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## County approves budget for Clarendon College Pampa campus

Commissioners also meet in special session at 9 a.m. today, Wednesday morning, to discuss matters such as the FY 2013 budget.

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At its meeting last week, the Gray County Commission approved the budget for Clarendon College's Pampa Center. According to Ray Jaramillo, vice

president and dean of workforce development at Pampa Center, said the budget hadn't increased, except with regard to computer services.

"It's pretty consistent with last year," he said. "We're trying to make sure everything's stable and working. We feel

like we're going to have a good year, and we're looking to starting new programs."

As part of state budget cuts, funding to Clarendon College, which has campuses in Clarendon, Childress and Pampa, was slashed by 3 percent, or \$150,000, but Jaramillo said the Pampa campus was

unaffected.

Jaramillo said he is looking forward to another school year.

"Overall, we're continuing to maintain and gain community support," he said. "We're off to a great start, and enrollment and registration is still going on from now through mid-September."

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## Blame It On The Rain



Staff photo by **Gayden Hays**

Monday's storm front took Pampa and the Texas Panhandle by surprise, depositing a healthy amount of rain and prompting authorities to warn residents to be careful for deep puddles and mosquitoes.

## Cold front, inches of needed rain, blow through county

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A cold front blew through Gray County around 7 p.m. Monday — dumping as much as 1.65 inches of rain. In Pampa, the National Weather Service estimated the total was .98 inches.

North of McLean in southeastern Gray county, there were rain totals 1.65 inches and greater, officials said.

White Deer, west of Pampa, reported only .55 inches in their gauges at the city offices.

Brandon McGinty at the Texas AgriLife Extension Service office in Gray County, said this was the "only gentle rain we have received in two months."

Most storms of a similar

nature have been to our east and south, he said.

However, McGinty said, the rain was probably "too little, too late," because the dry land cotton and sorghum blooms that generally results from such a rain probably will not make.

McGinty said if Gray county experiences a late freeze and the Panhandle a warm fall, there is a chance the cotton and sorghum will produce.

The National Weather Service predicts that today will be partly cloudy with areas of fog in the morning and highs in the mid 80s.

Tonight should be partly cloudy in the evening then becoming mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, and



lows in the mid 60s.

Thursday should be mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, breezy, with highs in the upper 80s.

Expect Thursday Night to be cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms and lows in the mid 60s, the weather service reported.

## Gray County lines near completion

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Cross Texas Transmission is nearing completion of transmission lines through Gray County as part of a project that will connect wind energy from the Panhandle into the ERCOT grid, which serves major metropolitan areas across the state, including Dallas, Houston, Austin and San Antonio. A Gray County substation is also in the works, and is expected to be energized in spring of 2013.

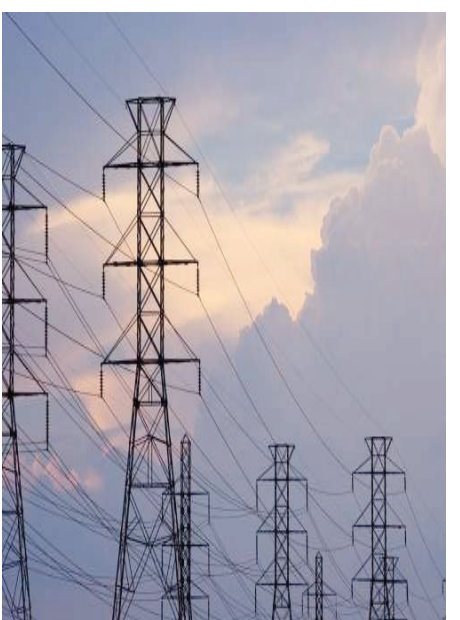
Over 100 miles of transmission line has been installed so far, running from Gray to Tesla and from Gray to White Deer. According to Cross Texas, the company has employed about 175 people on the Gray County lines and about 50 through the substation. The company also has started a substation in Hall County, which should be complete by fall of 2013.

While most of Texas is part of the ERCOT grid, the Panhandle falls under the eastern grid in Xcel's power pool, so energy produced here through projects like wind farms stays here.

"The primary goal of the (Cross Texas Transmission) projects is to open up the Panhandle region to allow for the connection of renewable energy, especially wind energy," said Cross Texas Transmission's vice president, Cameron Fredkin. "In the future, we could see an expansion of wind farms or new wind farms."

Cross Texas expects to create around 10 to 15 permanent jobs throughout the Panhandle to operate and maintain its system.

"I look forward to completing the project, expanding the system and connecting it to renewable energy," said Fredkin.



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## PAMPA FORECAST

Today	Thursday	Friday
		
High 85 Low 64	High 86 Low 65	High 87 Low 67

Today: Areas of fog before 10am. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 85. South wind 10 to 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Tonight: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 64. South wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Thursday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 86. Breezy, with a south wind 15 to 20 mph increasing to 20 to 25 mph in the afternoon. Winds could gust as high as 35 mph.

Thursday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Cloudy, with a low around 65. South wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

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Friday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 67. South wind 15 to 20 mph.

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# Obituaries

## Diana Gay Taylor

Diana Gay Taylor, 69, of Pea Ridge died Monday, Aug 20 at Mercy Medical Center in Rogers.

She was born June 7, 1943 in Wheeler to Carl Shell Gulley and Wilma Mary Alexander. She worked for Wal-Mart accounting and was a Methodist. She is preceded by her parents and a brother Edwin Gulley.

She is survived by a son, Brent Taylor and wife Alison of Bella Vista; a daughter Shannon Sue Taylor of Pea Ridge; three sisters, Shellene Dancy of Pampa, Texas, Betty Maxwell and husband Eldon of Pampa, Texas and Judy Goin and husband Bill of Corpus Christie, Texas and grandchildren, Lindsey and Hailey Taylor, Taylor and Cole Bridges.

A memorial service is set for 2 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 22 at Sisco Funeral Home Chapel in Pea Ridge with Rev. Jerry Nichols officiating. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Friedreich's Ataxia Research Alliance, www.curefa.org, or FARA 533 W. Uwchlan Ave, Downingtown, PA. 19335 Online condolences may be made at siscofuneralhome.net.

## W.C. "Flea" Simpson

# For the record

### THE GRAY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests for the four-day period ending Tuesday, Aug. 21 at 7 a.m.

Friday, Aug. 17 Miguel Angel Garcia, 18, was arrested by police for *capias* pro fine warrants.

Paul McKinley Ross, 45, was arrested by deputies for insufficient bond.

Doris Allen, 21, was arrested by deputies on a probation violation.

Justin Wade Helton, 27, was arrested by DPS officers on charges of possession of a controlled substance and driving while intoxicated.

Jose Inez Muro Sosa, 37, was arrested by DPS officers for driving while intoxicated.

Saturday, Aug. 18 Edgar Robles, 17, was arrested by po-

lice on charges of consumption of alcohol by a minor, failure to appear and fighting.

Robert Dale Knoop, 55, was arrested by DPS officers on a blue warrant.

Rebecca Ann Eastep, 49, was arrested by deputies for hindering the apprehension or prosecution of a known felon.

Walter Lawrence Johnson III, 19, was arrested by deputies for theft of property over \$50 and under \$500.

Chad Michael Richards, 33, was arrested by deputies on charges of possession of controlled substance and resisting arrest.

Sunday, Aug. 19 Joe Reyes Solis, 47, was arrested by DPS officers for driving while intoxicated.

Daniel Montero-Duran, 25, was arrested by police on charges of leaving the scene of an accident, duty on striking

MCLEAN — W.C. "Flea" Simpson, 87, died Sunday, August 19, 2012 in McLean. Services will be 10 a.m. Thursday, August 23, 2012 in the First Baptist Church in McLean with Rev. Norman Rushing and Rev. Thacker Haynes, officiating.

Interment will be with US Marine Corps Honors will be in Hillcrest Cemetery in McLean. Arrangement by Robertson Funeral Directors of McLean.

Mr. Simpson was born January 6, 1925 in McLean to James Melvin and Edna Smulcer Simpson. He married Wanda Rae Allen on December 7, 1947. He was a US Marine Corps veteran where he obtained the rank of corporal serving during World War II. Most will remember him as the owner of Simpson Grocery in McLean. He was a Mason and a member of the McLean Lions Club. He was also a member of the First Baptist Church in McLean where he served as a deacon and also treasurer. He devoted all of his time to his church, family, and his business. He was the last of 10 kids.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, on July 8, 2012; seven brothers; and two sisters.

Survivors include two sons, Melvin Ray Simpson and wife Demetra of Booker, Stanley E. Simpson of Plano; 8 grandchildren; and 12 great grandchildren.

MEMORIALS - The family request memorials be sent to First Baptist Church in McLean.

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a fixed object and no valid driver's license. Ramon Paul Ontiveros, 18, was arrested by DPS officers for driving while intoxicated.

Zephyr Matthew Ellis, 18, was arrested by police for theft over \$50 and under \$500.

Thomas James Downs, 34, was arrested by DPS officers for driving while intoxicated.

Kala Dawn Seymour, 23, was arrested by deputies on a bond to surrender for possession of a controlled substance less than one gram.

Billy Bob Stowers, 27, was arrested by police on charges of assault causing bodily injury and interfering with an emergency call.

Monday, Aug. 20 Dakota Lee Whinery, 20, was arrested by police for possession of drug paraphernalia and on warrants for expired motor

vehicle inspection, displaying expired registration, failure to maintain financial responsibility, failure to appear and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Thomas Roman Brown, 34, was arrested by DPS officers for possession of a controlled substance greater than one gram but less than four grams, possession of drug paraphernalia and on a *capias* pro fine warrant.

Marcos Apodaca, 41, was arrested by deputies on a DWI sentence.

Jennifer Marie Brown, 28, was arrested by DPS officers for possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia and for *capias* pro fine warrants.

Tuesday, Aug. 21 Travis Frank Berryman, 29, was arrested by police on *capias* pro fine warrants.

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## Deadline for rebuilding plan

GALVESTON (AP) — State and federal authorities have set a Sept. 1 deadline for a Southeast Texas city to offer plans to rebuild public housing destroyed by Hurricane Ike.

The Texas General Land Office on Monday sent a letter to Galveston reminding Mayor Lewis Rosen of the possible loss of millions of dollars in recovery funds.

Ike pounded Galveston on Sept. 13, 2008. The dispute involves 569 public housing units that flooded and had to be demolished.

Rosen has proposed offering rental vouchers instead of rebuilding.

U.S. Housing and Urban Development officials have said Galveston must stick with a rebuilding agreement reached two years ago. HUD on Friday reiterated its stance.

The head of the Galveston Housing Authority, Irwin "Buddy" Herz, says the dispute should be submitted to a federal judge.

## Principal quits over alcohol

HOUSTON (AP) — The principal of a public charter school in Houston has quit after some staff and underage former students drank alcohol on campus.

Officials with KIPP Sunnyside High School said Monday that Shannon Wheatley was not present during the July drinking but knew of it and never reported the incident. Wheatley also helped found the school, which bans alcohol on campus.

School spokeswoman Chris Gonzalez says four clerical staffers who took part in the drinking are no longer employed by KIPP Sunnyside. Officials say two college-age ex-students who were interns and volunteering also consumed alcohol. No current students were present.

Wheatley, who resigned Aug. 9, did not immediately comment.

A letter sent to parents says John Allen, who worked in the school's math department, has been named acting principal.

## Teen gets 30 years in shooting

BEAUMONT (AP) — A youth who faced trial as an adult has been sentenced to 30 years in prison for shooting a Southeast Texas deputy.

Dillon Schlegel of Vidor (VY'-dur), who's now 17, in July pleaded guilty to attempted capital murder in a plea deal. A judge in Beaumont on Monday sentenced Schlegel.

Orange County sheriff's Deputy Fred Ashworth in January was shot with his own gun. Authorities say Schlegel, who was 16 and a minor, disarmed the officer and opened fire.

Ashworth was shot while returning the teen to a juvenile facility after a court hearing in Orange. The deputy recovered.

Schlegel in March was certified to stand trial as an adult for the shooting. He originally faced juvenile charges of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and evading detention.

# Piano Babies in tune with the times

**Q:** Enclosed is a photo of a porcelain doll. My mother-in-law said shawls or scarves were put on pianos and piano dolls were used to keep them from falling. The doll is eight inches tall and in excellent condition. You can see the exceptional detail on the fingers, nails, toes and dimples. We cannot make out the mark that is on the lower back of the doll. It looks like a circle with lines radiating like sunrays, though only from the top half, and it also has letters on the lower half. Can you help identify this doll?

**A:** You have a bisque piano baby and your mother-in-law is correct. In the late 1800s, most families had a piano they would gather around

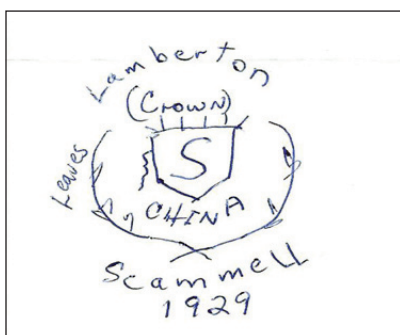


The Heubach brothers were located in Germany.



for entertainment. The pianos, especially baby grands, were covered with decorative shawls or scarves. The babies were designed to anchor the shawls so they wouldn't slide off. The babies were produced in a variety of sizes and in positions that ranged from sitting, crawling, lying down and sleeping. Typically, they have rosy cheeks, winsome smiles and are molded with exact attention to detail. The mark you described was used by Heubach brothers, who have been located in Thuringia, Germany, since 1882. They produced vases, plaques, figurines, dolls and dolls' heads. Your piano baby was made in the late 1800s. Similar babies can be found selling in antiques shops in the range of \$275 to \$325.

**Q:** My mother left me eight plates that were rarely used. I have sent my drawing of the mark that is on the back of each one. The plates are 11 inches in diameter and decorated with multi-colored flowers in the center. The background is white; they have gold borders; and they are in mint condition. I don't know where my mother got the plates. They may have been a



Scammell China Co. was founded in 1924.

gift from her British employer. Can you tell me anything about them and whether they have any value?

**A:** Scammell China Co. was founded in 1924 in New Jersey. They made hotel and railroad china. In 1939, they added Lamberton China, a line of fine china designed for homes. The decorations were both hand painted and transfer printed. The company was sold to Sterling China Co. in 1954. Your dinner plates were made around 1950, and each would probably be worth \$10 to \$20.

# Prosecutors: DNA tests clear man

DALLAS (AP) — A man convicted of raping a 14-year-old girl after she identified him as her attacker soon will be freed from prison after DNA testing implicated an unknown person, Fort Worth prosecutors said Monday.

David Lee Wiggins was accused of breaking into a Fort Worth home and raping the girl, who was home alone on a night in June 1988. According to court records, the girl was able to see her attacker three separate times for a total of 10 to 30 seconds. The girl picked out

Wiggins in a lineup, and in 1989, he was convicted of aggravated sexual assault of a child and sentenced to life in prison.

DNA testing of a sperm cell fraction found on the girl's boxer shorts excluded Wiggins, according to court records. The results came back two weeks ago.

Tarrant County prosecutors filed a motion Monday to help clear the way for Wiggins' release. Though his conviction will not immediately be set aside, the 48-year-

old Wiggins is expected to be freed on bail at a Friday hearing, said Steve Conder, the prosecutor in charge of post-conviction DNA motions for Tarrant County.

Wiggins will become the second person in Tarrant County to have a conviction overturned by DNA testing.

"It's eye-opening," Conder said in an interview. "And it tells you as a prosecutor, even though you have a judgment, you want to be open to the fact

that there might be a problem with it."

Nina Morrison, an Innocence Project senior staff attorney who represented Wiggins, said her client had written the New York-based nonprofit group years ago saying he was innocent and believed DNA testing could exonerate him.

Wiggins was practicing with the prison choir last week when prison staff told him Morrison was on the line.

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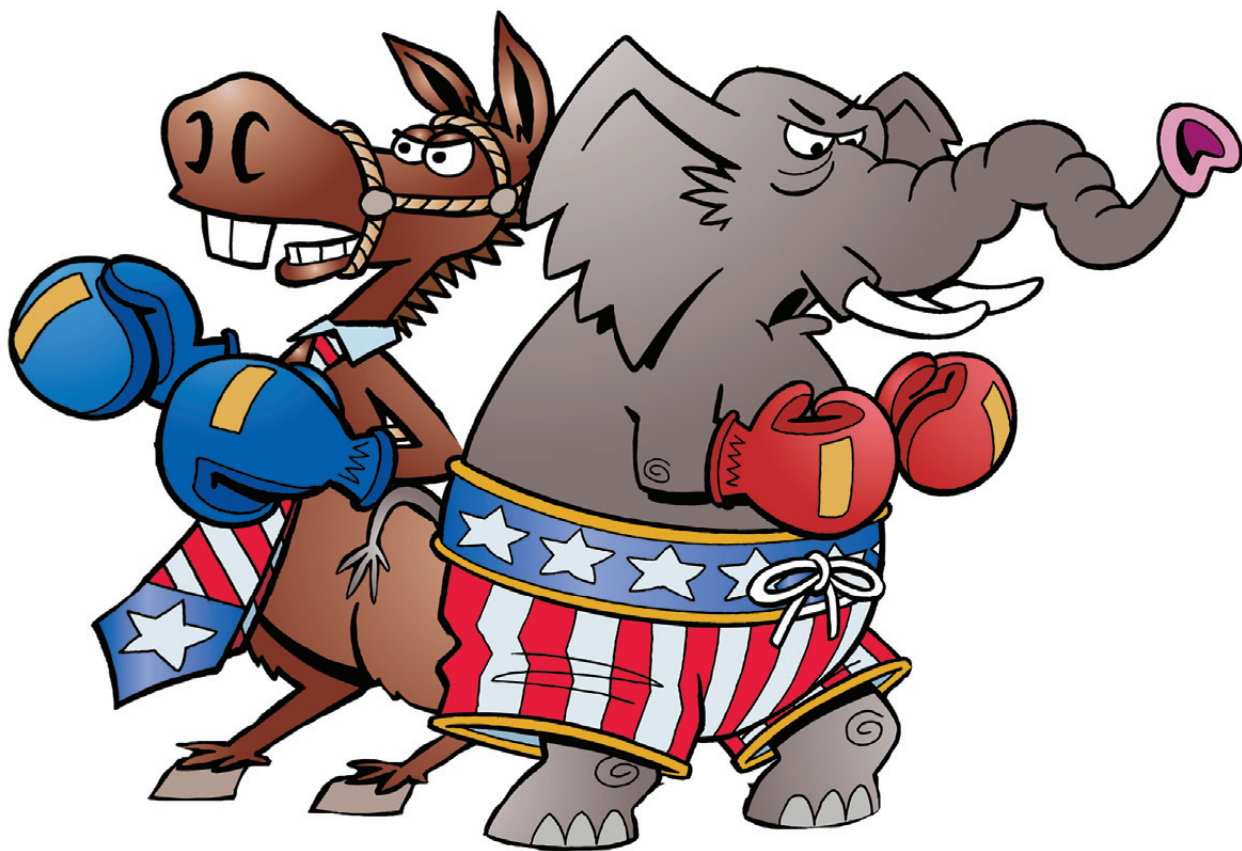
# Viewpoints

## Today in History

August 22 is the 234th day of the year (235th in leap years) in the Gregorian calendar. There are 131 days remaining until the end of the year.

### EVENTS

- 392 – Arbogast has Eugenius elected Western Roman Emperor.
- 476 – Odoacer is named Rex Italiae by his troops.
- 565 – St. Columba reports seeing a monster in Loch Ness, Scotland.
- **851 – Battle of Jengland:** Erispoe defeats Charles the Bald near the Breton town of Jengland.
- 1138 – Battle of the Standard between Scotland and England.
- 1485 – The Battle of Bosworth Field, the death of Richard III and the end of the House of Plantagenet.
- 1559 – Bartolomé Carranza, Spanish archbishop, is arrested for heresy.
- 1639 – Madras (now Chennai), India, is founded by the British East India Company on a sliver of land bought from local Nayak rulers.
- 1642 – Charles I calls the English Parliament traitors. The English Civil War begins.
- 1654 – Jacob Barsimson arrives in New Amsterdam. He is the first known Jewish immigrant to America.
- 1711 – Ships from British Admiral Hovenden Walker's Quebec Expedition founders on rocks at the mouth of the Saint Lawrence River.
- 1717 – Spanish troops land on Sardinia.
- 1770 – James Cook names and lands on Possession Island, Queensland and claims the east coast of Australia as New South Wales in the name of King George III.
- **1777 – American Revolutionary War:** British forces abandon the Siege of Fort Stanwix after hearing rumors of Continental Army reinforcements.
- 1780 – James Cook's ship HMS Resolution returns to England (Cook having been killed on Hawaii during the voyage).
- 1791 – Beginning of the Haitian Slave Revolution in Saint-Domingue.
- 1798 – French troops land in Kilcummin harbour, County Mayo, Ireland to aid Wolfe Tone's United Irishmen's Irish Rebellion.
- 1827 – José de La Mar becomes President of Peru.
- 1831 – Nat Turner's slave rebellion commences just after midnight in Southampton, Virginia, leading to the deaths of more than 50 whites and several hundred African Americans who are killed in retaliation for the uprising.
- 1846 the Second Federal Republic of Mexico is established.
- 1848 – The United States annexes New Mexico.
- 1849 – The first air raid in history. Austria launches pilotless balloons against the city of Venice.
- 1851 – The first America's Cup is won by the yacht America.
- 1864 – 12 nations sign the First Geneva Convention. The Red Cross is formed.
- 1875 – The Treaty of Saint Petersburg between Japan and Russia is ratified, providing for the exchange of Sakhalin for the Kuril Islands.
- 1902 – Cadillac Motor Company is founded.
- 1902 – Theodore Roosevelt becomes the first President of the United States to ride in an automobile.
- 1910 – Korea is annexed by Japan with the signing of the Japan-Korea Annexation Treaty, beginning a period of Japanese rule of Korea that lasted until the end of World War II.
- **1914 – World War I:** in Belgium, British and German troops clash for the first time in the war.



## Chuck Norris: Top 10 reasons not to re-elect Obama (Part 2 of 3)



**CHUCK NORRIS**  
Columnist

The New York Times reported, "With waning approval ratings and a stagnant economy, the possibility that Mr. Obama will not be re-elected has entered the political bloodstream." It's more than entered; it's flowing strong.

Last week in Part 1, I began to list my Top 10 reasons not to re-elect President Obama. Though I would encourage readers to read the details of each of those points, here they are in summary:

10) Obama's economic actions have failed to lower the unemployment rate in the U.S. below 8 percent for last 42 record months.

9) The Obama administration's out-of-control spending has led America to the economic brink and destroyed our country's credit rating.

8) Obama's reckless spending and fiscal policies have added more to the national debt than most U.S. presidents combined: roughly \$6 trillion in his first term in office (making the total debt nearly \$16 trillion, and by White House projections alone, \$21.3 trillion by the end of fiscal 2017, \$25 trillion in 2021 and \$25.9 trillion in 2022).

7) Obama has not only detrimentally increased the costs of entitlements but the dependency of citizens upon government subsidies, rather than empowering the people's autonomy, responsibility and freedom.

6) Obama demeans private enterprise and the entrepreneurial spirit -- the very heart of America -- and instead believes that "only" government is our savior.

Here are a few more

unquestionable justifications for ousting him from office.

5) President Obama has left the U.S. in a weaker and more disrespected position in the global community.

In 2009, President Obama began his presidency by humiliating our superpower nation and parading U.S. weaknesses and mistakes to the world on what many now call his "apology tour," in which he embarked on global travel with his apologetic Top 10 decries of America, as detailed by the Heritage Foundation.

And is the U.S. better off among the nations?

The Washington Times report that, according to a poll by even two left-leaning groups, "A majority of Americans say the United States is less respected in the world than two years ago and believe President Obama and other Democrats fall short of Republicans on the issue of national security."

In February 2012, Gallup reported that "Americans continue to express much greater dissatisfaction than satisfaction with the United States' position in the world, and their views have improved little since hitting a low point in 2008."

The Bipartisan Policy Center, including many of the original 9/11 Commission members, reported on national preparedness 10 years after those catastrophic terrorist attacks: "Our country is undoubtedly safer and more secure than it was a decade ago," but "we fail to achieve the security we could or should have." The report concluded that the federal government has failed to meet nine of the original 9/11 Commission's 41 recommendations.

And what is President Obama's response? He plans to initiate more than \$500 billion in automatic cuts to the defense budget over a decade, starting next January. And Bloomberg Businessweek recently reported that Obama's Democratic-controlled Senate voted to authorize another reduced Pentagon war and defense-related

spending package.

4) Obama has broken or unfulfilled 324 campaign promises.

In the over 500 promises Obama made during his campaign and presidency, even the pro-Obama PolitiFact website and their Obamameter has rated his scorecard: 184 promises kept, 60 compromised, 71 broken, 61 stalled, 130 in the works and two not yet rated. What that verbiage means is that even according to the political left, Obama has fulfilled 184 promises and left 324 pledges broken and unfulfilled.

In 2010, feeling a bit defensive and maybe insecure, Obama fired back in anger to those who were accusing him of selling out by breaking so many of his campaign promises. Wielding his verbose verbal sword, the president retorted: "Take a tally. Look at what I promised during the campaign. There's not a single thing that I've said that I would do that I have not either done or tried to do. And if I haven't gotten it done yet, I'm still trying to do it."

"Not a single thing?"

That's right -- it's 324 single things.

3) Through his presidency, President Obama is invoking and enabling a radically progressive secular state in the U.S.

In 2010, before his run for the presidency, Newt Gingrich stated on the tour for his insightful book "To Save America" that the Obama regime is "the most radical administration in America's history. This is a secular socialist machine ... deeply opposed to God being in public life, deeply opposed to religious values defining how we think about things ... they clearly represent a value system that any reasonable person would call secular ... on a scale that is the opposite of the Founding Fathers."

When New York churches can no longer meet in public school settings, a federal court orders a Rhode Island public school to remove a prayer banner that has been posted for over five decades (and it complies), the federal

government mandates Catholic institutions to cover abortion-inducing drugs, contraceptives and sterilization (at no cost to the patient), the U.S. Air Force removes "God" from the motto of the Air Force Rapid Capabilities Office, the National Park Service omits the words "Laus Deo" (Latin, "Praise be to God") from a Washington Monument capstone replica, atheists continue to contest "under God" in our Pledge of Allegiance, town councils can't pray to start their meetings, evangelical pillars like Franklin Graham are subdued by gotcha-gangs in the mainstream media and cultural icons like football superstar Tim Tebow can't even bow in silent prayer without criticism, etc., you can be assured that religious liberty (and Christianity, in particular) is under assault by secular progressives across America. And leading the national charge is none other than our own president, Barack Obama.

Is it any wonder Obama hasn't fought for a single Christian cause or crisis in culture? Is it any surprise that his ethical campaign promises have fallen flat?

Remember when Obama promised during his 2008 campaign to "clean up both ends of Pennsylvania Avenue" with "the most sweeping ethics reform in history." He repeatedly declared that "an Obama administration is going to have the toughest ethics laws of any administration in history."

Who are you kidding, Mr. President?

(In Part 3 next week, I will complete my Top 10 reasons not to re-elect President Obama.)

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# Life's challenges allow for growth

**JOHN NELSON DARBY**  
Evangelist

In our journey through life, we confront many challenges and tests. We have the opportunity to either face them head on and grow spiritually or retreat and wallow in mental attitude sins and lose our focus.

An evangelist by the name of John Nelson Darby (18 Nov 1800-29 Apr 1882) had in his Bible the above referenced verse with a brief commentary. The following are some highlights from his notes.

**John Nelson Darby - 18 November 1800 - 29 April 1882; Evangelist**

*"It is because of Me that this happened". 1 Kings 12:24*

1. The disappointments of this life are in reality proof of my Love. I have today a message for you, My Child; I will tell you this so that the mounting storm clouds have a golden edge and the thorns on which you step lose their sting. The message is encapsulated in a tiny sentence, but let it sink into the depth of your hearts. May it be a cushion on which your tired head can rest. "It is because of Me this happened".

2. Have you never realized that every event in your life also becomes Mine? He who touches you, touches the apple of my eye. (Zech. 2:8) Because you are precious and valuable in My eye, I have a special interest in your growing up. If you face temptation and enemies confront you, know this: "It is because of Me that this happened." I am the God of circumstances. It is no accident that you are in the place where you are. Rather, I have chosen this place for you.

3. Did you not ask for humility? You see, I have placed you where you can learn this lesson. Through people and things in your environment My Will becomes effective. Do you have money problems? Are you not able to manage with what you have? "It is because of Me that this happened". It is I who owns the heavens and the earth. I want you to ask all things from Me and be totally dependent on Me. My wealth is without boundaries. (Phil. 4:19) Take Me by My word, so that it must not be said of you that you did not trust your God in this matter.

4. Are you experiencing the darkness of grieving? "It is because of Me that this happened." I, Jesus, know what that means. I am ' the man of sorrows acquainted

with grief" (Isa. 53:3) I took away all human crutches so that you would turn to Me and find eternal comfort (2 Thes. 2:16-17)

5. Have certain friends disappointed you? Maybe even one in whom you confided? "It is because of Me that this happened". I permitted this disappointment so that you may learn that I, Jesus, am your best friend. I support you and fight for you. I want to be your trusted friend.

6. Did someone create a public lie about you? Do not pay attention and seek closer fellowship with Me under My wings far way from the verbal fights. When you suffer injustice, I will "let your righteousness appear as light and your right shall be as the noon." (Ps 37:6)

7. Have your plans been destroyed? Are you depressed and disappointed? "It is because of Me that this thing happened."

Did you make plans and ask Me to bless them? It is I who makes plans for you. "This matter is too difficult for you, you cannot execute it by yourself". (Ex 18:18) You are only a tool used by Me carrying out My plan.

8. Did you fervently wish to do something great for Me. And now you find yourself lying on a sickbed? "It is because of Me Me that this happened". It was impossible for Me to get your attention while you poured yourself out in never ceasing action. I still want to teach you some of my deepest lessons. Only he who has learned to wait patiently can serve Me. My best coworkers are often they who cannot join in active service but learned to use the weapon of prayer.

9. Have you suddenly been called upon to do a difficult task of great responsibility? Walk ahead courageously, count on Me. I placed you in this responsible position, that you may know that "Jehovah, your God, will bless you in everything you do." (Deut 15:18)

10. Today I give into your hand a vessel of holy oil. Make freely use of it, My child so that in every circumstance of your life's path pour this oil of trust in Me and comfort from Me on every word that causes you pain, every circumstance which demands your patience, every situation which reveals your weakness. Do not forget, your difficult times are God's opportunities. The sting will diminish according to that measure in which you recognize Me in all things. "Concentrate your heart on all words which I declare to you today. It is your life." (Deut. 32 46-47)

# Billy Graham's Prayer For Our Nation



Heavenly Father,  
We come before you today to ask your forgiveness and to seek your direction and guidance. We know your Word says, 'Woe to those who call evil good,' but that is exactly what we have done. We have lost our spiritual equilibrium and

reversed our values. We have exploited the poor and called it the lottery. We have rewarded laziness and called it welfare. We have killed our unborn and called it ed it justifiable. We have neglected to discipline our children and called it building self esteem.

We have abused

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ments that bestow upon us life and salvation through Christ.

Then there are the dangers of the world. We sinners need a place of refuge and peace. The Divine Service offers such a hide-away. Through the preaching of God's Word, through the Holy Communion, and through the liturgy we receive comfort, security, and pardon from our Lord. The Holy Spirit gives life through God's Word. Jesus' body and blood are administered for forgiveness and peace. People are absolved and their conscience is con-

soled in the preaching of the Gospel of Christ.

The culture of the Church is simply out of this world. Thank God! As the community of faith gathers around God's gifts amazing and holy things happen. There is mystery, enlivening and nourishing of faith, wonder, awe, peace, life, and joy given and received. Where else in the world does a person come into contact with all of this? I can't think of any other place. So the next time the world beats you down and kicks you in the kidneys, come and rest in the Lord at the Divine Service. For it is there you will find refuge, beauty, community, and the gifts of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Search us, Oh God, and know our hearts today; cleanse us from sin and set us free. Amen!

With the Lord's help, may this prayer sweep over our nation and wholeheartedly become our desire so that we once again can be called 'One nation under God!'

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# Donation



Lindsey Been with Accolade Home Care donates proceeds from Pampa's downtown celebration in conjunction with the Top O' Texas Rodeo to Debbie Heiser, owner of The Victorian Rose and chairman of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce Retail Committee. Debbie notes that this donation is the first to go into the Pampa Chamber of Commerce Retail Committee fund. This committee is being formed to help promote retail business in Pampa.

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## Horticulture Tree and Lawn Care Program August 25

There will be a Horticulture Tree and Lawn Care Program on August 25, 2012 at the Gray County Annex, 12125 E. Frederic Ave., starting at 9:30 a.m.

With the drought continuing, issues with proper tree care such as watering, planting, insects, disease, and trimming, are all ways to help trees stay healthy. We will have a tree pruning demon-

stration to assist people with making the correct decisions. Included with this is information on lawn care, with insects, lawn watering and care, mowing and other information for proper care of your lawn.

Registration is \$15.00 per person, paid at the door, and please RSVP by August 23rd to 669-8033, Gray County Extension Office.



## Gray County Genealogical Society meeting

Local organizations share their adventures and escapades and interactions

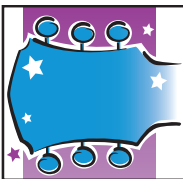
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*The Gray County Genealogical Society held their monthly meeting at The Lovett Memorial Library on July 23, 2012, at seven o'clock. President Lynn Lively called the meeting to order with eighteen members attending.*

*The Treasurer's Report was read by Lucille Roden and approved. Secretary, Dalton Lewis read the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes were approved.*

*A discussion was held on The Eagle landed: Apollo 11, 43 years ago on July 20, 1969. The group was asked who all remembered the landing? Kay Lard, Vice President, provided and hosted the group with an old time ICE CREAM SOCIAL.*

*She served cakes, ice creams, fruits, nuts, candies, whipped cream, and a choice in drinks. A great time was had by all. The Gray County Genealogical Society meets the 4th Monday of each month. The public is welcome.*



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# Clarendon College Pampa Center has busy Summer

CLARENDON COLLEGE

The final days of summer are quickly slipping away at Clarendon College Pampa Center. August is one of the busiest months of the year at CCPC but it is important to take time to reflect on the summer and all of the great things that have happened. We held our very first "Dawg Days of Summer" registration event in July, and we were ecstatic about the turnout. All new and returning participating students received a free day at the water park for registering

early. CCPC staff spent the day talking with students and giving out free goodies. We really appreciate the partnership and participation that we received from the City of Pampa and all the staff at the Aquatic Center. Thanks to all of our students who came out and joined us for a very successful event! Our most recent happening, "Bulldog Days Registration Event" was held on August 16th. We would like to thank the Pampa Fire Department, Frank's Hardware and Fiesta Foods for supporting the college with generous donations to

the event. The Fire Department came out in support of the college and cooked hamburgers and hot dogs (donated by Fiesta Foods) for our registering students. We also set up an awesome bouncy house (donated Frank's Hardware) so our students could bring their families out to have a little fun while registering for classes. If you have been thinking about going back to school now is the time to come in and speak with our Advisor, David Hall. It's not too late to register for Fall classes! Classes start next week, August 29th.



# Altrusa met August 13 at First United Methodist Church

ALTRUSA INTERNATIONAL, INC. OF PAMPA

Altrusa International, Inc. of Pampa, Texas met Tuesday, August 13, 2012 at First United Methodist Church with President, Pat Johnson presiding. Members recited the Altrusa Grace and the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

from Janelle Williamson, the District Nine officer who will be visiting our club, and a thank-you letter from Altrusa International, Inc. president, Donna Johnson of Colorado, thanking us for our proclamation on their behalf and the attendant publicity which we sent her.

News for his help with the Colorado story and photos.

Melodie Dosch announced that she and Kathryn Green had helped PHS counselor Suzanne Pingle do some cleaning in the closet with clothing for homeless and other students. She brought several bags full of clothes for Altrusa members to wash and return to the school.

Roxane Funderburk was appointed to serve on the Board of Directors, to replace Evan Smith who is moving to Arlington, Texas.

Pat Johnson thanked Leona Willis and Allison Watson for auditing the Club, Foundation, and meals fund accounts.

Committee Reports:

Altrusa and ASTRA members served their last "Lunch in the Park" at Lovett Library on Wednesday, August 1.

The Brag Basket was passed, then the meeting closed with members reciting the Altrusa benediction.

Allison Watson served as greeter.

The accent was given by Allison Watson on ASTRA, the PHS service club sponsored by Altrusa. She announced they would have a membership information table at "Fish Camp" (freshman information day) on August 20.

Correspondence was received from Mary Jane Taintor requesting a leave of absence because she is moving, an e-mail

Sheila Winton discussed the successful "Gal-Event" held July 31 as a party to help members get better acquainted. She thanked Gayden Hays of the Pampa

The Program meeting will be held Tuesday, August 28 at 6:30 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church Parlor.



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## Harvester tennis beginning Fall schedule against Randall August 28



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Harvester Boys and Girls tennis teams practice getting ready for the upcoming Fall schedule. Coach Sarah Corse will field a young team after returning only four of last years sixteen players. Expected to lead the Lady Harvester pictured above left is Emily Terry and for the Harvesters Nick Nelson on the right, both players are expected to lead their respective teams. Full preview will be in the Pampa News Thursday August 23rd.



Staff photos by **Gayden Hays**

The Harvester Ninth grade team practices Tuesday August 21 in preparation for the first scrimmage against Childress Friday night at Harvester Stadium.



Staff photos by **Gayden Hays**

Pictured above are members of the 2012 - 2013 Harvester Band preparing for the upcoming competitions and football season.

## Pampa Harvester Upcoming events

### Football

Varsity	7:00 pm Friday	Pampa
	Versus Childress	
JV and 9th	5:00 pm Friday	Pampa
	Versus Childress	

### Volleyball

Varsity	TBA Fri and Sat.	Fritch
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JV	TBA Fri. and Sat.	Pampa
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Tennis	August 28th	Pampa
	Versus Randall	

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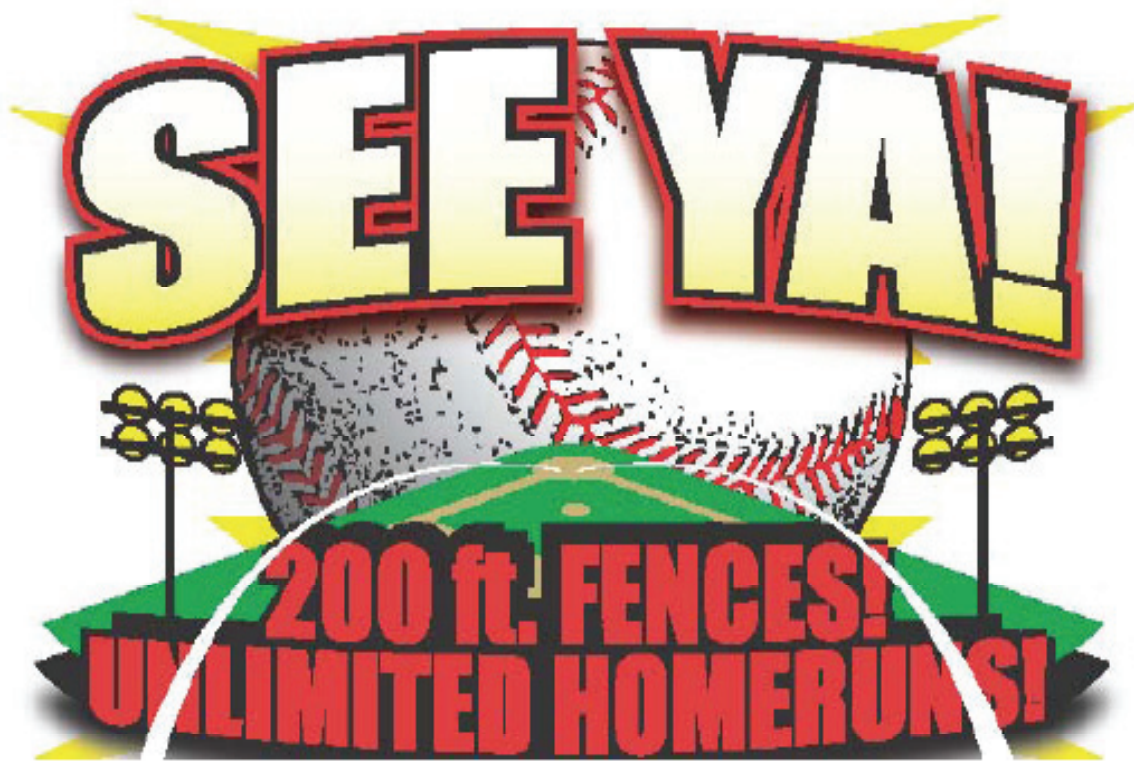
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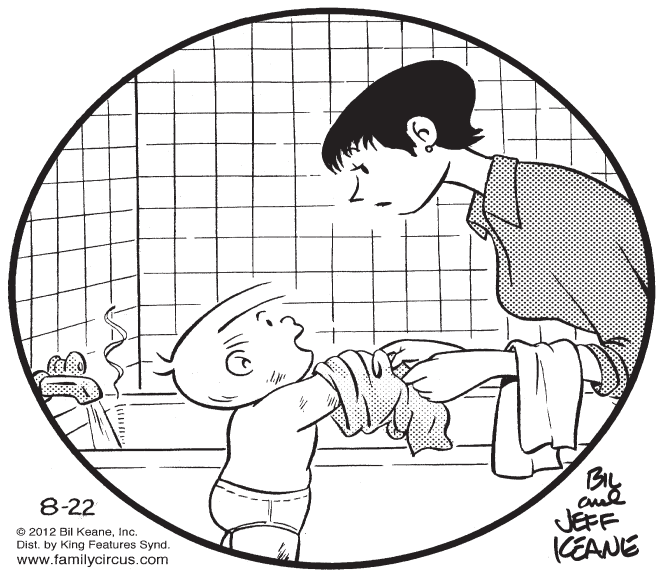
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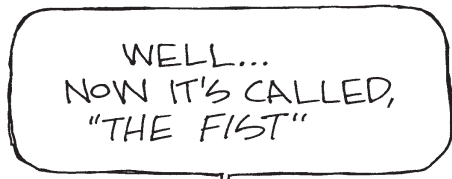
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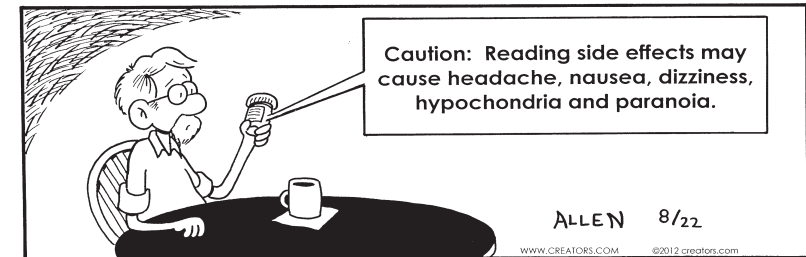
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## daily horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Aug. 23, 2012:

This year you will become far more assertive than in years past. Often, a misunderstanding develops out of nowhere, or people distance themselves. Others simply might be responding to your attitude. Accept responsibility for this, and others might change their perception of you. If you are single, you will want to meet a like-minded person. This possibility becomes more of a reality in spring 2013. If you are attached, the two of you seem to have a natural pace. You understand each other well. Dote on this person. SCORPIO can hold you back. ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ How you focus your energy will change substantially. You suddenly will concentrate on joint financial matters and agreements. You might find that a partner can be very difficult. The good news is that this, too, will pass. The bad news is that you will have to put up with it in the meantime. Tonight: A discussion does not need to turn into a fight. TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Your popularity seems to soar. Do not question the moment; simply enjoy it. You also discover that someone is on your case, whether you feel this is fair or not. Remember, there always are alternatives. You will be able to move a difficult situation in the right direction. Tonight: Who, where and what? GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Your ability to do research and find answers emerges, perhaps by necessity. Confusion seems to surround a key question. You might very well decide to find your own solutions. Others who know your abilities will be more relaxed, too. Tonight: Take a walk by water, or choose some other stressbuster. CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ You have a big imagination. Often, that can be a positive thing, and other times this gift can be a double-edged sword. Use your ingenuity to figure out how to handle a financial matter. Make sure you are not walking through quicksand before you act. Tonight: Let the fun begin. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★ Stress has a way of building if you are not careful, especially if there is a misunderstanding between you and someone else. Stay centered by paying attention to your general feelings toward that person.

If you can, avoid letting a difficult situation become even more difficult. Tonight: Express your fieriness.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)  
★★★★ You might be more out of sorts than you realize. Could you be misinterpreting others' words? Don't read too much into what is being said. Remain caring, and initiate a conversation to clear out a problem later today. Tonight: Talks over dinner. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Keep expressing your feelings, but do not be surprised if you get an odd reaction midway. Be generous when dealing with this person. Your compassion will come back tenfold. Schedule time to do some shopping ASAP. Tonight: Buy that special item. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ You are in your element. You could be confused by a boss or older friend. This person not only is confusing you, but also him- or herself, the more he or she talks. Be diplomatic. Tonight: Whatever you do, choose a physical activity. You need to let off steam. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

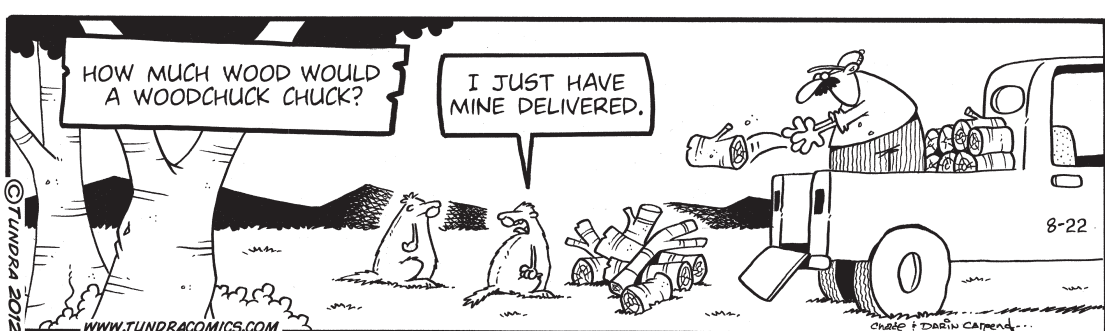
★★★ Know when to pull back. You might feel as if you must do something, but in reality you do not know what that is. You will figure it out if you can stay centered. A caring gesture toward a loved one at a distance draws an exciting response. Tonight: Take some much-needed time. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ You know what you want, and you know that you have no interest in stopping. You will be more centered than you have been in a while. A meeting proves to be most instrumental in helping you focus on a long-term goal. Tonight: Where the crowds are. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★ Note how much pressure builds to get you to do certain things in a particular way. Explain why you do what you do. The more you are pushed, the more you push back. That trait cannot help you in the long run. Tonight: Try to be more reasonable. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ You want more information, and you are determined to get it. An initial attempt at being direct might not work, and actually could backfire. Detach from the immediate problem; the answers will appear. Tonight: Let your mind wander to good music.

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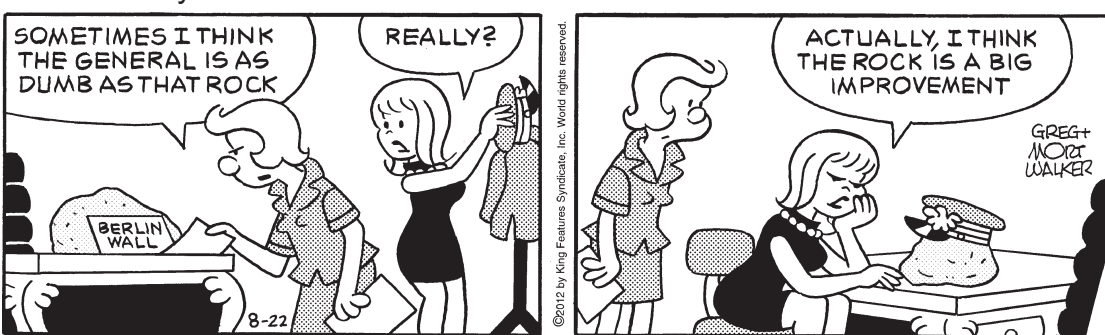
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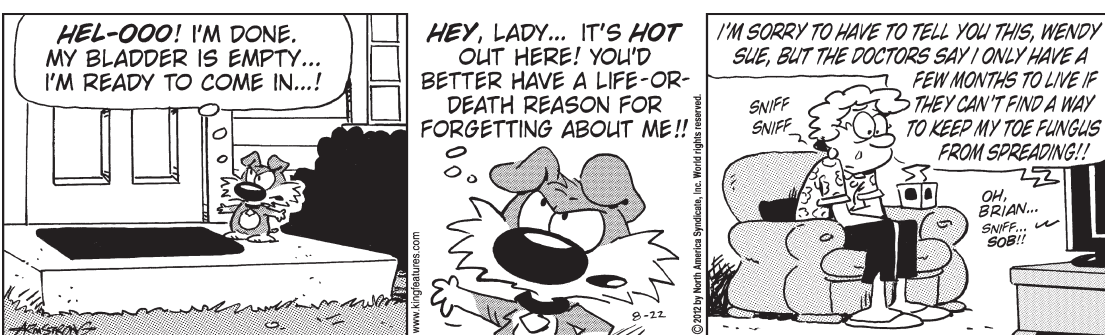
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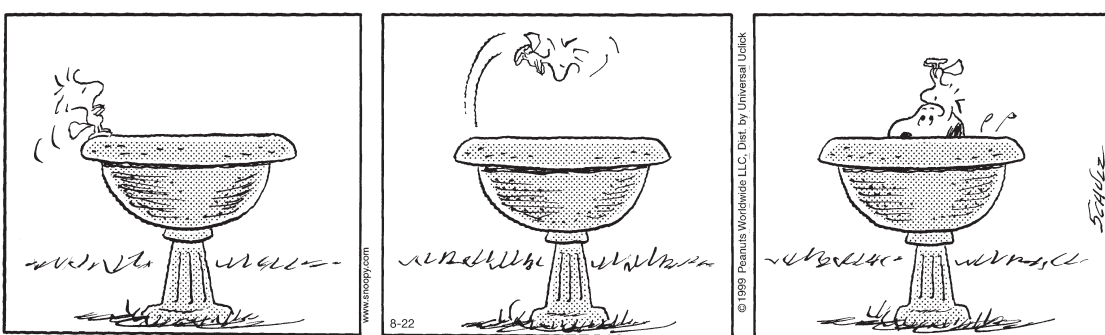
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Level: Intermediate



## Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

**DEAR ABBY:** My friend was at a local event, a child's graduation. There was a woman whose rear end was exposed sitting in the row ahead. Several people took pictures and posted them on Facebook.

My concern is for the woman's family. My friend couldn't think of an easy way to tell her. My question is, how do you tactfully tell someone about her (or his) exposed buttocks without offending the person? -- JUST ASKING IN ILLINOIS

**DEAR JUST ASKING:** The person who designed low-rise pants for women, frankly, should be taken to the stocks for public punishment. They flatter no one, particularly when the wearer bends or sits. If it's not the flesh dropping over the waistband, it's the Great Rift Valley visible from the rear.

Robert Burns, a Scottish poet, wrote in 1786 (I am paraphrasing) that if some power would give us the gift to see ourselves as others see us, it would free us from "many a blunder"! How right he was. Had your friend informed the woman in the row ahead that her pants had slipped so low that people were photographing the view, she probably would have been less offended than embarrassed. The message should have been conveyed QUIETLY by another woman if one felt enough compassion to do it.

**DEAR ABBY:** I was married for 22 years. My husband was verbally, mentally and emotionally abusive to me. I took it for my kids' sake.

My daughter recently had a son, and my ex wants nothing to do with him. He says if we don't name the baby after him, the baby doesn't need him in his life. My heart hurts for my grandson. My daughter is not with the baby's daddy. All the baby has is my daughter, my son and me. I don't know how a grandparent can't want to be a part of an innocent baby's life.

My ex is 45 and living with a 23-year-old. I just want him to at least give the baby a chance to know who his grandfather is. If there is no love there when they meet, we won't pursue a relationship. He is upset with me. I don't know why, because he's the one who asked for the divorce. What do you think about this? -- CONFUSED IN PHOENIX

**DEAR CONFUSED:** Your ex-husband may be upset with you

because he feels some guilt about the divorce, and rather than accept it, he is blaming you for it.

If you think this baby might somehow smooth over the years of abuse you experienced from him, please forget it. It is perfectly logical that your daughter wouldn't want to name her child for him after witnessing what he put you through for so many years -- so please don't let her be coerced into it.

Because your ex is the kind of person he is, it would be better for all of you if the little boy DOESN'T get to know him. You married a self-centered, selfish, controlling individual. Consider yourself lucky that he's not pushing for involvement, because if that happens he will continue to treat all of you exactly the way he used to.

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Each set of 11 tiles below contains one common five-letter word and one common six-letter word. The letters of the five-letter word are adjacent, but not in order. Find them and rearrange them to spell a word. Rearrange the six remaining letters to spell the second word.

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Yesterday's Answer: TARTAR, YELPED, STATIC, ASTRAY 8.22

## CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
- 1 Snail trail
  - 6 Group of players
  - 10 Forum garb
  - 11 Refinement
  - 12 Like lambs
  - 13 Worship site
  - 14 Impose, as taxes
  - 15 Boundaries
  - 16 Pupil's place
  - 17 Sushi choice
  - 18 Maiden name label
  - 19 Respond at roll call
  - 22 "Once — a time ..."
  - 23 Othello's betrayer
  - 26 Approximate, numerically
  - 29 Masseur's workplace
  - 32 Hosp. workers
  - 33 Road sealer
  - 34 Soup choice
  - 36 Mediocre
  - 37 Justice Samuel —
  - 38 Mob bosses
  - 39 Massenet opera
- DOWN**
- 1 Fur wraps
  - 2 Signoff in a mash note
  - 3 "Uncle!"
  - 4 Quite a few
  - 5 Language suffix
  - 6 Peaceful
  - 7 John of "The Addams Family"
  - 8 Map area
  - 9 Pithy
  - 11 Features of some 1950s autos
  - 15 Zodiac cat
  - 17 Ralph Kramden's pal
  - 20 Neither follower
  - 21 Rage
  - 24 Deteriorate
  - 25 More or less
  - 27 One, for Juan
  - 28 Hardly cordial
  - 29 Mailer's need
  - 30 Kind of bear
  - 31 Acid type
  - 35 Physics bit
  - 36 "Elephant Boy" actor
  - 38 Beanie or beret

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### Yesterday's answer

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# Romney calls on Akin to drop out of Senate race

## CBS NEWS

Mitt Romney on Tuesday stepped up his criticism of Republican Rep. Todd Akin and called on the congressman to drop out of the Missouri Senate race because of his recent, controversial remarks on rape and abortion.

"As I said yesterday, Todd Akin's comments were offensive and wrong and he should very seriously consider what course would be in the best interest of our country," Romney said in a statement. "Today, his fellow Missourians urged him to step aside, and I think he should accept their counsel and exit the Senate race."

Romney's statement came after Republican Sen. Roy Blunt of Missouri released a joint statement with four former Republican Missouri senators calling on Akin to step aside.

"We do not believe it serves the national interest for Congressman Todd Akin to stay in this race," the Missouri politicians said. "The issues at stake are too big, and this election is simply too impor-

tant. The right decision is to step aside."

An aide for Romney's running mate Paul Ryan said that Ryan agrees that Akin should exit the race.

The six-term conservative congressman has come under fire since suggesting in an interview Sunday that women couldn't get pregnant from rape.

"It seems to me first of all, from what I understand from doctors, that's really rare," Akin said when asked whether he would support abortions for rape victims. "If it's a legitimate rape, the female body has ways to try to shut that whole thing down," Akin said of a rape victim's chances of becoming pregnant.

In spite of widespread calls from within the GOP for Akin to drop out of the competitive race against Democrat Claire McCaskill, Akin so far insists he's not quitting.

Defiant Akin says he's staying in race

Akin apologizes for rape comments; Obama says "rape is rape"

O'Donnell: Akin's comment cost him \$10 million  
In a radio interview with

Sean Hannity on Tuesday afternoon, Akin acknowledged the new calls for his exit from the race. However, he said, "It still seems to me there has to be room in the challenges that we face in America to broaden the scope of what a campaign needs to be about."

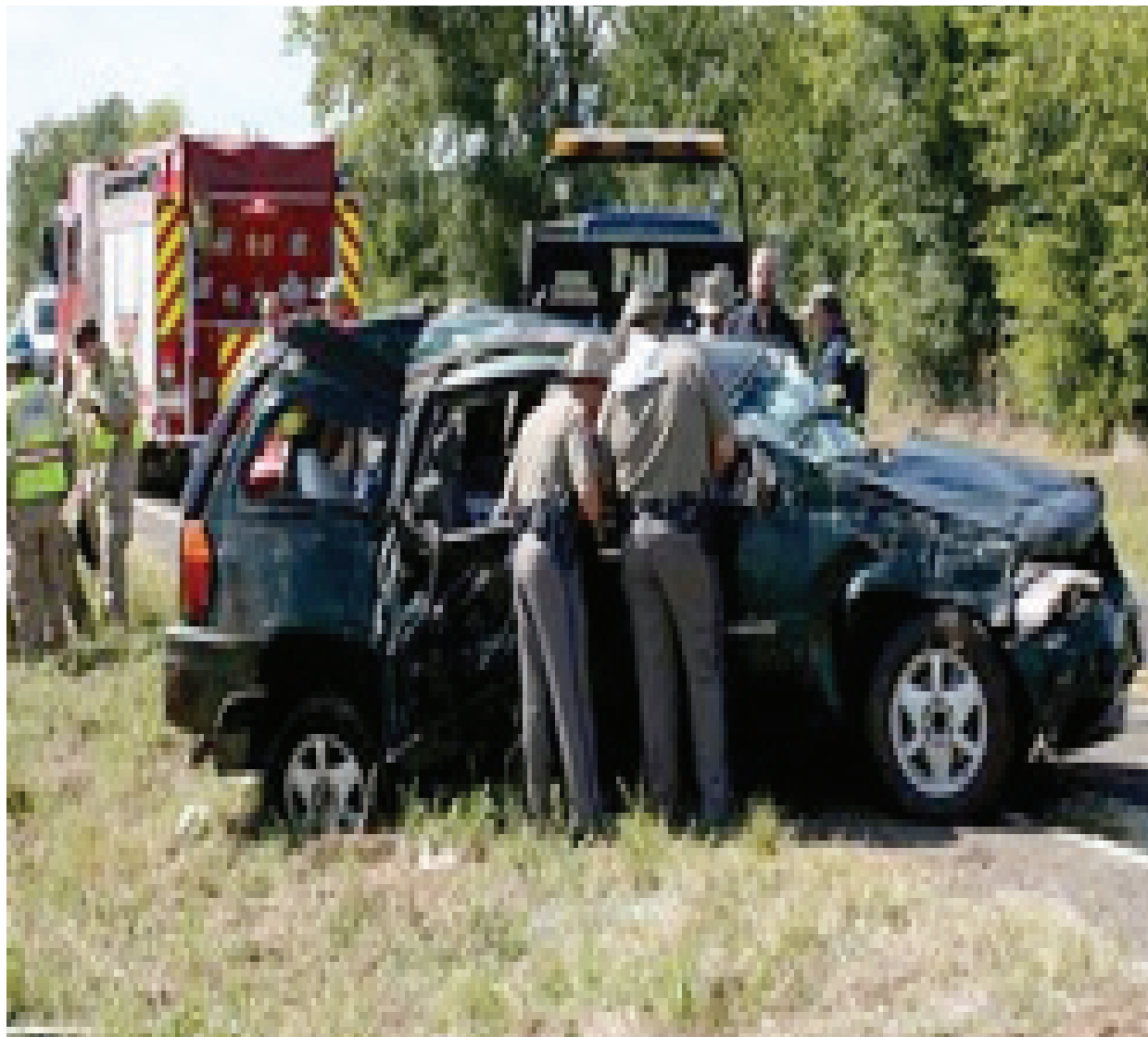
Akin argues that while he misspoke and apologizes for his initial comments, he intends to put "principle over politics" and stay in the race. When Hannity suggested he could be putting the GOP's success at risk for personal gain, Akin said, "My interest in this race has nothing to do with me. It has to do with who we are as a nation."

An Akin campaign official confirmed to CBS News that Akin is still considering the possibility of getting out of the race before Sept. 25.

Had Akin decided to drop out before 5 p.m. CT Tuesday, he could have done so easily. If he drops out after that point but before Sept. 25, the Missouri GOP will have to obtain a court order to replace his name on the ballot.



## Accident



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