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## Perryton to enact extra measures for Tuesday game

#### 'Zero tolerance policy' to be in effect when Pampa returns next week

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Fresh off the chaos that ensued after the last Pampa-Perryton game, the Perryton Independent School District is making policy changes and accommodations to ensure safety for both home and away fans during athletic competitions, a move that will come as positive news to local fans traveling on Tuesday to see the Harvester basketball team play the Rangers.

Worley Kennedy, Pampa basketball booster club president, said that Stuart Smith, Pampa ISD athletic director, has had numerous conversations with Perryton High School principal Allan Herbert on the subject. Herbert indicated to Smith that a "zero tolerance policy," much like what Pampa has in place for its home games, will be in place for Tuesday's game.

"I am encouraged that Perryton's principal is responding to the negative events of last week's game and that he is going to immediately have in place a policy which is similar to ours," Kennedy said in an email.

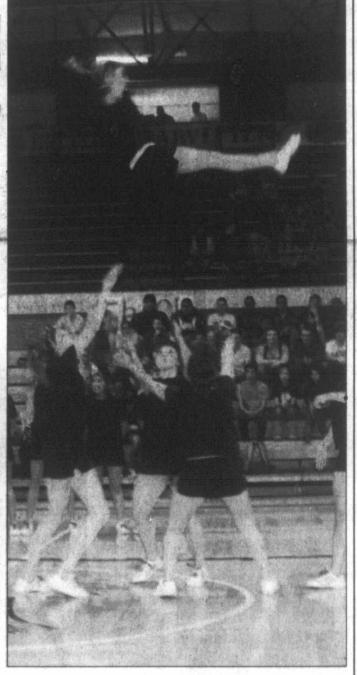
According to Pampa ISD's "no tolerance" policy, the Pampa ISD Board of Education "authorizes contest/event supervisors and security personnel to act in cases of profanity, threats, menacing or intimidating of another person, striking of another person, disruption PERRYTON cont. on page 7A



With the Borger Bulldogs coming to McNeely Fieldhouse again on Friday, Pampa High School held a pep rally to get the kids pumped. RIGHT: Pampa's cheerleading. squad gets some air. **BOTTOM:** Daniel Hulsey (from left), Matt Albracht, Marshall McGrath, Dustin Whinery, Joseph Vizcaino and Austin Starbuck, as "the Borger basketball team," dance to the tune of "Single Ladies." Did the dance will Pampa to victory? Full story in SPORTS, page 1B.

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## GCSO nabs two for drug possession

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Deputies with the Gray County Sheriff's Office recently arrested two individuals for drugs after a traffic stop

Around 3 p.m. on Wednesday Feb. 8, deputies performed a traffic stop, which resulted in a search of the vehicle, near POSSESSION cont. on page 6A

## 911 hangup leads to pair of arrests

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A 911 hangup led deputies with the Gray County Sheriff's Office to two arrests for methamphetamine

Around 11 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 9, deputies responded to a 911 hangup in the 12000 block of East Frederic, where they found that Carl Hinds, 28, of Pampa, was violating a protective order. The deputies also located some METH cont. on page 6A

## With Relay season ahead, committee begins preparations

#### Relay for Life set for June, first meeting in March

**ARNIE AURELLANO** editor@thepampanews.com

Fresh off a January trip to Lubbock for the Relay for Life West Texas Regional Summit, Christy Robinson of the American Cancer Society Relay for Life Gray County Committee said on Friday that it's going to be a busy Relay season in 2012.

"We've got a lot going on," Robinson said. "We just kind of have to make our yearly plans. We have to get all of our committee leaders in line, work out our date for Survivor Dinner, get all of that under control. This



is going to be a big Relay for us." This year's Relay has been sched-

uled for June 22, Robinson said, although preparations for it have already begun. The Relay season's first official local meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, March 5 at Clarendon College Pampa Center.

"This is just like our kickoff meeting," Robinson said. "It'll just be

all the people interested in having a team or just anybody interested in helping out with the Relay. It's open to anybody. We even always have a lot of people who are cancer victims and survivors from around town that come and see what it's all about."

As for the summit in Lubbock, Robinson said that it was a chance for Texas Relay committees to share their experiences and ideas with each other to make each

event more effective.

"It was just interacting with other Relay counties," Robinson said. "They talked about what works for them in their fundraisers and their luminary ceremony. A lot of them don't even have the Survivor's Dinners that we have, so we got to share that with them. (We learned a lot) about involvement, getting more people involved."

A big part of that push, Robinson hopes, will involve the high schools in the county.

"I have two people who have offered \$500 scholarships," Robinson said. "McLean, Lefors and Pampa are all in our county. All three of those schools had a Pink Out Rally this year, so they are already all working on it, but none of them yet know about these scholarships. What I want them to do is to continue to work from now until the Relay, and at our wrap-up - we have a RELAY cont. on page 2A





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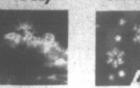
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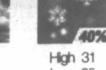
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Today: Partly sunny, with a high near 29. Wind chill values between -1 and 9. East northeast wind around 10 mph.

Tonight: Scattered flurries. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 15. Wind chill values between 1 and 11. East wind 10 to 15 mph becoming south. Winds could gust as high as 20 mph.

cloudy, with a high near 31. South wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph. Sunday Night: A 30 percent chance of snow.

Sunday: A 40 percent chance of snow. Mostly

Mostly cloudy, with a low around 25. South southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

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Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 28. North wind 5 to 10 mph becoming east southeast.

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#### Relay

wrap-up in July - we'll present the scholarships to two students."

The criteria for the scholarships, Robinson said, will include working within the schools to promote cancer awareness and volunteering time for Relay-related events.

The county's youth will already be represented in the Relay in one respect: the committee has already asked Pampa High School senior Ashtin Sackett to be the Relay for Life's 2012 Hero of Hope. Sackett has been battling Stage Three osteosarcoma, a form of bone cancer. The choosing of Sackett as

this year's Hero comes a year after Nayeli Madrid and Lynnzy Standerfer, both Pampan pre-teens who underwent treatments for cancer, served as the 2011 Heroes of Hope.

"This is the ironic thing," Robinson said. "We had been wanting to bring young blood into our committees and our teams and stuff. Never ever have I dreamed about my Heroes being young. It was just so weird that I had an 11-year-old and a 12-year-old, and this year, I have a 17-year-old. It's always been lots older people, I mean 60-yearolds. It's sad to see kids deal with it that young."

Still, despite the tragic circumstances, Robinson said that she's trying to look at it as a way to educate and involve Gray County's youth in the Relay's ongoing mis-

"I just think it's an opening for us to bring young people in, because now they hear about it at school," Robinson said. "At the middle school last year, they did a thing where did (a benefit where) you pay \$5 and you got to where pajamas, things like that. Kids now see their friends having to fight cancer and it's making them want to help."

Robinson added that these young people are providing added inspiration that people of all ages can muster the strength to win in the fight against cancer.

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'Lynnzy's in total remission," Robinson said. "Ashtin, she's still doing her chemo and everything, but she has already been declared cancer-free. ... It's good to see."

Robinson said that she was looking forward to seeing the local support for the Relay for Life's cause this year, adding that she hopes that the upward trend of Gray County involvement continues.

"It is just amazing what Pampa has done in the last few years," Robinson said. "Pampa has just been very receptive. What the firemen have done (in helping raise money and awareness by selling pink t-shirts), everything the high school does, everyone else, it's unreal."

#### Obituaries

John A. King, 91

John A. King, 91, died February 8, 2012, in Pampa.

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. King was born February 23, 1920, in Pawhuska, Okla., to John Thomas and Bonnie Mearl King. This area is located in northeastern Oklahoma in an area known as Osage Hills. John began memo- King rizing the Bible at age 8,

and was the youngest Eagle Boy Scout in Texas at age 13. He built Pampa's first color TV from a kit in 1952 and was one of Pampa's first TV repairmen.

After three years at West Texas State University in Canyon as a pre-med student, he was drafted into the U.S. Army where he served during World War II. He was trained to install forty-kilowatt radio teletype transmitters in foreign countries. John earned three bronze stars and served in New Guinea, Guadalcanal and the Philippines where he ran teletype transmitters that General Douglas MacArthur used to communicate with Washington, D.C. Returning to civilian life, he worked with his father as a

magneto, starter and engine repairman. After his father's death, he renamed the shop "John T. King and Sons" and ran it with his brothers Warren and Tom. John was celebrated as a genius among all his business

and personal friends. Pampa High School's first National Science Foundation first place award for a science fair project was built in John's shop. He achieved a math degree from West Texas University in 1960, working all the com. calculus and differential equations in his head. He was a

member of the first group of Pampa's Amateur Operators (W5GXK) and the first amateur operator to use digital communications. John was the third person to sign up for internet service and the first to use the internet for business purposes in Pampa.

John married Betty Parks on December 14, 1947, at First Christian Church in Pampa. He was very active member of First Christian Church, serving as youth director, Sunday school teacher, and raising money for many church building projects. He was a member of Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 AF&AM and was a 32nd degree Mason. He helped numerous people through the Masonic Lodge with health and personal problems. He was very generous to his friends and family members with all of life's challenges.

John inherited genes of humor from his grandfather, and at the age of 83, had a repertoire of over 1000 jokes. He made a point of making everyone smile who he met during his travels during every day. If he was unsuccessful with someone, he would make a point of working on them until he raised a smile on their face. He believed laughter was the best way to solve life's problems.

Survivors include his wife, Betty King of the home; son, John Hardy King and wife Angela of Pampa; grandson, Shawn King of Pampa; granddaughter, LaJeanna King of Pampa; two great-grandsons, Braydn Urbanczyk of Arkansas and Jesse Downs of Pampa; three greatgranddaughters, Cylea Urbanczyk of Arkansas, and twins Bella and Emma Smith, scheduled to be born by March 13, 2012; sister-in-law, Linda King of Winchester, Tenn.: and close personal friend, Chrissie Roach of Pampa. He was preceded in death by his parents, John T. and Bonnie King; a son, Charles Randal King; an infant daughter: four brothers, Warren, Tom, Albert and Pat; a sister, Doris Ann; and a granddaughter, Mashonda King Urbanczyk.

Sign the online register at www.carmichael-whatley.

#### For the record

#### Police Department

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24 ed. hour period ending Friday, Feb. 10 at 7 a.m.

Pampa PD reported 15 traffic related incidents. Animal Control agents

reported nine animal related incidents. Pampa EMS responded

to seven medical calls. Thursday, Feb. 9

Forgery was reported. Disorderly conduct occurred at the 100 block of East Randy Matson.

Forgery occurred at the 300 block of North Hobart. A hit and run occurred at Frederick and Talley.

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A theft occurred at the 100 block of Village. 600 block of West Brown.

A theft was reported. A hit and run was report- of South Graham.

Disorderly conduct occurred at the 4000 block East Foster.

of North Bad Cattle Com-A theft occurred at the 100 block of East Virginia.

An accident occurred at Ward and Hobart. Criminal mischief oc-

curred at the 400 block of North Faulkner. A domestic disturbance occurred at the 1000 block

of West Mary Ellen. A threat occurred at the

A domestic disturbance occurred at the 400 block

Criminal mischief oc- curred at the 900 block of curred at the 400 block of South Reid.

A suspicious person was reported at the 300 block of

Friday, Feb. 10

A domestic disturbance occurred at the 1100 block of South Nelson.

Disorderly conduct occurred at the 100 block of North Faulkner.

#### Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests for the 24 hour period ending Friday, Feb. 10 at 7 a.m.

Thursday, Feb. 9 Zatavius Session, 17, was arrested by police for distruption of classes.

Gage Zeek, 20, was arrested by deputies on charges of disorderly conduct, public intoxication, possession of drug paraphernalia, failure to appear in court or bail jumping, expired inspection, capias

pro fine regarding possession of drug paraphernalia, capias pro fine regarding failure to signal a turn and Disorderly conduct oc- capias pro fine regarding expired motor vehicle insurance.

Jacklyn Medley, 21, was arrested by deputies for a passenger seatbelt violation, capias pro fine regarding failure to appear in court and possession for drug paraphernalia.

Robert Contreras, 26, was arrested by DPS officers for possession of a controlled substance,

Corey Graham, 20, was arrested by deputies for unauthorized use of a vehicle. Spencer Boyd, 59, was arrested by police for sim-

ple assault. Jerrie Burns, 25, was arrested by deputies for possession of a controlled substance in an amount less than one gram.

Carl Hinds, 28, was arrested by deputies on charges of possession of a controlled substance, in an amount less than one gram and violation of a protective order.



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#### No rehearing on sonogram rule eral judge's ruling against

AUSTIN (AP) - A federal appeals court has denied a request to reconsider a lawsuit challenging a Texas law that requires doctors to perform a sonogram before an

The Center for Reproductive Rights filed the suit on behalf of doctors saying the state Legislature had passed a law that wrongly dictates how a doctor deals with a patient. The rule requires a doctor to conduct a sonogram, describe the features of the fetus and play aloud the fetal heartbeat whether the woman wants it or not. The doctor must also conduct the sonogram 24 hours before performing the abortion.

The chief justice of the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals had earlier ruled that there was nothing wrong with the law. The doctors had asked the entire court to reconsider that ruling.

#### Judges want April primary

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A three-judge federal panel wants the Texas primaries to remain in April and is ordering that the state continue negotiating with minority rights groups over voting maps.

U.S. District Judge Orlando Garcia signed the order Friday. He said the court wants redistricting plans in place for an April primary but didn't mention a specific

The primaries are currently set for April 3. That date will likely be pushed back after many minority rights groups splintered with others who accepted a deal with the Texas attorney general's office.

The groups are suing the state over redistricting maps passed by the Republican-controlled Legislature.

The partial deal may still be in play. Garcia said that contrary to misconceptions, the state hasn't rejected any new map proposals that have come forward.

#### DEA man not the real deal

HOUSTON (AP) - Real law officers have arrested a Houston-area man accused of pretending to be a Drug Enforcement Administration agent.

David B. Webb appeared Thursday before a magistrate in Houston, who ordered him held pending a detention

Webb was indicted Jan. 26 and charged with production of false identification and possession of false ID. He allegedly flashed bogus ID to real agents on Dec. 13. Investigators say Webb, who was arrested Wednesday, claimed to be part of a canine unit and spoke to children about not using drugs. He operates a dog-training com-

Webb had no comment in court and did not immediately have an attorney.

The Houston Chronicle reports Webb was previously charged in Harris County with imitating a tactical officer, bis ever-growing crowds but that case was settled by deferred adjudication. when he promises to

#### DA may face investigation

GEORGETOWN (AP) - A judge is holding a hearing on whether an ex-prosecutor should face a formal inves- toward life and family and tigation into allegations he hid evidence and wrongfully faith. sent a man to prison for nearly 25 years.

Michael Morton was freed last fall after DNA tests hopefuls, Santorum is the implicated someone else in the 1986 murder of his wife most public and emphatic

Christine Morton's attorneys are seeking a court of inquiry on charges the prosecutor in Morton's trial, Ken Anderson, concealed evidence from the defense.

Now a state district judge, Anderson has apologized for of his message. It serves "the "system's failure" in the Morton case.

Courts of inquiry are used in cases of official miscon-

Another district Judge, John Harle, may announce dur- remind them of lingering ing Friday's hearing in Georgetown if a court of inquiry should proceed.

Police recently arrested a new suspect, Mark Norwood, background. in Christine Morton's slaying.

#### Noose found near student's car

MARION (AP) - A noose and menacing note allegedly found next to a black student's car at a Texas high school has launched a police investigation.

Marion police Sgt. Darren Haverstock says the case is being investigated as a hate crime and terroristic threat. He declined to reveal the contents of the note found Monday at Marion High School near San Antonio.

Gloria Burleson is a spokeswoman for the student's family. She told the San Antonio Express-News that Republican candidate who classmates began harassing the student after the family sought an apology from a teacher who allegedly made an inappropriate remark.

Less than 1 percent of the nearly 1,400 students in the rural school district are black.

#### Campus considers tobacco ban

AUSTIN (AP) - Less tobacco, more money.

Officials at the University of Texas in Austin will consider banning tobacco on the entire campus in a healthrelated move that could mean more research money.

UT currently bans smoking in residence halls, during class and at other indoor areas.

The Austin American-Statesman reports the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas has decided that grant recipients would be required to have tobacco-

Adrienne Howarth-Moore, with UT's human resource services, said Thursday that the school has received about \$30 million from the institute. Having a tobaccofree campus, by March 1, could mean an addition \$88



## Judge: Lactation firing not sex-

HOUSTON (AP) -A fed-Houston mother who says she was fired after asking for a place to pump breast milk has highlighted a question left unanswered by higher courts: Is firing a woman because she wants to pump at work sexual discrimination?

In his ruling, U.S. District Judge Lynn Hughes said it wouldn't be illegal even if Donnicia Venters and the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission were correct in assuming that Houston Funding, a debt collection agency, fired her because she'd asked to pump breast milk at work. The judge reasoned that lactation was not pregnancy-related and, as a result, "firing someone because of lactation or breast-pumping is not sex discrimination.'

Several other district courts have issued similar statements, but no higher-level appeals court has ruled on the issue, leaving many new mothers in legal limbo, said Carrie Hoffman, a labor lawyer in Dallas. She said President Barack Obama's health care law addresses breast feeding and requires employers to give new mothers a break to nurse, but it doesn't specifically protect women from being fired if they ask to do so.

"The intent was to get nursing mothers back to work but allow them to continue to nurse because of the health benefits

associated with nursing," Hoffman said. "But even so, that law doesn't have anything to do with terminating the employee ... it just requires break time. There appears to be a hole.'

Either way, the rule which went into effect in the past year - would not apply to Venters.

Her story began in December 2008, when she took maternity leave and gave birth to her 3-year-old daughter, Shiloh. She kept in close contact with Houston Funding during her roughly 10-week leave, according to cellphone records obtained by the EEOC and written statements by her former supervisors, said Tim Bowne, a senior trial attorney with the EEOC in Houston who helped litigate the case.

At least twice during her leave, Venters told her direct supervisor, Robert Fleming, she wanted to pump milk while on her break at work and asked him to get permission from their boss, Vice President Harry Cagle.

"He was completely fine about it," she said of Fleming. "I never got an answer back and I didn't think anything of it."

Venters, 30, had worked at the company for almost three years, earned a promotion and figured that at worst Cagle might feel uncomfortable and deny her request.

"I didn't think I would

get the boot for it," Venters told The Associated Press. "It didn't really make sense

In a signed affidavit provided to the judge, Fleming said that when he told Cagle that Venters wanted to bring a breast pump to work, Cagle responded with a strong "No. Maybe she needs to stay home

Bowne said Venters told the EEOC that when she told Cagle she wanted to use a breast pump in a back room during breaks at work, his "demeanor changed. He paused for a few seconds and said, 'I'm sorry. We've laid you off."

The company issued a statement Thursday evening saying it welcomed the court's ruling, denied discriminating against Venters and would comply with new laws protecting women's rights to breast feed in the workplace.

In response to the lawsuit, Houston Funding had argued that Venters was terminated because she failed to keep in good contact with the company and didn't return to work as scheduled. But Fleming said he had spoken to Venters at least weekly during her medical leave, which the EEOC argued was evidence that Houston Funding's excuse for firing Venters - "job abandonment" - was simply a "pretext for unlawful discrimination."

Hughes sided with the

company in his ruling last week, but he also wrote: "Even if the company's claim that she was fired for abandonment is meant to hide the real reason she wanted to pump breast milk - lactation is not pregnancy, childbirth or a related medical condition.

"She gave birth on Dec. 11, 2009. After that day, she was no longer pregnant and her pregnancy-related conditions ended. Firing someone because of lactation or breast-pumping is not sex discrimination, the judge wrote.

But Hoffman and Bowne said the issue won't be definitively determined unless an appeals court takes up the case. The EEOC has not yet decided whether to appeal Hughes' ruling, Bowne said.

"It's quite likely that we'll seek an appeal, but that decision is made in headquarters," said, noting that decision would probably be made in April.

Current law clearly protects pregnant women from being fired simply because they are having a child, and many of the arguments made regarding lactation have focused on it being a "pregnancy-related condition." Hoffman believes, however, that attorneys seeking to get stronger protection for new mothers should instead focus on sexual discrimination.

"It's certainly sexbased. Men can't lactate," Hoffman said.

#### Santorum amplifies faith, unlike GOP rivals

TULSA, Okla. (AP) - Rick Santorum stirs right a country awash in "immoral debt" and to replace an administration he argues has "callousness

Of the GOP presidential about his faith, drawing on his Catholicism and deeply held views on social issues as the foundation to solidify his standing among religiously motivated voters — and subtly reservations of opponent Mitt Romney's spiritual

The former Pennsylvania senator found a recepaudience Friday Washington, when in addressed he Conservative Political Action Conference's annual gathering.

"Rights come to us from God," Santorum said, exhorting conservatives to go with the presents the clearest contrast with Obama and not reach for a hollow victory. "Government's one job is to protect those rights."

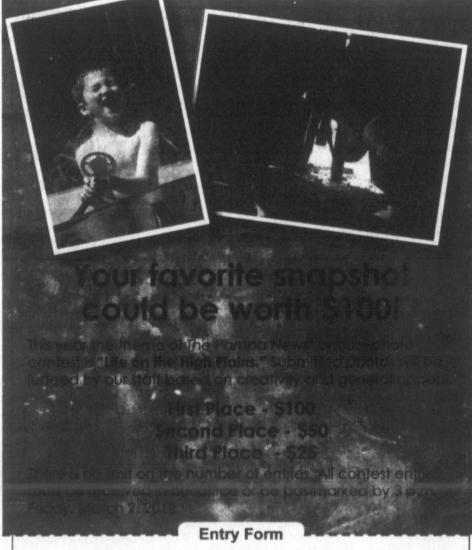
When the GOP field

was at its fullest, several candidates were fighting to be the favorite of religious conservative voters. Now, Santorum is moving

to consolidate that wing of the party, which could make him a force in places like Alabama, Kansas, Oklahoma and others on

the upcoming primary calendar.

His Southern swing, which ended Thursday SANTORUM cont. on page A8



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#### Today in History

Today is Saturday, Feb. 11, the 42nd day of 2012. There are 324 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 11, 1812, Massachusetts Gov. Elbridge Gerry signed a re-districting law favoring his Democratic-Republican Party - giving rise to the term "gerrymandering."

On this date:

In 1858, a French girl, Bernadette Soubirous, reported the first of 18 visions of a lady dressed in white in a grotto near Lourdes. (The Catholic Church later accepted that the visions were of the

In 1861, President-elect Abraham Lincoln bade farewell to his adopted hometown of Springfield, Ill., as he headed to Washington for his inaugura-

In 1862, the Civil War Battle of Fort Donelson began in Tennessee. (Union forces led by Brig. Gen. Ulysses S. Grant captured the fort five days later.)

In 1929, the Lateran Treaty was signed, with Italy recognizing the independence and sovereignty of Vatican City.

In 1937, a six-week-old sit-down strike against General Motors ended, with the company agreeing to recognize the United Automobile Workers Union.

In 1945, President Franklin D. Roosevelt, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Soviet leader Josef Stalin signed the Yalta Agreement during World War II.

In 1960, "Tonight Show" host Jack Paar stunned his audience by walking off the program in a censorship dispute with NBC. (Despite his very public resignation, Paar returned to the Tonight Show less than a month later.)

In 1972, McGraw-Hill Publishing Co. and Life magazine canceled plans to publish what had turned out to be a fake autobiography of reclusive billionaire Howard Hughes

In 1975, Margaret Thatcher was elected leader of Britain's opposition Conservative Party

In 1979, followers of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini seized power in Iran.

In 1982, actress-dancer Eleanor Powell, 69, died in Beverly Hills, Calif.

In 1990, South African black activist Nelson Mandela was freed after 27 years in captivity.

Ten years ago: Israel attacked Palestinian security headquarters in Gaza City in response to unprecedented Palestinian rocket fire and a shooting attack on Israeli civilians. Argentina fully uncoupled the peso from the U-S dollar for the first time in more than a decade. Americans Ross Powers, Danny Kass and J.J. Thomas took gold, silver and bronze in the men's halfpipe at the Salt Lake City Olympics. Controversy erupted at the games as Elena Berezhnaya and Anton Sikharulidze were crowned the champions of pairs figure skating, although many observers felt the duo was Jamie Sale and David Pelletier of Canada

Five years ago: Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, marking the 28th anniversary of the Islamic Revolution, vowed his country would not give up uranium enrichment. The Dixie Chicks won five Grammys in a defiant comeback after being shunned over their anti-President George W. Bush comments about the Iraq war. Harvard University named historian Drew Gilpin Faust its first female president.

One year ago: Egypt exploded with joy after pro-democracy protesters brought down President Hosni Mubarak, whose resignation ended three decades of authoritarian rule.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Conrad Janis is 84. Actress Tina Louise is 78. Actor Burt Reynolds is 76. Songwriter Gerry Goffin is 73. Actor Sonny Landham is 71. Bandleader Sergio Mendes is 71. Rhythm-and-blues singer Otis Clay is 70. Actor Philip Anglim is 60. Actress Catherine Hickland is 56. Rock musician David Uosikkinen (The Hooters) is 56. Actress Carey Lowell is 51. Singer Sheryl Crow is 50. Former Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin is 48. Actress Jennifer Aniston is 43. Actor Damian Lewis is 41. Actress Marisa Petroro is 40. Singer D'Angelo is 38. Actor Brice Beckham is 36. Rock M-C/vocalist Mike Shinoda (Linkin Park) is 35. Singer-actress Brandy is 33. Actor Matthew Lawrence is 32. Rhythm-and-blues singer Kelly Rowland is 31. Singer Aubrey O'Day is 28. Actress Q'orianka Kilcher is 22. Actor Taylor Lautner is 20.

Thought for Today: "We had better live as we think, otherwise we shall end up by thinking as we have lived." - Paul Bourget, French author (1852-1935).

#### We welcome your letters

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#### A look into the life of an independent contractor

On the road again...

It has been good to hear all the positive comments about this column, and especially gratifying to hear people say they are glad we're staying in town. And for those who have wondered what I'm going to do, I now have an answer--I will be traveling the Panhandle representing Travelhost magazine.

You have likely seen Travelhost in hotel and motel rooms, full of local and regional information. I look forward to reconnecting with old friends and making new ones. I'll have the chance to scope out some of the sights of my favorite place--the Texas Panhandle. And it will give me something to write about--some of which will likely end up here.

...and on my own!

I will be an independent contractor, self-employed. With that in mind, I took advantage of one of Pampa's most under-utilized resources--the Pampa Economic Development Corporation. The PEDC has contracted with Leading EDG, a consulting firm specializing in small business

Spencer McElhannon, the local consultant with a lot of experience in small business, spent about an hour and a half with me, explaining what type business I should create (sole proprietorship), how to make a business plan, what documents I needed to file...in short, he pretty much answered all my questions and a few I didn't ask. (He is NOT a CPA or an attorney, so he gives no tax or legal advice.) Best of all, it's FREE, provided by the PEDC to encourage and serve local business.

Speaking of business...

In addition to the Travelhost gig, I have also resurrected my speaking business, and added writing and network updating to the package.



**JOE** WEAVER

I wanted a business name for my new endeavors - something that would use the "Warp Woof and idea, associated with "Weaver." Introducing "Warped Woofin'!"

Incidentally, I am also running

a blog at warpwoof.livejournal.com. These columns will be posted there, as well as other comments that occur to me. Check it out.

Running about a pint low...

Coffee Memorial Blood Center came to town this week and I took a little time to let then drain off a pint or so. Donating has changed a lot since they laid me out on a table to take my first pint. Most of it is a vast improvement--the way they check iron, take temperature, qualify your suitability to donate--but sometimes the questioning process can be daunting. However, with modern methods at least a donor can answer embarrassing questions on a computer, rather than be confronted face to face...and it does help to provide a safer blood supply.

I don't know that I participate in anything more egalitarian than donating blood. The variety of people who give reminds me of the folks listed in Toby Keith's song "I Love

We got cowboys, we got truckers Broken-hearted fools and suckers And we got hustlers, we got fightEarly birds and all-nighters

There's a line that says "We got winners, we got losers...", but all blood donors are winners!

Didja hear the one about the lawyer and the dog ...?

Having a cup at The Coffee Shop the other day, "Cuzzin Buzz" Tarpley told me that Matt Martindale had made a commercial for The Party Stop in which a dog licks him on the cheek. Jean Martindale said the dog did it spontaneously, and that efforts to get him to repeat it were fruitless.

"Heck, Jean," I told him, "I'm not surprised. That dog's not the first one to have a lawyer leave a bad taste in his mouth!"

A twisted tongue

It's tough to learn another language, but I am eternally grateful that I grew up with English--it must be a terrible language to try to acquire. Inflections and phraseology can make all the difference.

A few weeks ago Christy Robinson and I we're discussing a mutual

Realizing what the connection was, Christy said, "Oh that's right... you two go dancing together.'

"No, we DON'T go 'dancing together," I corrected her. "We go to the same dance. There's a world of difference!"

(And thus begins another semiregular part of this column.)

What's in a Name ...?

Kristi Parker and Mike Carr could form a business called...Carr-Parker Valet Service.

Joe Weaver is lives in Pampa and is a 'columnist at large" (or large columnist) for The Pampa News. He is also a great storyteller. He may be reached at warp.

#### Religion provides added value to these United States

Without the courage and the constancy of Methodists and of Quakers, the struggle to abolish slavery in the United States would not have succeeded.

Later, the heroes of the civil rights movement were people of faith -both clergy and laypersons -- while the movement's leaders, let us recall, were named the Reverend Martin Luther King, the Reverend Fred Shuttlesworth and the Reverend Andrew Young.

In the front ranks of the politically unpopular antiwar movement could be found nuns, ministers, seminarians and rabbinical students. Religion has indeed provided added value to the national and local life of the United States.

Which brings us, indirectly, to the current national crisis precipitated by the Obama administration's mandate requiring that all health plans provide, free of charge, contraceptives and sterilization, with only a narrow exception for those religious organizations that teach that sterilization and contraception are sinful. The exception is limited to religious organizations that employ exclusively or primarily members of their own faith, basically indoctrinate religious teachings and provide services primarily to members of their own faith.

As a practicing, manifestly imperfect, Catholic whose fury and outrage at the abuse of children by priests -- and the subsequent cover-ups by bishops -- remains white-hot today, I still know that the mission of the Christian is to be

of service to the world, especially to those living in the shadows and on the outskirts of hope. The Obama administration rule decrees that to qualify for the religious exemption historically extended to any religious organization, the group must only be doing undeniably religious tasks within its own sectarian community.

MARK

**SHIELDS** 

Missing completely is any consideration of the common good. What about the "prior" mandate to feed the hungry, to clothe the naked, to comfort the widow and the orphan? The administration rule has decided that these do not qualify as the religious mission of the church.

Jesus Christ, who spent his public years curing, feeding and treating people way, way outside of his own reli-

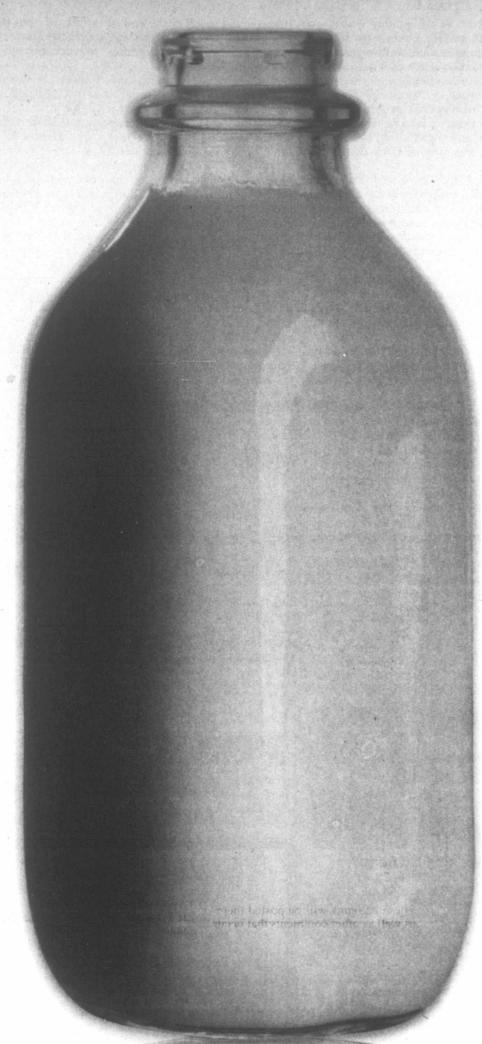
gious community, would not qualify for an exception under Washington's latest rule.

Catholic Charities -- with more than 81 percent of its workforce composed of volunteers -- last year provided food, safe haven, understanding and counsel more than 10.5 million different times. As the late Archbishop of Washington James Hickey explained when it was pointed out by some of his major contributors that Washington, D.C.'s catholic schools had an increasingly non-Catholic enrollment and much of the diocese's budget was going for social services to people who did not go to church: "We don't do this because they're Catholic. We do this because we're Catholic."

Please, Mr. President, do not tell your admirable and valuable fellow citizens they are not honoring their religious imperative. If churches do close their hearts and their doors to the poor and the lonely, who -- in our era of relentless budget cuts and ever-smaller government - will offer a hand to the scared immigrant, to the left-out and the left-behind?

I must have missed something, but, tell me, have you seen a lot of soup kitchens, food pantries and homeless

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#### Sunday in History

Today is Sunday, Feb. 12, the 43rd day of 2012. There are 323 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Feb. 12, 1809, Abraham Lincoln, the 16th president of the United States, was born in present-day Larue County, Ky.

On this date:

In 1554, Lady Jane Grey, who'd claimed the throne of England for nine days, and her husband, Guildford Dudley, were beheaded after being condemned for high treason.

In 1795, the University of North Carolina became the first U.S. state university to admit students with the arrival of Hinton James.

In 1818, Chile officially proclaimed its independence, more than seven years after initially renouncing Spanish rule.

In 1908, the first round-the-world automobile race began in New York. (It ended in Paris the following July with the drivers of the American car, a Thomas Flyer, declared the winners over teams

from Germany and Italy.) In 1909, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was founded. In 1912, Pu Yi, the last emperor of China, abdi-

cated, marking the end of the Qing Dynasty. In 1915, the cornerstone for the Lincoln Memorial was laid in Washington, D.C., a year to

the day after groundbreaking.
In 1940, the radio play "The Adventures of Superman" debuted with Bud Collyer as the Man of Steel.

In 1942, painter Grant Wood, creator of "American Gothic," died in Iowa City, Iowa, a day before his 51st birthday.

In 1959, the redesigned Lincoln penny - with an image of the Lincoln Memorial replacing two ears of wheat on the reverse side - went into circulation.

In 1973, Operation Homecoming began as the first release of American prisoners of war from the Vietnam conflict took place.

In 1999, the Senate voted to acquit President Bill Clinton of perjury and obstruction of justice.

Ten years ago: Former Enron chairman Kenneth Lay expressed "profound sadness" about the collapse of the energy giant, but refused to testify at a Senate hearing. Former Yugoslav president Slobodan Milosevic went on trial in The Hague, accused of war crimes (he died in 2006 before the trial could conclude). Pakistan charged three men in connection with the kidnapping of Wall Street Journal reporter Daniel Pearl in Karachi (they and a fourth man were later convicted of Pearl's murder). An Iranian passenger jet crashed, killing all 119 on board. "The Lord of the Rings - The Fellowship of the Ring" received 13 Academy Award nominations; tied for second with eight nods were "A Beautiful Mind" and "Moulin Rouge!'

Five years ago: Teen gunman Sulejman Talovic shot nine people, killing five, at a Salt Lake City mall before he was shot and killed by police. Car bombs shattered Baghdad's oldest and largest market, killing at least 78 people.

One year ago: Thousands of Algerians defied government warnings and dodged barricades in their capital, demanding democratic reforms; demonstrations continued in Yemen as well. Death claimed actress Betty Garrett, 91, and actor

Kenneth Mars, 75. Today's Birthdays: Movie director Franco Zeffirelli is 89. Actor Louis Zorich is 88. Baseball Hall-of-Fame sportscaster Joe Garagiola is 86. Former Sen. Arlen Specter, D-Pa., is 82. Basketball Hall-of-Famer Bill Russell is 78. Actor Joe Don Baker is 76. Author Judy Blume is 74. Rock musician Ray Manzarek (The Doors) is 73. Country singer Moe Bandy is 68. Actress Maud Adams is 67. Actor Cliff DeYoung is 66. Actor Michael Ironside is 62. Rock musician Steve Hackett is 62. Rock singer Michael McDonald is 60. Actress Joanna Kerns is 59. Actor-former talk show host Arsenio Hall is 57. Actor John Michael Higgins is 49. Actor Raphael Sbarge is 48. Actress Christine Elise is 47. Actor Josh Brolin is 44. Singer Chynna Phillips is 44. Rock musician Jim Creeggan (Barenaked Ladies) is 42. Rhythmand-blues musician Keri Lewis is 41. Actor Jesse Spencer is 33. Actress Sarah Lancaster is 32. Actress Christina Ricci is 32. Actress Jennifer Stone is 19.

Thought for Today: "Men make history and not the other way around. In periods where there Harry S. Truman (1884-1972).

#### Prison board approves health contract

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas prison board on Friday approved a \$46.8 million contract to lease a handful of beds at a hospital in Huntsville as part of a first-time move to secure offender health care services outside its traditional university health providers.

The contract with Huntsville Memorial Hospital comes amid reluctance from the University of Texas Medical Branch to continue a nearly two-decadelong deal to provide prisoner health care because of what it has reported as unanticipated losses of tens of millions of dollars.

The agreement ratified by the Texas Board of Criminal Justice in Austin covers only nine beds at Huntsville Memorial Hospital, but prison agency officials are promising to look elsewhere and negotiate on their own with health providers since UTMB officials have balked at continuing the current affiliation beyond this year.

"This is the first of several contracts we will seek," said Oliver Bell, the board's chairman.

Board member J. David Nelson called it "a landmark step in reducing the cost of health care to offenders" for Texas taxpayers.

The contract, covering 3½ years through the end of fiscal year 2015, includes the nine beds, emergency room facilities, imaging services, day surgery and physician services.

"This contract makes great sense," Nelson said. "It will save money ... While one may argue this is overdue, I will say it's a good first step.

While the prison system has used the hospital at Huntsville, where the agency is headquartered and a half dozen prisons are based, it was an arrangement orchestrated through UTMB, which covers about 80 percent of Texas' 156,000 inmates. The new deal with the Huntsville hospital marks the first time the prison system has circumvented UTMB to make its own arrangements.

An existing \$430 million contract with UTMB, the result of an extension reached in December, covers health care through August for about 80 percent of Texas' 156,000 inmates. Negotiations to extend that for 2013 initially had a Dec. 31 deadline. The dead-

line was extended to the end of last month, but Brad Livingston, the prison system's executive director, said talks have been continuing "to work through the outstanding issue.'

'We do have some time and it makes more sense I think to get it right than hit an artificial deadline," Livingston said.

He said the Huntsville hospital contract and other similar possibilities "give us an opportunity to try out a range of newer services."

Top UTMB officials had warned if no agreement covering 2013 was reached soon, the medical school would begin plans to get out of prisoner health care, a process that has been dubbed transitioning. Officials also have said they won't use school money to cover shortfalls in the prison work, which they said were nearly \$45 million in the previous two years and expected to be \$45 million in the next twoa.

"I remain completely confident in efforts taken by this agency and university providers and that we will manage health care appropriately," Bell said.

The remaining 20 percent of state prisoners, primarily those incarcerated in West Texas, get health care through the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center. The prison agency and Texas Tech, which has not raised similar complaints of financial losses, have a contract through 2013. Texas Tech officials have not expressed similar financial concerns with their contract.

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Jerrie Burns, 25, of Pampa, and Hinds were arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance, in an amount less than one gram.

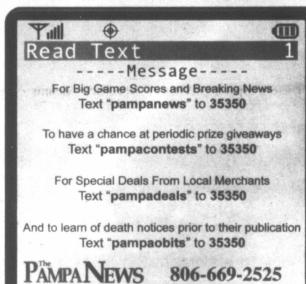




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Bond for Burns was set at \$5,000 and Hinds' bond was set at \$10,000. The pair remain in custody at the Gray County Jail.





#### **Possession**

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the 121-mile marker of I-40. During the search, deputies found marijuana, heroin and prescription medications belonging to Alexis Janelle Flores, 25, and Michael Joseph Chavez,





Chavez

29, both from California. Flores and Chavez were arrested and charged for possession of a controlled substance, in an amount less than one gram, and possession of a controlled substance over one gram but less than four grams. Bond for each individual was set at \$20,000.

#### Shields

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shelters being opened lately by Facebook or Goldman Sachs or General Electric?

This debate is not about contraception. No, this debaté is about conscience. It is about the meaning of religious liberty. President Obama has made a decision that is bad policy, bad precedent and bad politics.

When he launched his long-shot White House bid five years ago, he did not have a closer friend or more important supporter than then-Virginia Governor and now U.S. Senate candidate Tim Kaine. There is not a more honorable man in public life. The White House, Kaine said this week, 'made a bad decision in not

the good of the country, Barack Obama should heed Tim Kaine Mark Shields is a nationally syndicated columnist.



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## Texas Vietnam veteran returns to country that changed life

WICHITA FALLS (AP) — When Carl "Gus" Gustafson left Vietnam in 1968, wounded so badly doctors doubted he'd ever walk again, the thought of going back seemed remote.

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With time and determination, Gustafson beat the odds. He walked, married the love of his life, made a career and raised a family. Still, there were unseen wounds he and 10 other Vietnam veterans set out to salve when they recently returned to the country that changed their lives forever.

Each year the VFW-administered Robert Charles Kahle Fund provides Purple Heart recipients all-expense paid trips back to their battlefields. Everyone in Gustafson's group saw each sight with different eyes.

"His (Kahle's) hope was that some guys might heal, seek closure from their

experiences," said Gustafson, who was a 19-year-old lance corporal with the 1st Battalion 9th Marines the day his platoon was ambushed by Vietcong during the Tet Offensive. "He never served in the military so it's pretty amazing he'd want to do that."

Like any other traveler, Gustafson tells parts of his story in snapshots. Pictures of Hoa Lo Prison, known to the thousands of men imprisoned and tortured there as the Hanoi Hilton. The tomb of Ho Chi Minh — known to American troops as "Uncle Ho" — architect of the North Vietnamese invasion of the South. The beautiful Stilt House where he laid those plans.

"We went to Khe Sanh, where I was wounded," Gustafson said quietly. The former Marine tends to talk more about the near misses of that day rather than

the nearly 20 wounds he received. "It was my Waterloo."

As they traveled to Ho Chi Minh City, the vets saw evidence of a nation attempting to reconcile its wartime past with its struggle to build a future. Monuments of shattered metal overlooked utility poles burdened by nests of hastily installed cables

"They say 73 percent of the people alive in Vietnam now weren't alive when Saigon fell in 1975. But you can talk to lots of people in the U.S. now who don't know anything about the Vietnam war," Gustafson explained.

"We were never ill-treated while we were there. A lot of people there still think 'Marine No. 1.' A few gave us dirty looks. We know people we met who were 60 or older could have been on either side of the conflict."

Unlike his return in the late '60s—like many soldiers he was advised to wear civilian clothing—when Gustafson arrived in Wichita Falls Jan. 19 he was treated to a hero's welcome. Along with scores of fellow veterans and members of the Patriot Guard, Karen, his wife of 42 years, their daughter Shannon Turnbo and son Mattheu, himself a retired Air Force officer with three tours in Iraq and the Middle East, were waiting with open arms.

"If I could go back to Vietnam, go back to my time there and change it, I wouldn't. Had I not been shot, had I not experienced all the things I did I wouldn't have had the life I had," he said, locking eyes with Karen from across his desk.

"There are some wounds that never heal but there were things that made me stronger."

## Biologists worry about fate of endangered Houston toad

BASTROP (AP) — Mike Forstner tromps along the mucky edge of a pond, trilling loudly as he sweeps the beam of his flashlight over the bank.

He's hoping for an answering call from an endangered Houston toad, but he hears nothing.

The tea-colored watering holes around Bastrop are the last stronghold of the endangered amphibian, which is about the size of a partially flattened apricot. But after years of drought and development, topped five months ago by searing wildfires, Forstner fears the worst.

"I believe the Houston toad effectively ceased to exist as a purely wild species on Sept. 5, 2011," said Forstner, 47, a biology professor at Texas State University who is spearheading the Houston toad recovery effort.

"We've had the most rain since 2002, and it was insignificant to motivate the Houston toad to chorus. That's not good."

A week after that late January hunt on Griffith League Scout Ranch, though, when temperatures warmed slightly, Forstner and his crews heard three the grayish-brown toads chorusing in Bastrop County. The next night, they detected three more. Crews from the Texas Cooperative Wildlife Collection at Texas A&M University and the herpetology department of the Houston Zoo heard a few in Austin County, farther east, too.

The activity triggered a requirement that wildlife biologists inspect construc-

tion and debris removal sites inside areas that burned for toads before work can continue.

The croaking is a hopeful sign, but Forstner said long-term prospects remain grim.

Scientists monitoring the toads for the past five decades have observed a slow, steady decline in their numbers. The toads live in an increasingly fragmented habitat, their annual treks to breeding ponds bisected by roads. A fungus that affects toads and frogs and is suspected in a worldwide decline in amphibian populations might be partly to blame, too. Those forces, coupled with the drought and fires, probably have caused the collapse in population, Forstner said.

The Houston toad, the first amphibian placed on

the endangered species list in 1970, is one of 10 species of toads found in Texas and the only one that lives solely in the Lone Star State. Once spread across 12 east-central Texas counties, they're now found mainly in Austin, Bastrop and Leon counties.

"It's a native species, a native Texan that needs help," said Paul Crumb, head of a captive breeding program at the Houston Zoo. "It illustrates the plight of what's going on with habitat and endangered species in the state."

The zoo has about 3,000 of the amphibians and has released more than 20,000 captive-bred toads into the wild to augment the population. Some are embedded with microchips readable by a scanner that can detect them up to a foot under-

round.

During breeding, the males "chorus" to draw in females, which lay gelatinous strands containing thousands of eggs. But they're finicky, chorusing only on warm, humid and still nights, usually after heavy rainfalls.

In monitoring surveys a decade and more ago, researchers detected hundreds of Houston toads in Bastrop County during breeding season. Numbers have dipped precipitously since then. After several years of finding nearly none, researchers detected 110 toads in 2010.

Last year, in the midst of drought, they recorded just eight. Three of those were on the Griffith League Then the September wildfires burned about 40,000 acres, damaging up to 40 percent of the toads' best habitat. The blow comes on the heels of a lingering drought Forstner estimates already had killed 80 percent of the toads. The fire, he said, might have finished off half of the toads that survived the drought.

Researchers monitor the numbers in the wild through audio surveys, driving designated routes and pausing periodically to roll down the windows and listen for the toads' loud, high-pitched trill, which some compare to the sound of chirping crickets or tinkling bells. It lasts 12 to 14 seconds.

#### Perryton

of a contest in any manner, obscene or indecent behavior, interference with a contest, event supervisor and security personnel in the performance of their duties. These behaviors can subject the violator to removal from the contest. Law enforcement can also get involved if the person refuses to leave the contest. Any spectator removed from an event by a game official, security personnel or school employee shall be denied admittance to any contest involving the Pampa ISD for a period

of time determined by the superintendent or designee."

Specific details of the Perryton policy are unknown at this time.

Kennedy said that Perryton officials have told Smith that they are taking extra measures to ensure the Harvesters' safety.

"There will be additional law enforcement and administration people at the game," Kennedy said. "They are going to have our bus parked in a protected location. They have banned a least one person

from attending the game. Our boys' locker will be opposite from the Perryton fans."

Dustin Miller, head coach of the Pampa boys basketball team, said it's sad that things got to this point.

"In all honesty, I would be a little disappointed if something different wasn't done this time," Miller said. Still, Kennedy said he thinks the changes that the

making are good.
"I think if they attempt to put a policy that we have, (they are) taking positive

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steps," Kennnedy said.
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## First Lady helps judge healthy cook-off in Dallas

DALLAS (AP) - Michelle Obama heaped a healthy dose of praise on Dallas schools during a stop to help judge a cooking competition that paired chefs and grade-school students with some fit Dallas Cowboys on

The cooks were from Bravo television's "Top Chef" reality competition show. Their sous-chefs were six students from Nancy Moseley Elementary School in southeastern Dallas.

The first lady's "Let's Move" initiative brought them together to see who could whip up the tastiest lunch in 30 minutes at a Dallas recreation center.

Obama, "Top Chef" judge Tom Colicchio and assistant White House chef Sam Kass acted as judges. The center's gym was packed with about 200 hungry but happy, foot-stomping students from Nancy Moseley Elementary

"Are you guys fired up?" Obama asked. "The whole point of this is making sure you're healthy.'

She and others said they also wanted students to understand that healthy food can be delicious.

The first lady was on Day 2 of her three-day tour to promote the second anniversary of a national campaign to encourage kids to eat right and exercise.

Each chef was assigned two student sous-chefs and a jersey-clad Dallas Cowboy. They were Miles Austin, Felix Jones and DeMarco Murray. DeMarcus Ware was also there, along with the Cowboys' hand-standing mascot Rowdy, in oversized cowboy hat, enormous boots and goofy grin.

On one end of the gym was a table loaded with fresh fruits and vegetables. At the other end were the chefs. When the countdown clock started ticking, the NFL players and the eager student sous-chefs raced to the produce table to grab armfuls of cucumbers, cabbage

As the chefs cooked, Obama mingled in the stands, high-fiving and chatting with students in the bleachers and bouncing back to the chef tables to observe, ask

questions and encourage.
"Go Team Blue!" "Go Team White!" "Go Team Red!" the students shouted from the stands.

Turkey tenderloins competed against roasted pork chops and tacos made with ground turkey on whole wheat tortillas.

As the meals were plated, the students belted out the final countdown: "... 3, 2, 1!"

The buzzer sounded and it was time for the judges to "Wow ... good stuff," Obama said as she sampled one

offering.

"The applesauce is awesome," sous-chef Anita Salinas, 11, boasted. "Way better than the applesauce we get in the store."

Then it was time to deliberate. The judges huddled mid-court. Obama said it was a tough decision because "all the meals were tasty."

"The winner is Red, White and Blue," she said to student applause, joyful shouts and hugs.

"When you've got great chefs paired with kids that are enthusiastic, and you've got schools that care, everybody is a winner," the first lady said.

She said the Dallas schools are at the forefront in innovative ways to serve healthy meals and to get kids active. Seventy-eight of the more than 150 Dallas schools that have been recognized in the nation's Healthier U.S. Schools Challenge have earned Gold Awards — the highest level. Moseley Elementary is among them. Obama said that's more than any other district in the nation.

Obama said she wants other schools to follow this school district's lead.

"It's important to eat right, it's important to get your exercise, but it's more important to be a good student," Obama told the children. "It is very hard to focus at school if you don't have good fuel in your body.

"This isn't just a grownup telling you to eat your vegetables. The truth is, is that your brain works better on good food."

Students now are the nation's future leaders and NFL stars, making it important for them to be healthy, she

The children responded in an appreciative cheer, then lined up to eat.

"This was a life lesson to use," said Arazely Galindo, 10, in between bites. "Eat healthy, stay active and stay in school."

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with a stop at Oral Roberts University, tion for a new rule requiring religious followed a stunning three-state sweep schools and hospitals to provide insur-Tuesday in Colorado, Minnesota and ance coverage for birth control to their Missouri powered in part by his supemployees. President Barack Obama port among evangelical voters. on Friday announced an update to the At the Christian liberal arts college, rule to calm critics.

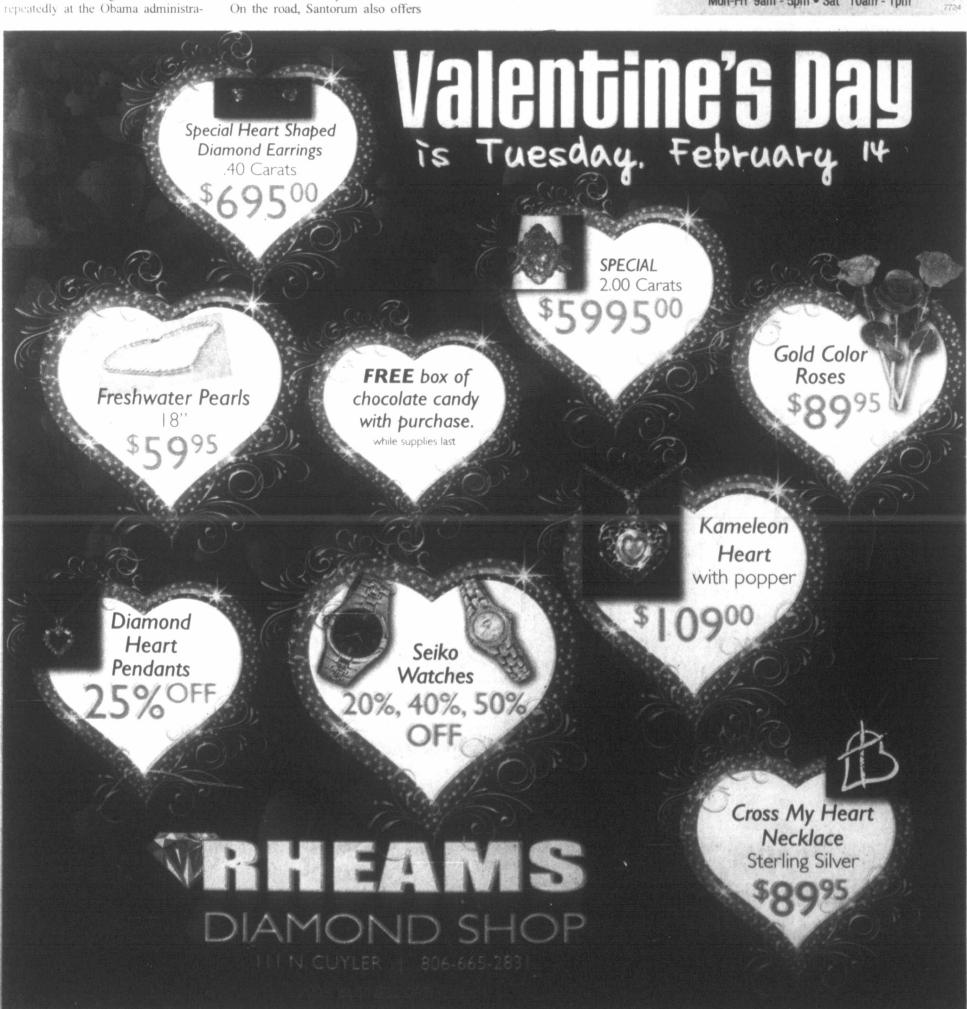
Santorum said his GOP competitors Santorum addressed the issue don't seem "particularly comfortable" his speech Friday, delivered before talking about faith issues like he does. Obama's announcement.

"He's now telling the Catholic He welcomed questions about his unbending views against abortion and Church that they are forced to pay gay marriage, using the latter to blast for things that are against their basic tenets and teachings," Santorum said. a federal appeals court ruling striking down California's voter-approved ban "It's not about contraception. It's about economic liberty. on same-sex marriage. He lashed out

a window into his religious underpinnings when a self-identified Democrat asked how his Catholic roots and his opposition to Obama's signature health insurance law were compatible given Pope Benedict XVI's view that health care is a human right.

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"I believe that you have an obligation to approach every issue in public life as I do from the standpoint of both faith and reason. My conscience was formed as a result of my life experience primarily through faith," Santorum answered. "I bring that to the table. Yes, that's who I am.





## Harvesters' fourth quarter run overcomes Bulldogs

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The Borger Bulldogs may have been eliminated from the playoffs Tuesday, but that didn't stop them from giving the Pampa Harvesters their best game.

Pampa entered the fourth quarter trailing, but went on a run to win 59-42 Friday at McNeely Fieldhouse.

"We were sleep walk-ing for a while," Pampa head coach Dustin Miller said. "I don't know why. ... We challenged them in the fourth quarter and they

responded.' Senior Latigo Collins said the team played with more intensity in the fourth.

"First three quarters, we were flat," Collins said. "We picked it up in the fourth quarter on a good run."

The Harvesters (18-8, 5-3) went on an 18-0 in the first five minutes of the fourth. Senior Reid Miller scored his first points of the game with a three-pointer that gave Pampa a 37-36 lead. Collins followed with a three, prompting Borger to take a timeout. The Bulldogs weren't able to stop Pampa's momentum, as Collins made a basket, junior Derrek Pollard scored his first points to put Pampa ahead 44-36, resulting in another timeout by Borger.

The head coach said Reid and Pollard stepped up when the team needed them to.

in a funk for some rea- last home game, I came son," Miller said. "They scored when we needed them most."

Pampa got some help from its bench as senior Laketon Harris contributed seven. Miller said Harris made a big difference in the game.

"I told them at halftime, no matter what, if you are struggling energy can change things." Miller said. "Laketon brought that."

Harris said he wanted to make his last home game memorable.

"I was just glad in my

off the bench and scored," Harris said. "It was good

to give us a spark."

Collins led the team in scoring with 31 points and carried the team in the first three quarters, scoring 23 of Pampa's 34 points. Senior Cole Engle was the second-leading scorer with 12, hitting four 3-pointers.

The first three quarters was a see-saw battle. Borger grabbed an 8-4 lead but the Harvesters responded with a 13-2 run. Borger outscored Pampa 14-6 the rest of the half to lead 24-23 at halftime.



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Senior Reid Miller dribbles around Borger's Jamon Hearon Friday.

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## Harvesters outduel Raiders on snow-covered field

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Pampa head soccer coach Byron May stood on a snow-covered Harvester Field not knowing what type of game to expect, but knew it was one that his players would remember.

"This is a game that they will get to tell their kids and grandkids about and no one is going to believe them," May said. "They are going to say, 'When I was a kid, we played a soccer game in the snow and couldn't see the lines on the field.""

The Harvesters (4-7-1, 1-2-0) made the game even more memorable as they beat the Randall Raiders 4-2 Thursday.

"It was awesome getting to beat Randall in district," senior Colten Adams said. "It's the first time we've beaten them in district since 2005 or 2006."

Adams contributed two goals to the Harvesters' effort. His first one gave Pampa a 1-0 lead six minutes into the game. His second one gave the Harvesters a 3-1 lead with 10 minutes left.

"He was a controlling force in the mid-

field that created sanity out of insanity," May said. "There was so many passes and runs that began with him bringing the ball out of the air."

Adams said the conditions were tough

"It was tough to see. In the second half, it stopped snowing and everyone calmed down."

Seniors Miguel Pacheco and Flavio Gonzalez also contributed goals. May said his team has felt they have been in several games.

"We had a few games that we thought we should be on the winning end of the scoreboard but it just didn't turn out that way," May said. "This one was ugly ... Our kids really gutted it out. They played hard and I thought we connected a lot of passes."

The Harvesters visit Dumas 7 p.m. today. Adams said the team has gained confidence.

"Hopefully it can carry over at Dumas," Adams said.



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Francisco Garcia kicks the ball downfield against Randall Thursday. The

## Lady Raiders take lead early, rout Lady Harvesters in Pampa



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**Denisse Morales kicks** the ball past a Randall defender Thursday at Harvester Field. The Lady Harvesters lost 7-0.

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The Randall Lady Raiders proved to be too much for the Pampa Lady Harvesters. Randall scored four goals in the first half of a 7-0 victory at Harvester Field Thursday.

"It's tough playing against a team like that," head coach Libby Garza said. "It's not an excuse. We didn't play very well today. We weren't mentally prepared."

Pampa entered the game off of a 1-1 tie against

Borger last Friday. Garza said they played well in that game.

"That was the first time that we've looked like a team out there," Garza said.

The Lady Raiders scored a couple of goals on break-aways and scored a goal from the corner. The Lady Harvesters had a couple opportunities in Randall's end but wasn't able to get anything on net. It was snowing the entire game and the lines started to get covered up in the second

Garza said her team can't make excuses.

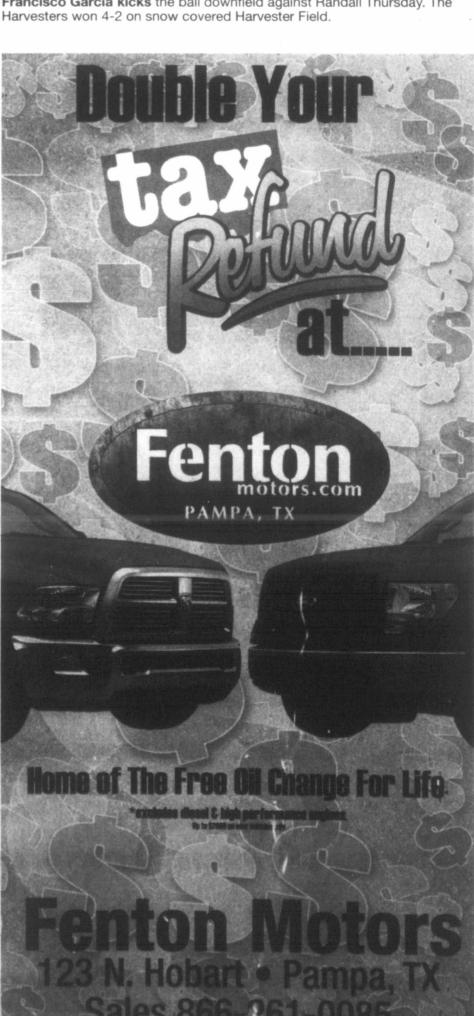
"We have a lot of work to do," Garza said. "It was frustrating watching that out there when you know your team is capable of better."

Garza said her girls need to start believing in themselves.

"They are capable of doing great things," Garza said. "They just have to believe they can."

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The Lady Harvesters (0-6-2, 0-2-1) visited Dumas on Friday.



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The Texas Department of Transportation in conjunction with the Panhandle Rural Planning Organization will host an Informational Meeting on March 13, 2012 concerning the planning of future projects.

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This informational meeting is held to explain how the department plans transportation projects. We would like to receive the public's input regarding the current Transportation Improvement Plan for the Amarillo District.

The meeting will be Tuesday, March 13, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. It will be located at the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission, located at 415 SW Eighth Ave in Amarillo.

The meeting will cover transportation plans for all areas of the Panhandle and the city of Amarillo. An overall view of the planning process will be presented, as well as the criteria used for selecting individual projects. Draft versions of current transportation plans will be presented at the meeting for public comment.

The public is invited to speak regarding projects currently planned or any additional projects that might be proposed. Speakers will be limited to five minutes. Verbal and written comments from the public regarding any project may be submitted at the meeting. Written statements and other exhibits may be submitted to the TxDOT District Office at 5715 Canyon Drive (P.O. Box 7368) Amarillo, Texas 79114-7368. Comments must be received no later than March 26, 2012.

All interested citizens are invited to attend this public meeting. Persons interested in attending the meeting whom have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact David Miller at 806.356.3246. Requests should be made no later than two days prior to TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to the public meeting. accommodate these needs.

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Garvin, 6:22.62. Girls 200-yard freestyle relay: 2, Pampa

(T. Lambright, M. Graef, S. VanHouten, \$. Willson) 2:07.05.

Boys 200-yard freestyle relay: 1, Pampa (J. Brown, R. Portillo, K. Pfitzner, S. Estes) 1:47.12.

Girls 100-yard backstroke: 1, K. Ramey, 1:12.03. 3, T. Lambright, 1:22.67. Boys 100-yard backstroke: 1. S. Estes,

1:04.23. 4, M. Foreman, 1:16.36. Girls 100-yard breaststroke-1, M. Graef,

Boys 100-yard breaststroke-1, J. Brown,

Girls 400-yard freestyle relay-Pampa (V. Valenzuela, T. Lambright, M. Parks, K. Ramey) 4:53.83.

Boys 400-yard freestyle relay-Pampa (N. Towry, D. Hudson, R. Portillo, S. Estes)

#### **Varsity Boys Soccer**

**Friday** 

Pampa

River Road, 4:30 p.m.

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• Pampa Varsity Girls Basketball area round, TBA\* · McLean Girls Basketball area

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#### Recreation Leagues

#### **SNOW WARRIORS**

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#### Monday

• JV Boys & Girls Soccer vs. Palo Duro . games start at 4:30 p.m., Harvester Field



#### Tuesday

Pampa High School Baseball scrimmage vs. Bushland, 4 p.m., Harvester Field

 Pampa High School Fr., JV and Varsity Boys Basketball at Perryton, games start at 4:30 p.m..

· Pampa High School Varsity and JV Softball vs. Caprock, games start at 4 p.m., Lady Harvester Field

· Pampa High School Varsity Girls Basketball bi-district round vs. Shallowater, 6:30 p.m.,

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#### Saturday

round, TBA

Tournament

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· PHS JV Softball Tournament, **Softball Complex** 

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JV Softball

Tennis Canyon

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The Pampa Harvesters soccer team poses before they take on the Randall Raiders on a snow covered Harvester Field Thursday.

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based on the degree of superficial works. your sun at birth. The sign name is simply a label 20-May 20) astrologers put on a set of following each sign.

à Sun in Aquarius and before 2:01 p.m. (PST). Scorpio.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Feb. 12, 2012:

This year you swing from light and easy to intense ity and focused. Sometimes people won't know which 20) person they will meet. If push people away. Travel and education could play into your work and life. If you are single, you could play a strong role in your on tomorrow. life. The person you attract after. As a result of knowing this person, you will learn to understand others 21-July 22) better. If you are attached, your sweetie. pushy.

The Stars Show the Tonight: Enjoy! Kind of Day You'll Have: 3-Average; 1-Difficult

ARIES 21-April 19)

★★★★ Though you play an important role.

This Week: Others dom-

(April TAURUS

\*\*\* You'll have your A baby born today has loved ones, family and present. Worry less about friend's news. tomorrow.

> give-and-take. Let others answers. assume more responsibil-

**GEMINI (May 21-June** 

nothing else, others find the afternoon, and choose you to be intriguing. You a movie and maybe getward. Don't push; simply relax. Make a couple of calls; watch a favorite TV meet a foreigner who will Tonight: Get a head start Your treat.

plate.

CANCER (June

★★★★ As a home-

This Week: Taming an on, focus on your daily notice (March routine and issues.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) **★★★★** Explore your Tonight: Friendship could to help. Tonight: Invite a want. friend over for dinner.

inate through Tuesday, home until Wednesday, if feel you must act.

Note: Bigar's Stars is Look deeply. Nothing possible. Your creativity flourishes then.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept.

degrees for convenience. hands full with respon- is happening. You might For best results, readers sibilities and more until need to put a lid on spendshould refer to the dates midday. Finally, in the ing. How you are handling make immediate plans. p.m., relax and enjoy a matter could change dramatically. Take a walk by perhaps friends. You don't water and let your feelà Moon in Libra if born need to initiate, just nod ings flow. If you're ready, your head and go along for have a long-overdue talk. Afterward, the Moon is in the adventure. Tonight: Be Tonight: Catch up on a

This week: Allow more tions, and you'll get more for the remainder of the

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct.

\*\*\* Full of energy, \*\*\* Wind down in tackle anything. The only person who can stop you is you. You might want can be overly serious and ting a hamburger after- to put a difficult project Share more of your life and on the back burner late afternoon. Go off and join others. Be aware of what show. Let inspiration hit. you are spending. Tonight: you have broad shoulders

This Week: Use good This Week: Toss your- sense with financial comwill be unique and enter self into your work. You mitments. Don't feel as if your life in June 2012 or will have a lot on your you need to explain every- 19-March 20) thing

**SCORPIO** 23-Nov. 21)

\*\*\* You could be a share more of your dreams body, there is nowhere as little off or tired. Listen together with friends in and professional life with comfortable as home. Yet to your sixth sense this You'll by the afternoon, getting morning, and you'll make find that not only do you together with a loved one the best decision posbecome more bonded, but takes priority. Your natu- sible. You might opt not you also can support each ral way of being draws to be around others until other while being appre- only the best results. You the afternoon, when sudciated. SCORPIO can be simply tumble into your denly you are energized. mutual world together. Tonight: Whatever makes you smile.

This Week: Claim your 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; impulse takes talent, as power and express your 2-So-so; you well know. Midweek innate talents. Others will

> SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ You know what might look at this day as options, and ask questions you want and can make yours, a partner or loved early on. You might need a difference. Make calls one has other plans for to redo a request or do to others you rarely have you. Don't get disgruntled something over again. You time to speak to. A conver-- you might like what could be overwhelmed by sation with a relative sets you hear. Once you relax, what is going on with a your imagination ablaze. no matter where you are, key person. Pitch in or A friend is very serious. you will enjoy yourself. do whatever is necessary Tonight: Go for what you

This Week: Do research This Week: Work from until midweek, when you

CAPRICORN (Dec.22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Touch base with a family member in \*\* Be aware of what the morning. You could feel very good about the call but still not want to Watch your budget, and be aware that you can spend money even while at home. Tonight: Where

This Week: Meetings score results Monday and This Week: Ask ques- Tuesday. Play workaholic week.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

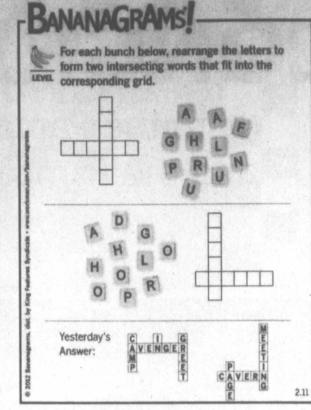
\*\*\* Reach out for you feel as if you can someone at a distance or a loved one you care about. Start talking about getting together in the near future. what you desire. Tonight: Think "tomorrow."

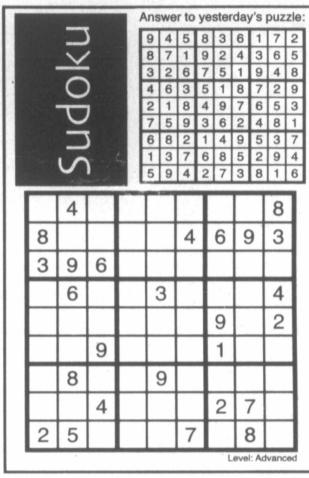
> This Week: Fortunately, and can accept responsibility. Slow down Wednesday and Thursday. PISCES (Feb.

★★★★ A partner domi-(Oct. nates a good part of the day, whether you like it or not. Make plans to get the afternoon, go to the movies or take a drive. Tap into your sixth sense. Tonight: Opt for a mental escape.

This Week: You think you know what you want and how to get there double-check, please!

**BORN TODAY** Sixteenth U.S. president Abraham Lincoln (1809), naturalist Charles Darwin (1809), TV host, comedian Arsenio Hall (1956)





## Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

who I think is a wonderful person, but she always questions whether he's cheating on her. She's 37. Personally, I think she won't get another pierced a second time. Dechance like this. Their wedding has been postponed three she took me to get my ears times because she thinks he's lying to her.

I don't think she realizes what she's got. When I ask is to get the cartilage on my her if everything is OK be- right ear pierced, but Mom tween them, she says, "Everything is fine, and if it wasn't, it would be too complicated ing other than one in each ear for you to understand." I just want them to live happily together. What should I do? — OLD ENOUGH TO KNOW not like I want my nose or IN ALABAMA

TO KNOW: You may be myself. old enough to know, but if fortable sharing certain perthat should be her privilege. Her suspicions may be the result of having been hurt being less than truthful at some point.

Your mother should not FOR MUCH IN ILLINOIS marry ANYONE - regardmay seem to you - unless she is certain she can trust him. The fact that their obey their rules. If you want wedding has been post- to get multiple piercings in

in that department.

DEAR ABBY: I'm 16 and want to have my ear spite my mother's reluctance, pierced when I was 9. My friends have all gotten multiple ear piercings. All I want and Dad refuse.

Mom says that any pierclooks "trashy" and people will think unfavorably of me. I don't see the big deal. It's

I'm a respectful and honhome good grades. Mom says sonal information with you, I'll have to wait until I'm 18 and out of her house. I don't TA understand why she won't let me get this done. My in past relationships, or she best friend's mother, who is you think? — NOT ASKING

DEAR NOT ASKING parents' house, you should

DEAR ABBY: I am 11. poned three times sends me your ears when you're 18 My mom is engaged to a man a message that she thinks and on your own, the choice she has reason for concern will be yours. But until then, respect your mother's wishes. "Because everyone else is doing it" is not a valid reason for doing anything.

DEAR ABBY: I enjoy theater very much, but can't afford to attend all the performances I would like, so I work at my local theater every week. In exchange, I am "paid" in tickets. The ticket prices are generally \$60 and up, so it's a win/win for both the theater and for me.

My question is, when I invite a friend to use the extra ticket, is it unreasonable to expect him or her to drive navel pierced. I just want one and pay for the treat at inter-DEAR OLD ENOUGH little stud, and I'd pay for it mission? The ticket was not 'free" to me - I worked for it. Or, because I issued the inyour mom doesn't feel com- est girl. I have always brought vitation, am I responsible for the entire evening? — THE-ATER LOVER IN ATLAN-

THEATER DEAR LOVER: If you're treating someone to an evening at may have caught her flance stricter than mine, let her get the theater, it would cerher cartilage pierced. What do tainly be gracious of your guest to offer to reciprocate in some way. However, because your friends don't less of how great a catch he FOR MUCH: I think that have ESP, this is a subject as a minor living in your you should raise at the time you issue the invitation.

#### CROSSWORD By THOMAS JOSEPH

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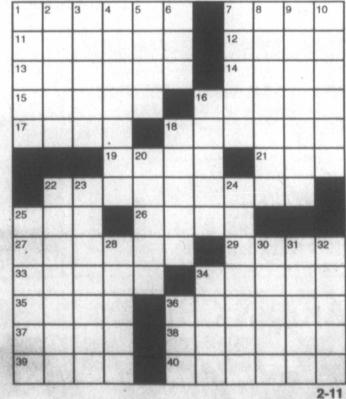
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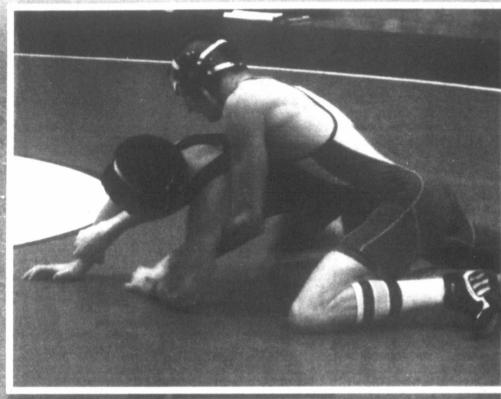
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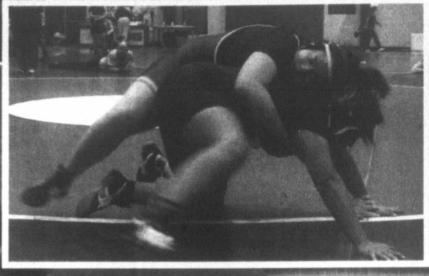




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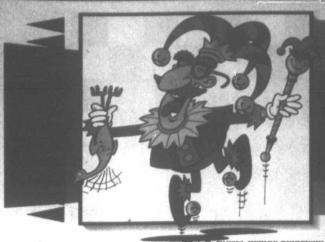
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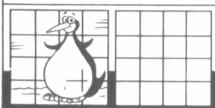
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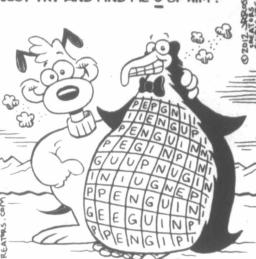
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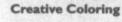


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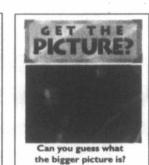
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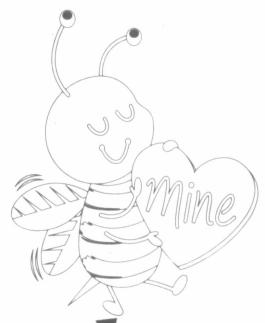
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Quinn Ody Ballston Spa. NY

shaggedawg@aol.com







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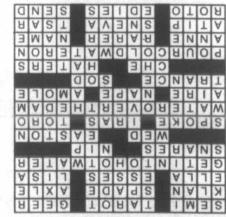
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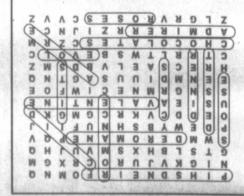
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"You said I could have a few friends over to play, but I don't know how many 'a few' equals."







**Nest Heads** 









#### horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, Feb. Head home.

This year you frequently discover that the spotlight comes additional responsibilpresent domain. Instincts guide you with finances. Be careful. If you are single, you attract quite a few people. Date until you Return calls. Visit with a buddy. are absolutely sure you have met the right person. He or she most likely will show up after June 2012. If you are attached,

family. SCORPIO is proud to know you. Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; do it. Tonight: Your treat.

2-So-so; 1-Difficult ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★ Be willing to work with key people directly. You do not need a go-between. The results will speak for themselves. you hear. Tonight: Do not close down a thinking. Tonight: All smiles. conversation.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

\*\*\*\* Others demand to be acknowledged, and they want more respon- mor emerges - only, others might not get sibility. Distance yourself and detach. You will know what to do; just do not expect automatic answers. A meeting could give you a lot of feedback, and/or a friend could decide to express his or her feelings. Tonight: Sort through invitations. Don't be

alone **GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** 

a walk or a visit to the gym. The better you feel, the more successful you will be. Project a strong aura of poise and understanding. A discussion with a respected higherup is important. Know that your attitude could be critical. Tonight: Don't push.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) \*\*\* You could be overwhelmed by the possibilities that surround you. Not only do you see the possibilities, but you also are weighing the ramifications. Others might not understand this attitude. Tonight: Let the fun begin.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

to where others are coming from. Tonight: you are doing.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Listen to what has been said. you are in the limelight, like it or not. With You see life from a far more upbeat perspective. Reveal more of your thoughts. ity. You might buy a home or add to your If you think the message is not getting through as you might like, try again. Others prove to be highly responsive. Tonight:

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

\*\*\* Your sense of what is workable could change dramatically after sevthe two of you start acting like new lovers. eral conversations. You come from an You could be adding to your household or anchored point of view, never questioning it. Changing from a known given could be The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll difficult, but count on the fact that you can

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

\*\*\*\* Honor your senses today. Your strength and charisma jog along to add to your power and ability to make a difference. You sometimes come down Honor what is happening with a child or on yourself by being critical and demeanfriend, even if you do not like everything ing. The time has come to end that type of

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

\*\* Listen to what has been shared, and discuss what you want. Your sense of huthe message. Try not to laugh out loud or smile too broadly. Be as direct as possible yet caring in a discussion. Tonight: Play it

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

\*\*\* You witness the loyalty of a key person in your life. You can trust him or her to cover your back. You might make \*\* Pace yourself by making time for accommodations once you understand his or her strength and support. Tonight: Hang around crowds or with friends.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

\*\*\* Take a stand, knowing your limitations. Others could feel as if you are causing them to do something they would prefer not to do. Help clear out this thinking by giving those parties permission to do whatever they need to. At first, they might not be comfortable. Tonight: In the limelight

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

\*\*\* Stay on top of a problem; detach and understand what's causing it. If \*\* You could be overwhelmed by you can bypass reacting and just observe, personal demands or a domestic matter. all the better - you will gain. Well-placed Just getting out the door will take talent. commentary will draw strong results. To-A conversation gives you an indication as night: Be around music, no matter what

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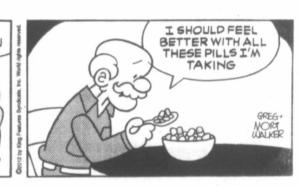






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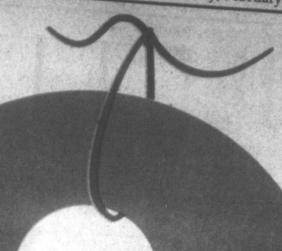


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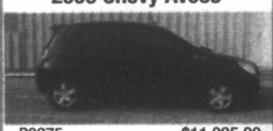
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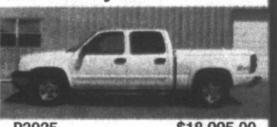
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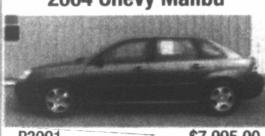
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Kutter Ray Snelgrooes

### Baby Kutter joins Snelgrooes family

Kaleb and Becky Snelgrooes of Pampa welcomed Kutter Ray to this world on Friday, Jan. 20, 2012.

Kutter was born in Amarillo and weighed 7 lbs, 3 ozs. and was 20 in. long.

His big brother is Kamden Snelgrooes. His Grandparents are Pat and Nita Aderholt and Steve and Alicia Snelgrooes. The great-grandparents are Ethel Morgan, Nathan and Nelda Lancaster, and Shirley Swinney.



Valor Braxton Mote

#### Mote family welcomes Valor Braxton Mote

Ty and Mitsziko Mote are proud to announce the arrival of their son, Valor Braxton Mote, who was born at 3:39 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 31, 2012 at Presbyterian Hospital of Denton.

Valor weighed 6 lbs. 8 ozs. and was 19 1/2" long

at birth

His arrival is also celebrated by his sisters, Antigone and India, brother, Pierce, and grandparents, Jerry and Cindy Mote of Krum, Tom and Becky Mechler of Amarillo, and Tamara Pope of Plantersville.

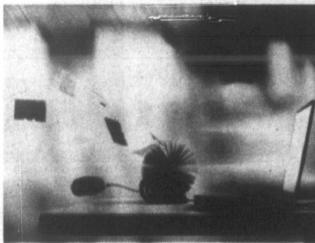
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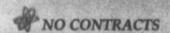
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#### WEDDING BELLS

#### Cobb, Terry to wed

Craig and Kelly Cobb of Pampa announce the engagement of their daughter Callie Sue Cobb of Pampa to Payton Terry, son of Kendall and Jana Terry of Portales, New Mexico.

Callie graduated from West Texas A&M in Dec. 2010 with a degree in Interdisciplinary Studies and is currently employed at Lamar Elementary in Pampa.

Payton graduated from Eastern New Mexico State University in May 2010 with his degree in Ag Business and is the Regional Manager with Sterling Technology in Clovis, N.M.

A wedding is planned for June 16, 2012 at the bride's parents' home in Pampa.



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#### Weekly Menus **Pampa Independent School District**

MONDAY, Feb. 13

Chicken fried steak or chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes, corn, mixed fruit, hot roll

Breakfast- French toast sticks

TUESDAY, Feb. 14

Pizza dippers or macaroni & cheese, black eyed

peas, broccoli florets, pears Breakfast- Biscuit, gravy

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 15 Barbeque on a bun or steak fingers, French fries, glazed carrots, fresh fruit

Breakfast- Cinnamon tastries

THURSDAY, Feb. 16 Philly steak sandwich or pizza, English peas, tossed

salad, peaches, chocolate cake Breakfast- Pancake N sausage on a stick

FRIDAY, Feb. 17

Taco salad or hot dog, pinto beans, corn, mandarin oranges, Spanish rice

#### Breakfast- Cereal, toast

Pampa Meals on Wheels

MONDAY, Feb. 13,

Chicken pot pie, pickled beets, salad, apricots TUESDAY, Feb. 14,

Lasagna, green beans, garlic bread, salad, pineapple WEDNESDAY, Feb. 15,

Eggs/sausage, waffle/hash browns, peaches THURSDAY, Feb. 16,

Sloppy joes, tater tots, cole slaw, mixed fruit FRIDAY, Feb. 17,

Ham/dressing, green beans, corn, pumpkin pie

#### Pampa Senior Citizens Center

MONDAY, Feb. 13,

Chicken fried steak or chicken spaghetti, mashed potatoes, spinach, beets, northern beans, slaw, tossed salad, Jell-O, milk chocolate cake, dutch apple pie, fruit cup, hot roll, cornbread

TUESDAY, Feb. 14,

Tilapia filet/wild rice or beef stew, tater tots, broccoli casserole, corn, beans, slaw, tossed salad, Jell-O, red velvet cake, cherry cobbler, fruit cup, hot roll, cornbread

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 15,

Roast beef brisket/brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, spring blend, green beans, butter beans, slaw, tossed salad, Jell-O, marble cake, chocolate sundae cup, fruit cup, hot roll, cornbread THURSDAY, Feb. 16,

Chicken strips or taco salad, steak fries, hominy casserole, okra, beans, slaw, tossed salad, Jell-O, pineapple upside down cake, butterscotch pie, fruit cup, hot roll, combread

FRIDAY, Feb. 17,

Fried cod fish filet/hushpuppies or sloppy joe's potato wedges, chuck wagon corn, beans, slaw, tossed salad, Jell-O, brownie, tapioca cup, fruit cup, garlic breadstick, hot roll, combread

#### Southside Senior Citizens Center

TUESDAY, Feb. 14,

Chicken fried steak, cream gravy, mashed potatoes, rolls, salad, dessert, tea

#### Mackie named to President's List

Jack Mackie has been named to the President's List at Texas Tech University.

To be named to the president's list, a student must be enrolled in 12 hours during the semester and have maintained a 4.0

grade point average.

Mackie will graduate from Texas Tech University in May, 2012, with a degree in Civil Engineering. He is the son of Richard and Carey Mackie of Pampa.



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#### **Lions Club speakers**

Among the recent Pampa Lions Club guests was (left) Davida Dane of Bell Helicopter. On the right, club member Rusty Tapp pins Kaitlyn

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## Clarendon College mini-semester reaches out to students across U.S.

Clarendon College is helping students from all over the United States through new and improved online classes that help young people achieve their academic and life goals.

Starting last December, Clarendon College offered an expanded slate of classes and the results were incredible. The college saw a 123 percent growth in enrollment during the four-week mini semester (minimester) over the holiday break Marketing and public-

ity went out to contacts all over the United States and students enrolled in numerous classes to help them in a variety of ways.

The majority of the students enrolled in these type of minimesters are new students at CC and only take one or two classes in order to further the careers or complete degree

"There is clearly a need for mini courses designed to help students complete their educational goals and Clarendon College is working to meet that need." CC Dean of Students Tex Buckhaults said. "We are able to work with these students for a few weeks and get them on their way to success through online courses designed to be intensive and fast paced."

Devonte James, a sophomore from Columbia, Tennessee, said he was taking mini courses to put him back on track to graduate in May 2012.

Another student, Brock Murphy, a freshman from Torrington, Wyoming, had a similar story.

"I'm taking this class not only for the purpose of getting closer to graduating next year, but also to officiate and coach this next summer," Murphy

John Haynes, a former the break to "advance CC student and current tennis player at Kansas Wesleyan, said "I needed one more class to get my bachelor's degree in addition to the spring semester. This will move me toward my degree in criminal justice.

In addition to earning credits to complete degrees, students also attended classes during the holiday break to earn credits to improve GPAs, complete requirements for employment, and earn eligibility to transfer to a university.

James Broadstreet, a sophomore, from Hannibal Grange, said "I needed a course to boost my GPA to retain my academic scholarship for the spring and play baseball."

Tim Rousse, the Head Softball Coach at Saginaw Valley State in Michigan,

to my degree and meet the job requirements as the Head Coach. The fall minimester at Clarendon College provided a chance to take classes before the season started." "I am taking the fall

minimester classes to be eligible to transfer, get my degree and someday coach baseball," Vince Spilker, a baseball player at University of Central Missouri and a transfer to Lee University this spring said. Clarendon College will

continue to develop these courses to allow students across the world to advance their academic situation.

"The Christmas break is a great time for student athletes because they have down time from practice, games and travel to work at their own pace and said he attended CC over move closer to many different goals, CC Athletic Director John Green said.

"The Clarendon College administration, faculty and staff worked hard to create a wide variety of courses to attract students from all circumstances," Green said. "This was a great first step, and next year we look forward to continued

CC is currently expanding the spring minimester courses scheduled to begin in May and will also develop and market a variety of courses for the summer sessions. "Our service area has

been expanded globally with the technology available today," Green said. "Our goal is to assist people from all over the United States further their educations and move toward their educational goals with the help of Clarendon College.'

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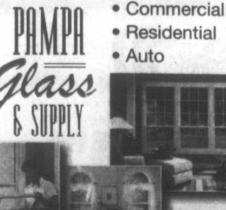
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for the period of Jan. 30

PANHANDLE: Tem-

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late in the week, with accu-

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moisture levels varied from

adequate to very short with

most reporting short to very

short. Winter wheat was in

poor to very poor condition.

Most rangeland and pas-

tures were in poor to very

poor condition. Cattle were

reported as mostly in good

condition, with a few herds

on irrigated wheat expe-

riencing bloating issues.

Livestock producers contin-

ued supplemental feeding

**ROLLING PLAINS:** 

Conditions remained dry in

the region's western coun-

ties. Pastures and rangeland

were in poor condition as

producers fed supplements

to cattle on a daily basis.

Producers who had access

to winter wheat have been

grazing cattle on it for the

past month, hoping it will

hold them through winter.

Without any moisture, pro-

ducers may have to start

selling off cattle again.

Farmers have begun pre-

they can do. As they begin

to think about the new crop,

drought year lingers in their

important role in how they

go about preparing fields

and how much money

they are willing to invest

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reported the recent rains left

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**SOUTH PLAINS:** Most

counties reported no pre-

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ROBERT BURNS Texas AgriLife Extension Service

COLLEGE STATION - Recent rains greatly improved soil-moisture levels in many parts of the state, according to reports from Texas AgriLife Exten-

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the state remained critically dry, including the Panhandle, South Plains, Far West Texas and parts of the Rolling Plains and Coastal Bend areas, according to the reports.

The more fortunate areas experienced mild weather and timely rains – as much as 6 inches in some areas, with 1 inch to 2 inches more common. The warm weather spurred the growth of winter wheat and winter pastures. It also raised farmers' optimism in those areas for summer grazing and the planting of spring

For fruit growers, the mild winter may not be a great blessing due to lack of chilling hours, though that remains to be seen, according to AgriLife Extension horticulturists.

Chilling hours refers to the minimum amount of cold weather that fruit trees such as peaches need before they will blossom in the spring and produce a crop, said Keith Hansen, AgriLife Extension horticulture agent for Smith County, Tyler. The amount of chilling hours needed depends upon the variety. There are low-chilling, moderatechilling and high-chilling varieties.

There are also different ways of calculating chilling hours, and some controversy as to which is the more reliable indicator, Hansen

One method involves counting the hours between 32 and 45 degrees, Hansen said. By this method, according to weather data collected at the Texas AgriLife Research and Extension Center at Overton, the region has had 687 chilling hours.

"We've got a couple of weeks before bud break, but we're in the ballpark (by that method)," he said. "It may be a little low for some of the higher-chill varieties

we have. Another method is simpler to calculate, only taking the number of hours below 45 degrees into account, including temperatures below 32, Hansen said. By this method, the East Texas region has received 746 chilling hours.

By either method, many of the varieties grown in East Texas are in fair shape, he said.

But there is yet another way of calculating chilling hours, the Utah model, which may spell trouble for some varieties, he said. By the Utah model, the hours above about 60 degrees are subtracted from the total, Hansen said.

"I think that may be where the concern is, with the warm weather we had in January," he said.

More information on chilling hours can be found at the Overton center weather website at http:// etweather.tamu.edu/

More information on the current Texas drought and wildfire alerts can be found on the AgriLife Extension Agricultural Drought Task Force website at http://

# Weather could 'chill' Good opportunities in Cuban exports

**BLAIR FANNIN** Texas AgriLife Extension Service

**COLLEGE STATION - Though** tightly controlled, there are opportunities for Texas agricultural producers and businesses to capitalize on potential exports of food products to Cuba, according to a Texas AgriLife Extension Service economist Dr. Parr Rosson, AgriLife Extension economist and director of the Center for North American Studies at Texas A&M University in College Station.

Rosson said the Cuban economy has held its own amid world economic turbulence.

Thanks to the Trade Sanctions Reform and Export Enhancement Act of 2000, U.S. businesses may export food, agricultural and forestry products and medicines to Cuba

Texas supplies Cuba with several export items, including chicken leg quarters, corn and wheat. U.S. corn exports to Cuba saw more than a 200 percent increase in value in 2011 to \$109 million during the January-November period as Cuba uses more corn products for poultry feeding operations and other uses "We've begun to see some high-

er quality beef cuts enter the Cuban market as well," Rosson said.

Pork, cotton and dairy products produced in Texas are also export-

"Pears, apples, raisins and dry pinto) beans were exported in 2011, along with corn chips and potato chips," Rosson said. "These

tors are increasing, Rosson said, with 2.7 million traveling to the island in 2011, 7 percent above 2010 and a new record. Revenue from tourism exceeded \$2 billion, providing more money for Cubans to use in purchasing imported foods.

900,000 going to Cuba in 2011. "They are more likely to go during the winter months," he said. "They can fly from Canada directly to the major beach resort

Canada is the top visitor, with

of Varadero." Those resorts serve many items, including chips, fresh fruit and table cuts of beef and pork.

"The downside is that Cuba is attempting to implement several economic reforms and design a new more market-oriented path for their economy," Rosson said. "It creates some instability and uncer-

Rosson said Cuba is "very proficient" in producing certain tropical crops such as sugar, tobacco, citrus and vegetables grown in greenhouses, but other crops such as rice, wheat and corn struggle due to high humidity, insects, disease and the high cost of production.

"And, of course, hurricanes are a

threat with each season," he said.

Cuba also lacks consistent agricultural credit, so some crop and livestock production is constrained.

"They rely on joint ventures with Spain and China to finance agribusimany ness opportunities,' he said.

Agricultural commodities, such as dry beans for example, are shipped out of Corpus Christi.

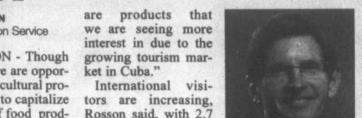
Corn and wheat grown in the Lone Star State ships out of the port of Houston.

The Cuban government's buying Empressa agency, Importada Alimentos (Alimport), handles all U.S. exports to the island.

"Alimport is Cuba's exclusive agent for all purchases from the U.S. and negotiates purchases, handles documents and arranges logistics and transportation of goods," Rosson said.

Before a U.S. firm can take product samples or export its products to Cuba, Rosson said each product must be reviewed and licensed by the Office of Exporter Services, Bureau Industry and Security, U.S. Department of Commerce.

"The license is free and is valid for one year," Rosson said. More information on licensing requirements can be found at www.bis.doc.gov.





**Dr. Parr Rosson** Texas AgriLife Extension Service economist

#### Profitable irrigation study shows more not necessarily better when it comes to water

AMARILLO – Reducing irrigation can actually improve economics when paring fields for this year's growing corn. Not only crop, but without any moisdoes it save water, but it ture, there is only so much can improve production in some cases, according to Nich Kenny, a the possibility of another Texas AgriLife Extension Service irrigation specialminds and is playing an ist in Amarillo.

Last summer Kenny, along with AgriLife Extension agents in five counties, cooperated on the "Efficient Profitable Irrigation in Corn" or EPIC project, as it is known to producers. The project is a resultdemonstration effort conducted by AgriLife Extension and rangeland and pastures in funded primarily by the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District. 'We know there are

about 900,000 acres of corn grown in the High Plains," he said. "We also know that at least half of those acres are managed by producers who are shooting for the highest yield. If we can reduce irrigation by 1 inch annually on that half of the Pasture and rangeland acres aimed at high yields,

it would equate to saving 37,500 acre feet of water or 12 billion gallons of water use annually."

And if this past summer's demonstrations are any indication, that is a doable result, Kenny said, adding that the producers involved saw anywhere from 1 inch to 3 inches of savings on their corn crop with no reduction of yield and even an improvement of yield in three cases.

The premise behind EPIC is to manage irrigation water for maximized water efficiency, he said. The project is targeting corn producers who historically employ efficient irrigation systems and solid agricultural practices in a production strategy focused on maximized yields.

"There's a tapering-off point in the relationship of production and water applied," Kenny said. "Yield will increase with each increment of water only up to a point, and then the law of diminishing returns applies.

"Our question was 'If

profitability instead of yield, will you be able to save water,' and initially the answer we believe is yes, he said.

This past summer, Kenny and the agents conducted demonstrations with producers in Dallam, Hartley, Hutchinson, Ochiltree and Sherman counties. The Dallam County demonstration was under such extreme drought it could not be completed.

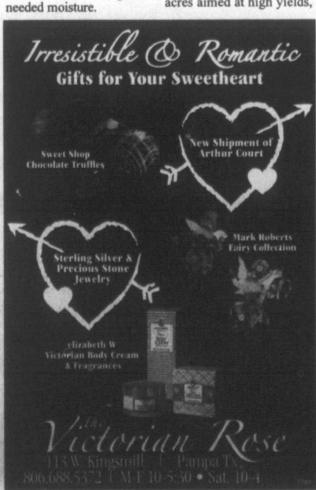
In all the locations, situations were selected where side-by-side plots were used, one as a "control" and the other as the "EPIC" plot. On the EPIC plots, three technologies AquaSpy, AquaPlanner and Pivotrac - were used to manage the irrigation application without producer knowledge or access to maintain the purity of the control.

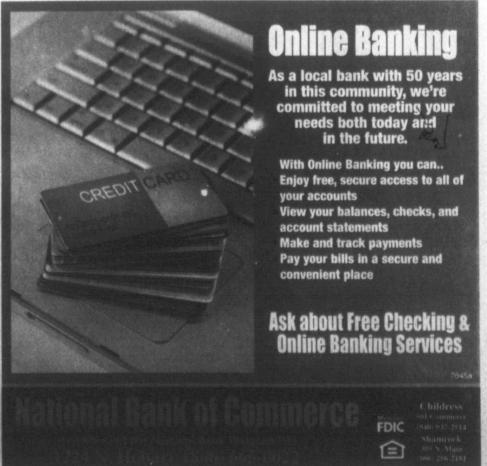
The control plot was titled the "legacy" plot and was managed according to the specific producer's standard practice. The EPIC plot was managed with AgriLife Extension

you manage for maximum inputs based on best management practices and information from management tools, Kenny said.

In all five cooperator plots, corn vields were maintained or increased with a corresponding reduction in irrigation water applied, he said.







# School Notes

#### Jr. High Choir earns high contest ratings







Pampa Junior High School Choir students competed in the UIL Solo/ Ensemble Contest at Tascosa High School in Amarillo on Saturday, Jan 28. Every student sang a solo and/or sang in an ensemble. All the students received the highest ratings of I or II. Among those participating were: (top photo, from left) Alyssa Parks, Aubrey Pickrell, Jaycee Garth, Ali Whitson, Maria Ramirez, Corby Snapp, Madison Floyd, Mariah Doyle Nikki Anderson, Brynna McKinney, Jacie Studebaker, Reata Collins, Iriscel Cabrales, Ailene Cabrales Gracie Little, Cherish Peet, Rylee Novian, Kristin Shouse, Megan Brock, Tara Goldsmith, Kyra Moyer, Rilee Didway, Cherub Whittington; (center photo, from left) Olivia Tyler, Kenda Young, Cheyenna Spence, Allyson Daniels, Taylor Ramming, Montaisha Brown, KiYa Rodriguez and Casey Wells; (bottom photo, from left) Uriel Soto, Jimmy Townsend, Garrett Townsend, Tyler Whitson, AJay Mitchell and Jordan Moore. Not present for photos: Andrea Cotter and Anai Mendoza.

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