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## Full steam ahead to 2012 for Project Red

#### MOLLIE BRYANT mbryant@thepampanews.com

Since coming together in March, Project Red has completed seven projects in five months to improve living conditions for families in Pampa. They have repainted and repaired interiors, cleaned yards, installed central heating units, and even addressed plumbing problems and repaired roofs.

Paint This Town Red, a new church to Pampa, began Project

Red with a keen desire to give back to the community.

"As a church, we believe we are supposed to serve, and we take that very literally," said CJ Frazier, lead pastor of the church. "We want to serve our community as much as we can, and really be loving (and) giving with no strings attached. So that's what we try to do. We try to meet the needs of people, and in any way we can improve the quality of their life. For some people that's plumbing, for some people that's

helping pay an electric bill, for some people that's putting a roof over their head, or it's just showing up and mowing their lawn, or just being somebody that they can talk to and have as a friend. We try to meet all those needs as much as we can, just because we love the community so much."

"We dreamed about starting a church for the past 10 years. We weren't sure what kind of church we wanted to be. We just wanted to be something that made a difference, but we didn't know what

that looked like till we got here. said Ryan Frazier, associate pastor of Paint This Town Red.

The church's first Project Red in June helped form the identity of the organization by clarifying its goal of service. The Fraziers posted a notice on the church's website asking people to contact them if they had a need, and they shortly heard from Deb Griffin.

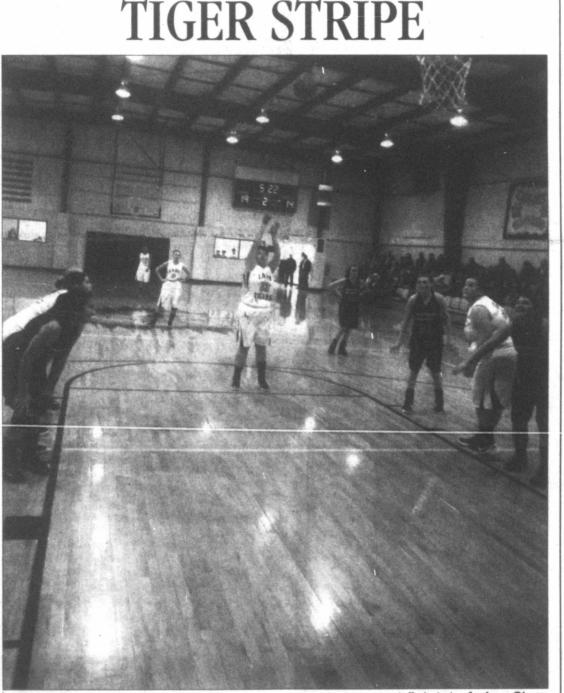
"Deb Griffin emailed us, and said her parent's plumbing was broken. They had to use the RED cont. on page 3

## Soup with Mrs. Claus on Saturday

#### ARNIE AURELLANO editor@thepampanews.com

It's that time of year again. Area kids can get some face time with a visitor from the North Pole when the local chapter of Altrusa International, Inc., holds Soup With Mrs. Claus from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. this Saturday at the Knights of Columbus Hall near downtown Pampa.

Tickets for the event will be \$5. with children of all ages encouraged to attend. Ann Thrasher, Altrusa co-chair of this year's event, said that the club looks forward to entertaining the community every year. "It's a lot of fun for everyone," Thrasher said. "It's our major fundraiser, but mainly we just like doing it because it's something for the community and something for kids at Christmas. It gives people something warm to eat while they're waiting on the (Christmas) parade. It's a service, but it's sort of fun, too." Mary McDaniel, the longest serving member of Pampa's Altrusa club, will again play the part of Mrs. Claus, as she has every year, Thrasher said.



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McLean senior Ashley Russell shoots a foul shot against Miami Tuesday. The Lady Tigers led early but couldn't pull out a victory in a 59-54 loss to the No. 11 Lady Warriors. Full story in **SPORTS**, page 10.

"She's always been our Mrs. Claus," Thrasher said. "She loves to do it for the kids. The kids can get their picture made with Mrs. Claus for free.'

Mrs. Claus' guests can choose between potato soup and chili, with event co-chair Sue Pribble and Brenda Tucker helming the teams handling the cooking SOUP cont. on page 12

## New moniker, same service for McElhannon at PED

#### **ARNIE AURELLANO** editor@thepampanews.com

Pampa entrepreneurs seeking counsel at the Pampa Economic Development Corporation may see a familiar face hanging around the office on Wednesdays, but they may notice that his business cards have changed.

Due to the dissolution of the Entrepreneur Alliance as it was previously structured, business development facilitator Spencer McElhannon, formerly of EA, is no longer with the company.

What happened was the Entrepreneur Alliance was born back in 2007," McElhannon



**McElhannon** 

Enterprise Center, which is the incubator there in Amarillo. The 501c3 entity itself stayed with the Small Business Development

said. "It had gone through a number of transitions as far as its mission.

"As of Oct. 1, the nonprofit that was the Entrepreneur Alliance was effectively broken into pieces. A piece that was part of an (Economic Development Administration federal) grant came into the

Center. The only operating piece left in it was what we called the business facilitation, which was what I did there in Pampa, Borger and Perryton."

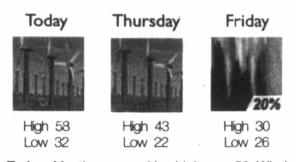
That service offered by McElhannon, which includes providing free one-on-one consulting to anyone starting or operating a business here in Pampa, will essentially stay the same, McElhannon said — only under a new name.

"(That business facilitation service) was spun out to me and Matty McLain, who was the other facilitator," McElhannon said. "We formed a for-profit entity called Leading Edge, which we now operate doing basically MCELHANNON cont. on page 12



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#### **PAMPA FORECAST**



Today: Mostly sunny, with a high near 58. Wind chill values between 23 and 33 early. Windy, with a south 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 32. Wind chill values between 23 and 28. Windy, with a south wind 10 to 20 mph becoming west. Winds could gust as high as 25 mph.

Thursday: Partly sunny, with a high near 43. Windy, with a north northwest wind 10 to 15 mph increasing to between 20 and 25 mph. Winds could gust as high as 30 mph.

Thursday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 22. Windy, with a north northeast wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

Friday: A slight chance of freezing rain. Partly sunny, with a high near 30. Blustery, with a north northeast wind 5 to 15 mph becoming south southeast. Winds could gust as high as 20 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Friday Night: A chance of freezing rain. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 26. South wind 5 to 10 mph becoming west. Chance of precipitation is 30 percent.

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## Obituaries

Michael Stephens, 60

Michael Stephens, 60, of Plainview, passed away on Friday, November 25, 2011. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, December 1, 2011, at College Heights Baptist Church-with Rev. Don Robertson officiating. Interment will be at 3 p.m. at Childress Cemetery. Arrangements are under the care of Kornerstone Funeral Directors of Plainview.

Michael was born on De-

cember 15, 1950, in Quanah, to Bill and Laverne Stephens. He grew up in Pampa and graduated from Pampa High School in 1969. He attended West Texas State University in Canyon. He worked as a jeweler for almost 20 years for Corrigan's Jewelry (Zales). He moved to Plainview in 2008, where he did odd jobs including working for his brother-in-law at Artway Tree Service.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Michael is survived by one daughter, Joanna Paige King of Dallas; one brother, Randy Stephens & wife Pam of Mansfield; one sister, Deeda Carter & husband Wes of Plainview,; his stepmother, Bobbie Sue Walker of Lubbock; and one stepsister, Dana Wilson of Albuquerque, NM.

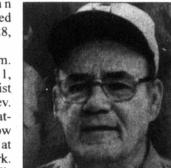
The family suggests memorials to the Make-A-Wish Foundation, 411 S. Filmore, Amarillo, TX 79101.

Online condolences may be made at www.kornerstonefunerals.com.

#### Truman "Wayne" Hamby, 74

FRITCH-Truman "Wayne" Hamby, 74, died Monday, November 28, 2011 in Amarillo.

Services will be 11 a.m. Thursday, December 1, 2011 at Broadway Baptist church in Fritch, with Rev. Bill Browning officiating. Interment will follow in the Garden of Love, at Westlawn Memorial Park. Services are under the direction of Minton Chatwell Funeral Directors of Fritch.



Wayne Hamby was born February 4, 1937, in Annestine, Ala. to William Truman and Lillian Vera Hamby. He served in the United States Army during Vietnam. Wayne married Colleen Stofferson February 25, 1974, in Albuquerque, N.M. They lived in Fritch until August of 2000, and then moved to Amarillo. Wayne was a Baptist, a carpenter, and a truck driver for Phillips Petroleum, where he retired. He loved studying the Bible, family, helping others, kids, and watching Fox news.

Hamby

Stephens

Survivors include three sons; James Hamby of Pampa Ronald Hamby of Amarillo, and Donny Stanzyk of Waterloo, Iowa; five daughters; Donna Faye Lowrance of Pampa, Debbie Gray of Panhandle, Dorothea Cooper of McLean, Cheri Eicher of Weldona, Colo., and Sandra Stokes of Amarillo; four brothers; Bill Hamby of Petro lia, Dude Hamby of Miami, Buddy Hamby of Amarillo, and Jerry Hamby of Wellington; 26 grandchildren, 23 great grandchildren, and six great great grandchildren.

Wayne is preceded in death by his wife, Colleen, March 20, 2011, three daughters; Candiece Stanzyk, Rebeka Born, Jennifer Hamby, and a sister, Lorraine Foster

#### Michael R. "Mickey" Oliver, 67

Michael R. "Mickey" Oliver, 67, died November 29, 2011, in Pampa.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, December 2011, at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel, with Jeremy Buck officiating.

Burial will be at Memory Gardens Cemetery, with military honors courtesy U.S. Army, Fort Hood. Arrangements are under the Oliver direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.



Mr. Oliver was born April 8, 1944, in Sapulpa, Okla., where he graduated from Sapulpa High School in 1962, After graduation, he moved to Colorado where he worked for Climax Mining in Leadville, and he later had a daughter, Kim Rivera. He resided in Colorado until 2007 when moved to Pampa. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving in Korea during the Vietnam War. He married Suzanne Buck on October 2, 1976, in Pampa, and they had two sons, Corey and Bryan. Michael was an avid outdoorsman who loved to hunt, fish and camp. He was a loving husband, father and grandfather, and enjoyed spending time with his family.

Survivors include his wife, Suzanne Oliver of the home; two sons, Corey Oliver and wife Marianne of El Paso, and Bryan Oliver and wife Jasmine of Amarillo; his daughter, Kim Rivera of Englewood, Colo.; seven grandchildren, Kiara Oliver and Magnus Oliver, both of Amarillo, Emma Phillips and Owen Phillips, both of El Paso, Spencer Rivera, Hannah Rivera and Riley "Goose" Rivera, all of Englewood, Colo.; a brother, Gary Oliver of Aztec, N.M.; his father-in-law, Bryan Buck of Pampa brother-in-law, Mike Buck and wife Shirley of Pampa; and a sister-in-law, Becky Buck of Amarillo. Michael was preceded in death by his parents, William Henry and Evelyn Mae Oliver; a brother, Don Oliver; and his mother-in-law, Betty Buck.

Memorials may be made to Redeemer Pampa, P.O. Box 1294, Pampa, TX 79066-1294, or Alzheimer's Association, 415 W. 8th Ave., Suite 300, Amarillo, TX 79101. Sign the online register at www.carmichael-whatley, com.



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#### Police Department

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24 hour period ending Tuesday, November 29 at 7 a.m. Animal Control agents and Pampa PD reported 17

animal related incidents. Pampa PD reported six traffic related incidents. Pampa EMS responded

to two medical calls. Monday, November 28

Criminal mischief was reported at the 100 block of North Ballard.

A burglary occurred at the 1300 block of East Kingsmill.

Suspicious vehicles were

reported at the 1900 block reported at the 1700 block of North Holly and the of North Aspen. 1900 block of North Chest-

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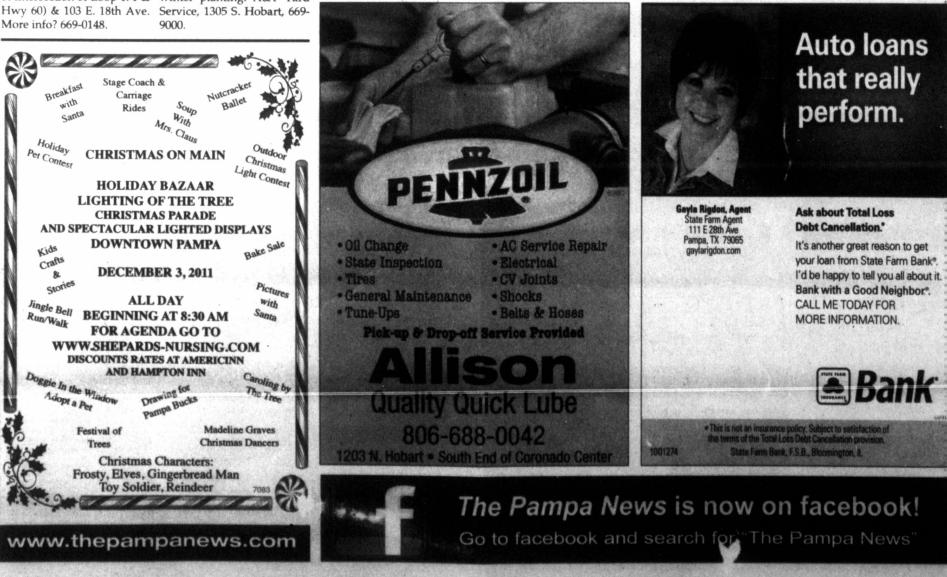
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Ryan and CJ Frazier (from left) have helmed Paint This Town Red and Project Red since the ministry's inception in March.

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bathroom in a bag, and her dad was very, very ill. They had kids in the house, and it was really rough," said Ryan.

The group went over to the Griffin's on a Saturday, rounding up 85 volunteers to assist with repairs on the home.

"We had all those people show up, and that was really where we became who we are, because (of) all those people showing up, and everyone loving what it felt like to see that kind of energy where so many people kids, adults — were there to serve somebody that was in need," said Ryan. "After that, it became addictive. Before that, we thought we were going to be just a typical church."

service has been a driving force of Project Red.

"Sometimes when you do something, you expect something back. With this, we expected nothing back. We didn't expect the family to come to our church or give us anything. We just did it,

and that felt really, really

good," said Ryan. "So

for the last six months,

we've just focused on

doing projects, meeting

people where they're at

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tus as a church rather than

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Paint This Town Red to

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you give something to December 21 at 5 p.m., somebody, you don't want them to squander it, so you tend to give it with strings attached, which says, if we do this for you, don't screw it up. Well, we've had to learn to say, we're just going to do this for you, and what you do after that is up to you. And that philosophy we feel like we get from Jesus. He just did stuff without strings attached,"

he added. After prospective families fill out an application, the board of directors, a church elder and the Frazier brothers convene to determine which project they can tackle, based on the needs of the family, and the group's available resources.

Project Red is focusing on mini projects during the unpredictable weather of the winter season.

"It's the big version, just really small and indoors. We round up as many people as we can, and go to different families that have already contacted us that they have a need, but it's not as major of a project and doesn't require near the finances or near the manpower. We go one evening during the week, typically from 6 to 8:30, and (get done) however much we can get done with as much manpower

at the West Texas Snow Cone Stand on Hobart and Somerville. They will also provide hot cocoa, snacks and music during the event.

The church will also be giving away a 2005 Toyota Sienna to a family that needs a van. Anyone can nominate themselves or someone else to receive the van by visiting the church's

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website at www.paintthistownred.org.

People can also apply for assistance with Project Red at the church's site or projectredpampa.org. Starting in January, Paint This Town Red will meet every Saturday at 6 p.m. at the Optimist Club.

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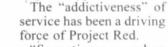
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of things that we have to go through in order to get something done, so our application process is very simple. We just want to know about the family, and we do a personal interview. We want to make sure that the family is actually in need. We don't really fudge if they're deserving. We try to leave that

to God," said Ryan. "We've had to learn to give with no strings attached, which is the hardest thing to do. When

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as we have," said CJ. For the Christmas season, the group has an upcoming project that will deliver gifts to kids in Pampa. On December 7 at 7 p.m., Paint This Town Red will package and wrap the gifts at the AmericInn.

"We're just going to create a big assembly line, and package 500 presents that we're going to hand out," said CJ.

People or organizations can sponsor the presents, which cost six dollars each, from purchase to the assembly line.

Paint This Town Red will give the gifts away on a first come, first serve basis on Wednesday,

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## **Today in History**

Today is Wednesday, Nov. 30, the 334th day of 2011. There are 31 days left in the year. **Today's Highlight in History:** 

On Nov. 30, 1835, Samuel Langhorne Clemens better known as Mark Twain - was born in Florida, Mo.

#### On this date:

In 1782, the United States and Britain signed preliminary peace articles in Paris, ending the Revolutionary War.

In 1803, Spain completed the process of ceding Louisiana to France, which had sold it to the United States.

In 1874, British statesman Sir Winston Churchill was born at Blenheim Palace.

In 1900, Irish writer Oscar Wilde died in Paris at age 46.

In 1936, London's famed Crystal Palace, constructed for the Great Exhibition of 1851, was destroyed in a fire.

In 1939, the Winter War began as Soviet troops invaded Finland. (The conflict ended the following March with a Soviet victory.)

In 1960, the last DeSoto was built by Chrysler, which had decided to retire the brand after 32 years.

In 1962, U Thant of Burma, who had been acting secretary-general of the United Nations following the death of Dag Hammarskjold the year before, was elected to a four-year term.

In 1966, the former British colony of Barbados became independent.

In 1981, the United States and the Soviet Union opened negotiations in Geneva aimed at reducing nuclear weapons in Europe.

Ten years ago: Gary Leon Ridgway was arrested in connection with four of the Green River serial killings in Washington state (he later pleaded guilty to four dozen killings, and is serving life in prison).

Five years ago: President George W. Bush met in Jordan with Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki; Bush said the United States would speed a turnover of security responsibility to Iraqi forces but assured al-Maliki that Washington was not looking for "some kind of graceful exit" from Iraq.

One year ago: Pentagon leaders called for scrapping the 17-year-old "don't ask, don't tell" ban after releasing a survey about the prospect of openly gay troops.

Today's Birthdays: Historian Jacques Barzun is 104. Actor Efrem Zimbalist Jr. is 93. Actor Robert Guillaume is 84. TV personality and producer Dick Clark is 82. Country singer-recording executive Jimmy Bowen is 74. Movie director Ridley Scott is 74. Movie writer-director Terrence Malick is 68. Rock musician Roger Glover (Deep Purple) is 66. Playwright David Mamet is 64. Actress Margaret Whitton is 61. Actor Mandy Patinkin is 59. Musician Shuggie Otis is 58. Country singer Jeannie Kendall is 57. Singer Billy Idol is 56. Historian Michael Beschloss is 56. Rock musician John Ashton (The Psychedelic Furs) is 54. Comedian Colin Mochrie is 54. Actor-director Ben Stiller is 46. Rock musician Mike Stone is 42. Actress Sandra Oh is 41. Country singer Mindy McCready is 36. Singer Clay Aiken is 33. Actress Elisha Cuthbert is 29. Actress Kaley Cuoco is 26. Actress Christel Khalil is 24.



## Newt Gingrich and his box of matches

As a Republican congressman, Newt Gingrich filed ethics charges that led Democratic House Speaker Jim Wright to resign in 1989. Later, the House elected Gingrich speaker. Then, in 1998, Gingrich resigned after his own close encounter with an ethics probe. Wright said he didn't want to gloat, but he did compare Gingrich to "an arsonist who sets fire to his building without stopping to realize the flames are going to consume his own apartment."

Gingrich truly is, to use one of his favorite phrases, a "transformational figure." He has this unsettling history of morphing into the very thing he once denounced.

Gingrich was right to challenge Wright for skirting ethics rules by peddling copies of his self-published book, "Reflections of a Public Man," to get around a House cap on members' speaking fees.

So what did Gingrich do as he rose up the leadership ladder? Instead of a book, Gingrich developed a college course -- "Renewing American civilization" and -- prepare to feel a thrill up your leg -- an "arouser of those who form civilization."

House Dems filed ethics complaints charging that the course illegally used taxexempt entities to promote partisan politics. The Internal Revenue Service later ruled in Gingrich's favor.

But because Gingrich provided "inaccurate, incomplete and unreliable' information to the House Ethics Committee, members voted to fine Gingrich \$300,000 (the cost of the investigation).

On its 2012 campaign website, Team Newt dismisses the ethics charges as "politically motivated." The misleading documents were "prepared by Newt's lawyer."

That handy explanation goes to the recklessness that makes the prospect of a Gingrich nomination so scary. Gingrich knew that Democrats were gunning for him; in his lust for self-aggrandizement, he handed his opponents ample ammunition. The new John Adams couldn't just teach a regular course on American history. No, he had to involve his political arm, GOPAC, and other elements of "Newt Inc." The course burned through as much as \$450,000 in 1994 and again in 1995. While under investigation, Gingrich signed documents that weren't true.



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mand Gingrich was hardly partisan; it was 395-28. Republicans were beginning to see that Gingrich hurt them more than he helped them. When the GOP lost five House seats in 1998, Gingrich was forced to resign. He had lost his party's trust.

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I don't want to think about the fact that Gingrich started dating his last two wives while married to the

first two wives. Impossible, it's like looking at Cyrano de Bergerac and not seeing his big nose.

Problem is, you cannot delineate between his personal life and his public life. The Newter won't let you. He insists on parading third wife Callista, who had a role in his conversion to Catholicism, in a "Callista and I" tour to promote core American values and stave off secularism. Leave it to Gingrich to pump up his family values credentials by joining a church that does not recog-

Thought for Today: "Civilization is the limitless multiplication of unnecessary necessities." Mark Twain (1835-1910).

#### Civilization" -- that later became the title of a book.

Gingrich defenders have argued that unlike Wright's book, the course was not about lining personal pockets. OK. But then Newt's supersize ego led him astray. Course notes extolled the then-GOP whip's role in creating an "American movement" with a GOP majority as an "advocate of civilization," a "definer of civilization," a "teacher of the rules of

The 1997 House vote to repri-

nize divorce. Gingrich later explained his extra-

marital activities as "partially driven by how passionately" he "felt about" this country." He makes you roll your eyes. Listen to Gingrich long enough and you'll feel like one of his ex-wives.

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## Why are we commanding to not lie?

"The first lie detector was made from Adam's rib, and it hasn't been improved on since," writes humorist James Hefley.

According to Heather, age 11, there's a more accurate lie detector: "Your conscience will bother you. You think nobody knows, but God knows. So you shouldn't lie.

How do you know when your conscience is speaking? Nicole, 9, says, "When you tell the truth, you feel good about yourself. And when you lie, you don't feel good."

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In "The Book of Virtues," William Bennett writes: "Dishonesty fully respects neither oneself nor others. Honesty imbues lives with openness, reliability and candor; it expresses a disposition to live in the light."

It's no coincidence that the two most respected U.S. presidents were known for their honesty. By telling the truth about his hatchet job on his father's cherished cherry tree, George Washington gained renown for his straightforwardness. Abraham Lincoln earned the nickname "Honest Abe." These men have served as role models for millions of children and adults.

The problem with lying is that once you start, "it's hard to stop," says Aaron, 9. "If you lie one time, you usually have to lie again," says Stephanie, 6. "You usually get into deeper trouble," adds Carson, 7.

Lying often spreads trouble, says Emile, 8: "If you broke something, and you said your baby sister did it, you would get into some serious trouble." I wonder if God has some kind of special grace for baby sisters. They seem to get blamed for everything.

Speaking of blame, Satan is called "the accuser" and "the father of lies." Latan, 6, says, "The devil wants us to lie." And if we lie, "we'll be following the devil," adds Salar, 8

"Lying can cause great confusion among everyone," says Meg, 11. "If we always lie, then everything will be in mayhem," adds Paul, 11.

Confusion and mayhem accurately describe a world full of lies.

"God commanded us not to lie because everyone wants to hear the truth and not a lie," says Sarah, 8.



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#### about GOD Sarah, I know this may be difficult for you to

KIDS talk

understand, but some people don't really want to hear the truth. The Apostle Paul wrote that some have suppressed the truth to the point where they "exchanged

the truth of God for the lie, and worshipped and served the creature rather than the Creator" (Romans 1:18, 25).

The biggest suppression of truth occurred almost 2,000 years ago when a man who claimed to be "the way, the truth and the life" was nailed to a cross. Jesus validated his claim of being "the truth" when he rose from the dead and appeared to his disciples in a resurrected body.

Sometimes, we don't want to face "the truth" because we are running from God. We don't take responsibility for the lies we believe about ourselves, others and God. When we embrace the false, we compound our problems. Truth brings us into the light of reality and banishes the confusion created by lies.

"Therefore, putting away lying, 'Let each one of you speak truth with his neighbor;' for we are members of one another" (Ephesians 4:25). God wants us to know the truth and to speak truthfully to others.

Point to ponder: Jesus Christ is God's living truth.

Scripture to remember: "I am the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me" (John 14:6)

Question to consider: Will you allow the living light of God's truth to invade your life?

Carey Kinsolving is an experienced public speaker, syndicated newspaper columnist, author, and producer. Many of Kinsolving's feature articles have appeared in The Washington Post and other major newspapers.



## **CHURCH SPOTLIGHT** Zion Lutheran Church to start '11 Advent season with service

#### ANDREW GLOVER aglover@thepampanews.com

Zion Lutheran Church prepares for the Yuletide season as it starts its advent services 7:30 p.m. today.

The services will continue every Wednesday through the 21st. Pastor Michael Erickson said it's basically a mid-week gathering.

"It's an evening prayer service,"

Erickson said advent services are important because it prepares people for the coming of Christ.

"It has a double meaning," Erickson said. "We are preparing to celebrate Christ's birth, but we are also preparing for his second coming. The themes of advent are watching, repenting, praying and preparing.

Erickson said his message series, "Advent of the Apostles," will focus on a different Apostle each week.

"I'm going to talk about them," Erickson said. "Focus on what we can learn from these apostles.'

Today's service will focus on St. Andrew. The next two services will be on the epistles of Paul and Peter. The December 21 service will be about St. Thomas.

Zion Lutheran is located on the

### 1200 block of Duncan Street.

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Erickson said. "We will have liturgy, we will pray and read scripture."

#### Is your church doing something special this holiday season?

Special services or midnight mass? Food drives or kids' events? Send an e-mail to aglover@thepampanews.com and we'll add your church activities to The Pampa News' holiday calendar. Here's to a great Yuletide season!

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## Cain tells aides he is reassessing his presidential campaign

ATLANTA (AP) - Herman Cain told aides Tuesday he is assessing whether the latest allegations of inappropriate sexual behavior against him "create too much of a cloud" for his Republican presidential candidacy to go forward

Acknowledging the "firestorm" arising from an accusation of infidelity, Cain only committed to keeping his campaign schedule for the next several days, in a conference call with his senior staff.

"If a decision is made, different than to plow ahead, you all will be the first to know," he said, according to a transcript of the call made by the National Review, which listened to the conversation.

It was the first time doubts about Cain's continued candidacy had surfaced from the candidate himself. As recently as Tuesday morning, a campaign spokesman had stated unequivocally that Cain would not quit.

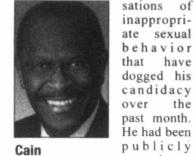
Cain denied anew that he had an extramarital affair with a Georgia woman who went public a day earlier with allegations they had been intimate for 13 vears.

"It was just a friendship relationship," he said on the call, according to the transcript. "That being said, obviously, this is a cause for reassessment.'

He went on: "With this latest one, we have to do an assessment as to whether or not this is going to create too much of a cloud, in some people's minds, as to whether or not they would be able to support us going forth.

Saying the episode had taken an emotional toll on him and his family, Cain told the aides that people will have to decide whether they believe him or the accuser. "That's why we're going to give it time, to see what type of response we get from our supporters."

Cain has denied the affair as well as several other accu-



about pressing ahead even as his standing in public opinion polls and his fundraising started to slide.

resolute

But in the conference call, he pledged only to keep his imminent schedule, including a foreign policy speech at Hillsdale College in Michigan later Tuesday that he promised to deliver with "vim, vigor and enthusiasm."

One participant on the call, speaking on the condition of anonymity because of the private nature of the conversation, described the tone as positive but also noted the uncertainty coming from Cain.

After the conference call, Cain attorney Linn Wood told AP: "Any report that Mr. Cain has decided to withdraw his candidacy is inaccurate."

"I think they are assessing the situation, just as I would expect the campaign to do or any prudent business person to do," said Wood. He added that he would hate to see what he described as false accusations drive Cain out of the race for the presidency

On Monday, Ginger White said in an interview with Fox 5 Atlanta that her affair with Cain ended not long before the former businessman from Georgia announced his candidacy for the White House.

"It was fun," said White, 46, as she described Cain buying her plane tickets for a rendezvous in Palm Springs, Calif. "It was something that took me away from my sort of humdrum life at the time. And it was exciting.

Cain went on television to flatly deny White's claims even before the report aired.

"I didn't do anything wrong," he said then. On Tuesday, he told his staff "I deny those unequivocally,' charges, and went on to say he had only helped White financially "because she was out of work and destitute, desperate.'

Seemingly out of step with Cain's denials, his lawyer issued a statement Monday that included no such denial of the affair and suggested that the media — and the public — had no business snooping into the details of consensual conduct between adults.

Cain's response was faster and more deliberate than he had managed when it was reported that three women alleged he had sexually harassed or groped them when he was the president of the National Restaurant Association in the mid- to late 1990s. The trade group paid settlements to two women who had worked there.

As some conservative Republicans sought an alternative to Mitt Romney, Cain surged in the polls while pushing his 9-9-9 tax plan and providing tough criticism of President Barack Obama during televised debates.

But as the harassment allegations surfaced, Cain stumbled in explaining his views about U.S. policy toward Libya and other foreign policy issues, creating an opening for rival Newt Gingrich to assert himself as a more reliable, seasoned politician to challenge Romney and even Obama. Cain fell in the polls and Gingrich began to rise.

In her TV interview, White said she decided to come forward after seeing Cain attack his other accusers in an appearance on television.

"It bothered me that they were being demonized, sort of, and being treated as if they were automatically lying, and the burden of proof was on them," she said. "I felt bad for them."

She said she first met Cain in the late 1990s in Louisville, Ky., when he was president of the National Restaurant Association. They had drinks and he invited her to his hotel room, she recalled.

She quoted Cain as telling her, "You're beautiful to me and I would love for us to continue this friendship," then produced his personal calendar and invited her to meet him in Palm Springs.

White has been accused of lying before. A former business partner, Kimberly Vay, filed a libel suit as part of a larger business dispute with White. Court records show a state judge ruled in favor of Vay because White failed to respond to the suit. Vay's attorney, Kurt Martin, said a jury must still decide whether to award damages.

White's attorney, Edward Buckley, acknowledged the libel suit. He said White thought the libel claim had been settled as part of a larger settlement.

## Nearly 400 serving life without parole in Texas

HOUSTON (AP) - A review of Texas prison records shows juries around the state have sent 398 convicts to prison with no chance of parole in the six years since the life without parole law took effect.

Texas was the last state with capital punishment to adopt life

without parole as a sentencing option in capital murder cases. The Houston Chronicle reported Tuesday that 110 of the sentences of life without parole came in Harris County, more than a quarter of the state's total. Harris County also has more offenders on death row than any Texas county.

Also since the law went into effect in September 2005, 11 convicted killers have wound up on death row from cases in the state's most populous county.

"Harris County is a tough law and order county on the really bad actors." Harris County First Assistant District Attorney James Leitner told the newspaper. "That hasn't changed."

To compare, Dallas County, No. 2 in population, has 51 convicts serving life without parole. Tarrant County has 26 and Bexar County 22.

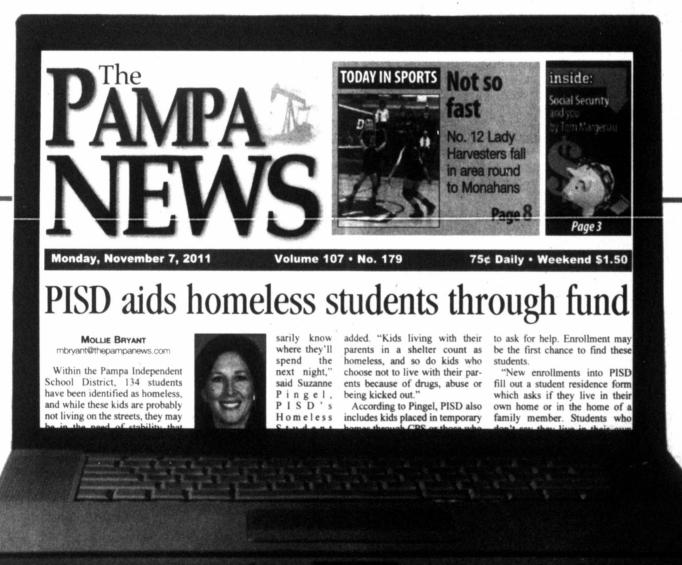
About a third of all counties have at least one person serving life without parole.

Overall, the Chronicle analysis showed 66 convicts were sent to death row in the same six years.

Supporters of the life without parole option point to it being less expensive than following through a capital murder conviction with the death penalty. They also say the sentence offers the opportunity for being reversed if new evidence or other information leads to a finding of innocence for the convict.

The law was changed in 2009 to make juveniles ineligible for life without parole. In the four years ending September 2009, life without parole was given to 21 people under 18 who had been certified for trial as adults. Eight of them came from Harris County. Juveniles no longer are subject to the penalty.

The lifers also include 17 women, according to the newspaper.



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Focus on the quality of your domestic life. Some of you might buy homes, while others could remodel their digs. A new addition becomes possible, or maybe someone moves in. Though many times you are concerned with the professional side of life, don't lose focus on your personal life. If you are single, you meet people, as you are a tendency to backfire on you more times magnetic. Take your time getting to know someone. If you are attached, you will enjoy a newfound closeness. Don't allow negativity to seep in through a LIBRA friend.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★★ Your ability to understand a group or set of friends becomes even more important. Sometimes others push beyond what you believe to be appropriate. Learn to say no. Look to the long term in delineating goals and boundaries. Tonight: Only where the fun is.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Take a long-overdue stand. See what happens when you set limits? You establish a greater rapport. You might be 'surprised by how much works out. Don't think about better health habits -- act! Tonight: Enjoy being the lead player.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Your sixth sense and ability to define a situation emerge. Think in terms of gains and growth. Know what you expect from a situation. Your creativity might be low, but your ability to research and think comes out. Tonight: Listen to a favorite piece of music.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

\*\*\* Be more forthright about expectations from a partner or associate. This same statement could be said about your personal life as well. You are able to move to a new level of understanding. Recognize what is going on behind a situation. Tonight: An one in order to free yourself up. Underimportant discussion.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

\*\*\*\* Flex, and you'll discover that others are more likely to drop rigidity. News comes forward that might force you to take another look at certain matters. Express what works for you. Others often challenge you and your thinking. Don't look at this behavior as bad; use it to tighten up ideas and toss out those thoughts that are irrelevant. Tonight: Go along with the program.

#### VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

\*\*\* Someone you care about could be sullen or difficult. You, too, might be unusually tense about a financial or emotional matter. Batten down the hatches. Focus on effectiveness and your long-term direction. Cut reacting. Tonight: Do for you. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Your bah-humbug attitude has

than not. Can you release the negative thoughts and welcome more buoyant and creative ideas? Others respond much better to this type of thinking. Tonight: Schedule some good, old-fashioned fun.

#### SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

\*\*\*\* Family and friends demand your attention. How you deal with someone and the choices you make could change radically if you relax more. Financial information comes in that might pique your interest. Still, take no risks today. Tonight: Happily at home.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

\*\*\*\* Keep conversations moving, and refuse to get locked into any issue for now. Let everybody ponder what they perceive to be problems. You might want to rethink a personal matter involving a friendship. You might not be comfortable with this person. Tonight: Hang out.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

\*\*\* Your ability to clear your mind takes you to a new level of thought. Someone in charge could evoke your ire, but what would you do if you were in his or her place? Deal with your finances directly, knowing your limitations, which actually might be self-imposed. Tonight: Balance your checkbook first.

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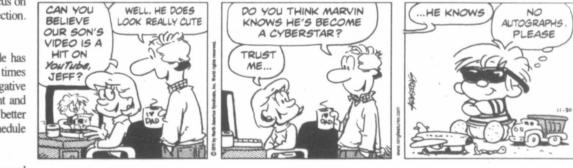
\*\*\*\* You feel unusually empowered. Launch a project, or perhaps complete standing your limits might be more important than you realize. If you cannot break past a restriction right now, wait - you will. Tonight: Only win .... want.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

\*\*\* Use today for research and perhaps making an appointment for a checkup. If you can, you might want to vanish for an hour or two. Do some Christmas shopping or maybe decide on a private unmentionable venture! Tonight: Get some extra rest while you can.



#### Marvin



Hagar The Horrible

MY ASSISTANT AND I WHY DO YOU NEED ARE HERE TO COLLECT THE KING'S VERY UNPOPULAR SPECIAL ASSESSMENT TAX! ASSISTANT ?

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#### Peanuts



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## Rescued bronze heirlooms are valuable

Q: I have enclosed a photo of four bronze pieces that my wife retrieved from a pile of heirlooms no one wanted after my grandmother's death. There are two vases, a covered dish with a bronze handle and a large bowl. They are all signed in script with the name "Carl Sorensen" and in mint condition. My grandmother had a friend who would buy antiques from everywhere, and she gave some to her. I suspect these came from her friend. They are pretty, and we would like to know if they are "Antique or Junque.

A: Carl Sorensen's metalwork is definitely not "Junque;" they are museum quality pieces. Sorensen was an artist from Pennsylvania who made hand-hammered bronze and copper pieces in the early 1900s. Most of his work was inspired by the Arts and Crafts Era. Although it is not confirmed, it is thought he may have worked for both the Roycrofter's and Tiffany. His vases and bowls were copper and bronze with a verdigris patina.

Your circa 1900, antique, trumpet-shaped vases with copper bands have been seen for sale on the Internet in the wide range of \$195 to \$495 each. The covered dish has been seen as high as \$795, and the bowl with concentric circles of copper around \$250



Morimura Brothers imported porcelain from Japan.



Carl Sorensen designed Arts and Crafts metalwork.

#### to \$400.

#### ably be worth \$125 to \$150.

Q: This mark is on the bottom of a porcelain covered cheese dish. The dish is octagon shaped, hand painted and decorated in green and gold. There are two small holes near the handle. It was given to us around 1950 and is still in excellent condition.

Can you tell me something more about it?

A: The "M" in a wreath mark was used by the Morimura Brothers. They were New York importers of porcelain from Japan. "Nippon" is the Japanese word for Japan. As a rule, dishes with lids that have vent holes near the handles were used to serve warm objects. Chances are your dish is a pancake server.

Your covered dish was made in the early 1900s and would prob-

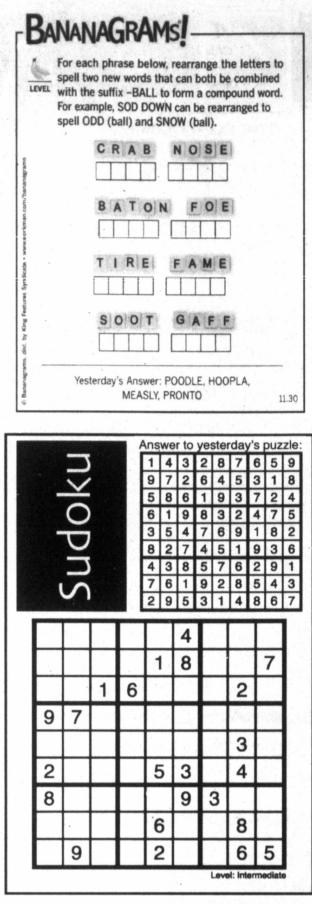
Q: I have my grandmother's carnival glass bowl and would like to know more about it. It is green, around 8 inches in diameter and has a ruffled edge. The outside of the bowl is decorated with small flowers and beads. The inside is smooth and has no pattern. Signed on the bottom is an "N" in a circle.

A: Your bowl was made by Northwood Glass Co. The mark you described was used from 1905 to 1915. The pattern is "Beads." Your bowl would probably be worth \$50 to \$75.

Address your questions to Anne McCollam, P. O. Box 247, Notre Dame, questions to Anne IN 46556. Items of a general interest will be answered in this column. Due to the volume of inquiries, she cannot answer individual letters.

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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I married doesn't take a clairvoyant two months ago and recently Raymond" in 2004. I met to predict that if you don't learned that I am pregnant his son, "Bill," a year before value what you've got, you am scared to death of telling my mother.

CROSSWORD By THOMAS JOSEPH ACROSS **38** — up 1 Carpet (gets

smart)



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the wedding and have been in a relationship with him ever since. (He's married to one a difficult year. The brother of his father left for his tour of of my friends and has a child one of my dear friends had a with her.)

Raymond supports me food, clothes, etc. - without a third friend's 23-year-old my having to work. But Bill daughter is in the late stages supports me emotionally, and of MS. I also have several there's more of a "connec- friends who are dealing with tion.

I have learned that marriages dissolve for one of two what to say or how to reach reasons: money or sex. The out and help. How do I remoney is there, but Raymond and I haven't been romantic in more than a year

Am I walking into a ring of fire by keeping the relationship with Bill? Ray says he loves me and cares about me, but only when I ask how he feels about me. With Bill, 1 don't have to ask — he says it. - IN A QUANDARY

DEAR IN A QUAN-DARY: May I mention a third reason that marriages break up? It's when one spouse discovers that the other has been cheating. If fer to cook them a meal, do your marriage to Raymond, some laundry, or give them who has endowed you with a few hours to run errands all the worldly goods he can, is of any importance to you, tell him that although you're living in style, all of

will lose it.

DEAR ABBY: It has been massive stroke and she is now his caretaker. Another financially and provides all friend's 15-year-old son rethe necessities – house, car, cently committed suicide, and cancer

I always feel lost about spond in these situations? HURTING FOR MY FRIENDS

**DEAR HURTING: You** don't have to say anything profound in order to be supportive. The way to respond is to do for them what you would hope someone would do for you in similar circumstances. Call your friends regularly and keep them informed about what's going on. Ask how they are doing. If they need to vent, listen. If you have spare time, ofby keeping their sick relative company. I'm sure it will be appreciated.

DEAR ABBY: I am your needs are not being a 20-year-old mother of a do, the harder the discusmet. Give him a chance to 1-year-old boy who means fulfill the rest of them. It the world to me. I was raped

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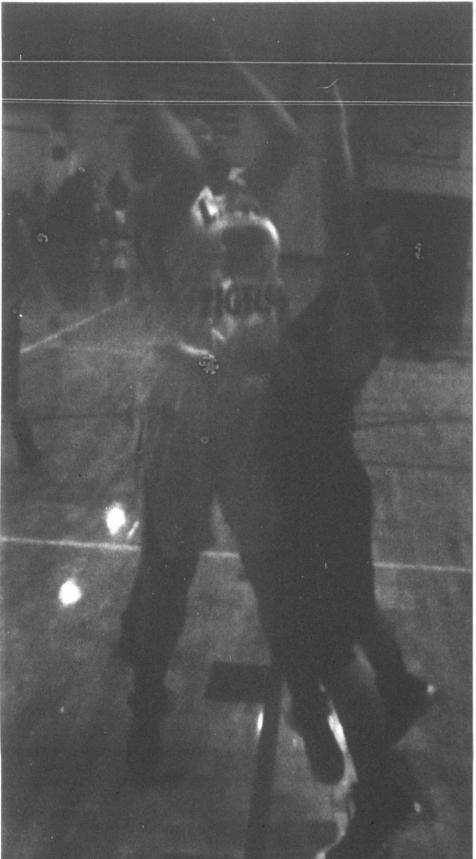


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## Sports

## Lady Tigers let lead slip, fall to No. 11 Lady Warriors



#### ANDREW GLOVER aglover@thepampanews.com

Two minutes into the third quarter, things were looking good for the McLean Lady Tigers as they held a seven-point lead on the No. 11 Miami Lady Warriors. That's when things changed.

Senior Saber Bohlar, who led the Lady Tigers in scoring with 22 points, went down while going for a loose ball. The senior had to be helped off the court, and with her on the bench, McLean wasn't able to hold on as it lost 59-54 Tuesday in McLean.

Senior Ashley Russell said the injury threw the team off.

"We were out of control," Russell said. "We should have controlled ourselves."

The Lady Warriors (5-1) were able to take advantage of the Lady Tigers' miscues and grabbed two one-point leads at the end of the third. Senior Rudy Rodriguez hit a jumper to give McLean a 45-44 lead which it carried to the end of the quarter.

Miami gained control in the fourth and took advantage of three McLean turnovers and built a 53-47 lead. Jessie Smith led the Lady Warriors' attack with seven points. Miami led by as many as nine. McLean was only able to get within five. Head coach Michael Prescott said his

team's mistakes were key to its loss. "Miami forces the issue," Prescott said.

"We made some critical mistakes. Of

course with Saber going down it hurt us a lot."

Besides turnovers, the Lady Tigers (3-3) again struggled at the line, converting only 13 of 23 attempts. Rodriguez said the team improved but has to improve more.

"That's on us," Rodriguez said. "We need to practice that and fix it."

After Bohlar's injury, McLean had a couple of players pick up the scoring load. Rodriguez scored eight points in the second half, reaching 14 for the game. Kendra Richardson who only scored four in the first half, scored 10 in the second.

In the first half, McLean was able to take advantage of Lady Warrior miscues and turned them into easy transition baskets, with Bohlar scoring the majoritiy of them. Bohlar scored 11 points in both the first and second quarter. McLean led 17-10 after the first and 34-24 at halftime.

Prescott said his team played well despite the outcome.

"We had so many young kids on the floor that didn't have varsity experience," Prescott said. "They were concerned with their assignments and didn't want to make mistakes. That's always a trying thing. We played a good game."

McLean plays in the Miami Tournament starting on Thursday. Russell said it should be good competition.

"We think we can beat all of them," Russell said. "Saber is going to try to be back."



staff photo by **Andrew Glover** Senior Ashley Russell shoots over a Miami defender in the first half Tuesday at McLean. The Lady Tigers lost 59-54.

## Brent D. Michener, D.O. CLOSING PRACTICE

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Senior Saber Bohlar shoots a three in the first half against the Lady Warriors. Bohlar scored 22 points but left the game early in the third quarter with an ankle injury.



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## Sports

## Tigers rally in fourth but come up short against Miami

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The McLean Tigers struggled shooting all evening only making seven field goals in the first three quarters. With four minutes to go in the fourth it looked like McLean was done trailing by double digits.

The Tigers proved otherwise and had a chance to win or tie the game on it's final possession. McLean ended up one basket short as Miami went home with a 51-48 victory

Head coach Brandon Word said he was pleased with how his team fought.

"To be able to come back like that, I was impressed," Word said. "They outathleted us. We had the heart to get back in the game."

Senior guard Jordan Herring said the team needed to start its rally earlier.

"We were knocking down our free throws but it was a little late."

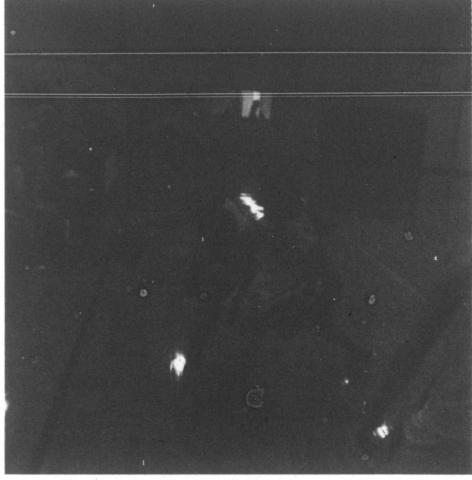
In the third quarter, the Warriors turned

a tight contest into a sizable lead with fast break baskets off of McLean's missed shots and turnovers. Jared Roberts was the beneficiary of those as he scored eight of his 14 points in the quarter. Jarrett Dougherty hit a pair of jumpers. Miami outscored McLean 21-10 and led 41-31 after the third.

In the fourth, McLean was able to take advantage of the Warriors' foul situation. Miami entered the quarter with four of its eight players with at least three fouls. Leading scorer Nick Broecx with 23 and David Meija fouled out in the last two minutes

Herring led the Tigers' rally with 14 points in the fourth. McLean was unable to get a shot off in its final possession. Word said he was pleased with his team's effort but added the game shouldn't have come down to the last possession.

"We had a couple big shots we didn't hit," Word said. "We had a couple rebounds that we left on the floor. The kids played hard.



## Texans add QB Delhomme

The Houston Texans added to their quarterback depth Tuesday, reaching a deal with Jake Delhomme.

Delhomme worked out with the Texans on Tuesday, along with another retired quarterback, Jeff Garcia. The 36-year-old Delhomme will back up rookie T.J. Yates, a fifthround pick slated to start Sunday's game against Atlanta

Rick Smith, Delhomme's agent, said in a phone interview Tuesday that his client has been staying in shape and raising racehorses in Louisiana since he was cut by Cleveland in July.

"He relishes that role, and he's looking forward to contributing to the team." Smith said in a phone interview. "He keeps himself in shape, he's been

injury-riddled Leinart was out for the year and said Yates would - start against the Falcons.

Smith didn't know if Delhomme would be No. 2 or No. 3 on the depth chart this week. But Smith said Delhomme would only consider playing for a handful of teams if he ever came back, and Houston was one of them.

"Gary runs a very quarterback-friendly system," said Smith, who also represents former Texans quarterback Sage Rosenfels. "It's a great offensive system, and quarterbacks, they love it."

Delhomme guided Carolina to the Super Bowl after the 2003 season - played at Reliant Stadium. He completed 16 of 33 passes for 323 yards and three touchdowns in the Panthers' 32-29 loss to Tom Brady and New

ranked defense and No. 3 rushing attack to navigate through the final five games and earn the franchise's first playoff berth.

Despite losing a key player seemingly every week, the Texans are having their best season. They've won five in a row and hold a two-game lead in McLean. The Tigers over Tennessee in the AFC South.

"They've got a lot of people telling them they can't do something," Kubiak said of his team Monday. "Believe me, they believe they can. It's been about the team all year long and it will continue to be that way. It's just another obstacle. We'll rally and get ready to go this week."

The Texans rank second in pass defense (175.8 yards per game) and fourth against the run (92.5 yards per game). They have 35 sacks, second in the league to Baltimore, and they're plus-11 in turnover ratio. Arian Foster and Ben Tate were bottled up against Jacksonville, but both still rank among the league's top 16 rushers.

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Jordan Herring drib-Miami's bles past Smith Tuesday Lane were down by 13 in the fourth and rallied but fell short 51-48.



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throwing a bunch."

The Texans are dangerously thin at the position in the wake of season-ending injuries to Matt Schaub and Matt Leinart.

Houston signed Kellen Clemens last week after learning that Schaub will need season-ending surgery on his right foot. Leinart broke his left collarbone in Sunday's 20-13 win over Jacksonville.

Yates replaced Leinart late in the first half, and went 8 for 15 for 70 yards in his first NFL action. Coach Gary Kubiak confirmed Monday that

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Dec. 18. Cleveland signed Delhomme to a two-year contract in March 2010, but he sprained his right ankle in the opener, lost his starting job to rookie Colt McCoy and played in only five games. He threw only two touchdown passes with seven interceptions that season.

But the Texans could hardly afford to be picky. With Yates thrust into a

starting role, Houston will have to lean on its top-

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the same thing. We do the very same type of work. We do the very same type of thing we did as the Entrepreneur Alliance. We've basically been rebranded, for lack of a better term."

McElhannon said that, per his agreement with the PEDC, he will continue to be available to current and prospective business owners in Pampa all day every Wednesday and periodically on other days as well. The terms of the business partnership between him and the PEDC also has not changed, McElhannon confirmed.

"The arrangement that the EDC had with the Entrepreneur Alliance was a contractual arrangement with a flat fee of \$35,000 a year," McElhannon

said. "That exists exactly in the same form as it did before."

Since April of 2009, McElhannon has assisted 111 local individuals with their entrepreneurial questions. In addition to business counseling, he also provides assistance to anyone looking to buy or sell a business. McElhannon projected that the change in operating

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structure will also allow him to offer some additional services after the new year, although he declined to go into specifics at this time.

For more information on McElhannon and Leading Edge's services to local businesses, call the PEDC at 806-665-0800. Local News Anytime, Anywhere Subscribe to The Pampa News Online Call 669-2525

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duties. The chili recipe in particular, Thrasher said, is a closely guarded Altrusa secret.

"We don't share that with anybody but Altrusa members," Thrasher laughed.

Coffee, tea, Kool-Aid, corndogs, cookies and other baked goods will also be on the menu.

Thrasher said that the club will also be taking donations for a currently undecided beneficiary at the event. Last year, the donations were given to a Pampa High School student stricken with cancer, she said; ASTRA, Altrusa's affiliated high school club, usually decides where the donations will go. cont. from page 1

"It's something else we do to help," Thrasher said. "We're glad to do it."

Thrasher added that Altrusa is delighted that Pampa has embraced Soup With Mrs. Claus as another local Christmas tradition.

"It means a lot to us now," she said. "It's a good feeling."



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