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Guitarist Cruz to perform in Pampa Jan. 20

Mouie Bryant
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Edgar Cruz, a guitarist from Oklahoma whose work spans many types of music, will perform a con-
cert hosted by the Pampa Community cert hosted by the Pampa Community
Concert Association at $7: 30$ p.m. on Concert Association at $7: 30$ p.m. on
Friday, Jan. 20 at the M.K. Brown $\square \begin{gathered}\text { Auditorium. } \\ \text { Cruz nurtured a } \\ \text { love for rock when }\end{gathered}$ he was growing up, but eventually studied classical
guitar at Oklahoma City University.
"As a kid, I was heavily influenced heavily infuenced
by classic rock and
roll," he said. "I always wanted to be a rock star as a little kid, but eventually I learned to
play all the parts on solo guitar. I'm not play all the parts on solo guitar. I'm not a singer. I don't play in a band. I play
with my fingers, and I make the fingers do the melody, bass line and rhythm at do the melody,
the same time.
Cruz' music touches on many genres, including classical, Latin, Spanish, rock, pop, jazz, easy listening and country. He also has released two albums of original materia
"Since I have been playing all the genres my whole life, I write in dif-
ferent genres as well, so these later rerent genres as well, so these later
albums have classical, Spanish, country, Nashville, blues, acoustic, even Celtic sounds to them," said Cruz. Growing up with a father who was a mariachi guitar player, Cruz was inspired by Latin music and old standards from jazz and big band to pop music.
"As a kid, my father would have
New Year's Eve parties at our house and he would bring his two buddies, and they would do Los Panchos and all of these romantic trio harmonies Mexican style," he said. "So, I grew up listening to that, not knowing that that's what I was going to be influenced with as I got older. In fact, as CRUZ cont. on page 7

# PRMC boasts new CT scanner 

- Hospital's new machine exposes patients to less radiation than old model

| Molle Bryant mbryant@thepampanews.com | term "CAT scan" - a way of imaging the human body with $x$-rays rotating around a stationary person. In a single |
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| e radiology department at the Pampa | revolution, the machine collects 64 pieces |
| Regional Medical Center (PRMC) has | of information ("slices") during a scan, improving speed and accuracy in diagno- |
| 64-slice scanner, a dramatic improv | of conditions including tumors, kidne |
| ment from the center's previous six-slice | stones and fractu |
| CT scanner. | "It's fun," staff technologist Nona |
| CT stands for "computer tomogr | Wright said with a smile. "What would |
| "computer axial | take us 30 to 45 minutes for one exam on |
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 adjusts the head rest on the hospital's new 64 -silce CT scanner.


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## Obituaries


ny Funderburg, pastor of Carlson
First Baptist Church of
Pampa, officiating.
Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery in Pampa under
the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral
of Pampa.
Mrs. Carlson was born December 9, 1921, in Desdemona to John and Susie Leverett. She married Milo Carlson on April 2, 1939, in the First Baptist Church
of Pampa. He preceded her in death on April 20, 2005. Pauline was a mother and homemaker. She was a member of First Baptist Church since the mid-1930s where
she taught children's Sunday school for 30 yeas wher she taught children's Sunday school for 30 years, where
she imprinted the hearts, minds and back-sides of she imprinted the hearts, minds and back-sides of many
children. She was a member of the Pampa Garden Club, children. She was a member of the Pampa Garden Club,
the 20th Century Culture Club, and she was the first lady of Pampa during Milo's two terms as mayor of Pampa in the early 1970s, and she and Milo ministered to the
Pampa Senior Citizens Center. She enjoyed gardening Pampa Senior Citizens Center. She enjoyed gardening.
Pauline performed a service to the community by preparPauline performed a service to the community by prepar-
ing and delivering food to family, friends and shut-ins. She was a beloved wife, mother and grandmother. Survivors include four sons, Jerry E. Carlson and wife
Sherry of Pampa, John H. Carlson and wife Sue of Sherry of Pampa, John H. Carlson and wife Sue of Lin-
dale, Jack D. Carlson and wife Karen of Houston, and dale, Jack D. Carlson and wife Karen of Houston, and
Gene R. Carlson and wife Cindy of Enid, Okla.; nine grandchildren, Chris Carlson, Kevin Carlson and Kathi Bagley, all of Pampa, Kerri Forester of Henderson, Amy Hendricks of Tyler, Neal Carlson of Houston, Jeanette
Hawkins of Nevada, Mo Scott Carlson Hawkins of Nevada, Mo., Scott Carlson of Taos, N.M.,
and Keeley Carlson of College Station; and 16 greatand Keeley Carlson of College Station; and 16 great-
grandchildren. Pauline was preceded in death by her father, John W. Leverett; her mother, Susie Leverett Miller; her stepfather, Harry Miller; and a brother, Jim Leverett.
Memorials may be made to First Bantist Chich Menorials may be made to First Baptist Church Chil-
or Breckenridge Village of Tyler, 15062 County Roa 1145, Tyler, TX 75704 , fres
The family will receive friends from $7-8$ p.m. on Tues day, January 10, 2011, at Carmichael-Whatley Funetal Home.

Addie Mae Callan, 94
Addie Mae Callian, 94,
died January 8, 2012, in Pampa.
Servic
p.m. Tuesday will be at 2 2012, at Priest Park Church of God, with Bishop Bob Kirk, pastor, and Rev. Phillip Hilton, pastor of First Baptist Church
officiating.
officiating.
Burial will be at Fairview Burial will be at Fairview
Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Wh
ley Funeral Directors.
ley Funeral Directors.
Mrs. Callan was born May 2, 1917, in Arkansas. She Mrs. Callan was born May 2, 1917, in Arkansas. She
married Elvoid Callan on October 28, 1933, in Erick marria. He preceded her in death on June 13, 2002. She had been a resident of Pampa since 1948. Addie was, seamstress for many years for Pampa Dry Cleaners and Dunlaps. She was known for her quilt making and she loved making jewerry. She was a member of Priest Park
Church of God for over 60 years. Addie was a beloved wife, mother and grandmother who loved spending time with her grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.
Survivors include two daughters, Marlene Bryan and
husband Dean of Sunray, and Gwen Douthit husband Dean of Sunray, and Gwen Douthit of Pampa;
nine grandchildren, Vicki Bryan and Kim and Larry Anderson, all of Sunray, Pam and Kenny Keisling of Dumas, Rick and Rene Garrison and Carmen and Larry Knutson, all of Pampa; 31 great-grandchildren and 33 great-greal
grandchildren. Addie was preceded in death by a son-in grandchildren. Addie was preceded in death by a
law, Bob Douthit; and two great-grandchildren.
Memorials may be made to Priest Park Church of Goo parking lot fund, 731 N. Faulkner, Pampa, TX 79065, of Sign the online register at www. carmichael-whatley
com.

## Fortherecord

Police Department $\begin{gathered}\text { A domestic disturbance } \\ \text { occurred at the } 1300 \text { block }\end{gathered}$ The Pampa Police De- of North Duncan.
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and the Pampa PD reported and the Pampa PD reported
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Friday, January $6 \quad$ A prowler was reported
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at the 1200 block of North Charles. Hobart.
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Jeffs loses phone privileges HOUSTON (AP) - Texas corrections officials have cut off phone privileges of imprisoned polygamist sec
leader Warren Jeffs for 90 days for violating rules by making telephone calls that were put on speakerphone. Department of Criminal Justice spokeswoman Michelle
Lyons said Monday the 56 -year-old Jeffs was found to yons said Monday the 56 -year-old Jeffs was found to
have broken the rules multiple times with calls used for conferencing.
A prison system investigation found Jeffs made at least two calls over the inmate phone system on Christmas Day that wound up as sermons to followers of his
Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.
Jeffs is

解 is serving a life sentence plus 20 years for sexuIlly assaulting two of his underage brides. He's held in solation at an East Texas prison about 140 miles north
of Houston.
Judge loosens media restrictions FORT WORTH (AP) - A judge has scaled back restrictions for
Worth.

District Judge Elizabeth Berry said Monday the media can report on everything happening in open court.
Last week she said only information discussed in front Last week she said only in
of jurors could be reported.
f jurors could be reported.
The Fort Worth Star-Telegram then weets and blog postings about testimony given outside the jury's presence. But the newspaper challenged the
judge's gag order as unconstitutional under the First Judge's gag
The newspaper reports that the judge issued the new The paper's attomey and judge discussed more details at the hearing.
Kwame Rockwell faces the death penalty if convicted

## Man doused with gas, set afire

SAN ANTONTO (AP). Police say a 22 -yearold man was burned severely, especially to he lower half of his downtown San Antonio. Police say Richard Rodriguez was taken to San Antonio Military Medical Center in poor bu
dition after the 11:20 p.m. Saturday attack.
dition after the $11: 20$ p.m. Saturday attack.
Police Lt. Matthew Podwika said an officer drove across a bridge and saw Rodriguez in flames in the street. The officer extinguished the flames, and Rodriguez was able to tell his name and that he'd been attacked by sev-
eral men. Podwika said he could give no exact number, eral men. Podwika said he could give no exact number,
however. The San Antonio Express-News reports Rodriguez man didn't return a message from The Associated Press.
Texas suit against J\&J to trial
AUSTIN (AP) - Texas is seeking more than $\$ 1$ billion in damages in a lawsuit that accuses Johnson \& Johnson of overstating the safety of an anti-psychotic drug and
influencing its use in the state's Medicaid program. Jury selection is under way Monday in an Austin
courtroom. A whistle-blower filed the lawsuit then Texsa courtroo
The lawsuit is one of dozens of pending state and
federal cases alleging illegal marketing practices and federal cases alleging illegal marketing practices and
kickbacks in an effort to boost Risperdal over competing
drugs. Risperdal is a pill for schizophrenia and bipolar drugs. Risperdal is a pill for schizophrenia and bipolar
disorder. Johnson \& Johnson says it
against the lawsuit's claims.
Gun flashlight blamed in death HOUSTON (AP) - The family of a Texas man who
was fatally shot in 2010 by an undercover suburban allas police officer has filed a lawsuit alleging a badly designed flashlight mounted on the officer's handgun led
to the death. Michael A
alleged attempt to buy heroin from an undercover office The officer told investigators he was trying to turn on
the flashlight when he accidentally fired his weapon, killthe flashlight when h
ing the 25 -year-old.
Alcala's family is suing SureFire Holdings, LLC, and Alcala's family is suing SureFire Holdings, LLC, an
SureFire, LLC, charging the California-based companie with defectively and negligently designing the flashlight. The lawsuit, announced Monday, was filed in state couit in Orange County, Calif, last week.
A spokesman for SureFire did not
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## Inmate wins stay, loses appeal

HOUSTON (AP) - The U.S. Supreme Court ha inmate Duane Buck, who won a last-minute reprieve from the high court in September.
The justices in November rejected Buck's appeal and
Monday's ruling, without comment came Monday's ruling, without comment, came on a reques Buck was sentenced to die for killing his ex-girlfrie and a man at her Houston apartment in July 1995 .
Buck's lawyers argued he deserved a new senten Buck's lawyers argued he deserved a new sentencing
trial because a psychologist testified black people were trial because a psychologist testified black people were
more likely to be violent in prison. Attomeys contended it was improper to inject race into the sentencing deci-
sion.
Five other Texas inmates won new punishment hearings
in similar cases. All five were again sentenced to death.
in similar cases. All five were again sentenced to death
Minor drug charge for Snoop
EL PASO, Texas (AP) - Rapper Snoop Dogg is facing a minor drug charge in Texas after border agents say the found several joints on his tour bus over the weekend.
Hudspeth County sheriff's office said in a statement hat Snoop Dogg, whose given name is Calvin Broadus vas arrested Saturday at the Sierra Blanca highwa checkpoint and cited for possession of drug paraphermounts of marijuana.
County Judge Becky Dean Walker says paraphemalia mailed-in fine of up to $\$ 500$.

## How to start over with your money

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 It's the new year. That means you get to start over. Instead of berating missteps in the year past, this is thetime to time to look forward to the fina your way in the year ahead. The first step to getting ahead is
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better start in the new year. All you have to do is take action. I'm betting you'll do at least one of hese things - and be glad you did.

District maps at issue before high court


## Viewpoints

## Today in History <br> 


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 from British rule.
In 1860, the Pemberton Mill in Lawrence, Mass, collapsed and caught fire, killing up to 145 people, In 1861, Florida became the third state to secede
In from the Union.
In 1862, American inventor Samuel Colt, famed
for his revolver, died in Hartford Con. for his revolver, died in Hartford, Conn., at age 47 Standard Oil. In 1901, the Spindletop oil field in Beaumont,
Texas, produced the Lucas Gusher, heralding the start of the Texas oil boom.
In 1920, the League of Nations was establishe as the Treaty of Versailles went into effect. In 1946, the first General A
In 1957, Harold Macmillan became prime minis ter of Britain, following the resignation of Anthony In 1962, John W. McCormack became speaker o the House, succeeding the late Samuel T. Rayburn. In 1971, "Masterpiece Theatre" premiered o PBS with host Alistair Cooke introducing the
drama series "The First Churchills." French fash ion designer Coco Chanel died in Paris at age 87 . In 1982, actor-comedian Paul Lynde died in Beverly Hills, Calif., at age
Ten years ago: Marines
Ten years ago: Marines began flying hundreds
of al-Qaida prisoners in Afganistan to of al-Qaida prisoners in Afghanistan to a U.S
base at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. The White Hous revealed that Enron Corp. had sought the adminis tration's help shortly before collapsing with the life savings of many workers.
Five years ago: President George W, Bush said he took responsibility for any mistakes in Iraq an announced an increase in U.S. troops there to quell One year ago: A judge in Austin, Texas, ordered serve three yoars in prison for his role in a scheme to illegally funnel corporate money to Texas candidates in 2002. (DeLay remains free on bond as ho appeals.) No. 1 Auburn beat No. 2 Oregon 22-1 Today's Birthdays: Blues artist Eddy Clearwater is 77. Rock singer-musician Ronnie Hawkins is 77. Singer Scott McKenzie is 73 Movie director Walter Hill is 72 . Singer Frank singer-musician Donald Fagen (Steely Dan) is 64 singer-musician Donald Fagen (Steely Dan) is 64
Actor William Sanderson is 64 . Roots rock singe Alejandro Escovedo is 61. Rock musician Scott Thurston (Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers) is 60 Singer Pat Benatar is 59 . Rock musician Michac
Schenker is 57 . Singer Shawn Colvin is 56 . Rock singer-musician Curt Kirkwood (Meat Puppets) is 53. Actor Evan Handler is 51 . Rock singer Brad Roberts (Crash Test Dummies) is 48. Actress Trini Alvarado is 45. Rock musician Matt Roberts
(3 Doors Down) is 34. Rock singer Brent Smith (Shinedown) is 34. Actress Sarah Shahi is 32 . Thought for Today: "I know that I don't know what I don't know." - Marguerite Youcenar, French author (1903-198

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## Mediocrity, corporate cash storm Iowa

Not just into a new year, but --zap! - suddenly we find ourselves cata-
pulted en masse into the turbulent pulted en masse into the turbulen
Twilight Zone of the Twilight Zone of the 2012 pres
dential election. On day three the year, while most of us were stil woozy from our New Year's Ev celebration, lowa voted. Well ... so
The media's breathless coverage caucuses in the Hawkeye Stat offered a mind-boggling blizzard of statistics, but made practic
mention of two telling stats First: 5.5 percent That' centage of Iowa's eligible voter who ventured out in the cold to pick from the GOP's rather unappetizing Other Rick and Michele. So the top vote-getters (Romney and Santorum) each got only 25 percent of the pal ry turnout of 122,000 lowans who bothered to show up -- fewer people
than who live in one block of some big cities. Second: zero. That's the number
of delegates allocated of delegates allocated to the con-
tenders in Tuesday's Hawkeye hul labaloo. You see, the 25 actual vot ing delegates Iowa will send to the Republican presidential nominating convention this summer will be cho sen in a separate, arcane series
county, district and state meetings The caucuses are just for show -glorified straw poll. But what a show it was! At one Ame or another in the past year, all
six of the active wannabes rose to six of the active wannabes rose to
top of the heap, only to slip on their own ugly records, lies or slapstick
misstatements and then slide back misstatements and then slide back
into the muck of negativity and ultra-
right-wing goofiness that is
the lasting hallmark of this dispiriting Republican group.
In a December radio com-
mentary, I noted that people mentary, I noted that people
have coined useful phrases o describe groups of animals -- a gaggle of geese, for
example, or a pride of example, or a pride of lions.
But what, I asked listeners. should we call this herd of political critters? The emails poured in, suggesting such
juicy phrases as a pandermonium of right-wingers, an egoswarm klutz cluster, a cawcaphoeny (with apologies to crows), a giggle of can-
didates, a flub of Republicans, of nimrods ... and, simply, an embar${ }^{\text {rassment. }}$ OK, many of you are down on
President Obama, and others are just pure-blooded Republicans -- but, seriously, having seen these six in action, don't you have to ask your-
self, in the words of the old Peggy self, in the words of the old Peggy
Lee song, "Is that all there is?" In lowa's presidential scramble, the biggest players were not the candidates, but an insidious and ever-
growing force that voters couldn't growing force that vocrs couldn Welcome to the B
Political World created out of thin air by the Supreme Court two years ago. In its now infamous edict in
the Citizens United case, the court's the Citizens United case, the court's
five-man majority of laissez-faire ideologues decreed that unlimited sums of money from corporations
and the rich can be funneled into and the rich can be funneled into independent electioneering commit
tees, dubbed "superPACs." These the airwaves with nonstop ads to


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| superp $A$ cs. | The court theorized that superPACs would oper-

ate entirely independently from their favored candi
dates. What a fantasy! I dates. What a fantasy! In
fact, the candidates them Selves have merely dist and millionaire funders to create and
run superPACs on their behalf, so run superpACs on their behalf,
"separation" is a legalistic fraud. separation is a legalistic fraud.
Second, although the SuperPAC operate under benign, nondescrip
names like Restore names like Restore Our Future (Romney's) and Make Us Grea
Again (Perry's), they have become each candidate's nuclear bombs of negative campaigning, doing the sleazy work of sliming oppo
nents with attacks. In addition, the nents with attacks. In addition, the
Supremes also theorized that super PACs would report the names of their donors, but -- surprise - most are simply not doing so. What the court has achieved by wrench into America's democratic machinery is truly stunning. It has made corporate money supreme in our elections, drastically increased
the number and ferocity of the number and ferocity of nega-
tive campaign ads, and dangerously hidden the identity of funders and candidates who are quietly con-
spiring to buy public spiring to buy public office. To ted4ThePeople.org.

Jim Hightow
columnist.

## The GOP needs a bolder growth message

## Message to my fellow conserva- tives: Please don't blame the main-

 tives: Please don't blame the main-stream media for the improvement stream media for the improvemen
in jobs, unemployment and econom-
ic ic growth. Reporters are not riaking
this up. The economy is better. It's this up. The economy is better. It's
going to give President Obama a leg going to give President Obama a leg
up on the election. GOP beware, and up on the election. Thake Friday's jobs report from
the Bureau of Labor Statitstics. the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Non-
farm payrolls gained 200,000 , and farm payrolls gained 200,000 , and
the unemployment rate slipped to the unemployment rate slipped to
8.5 percent from 8.7 percent. It may
well be that a seasonal quirk adde well be that a seasonal quirk added
42,000 messengers and couriers to 42,000 messengers and couriers to
the totals, but that will be lost in the
headline reporting. It will be given headline reporting. It will be given
back next month. It's inconsequenoack next month. 1 'ss inconsequise,
tial to the overall story. Likewise,
a normal labor participation rate would yield much higher unemploy ment. But that's academic.
Like any president, Obama will
take credit for these cconomic gains take's doing that right now. And he has a case to make: A year ago, the unemployment rate was 9.4 percent,
and in 2011 it fell almost a percentand in 2011 it fell almost a percent-
age point. In the 12 months through age point. In the 12 months through
December 2011 , the economy pro-
duced 1.64 million new jobs, while duced 1.64 million new jobs, while
in 2010 , only 940,000 were created. On a monthly average basis,
137,000 new jobs per month were 78,000 a month in 2010. Things are getting better.


Most of all, get gov

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to make a case for limited to make a cass for finited
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deffici rectuction, as Sen Marco Rubio has just done Mith a tough hester to the ter As Rubio put it: "It's
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anerica is becoming nation" ${ }^{n}$ daber Finally, Forinaly, avoid special prefereces
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## COMMUNITYCalendar

Tuesday, Jan. 10
Diabetic support Group - PRMC Hospital Cafeteria. -Tea and Talk, a bookclub sponsored by Lovett
Austin Elementary Booster Club meets, 7 p.m. in the Wedneosday, Jani. 11
${ }^{- \text {Pampa Rotary Club meets, noon at the M.K Brown }}$ Room of the Chamber office.
-Pampa Young Professionals meet, noon at Dixie's
Thursday, Jan. 12
-Pampa Lions Club meets, noon at the First United Methodist Church.
Friday, Jan. 13
-Pampa Kiwanis Club meets, noon in the basement of
Monday, Jan. 16
-Pampa ISD Showcase, $5: 30$ p.m.-7:30 p.m. open
house at Pampa High School.
Tuesday, Jan. 17

- Bariatric Support - PRMC Hospital Cafeteria. 7pm
(3rd Tues of each month) Hospital Cafeteria. 7pm
noon in the M.K. Brown room of the Chamber
nuilding. Speaker will be Brad Livingston on work-


## Room of the Chamber office.

Thursday, Jan. 26
Pampa Lions Club meets, noon at the First United Methodist Church.
-Pampa Police Dept. community meeting concern-
ing the Community Fmergency ing the Community Emergency Response Team
(CERT), Chamber of Commerce building $6: 30$ Friday, $\begin{gathered}\text { p.m. } 7 \text {. } 30 \text { p. } 27\end{gathered}$
-Pampa Kiwanis Club meets, noon in the basement of the First Methodist Church
Tuesday, Dec. 31
Cajun Dinner fundraiser in PHS commons, 5 p.m.Thursday, March 1
-The Chamber of Commerce Annual Citizen and Business of the Year Banquet in the Heritage Roo
at the M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium

If your nonprofit or community organization has an upcom
If your nonprofit or community organization has an upcom-
ing meeting or vent, submit it to The Pampa News Community
Calendar at least one week in advance by e-mailing to rpribCalendar at least one we.
ble@thepampanews. com.

## Public Meeting agendas

Notice is hereby given of a regular meeting of the
City Commission of the City of Pampa to be held on Tuesday Jan of considering the following agenda items.

## Call to order

Invocation
Pledge of allegiance
Pledge of allegiance
Public comments:
Citizens who have signed a card to speak to the City Commission will be heard at this thue. In compliance
with the Texas Open Meetings Act, unless the subject with the Texas Open Meetings Act, unless the subject
matter of the presentation is on the agenda, the City matter of the presentation is on the agenda, the City
Staff and City Commission Members are prevented from discussing the subject and may respond only with statements of factual information or existing city policy. Citizens are limited to three (3) minutes for their presentation to the City Commission.

1. Consider approving the minutes of the Dec. 13, 2011 Regular City Commission meeting and the Dec. 14, 2011 Special City Commission meeting as pre-
2. Excuse the absence of Commissioners Neil Fulton
3. Excuse the absence of Commissioners Neil Fulton Special City Commission meeting.
4. Consider approving the purchase of 40 Electric Golf Cars to replace existing fleet of 2008 EZ-GO RXV Golf
Cars. 4. Consider approving on flrst reading Resolution No. ing two loans from the Pampa Economic Development

## Kudlow

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America's free-market capitalist system. In spite of the future threats from excess tax and regulatory actions coming out of
Washington, the self-correcting American economy is in fact
And that's going to make defeating Obama tougher. Face it. That's the reality.
Here's another point: With better jobs, consumer incomes and spending power are actually rising about 5 percent
annually right now. Corporate profits at 13 percent of gross annualy right now. Corporate profits at 13 percent of gross
domestic product are the highest since 1950. And both com-
panies and households have de-leveraged substantially. So panies and households have de-leveraged substantially. So
the economy could grow by 3 percent in 2012 . And if Europe ever settles down, that could turn out to be a 4 percent growth
rate with 2 percent or less inflation rate with 2 percent or less inflation So just complaining about the economy is not a good GOP
message. Better to focus more on a re-elected Obama who will raise tax rates on entrepreneurs and successful earners and regulate businesses more heavily (that's what the
National Labor Relations Board and Consumer Financial National Labor Relations Board and Consumer Financial
Protection Bureau flap is really about). Argue against redisProtection Bureau flap is really about). Argue against redis-
tribution, and in favor of opportunity and growth. The GOP message has to be, "We can do this better." Growth at 2.5 percent with 8 percent unemployment
should be replaced with 5 percent growth and 5 percent should be replaced with 5 percent growth and 5 percent
unemployment. Say that. And then say: " Here's how we unemploym
will do it."

Maps
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According to the Justice Department Web site, Section currently applies to the states of Alabama, Alaska, Texas and Virginia. It also covers certain counties in California, Florida, New York, North Carolina and South Dakota, as well as some local jurisclictions in Michigan and New Hampshire. Preclearance coverage has been trig-
gered by past discrimination not only against blacks, but gered by past discrimination not only against blacks, but
also against American Indians, Asian-Americans, Alaskan Natives and Hispanics.
In the 2009 case, also from Texas, the court avoided deciding whether the advance approval requirement is
constitutional in an era marked by dramatic civil rights gains and the election of the first African-American president. That larger issue, Chief Justice John Roberts said, "is a difficult constitutional question we do not answer today."
The constitutional issue also is not directly raised in the current case, but lawsuits from Alabama and North their way to the Supreme Court. In the past four months, U.S. District Judge John Bates in Washington threw out both challenges to the law after finding that discrimination r voting coursios wo and diy Both rulings have been appealed to the U.S. Courr of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, which has set
a Jan. 19 argument for the Alabama case and Feb. 27 for the North Carolina case.

Corporation to Mark W. Ford, Jr.
5. Consider approving the List of Disbursements dated $\begin{gathered}\text { November 30, 2011 } \\ \text { Adjournment }\end{gathered}$



Results



## U.S. agents helped launder millions in drug proceeds

MEXICO CITY (AP) - Mexico's government allowed a group
of undercover U.S. antidrug agents and their
Colombian informant to Colombian informant to launder millions in cash for a powerful Mexican
drug trafficker and his Colombian cocaine supplier, according to
documents made public Monday
Monday.
The Mexican magazine Emeequis published portions of docu-
ments
that
describe ments that describe Administration agents Colombian trafficker-turned-informant and officers in 2007 infil-
trated the Beltran Leiva
drug cartel and a cell
of money launderers for
Colombia's. Valle del
Notte cartel in Mexico.
The group of officials
conducted at least 15
wire transfers to banks
in the United States,
Canada and China and
smuggled and laundered
about $\$ 2.5$ million in the
United States. They lost
track of much of that
money.
In his testimony, the
DEA agent in charge of
the operation says DEA
agents posing as pilots
flew at least one ship-
ment of cocaine from

## Scan

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patient now takes us maybe 10 minutes from start to inish. It's very fas
Radiology Director Richard Sandoval said they received the machine at the end of December, an
since then, the radiology team has gone through doz ens of hours of training on the CT scanner, including an Advanced Applications course last week. "We've gone from a six slice to a 64 slice (scanner) so basically we're acquiring so much more data so
much quicker, with better quality images and lower (radiation) dose to the patient, so it's less radiation to the patient versus old technology," he said. Performing scans in a fraction of the time they used
to be able to has been a huge plus for the radiology to be able to has been a huge plus for the radiology
staff, which has an average of 300 scan procedures per month, and performed about 3,700 scans in 2011. Improved scan time means faster treatment for
"(The CT scanner) has a faster acquisition of images to aid in faster diagnosis, like if you're looking a
a lacerated liver (or a) fractured cervical spine," said Sandoval. "It acquires the information so much quicker, so we can get it to the radiologist and he can actually diagnose and convey (the diagnosis) to th reating physician, and they can treat the patient."
The new scanner will continue the studies don by the previous machine, but it can also do calcium scoring, a screening tool for early detection of heart disease, which identifies plaque on coronary arteries.
"Now we can actually do diagnostic studies carotid arteries and renal arteries and look for any stenosis or plaque," said Sandoval. "It has so much more diagnostic capabilities compared to our previous scanner, because we couldn't do carotid arteries and renal arteries. If you have a stenosis in your rena important to be able to identify if there's any plaque or build up there so we can send (patients) through to angioplasty or balloon catheter replacement.
Another advantage of the machine involves the
study of blood clots.
study of blood clots. "Since we're so quick and it gathers so much information, we can actually utilize (the CT scanner) in
conjunction with ultrasounds to see if there's a blood clot, which can be deadly," said Sandoval. "Tha lood clot can go to the lungs or brain. All our modal ities kind of work hand in hand to aid the physician in He said that the arrival of the CT scanner will be followed by digital mammography coming to PRMC next month. "It's just exciting to actually have state "It's just exciting to actually have state of the
art equipment here in Pampa, Texas finally," said Sandoval. "It's great for the community, great for the patients and referring physicians. At least they know that we're investing in new technology to help them here with their patients." "We're now in league with Borger and Amarillo," "We're now in league with Borger and Amar,
said Wright. "We can compete with them again."

## Cruz

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rock and roll fan, I kind of did not like my father's music, but as I got older and more appreciative of music in general, I grew to appreciate it that much more. So, goes." learned about the art of performing from his father, as they performed together when he was growing "When I turned 14, I not only played the guitar, but I puitarron, which is the big Mexican bass, and I used to accompany my father on that at restaurants," said Cruz "What amazed me about my father is he would go to a table, and there would be a grandmother there, so he would play 'Over the Rainbow.' The next table, there'd be a cowboy, and he'd play 'Ghost Riders in the Sky.'
The next table, there' $d$ be a teenager, and he'd play the 'Pink Panther' theme. The next table, there'd be a baby, and he'd play Brahms' Lullaby. 'So I learned early on, if was going to make a living at this, I was going to have o play music for all ages and all styles.
Performing a variety of music has hel foster a diverse audience.
"Since I've always been a lover of most styles of music, I have built my shows and repertoire and albums with all these different styles, and the great thing about hat is that Im not lim like that genre are going to show up to my concerts," said Cruz. "It's never like that. M audiences are a nice variety of listeners. Basica.!'y. I'm rying to bring in all of the groups."
Cruz' upcoming concert will allo feature original tunes from his most recent album, called "Oklahoma Guitar." It's songs written based on my upbringing through the aid. "I played it ona, and in a lot of different styles," he guitar, just solo guitar, which means no accompaniment oo vocals. If you want to hear what one guitar can do, no vocals. If you want to hear what one guiar can do,
this is one example. Most of my albums are like that."
 Mexico, an often sensi-
tive subject in a country
touchy about national ouchy about national sovereignty On one occasion, the
informant who began working for the DEA in 2003 after a drug arrest
met with the girlfriend of a Colombian drug trafficker in Dallas and offered to move cocaine
for their group around the world for $\$ 1,000$ meeting, the informant introduced the woman to a DEA agent posing
as a pilot. The woman as a pilot. The woman
is identified as the girlfriend of Horley Rengifo Pareja, who was detained in 2007 accused of laundering money and drug
trafficking. Another scene
described the informan negotiating a deal to move a cocaine shipment from Ecuador to Spain
and minutes later being taken to a house where

Beltran Leyv Beltran Leyva was once a top lieutenant for the Sinaloa drug car-
tel, led by Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman. But he split from the cartel
shortly after his brother shortly after his brother
was arrested in 2008, was arrested in 2008, tie between the former tie betw.
allies. Fractured cartels have led to an increase of drug violence in Mexico. According to several counts more than 45,000 people have been killed
since late 2006, though she late 2006, though
the govenment stopped giving figures on drug war dead when the toll
hit nearly 35,000 hit nearly 35,000 a year
ago.
On Monday, police in western Mexico found the bodies of 13 men at a gas station in the state of
Michoacan. Michoacan.
The bo dumped near a con-
venience store on the
gas station lot in the town of Zitacuaro, said $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Michoacan } & \text { state } \text { pros } \\ \text { ecutors } \\ \text { spokesman }\end{array}$ Jonathan Arredondo. Arredondo said threatening messages were found with the bodies
but he wouldn't comment on their content or give any other details. The western state is home base to The
Knights Templar car Knights Templar car
tel, which like its pre decessor, La Familia, is a pseudo-religious gang
specializing in methamspecializing in metham-
phetamine production phetamine production
drug smuggling, extortion and other crimes.

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This is taking too long. Should I get Mommy to help you with

Non Sequitur


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Marvin


Hagar The Horrible


Peanuts
QUICK, MARCIE, SHE'S QUICK, MARCIE, SHE'S
CALLING ONME! GIMME THE
ANSWER! HURRY! HURR! $H U R R Y!$ ANSWER!HURR!!HURR! !HURRY!


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ing toward you. Remain upbeat and direct dour or stem; let it go. Tonight: Try some
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 Jon 19)
$\star \star \star \star \star$ Keep conversations flowing, $\quad \star \star \star \star \star$ Deal with a patner direchl and worry less about other' responses.
Don. lose yourself, remain your own per-
ently. Remember, that is normal. Stay cenyour, kro heaning what is going on and whe CANCER (June 21-July 22)
$\star \star \star \star \mathrm{Be}$ willing to change direc-
tions. If you don't try or explore this op-
portunity, you could be sorry at a later
date. Stay centered in your dealings. You
know what is workabie. Sey "Yes" to pos-
sibility. Understanding evolves. Tonight:
Treat yourself well.
LEO (Juty 23-Aug. 22)
$\star \star \star \star \star$ You beam, and
$\star \star \star \star \star$ You beam, and another per-
son cannot help but come toward you. A
serious matter needs to be dealt with, no
matter what else might be going on. With
you at the steering wheel, the outcome
you at the steering wheel, the outcome
can only be excellent. Don't be surprised
tha only be excellent. Don't be surprised
onight: As you like.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
$\begin{aligned} & \star \star \\ & \text { ent, ye sensitive to others. At pres }\end{aligned}$
ability to feel seems to be en an 11. 2012:
You could find this year rewarding, es- hanced. Be willing to pull back and conpecially your dealings with one specific sider how it might feel to be in another
person. Trust and closeness will walk shoes. Could you be holding back and in hand. You won't have time for the judging yourself more strongly than ususuperficial, as you demand more authen- al? Tonight: Make it quiet.
ficty from yourself. If you are single, you
LIBRA (Sept. $23-$ Oct. 22 )
$\star \star \star \star \star$ Iave one friend who becomes very lose. This person also could become a meeting or conversation reminds you to might be consumed by relating. With dili- Giive up either/or thinking, and let a little ence, your work life will become more self-discipline emerge. Now, isn't th an be helpful with money.
ARIES (March 21-April 19)
$\star \star \star \star$ You understand passion and
extremes better than many people. Your
ability to flex emerges, even with a dif-
suncts point to wo dina he source for a solution, or at least today. personal life far more comfortable thers seem to perk up when they are night: A force to be dealt with.
Sound you. Tonight: Midweek break.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) TAURUS (April 20-May 20) $\quad \star \star \star \star \star$ Keep reaching out for som $\star \star \star$ You might want to check out an one at a distance. You might want to in nvestment or handle a matter that is per- vestigate an option that involves trave,
sonal. Accomplish or handle only what dealing with someone very different and onal. Accomplish or handle only what dealing with someone very different and
ou must. You can feel someone e ese com-- or taking a course. A friend could be a bil
 He or she will appreciate the direct condesire from thous Envision more of what you eworthwhile to verthalize your it might Pressure builds from what you pesceive ressure builds from what you perceive
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) $\star \star \star \star$ Defer to others. You want to you and another person. Sometimes ween ing in another person's shoes enhances on your listening skills. You will lear much more this way. Tonight: Go alon with someone else's choices.
PISEES (Feb. 19-March 20) \#
Sometimes your routine dominenk in a ymoch like todiny! You are able You will find time to hive a lenetion discussion later, should you wint ti. Curt aut makce sure you take a small risk.



Mother Goose and Grim

Lady Harvesters seek to avenge loss to Borger


Possible tornado damages Houston mall

HOUSTON (AP) - City roads Texas got about 14.89 inches of rain
were flooded and thousands of in 2011 compared to a normal averwere flooded and thousands of
Houston residents lost power
Monday after powerfut thunderstorms plowed through the area, with a possible tornado damaging and shutting down a nearby mall.
The skies over Houston turne pitch black as the massive storms raced through the drought-stricken
area, dropping several inches of rain area, dropping several inches of rain
over a two-hour period. Roads rapover a two-hour period. Roads rap-
idly flooded and drivers became stranded on major arteries that connect the city's sprawling neighbo hoods and suburbs.
In Texas City, a town about 40 miles southeast of Houston, a pos-
sible tornado damaged the roof and wall of the Mall of the Mainland, and Fire Chief Joe Gorman evacu-
ated and shut down the building. In ated and shut down the building. In
North and West Texas, meanwhile North and West Texas, meanwhile,
the National Weather Service said a cold, steady downpour will drop an inch or two of much-needed rain. The drought, however, is far from
over. over.
"We're not going to end the
drought this winter even if we drought this winter even if we State Climatologist John NielsenGammon.

Texas got about 14.89 inches of rain
in 2011, compared to a normal aver-
age of 29.39 inches - levels that
compare to 1917 ind compare to 1917 and 1956, some of
the driest years in recorded history, the driest years in recorded history,
Nielsen-Gammon said. Recovering Nielsen-Gammon said. Recovering
from that will take a wet winter, and a wetter-than-normal spring, he said. rain early Monday, up to to on parts of Houston and neighboring areas. Some places were expected to end the day with
more than that, said Don Oettinger, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in League City, the office responsible for southeast Texas.
Oetting Oettinger said the National Weather Service will likely not
know until Tuesday whether a tornado caused the damage at the mall in Texas City. A funnel cloud was
seen southwest of Houston seen southwest of Houston and
heavy wind gusts were reported. heavy wind gusts were reported.
Television images showed wind damage to some buildings.
Gorman said reports Gorman said reports of a twister
came in as wind and rain pounded came in as wind and rain pounded
the area. No injuries were reported at the mall, but the damage to the roof and wall prompted officials to evacuate the building and bring a
structural engineer to structural engineer to inve
stability of the structure

Activists seek police probes in New Mexico

ALBUQUERQUE, this is happening, ALBUQUERQUE,
N.M. (AP) - Despite a drop in police-involved shootings and policy
changes in the wake changes in the wake of
a recent incident, civil a recent incident, civil
rights advocates said rights advocates said
Monday they will keep pressing for a federal
investigation into the investigation
Albuquerque
into the
Police Albuquerque
Department.
Department.
Advocates would still like to see certain offi-
cers and cers and police supervi-
sors replaced, said Jewell sors replaced, said Jewell
Hall, president of the Hall, president of th
Martin ${ }^{\text {Luther King, }}$ Jr Memorial Center Board. The city has only seen
one police-involved one police-involved
shooting since August.
Still Hall said erase previous cases of erase previous cases
officer-involved shoot ings involving blacks and
Latinos that still need be investigated.
"It doessn't chang
my mind," said Hall, my mind," said Hall
who has met with U.S Justice Department off
cials and pressed for cials and pressed for
probe along with other probe atong with other
activists."I still would
like to see more changes like to see more changes
within the department.


They have attorneys.
The shooting is under investigation by state police, the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Office and the district attorney's
office in the context of office in the context of
reforms suggested by an outside organization hired to review the Police Department. The city's cer also is examining the case.
Perez is a seven-year veteran of the departmen and was placed on leave
pending the investigation. pending the investigation.
He had not been involved in any previous on-duty shootings, according to
Police Chief Ray Schultz. Police Chief Ray Schultz
Schultz multi-agency sald the multi-agency investiga-
tion showed the Police
Department was Department was being
transparent about the transparent about the
shooting. He also pointshooting. He also point-
ed to the fact that the ed to the fact that the
department hadn't had a shooting since Augus a shooting since August
as evidence that its new policies were starting to Still, Hall said the
decline in shootings in decline in shootings in
recent months isn't neces-
sarily a sign of sarily a sign of improved
Dear Abby...

DEAR ABBY: "Friend spent a lot of time in our tire summer. His father was
of a Lonely Child" (Nov 7) home and at our dinner table. gravely ill and succumbed of a Lonely Child" (Nov. 7) like him befriending the neighbor boy, "Donny",
whose father is terminally ill.
 Many years ago, I was of love and attention. Instead, member of nephew became a that child. My home life was a they learned the importance ended up being a tremendous mess, and the neighbors end- of giving.
ed up raising me and teaching After the friends grew up ed up raising me and teaching After the friends grew up "Friend's" wife needs to
me about life. I am positive I was surprised and touched open her heart. She'"l be givThe only reason I didn't end when they told me how much en a wonderful gift and help a up in prison was the concerm the time we shared had meant child in the process. - PHY-
of those people.
to them. I never realized I was LIS IN NORTH CAROLNA $\begin{gathered}\text { of those people. } \\ \text { Mr. and Mrs. P. taught me mem. I never realized I was LIS IN NORTH CAROLINA } \\ \text { making a difference. }\end{gathered}$ DEAR ABBY: Big BrothMr and Mrs. P. taught me making a difference.
Danners and work ethic, Mr. Abby, "Friend's" wife is ers/Big Sisters is an excellent and Mrs. M. schooled me in blessed to have such a caring organization, but it cannot rekindness and compassion, husband. Yes, sometimes we place the more frequent conand the local store owner, ARE our brother's keeper. -
Mr. R., taught of a neighbor who recon-
nizes and empathizes with the Mr. R., taught me economics. CHRIS IN ARIZONA
He'd never let my credit go DEAR ABBY. As over $\$ 3$, and he'd charge me a gle mom of a son, I was fortuquarter a week if I didn't pay nate to have men around who it off! Here I am at 51, having took him under their wings. never made a credit card in- They provided friendship, terest payment or taken a loan male bonding and examples
to term, thanks to him. I loved of how a tue man treats a those neighbors more than I woman. I never fail to express loved my own family. my thanks to their wives and
"Friend," your wife is family members for allowing right. You CAN'T save ev- their husbands and fathers eryone, but a little kindness
and mentoring can change a child's life. And all it will cost you is a little time. THANKFUL
NEIGHBORS

## DEAR THANKFUL:

Like you, many readers entinue in his role of father figure, My new
DEAR ABBY: I have interaction with 10 -year-old of love to grown. Many of their friends to stay with us for an en- EUGGEN - STEPHEN IN
trust between police and community members. didn't kill this may, oh, we year as we did last year year as we did last year
and call that progress," said Hall. "These aren't pork or hogs. These are human beings." Last month, $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ralph } \\ & \text { Arellanes, state } \\ & \text { direc }\end{aligned}$ Arellanes, state direc-
tor of the New Mexico League of United Latin American Citizens, told
White House officials White House officials
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