He also saluted the death of Osama Bin Laden, saying "the mastermind behind these attacks has paid the ultimate price.'

Perry often chides President Obama, but has publicly cheered his administration for finding and killing Bin

Progress in Houston fires

HOUSTON (AP) — Firefighters are making progress in their efforts to contain wildfires consuming thousands of acres in a tri-county area north of Houston.

A Texas Forest Service statement on Sunday says half of the fire raging on more than 21,000 acres is contained. It says the fire was moving south Saturday, while DC-10 airtankers dropped retardant on the flames. The service says about 60 homes have been destroyed. Magnolia Fire Chief Gary Vincent says responders are "optimistic" about their progress.

Thousands of people in the area about 40 miles north of Houston have been evacuated from their homes. The wildfire is one of more than 190 raging across drought-

The largest fire has destroyed some 1,400 homes in Bastrop, a town east of Austin.

Perry cancels wildfire visit

BASTROP (AP) - Texas Gov. Rick Perry unexpectedly canceled plans to visit areas hit by a massive Central

A Perry spokeswoman said the governor's scheduled visit on Saturday of damaged areas in Bastrop County near Austin as well as his participation in a news conference with local and state officials did not take place because of "logistical issues" with Perry arriving in Bastrop on time.

Perry's office on Friday had announced the governor would visit the area.

Perry spokeswoman Allison Castle said the governor was in Austin and was keeping in regular contact with officials on the wildfire.

Castle did not say when Perry would return to Bastrop. Perry visited the area earlier this week after he cut short a presidential campaign trip to deal with the crisis.

Councilman wants gun carry law

WATAUGA (AP) — A city council member in a Fort Worth suburb has proposed that all residents in his community be authorized to openly carry firearms and those who have concealed-handgun licenses should be required to carry their guns when they are at city hall.

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported Saturday that the views of Russell Clements have inspired some residents in Watauga to consider a recall election for the council member, who was elected in May.

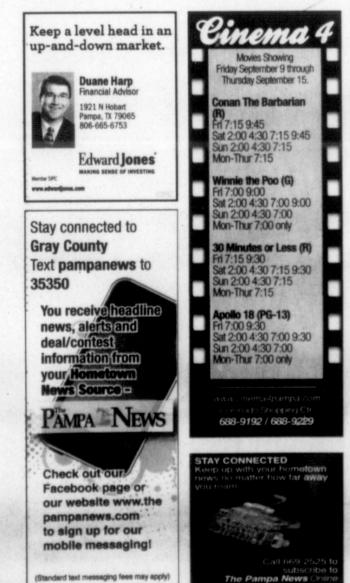
Clements is also proposing that police should train all residents who are older than 65 or disabled — as well as any others who are interested - to use shotguns and pistols for home defense.

Clements, who has a concealed-handgun license, said he longs for the freedom he had when he lived in

"I wore a .357 on my hip," he said. "Anyone in Arizona would tell you it's not a problem. It used to be in Texas we had that opportunity, but they changed it after the

He said the city's policy against bringing guns into city hall is stupid because it denies him, other council members and residents who attend council meetings the ability to defend themselves.

Former Councilman Mike Steele, an ex-Marine and a concealed-handgun-license holder, said insisting that people attend council meetings armed is fringe thinking.



Even more silly Internet absurdities

Creator's Syndicate

I am about to give up, dear readers! No sooner did I finish a couple of recent columns that dealt with silly Internet rumors and lies about Social Security, when I opened my email and found three more!

Q: I am forwarding something I found on the Internet. You'll see that it proves the Social Security Administration is helping to hide the true identity of Barack Obama. They were involved in preparing a false birth certificate, and assigned three different Social Security numbers that have been used throughout his lifetime. What do you know about this?

A. OK, I'll fess up.

Shortly after I was hired by the Social Security Administration (SSA), I was assigned to a secret task force, along with representatives of other government agencies. We were sent to Africa to hand pick a Kenyan baby. We snuck him off to Hawaii and set him up with a phony family. For years, we groomed him to become president of the United States and eventually the socialist leader of the world.

We made only one mistake. We gave him a foreign-sounding name: Barack Hussein Obama. We should have called him John Wayne Smith, or something more American! And now you're onto

Of course, this stupid Internet rumor is sad and pathetic. And I might be laughing it off as a joke if I didn't get emails about this from nearly 10 people, half of whom said they're inclined to believe it. Get real, people! And get a life!

Q: A friend forwarded a news story he said he found on the Internet. It claims President Obama is using Social Security money to pay for the war in Afghanistan. Can you shed any light on this?

A. Well, I'll add it to the list. Let's see ... Obama is using Social Security money for the Afghan war; President Bush used Social Security money to pay for the war

in Iraq; and in the 1990s, President Clinton paid for the Bosnian war with Social Security funds. And the precedents were set by Presidents Nixon and Johnson, both of whom tapped Social Security trust funds to pay for the war in Vietnam. Or that's how the stories go, at least.

But unlike the preposterous rumor about the SSA hiding Obama's true identity, this one is actually based on a kernel of truth.

I have explained many times in this column that all Social Security money is invested, by law, in U.S. Treasury notes. Almost \$2 billion (SET ITAL)per day(END ITAL) flows into the Treasury Department in Washington, D.C., in the form of Social Security tax receipts. Every nickel of that money is instantly converted to treasury bonds that earn the prevailing rate of interest.

Three times each month, SSA's financiers cash in about \$20 billion in bonds to pay for the Social Security checks that are sent out on the second, third, and fourth Wednesdays of every month. The government makes good on those bonds and fills the Social Security coffers with enough money to cover that week's Social Security checks.

That's the way Social Security has always been financed — for 75 years now. So Social Security trust funds do not hold cash. They hold Treasury notes. The actual cash funnels its way into the general funds of the Treasury and is used to help pay for all operations of government

So in that respect, there would be some Social Security money used to pay for the war in Afghanistan, just as there is some Social Security money used for everything from running the Smithsonian museums to paying for the last space shuttle launch.

Think of it this way: millions of investors hold U.S. government bonds as part of their portfolios, and the treasury is spending the

money they invested in those bonds to run the government. The Social Security system is just another one of those investors. In fact, during the recent debates on raising the debt ceiling, it was frequentpointed out that the Social Security program is the single larg-

est holder of our nation's debt.

Q: I am sending you a link to a website that claims Social Security money has been used to build housing developments for foreign nationals. It also says that everyone living in these housing units is getting a Social Security check. No wonder Social Security has problems if we're wasting money

A: This should be another absurd website I'd hope most of my readers would readily dismiss as too stupid to be true. But a couple hundred of you sent it to me, and quite a few of you said you believe it to be factual. Think these things through, folks!

However, I've got to admit there probably are housing projects around the country that have been financed, in part, with federal help. And maybe wrapped up in that federal funding are a few nickels of Social Security money via the investment scenario explained above. And there could be foreign nationals living in some of those housing projects.

And I guess there's a chance that a couple of those folks - assuming they are living here legally, had worked and paid Social Security taxes, and are over age 62 — might be getting Social Security benefits. So you can see how so many of these rumors about Social Security are based on a teeny, tiny kernel

But, of course, the problem is that most people who buy into all the misinformation perpetrated on these websites don't understand that subtle, little nugget of knowledge about Social Security financing. They believe that the government is writing checks directly out of Social Security's bank account to pay for flak jackets for soldiers and housing projects for immigrants - not to mention to fund a clandestine scheme to install a

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Constitutional Amendments Special Election November 8, 2011

Proposition Number 1 (SJR 14)

SJR 14 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to provide the surviving spouse of a 100 percent or totally disabled veteran with an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the surviving spouse's residence homestead as long as the surviving spouse has not remarried, the property was the residence homestead of the surviving spouse when the qualifying veteran died, and the property remains the residence homestead of the surviving HJR 63 would amend the consti-

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a 100 percent or totally disabled veteran.

Proposition Number 2 (SJR 4)

SJR 4 would amend the constitution to authorize the Texas Water Development Board to issue additional general obligation bonds on a continuing basis for one or more accounts of the Texas Water Development Fund II, with the restriction that the total amount of bonds outstanding at any time does not exceed \$6 billion.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of additional general obligation bonds by the Texas Water Development Board in an amount not to exceed \$6 billion at any time outstand-

Proposition Number 3 (SJR 50)

SJR 50 would amend the constitution to authorize the Texas Higher **Education Coordinating Board or** its successors to issue and sell general obligation bonds on a continuing basis for the purpose of financing educational loans for

students, subject to certain constitutional restrictions, including a restriction as to the maximum principal amount of bonds outstanding at any one time.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of general obligation bonds of the State of Texas to finance educational loans to students.

Proposition Number 4 (HJR 63)

tution to authorize the legislature to permit a county to issue bonds or notes to finance the development or redevelopment of an unproductive, underdeveloped, or blighted area within the county, and to pledge increases in ad valorem tax revenues imposed on property in the area by the county for repayment of such bonds or notes. The amendment does not provide independent authority for increasing ad valorem tax rates.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit a county to issue bonds or notes to finance the development or redevelopment of an unproductive, underdeveloped, or blighted area and to pledge for repayment of the bonds or notes increases in ad valorem taxes imposed by the county on property in the area. The amendment does not provide authority for increasing ad valorem tax rates.

Proposition Number 5 (SJR 26)

SJR 26 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to allow cities and counties to enter into interlocal contracts with other cities and counties without having to assess an ad valorem tax and set aside a specified amount of funds for the payment of costs under the interlocal

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment

authorizing the legislature to alow cities or counties to enter into interlocal contracts with other cities or counties without the imposition of a tax or the provision of a sinking fund.

Proposition Number 6 (HJR 109)

HJR 109 would amend the constitution to increase the amount of principal that is available for withdrawal from the permanent school fund each year and would also clarify certain references to that fund in the constitution. Increased access to the principal of the state public education trust fund would be based upon HJR 109 granting the authority to consider alternative market calculations when determining the amount of principal that is available for distribution to the available school fund. HJR 109 would also provide authority to distribute to the available school fund annual revenue from school fund land or other properties up to \$300 million per year.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: The constitutional amendment clarifying references to the permanent school fund, allowing the General Land Office to distribute revenue from permanent school fund land or other properties to the available school fund to provide additional funding for public education, and providing for an increase in the market value of the permanent school fund for the purpose of allowing increased distributions from the available school fund.

Proposition Number 7 (SJR 28)

SJR 28 would amend the constitution by adding El Paso County to the list of counties authorized to create conservation and reclamation districts to develop parks and recreational facilities financed by taxes.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit conservation and reclamation districts in El Paso County to issue bonds supported by ad valorem taxes to fund the development and maintenance of parks and recreational facilities."

(SJR 16) SJR 16 would amend the consti-

Proposition Number 8

tution by requiring the legislature to provide for taxation of open space land devoted to water stewardship purposes on the basis of its productive capacity.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the appraisal for ad valorem tax purposes of openspace land devoted to water-stewardship purposes on the basis of its productive capacity.'

Proposition Number 9 (SJR 9)

SJR 9 would amend the constitution to authorize the governor, on the written recommendation and advice of the Board of Pardons and Paroles, to grant a pardon, reprieve, or commutation of punishment to a person who successfully completes a term of deferred adjudication community supervi-

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Proposition Number 10 (SJR 37)

SJR 37 would amend the constitution by extending the length of the unexpired term that causes the automatic resignation of certain local elected officeholders if they announce candidacy or become candidates for another office from one year to one year and 30 days.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to change the length of the unexpired term that causes the automatic resignation of certain elected county or district officeholders if they become candidates for another office."

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Today in History

Today is Monday, Sept. 12, the 255th day of 2011. There are 110 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 12, 1961, the privately funded Woman in Space Program effectively came to an end as 13 female pilots who had applied to become NASA astronauts were informed by the space agency that their spaceflight simulation tests in Pensacola, Fla., would not be taking place, after all.

On this date:

In 1846, Elizabeth Barrett secretly married Robert Browning at St. Marylebone Church in London.

In 1910, Gustav Mahler's Symphony No. 8, popularly known as the "Symphony of a Thousand," had its premiere in Munich, Germany, with Mahler

In 1943, German paratroopers took Benito Mussolini from the hotel where he was being held by the Italian government.

In 1960, Democratic presidential candidate John F. Kennedy addressed questions about his Roman Catholic faith, telling a Southern Baptist group, "I do not speak for my church on public matters, and the church does not speak for me.

In 1974, Emperor Haile Selassie was deposed by Ethiopia's military after ruling for 58 years.

In 1992, the space shuttle Endeavour blasted off. Ten years ago: Stunned rescue workers continued to search for bodies in the World Trade Center's smoking rubble a day after a terrorist attack that shut down the financial capital, badly damaged the Pentagon and left thousands dead. President George W. Bush, branding the attacks in New York and Washington "acts of war," said "this will be a monumental struggle of good versus evil" and that good will prevail.

Five years ago: In a speech in his native Germany, Pope Benedict XVI quoted from an obscure medieval text that characterized some teachings of Islam's founder as "evil and inhuman," unleashing a torrent of rage across the Islamic world (the pontiff later said he sincerely regretted that Muslims were offended). Syrian guards foiled an attempt by suspected al-Qaida-linked militants to blow up the U.S. Embassy in Damascus.

One year ago: The United States won its first world basketball championship since 1994, beating Turkey 81-64 behind a sensational performance from tournament MVP Kevin Durant, who scored

Today's Birthdays: Actor Dickie Moore ("Our (iang") is 86. Actor Freddie Jones is 84. Country singer George Jones is 80. Actor Ian Holm is 80. Actress Linda Gray is 71. Singer Maria Muldaur is 69. Actor Joe Pantoliano is 60. Singer-musician Gerry Beckley (America) is 59. Rock musician Neil Peart (Rush) is 59. Actor Peter Scolari is 56. Kansas Gov. Sam Brownback is 55. Actress Rachel Ward is 54. Actress Amy Yasbeck is 49. Rock musician Norwood Fisher (Fishbone) is 46. Actor Darren E. Burrows is 45. Rock singer-musician Ben Folds (Ben Folds Five) is 45. Rock musician Larry LaLonde (Primus) is 43. Actor Josh Hopkins is 41. Actor Paul Walker is 38. Country singer Jennifer Nettles (Sugarland) is 37. Actor Ben McKenzie is 33. Singer Ruben Studdard is 33. Basketball player Yao Ming is 31. Singer-actress Jennifer Hudson is Actress Emmy Rossum is 25.

Thought for Today: "Hope, like faith, is nothing if it is not courageous; it is nothing if it is not ridicu-Thornton Wilder, American playwright

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What 'moderate Republican' now means

Jon Huntsman, the former Republican governor of Utah and more recently U.S. ambassador to China, has had his truebeliever GOP credentials openly questioned by the Conservative Police.

True, Huntsman believes in evolution and accepts the reality of climate change, while supporting civil unions for gay couples. But what made Huntsman suspect was his statement about Barack Obama, who appointed him ambassador: "I respect the president of the United States. He and I have a difference of opinion on how to help a country we both love. But the question each of us wants the voters to answer is who will be the better president, not who who's the better American.

Make no mistake about it: The Republican Party of 2012 is significantly more conservative and less moderate than the Republican Party that, four years ago, nominated John McCain. It's not that long ago that the Republican Party had real liberal stars such as Nelson Rockefeller, and U.S. Sens. Mark Hatfield of Oregon, Jacob Javits of New York, John Chaffee of Rhode Island and Mac Mathias of Maryland.

Not fully trusted by many liberal Democrats and disliked by many conservative Republicans, these GOP mavericks were taunted: The definition of a liberal Republican is someone who, when you're drowning some 30 feet offshore, throws you a 20 foot rope and boasts that he "went more than halfway."

Huntsman's positions on sci-



MARK SHIELDS

no flaming moderate. He's more conservative than Mitt Romney. Recently, Huntsman gave us his tax plan, which is enough to make

Daddy Warbucks do handstands. Huntsman joins fellow GOP presidential candidates Minnesota Rep. Michele Bachmann, Texas Rep. Ron Paul, former House Speaker Newt Gingrich and former CEO Herman Cain in calling for the elimination of any federal tax on capital gains.

According to the best estimate of the respected Tax Policy Center, U.S. households making less than \$50,000 a year pay an average of less than \$10 a year on investments. Even those earning between \$100,000 and \$200,000 annually pay just an average of \$400 in capital gains taxes.

And the real winners if the capital gains tax is in fact lowered to zero? According to the Tax Policy Center, the top 1 percent of earners with an average pre-tax income of almost \$7 million, who under the Huntsman plan would get a windfall tax cut of \$350,000 a year. How moderate would you call that?

Not very, by recent Republican ence, the envistandards. During the 1996 GOP ronment and presidential campaign, Malcolm cultural issues "Steve" Forbes advocated a indeed 16 percent "flat tax" plan that unorthodox excluded interest and dividend today's income from federal taxation. Republican But Forbes was challenged by Texas Party. where the rub-Sen. Phil Gramm, who argued, "It's not fair to say that people ber hits the road -- on who who work with their head or with their hands ought to pay taxes, pays federal taxes -- Jon but that people who earn their living with capital ought not to." Huntsman is

Republican candidate Pat Buchanan was more colorful in his criticism, suggesting that Forbes' plan to exclude dividends from taxation must have been forged "by the boys at the yacht basin" because it would "let some trust-fund baby in Florida clip coupons the rest of his life and pay zero taxes."

The criticism of Gramm and Buchanan are just as valid today. Why should a firefighter or nurse or a Marine gunnery sergeant pay federal taxes on the wages each earns through blood, sweat and skill, while the lazy heir to a family fortune does not pay a dime to Uncle Sam?

You can call the candidate who wants to completely abolish the capital gains tax a lot of things, but you cannot call him moder-

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The nation remembers 9/11: 'You will always be my hero'

NEW YORK (AP) - The names of 2,977 killed in New York, Washington the Sept. 11 dead, some called out by children barely old enough to remember their fallen mothers and fathers, echoed across ground zero Sunday in a haunting but hopeful tribute on the 10th anniversary of the terror attack. "God is our refuge and strength," President Barack Obama said, quoting the Bible.

Weeping relatives of the victims streamed into a newly opened memorial and placed pictures and flowers beside names etched in bronze. Obama and his predecessor, George W. Bush, bowed their heads and touched the inscriptions.

Obama, standing behind bulletproof glass and before the white oak trees of the memorial, read the Bible passage after a moment of silence at 8:46 a.m., when the first jetliner slammed into the north tower 10 years ago.

The president, quoting Psalm 46, invoked the presence of God as an inspiration to endure. "Therefore, we will not fear, even though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea."

The New York ceremony was the centerpiece of a day of remembrance across the country. It was a chance to reflect on a decade that changed American life, including two wars and the overhaul of everyday security at airports and in big

In a ceremony at the Pentagon, Defense Secretary Leon Panetta observed a moment of silence at 9:37 a.m., marking the time a jet struck the center of the nation's military. He paid tribute to 6,200 members of the U.S. military who have died in the Iraq and Afghan wars.

In Shanksville, Pa., a choir sang at the Flight 93 National Memorial, and a crowd of 5,000 listened to a reading of the names of 40 passengers and crew killed aboard the plane a decade ago.

In New York, family members began reading the names of 2,983 victims

and Pennsylvania on Sept. 11, 2001, and six killed in the first terror attack on the trade center, a truck bomb in 1993

"You will always be my hero," Patricia Smith, 12, said of her mother.

Nicholas Gorki remembered his father, who I never met because I was in my mother's belly. I love you, Father. You gave me the gift of life, and I wish you could be here to enjoy it with me."

Peter Negron, 21, whose father worked on the 88th floor of the north tower, said that in the decade since the attack, he had tried to teach his younger brother lessons he had learned from their father.

"I decided to become a forensic scientist," Negron said. "I hope that I can make my father proud of the young men my brother and I have become. I miss you so much, Dad."

Bush quoted a letter from President Abraham Lincoln to the mother of soldiers who died in the Civil War.

"I pray that our heavenly father may assuage the anguish of your bereavement," Bush said.

Obama and Bush were joined by their wives as they walked up to one of the two reflecting pools built over the towers' footprints, part of a Sept. 11 memorial that was opened for relatives of the victims.

Some family members held children on their backs who were not yet born when the towers were attacked.

Mayor Michael Bloomberg, opening the ceremony of remembrance, said: "Although we can never un-see what happened here, we can also see that children who lost their parents have grown into young adults. ... Good works have taken root in public service."

As the sun rose, an American flag fluttered over six stories of the rising 1 World Trade Center. The sky was clear blue with scattered white clouds and a light breeze, not unlike the Tuesday morning 10 years had for any other Sept. 11 anniversary: Along with the names in bronze, there were two manmade waterfalls directly on the footprints of the towers, surrounded by dozens of white oak trees.

Elijah Portillo, 17, whose father was killed in the attack, said he had never wanted to attend the anniversary because he thought he would feel angry. But this time was different, he said.

"Time to be a big boy," Elijah said. "Time to not let things hold you back. Time to just step out into the world and see how things are."

The anniversary arrived with security officials in New York and Washington on alert. Ahead of the anniversary, the federal government had warned local authorities of a tip about a possible car-bomb plot.

Remembrances around the nation and world marked a decade of longing for foved ones lost in the attack.

The anniversary revived memories of a September morning when terrorists crashed hijacked planes into the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, and a fourth plane crashed into a field in rural western Pennsylvania. Of heroism and Samaritans and unthinkable fear. And of nearly 3,000 killed at the hands of a global terror network led by Osama bin Laden, himself now dead.

In a taped interview, the president told NBC News that the United States "came through this thing in a way that was consistent with our character."

"We've made mistakes. Some things haven't happened as quickly as they needed to," he said. "But overall, we took the

The site looked utterly different than it fight to al-Qaida, we preserved our values, we preserved our character.'

People across America planned to gather to pray at cathedrals in their greatest cities and to lay roses before fire stations in their smallest towns. Around the world, many others planned to do something similar.

On Saturday in rural western Pennsylvania, more than 4,000 people began to tell the story again.

At the dedication of the Flight 93 National Memorial near the town of Shanksville, Bush and former President Bill Clinton and Vice President Joe Biden joined the families of the 40 passengers and crew aboard the jet who fought back against their hijackers.

'The moment America's democracy was under attack our citizens defied their captors by holding a vote," Bush said. Their choice cost them their lives.

The passengers and crew gave "the entire country an incalculable gift: They saved the Capitol from attack," an untold amount of lives and denied al-Qaida the symbolic victory of "smashing the center of American government," Clinton

They were "ordinary people given no time at all to decide and they did the right

"And 2,500 years from now, I hope and pray to God that people will still remember this.

The hundreds of ceremonies across the country and around the globe included memorial Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York and a ceremony featuring nine-stories-tall replicas of the twin towers on a plaza in Paris.

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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: My new doctor has told me I'm considered morbidly obese. We discussed the yo-yoing weight problems I have had since I was a child, and she said I'd be a good candidate for gastric bypass surgery

My husband is supersupportive of the idea and so is the rest of my family. My mother even suggested I encourage my sister -who is even heavier than I am -- to research it. But when I mentioned it to my mother-in-law, "Evelyn," she was not thrilled.

Evelyn is the only other overweight person in the immediate family here in Maryland, I suspect that she doesn't want to be the only heavy person in the family if I have the sur-

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gery. Her husband wants to be active and do things. He does them with my husband and me because Evelyn can't. I know this upsets her.

How can I tell her that at 28, I want to do something about my weight problem now in order to live a long, healthy life? I don't want to end up like her when I'm older -bitter about my slimmer, healthier, more active husband doing things without me. -- DYING TO BE HEALTHY

DEAR DYING: This isn't about Evelyn. It is only about you and the fact that your doctor has recommended you consider this medical procedure. If Evelyn raises the subject, remind her that

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this is the case. And of course, omit any reference to the idea that she might be "bitter," or that we had, somebody would her slimmer, healthier husband is doing things without her, because it will only make her more defensive.

DEAR ABBY: My longtime friend Jim had a stroke several years ago. His wife was struggling to keep him at home while working, taking care of the house, cooking and doing other endless chores. She found it difficult even to get out of the house for a haircut. She confided to me the hurt she felt when friends never followed through on their general offers of assistance.

Our discussion led to the formation of the FOJ (Friends of Jim's) Club. Everyone in our "elite' group commits to spending two hours a month with Jim. The time slots we fill are recorded on our FOJ calendar. This time provides a needed respite for Jim's wife and an opportunity for Jim to interact with others and get out of the house. Because the time commitment is for a defined -- but not overly long -- period 21 of time, people are more willing and able to make a commitment they know they can keep.

I encourage your readers to form similar They "friends clubs." can bring light and support to caregivers as well as to those being cared for. And this gift of love will circle back. I know because I'm a ... FRIEND OF JIM'S IN CHAMPAIGN, ILL.

DEAR FRIEND OF JIM'S: Jim and his wife are fortunate to have such a loyal and stalwart circle of friends as you and your fellow FOJ Club members. I have 32 City on printed letters from time to time about random acts of kindness; yours is the most organized effort 34 Choose to I have heard about. The gift of "self" you are giving your friend is the most precious gift one can give. And I hope it will be remembered by anyone who reads your letter.

stand up and say Woody Guthrie was an atheist and communist.

She wrote her book on Guthrie as a way to educate Pampans on the man behind the image.

that Pampa acknowledged that Woody Guthrie lived in Pampa, Texas," she said.

"I don't think people hate him here any longer," said Pat Stewart of the Folk

Center and Harmonicas Across America. "I think they just don't know him. They don't know the things he did, and they don't know the things he didn't do."

The Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center hopes to change that with Woody Days, but most importantly, there will be plenty of opportunities to listen to Guthrie's words and music

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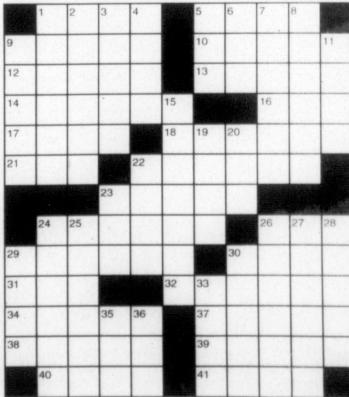
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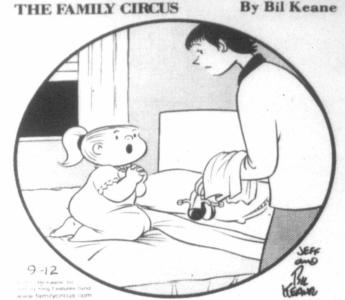
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For a while, Guthrie was

known, he'd written a lot of songs and Pampa was accepting him," said Bray. "In fact, when we orchestrated this, we wanted to name a street Woody Guthrie Street, and at a city commission meeting or one of the other meetings that

"I just decided it was time

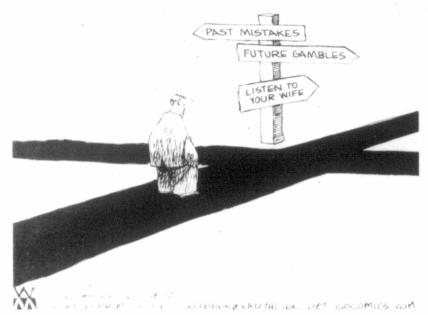




"How many 'Talk to God' minutes does our family plan allow?"

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, Sept 17 7(11)

New beginnings become possible this year. You often go back and forth in your mind about what you should do as opposed to what you want to do. Relationships might not be easy, but with patience situations ultimately will work out. If you are single, many people express interest in vou. Don't commit until you are 100 percent sure. If you are attached, misunderstandings happen out of the blue. Improve your listening skills. Learn to confirm what you hear PISCES can be challenging, but you have similar core issues.

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)

*** Different aspects of your life vie for control Meetings remain instrumental, though you might need time to get some work done. Close your door so you can attend to daily matters. Tonight: Know when to call it a night.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Allow yourself to listen to associates. Meetings provide information and could demonstrate the difference in how others view situations. A child or loved one seems to need more attention. Let this person know when you will be there for him or her. Tonight: Until the wee hours.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★ Demands seem to appear left and right. You will need to talk to a higher-up in order to confirm his or her priorities, which you probably need to make your own. Nevertheless, domestic matters require your attention. Juggle as much as you can. Tonight: Burning the midnight oil.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

*** You are juggling two different needs or people. A neighbor or sibling seeks you out frequently, and, of course. there is no stopping him or her. Make calls to those at a distance. You need some information. Tonight: Escape from all the chatter.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★ Juggling your financial concerns with the needs and commitments of others keeps you busy and overwhelmed. It becomes obvious that there is a need to revamp your daily situation. Discussions lead to good ideas. Tonight: Don't let your

pride interfere

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

*** You have your hands full. Others keep seeking you out. Stay on top of the situation, if possible. Establish limits as to what you will do. Tonight: Decide who, if anyone, you want to socialize with.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*** You might feel a bit tired and drawn handling a work or personal matter. Others keep asking you to pitch in or help. The end result is that you feel quite overwhelmed. Take a walk midday to clear your mind and help you prioritize. Tonight: Try vanishing early!

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Emphasis is on creativity, children, a risk and/or a loved one. You clearly want to go off and enjoy yourself, but responsibilities call. Meetings demand your attention. If you want to realize a certain goal, you cannot drop the ball now. Tonight: Time for some fun!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★ You need to deal with a personal matter. All arrows point to that direction. You have professional or other responsibilities. If you relax and fine-tune your schedule, you will see a path. Recognize that for some of you, the personal issue must be resolved in order for you to flourish elsewhere. Tonight: Just go with the moment.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

**** If you really must get a job done or focus on a matter, you might want to turn off your phone and not get caught up in the moment and what is going on. Eventually you will need to deal with all the activity, but at your own pace. Tonight: Catch up on everyone's news.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

*** You have your hands full juggling different concerns. Many of these issues surround finances; some have to do with other people. A partnership also might be involved. Don't make a final decision yet, or else you could be very sorry. Tonight: Let someone else make the first move.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Today's Full Moon spotlights you. Everyone likes the limelight, but with it comes many requests and responsibilities. Fortunately, this is a passage, not a daily given. Knowing that, honor what is happening. Enjoy the popularity. Tonight: Remember that you call the shots.

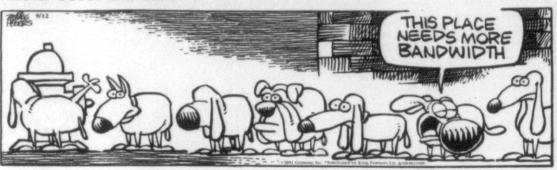
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AMARILLO - The No. 12 Pampa Lady Harvesters were looking to continue their momentum when they entered the River Road Tournament Friday. After winning its seventh straight game Saturday against the Amarillo San Jacinto Lady Patriots, Pampa accomplished that as it won the tournament for the second straight season.

Junior Maddie Fatheree won the tournament Most Valuable Player. Seniors Ramie Hutto and Alanna Stephens were selected to the all-tournament team. Head coach Libby Garza said her team played

"I think it could have been better," Garza said. "We definitely came very prepared and they played well."

The tournament started with pool play Friday Pampa beat Sanford-Fritch (25-18, 25-8). Tulia (25-12, 22-25, 25-15) and Arbor Academy (25-14, 25-13). To reach the championship the Lady Harvesters beat Snyder (25-13, 25-14) and host River Road (25-18, 25-16). Senior Ramie Hutto said the team did a better job of maintaining its level of play

"We had a goal to hold our opponents under 15 and did that for the most part,"

In the championship game, Pampa broke a 4-4 tie and pulled out to a 9-4 lead prompting the Lady Patriots to take a timeout. Senior Kailyn Troxell served during the run and recorded a pair of aces. The Lady Patriots responded with an 11-7 run, cutting the deficit to one. The Lady Harvesters brought their lead to four with Troxell, Stephens and senior Stephanie Allen scoring kills. After a small Patriot rally Hutto scored consecutive kills increasing Pampa's advantage to 24-20. The Lady Harvesters immedi-

ately scored the next point to win. In the second game, Pampa pulled away



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Senior Alanna Stephens returns a serve against Amarillo San Jacinto Saturday.

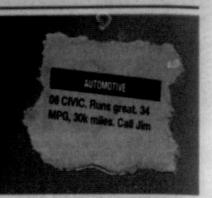
with a 7-1 run with the game tied at six, prompting a timeout by the Lady Patriots. Stephens, Troxell and Allen led the Lady Harvester attack with multiple kills. The Lady Patriots didn't get closer than five. Stephens and Allen closed the game with

The Lady Harvesters (19-6) visit Amarillo High and Amarillo Tascosa Tuesday in Amarillo. Hutto said the team wants to show both schools that its on

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Lefors didn't allow Lazbuddie to get a running game going, allowing -22 yards. Head coach Joey Czubinski said the team spent a lot of time studying Lazbuddie's offense

"(Lazbuddie) has several formations," Czubinski said. "They run shotgun and different stuff out of the spread. We worked a lot on defending those forma-

The offense played solidly, as it had five scoring plays of 35 or more yards. Senior Andrew Chambers threw a 33-yard touchdown pass to senior Dennis Sprouse to put Lefors ahead 6-0. Chambers scored on a 37-yard run increasing the lead to 20-0. After Sprouse intercepted a pass, Nicholson hit him for a 73-yard touch down. Helfer scored on a 39-yard run. Gaitlin Reagan got the last two scores on a 60-yard pass and a 67-yard punt return. Czubinski said it was a good win but

still saw things his team could improve. "It's a performance you can feel good about," Czubinski said. "We missed on four of five extra points. That's something we work on all the time in prac-

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