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## Calvary Baptist Church to host whodunit in March

■ Church members to play parts in play; proceeds to benefit Calvary's mission work

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Calvary Baptist will host its first dinner theater at 7 p.m. on Saturday, March 3 at M.K. Brown's Heritage Room. Tickets, which cost \$15, will include a performance of "Her Lips Are Sealed," a murder mystery, and an Italian meal, including an Italian soda bar. Proceeds will go towards the church's mission work.

helped prepare for the event, is looking forward to the production.

"Me and a couple of other girls had the idea," she said. "We're always looking for new, fresh things to do, and we ran with it."

Puryear plays the role of a "mediocre choreographer" in this period comedy set in **PLAY** cont. on page 8A

**Rick Crosswhite** (from left), Heather Stringer and Josh Hubbs perform in a scene from "Her Lips Are Sealed." ➤



photo courtesy of **Dennis Boya**

## THE OLD BALL GAME



staff photo by **Andrew Glover**

**Senior Collin Killgo** throws a ball during practice Wednesday. The Harvesters open the season 3:30 p.m. today against Dalhart in the Cavalier Classic. Season preview in **SPORTS**, page 1B.

## Background serves Castillo at Jordan Unit



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Lt. Jessie Castillo of Wellington works at the Jordan Unit, and has found that a military background translates well into criminal justice work, which he got into in 1994.



**Castillo**

Before becoming lieutenant at the Jordan Unit in 2001, Castillo worked at the Roach prison in Childress and at the Robertson Unit in Abilene, where he was promoted to field sergeant.

Castillo had tried to enlist in the military when he was 17, but a knee injury kept him out. In 2005, he gave it another go, this time with the National Guard. **CASTILLO** cont. on page 8A

## McCullar invites community to man booths at bike rodeo

■ Police, EMS to co-host fourth annual event in May

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Stormy McCullar of the Pampa Police Department is playing the early bird when it comes to this year's bike rodeo.

The event, which is sponsored by the police and hosted jointly by Pampa EMS, will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on May 19 at Central Park, but after a planning meeting on Wednesday, McCullar is already seeking local businesses to man booths.

"We talked about inviting businesses from the commu-



**McCullar**

nity to come and do booths if they want to do booths, so we want to go ahead and do that now," McCullar said. "We don't ask for any money to have a booth. You don't really even have to sell anything. You can just do it to advertise your business if you want."

The only requirement McCullar had for potential participants is that rodeo booths have a prize for kids.

"We want it geared towards kids, so all the gifts given out, all the door prizes and things, they're only going to be given to kids," McCullar said. "No (prizes for) adults. We just ask that if you'll have a booth there, if you're planning on selling something or advertising — since you don't have to pay us any money to have a booth there or give so much of your profits — we want you to

get a prize for a child.

"Also, if they are selling something, we ask that they could make it a little cheaper since they don't have to give us any money," McCullar added. "That way, the kids there would be able to afford it. We want to make the costs be low and affordable."

This is the fourth annual bike rodeo for McCullar and the Police Department. The first two were held at Walmart and the putt-putt golf course, respectively, before the event moved to Central Park last year.

The rodeo is aimed at teaching children bicycle safety, with activities like a bike helmet giveaway and an obstacle course to educate kids about road signs and biking etiquette. Kids can also have their bikes registered with the police department at the rodeo, which will tag the cycles with a unique ID number in case they get lost or stolen.

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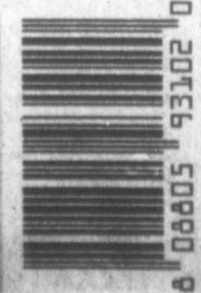
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**PAMPA FORECAST**

Today	Friday	Saturday
High 48 Low 26	High 51 Low 27	High 59 Low 33

**Today:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 48. Wind chill values between 26 and 36 early. Breezy, with a north northwest wind between 15 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

**Tonight:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 26. Blustery, with a north northwest wind 20 to 25 mph decreasing to between 5 and 10 mph. Winds could gust as high as 30 mph.

**Friday:** Sunny, with a high near 51. North northwest wind between 5 and 15 mph.

**Friday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 27. Northeast wind 5 to 15 mph becoming south southwest. Winds could gust as high as 25 mph.

**Saturday:** Sunny, with a high near 59. Windy, with a south southwest wind 15 to 20 mph increasing to between 25 and 30 mph. Winds could gust as high as 40 mph.

**Saturday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 33. Breezy, with a south southwest wind between 15 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

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**Man formally exonerated of murder**

**DALLAS (AP)** - Richard Miles cried Wednesday as a state district judge formally declared him innocent of a 1995 murder for which he spent 14 years in prison.

With a declaration of innocence, the 36-year-old Miles will be fully cleared of the crime and can apply for state compensation for wrongfully imprisoned inmates. Miles' mother, several inmates who've also been exonerated and other supporters cheered inside the courtroom as Judge Andy Chatham called him a free man.

"Now, the world knows that I'm innocent," Miles told reporters beforehand. "I've always known that I was innocent."

Miles was sentenced to 40 years in prison after being convicted of the murder of Deandre S. Williams and the attempted murder of another man.

The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals last week determined that "actual innocence" existed in Miles' case - a rare declaration for someone

exonerated without the help of DNA evidence. Miles was released after an advocacy group found evidence implicating another man in the murder hadn't been turned over to Miles' attorneys before trial.

One undisclosed police report included information of a call made by someone who claimed to know Williams' actual killer. The call occurred about three months before Miles' trial. The other report was about an altercation between the victims and a third person just before the shootings.

Released on bond in 2009, Miles said he has struggled to find work because he was labeled an ex-offender.

He now plans to apply for compensation under the state's Tim Cole Act, which pays freed inmates \$80,000 for each year of wrongful incarceration. And he hopes to start a nonprofit group, Miles of Freedom, which would build transitional housing for ex-inmates.

Dallas County District Attorney Craig Watkins, whose office's con-

viction integrity unit has helped to free more than 20 wrongfully convicted inmates, attended the hearing. Watkins thanked Miles for continuing to fight for his freedom after being convicted, calling him "just another example of the problems we've had and the future that we do have."

As other exonerated ex-inmates watched, Watkins also took on the state's death penalty. Without calling for a moratorium on executions, Watkins questioned whether Texas had executed an innocent person.

"When we have all these men that have been exonerated for crimes they didn't commit, as to whether or not we have executed someone in this state that didn't commit the crime, I think that's a fair question," Watkins said. "I think anyone that does not — that sits in a (district attorney's) seat — have doubts, they shouldn't be DAs."

"Until we can get it right, maybe we need to explore how we can get it right," he said.

**Obituaries**

**Jeannie Mount McCann, 72**

Jeannie Mount McCann, 72, died February 19, 2012, in Amarillo.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, February 24, 2012 at Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel, with R. Scott Barton, pastor of Harvest Church Assembly of God in Perryton, officiating.

Burial will be at Hillcrest Cemetery in McLean under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Mrs. McCann was born January 27, 1940, in McLean and attended schools in Pampa. She worked as an LVN



McCann

for many years at Highland General Hospital, Worley Hospital and Pampa Nursing Center. She married Thomas McCann on September 24, 1971, in Pampa. In her spare time, she was committed to caring and praying for others. She will be remembered as a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

Survivors include her husband, Thomas McCann of the home; a daughter, Lana Blocker of Pampa; two sons, Timmy Blocker of Tennessee and David Blocker and wife Barbara of Altus, Okla.; three brothers, Ronnie Barton and wife Joyce of Pampa, Donnie Barton and wife Kay and Arnold Barton, all of Amarillo; seven grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, Samuel and Violet Mount; a granddaughter, Krishna Duck; and her grandparents, George and Nellie Keeton.

Memorials may be made to March of Dimes, 104 W. 6th Ave., Amarillo, TX 79101

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A suspicious person was reported at the 400 block of North Wells.

A prowler was reported at the 700 block of North Dwight.

A suspicious person was reported at the 100 block of South Starkweather.

Disorderly conduct occurred at the 800 block of North Dwight.

A prowler was reported at the 800 block of North Dwight.

A suspicious person was reported at the 1600 block of North Somerville.

An accident occurred at Alcock and Hobart.

A suspicious person was reported at the 800 block of West Wilks.

A stolen vehicle was reported at the 800 block of North Wells.

Disorderly conduct occurred at the 1000 block of South Faulkner.

A theft occurred at the 1500 block of West Kentucky.

Disorderly conduct was reported.

A domestic disturbance occurred at the 1000 block of South Faulkner.

Disorderly conduct occurred at the 700 block of East Frederic and the 1200

block of South Finley.

A suspicious person was reported at the 900 block of East Francis.

A domestic disturbance occurred at the 1400 block of Somerville.

Suspicious vehicles were reported at the 100 block of East Harvester, the 100 block of East Sunset and the 1600 block of East Highway 60.

A hit and run occurred at the 2800 block of North Charles.

**Monday, Feb. 20**

An assault occurred at the 1000 block of Village.

**Sheriff's Office**

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests for the 72 hour period ending Monday, Feb. 20 at 7 a.m.

**Friday, Feb. 17**

Amber Sky Bradford, 21, was arrested by police for possession of a prohibited weapon and theft under \$50.

Benjamin Samuel Griffin, 21, was arrested by deputies on a capias pro fine warrant.

Timothy Keith Miller, 39, was arrested by police for a probation violation in connection with a possession of controlled substance charge.

Gerardo Roman Chapa, 36, was arrested by depu-

ties for fraudulent use or possession of a document.

**Saturday, Feb. 18**

Jeremy Clark Hill, 32, was arrested by DPS officers for driving while intoxicated.

Juan Miguel Salas, 27, was arrested by police on a capias pro fine warrant.

April Michelle Todd, 34, was arrested by DPS officers for driving while intoxicated.

Danzai Smith, 18, was arrested by police for unlawful carrying of a weapon.

Desmond Clive Jackson, 18, was arrested by police on charges of expired registration, failure to maintain financial responsibility and expired motor vehicle inspection.

Julie Ann Tucker, 46, was arrested by deputies for possession of a controlled substance and a capias pro fine warrant.

Angelia Annette Hope, 46, was arrested by deputies for possession of a controlled substance.

Christopher Portillo, 20, was arrested by DPS officers for driving while intoxicated.

Bobby Glen Davis, 34, was arrested by police on capias pro fine warrants of not seat belt and failure to appear in court.

Albert Tambunga, 52, was arrested by deputies for possession of a controlled substance.

Freddie Wailson Betchan, 50, was arrested by DPS officers for driving while intoxicated.

Brian Lane Sealman, 29, was arrested by deputies on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia and a capias pro fine warrant in connection with a charge of expired motor vehicle inspection.

Kristie Rachelle Davis, 19, was arrested by deputies on charges of possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

**Sunday, Feb. 19**

Keith Shannon Helfer, 44, was arrested by police on a bond forfeiture in connection with a prohibited weapon charge, capias pro fine and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Clarence Ra. McIntyre,

22, was arrested by police for driving while intoxicated.

Curtis Leon Graham, 21, was arrested by police on warrants of failure to maintain financial responsibility, no driver's license and failure to appear in court.

Vicente Manuel Gutierrez, 44, was arrested by deputies for not having a valid driver's license.

Eric Lee Carter, 23, was arrested by deputies on warrants of failure to maintain financial responsibility, expired registration and failure to appear in court.

Jessica Garcia, 27, was arrested by DPS agents on capias pro fine warrants in connection with charges of no valid driver's license, expired motor vehicle insurance and no seatbelt.

Christopher Shane Nolte, 37, was arrested by deputies on charges of running a red light and possession of drug paraphernalia.

**Monday, Feb. 20**

Tammy Cherise Cox, 40, was arrested by police on a warrant for theft of property, in an amount greater than \$50 but less than \$500 and on charges of possession of marijuana, in an amount less than two ounces, tampering or fabricating physical evidence with intent to impair and fraudulent use or possession of identifying information.

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**Sheriff's Office**

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests for the 24 hour period ending Wednesday, Feb. 22 at 7 a.m.

**Tuesday, Feb. 21**

Christopher Damon Smith, 22, was arrested by deputies on capias pro fine warrants.

Abel Rios, 40, was arrested by deputies for driving while intoxicated.

Terry Eugene Timmons, 51, was arrested by DPS officers for driving while intoxicated.

**Wednesday, Feb. 22**

Dayla Storm Stot, 26, was arrested by police for driving while intoxicated.

**BANANAGRAMS!**

In each puzzle, use four of the tiles from the bunch to fill in the blanks, and make a seven-letter word that connects the grid.

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Yesterday's Answer: BARIUM, SODIUM, CESIUM

# MORNINGRUSH

## Amarillo doctor and wife dead

AMARILLO (AP) — A Texas Panhandle physician and his wife have been found dead in their home and police have recovered a gun believed used in the shootings.

Amarillo police say no suspects are being sought in the deaths of 71-year-old Dr. Henry Norrid and his 53-year-old wife, Carolyn.

Police located the bodies Tuesday after a friend reported that the Norrids had not been seen for several days.

Autopsies have been ordered. Police have not released further details on the shootings.

## Milder winters may lure bats

AUSTIN (AP) — A Texas biologist says recent milder winters may attract some new, bloodthirsty wildlife to South Texas.

Vampire bats are native to South and Central America and Mexico. Texas State University biologist and wildlife disease expert Ivan Castro-Arellano tells the Austin American-Statesman that if the mild winters continue, colonies of the nonmigratory species could resettle in Texas in 50 years or less, and the state should prepare.

The biologist is one of more than 40 scientists working with the Institute for the Study of Invasive Species in Huntsville grappling with the potential threat.

The concern is the cost to livestock, since the bats feed off the blood of mostly sleeping mammals. Castro-Arellano says Vampire bats cost Mexican ranchers millions of dollars in losses annually.

## Teen arrested in flight ruckus

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — A Saudi Arabian teenager who authorities say swung his fist at a flight attendant and praised Osama bin Laden during a flight from Portland to Houston has appeared in court.

An attorney for 19-year-old Yazeed Mohammed A. Abunayyan told a federal judge in Portland Wednesday that he needs more time to meet with Abunayyan before he enters a plea.

The indictment says Abunayyan interfered with a flight attendant and a flight crew member by refusing to stop smoking. He's also accused of hitting or attempting to hit several passengers.

The indictment also says he spoke or sung about Osama bin Laden and his hatred of women during the incident.

## Okla. science bill goes to House

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — A House committee has approved a bill that would allow public school teachers to help students understand and critique the strengths and weaknesses of scientific theories like evolution and global warming.

The House Common Education Committee approved House Bill 1551 by Rep. Sally Kern on a 9-7 vote on Tuesday and sent it to the full House for consideration. Kern's bill failed in the same committee last year.

Kern told The Oklahoman that under her measure, teachers would be free to instruct students about various scientific theories without fear of losing their jobs. She says it's not intended to bring religious beliefs like creationism into the classroom.

However, Oklahomans for Excellence in Science Education president Victor Hutchison says the bill's language comes from the creationist Discovery Institute in Seattle.

## Rare owl shows up in Dallas

DALLAS (AP) — What's believed to be a rare snowy owl has turned up at a Dallas-area lake and the buzz about the bird has been drawing crowds.

The owl was spotted earlier this month in Robertson Park at Lake Ray Hubbard. Forums on birding websites have been busy with reports of sightings and observer snapshots of the creature.

Photographer Geryl Mortensen, who stopped by the park last weekend, says it's phenomenal to see a snowy owl in an urban setting.

Jim Peterson is a former curator of birds at what is now the Dallas Museum of Nature & Science. Peterson says materials are being put together to confirm what could be only the sixth snowy owl documented sighting in Texas.

The Texas Ornithological Society oversees the Texas Bird Records Committee.

## Boy, 4, shoots brother, 3

KILLEEN (AP) — Police have determined that a 4-year-old boy found his mother's gun and fatally shot his 3-year-old brother at their Central Texas home.

Killeen police on Tuesday identified the victim as 3-year-old Jordan Kenneth Jones.

Investigators believe Saturday's shooting was an accident. No one has been charged and the investigation continues.

Police say the youngsters were in their mother's bedroom while she was in another part of the house. Police say the woman had put the handgun on top of a chest of drawers, thinking the weapon was out of the children's reach. Police say the 4-year-old boy managed to get the gun and shoot his little brother.

## Vaquero will keep his gun

FORT WORTH (AP) — A bronze sculpture commemorating Mexican cowboys and their role in Texas ranching will keep its gun.

The Fort Worth City Council on Tuesday agreed not to tamper with the design. The 10-foot tall artwork called "Vaquero de Fort Worth" is expected to be installed this spring.

Council members also agreed to pay nearly \$31,000 to the artists and a foundry, plus \$5,000 toward legal fees.

Manuel Valdez with the Vaquero Project Core Committee had objected to including a gun. The Fort Worth Star-Telegram reports the group's initial research found no illustrations of vaqueros with guns.

Sculptors Tomas Bustos and David Newton of Dallas worked on the project, which includes a bullet belt and a holstered pistol. Bustos says the revolver is accurate to the period.

# One trauma leads to another

MATTHEW "UNCLE MATTY" MARGOLIS  
Creator's Syndicate



By now, most of us know about Max, the 85-pound Dogo Argentino who bit Denver morning news anchor Kyle Dyer on live television. What we don't know is why.

Not why, as in: Why did Max bite? That seems clear.

But why, as in: Why did Dyer put her face kissing distance from the jaws of a dog she didn't know?

Max and his owner, Michael Robinson, were in the television studio that day to participate in a segment featuring Max's emergency rescue from icy waters the day before. The dog chased a coyote into a freezing lake and was rescued by local firefighter Tyler Sugaski, who was also in the studio for the broadcast.

The three sat and chatted, Max perched between Robinson's legs, Dyer petting Max's head and stroking his face. Seconds later, Dyer leaned in, Max snapped, and it was over.

Dyer now has 70 stitches in her lips and nose. She is expected to make a full recovery. Max is being held for a mandatory 10-day

observation. Denver Animal Shelter Director Doug Kelley told 9News that Max is scheduled to go home this weekend.

To question why Dyer would do what she did is not to say she got what she deserved. She certainly did not deserve her injuries. She meant Max no harm. She was, in fact, conducting the interview to celebrate his survival of a traumatic ordeal just the day before.

But that's exactly it. The day before, Max found himself submerged in frigid waters, rescued by a stranger and recuperating in an ambulance. The very next morning, he's in a television studio with lights, cameras, strange noises and very close quarters. That's an extremely stressful 24 hours for any dog.

Max was likely feeling protective, defensive, confused and cornered, considering he was boxed in between his owner and Dyer.

When Dyer closed in, fight or flight kicked in. Max did not attack; Dyer invaded his territory, and he defended it. From the dog's point of view, that's all that happened.

If there is anything we can take from this story, it is that this is a perfectly natural response from a dog under these circumstances. Any dog — regardless of size or breed — could have responded exactly as Max did. More than any one trigger, this situation in its entirety, the culmination of all of its components, led itself to this outcome. One trauma led to another.

That said, it is vital for people who are going to share intimate space with dogs — however briefly — to understand canine behavior, to know how to handle dogs and to know how to handle themselves around dogs, which includes knowing what not to do. There is a right way to greet a strange dog. Face-first isn't it.

Woof!  
Dog trainer Matthew "Uncle Matty" Margolis is co-author of 18 books about dogs, a behaviorist, a popular radio and television guest, and host of the PBS series "WOOF! It's a Dog's Life!"

# Poll: Santorum surges, but Obama leads GOP

WASHINGTON (AP) — A surging Rick Santorum is running even with Mitt Romney atop the Republican presidential field, but neither candidate is faring well against President Barack Obama eight months before Americans vote, a new survey shows.

Obama tops 50 percent support when matched against each of the four GOP candidates and holds a significant lead over each of them, according to the Associated Press-GfK poll. Republicans, meanwhile, are divided on whether they'd rather see Romney or Santorum capture the nomination, with Newt Gingrich and Ron Paul lagging behind. It's a troubling sign for the better-funded Romney as the GOP race heads toward crucial votes in his home state of Michigan, in Arizona and in an array of states on Super Tuesday, March 6.

"I'd pick Santorum, because it seems Romney may be waffling on a few issues and I'm not sure I trust him," said Thomas Stehlin, 66, of St. Clair Shores, Mich. He thinks the Detroit-born son of a Michigan governor is facing a strong challenge from Santorum in his home state because of his tangled answers on the auto industry bailout.

Also, he says, there's this: Romney, the self-described can-do turnaround artist of the corporate world and the troubled Salt Lake City Olympics, with his millions of dollars, has been unable to vanquish his political opponents.

"That may be the reason right there," said Stehlin, a retired government worker and a Republican. "He spends lots of money and he doesn't get anywhere."

Nationally, Republicans are evenly split between Romney and Santorum. The poll found 33 percent would most like to see Santorum get the nomination, while 32 percent prefer Romney. Gingrich and Paul each had 15 percent support.

Romney's fall from presumed front-runner to struggling establishment favorite has given his opponents an opening as he tries to expand his support. His Republican rivals have stepped in claiming to be a more consistent conservative and viable opponent against Obama, and each of the last three AP-GfK polls has found a different contender battling Romney for the top spot. But Santorum, the former Pennsylvania senator and abortion foe, has hit his stride at a key moment in the nomination contest.

Santorum's spike comes as satisfaction with the field of candidates remains tepid and interest in the contest is cools. About 6 in 10 Republicans in the poll say they are satisfied with the people running for the nomination, stagnant since December and below the 66 percent that felt that way in October. Only 23 percent are strongly satisfied with the field and 4 in 10 said they are dissatisfied with the candidates running, the poll found. And deep interest in the race is slipping: Just 40 percent of Republicans say they have a great deal of interest in following the contest, compared with 48 percent in December.

"It seems like in the last month or so everything's just chilled out," said James Jackson of Fort Worth, Texas, a

40-year-old independent who leans Republican. "I just haven't been following it lately."

Santorum remains Romney's biggest threat. He won GOP contests in Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri and Colorado, stunning the GOP establishment that Romney has methodically courted since his first bid for the GOP nomination in 2008. The poll suggested more people are getting to know and like Santorum, with 44 percent of all adults saying they have a favorable impression of him, compared with 25 percent in December. The share with negative views has grown as well, with 42 percent having an unfavorable opinion of Santorum.

Among Republicans in that time period, Santorum has shot from 37 percent to 70 percent favorable.

Among conservative Republicans, Santorum holds a decisive edge, with 41 percent preferring him and 27 percent supporting Romney. But ask moderate and liberal Republicans the same question and the results flip: Forty percent favor Romney while 20 percent prefer Santorum. Similarly, tea party Republicans also favor Santorum over Romney, 44 percent to 23 percent. Non-tea partiers tilt toward Romney, with 38 percent preferring him and 25 percent supporting Santorum.

Santorum enjoys an edge among Republicans age 45 and up, those paying the closest attention to the GOP race and born-again and evangelical voters.

Looking ahead to the general election, Obama holds an 8-point lead over Romney, 9 points over Santorum and 10 points over Gingrich or Paul, the survey found.

Notably, the survey showed the president dominating among independents, a group central to Obama's 2008 victory, whose support for him had faltered in recent months. According to the poll, 6 in 10 independents would choose Obama over any of the Republicans.

There was good news for Republicans, too: Any of the four Republican candidates would likely top Obama among those age 65 and over, as well as among whites without college degrees.

The Associated Press-GfK Poll was conducted Feb. 16-20 by GfK Roper Public Affairs & Corporate Communications. It involved telephone interviews with 1,000 adults nationwide and has a margin of error of plus or minus 4.1 percentage points.

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# Viewpoints

## Today in History

Today is Thursday, Feb. 23, the 54th day of 2012. There are 312 days left in the year.

### Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 23, 1942, the first shelling of the U.S. mainland during World War II occurred as a Japanese submarine fired on an oil refinery near Santa Barbara, Calif., causing little damage.

### On this date:

In 1685, composer George Frideric Handel was born in Germany.

In 1836, the siege of the Alamo began in San Antonio, Texas.

In 1848, the sixth president of the United States, John Quincy Adams, died in Washington, D.C., at age 80.

In 1861, President-elect Abraham Lincoln arrived secretly in Washington to take office, following word of a possible assassination plot in Baltimore.

In 1870, Mississippi was readmitted to the Union. In 1927, President Calvin Coolidge signed a bill creating the Federal Radio Commission, forerunner of the Federal Communications Commission.

In 1945, during World War II, U.S. Marines on Iwo Jima captured Mount Suribachi.

In 1954, the first mass inoculation of children against polio with the Salk vaccine began in Pittsburgh.

In 1965, film comedian Stan Laurel, 74, died in Santa Monica, Calif.

In 1970, Guyana became a republic within the Commonwealth of Nations.

In 1981, an attempted coup began in Spain as 200 members of the Civil Guard invaded Parliament, taking lawmakers hostage. (However, the attempt collapsed 18 hours later.)

In 1992, the XVI Winter Olympic Games ended in Albertville, France.

**Ten years ago:** Colombian presidential candidate Ingrid Betancourt was kidnapped by a rebel group, the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia. (She was rescued along with 14 other hostages in July 2008.) Penn State pole vaulter Kevin Dare, 19, died after landing on his head during the Big Ten indoor championships in Minneapolis.

**Five years ago:** A Mississippi grand jury refused to bring any new charges in the 1955 slaying of Emmett Till, a black teenager who was beaten and shot after whistling at a white woman, declining to indict the woman, Carolyn Bryant Donham, for manslaughter. Democrat Tom Vilsack abandoned his bid for the presidency. Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport became the first in the United States to begin testing new X-ray screening technology that could see through people's clothes. Forty-six countries attending a conference in Oslo, Norway, agreed to push for a global treaty banning cluster bombs.

### One year ago

o In a major policy reversal, the Obama administration said it would no longer defend the constitutionality of the Defense of Marriage Act, a federal law banning recognition of same-sex marriage.

**Today's Birthdays:** Actor Peter Fonda is 72. Pro and College Football Hall of Famer Fred Biletnikoff is 69. Author John Sandford is 68. Singer-musician Johnny Winter is 68. Country-rock musician Rusty Young is 66. Actress Patricia Richardson is 61. Rock musician Brad Whitford (Aerosmith) is 60. Singer Howard Jones is 57. Rock musician Michael Wilton (Queensryche) is 50. Country singer Dusty Drake is 48. Actress Kristin Davis is 47. Tennis player Helena Sukova is 47. Actor Marc Price is 44. Actress Niecy Nash is 42. Rock musician Jeff Beres (Sister Hazel) is 41. Country singer Steve Holy is 40. Rock musician Lasse (loss) Johansson (The Cardigans) is 39. Actress Kelly Macdonald is 36. Actress Emily Blunt is 29. Actor Aziz Ansari is 29. Actress Dakota Fanning is 18.

**Thought for Today:** "Men are more often bribed by their loyalties and ambitions than by money." - Robert H. Jackson, U.S. Supreme Court Justice (1892-1954).



## A \$1M donor for every presidential hopeful

STEPHEN BRAUN  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) - Just two dozen ultra-wealthy donors are behind a surge of million-dollar contributions to the new breed of political committees during the presidential campaign.

Millionaire and billionaire executives have unlocked their personal bank vaults to write seven-figure checks to support the campaigns of Democratic President Barack Obama and the Republicans vying to oppose him: Mitt Romney, Rick Santorum, Newt Gingrich and Ron Paul.

More than half of the \$60 million collected so far by the new group of independently run super political action committees supporting presidential candidates came from just 24 wealthy Americans, according to an Associated Press review of financial reports filed by the campaigns. The super-sized checks amount to \$33 million, and in some cases, the contributions of \$1 million or more represent most of the money that several super PACs have collected.

These outsized donations - more than 40 times the amount ordinary Americans can give directly to a politician - are allowed under the landmark 2010 Supreme Court ruling in the Citizens United case.

The ruling made it possible for super PACs to raise and spend unlimited sums to support political campaigns. The groups must legally remain independent from the candidates they support, but many are staffed with former campaign aides with intimate knowledge of the campaigns' strategy.

Freed by the Citizens United case and other rulings that allowed unlimited donations with minimal disclosure, the mega-donors are pumping unprecedented amounts of cash to favored candidates. The lavish gifts are stoking negative campaign ad wars and making mega-donors essential to the tactics and operations of the super PACs.

"It's just so much easier for these people to make large contributions and play a much more prominent role than we've tended to see," said Brendan Glavin, a researcher with the Campaign Finance Institute, a Washington-based nonpartisan think tank.

Here's a list of each presidential candidate's wealthiest supporters:

- Even among seven-figure donors, nobody approaches the \$11 million that Las Vegas casino billionaire Sheldon Adelson and his family have given to Winning Our Future, the group supporting former House Speaker Gingrich, which has \$13.1 million in total contributions. Adelson gave \$5 million; his wife, Miriam, another \$5 million. The rest came in smaller, but still sizeable amounts from Adelson's daughters, Sivan Ochshorn and Yasmin Lukatz, and Lukatz's husband, Oren. Gingrich has said Adelson and his family support his strong pro-Israel statements. Adelson has important business interests in China, and his casino is under federal investiga-

tion by the Justice Department and a civil probe by the Securities and Exchange Commission for possible violations of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act. The company denies wrongdoing.

- Winning Our Future also gained \$1 million from Texas billionaire Harold Simmons, a longtime Republican donor who was a key funder of the Swift Boat veterans' attacks on Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry in 2004. Simmons, whose interests range from energy to chemicals, so far has donated \$12 million - both personally and through his firm, Contran - to American Crossroads, the Republican-leaning super PAC co-founded by Republican strategist Karl Rove.

- The co-founder of PayPal and an early investor in Facebook, Peter Thiel, has given \$2.6 million to Endorse Liberty, the group supporting Texas Rep. Paul. Nearly 70 percent of the group's money comes from Thiel, a Silicon Valley investor. An ardent supporter of Libertarian causes, Thiel has donated to gay rights and religious organizations and also helped fund the Committee to Protect Journalists. His Facebook investment alone is now reportedly worth \$1.3 billion.

- The chief executive at DreamWorks Animation, Jeffrey Katzenberg, has given \$2 million to the group supporting Obama's re-election, Priorities USA Action, which accounts for nearly half the group's \$4.5 million total. Katzenberg has hosted fundraisers for Obama and has been a longtime funder of liberal and Democratic Party causes.

- Hotel magnates and brothers Bill and Richard Marriott have given \$1.5 million to Restore Our Future, the group supporting former Massachusetts Gov. Romney. Bill Marriott heads Marriott International, while Richard Marriott heads offshoot Host Hotels & Resorts. Romney, whose first name is Willard, was named after the Marriotts' father, who was close friends with Mitt Romney's father,

George Romney. Mitt Romney also served for years on Marriott's board of directors.

- Julian Robertson, the head of Tiger Management Corp., a major New York-based hedge fund, gave \$1.3 million to Restore Our Future. Robertson's son is also a Romney donor, and both have co-chaired Romney fundraisers.

- Other rich executives who gave at least \$1 million to help Romney's campaign include Paul Edgerly, a managing director at Bain Capital, and his wife Sandra, who each donated \$500,000; Edward Conard, a former Bain executive; Mormon businessman Frank VanderSloot; Paul Singer, founder and CEO of Elliott Management Corp., a top New York-based hedge fund; John Paulson, head of Paulson and Co., another major hedge fund; Bob Perry, a Houston real estate developer; Tulsa businessman Francis Rooney; Robert Mercer, co-chief of Renaissance Technologies, a New York hedge fund; and William Koch, head of Oxbow Carbon, LLC, a fossil fuel processor and mining firm.

- The group supporting former Pennsylvania Sen. Santorum gave the Red, White and Blue Fund gave collected nearly all its \$2.8 million so far from just two major, \$1 million contributions. Foster S. Friess, a mutual fund entrepreneur and conservative advocate, is a major driver behind the Daily Caller, a conservative web news aggregator, and has his own website advocating free enterprise and warning about militant Islam. Friess opposed the Obama administration's health care program and gave \$100,000 to statewide Republican races and causes in 2008.

- The pro-Santorum group's other \$1 million contribution came from William J. Dore, president of a Louisiana energy and real estate firm. Dore backed New Orleans Mayor Mitch Landrieu and other state Democrats, but he has also funded Republican politicians, as well as charities in Louisiana and Texas.



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## Drought threatens closure of hatchery

LUBBOCK (AP) — One of Texas' five fish hatcheries will likely suspend operations because of low water levels in lakes that feed it, state officials said Wednesday.

Todd Engeling, the hatcheries program director for Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, said a closure would mean fewer fish available to sportsmen this year. A decision on whether to temporarily close Dundee Fish Hatchery west of Wichita Falls will come in the next two weeks.

"It will last until there is enough water for us to operate with," Engeling said.

Texas is coming off its driest year on record in 2011, and levels in a lake that feeds the one used by the hatchery are low. The drought, which began in fall of 2010, caused wildfires statewide, cost agriculture an estimated \$5.2 billion in livestock and crop losses, and left lawns, trees and pastures parched.

Parts of the state have seen rains that have alleviated some drought conditions in recent weeks.

Dundee gets its water from Lake Diversion under a contract with the Wichita County Water Improvement District No. 2. Lake Diversion is fed by Lake Kemp.

Severe drought has water levels in Lake Kemp low, Engeling said in a news release. The water district's drought plan says the hatchery is not allowed to divert water when elevations in Lake Kemp reach 1,125 feet above mean sea level.

Currently, the water elevation in Kemp is 1,126 feet and is expected to drop to 1,125 early this spring when irriga-

tion increases.

Dundee's 97 ponds and 84 acres of water represent 34 percent of Texas' available capacity for freshwater fish production. The facility is where striped bass and hybrid striped bass are primarily produced.

Engeling said there will be no short-time impact on the number of those species if operations at Dundee are suspended because production will shift to other hatcheries.

Production of largemouth bass, the most targeted fish for sportsmen, would be impacted by the shift, Engeling said.

"There's a limited amount of ponds we have for production across the state," he said. "Something has to give, so the squeeze right now is in the largemouth bass."

## Inmates start fires inside Mexico prison

MONTERREY, Mexico (AP) — Inmates set fire to mattresses and trash Tuesday after officials announced that three prisoners would be moved from the prison where 44 gang members were massacred this week to a maximum security jail in western Mexico.

Thick gray smoke rose from inside the Apodaca prison shortly after several federal police officers went in.

Outside, about 50 women related to inmates clashed with police and set fire to a pile of cardboard and wood at a gate. Crying women threw stones at officers when they poured water on the fire from behind the mesh gate, while others tried to climb the fence.

The women told a local television station they were desperate for information about their imprisoned loved ones.

Nuevo Leon state public security spokesman Jorge Domene Zambrano said a federal judge ordered that three inmates be transferred to the Puente Grande federal prison in Guadalajara. He said he couldn't identify the men until they arrived in Puente Grande.

Earlier Tuesday, three inmates were killed in a prison a few miles (kilometers) from the Apodaca prison, where authorities say 44 prisoners who belonged to the Gulf drug cartel were bludgeoned and stabbed to death by inmates from the rival Zetas cartel.

The latest victims, two men and a woman, had been booked into the Topo Chico prison Monday on suspicion of kidnapping, Domene said. He said the men were stabbed to death in the prison's observa-

tion area and the woman in the infirmary.

At the time the three suspects were presented to the media in early February, Domene described them as members of the Gulf cartel.

Sunday's massacre at Apodaca may have been the deadliest prison killing in at least a quarter century in Mexico. The prison's director and 40 guards are being held on suspicion of allowing imprisoned Zetas members to escape before the massacre.

Nuevo Leon Gov. Rodrigo Medina said 16 guards have confessed to aiding the escape.

Of the 47,000 federal inmates in Mexico, about 29,000 are held in state prisons. That has drawn complaints from Medina and other state governors, who say their jails aren't equipped to hold members of powerful and highly organized drug cartels.

Interior Department Alejandro Poire said the federal government plans to build six new federal prisons to add to the six the country already has. He said the federal government plans to house all federal inmates in its facilities by the end of the year.

Fighting between the Zetas and Gulf drug cartels has brought a surge of violence and other crimes to the Monterrey region, which is Mexico's third largest.

On Tuesday, gunmen opened fire on a group of taxi drivers waiting at a taxi stand outside a shopping center in Monterrey, killing five.

Witnesses told police the gunmen fired from a passing car, Domene said.

He said authorities were trying to determine if the attack was related to the prison violence.

Taxi drivers are often hired by drug cartels to distribute drugs or work as lookouts.

### CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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### Rodeo

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McCullar said that she is starting the rodeo's planning early this year in the hope of a smoother organization process and to possibly attract more help from the community.

"We're really hoping to get more volunteers to come in," she said. "People aren't getting paid to do this. It's all volunteer. If we could get more volunteers, it's less work that everybody has to do."

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# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

**DEAR ABBY:** My otherwise loving, honest, generous, kind and attentive husband of 10 years feels it's his right to walk into the bathroom whenever he wants, even when I'm in there. He says it's coincidence, but I think he does it intentionally. We don't have locks — or even doors — to shut our master bathroom. We do have other bathrooms in the house.

I have asked him repeatedly not to come in or to make some noise so I know he's coming. He says he "forgets." If I'm in the shower or bent over with my head upside down blow-drying my hair and turn around or look up and see another person, I get startled. My adrenaline pumps and I end up yelling at him.

I'd prefer to get clean and pretty in peace. My husband thinks I'm overreacting. Am I? — **BOTHERED IN THE BATHROOM**

**DEAR BOTHERED:** Feeling as strongly as you do, it's surprising that you would move into a house in which the master bedroom and bath are set up this way. And yes, I do think you're overreacting.

However, you have a couple of options: The first would be for you to get clean and pretty in one of the other bathrooms. The second would be to start a remodeling project and have a door (or doors) to your master bath installed so your husband can knock before entering.

**DEAR ABBY:** I am married to a wonderful and unique man. Despite his privileged upbringing he is very down-to-earth. His parents' affluence afforded him many opportunities and still does. Unfortunately, my in-laws are snobbish, self-absorbed and competitive. They are critical of everyone — es-

pecially their grown son. They put him and each other down constantly. They cause scenes and can't enjoy life.

My husband is trying to be patient because he knows his parents aren't going to change at their age. But they consume so much of our energy with their constant dramatic highs and lows. Any advice for dealing with drama queens (and kings)? They do love us and can be considerate. — **LIVING IN THE REAL WORLD IN NEW JERSEY**

**DEAR REAL:** It may help you and your husband to understand that people who act the way your in-laws do are usually insecure on some basic level. They put others down to inflate their egos and reassure themselves that they're "OK" by magnifying (or inventing) flaws in others. When your in-laws start to criticize, be pleasant and make a point of saying something positive about their target. It will short-circuit the rant.

**DEAR ABBY:** I'm a 40-year-old working mother raising a daughter who is the joy of my life. Once in a great while I'll accept an invitation to go on a date and hire a baby sitter to watch my daughter.

My question is, who should pay for the sitter? The man who asked me out or should I? I have yet to have a suitor offer to pay. Is that just the way it is, or are these men just cheap? — **MOM ON A BUDGET**

**DEAR MOM:** Paying for your daughter's sitter is YOUR responsibility. When you become involved in a steady relationship and the cost of a sitter becomes a financial burden, discuss it then with your boyfriend, who should be willing to share some of the cost.

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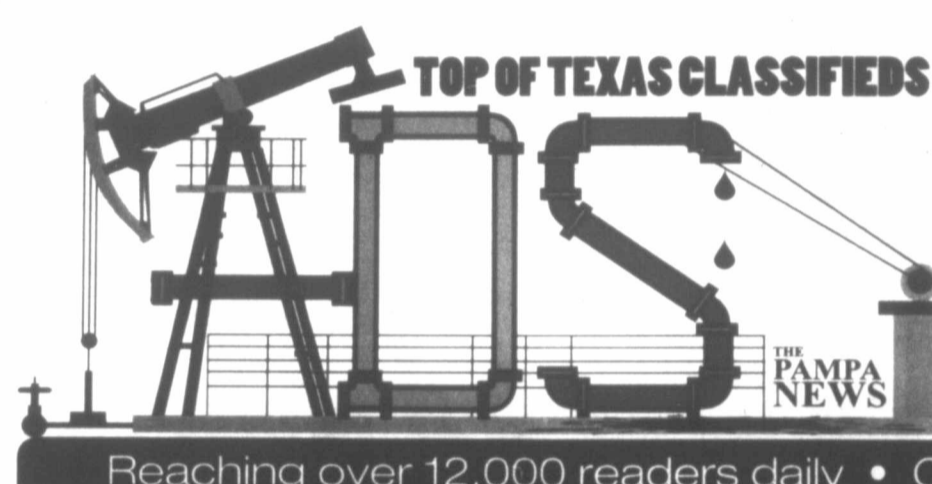
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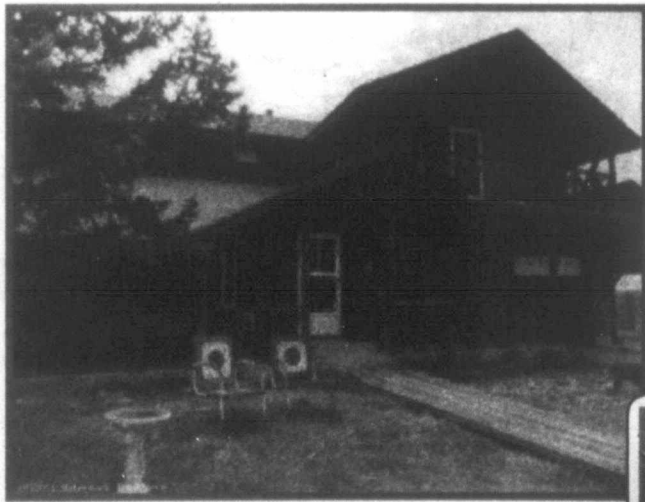
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## Castillo

"When Desert Storm and all that kicked off, my little brother, cousin and all them were in the military," he said. "They all went and served in 2005. I wanted to join again, tried again and got in."

In his mid-thirties, Castillo went into basic training. In 2006, he served at the Texas-Mexico border. "We helped Homeland Security, which was border patrol," said Castillo. "We watched for illegals coming across and assisted border patrol with capture and seizure."

From there, he served in Iraq, then worked at Camp Swift in Bastrop, near Austin.

"I was there to train guys going into Afghanistan and Iraq," Castillo said. "It was a good, hardcore training."

He was supposed to serve in Afghanistan afterwards, but his brigade was cut due to downsizing.

"I didn't lose anything in Afghanistan, but a civilian doesn't understand the brotherhood of another soldier, and it's kind of like the penitentiary here," said Castillo.

He still thinks fondly of his time with the military.

"To me, it's an honor," Castillo said. "It's not something I do for the money. It's something that I can say I did for my country. I've got four boys, and I don't want them to ever do what I did, or (what) my dad or my brother (did). It's just knowing that my family and friends can stay back here in the world, knowing that they can sleep well because I'm standing post at night."

As a lieutenant at the prison, Castillo runs night shifts, supervising correctional officers and two sergeants, which he describes as being like the warden, captain and major in one.

"My main mission is custody and control, to make sure that my officers go home and that these inmates are given what they're required to have," he said. "I hold the peace."

Castillo noted several similarities between serving in the military and working at the penitentiary, most important of which is the teamwork necessary to get the job done.

"It's like a brotherhood," he said. "They're like my brothers, and if one of them gets hurt, then I get hurt. I pretty much told them, I'm the heart and they're the veins. If the veins get clogged up, guess what? The heart stops pumping."

Castillo also views discipline as critical on the job. "There are similarities (with the military), but it's not as intense," he said. "With the military, they push you to be disciplined. I was raised as the son of a Marine, so it was easy for me as far as the discipline part. Some people think it's just a job, and it's not. I take it a little more seriously than that."

Castillo tries to prepare the officers he supervises to maintain an awareness of what's going on around them.

"I try to teach them and train them to watch their surroundings at all times," he said. "You watch an

inmate, how he's dressed, how he's acting. I've been doing it for nearly 18 years, and I can sit there and look at a person and tell you what kind of person he is, what kind of personality he has. You learn it. You learn the street way."

Getting along with coworkers and inmates alike is also important on the job.

"I try to teach these guys to be people-persons," Castillo said. "A lot of people think you put on the gray suit, you're Superman. You listen to what these guys have to say. You ain't got nothing else to do for 12 hours. Sit back and listen to what he's got to say, and me as a lieutenant, I'll sit there and a guy might want to yell, and I'll sit back and listen to him. Ok. I've heard your story."

In his spare time, Castillo helps his father with a farm and ranching operation, while spending time with his four sons.

"I've got a senior at WT, and he's about to graduate," he said. "I've got a senior in high school from Wellington. He's an all-state defensive end, defensive back. He's a big football stud. I've got a sophomore in high school. He's 15, and I've got a 9-year-old, and he's the baby."

Despite his emphasis on discipline, Castillo values a sense of humor in his line of work.

"I'm the biggest clown that you'll find," he said. "I love to joke and play, and that's part of this job. You've got to keep your sanity somehow. But at the same time, there's a time to joke and a time to work."

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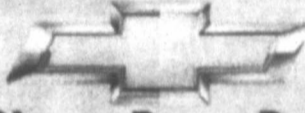
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# PHS baseball seeks playoff advancement in 2012

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Pampa head baseball coach Kaleb Snelgrooves was an assistant coach six years ago when the Harvesters advanced in the playoffs. That team was the last to advance in the postseason. After his team made the playoffs for the first time in four years last season, Snelgrooves, entering his third season as head coach, hopes they can take the next step in 2012.

"I hung a picture of the team that won the last glove for Pampa," Snelgrooves said. "It's in our locker room and that's what's motivating us."

Pampa went 13-16 last season and was swept by Lubbock Cooper in the bi-district round. Senior first baseman and pitcher Collin Killgo said making the postseason last year motivated the team in the offseason.

"It made us feel better about our team," Killgo said. "I think we are going to stick it out and play better as a team. See if we can do it again and go further."

Senior catcher Jared Lusk said he hopes the team advances further.

"I hope we can get into regionals," Lusk said. "We got a good team to start off the year."

The Harvesters graduated five from last season, including their number one and two pitchers, Garrett Ericson and Tyler Malone. Snelgrooves said Ericson and Malone were good pitchers, but is confident in the staff he has.

"Losing Garrett and Tyler is going to be tough to replace," Snelgrooves said. "I feel just as confident with (junior) James Thompson, Collin Killgo and (sopho-

more) Ethan Hunt out there. They got some innings last year as underclassmen. They saw Garrett and Tyler prepare for games, so I'm excited to see what they do this year."

Killgo said he is looking forward to taking over as the ace.

"I'm going to do what I can, every time I can," Killgo said.

Hunt went 1-1 last season and Thompson was 2-0.

Lusk said the younger pitchers are catching on.

"Hopefully they will be able to step up a bit and be like the upper classmen," Lusk said.

Malone also had a strong bat, along with graduated catcher Brent Green. Senior Devin Coleman said the team will look more to stacking up base hits instead of swinging for power.

"If we keep hitting and doing our Fungo stuff we will be good."

The baseball team bought a machine, that they nicknamed "Fungo man" that shoots balls out to help the team with fielding.

Snelgrooves said he is looking forward to seeing how his players called up from junior varsity do.

"We got some of those guys moved up," Snelgrooves said. "We got some returners on varsity that hit well also. I'm excited to see what we will do Thursday."

Joining the varsity this season is juniors Chris Howard and Taylor Woods. Last season, Howard and Woods were on a JV team that had a five-game stretch of scoring 10-plus runs.

Pampa opens the season with the Cavalier Classic 3:30 p.m. today against

Dalhart. The Harvesters continue play Friday against Sanford-Fritch and Amarillo San Jacinto. Depending on how Pampa performs, it will play Saturday in either the third place or championship game.

The Harvesters will compete in the Burkburnett and Midland Tournaments, before closing non-district against Childress, Levelland, San Jacinto and River Road.

Pampa hopes to build off of a third-place finish in District 1-3A. Snelgrooves said Borger graduated a lot of their play-

ers and Perryton returned most of their players.

"Perryton in my opinion is going to be the team to beat," Snelgrooves said.

Coleman said he thinks Pampa can finish in the top two.

"I think we are going to do pretty good," Coleman said. "We are doing better each day we work."

Snelgrooves said he hopes his team can get a victory against Borger this season.

"They got us four times last year," Snelgrooves said. "So they owe me a few."



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Junior James Thompson (left) plays catch with senior Devin Coleman before the start of practice Wednesday. Thompson will pitch more innings this season with the graduation of Garrett Ericson and Tyler Malone.

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# Sports

## Lady Tigers edge Lady Panthers in regional quarters

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Follett had McLean's number, as the Lady Panthers beat the Lady Tigers twice this season. McLean head Mike Prescott, though, remembered an old adage.

"You always hear it's hard to beat someone a third time," Prescott said.

Tuesday night, that rang true for his Lady Tigers as they pulled out a 41-39 victory in the regional quarterfinals at Canadian High School.

"We felt confident that we were going to play hard," Prescott said. "Fortunately, we were the ones that were going to come out on top."

Prescott said the victory was a team effort.

"The defense (Follett) ran against us shut one of our girls down that normally scores," Prescott said. "We had one

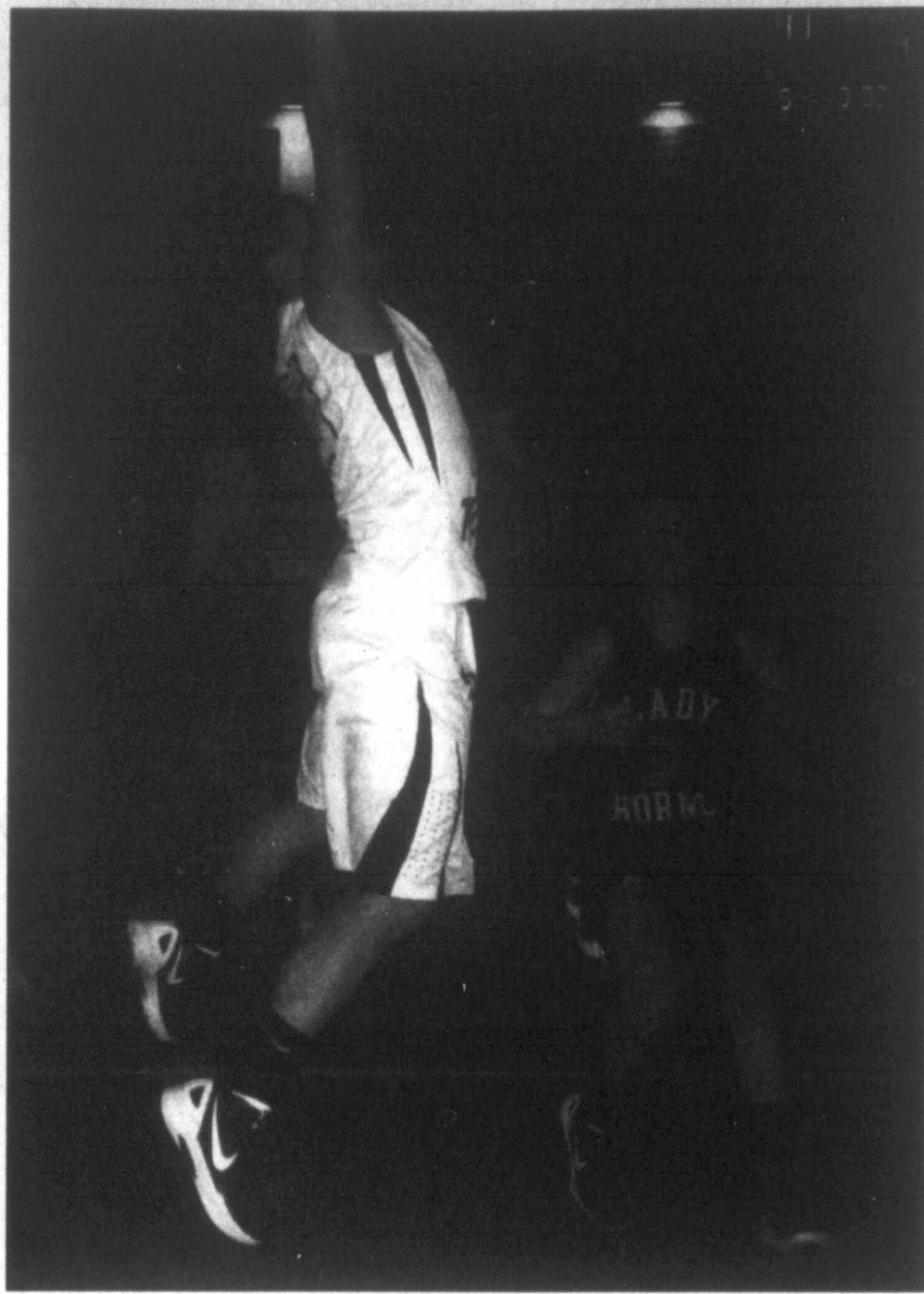
or two of them step up. Our guard play with Rudy (Rodriguez) has been solid every ball game. It starts right there."

The Lady Tigers (14-7) advance to the regional tournament where it will face Valley in the semifinals 1 p.m. Friday at the South Plains College Texan Dome in Levelland. Prescott said the next game will be a challenge.

"Valley is a team that hasn't been defeated this year," Prescott said. "That's going to be an awfully tough ball game. ... It's a matter of if we can put four quarters together, you never know. This is why we play the game."

This is the farthest the Lady Tigers have advanced since they finished as state runner ups in 2010.

If McLean wins, it will face the winner of Nazareth and Whitharral in the regional finals at 2 p.m. Saturday at the South Plains College Texan Dome.



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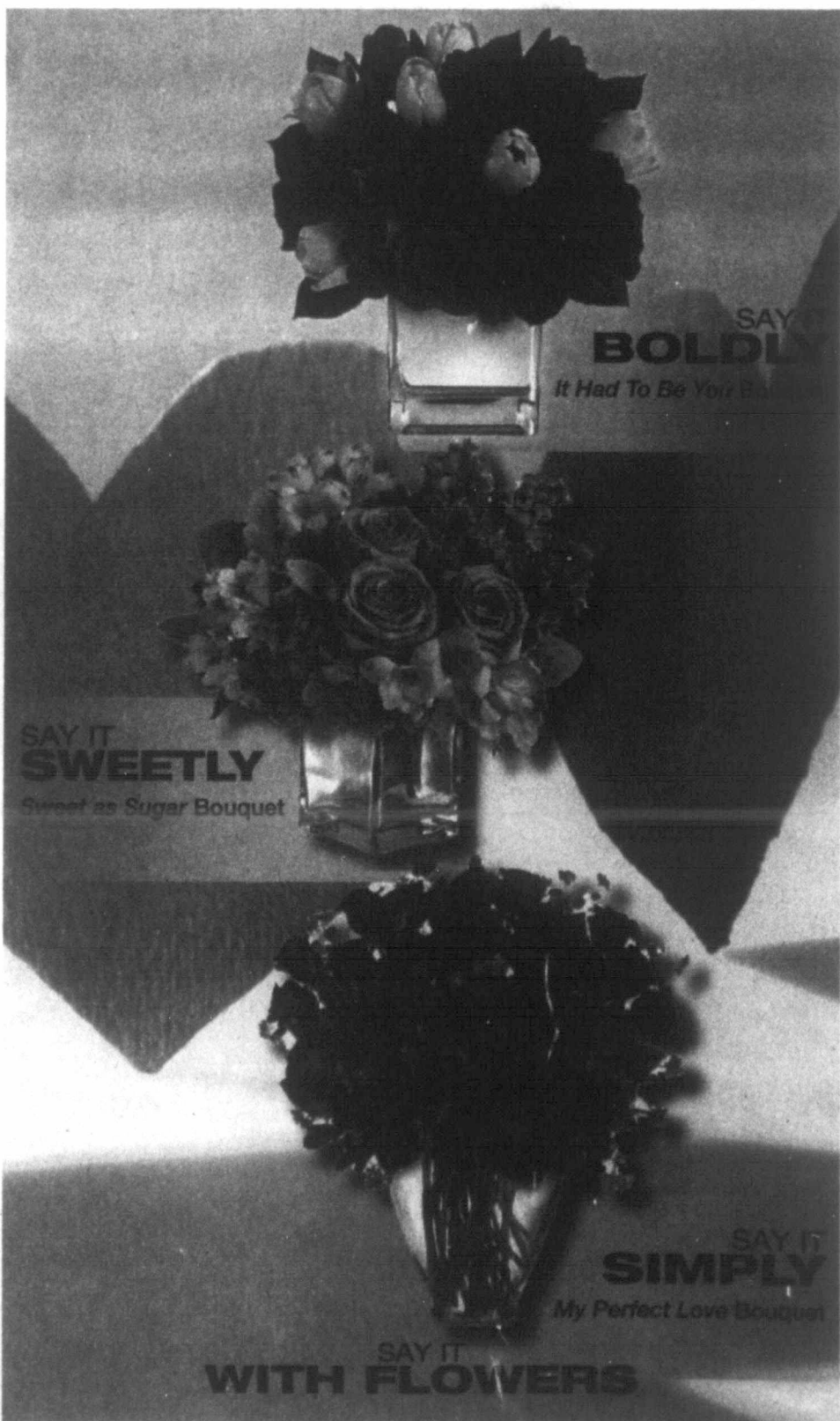
Senior Rudy Rodriguez makes a layup against Lazbuddie in a Feb. 17 game. Rodriguez's strong play at guard led McLean to a 41-39 victory over the Follett Lady Panthers in the regional quarterfinals Tuesday.

## STILL DANCING



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Sophomore Edwin Mendoza hoists the bi-district trophy as his teammates gather to celebrate. The Tigers hope to hoist another trophy tonight in the area round against Nazareth.



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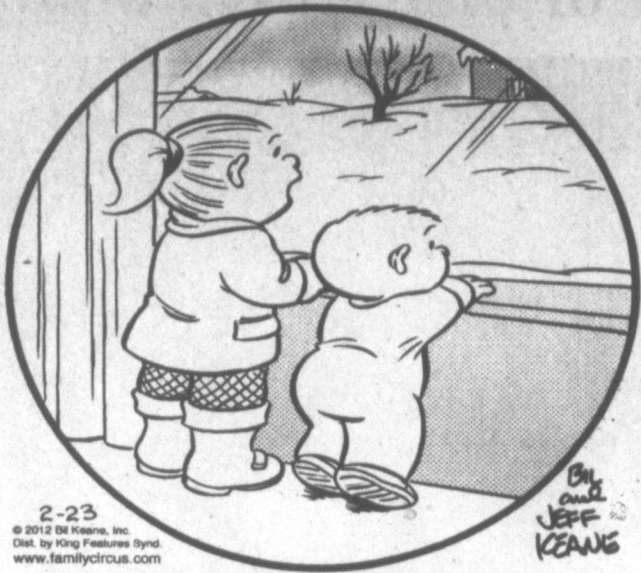
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### Nest Heads



## daily horoscope

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Friday, Feb. 24, 2012:

This year you demonstrate your skills with dealing with financial changes. If you feel fortunate, buy a lottery ticket. Remain in tune with your budget, even if someone is talking about a risk. Do not create a problem. If you are single, be careful, as your work could become far less of a priority if you meet that special person. Romance flourishes through May and into 2013. Power plays take on an important role when relating to others. If you are attached, learn not to play into a sweetie's controlling ways. Be nonreactive. ARIES might become very pushy. Learn the word "no."

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

### ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ Observe a tendency to do the unexpected or to experience quiet jolts in your life. Strap on your seatbelt. A powerful person in your life could be difficult and controlling. You just might decide to walk away. Tonight: All smiles.

### TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★ Take your time making a decision. You might not be able to honor a request from your in-laws or someone at a distance. It is possible that your saying "no" could cause a problem when you least expect it. Be willing to see a situation through another person's eyes. Tonight: Head home.

### GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Zero in on your priorities and find out where your supporters are. A problem with a partner or loved one could force you to make a change. Refuse to get into a power play at all costs. You won't win. Tonight: Find your friends.

### CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★ You see life from another perspective. An early upset could be somewhat difficult to come back from. It hits you harder than it does most people. Discussions evolve, and you will see the other side of a situation. Tonight: Chill out at dinner.

### LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ You hear news that gets you going this morning. Detach rather than react. You will make better decisions as a result. You might feel as if you have to do too much. Be careful about changing your schedule; you could upset a key person.

Tonight: Opt for something different.

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

★★★★ Remain sensitive to a boss or higher-up who means a lot to you. Discussions occur on a one-on-one level that help resolve a problem. Everyone wants events to happen his or her way. Avoid a power play by walking away from a controlling individual. Tonight: Be a duo.

### LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Others are direct and know what they want. You could feel unusually tense when dealing with a key person. You sense a hidden agenda. Do not play into what you cannot see. Respond only to what is agreed upon. Tonight: Where the fun is.

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

★★★★ Pace yourself and take your time; you will complete what is needed with more precision. Communication forces you to take a different look at a situation, whether you are open to it or not. Try to control your intensity. Tonight: Indulge in a favorite form of relaxation.

### SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ The fire associated with your sign comes out full blast. You need to handle a personal matter differently, especially if it revolves around a power play. Listen to what is being shared. Tonight: Act like it is Friday night.

### CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★ Others don't know what ails you, but they recognize that you are not feeling up to snuff. You might be suppressing more emotions than you realize, creating a withdrawn attitude. You will see a situation far differently if you relax and open up. Tonight: Refuse to get caught up in a power play.

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

★★★★ Keep communication open. You might hear something that is so surprising, that even you need to sit down. Flex and get into the spontaneity of the moment. You might be more controlling than you think. Note your reaction to a change. Tonight: Meet friends.

### PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★ You might see a situation much differently because of a change with your finances. You pull the wild card financially. Do not indulge a knee-jerk reaction. Look to the long-term. A friend might push too hard to have you follow his or her lead. Tonight: Treat a friend to munchies and a drink.

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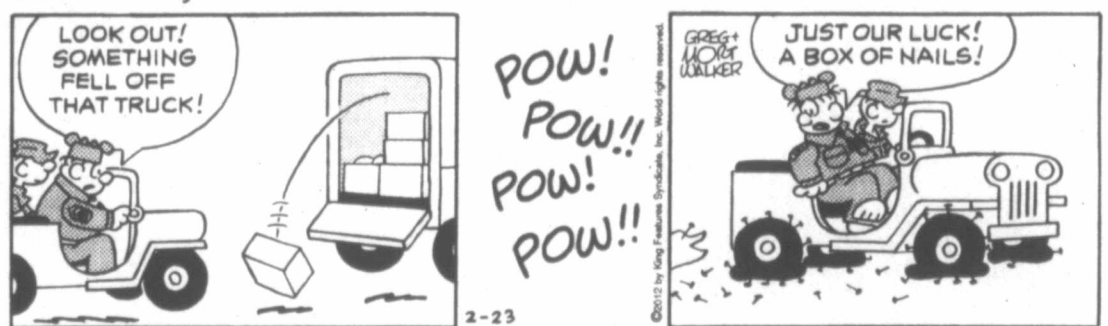
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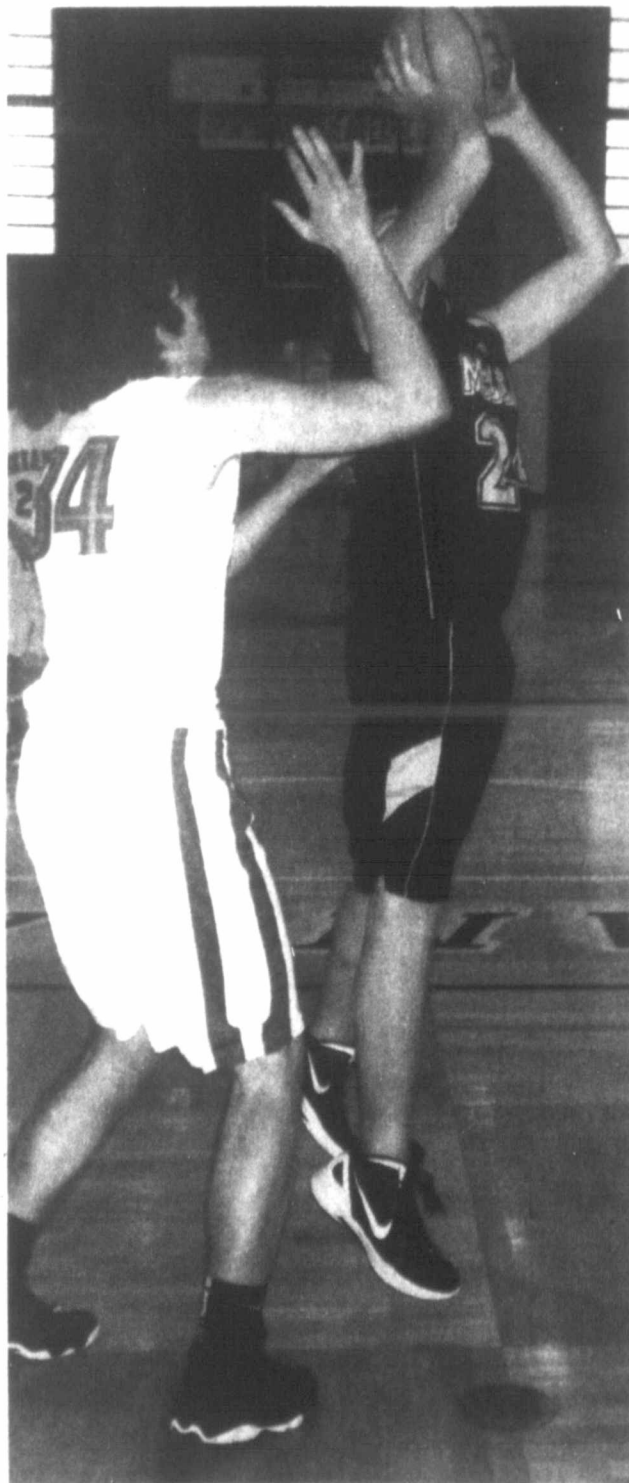
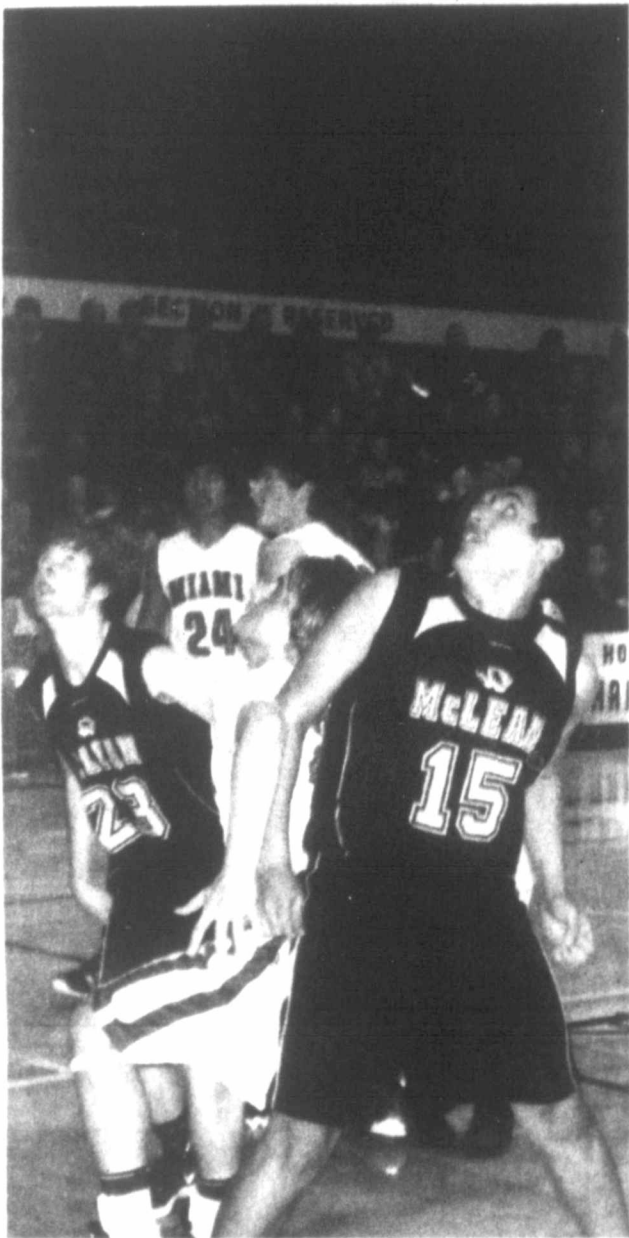


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# Sports

## Congratulations McLean Tigers, 2012 bi-district champions



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**TOP:** McLean Lady Tigers' team members cheer on the Tigers during it's bi-district game Tuesday. **MIDDLE:** Senior Jordan Herring (left) and sophomore Edwin Mendoza (right) battle Miami's Cole Booze for a rebound in the first half. **BOTTOM:** Kaleton Kinsey shoots a jumper over Miami's Nick Broecx.

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