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COUNTY ELECTION 2012

Three look to unseat incumbent sheriff Copeland

Copeland seeking another term

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Gray County Sheriff Don Copeland has almost 50 years of law enforcement under his belt, having worked as a DPS officer for 27 years, ad well as with the Wheeler County Sheriff's Office and the Shamrock Police Department. But he's not ready to hang up his hat yet.

"I had announced that I might retire, and I visited with a good friend, and I told him by the time I run this term out, I'll have 47 years in law enforcement," said Copeland during the Top O' Texas Republican Women's Forum in March. "He said, 'Man, I hate a quitter.' So here I am."

Copeland was first elected as Gray County's sheriff in 1997.

"I have a strong belief in law enforcement," he said. "I started in 1963, so I've grown up with the changing laws over the years."

Copeland considers his staff a major strength of his department.

"We have excellent employees at COPELAND cont. on page 5



Douglas says it's time for change

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With 10 years of law enforcement experience - nine of which as a Gray County deputy — Robert Douglas thinks it's time for a change in the Gray County Sheriff's Office.

"We need a few improvements in the office," he said. "Over time, when somebody's been in there a long time, you just need to step it up a notch."

As a candidate for sheriff, Douglas would like to see some changes in the

"We don't have an interview room (in the jail), and that's something that should be addressed," he said. "The people in the jail, this proves their innocence or guilt, either way. That's something that really needs to happen."

"The jail is owned by the citizens here in Gray County, publicly owned, and it should be a non-smoking facility, because it's the only public building that I know of anywhere that still allows DOUGLAS cont. on page 9

Lee banks on years of experience

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David Lee feels like ascending to sheriff in his Gray County home is a good next step in his career.

A veteran peace officer of over 30 years, Lee began in law enforcement in Amarillo in 1977 before spending 22 years as a police officer in Pampa. His career also includes a stint working undercover in Borger and a run as a deputized U.S. marshal in the midto late 90s.

"Whenever we were in narcotics from '93 to '97," Lee explained, "the whole narcotics division was working along with the D.A. The U.S. Marshal service was part of that drug task force... and everybody that was in the task force at that time got deputized by a federal judge to be a U.S. Marshal. We

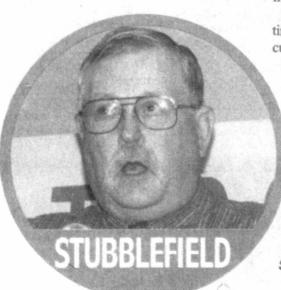
had, of course, our task force run the 26 northern counties (of the Panhandle) and we had the legal right to arrest people in other states, because when we needed to, we'd go different places LEE cont. on page 3



Stubblefield looks to regain post

ARNIE AURELLANO editor@thepampanews.com

"I started my law enforcement career here in Gray County," said Randy Stubblefield, "and I want to finish it up



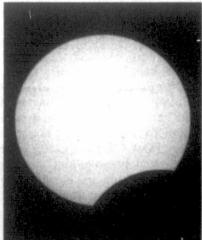
here in Gray County."

Stubblefield, who kicked off a long career in law enforcement by joining Pampa's police force in 1974, aims to do exactly that by becoming the county's next sheriff, a post he'd previously held from 1993 to 1997.

Stubblefield also cited a stint as a parttime deputy in Roberts County and his current, 11-year tenure as a deputy in Donley County as part of a long history of law enforcement that would serve him well should he be elected.

"I have the advantage of my past experience to fall back on," he said. "I have a relationship built with county commissioners. Joe Wheeley and Judge Peet, they were on board on the commissioners court while I was sheriff so I have worked with them. I still maintain a relationship with all the area law enforcement STUBBLEFIELD cont. on page 9

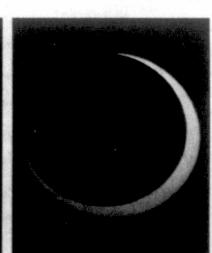
LOOK, UP IN THE SKY...











staff photos by Mollie Bryant

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Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 61. Breezy, with a south wind between 20 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

Wednesday: Sunny and hot, with a high near 97. South southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

Wednesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 62. Southwest wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 90. West southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

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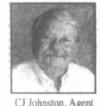
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Obituaries

Stephanie Dawn Harrah-Mooney, 38

WHITE DEER-Stephanie Dawn Harrah-Mooney, 38, died Saturday, May 19, 2012 in Amarillo.

Services will be at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 23, 2012, at White Deer United Methodist Church with Rev. Dr. Jerry R. Lane, pastor, officiating.

Burial will be at White Deer Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Mooney was born Aug. 17, 1973, in Odessa. She moved to White Deer as a young girl and was a 1991 graduate of White Deer High School. She attended Frank Phillips College in Borger and received her bachelor's and master's degrees in elementary education from West Texas A & M University in Canyon. Stephanie married Daniel Mooney on July 21, 2001 in Borger. She taught 5th grade at Skellytown Elementary School and was a professor at Frank Phillips College. She was a member of White Deer United Methodist Church. Stephanie loved the outdoors where she loved to fish and ride horses and motorcycles. She will be remembered as a uniquely positive person who put love and humor in everyone's lives.

Mooney

Survivors include her husband, Daniel Mooney of the home; three sons, Colton, Mason, and Aydan Mooney, all of the home; her parents, David and Barbara Harrah of White Deer; a brother, Terry Harrah and wife Lori of White Deer; five nephews, Brian Sanders and Codie Harrah, both of White Deer, Daniel Huckaby and wife Kayla of Brentwood, Tenn., David Huckaby of Haslet, and Ashton Vitela of Dallas; four nieces, Cali Hudson and husband Trey of Oklahoma City, Darcie Huckaby of Haslet, Victoria Mooney of Wichita Falls, and Allison Mooney of Phoenix, Ariz.; mother-in-law, Sue Warren and husband Lyndel of Ransom Canyon; father-in-law, Robert Mooney of Amarillo; brotherin-law, Robert Mooney II of Amarillo; three sisters-in-law, Catherine Huckaby and husband Shea of Haslet, Kristian Mooney of Amarillo, and Mandy Vitela and husband Fernando of Dallas; and by her special cat, Hemi.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Children's Miracle Network.

Sign the online register book at www.carmichael-whatlev.com.

Lee Etta Ledford, 76

SKELLYTOWN—Lee Etta Ledford, 76, died Sunday, May 20, 2012 in Ama-

Graveside services will be May 23, 2012, at Memory Gardens Cemetery in Pampa with Rev. Barry Owens, associate pastor of First Baptist Church of Pampa,



Mrs. Ledford was born April 23, 1936, in Nickerson, Kan. and had been a resident of Skellytown for over 50 years. She worked as a salad cook for Furr's Cafeteria in Pampa for 27 years, retiring in 1999. Lee was a member of First Baptist Church of Skellytown.

Survivors include three daughters. Karen Williams and husband Walt and Brenda Madden and husband Bruce, all of Pampa, and Marcy Ruth and husband Randy of Skellytown; two sons, Mike Ledford and wife Chris of Pampa and Wendell Ledford of Skellytown; 16 grandchildren; and 29 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, Nelson and Etta Mae Starks; a daughter, Patty Smith in 2004; a granddaughter, Krystal Roby in 1978; and by seven sisters and three brothers.

Memorials may be made to Hospice Care of the Southwest, 6600 Killgore, Suite 110, Amarillo, TX 79106 or First Baptist Church, P. O. Box 621, Pampa, TX 79066-0621.

Sign the online register book at www.carmichael-what-

Betty Jo "BJ" Chesnut Hill, 80

Betty Jo "BJ" Chesnut Hill, 80, died Saturday, May 19, 2012, in Pampa after a 2-year battle with

cancer Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 23, 2012, in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel, with Paul Nachtigall, pastor of Highland Baptist Church, officiating. Private inurnment will be in Fairview Cemetery Columbarium. Cremation



and arrangements are by Carmichael-Whatley Funeral

Betty was an only child born to Aaron "Ace" and Sadie Johnson Chesnut on February 3, 1932, in Oklahoma City. She graduated from Darrouzett High School in 1949 at age 17 and had been a resident of Pampa since 1961. She worked in the food and beverage business in Pampa, and many will remember her from the Coronado Inn, Sandy's Lounge, the WW Sports Bar, and the Pampa Country Club. Betty had been a resident of Pampa Manor Apartments Senior Complex since 2005 and leaves many friends there. Her pastimes were reading, word puzzles, watching movies, and watching NCIS and other detective shows. Her favorite actor was John Wayne.

Survivors include six children, Belinda Stafford and husband John, Aaron Hill and wife Debbie, and Timothy Hill and wife Tammy, all of Pampa; Richard Hill of Corpus Christi; Harvey Hill of La Porte; and Kelly Jo Peercy of Dickinson; 12 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, and her loyal companion, Molly B., her 10 year-old Eng-

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, TX

The family will receive friends at 2722 Cherokee. Sign the online register book at www.carmichaelwhatlev.com.

Clyde Ferguson Jr., 83

Clyde Ferguson Jr., 83, died May 21, 2012, in Ardmore,

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral

Mr. Ferguson was born October 30, 1928, in Fort Smith, Ark., where he attended schools. He started driving a truck at the age of 16, retiring after nearly 54 years. He was a great father, brother and uncle who touched many lives. He will

Survivors include a son, Danny Ferguson; two daughters, Machell Clayton and husband Gene of Oklahoma City, and Janie of Bartlesville, Okla.; two brothers, John Ferguson and wife Mary of Pampa, and Neil Ferguson and wife Virginia of Borger; three sisters, Sue Yohn and husband John, Margaret Graham and husband Eldon, and Kathy Armstrong, all of Borger; a special friend, Janice Sparks of Sulphur, Okla.; five grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mae Ferguson; and his

Memorials may be made to Lighthouse Covenant Fellowship, 1733 N. Banks, Pampa, TX 79065. Sign the online register at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

Jimmy Lee King, 81

NORTH RICHLAND HILLS-Jimmy Lee King, 81, passed away May 19, 2012 in Richland Hills.

The funeral service will be 10 a.m., Wednesday at Shannon Rufe Snow Funeral Chapel with Pastor Nathan Tucker officiating. Interment will be 10 a.m., Thursday at Sacred Heart Cemetery in White Deer. Visitation will be 6 to 8 p.m., Tuesday at the funeral home.



King

Jimmy King was born on June 28, 1930, in Wellington, to James L. King and Lula Lois King.

He was predeceased by his parents; and his brother, Lloyd

Survivors include his children, Janey Bartley, Sherri Shell Price, Bobby King, Michael King, Nathan King, Terrina Picarello, Michael Buck, William King and Jimmy King II; brothers, Roy King and Danny King; sister, Jerrye Smith; numerous grandchildren; great-grandchildren; nieces and

Paulene Lorene Houghton, 93

SKELLYTOWN—Paulene Lorene Houghton, 93, departed for a glorious reunion with family, friends and her Lord and Savior on May 21, 2012, in Skelly-

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, May 24, 2012, at First Baptist Church in Skellytown, with Rev. Fines Marchman, pastor, officiat-

Burial will be at Memory

Houghton Gardens Cemetery in Pampa, under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Houghton was born November 23, 1918, in Horatio, Sevier County, Ark., to Harvey and Beulah Flippo. At the age of eight, Paulene and the family began the migration from eastern Oklahoma to California in search of a better life. Along the way they stopped in the Texas Panhandle. where her father found employment in the booming oilfields of West Texas. The family settled in Skellytown where Paulene resided for most of the next 85 years of her life. She was much loved and will be greatly missed.

Paulene married William J. Houghton on December 2, 1949, in Skellytown. They both became devout members of the First Baptist Church in Skellytown where she loved to fellowship with her church family and served the Lord in different capacities through her years of membership. She and Bill also spent many years going to their lake cabins where they enjoyed fishing and entertaining family and friends. They became a part of the community wherever they were and thrived on being social. They loved people and never let a stranger stay that way for very long.

Survivors include her son, Greg Houghton of Skellytown; her sister, Doris Jean Jackson of Canyon; six grandsons, two granddaughters and three great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband of 50 years Bill; her son, Jeff; her daughter, Janice Gilbert; two sisters and four brothers.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 176, Skellytown, TX 79080, the Skellytown Senior Enrichment Program, c/o City of Skellytown, Skellytown, TX 79080, or a favorite charity. Sign the online register at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

Tony "Pops" Lee Mays, 68

Tony "Pops" Lee Mays, 68, beloved father, son, brother and friend, passed on March 16, 2012, at his home in McAllen. He was born March 27, 1944, in Galveston. Tony was a Vietnam War Veteran, where he served as a lineman in communications. Upon his return, Tony continued to honor his fellow soldiers through many POW/MIA events and organizations. He was a very dedicated, hard-working man and spent many years with Maygo Trucking and Kershaw Cement in Manhattan, Kan. He is preceded in death by his father, Sherill Mays; brother, Floyd Temple; and sons, Curtis Mays and Jimmie Dodson II. Tony loved the state of Texas and returned to McAllen where he enjoyed spending time with friends and family throughout his final years.

Tony is survived by his mother, Wilba Rogers of Pampa: son, Robert Mays of Topeka, Kan.; daughters, Toni Campbell of Tampa, Fla., and Jana McDonald of Manhattan, Kan.; brother, Dee Temple, of Mission; sisters, Judy Wood of Borger, and Linda Batman of Pampa.

Visitation was held from 4 to 8 p.m. on Sunday, May 20, 2012 at Rivera Funeral Home in Mission. A chapel service was held at 10 a.m. Monday, May 21, 2012, at Rivera Funeral Home in Mission. Interment followed at Valley Memorial Gardens in Mission. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made on behalf of

Tony Mays to Rolling Thunder Texas Chapter 2, PO Box 60009, Houston, TX 77205. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Rivera Fu-

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El Paso may face water restrictions

EL PASO (AP) — El Paso authorities are asking residents to voluntarily curtail water use for the next two weeks to try to prevent mandatory restrictions.

El Paso Water Utilities officials tell the El Paso Times (http://bit.ly/J8e53B) that the lack of water in the Rio cop, Lee said that he rec-Grande and forecasts for scorching temperatures are ognizes that drugs stands prompting the calls for people to curtail lawn watering as the county's biggest and take shorter showers.

The Rio Grande accounts for half of the city's water supply and low water in the river has forced the shutdown of two treatment plants.

Utilities spokesman Martin Bartlett also is asking people to fix water leaks.

Officials set a goal of 125 million gallons of water use daily for May. That goal was met four days later week.

Record heat in Southeast Texas

southeast Texas cities are in record heat territory for the

Over the nearly first five months of 2012, Houston's average temperature is 66.9 degrees. That's the warmest ever since recordkeeping began 120 years ago, topping the 66.5-degree average posted in 1911.

Galveston's been keeping track of weather for 137 years and its 68.3 degrees is 1.3 degrees above the current record from 1882. And College Station's 65.2 degrees is a tick over the 65.1-degree mark from 1911. can go out and write a College Station weather records go back 110 years.

National Weather Service forecaster Charles Roeseler and take calls, but very, tells the Houston Chronicle (http://bit.ly/JgbF48) the very few officers are lack of winter this year and warmer overnight low tem- actually trained in narperatures are responsible for the overall average tem- cotics. You know, it just perature jumps.

Man sentenced in two ton drug bust that I have experience

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — A Texas man has been sentenced to 10 years in prison in a 2-ton marijuana bust in a ring that prosecutors said stretched from Mexico to Kentucky.

U.S. District Judge John G. Heyburn II on Monday also sentenced Exsaul Silva-Garcia of McAllen, Texas, to five years of supervised release. A federal jury in Louisville in February found Silva-Garcia guilty of possession with intent to distribute more than 1,000 kilograms of marijuana.

Silva-Garcia and five others were arrested on Feb. 25, 2010 near Louisville. Police say they found a tractortrailer stuck in sod that was carrying 3,766 pounds of marijuana in a hidden compartment. Prosecutors say Silva-Garcia and two others had called for a tow truck and were arrested.

Four other men were sentenced from three to 26 years

Convicted killer's execution delayed

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — The execution of a man early next month for the slaying of a Dallas woman at her apartment more than 20 years ago has been delayed.

Dallas County prosecutors asked a judge to withdraw the June 6 execution date for 39-year-old Bobby Lee Hines because results of additional DNA testing in his case won't be available by then. District Court Judge Don Adams in Dallas approved the request Friday.

Hines was convicted of the 1991 murder of 26-year-old Michelle Wendy Haupt. She was stabbed with an ice pick

Hines was 19 at the time and on probation for a burglary conviction. He was staying with the apartment complex maintenance man who lived next door to the victim and had access to all the keys in the development.

Dog recovered in puppy theft

HOUSTON (AP) — Two people are in custody for stealing an expensive puppy from a Houston pet store in an incident where a woman used her two small children to help in the theft.

Harris County sheriff's officials say they arrested a woman Monday at an apartment complex after getting a call the puppy was there. Then she told them about a man in a nearby apartment and he was arrested while trying to flee out a window.

The puppy, a \$3,000 English bulldog, has been recovered and safely returned to the store.

A surveillance video showed the woman and two kids, accompanied by two men, ask to see the dog Sunday. While the children are petting the dog, they all run off with the animal, jump into their car and speed away.

Man caught with abducted woman

EL PASO (AP) - A 31-year-old El Paso man is facing multiple charges after authorities say he was arrested at the border trying to flee to Mexico with his abducted girlfriend.

Police say after Manuel Aguirre was arrested Sunday morning, he was taken to a hospital for medical treatment and disappeared. El Paso police had to secure a surrounding area until he was found hiding in a ceiling above a

rest room. Authorities say the woman was in another car, tried to run away after he rammed it repeatedly with his SUV and was grabbed and forced into his vehicle. They were stopped by border officials at a bridge to Mexico.

El Paso police say he had outstanding warrants and previous convictions and is held Monday on bond totaling nearly \$580,000.

AAA estimates travel up for weekend

HOUSTON (AP) — AAA Texas is estimating 2.8 million Texans will travel at least 50 miles from home during the upcoming Memorial Day holiday weekend. That's up 2 percent from a year ago.

Travel by car is the most common transportation mode, with nearly 2.5 million Texans hitting the roads for destinations more than 50 miles away. The motor club said Monday another 213,000 Texas residents will be flying and another 138,000 boarding buses, trains or cruise

ships The average round trip for them is 580 miles and the AAA estimates the average family will spend \$533 during the Thursday through Monday holiday period.

for arresting people. A lot of my drug cases took me to New Mexico, Oklahoma and stuff like that."

As a former narcotics crime problem.

"I know it is," he said. "Yeah, there is a definite problem in all counties, and Pampa's no different. I'd say that there was probably as much drugs in Pampa, Texas, per capità as what Amarillo

Lee added that his HOUSTON (AP) — Houston and several nearby experience could be valuable in sharpening the Sheriff's Office's skills in the fight against drugs.

"I've worked narcotics and I know how to train other guys and help them along to work it, too," he said. "Our problem is that we have officers that ticket or they can go out takes a different breed to work (narcotics). ... I feel and I've trained officers

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in narcotics and actually trained them how to do interdiction and work local stuff, which is a whole lot different than just working highways.

"Right now, they have two or three guys down there on I-40 and that's all they do. They do that drug interdiction, but they had to go to schools to do that, to learn all that. Myself, I know how to train these guys and tell them what they need to do without sending them away. I know how to tell my guys, 'This is what you're looking

Overall, though, Lee said that he believes that the Sheriff's Department is doing a good job and expressed his respect for current sheriff Don Copeland, who he called "a good man who (he's)

known a long time." "I went over to Don

(Copeland) and I talked to Don," Lee said. "Don told me he wasn't going to run, so that sort of made my decision to go ahead and run. Then, Don, of course, decided he was going to run, but I had already filed and put it out in the public that I was going to run. Well, if you don't know David Lee, if he told you he's going to do something, David Lee's going to do it, and that's just the way he is. If he told you he was going to do it, he's not going to back down from nobody, he's going to get her done.

"And another thing," he said with a laugh. "Somebody asked me (why I wanted to run), and I said, 'Well, when I grow up, I want to be

Sheriff.' I figure, I've been thirty-something years in law enforcement, I could retire and go from there. I just wasn't ready

to retire."

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Viewpoints

Today in History

Today is Tuesday, May 22, the 143rd day of 2012. There are 223 days left in the year

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 22, 1972, President Richard Nixon began a visit to the Soviet Union, during which he and Kremlin leaders signed the Anti-Ballistic Missile

On this date:

In 1761, the first American life insurance policy was issued in Philadelphia to a Rev. Francis Allison, whose premium was six pounds per year.

In 1860, the United States and Japan exchanged ratifications of the Treaty of Amity and Commerce during a ceremony in Washington.

In 1935, President Franklin D. Roosevelt appeared before Congress to explain his decision to veto a bill that would have allowed World War I veterans to cash in bonus certificates before their 1945 due date.

In 1939, the foreign ministers of Germany and Italy, Joachim von Ribbentrop and Galeazzo Ciano, signed a "Pact of Steel" committing the two countries to a military alliance.

In 1947, the Truman Doctrine was enacted as Congress appropriated military and economic aid for Greece and Turkey.

In 1960, an earthquake of magnitude 9.5, the strongest on record, struck southern Chile, claiming some 1,655 lives.

In 1962, Continental Airlines Flight 11, en route from Chicago to Kansas City, Mo., crashed after a bomb apparently brought on board by a passenger exploded, killing all 45 occupants of the Boeing

In 1968, the nuclear-powered submarine USS Scorpion, with 99 men aboard, sank in the Atlantic Ocean. (The remains of the sub were later found on the ocean floor 400 miles southwest of the Azores.)

In 1969, the lunar module of Apollo 10, with Thomas P. Stafford and Eugene Cernan aboard, flew to within nine miles of the moon's surface in a dress rehearsal for the first lunar landing.

In 1972, the island nation of Ceylon became the republic of Sri Lanka.

In 1981 "Yorkshire Ripper" Peter Sutcliffe was convicted in London of murdering 13 women and was sentenced to life in prison.

In 1992, after a reign lasting nearly 30 years, Johnny Carson hosted NBC's "Tonight Show" for the last time.

Ten years ago: A jury in Birmingham, Ala., convicted former Ku Klux Klansman Bobby Frank Cherry of murder in a 1963 church bombing that killed four black girls. (Cherry, sentenced to life, died in a prison hospital in 2004.) The remains of Chandra Levy, the federal intern who'd disappeared more than a year earlier, were found in Washington, D.C.'s Rock Creek Park.

Five years ago: British prosecutors accused former KGB agent Andrei Lugovoi of murder in the radioactive poisoning of Alexander Litvinenko. (Russia, however, has refused to extradite Lugovoi.) Olympic gold medalist speedskater Apolo Anton Ohno and his professional dance partner, Julianne Hough (huhf), won ABC's "Dancing With the

One year ago: A tornado devastated Joplin, Mo., with winds up to 250 mph, claiming at least 159 lives and destroying about 8,000 homes and businesses. President Barack Obama defended his endorsement of Israel's 1967 boundaries as the basis for a future Palestine, telling the American Israel Public Affairs Committee his views reflected longstanding U.S. policy. Joseph Brooks, 73, the Academy Award-winning songwriter of "You Light Up My Life" who was awaiting trial for rape, was found dead in his Manhattan apartment, a suicide.

Today's Birthdays: Movie reviewer Judith Crist is 90. Singer Charles Aznavour is 88. Actor Michael Constantine is 85. Conductor Peter Nero is 78. Actor-director Richard Benjamin is 74. Actor Frank Converse is 74. Former CNN anchor Bernard Shaw is 72. Actress Barbara Parkins is 70. Songwriter Bernie Taupin is 62. Actor-producer Al Corley is 56. Singer Morrissey is 53. Actress Ann Cusack is 51. Country musician Dana Williams (Diamond Rio) is 51. Rock musician Jesse Valenzuela is 50. Actor Mark Christopher Lawrence is 48. White House Press Secretary Jay Carney is 47. Rhythmand-blues singer Johnny Gill (New Edition) is 46. Rock musician Dan Roberts (Crash Test Dummies) is 45. Actress Brooke Smith is 45. Model Naomi Campbell is 42. Actress Anna Belknap is 40. Actress Alison Eastwood is 40. Singer Donell Jones is 39. Actor Sean Gunn is 38. Actress A.J. Langer is 38. Actress Ginnifer Goodwin is 34. Actress Maggie Q is 33. Olympic gold-medal speed skater Apolo Anton Ohno is 30.

Thought for Today: "Pride is an admission of weakness; it secretly fears all competition and dreads all rivals." - Bishop Fulton J. Sheen, American religious leader (1895-1979).



Crowded field vying to succeed Paul

WILL WEISSERT Associated Press

LAKE JACKSON (AP) -When Republican congressional hopeful Randy Weber knocks on doors in Ron Paul's hometown and says he'd like to take "Dr. No's" place in Washington, he offers a caveat.

"I hasten to add that Ron Paul's not running again," said Weber, a two-term Texas state representative. "It's happening less now, but a lot of people look at you like, 'why would you want to run against him? How dare you?"

Weber, 58, is one of nine Republicans vying for the party's nomination in Paul's congressional district, which includes Lake Jackson, where the 76-year-old Paul delivered hundreds of babies as an obstetrician, sends out holiday cookbooks with his wife Carol, and goes jogging or biking along Oyster Creek Drive.

In 2008, when Paul ran unsuccessfully for president, he also simultaneously ran for and was easily re-elected to Congress. This year, he only made a failed bid for the White House — and hasn't endorsed anyone in a crowded GOP field to take his House seat. If no candidate gets more than 50 percent of the party's vote during Texas' May 29 primary, a runoff will be held July 31.

"It's sort of like being the coach after Bear Bryant," said Jay Old, a 49-year-old Beaumont defense attorney and another Republican contender, referring to the University of Alabama legend.

While there's no reliable polling, the top Republican choices are thought to be Weber, Old, former Texas State University System regent Michael Truncale and Felicia Harris, a city council member from Pearland.

Jeff Crosby is a Democratic consultant in Austin who grew up in Paul's district and worked for challengers who previously tried to unseat him. He said locals like hardboiled politicians: "a lot of people down there, they're grumpy. There's no other way to

Old took a more nuanced view. saying district voters, "lend themselves to independent-minded candidates who are willing to take a stand for what they and their people think is right."

"I feel comfortable with going in and being an independent voice," he said, "but not being Ron Paul's voice."

Paul endorsed Weber's two runs for the Texas House, and he hints that Paul might eventually support his congressional run too. But Weber also conceded he'd, "never fill his shoes completely because Dr. Paul's very much beloved and he's an icon in the area."

Paul represented the district for 24 years but not consecutively. He retired from Congress in 1984 and ran for president as a Libertarian four years later, before winning the Republican nomination to return to the House in 1997. Also, redistricting means the new district stretches along the Gulf Coast to encompass cities like Beaumont while skirting the suburbs south of Houston.

That could be good news for the likely Democratic nominee in the general election in November, former U.S. Rep. Nick Lampson. He served four terms in the House but was defeated in 2004. Lampson says about 80 percent of the geographic area in the district Paul is leaving behind now overlaps with his old district.

The area is a mix of shrimpers and fishing interests, rice farmers, oil and gas concerns, petrochemical firms and industry and shipping magnates. Many decry federal regulation of everything from oyster beds to emissions standards — but others chide Washington for failing to invest adequately in the region's ports, or rely on subsidy-dependent fields like the aerospace industry.

Paul largely managed to keep such disparate interests happy by being personally accessible, but also refused to deviate from his Libertarian principles — so much so that he was known on Capitol Hill as "Dr. No" for so often voting against legislation he saw as government overreach.

"There's a strong Libertarian base here, but there's also a substantial amount of people who think the world of Dr. Paul, as I do, but don't necessarily line up behind every issue with him," said Lake Jackson Mayor Bob Sipple, who has endorsed Weber in the primary.

When Hurricane Ike pounded Galveston on the Gulf Coast in 2008, Paul voted against disaster relief. Both Weber and Old say conservative values resonate with district voters. They agree on restoring fiscal discipline in Washington, rolling back federal regulation and repealing President Barack Obama's health care reform.

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Both break with Paul in supporting government spending to bolster economic opportunity. Weber applauds using state funds to attract firms to Texas, while Old says Washington needs to do more to help the district's ports stay competitive.

At Weber's campaign headquarters, there's a bumper sticker with a coiled rattle snake over the words, "Don't tread on my gun rights" and five unflattering cartoons lambasting Obama and health care reform.

But at a recent reception in the waterfront community of Texas City, when a voter asked about Wisconsin Republican Rep. Paul Ryan's plan to gradually overhaul Medicare, Weber replied, "honestly I have not looked at it. I've only heard about it."

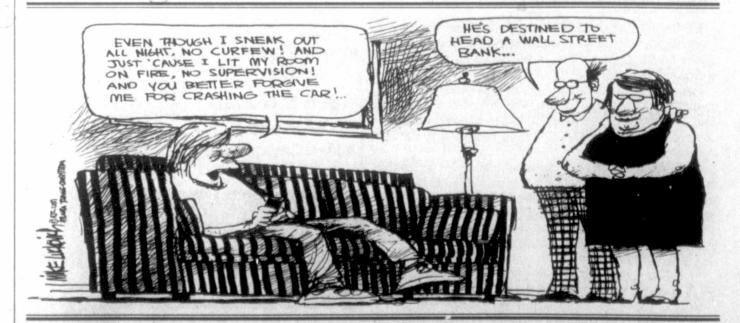
That didn't sit well with the questioner, retired engineer Jim Vavogas, who said of Weber, "I heard a lot of good discussion around the big topics but no specific answers.'

Weber calls himself the "No. conservative in the Texas Legislature," though his state House district has very little overlap with the congressional district. And, amid criticisms that he didn't live in the district, Weber recently sold his house and moved just a half-mile inside the district's boundaries.

Weber has lent his campaign more than \$100,000, with Old paying \$50,000 to bolster his run. But Old has raised more money — enough to air radio and television ads. Old has also drawn some criticism, however, for contributing to Democratic ampaigns in the past, and voting in a Democratic primary as recently as 2010.

Old says Jefferson County, where he lives, has historically been heavily Democratic - and supporting the party was the only way to make a difference in local

"I'm not a wild-haired, yellowdog Democrat guy," he said. "But I've got to support the local guys that are best for our community."



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dons mask in court

WACO (AP) — A soldier accused of planning to bomb Fort Hood troops in a restaurant last summer wore a mask in court for the first time Monday as a jury was selected in his federal trial.

Pfc. Naser Jason Abdo, who has been accused of spitting blood on authorities escorting him, wore an oval mask over his nose and mouth. Several U.S. marshals seated near him in the Texas courtroom wore protective glasses.

Abdo, a Muslim soldier who was AWOL from Fort Campbell, Ky., is accused of planning to bomb a restaurant in Killeen that was filled with soldiers from nearby Fort Hood and then shoot any survivors.

He faces up to life in prison if convicted of attempting to use a weapon of mass destruction and five other charges. Opening statements are expected to begin Tuesday in U.S. District Court in Waco, about 50 miles northeast of Killeen. Abdo, 22, is not being tried in military court.

His lead defense attorney, Zachary Boyd, referred to the mask while questioning potential jurors Monday.

"I have a concern. My client looks a little different today because he has a mask on," Boyd said, then asking if they had a problem with Abdo's mask. Nobody raised a hand.

The soldier has been accused of biting through his lip and spitting blood on a deputy U.S. marshal and a sheriff's deputy who were escorting him after a court hearing last month. Officials reported a previous blood-spitting incident

McLennan County Sheriff Larry Lynch said he couldn't comment on why Abdo was wearing a mask in court, and a gag order prevents attorneys from discussing anything about the case publicly.

Killeen police began investigating Abdo after an employee from Guns Galore called July 26, saying a young man bought six pounds of smokeless gunpowder, shotgun ammuinition and a magazine for a semiautomatic pistol — while seeming to know little about his purchases, according to previous court testimony and documents.

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the Gray County Sheriff's Office in the jail, deputies, dispatch and secretaries," he said. "Everybody's good and they take care of the citizens of Gray County very well."

"We have a sufficient number of jail staff now, and we are strong advocates of good law enforcement officers who act with honesty and integrity," he

Copeland makes it a point that his employees stay up with the state's

training requirements. "Training is very important to law enforcement to stay up with what's new," he said. "We've had 500-plus hours distributed among our deputies since last August, and we con-

tinue to do that." For Copeland, the main crime facing the county isn't much of a mystery.

"To me, drug use is probably the number one problem we have, as well

as everyone else in the United States," he said. "It causes people to commit other crimes like theft and robbery."

Copeland hopes to continue the work he has been doing the last 16 years.

"We try to enforce the policies of the county," he said. "I appreciate the confidence of Gray County allowing me to be their sheriff the last 15 and a half years, and would appreciate their continued support."

Fort Hood suspect Financial planning for those who can't

TERRY SAVAGE Creator's Syndicate

Many families focus on Mother's Day and Father's Day during this season of the year. But for many moms and dads, it is a bittersweet recognition. They are parents of ble of caring for themselves, living independently, earning a living and managing their finances.

For them, the task of parenting has a never-ending timeline. And what they worry about most is children.

cated her life to creating a planning children. system for families of children with disabilities.

Mary Anne Ehlert's interest in planning for these children started with her own sister, whose disabilities as result of cerebral palsy affected the entire family. The story is detailed in Ehlert's book, "The Gift I Was Given."

The need to confront the issues behalf of their children. of financing and planning for her sister led Ehlert to create a simple workbook designed to chronicle life histories and catalog important information. It has since grown into benefit programs? a broad-based planning and advocacy program for the disabled.

You can find it all at www. ProtectedTomorrows.com. The such as participation in the special website describes it best: "Protected Tomorrows Inc. is an advocacy firm that enhances the lives of peo- one or both parents die? ple with special needs through a rological diseases in the following build self-esteem.

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children with disabilities — chil- areas: education, residential, legal, dren who will never be fully capa- financial, health care, government benefits and employment."

There are several ways to access Over the years, I've watched and written about — Mary Anne as she works with families to help what will happen when they, in all them find resources and work with likelihood, pass on ahead of their attorneys to create special needs How do you create a lifetime best opportunities. She also has plan for someone who will always a staff of planners who develop with corporations, presenting semineed care? It's not only a ques- and coordinate care plans. There nars as part of an employee benefit tion of money, but a question of are even group sessions, where as program. She estimates that in any responsibility. Fortunately, there is many as 20 families learn the do's employee group, it's likely that a financial planner who has dedi- and don'ts of planning for their one in 20 has a family member

> The real genius, though, is Mary Anne's recognition that many families can't afford this kind of intensive planning. So she created a computerized program that costs \$129 to get started, plus an annual fee of \$29. It is an online program that helps families think through all the decisions that must be made on

> - Who will be the future caregivers and trustees?

> - How can money be set aside for care without affecting federal

> - What happens when your child reaches age 18, or 21, and "ages out" of many benefits for children, education system?

What plan is in place for when

One of the critical elements of the comprehensive life planning pro- process is the "My Special Life" cess. We create Future Care Plans, workbook. Children who are able to which address the needs of the understand the concept are encourindividual with developmental dis- aged to get involved — talking abilities, mental illness, physical about their lives, posting pictures disabilities or cognitive and neu- of themselves — all in a process to

Says Ehlert: "It's as if you were creating a retirement plan for a child. It's a lifetime process that will need to be revised and updated, so having it well organized is important.'

Sadly, despite modern medicine and genetic testing, there is a growing need for this kind of planning. According to the latest report (March 29, 2012) from the Centers for Disease Control, one in all the assistance and information. 88 children is being diagnosed with autism - up from one in 110 children in 2006. Among boys, the rate of autism disorders is one in 54, almost five times the rate for girls.

And those numbers create greater trusts to give their children the need for counseling and planning services. Ehlert is now working who needs to deal with this issue. Employees who have access to her planning system are less likely to be distracted — or leave the workforce entirely to care for a family member. And Ehlert frequently offers public seminars, open to all.

For more information go to www. ProtectedTomorrows.com or call 847-522-8086.

I leave you with these words from the ProtectedTomorrows.com

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Something to think about — and that's The Savage Truth Terry Savage is a registered investment adviser and is on the board of the Chicago Mercantile Exchange. She appears weekly on WMAQ-Channel 5's 4:30 p.m. newscast, and can be reached at www.terrysavage.com. She is the author of the new book, "The New

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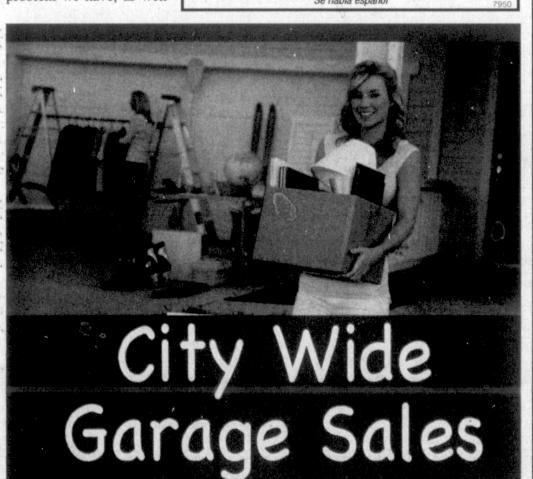


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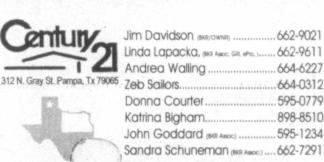


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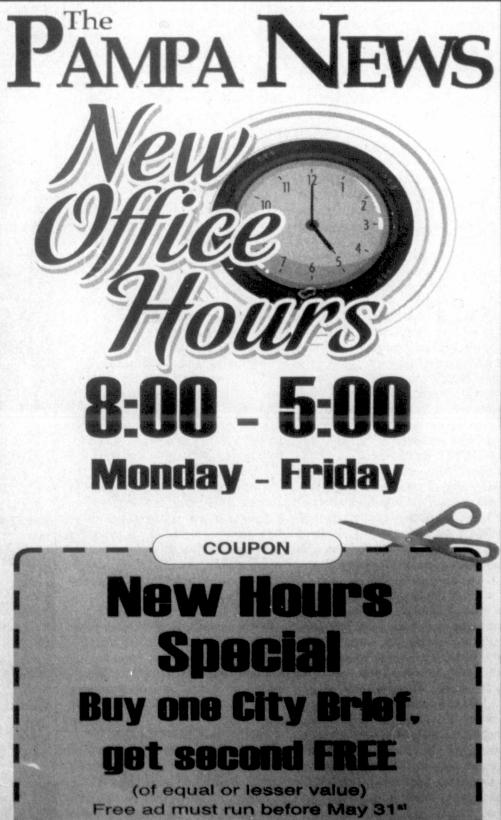


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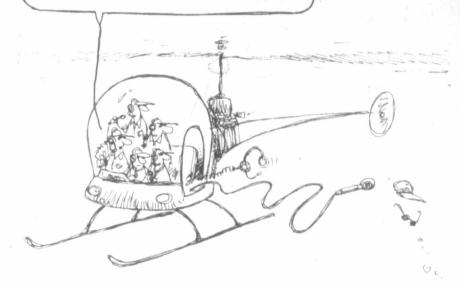
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You have a gift for effortlessly making friends this year. As a result, many of your long-term dreams could become realities. Learn to work with the unexpected more easily. If you can relax rather than become tense, you will be able to are single, you'll meet several potential suitors and will have difficulty selecting. Don't, but take a workshop in the art of over money -- get separate checking accounts. CANCER is moody.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

*** Sometimes even the best of intentions go haywire, making you wonder what your role in this mess was. At this point in time, you might have a very controlling boss or friend. Do your best not to respond to his or her game. Tonight: Happily head home.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

*** Communication runs arnok, as someone might not do or say what you feel is needed in a certain circumstance. Clearly, someone you are dealing with wants to have things his or her way. Detach and let this person have just that. Tonight: Visit with pals.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

*** Your vision and another person's vision of what works might be in direct opposition. Choose not to make it an issue, and distance yourself appropriately. Let this person see the "rightness" of his or her ways, though do be nice. Tonight: Buy a new item for summer.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

*** You might feel that you are in an either-or situation. Don't take others' comments personally. Your best move might be to simply pull back until a situation is resolved. The unexpected occurs out of the blue. Avoid a power play at all costs. Tonight: What you want to do.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

*** You might choose to distance yourself some from all the goings-on around you. You feel as if someone is sonal night.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) *** You will need to focus, as

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, many people might attempt to distract you. Could an argument be building with a child or loved one? He or she might need your reassurance. Deal with joint financial issues carefully. There is a latent issue emerging. Tonight: Among friends. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*** Tension builds, as a respected handle an innate volatility this year. If you elder, boss or parent demands that certain matters be done his or her way. Push easily comes to shove. Hard words are spoken. Don't get into this power play. The diplomacy. If you are attached, don't fight only way to win a control game is not to play. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) **★★★★** You might want to rethink a

personal situation. Talk to someone with more experience in such matters who is not involved. Detach and don't get into a struggle of wills. Recognize that no one wins that way. Let the other party be upset for a while. You cannot be responsible for his or her mood. Tonight: Take in a different vision.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

*** Deal with each person individually, even if this isn't the norm for you. Relating directly helps you establish needed boundaries. Someone needs to understand that he or she doesn't have access to your funds as if they were his or her own! Tonight: A cozy dinner for two.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) *** You might want to rethink a personal issue rather than keep pushing to have your way. You might not realize how you are coming off. Do you really want the other party in this interaction to feel pushed? Tonight: Why not allow someone else to make the first move and choose the plans?

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

** You are concerned about finishing up an errand or completing a project. Your mind is elsewhere; therefore, you could cause yourself a problem. An unexpected call or email could bring you back to the here and now. Tonight: Squeeze in some exercise.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

*** Your imagination takes over. pushing too hard to have his or her way. Even when someone tries to be control-A simple "no" doesn't seem to work. The ling, your sense of humor makes it close unexpected occurs. Tonight: Take a per- to impossible to take this person seriously. By not playing, you break past a new barrier. Tonight: Let the romantic in you out.

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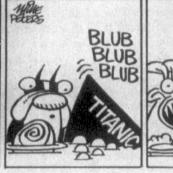
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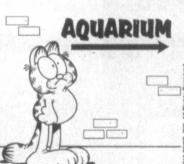






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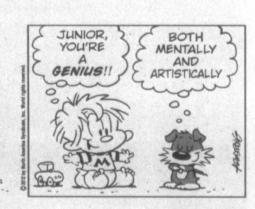




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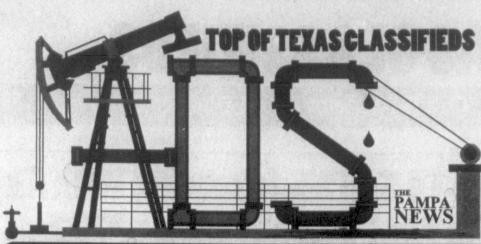


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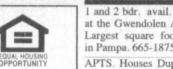
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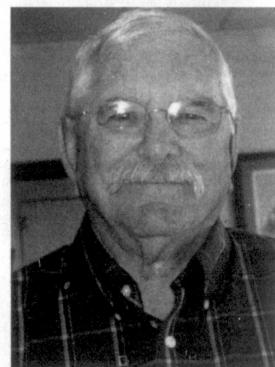
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Douglas also believes the office's computer system is in need of an

"(The computers) don't even have a spell check in them, and everything that comes through there comes through the computers, and we have to keep them updated," he said. "That's something that's very important. When you buy something, you need to buy it with all the amenities in it."

Douglas sees a need for a greater sense of stability in terms of employees in the office.

"We're working on our ninth chief deputy in 14 years," he said. "We've got the eleventh maintenance man in 14 years. ... You want to hire people you can keep, and retain those people. You don't want to retrain everybody.

"That's an expense to the county, and these people have put in a lot of time and effort, and they're a valuable investment to Gray County. We need to keep them instead of changing over all the time."

Increased training could improve stability and interoffice collaboration, according to Douglas.

"That's something that you never get enough of, and then you have to go out and apply that," he said. "That goes back to stability of people being here, not changing them, so they'll cont. from page 1

know everybody, know people in the other counties. We are centered in Gray County, but we're part of the top 26 counties in the Panhandle. ...You have to have that relationship. Your officers have to work with these people. Everyone has to mesh.'

Douglas has been involved with the Optimist Club, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, 4-H, the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association, and has served as a deacon at his church and on the boards of the Pampa Municipal Credit Union and United Way, which reflects his philosophy of serving the community.

"I think that's very important, to pick out something that ties you to the community," he said. "I think you ought to give back. I don't think that you ought to be sitting here, living here a long time, and never have done anything for the community. It's important that you give back what you've received. Me and my wife, we've received a lot from this com-

Douglas has lived in Gray County almost 40 years, and he hopes to serve as sheriff in the community that he

"I want to use my law enforcement experience to help those people, to serve them," he said. "That's what this job is, a job to serve the people."



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here. ... We can build a relationship with the police department here that would be

beneficial to all the citizens." Stubblefield said that he doesn't have any particularly deep criticisms for incumbent Don Copeland or for the way the Sheriff's Office is presently run, although as a longtime law enforcement officer, Stubblefield said that he does have a few reforms that he'd enact if he were elected.

"I see changes that I think need to be made," Stubblefield said. "There's things that I would be different than what the current administration's doing. The main thing I see that the Sheriff's Department needs is a full-time investigator. The system they have now is that an officer goes out and takes an initial report, and he's supposed to follow up on that. That's just not working out. ... With a full-time investigator, the officer would go out and make the initial report, and then the full-time investigator would go out and talk to suspects, follow up on the case and carry the case all the way through to presentation to either the county attorney or the district attorney. It's not the officer's fault. It's the way the system is right now. With all the duties and details they have to do - transporting prisoners, serving papers and all that - they can't be full-time investigators and do the other duties that's required of them."

Stubblefield also mentioned a need to lessen the population in the Gray County Jail.

"We're going to have to figure out some way to work with the judges and the prosecutors to relieve the overcrowding in the county jail," he said. "When I was sheriff, we tried to hold the jail population down into the 50s range. Right now, we've been having to farm out prisoners down to Childress, and that's been costing Gray County tax dollars to have them down there. What we need to do is work with the prosecutors and work with the judges, and the cases they feel would be better served justice-wise by doing plea bargains, we need to do that and get those cases taken care of and get those individuals out of jail."

As a former sheriff, Stubblefield added that he knows that any changes he'd make could require funds and that because he's held the office before, he knows how to be a good steward of the county's money.

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"As someone who's held this position before, I'm used to the system working with the county commissioners and the county judge," he said. "I know that the changes that I want to make, I can only make if the funds are available. (I know) that those funds are tax dollars and that we as administrators of those tax dollars have to make sure that they are spent in the most favorable way for the taxpayer and the most beneficial way for law enforcement. It's not going to be a learning experience for me going to it, trying to figure out if I can buy this or can I afford that or whatever. I know what can be spent.

"The four years I was sheriff, I came in under budget every year," he continued. "I never had to go back to the commissioners court and say, 'Hey, I overspent.' In each area of the budget, you have line items. I would have to get transfers because I may be short on vehicle maintenance, but I was long on some other line item, so I could just enter budget transfers and make up the difference. But on the overall budget, every year, I turned back money to the county, which means savings for tax dollars."

All in all, Stubblefield said, he wants to return to the sheriff position to continue to give back to the entire community.

"The main thing is that I have always tried in my public service as a law enforcement officer to benefit the citizens I'm serving, whether it's in Roberts County or down in Donley County or right here at home in Gray County." he said. "When I was sheriff, I started the first drug program in Gray County, and that was 20 years ago, 18 years ago. We started the DARE program in the school system to try to teach kids to say no to drugs. We had that program going in Lefors, McLean and here in Pampa.

"(Lefors and McLean) are part of Gray County, too, a big part," he added. "When I was sheriff before, I would go to Lefors, I would go to McLean. I would go to parks department meetings, go down and visit with the city leaders. I'd say, 'OK, what do you want from your sheriff's office?' I've always been involved in the community, and I want to maintain that."

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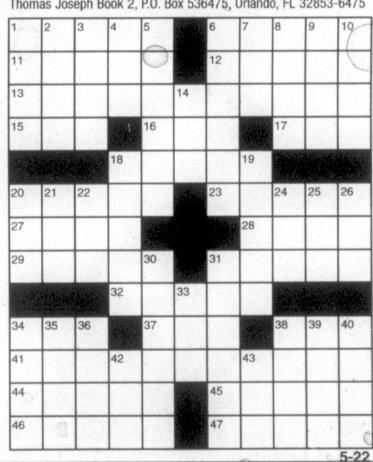
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Sports

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The Pampa Lady Harvesters' season may be over, but people can still get their softball fix as WheelTimes, Inc. will introduce the sport today at 6:30 p.m. at Harvester Football Field.

"I'm excited," Brad Pingel, Pampa every month. mayor and group founder, said. "I'm not really sure how its going to go. (We're) going to see how the kids take to it, play the game and have fun."

WheelTimes, Inc. started last year and gives children with physical disabilities the chance to experience the joy of playing sports. The group has hosted an event

Before the game, there will be free hot dogs and hamburgers at 6 p.m.



Pingel said the game will be similar to softball but with some changes.

"It's going to be modified," Pingel said. "We are going to use the tee and we will still have volunteers that will help get the kids around the bases. They'll use a regular bat and softball to use."

Last year, the group held soccer and basketball events. During the high school basketball season, WheelTimes Inc. held competitions during halftime of the varsity boys basketball games. Participants were in wheelchairs the whole time.

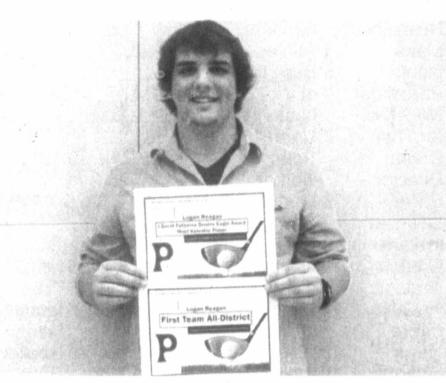
Pingel said participants won't have to be in chairs the whole time today.

"We've got a couple of kids that feel more comfortable on their crutches," Pingel said. "They may choose to use their crutches to go around the bases."

Pingel said he has several people volunteering and encourages people to come out and watch.

"Cheer these kiddos on when they get a hit," Pingel said. "To me, the crowd is just as important as anything."

2011-2012 PHS boys and girls golf banquet award winners





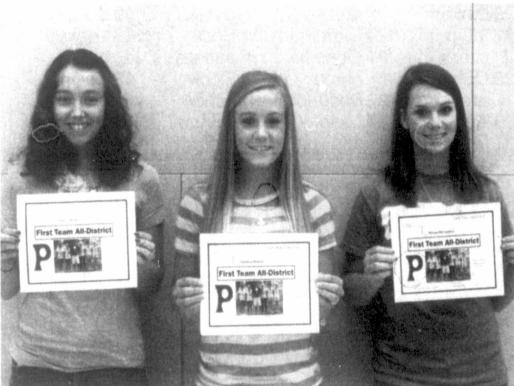




photo courtesy of Russ Alexander TOP LEFT: Senior Logan Reagan holds up his first team All-District and Boys MVP award at the golf banquet on May 14. TOP RIGHT: Senior Lind-

sey Brown (from left) and junior Alison Alexander show off their girls MVP certificates. MIDDLE LEFT: Sophomore Ashlee Kieth (from left), Brown and Alexander pose with their First Team All-District Awards. BOTTOM RIGHT: Sophomore Savanna Mertz holds her Second Team All-District Award. **BOTTOM LEFT: Kieth holds** her Most Improved award.







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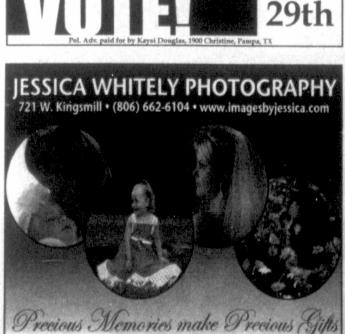
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