

Tax rate extended Tuesday, city budget passed

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PAMPA — With one dissenting vote, the Pampa City Commission voted Tuesday to extend its tax rate for yet another Fiscal Year.

City Commissioner Robert Dixon, Ward 3, cast the lone "nay" vote Tuesday.

The rate will remain of 0.621027 per \$100 valuation, city officials said.

Since the tax rate remains unchanged, any tax increases this year will only be due to increased property values, City Manager Richard Morris said. A note to the public recently posted on the city website may be confusing because it appears to be to the contrary. But that is because it is language dictated by the state, Morris said.

The message says, "The city of Pampa adopted a tax rate that will raise more taxes for maintenance and operations than last year's tax rate ... The tax rate will effectively be raised by 8.66 percent and will raise taxes for maintenance and operations on the average home by approximately \$24.71."

The message has been posted on the site for several days and was placed

there by instruction of the state before commissioners passed the tax rate measure, according to reports.

The continuation of the tax rate comes on the heels of the unanimous passage of the \$12,973,888 city budget for the next fiscal year at its Sept. 18 meeting.

As stated in earlier stories, city officials have said the budget is similar to last year's, but does include two new trash collection trucks, a street sweeper, an asphalt planer and dumpster replacement. The city also plans to devote \$155,000 to improvements at the National Guard Armory building on Highway 60, city officials have said.

In previous interviews, Morris has described the budget as "the same, nofrills budget as we've had in the past."

"We have tried to keep costs down this year," the city manager elaborated Wednesday. "The biggest increase we've seen is personnel costs and our utilities — electricity and gas."

Getting the budget in shape for consideration by the city commission took some doing, Morris said. City staff went back and cut the proposed budget several times before it was ever submitted to the commission.

UNITED (WAY) WE STAND



Staff photos by **Dana Whinery**

On Tuesday, the Pampa United Way held its 2012 Kickoff Luncheon. It is expected to provide funding for nearly 20 Gray County agencies. Clockwise from left to right: Nita Wallace with United Supermarket and Mac Smith United Way Campaign Chair hold a giant check. After 26 Years of service, Katrina Bigham, middle, is retiring as executive administrator of the Pampa United Way. Pampa United Way President Ryan Monroe, bottom right, introduces board members Tuesday.

Pampa ISD gets state accolades for various programs

Pampa Independent School District programs get TEA thumbs-up.

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PAMPA — Several of the Pampa ISD's programs — recently examined by the state — have received high marks for their progress, officials observed Tuesday.

Pampa ISD Superintendent Dr. David Young said two members of the Texas Education Agency visited Tuesday and Wednesday of last week. The pair examined the ISD's bilingual English as a second language program, its Special Education program and its Technical Education program.

The TEA visit, the superintendent said, was a data validation and verification visit, which resulted in the conclusion that all aspects of the programs meet state criteria.

"They did make some recommendations on how to enact the bilingual ESL and we talked about those things at the meeting," Dr. Young said. "The special ed program drew very high praise from TEA in their comments to us and we have some good things going on in career and technical education that we need to build on."

Dr. Young relayed the results of this visit to the school board during his report to the school board at a Tuesday evening meeting held at Travis Elementary. Incidentally, the board last spring approved a facelift for Travis — which included new paint and tile, as well as bringing bathrooms up to Americans With Disabilities Act code compliance.

School officials also made an enrollment report to

the school board Tuesday night. That number is now at 3,690, which is an an increase of 30 students over last year. There are three campuses that have seen what the superintendent describes as "appreciable" changes from the previous year.

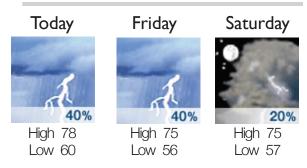
Lamar Elementary is up 31 students — to the point where two teachers had to be added this year, one a new position and one a transfer from another campus that had seen a decline in enrollment.

Pampa Junior High School is at 752 students, up 18 children from the previous year. The other "appreciable" school is Wilson Elementary, down 15 from the previous year and currently enrolling 436 students this year.

Pampa High School is at 949 students, three students less than Sept. 30 of last year. Travis Elementary has 412 students, no change from last year; Austir Elementary is at 441, up two from last year's 439; and Pampa Learning Center has 40 students, three less than Sept. 30 of last year.

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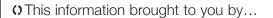
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Patty Lou Boyd

PAMPA — Patty Lou Boyd, 75, died September 24, 2012 in Pampa.

Services will be at 3:30 PM Friday, September 28, 2012, at Briarwood Church, with Rev. Lynn Hancock, pastor, officiating.

Burial will follow in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors. Mrs. Boyd was born Au-

gust 24, 1937 in Borger to

Samuel Tyne and Floy Lou Morgan. She married Deano Boyd on August 31, 1954 in Clayton, New Mexico. She had been a resident of Pampa since 1967. Patty was a member of Briarwood Church. She was a homemaker and enjoyed sitting with the elderly. Patty was known as the popcorn ball and balloon lady at Halloween. She will be remembered and missed by her family for her "Grandma Christmas Eve" she held at her home every year.

Survivors include her husband: Deano Boyd of the home; a son: Danny Boyd of Pampa; 2 daughters: Belinda Martin and husband Darrel and Samantha Aikin and husband Ricky, all of Pampa; 2 sisters: Katy Roe and Betty Kitchens, both of Pampa; 11 grandchildren: David Doucette, Jeremy Doucette, Chris Doucette, Michelle Weatherly, Jacob Boyd, Phillip Watkins, Stormie Blain, Brittany Boyd, Kendall Aikin, Kinley Aikin and Reece Aikin, and 21 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by an infant son: Perry Dean Boyd in 1955; a son: Timothy Boyd in 2003; a daughter: Pam Chamberlain in 2007; a sister and a brother.

Sign the on-line register at www.carmichael-whatley.

Mary LaMarr "Maryl" Abbott Jones

Mary La Marr "Maryl" Abbott Jones died in Austin, Texas, on September 20, 2012, at the age of 101. She was born in Ardmore, Oklahoma, on August 12, 1911, and was the daughter of William Floyd Abbott and Jonnie Ethel Brewer. She was preceded in death by her parents and by her sister Faye Brewer Abbott McKinney.

Maryl was raised in Ardmore, where she met and married Clifford F. Jones on January 12, 1930. Later that month, the newlyweds moved to Pampa, where Maryl lived until August 1993, when she moved to Austin, Texas. Throughout her years in Pampa, she was an active member of the First Methodist Church, and she participated in numerous community organizations including the Pampa Community Concert Association, the League of Women Voters, the Gray County Republican Party and the Daughters of the American Revolution. Her happiest hours were spent in the company of her fellow members of the craft group dubbed the Paint, Pot and Piddlers.

She is survived by her daughter, Patricia Jones Teed, of Austin, Texas, and her grandson, Arthur M. Teed, of Houston.

At Maryl's request, there will be no memorial service. A private service for family will be held at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to the First Methodist Church, 201 East Foster, Pampa.

Walton Barnett

SKELLYTOWN — Walton Barnett, 89, died Tuesday, by a daughter; Twila Thompson in 2006. QUILTERS, FOR sale, open through October for SKELLY IOWN — watton Barn September 25, 2012 in Skellytown.

2012 at First Baptist Church in Skellytown, with Bro. Lit McIntosh, pastor of First Baptist Church of Okemah, Oklahoma, officiating.

Burial will follow in Memory Gardens Cemetery in Pampa, with military honors courtesy of U.S. Army, Fort Hood, Texas. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors,

Mr. Barnett was born on January 9, 1923, in Calvin, Oklahoma to John Ivy Barnett and Amanda Smith Barnett. His family settled Sayre, Oklahoma area during his freshman year of high school. There he met the love of his life, Edith Mae Tyler, and they were married on April 11, 1942. She preceded him in death in 2007, after 65 years of marriage. He served in the U.S. Army, assigned to the 28th Division, 110 Infantry during World War II. He served as deacon to his beloved First Baptist Church

of Skellytown. Walton was preceded in death by his parents; 5 brothers: Floyd, Marvin (Pete), John, Martin, and an infant brother, Elvin; and a grandson:

Walton is survived by two daughters: Reva Williams of Skellytown, and Holdenville, Ok; six grandsons, one granddaughter,



Barnett

six great grandsons, five great granddaughters, and an eagerly awaited great granddaughter to be born in October, and another great grandchild due in a few months. He is also survived by a host of nieces, nephews, friends and church family who will miss him immensely, and he leaves a longtime family friend and neighbor, Larry Brown, who has been a tremendous help to him during the term of his illness and a constant help to his daughters as they cared for their father.

In lieu of flowers, feel free to make contributions to the Benevolence Fund, First Baptist Church, P. O. Box 176, Skellytown, Texas 79080.

Sign the on-line register at www.carmichael-whatley. com.

Jimmae Crowley Hines

PAMPA — Jimmae Crowley Hines, 75, died September 25, 2012 in Pampa.

Services will be at 10:00 AM Friday, September 28, 2012 at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel, with Rev. Norman Rushing, pastor of Central Baptist Church, officiating.

Graveside services will be at 3:00 PM Friday at Center Chapel Cemetery near Leedey, Oklahoma under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Hines was born April 13, 1937 in Leedey, Oklahoma graduating from Leedey High School where she and her teammates won the state title in basketball. She had been a resident of Pampa since 1980. Jimmae was a longtime medical technologist at Pampa Regional Medical Center. She was a member of Central Baptist Church, the American Medical Technologists, and the Totty Quilting Club of Mobeetie.

Survivors include a daughter: Cindy Dart of Arizona; a son-in-law: Tim Thompson of Midlothian; 5 grandchildren: Robert Gracie and wife Julia of Boston, Massachusetts, Travis Tucker and wife Josi of Midwest City, Oklahoma, Cody Tucker and Jared Gracie, both of Arizona, and Shane Thompson of Midlothian; a sister: Fern Pemberton of Leedey; a brother: Billy Crowley and wife Pat of Leedey; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death

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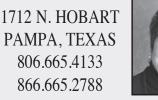
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• 2:15 a.m.9/26/2012 — Marcus Deshana Williams, Pampa, 45, Lefors DOC, Pampa, 26, BS-DWI Hale Lefors, Marshal. Co., poss. controlled sub, GSCO.

• 6 p.m., 9/25/2012 — Angel Juarez of Laveen, Arizona, 31, BF-poss marijuana, Gray County Sheriff's Office.

• 11:20 a.m. 9/23/2012 Ronnie Bruce Jones, Pampa, 44, arrest-warrant ACBI/Family, Pampa Police Department.

5:45 p.m. 9/23/2012 - Sabrina Louan (Perez) Olguin, Pampa, 33, arrestwarnt bring proh subs into correct fac/tobacco, GCSO. • 11:20 p.m. 9/23/2012 - Ashleigh Shaude Young, Mitchell, Ala., 22, arrest warnt b/s evading arrest Kaylee Beth Hill, Pampa,

warnt-FTA. GCSO.

Arron Brooks Ledbetter., trolled substance, posses-Pampa, 25, Lefors DOC, Lefors, Marshal.

• 9:34 p.m. 9/22/2012 - Lynette Kay Ledbetter,

• 1:13 a.m. 9/23/2012 off way, no DL, FTMFR, FTA. PPD.

• 3:06 a.m. 9/23/2012 — Rigoberto Ontiveros Barrios, Mission, 38, PI, Open Marcos Toquillas, Buck-Container, Texas Department of Public Safety.

• 3:10 a.m. 9/23/2012 Revnaldo Lopez Jr., Mission, 22, DWI, DPS.

• 5:13 p.m. 9/21/2012 — Miguel Antonio Valdez, Corpus Christi, 34, bsassault, CBI family violenhanced. VP-fail to ID. GCSO.

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Miles Jacob Markely, • 9:34 a.m. 9/22/2012 - 19, possession of a con-

failure to ID, GCSO. • 12:26 a.m. 9/22/2012 -

Michael Vreeland Swain, Oklahoma City, Okla, 25, DWI, DPS.

• 1 a.m. 9/22/2012 Angel Garlene Parks, Pam- Joshua Rodriguez, Pampa, GCSO pa, 17, failure to yield right 18, nonpayment CC/fees, nonpayment CC/fees, failure to attend school x4. PPD.

• 3:48 a.m. 9/22/2012 eye, Az., 35, possession of a controlled substance, GT Pampa, 37, possessions of a 400 grams, DPS.

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• 7:23 a.m. 9/20/2012 -Tye Powell, Pampa, 20, burglary of a habitation, Pampa, 17, cpf-failure to criminal mischief, GCSO. • 9:05 a.m., 9/20/2012,

Michael Rawleigh Jones. • 10:36 p.m. 9/21/2012 Pampa, 27, vp-tamper/fab physical evidence with intent to impair, GCSO.

• 8 p.m. 9/20/2012 sion of drug paraphernalia, Gary Don Pettit, Pampa, Hemphill County 63. GCSO

• 11:12 p.m. 9/20/2012 - Antonio Corral Andrade Pampa, 39, DWI third or DOC-urination. more.

• 1:45 a.m. 9/21/2012 — Derek Paul Kindle, Pampa 22. Possession of a controlled substance, credit/ debit card abuse, PPD.

• 1:16 a.m. 9/21/2012 - Brandy Ralyn Hulsey, controlled substance, PPD.

• 1:19 a.m. 9/21.2012 Oscar Miranda, Nowthen, — Eric Andrew Masias, Mn, 21, possession of a Pampa, 18, tamper fab phs controlled substance GT, evidence with intent to impair, PPD.

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'TWEEN 12 & 20 Expert discusses problems



ROBERT WALLACE Columnist

Some Educators Are Failing

DR. WALLACE: I'm shocked that you advised a boy who was being picked on to fight back, even if it meant that he would be suspended. I am a counselor at a high school and I can tell you that having a suspension on his cumulative records could cause him to have trouble getting into the college or university of his choice.

When a student is picked on, he or she should just walk away. Eventually the harassment will stop. You, as a former educator, should realize that fighting never solves anything; it only makes matters worse. --Counselor, Pittsburgh, Pa.

The COUNSELOR: boy was being physically abused on campus, walked away, and the harassment and physical abuse continued. He then went to his counselor, who informed him "boys will be boys," and again, told him to "just walk away." Knowing that he had already walked down that lonesome road, the boy went to the principal and asked for help. He was promised that the problem would end immediately.

It didn't! And that's when the boy contacted me. I told him to defend himself the next time he was physically abused by a bully. Bullies are basically cowards, and when a bully suffers a "bloody nose," the harassment usually ends.

Trust me, a suspension is worth the peace of mind that will be forthcoming. I was also a high school administrator in Southern California and did all my power to curb the cowardly acts of bullies. I never told a victim to just walk away. Bullies enjoy hearing this type of advice. Administrators, and, yes, counselors, who use the "just walk away" advice that is given to the victim are using the easy and highly ineffective solution to a serious student problem. Victims of bullies suffer both physically and men-

tally, and that's why bullying must be eliminated from all schools. It can be severely curtailed if the school administrators issue swift and effective punishment to the bully. A parent must be required to attend a conference with the principal so he/she can understand why the punishment was given and what the discipline will be if another incident of bul-

lying occurs. Every student attending school, be it public or private, deserves the right to a safe school environment where learning can be an enjoyable and exciting adventure. For those students who suffer at the hands of a bully, attending school is a living nightmare, and school administrators who turn a "blind eye" to this type of behavior are failing in their role as educators.

What Should I Do to Help Her?

DR. WALLACE: A girl entered our high school about a month before summer break. All the guys were going "gaga" over her because she's goodlooking and she knows it. All of the girls at our school think that she is a snob and they don't like her. They all talk behind her back on how stuck up and boy-crazy she is. Some girls even were spreading false rumors about her moral standards. I kind of like this girl and want to know what you think I should do to help her. --Nameless, Wheeling, W.Va.

NAMELESS: Don't talk behind her back, and don't help spread false rumors.

ALCOHOL EQUALS MANY PROBLEMS

DR. WALLACE: You constantly encourage teens to avoid alcohol and tobacco products. I agree with you 100 percent. Do you have statistics on the percentage of teens who steadily use tobacco or alcohol? I have often wondered about this because none of my friends smoke or drink and I don't either. --Carol, Provo, Utah. CAROL: According to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, 20 percent of all high school seniors are addicted to tobacco and use it daily, while 70 percent of high school seniors have used alcohol. By age

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17, 50 percent of the boys and 15 percent of the girls could be classified as "problem drinkers." That means they have been intoxicated six times in the past year or they have had problems at school, at home or with law authorities because of their alcohol consumption.

COLLEGE LIFE WILL PUT ON WEIGHT

TEENS: If you are just beginning college this fall, chances are good that you will gain weight during your first and second years on campus. A study funded by the federal government found that males gained an average of 5.6 pounds, while females added 3.6 pounds. One out of six first-year students added 10 or more pounds during the first year of college, and 6 percent gained a whopping 15 or more pounds!

Things get worse the second vear. At the end of their sophomore year, men weighed an average of 9.5 pounds heavier than when they began college, and women added 9.2 pounds. And since men have a much larger body frames, the weight gained by women is surprising.

Doctors say that those students who continue to gain weight during their college years seem to have "learning patterns" of gradual weight gain that could spell trouble way beyond graduation. Students overeat generally because of pressure to "ace" that big exam. It's tempting to nibble on chips and other junk foods while studying.

Knowing that the trend is to add unwanted pounds when attending college, it is important to snack on healthy foods. On all college and university campuses, there are ample facilities to enjoy a regular workout. It will take selfdiscipline to stay healthy and trim, but the sacrifice will be well worth it. Dr. Robert Wallace welcomes questions from readers. Although he is unable to reply to all of them individually, he will answer as many as possible in this column. E-mail him at rwallace(a) galesburg.net. To find out more about Dr. Robert Wallace and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate website at www. creators.com.

Although dogs and cats will continue to battle one another to hold the top spot as favorite pet, as a society we are pet-lovers regardless of whether those pets meow or bark. Statistics from the American Pet Products Manufacturers Association show that roughly 65 percent of American families have a pet at home — and the

Dog Talks

numbers keep growing. Those who are looking to add a furry companion to the family and are leaning toward a dog may have questions as to whether there are certain breeds that are a better fit for family life with children in the home. Breed alone does not dictate a dog's demeanor. Every dog is unique, and how a puppy spent its formative months can be just as influential on the dog's behavior as its breed.

There are some breeds that are thought of as family dogs because they are patient, calm and not easily provoked. But no dog is perfect, and it often takes working together as a family to develop a sense of trust and a routine that is comfortable for all.

Here is information on some of the more popular breeds of dog.

• Labrador retriever: Labrador retrievers are one of the more popular dog breeds, especially among families. Although it is thought to be a placid dog, a Lab is a member of the working class of canines and will need to be well exercised so the dog behaves well. Otherwise, the dog may be too boisterous and mischievous inside the home.

• Golden retriever: Golden retrievers are another type of retriever that are popular among families. They were originally bred to hunt and retrieve birds. They're often eager to learn and serve and can become a dedicated family member if well exercised. • Keeshond: This medium-sized breed is a fluffy ball of fur. Keeshonds learn tricks well and are easily trained. They love to play and can follow along in the antics of children quite well. Keeshonds will alert their owners to visitors but aren't overly protec-



Family friendly dog breeds

tive of their surroundings

• Collie: Ever since "Lassie" warmed the hearts of viewers, collies have been viewed as loyal family dogs. Collies were bred for working, but they will eagerly herd children as well as livestock. Collies are generally gentle but active.

• Standard poodle: Although poodles may be viewed as "froo-froo' dogs thanks to their traditional grooming style and their stereotype of being a Parisian pet, poodles are also working dogs that are very intelligent and can be easily trained. Affectionate and patient, they often make great dogs for families.

Gentle giants: Newfoundlands and Bernese Mountain Dogs are two larger breeds that tend to be docile, behaving like big teddy bears. These breeds are usually very stable and easily trained, but they may need a little encouragement to be active.

Cairn terrier: An

active small breed, the Cairn is a tough little cookie. The dog will have the energy to keep up with children, but it may be better in homes with older children because of the Cairn's diminutive size and the risk of rough handling.

• Pug: This dog is generally affectionate, loveable and even-tempered. Pugs love being part of the family and can be playful companions. They also love to nap on your lap; just be prepared for a little snoring.

• Staffordshire bull terrier: Despite the perception of these dogs as being "fighting dogs," historically they are loyal family dogs. When well trained and raised correctly, including proper socialization, bull terriers are not typically aggressive. However, it is important to note that they are a dominant breed and do well in single-dog households. They may become dog-aggressive.

Many dogs can become well-mannered members of a family. To increase the chances of getting a stable, balanced dog of good temperament, select one that comes from a quality breeder or a respected animal shelter and socialize the dog as early as possible.



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Editorial Fed's 'Stimulus' not an economic elixir

For the third time since the Great Recession started, the Federal Reserve System announced that it will buy securities to lower interest rates. This is further proof that the Washington establishment hasn't been able to spur a real economic recovery.

Yet here we are, with 8.1 percent unemployment, and 23 million people unemployed or underemployed. When will Washington and Fed leaders get the message: The national economy needs different medicine, a combination of less federal spending and relief from uncertainty on taxes and excessive regulation.

Those policies are of course beyond the Fed -- the nation's central bank which is charged by Congress with stabilizing the monetary and financial system. What it can do is lower national interest rates. Or, as with so-called quantitative easing, it can buy mortgage-based securities and give a boost to the nation's finances by injecting cash into the economy.

The Fed's announcement was mostly well received by Wall Street, which likes the fact that the Fed is taking measures to boost the economy. But unlike previous announcements, the Dow Jones industrial average was relatively tempered in its increase.

Perhaps that's because in taking such now familiar economic measures, the Fed risks increasing commodity prices. The United States has been down that road before in the 1970s, and it was not a pleasant journey for Americans.

But the Fed is hoping that the buying of securities filters down to consumers in the form of lower long-term interest rates. The Fed also said it would extend a plan to keep short-term rates at record lows through mid-2015, according to the New York Daily News. This makes the cost of cash cheaper. It also makes the dollar weaker. So why would the Fed do this? The reasons seem clear. The Fed hopes to stimulate borrowing, consumer purchases and job growth. Fed leaders hope this will increase the gross domestic product -- the overall measure of national income. But there is always risk when economic activity is based on cheap money. The creditrating agency Egan Jones cut the credit rating of the United States from "AA" to "AA-" as a result of the Fed's actions. Egan Jones, which is recognized by the federal government as a credit reviewer, said the securities purchases won't grow the economy but will likely weaken the dollar. A weak dollar usually means higher commodities prices. That means such items as oil and corn go up in price, shrinking profit margins for businesses and weakening consumer demand. The Fed's action is fraught with such risk. What federal leaders really need to do to stimulate the economy is to stop going deeper into debt, keep tax rates steady, lower or replace them, and reduce the regulatory burden on the private sector. One thing seems all but certain: Our nation's elected leaders cannot depend on the Federal Reserve alone to bail out the nation's economy.



Jim Hightower: America's Press



Columnist

Let us now access the state of the free press in this land of ... well, of press freedom. The assessment? Pathetic. Not because of any government clampdown, but because of increasing press pusillanimity.

In recent years, newspaper reporting had already been severely weakened by drastic cutbacks in newsrooms (including the near-abandonment of hard-nosed investigative reporting by conglomerate CEOs and bean-counters more interested in upping the corporate stock price than in providing journalistic exposes). But the latest decline comes from newsroom managers and staff who've chosen to compromise on a core aspect of good reporting: conducting untainted, straightforward interviews.

Those in charge of running major newspapers and blogs these days have gone all wonky on their basic job of getting public and corporate figures to provide honest, informative answers to important who-what-when-whereand-why questions that inform the citizenry. The

compromise they've made is a pernicious practice called 'quote approval." This began with PR flacks for public officials and political candidates demanding that reporters agree -- as a price of being granted an interview -- to submit any quotes they intend to use from the interview to the interviewee's staff for approval. Thus, when Mr. Big blurts out something shocking, stupid or actually newsworthy, Mr. Big's staff of bowdlerizers can tidy it up or just erase it. The comment might've been news, but -- zzzzzztt -- it's gone, as though it were never uttered.

It's not surprising that today's media-sensitive political figures (including Barack Obama and Mitt Romney) would demand this extraordinary right to censor what they themselves said, but it's utterly despicable that media bosses and reporters have so gutlessly caved in to the demand. It reduces reporters from hard-nosed diggers to brown-nosed beggars, and it makes a mockery of our democracy's need for a free press. Yet many of America's major publications -- from Bloomberg News to The New York Times -- have meekly surrendered to this restraint.

And now, corporate executives have realized that, hey, we can emasculate the press, too!

Thus, Wall Street barons, Silicon Valley hotshots and even the bosses of media conglomerates are demanding (and getting) quote approval for stories about their operations.

David Carr, the media columnist for The New York Times, admits that he's also succumbed to these demands: "Most of the time," he wrote in a Sept. 17 column about the insidious giveaway of journalistic control, "I push back, but if it's (a quote) I feel I absolutely need, I start negotiating.'

Of course, it's his independence and journalistic integrity that he's bargaining away -- a troubling fact that Carr acknowledged at the end of his column: "Inch by inch, story by story, deal by deal, we are giving away our right to ask a simple question and expect a simple answer, one that can't be taken back."

As an exasperated Casey Stengel asked about the bumbling 1962 New York Mets baseball team he was managing, "Can't anybody here play this game?"

Yes. Young journalists can -- and they are. Editors of student papers are beginning to reassert reportorial ethics by rebelling against the absurdity of quote approval. The editors of the Harvard Crimson student newspaper, for example, declared in "A Letter to Our Readers" on Sept. 4 that

they will no longer submit quotations by Harvard honchos back to them for cleansing.

Calling the shift a matter of trust with readers, the editors rightly noted that quote approval defeats the ability of their reporters "to capture and channel the forthright, honest words of Harvard's decision-makers to all those who might be affected. It's time for these constrained interviews to come to an end."

Likewise, the editor of Princeton University's student paper has halted the use of email interviews favored by chary school officials who seek to barricade themselves from rigorous reporting. The prevalence of email-only responses, he wrote, produces "stilted, manicured quotes that often hide any real meaning."

Bingo! Now, if only some of this youthful integrity and journalistic gutsiness would rub off on the poltroonery of America's press elders.

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Larry Elder: Of tax rates and media boo-boos



LARRY ELDER Columnist

If "journalism malpractice" were a crime, Nancy Grace would not be able to keep track of all the trials.

ABC news reporter Jonathan Karl recently said: "Mitt Romney ... made \$13.7 million last year and paid nearly \$2 million in taxes. His effective tax rate -- 14.1 percent. That's a lower rate than an auto mechanic who made \$75,000 in pay."

Not again.

Diane Sawyer teased ist" the Rev. Al Sharpton and demands tax transpar-"Mitt's ABC's "World News": regularly rails against himself has taken a respite "What Mitt Romney's Romney and his fellow from paying his own taxes. taxes really show about racist Republicans while wealth, taxes and fairness." Then correspondent David Muir informed viewers: the "millionaires and bil- lion to the IRS and almost "(Romney's) tax rate? In lionaires" who "can afford \$900,000 in state taxes. In 2010, about 13.9 percent, to pay a little bit more." perfectly legal under the Sharpton is rich. But he debt by \$1.6 million) owed current tax code, which has trouble with the "pay allows Americans to pay a little bit more" part. a much lower rate, a capi- According to a recent protal gains tax, when their file in GQ, Sharpton lives earnings come from invest- large, in a ritzy Manhattan on "Today," told his audiments, and not a job." Muir "bachelor pad." He belongs ence in January: "Romney cut to a "tax analyst," who to an exclusive private club appeared to be knocked said: "If (Romney) were a where -- after a television off message, promising to doctor or lawyer with the performance in which he share his returns in April same salary, he would be rails against the top 1 per- and also disclosing that he paying 35 percent." It gets worse.

NBC, through MSNBC, Back in January, anchor employs "civil rights activ- tax hikes on the wealthy millions" on as a talk show host. He ency for Romney, Sharpton supporting the President who wants to raise taxes on Sharpton owed \$2.6 miltop 1 percent.

Though he pushes for According to the New York Post last December, addition, his nonprofit (in more than \$880,000 in federal payroll taxes. But we digress.

NBC's Peter Alexander, cent -- he hangs with the pays 15 percent in income

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tax, like many wealthy Americans, but less than many middle class Americans (emphasis added).'

Over at taxpayer supported NPR, its "Morning Edition" co-host Renee Montagne said in January: "Yesterday, Romney did let slip a provocative tax detail. He acknowledged he's probably paying an effective tax rate of around 15 percent. And that's well below the rate that many middle-class families pay (emphasis added)."

One problem. It isn't true -- not even close.

First, as with the purchase of new car, almost nobody pays sticker price. To make Romney's "low" effective tax rate look bad, some news media irresponsibly compare his rate to that of a middle-class taxpayer's top marginal rate.

Just how misleading? Assume Mr. Auto Assume Mr. Auto Mechanic is married, with two children. After offsetting income with exemptions, deductions for things like mortgage interest and assorted tax credits, Mr. Mechanic's effective federal income tax rate — the percentage of income actually paid in taxes — is much less than Romney's rate

The liberal Tax Policy Center reports that 91.4 percent of individual taxpayers with adjusted gross incomes (AGI) between \$50,000 and \$100,000 pay less than 15 percent in taxes. And 43.9 percent of the \$50,000-\$100,000 AGI taxpayers pay an effective rate between 5 and 9.99 percent, while 4.6 percent of this group pay no federal income tax at all.

Many in the media forget about all those pesky deductions and credits and exemptions. Income tax brackets are marginal rates. The top marginal rate in a taxpayers' tax bracket DOES NOT apply to his entire income from dollar one

New York Times' David

Leonhardt understands this and, to his credit, explains it properly: "This disconnect between what we pay and what we think we pay is nothing less than one of the country's biggest economic problems. ... All told, most households pay less than 15 percent of their income to the federal government because of tax breaks, like the exclusion for health insurance, and because marginal rates apply to only a small part of a taxpayer's income. On the first \$70,000 of a couple's taxable income, the total federal income tax rate is only 13.8 percent."

Why does Leonhardt comprehend this, while so many in his profession do not? Consider this.

Previous editions of a widely used high school textbook, "The American Pageant," by Thomas Bailey and David Kennedy, show charts on the federal deficit in historical dollars. When it came to the Ronald Reagan years, the

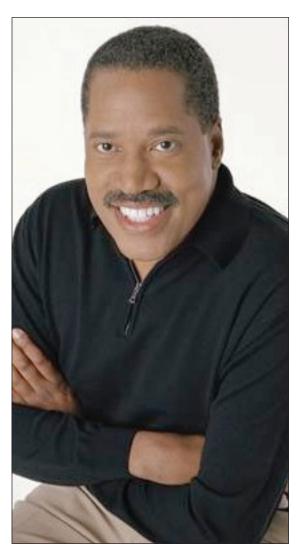
graphic shows a rapidly increasing deficit. But as a share of the gross national product, Reagan's deficits are really much smaller than FDR's. By not showing the numbers as a share of the GNP, their charts make his deficits look outrageous. Of the textbook's depiction of the "outsized" Reagan deficit, University of Dayton history professor Larry Schweikart said, "The appearance to mislead seems intentional." Well, ABC, NBC, NPR,

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is it intentional?

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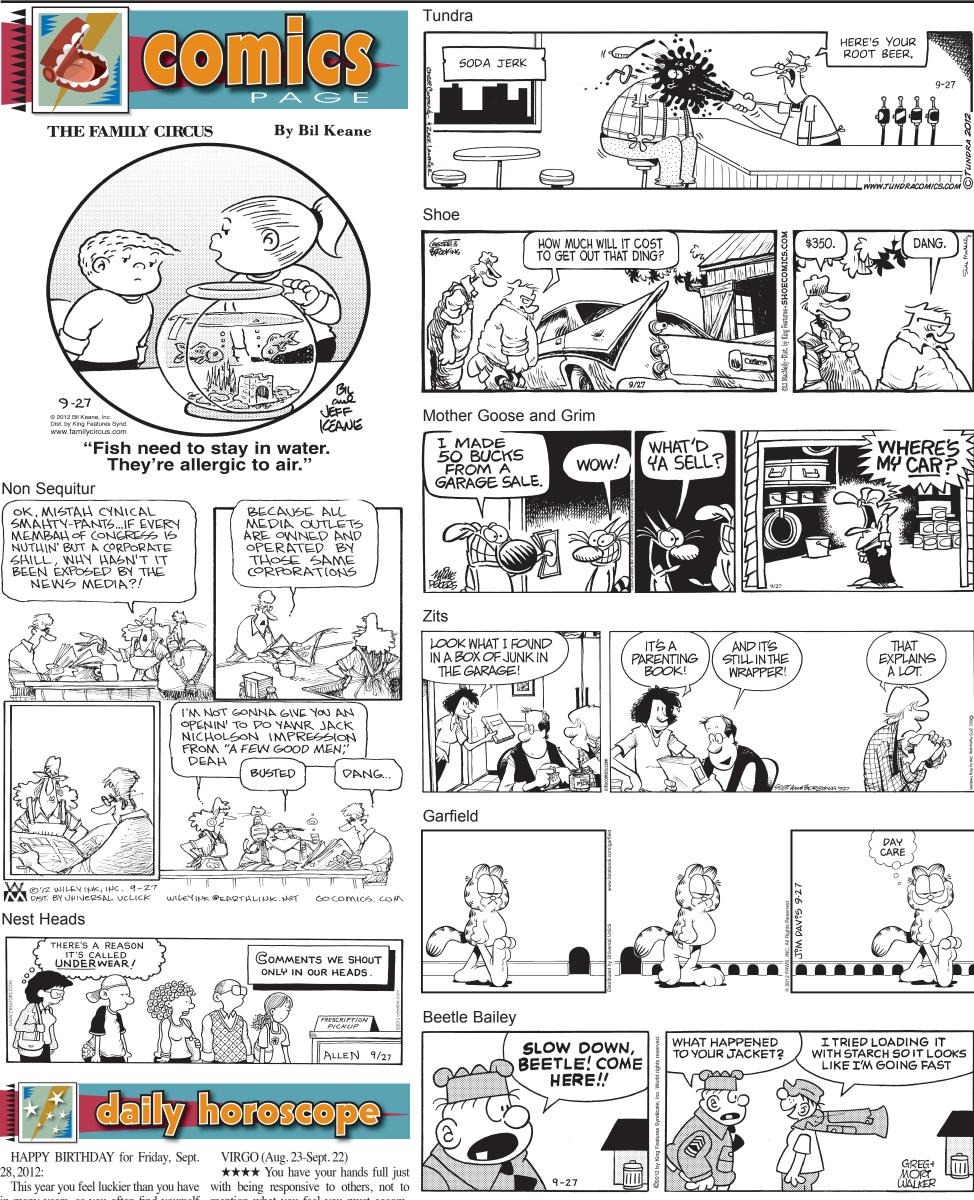
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in many years, as you often find yourself in the right place at the right time. Learn to detach from certain issues before a problem arises. If you are single, be open to the person who seems very different and unusual. You will grow enormously because of the tie you form with this person, even if you later decide that you'd like to relate to someone different. If you are attached, the two of you need to plan a trip together. Make sure to do it this year, and you will become much closer. PISCES reveals emotions that can be a bit much for you to handle.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

 $\star \star \star \star$ You might look scattered to an observer, but you are moving quickly in order to get a lot done. You also have many incoming calls and could feel somewhat overwhelmed. You know how to funnel your energy, and you do this effectively. Accept a last-minute invitation. Tonight: Not to be found.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

 $\star \star \star \star$ You have a lot invested in a project or goal. You might have to jump a small hurdle in order to succeed, but you will do so with ease. A last-minute offer could encourage you to look the other way. You'll feel as if you can tackle any problem. Tonight: Curb excess spending.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

admired. You know your limits and which direction you are going. You might want to change the tone of your days and take advantage of the upcoming weekend. Make an effort to complete a project. Tonight: In the limelight.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

become triggered. You will remain anchored and positive as a result, and your instincts will guide you. Verify what you feel before acting. You want to make a solid choice. Tonight: Be open to a new adventure

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

You might want to emphasize your goals. If you want to move in a new direction, you will have others' support. Your high energy and optimism draw a key person into your life. Tonight: Enjoy a loved one.

mention what you feel you must accomplish. Be as direct as possible in dealing with others. A key person you look up to could be quite pleased with the way you are handling yourself. Tonight: Share with fun people.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

 $\star \star \star \star$ Pace yourself and stay ahead of the moment. Listen to news, yet also use your observational skills to figure out what is going on around you. Use care with your spending. Once you get going, it is hard to stop. Honor your natural limitations. Tonight: Out with a cohort.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

 $\star \star \star \star \star$ Your libido defines the next 24 hours. When flirting, you naturally become seductive. As your primal energy emerges, others notice. When working on finding a solution to a problem, you naturally will choose to explore more than one path. Tonight: Expect some fun moments. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

 $\star \star \star \star$ You could be much clearer than you realize, yet others might pretend not to 'get it." You know how to evoke responses better than many, so go to work. Let your inner voice guide you. You will achieve your desired results. Tonight: Close to

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

home.

 $\star \star \star \star \star$ Continue returning calls, $\star \star \star \star$ You certainly are a force to be even if it is to your archenemy. You might want to resolve a problem and eliminate some tension for you and those around you. Your concentration allows you to attack one task after another. Tonight: Get into the moment.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

 $\star \star \star$ Curb a new pattern of spending. $\star \star \star \star$ Try to detach, especially if you You will feel much better if you get this somewhat destructive habit under control. You might want to approach a friend in a positive, fun and humorous manner. Let go of heaviness here. Tonight: Make sure you are in good company.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

 $\star \star \star \star$ Your smile draws others in. Use $\star \star \star \star \star$ You work well with others. this moment to accomplish what you want most. Consider what you would do if you knew you would get a positive response. Make an effort to touch base with someone at a distance. Let the moment happen. Tonight: Be with your favorite person.

Marvin



Hagar The Horrible



Peanuts



Blondie







Pampa Altrusa has district director visit

CONTRIBUTED REPORT

Altrusa Inc. of September 25, 2012 with in Fredericksburg, Texas Pat Johnson presiding. The on November 10, and group recited the Altrusa urged their attendance for Allegiance to the flag.

Fields and Myrna Orr.

tar music was played by she was a guest of past Nick Nelson, a member president, Kerrick Horton. of ASTRA Club at Pampa After lunch with some of High School.

as a guest. Illness reports Williamson was taken to included Barb Hahn and Pampa High School was news that Betty King is still introduced to counselor in the Coronado Nursing Center.

how Altrusa helps pro-

The program was present- Hall as her model. ed by Janelle Williamson of Texarkana, a Board drawing for the door prize. Director for District Nine Members must be present man. The first "Lunch " of Altrusa International, to win. Inc. Each year, a District ress and offer any needed Elementary and membership progress by Kathryn Green, chair- group will be selected and

the club has made. Mrs. Williamson also reminded International, the members of the Fall Pampa met Leadership Conference Grace and the Pledge of this event, plus District Illegiance to the flag. Conference in April, Greeters were Carol and at the International Convention in 2013 in New During the meal, gui- Zealand. During her visit, the local board members Tamra Giese attended at the Country Club, Mrs. Suzanne Pingle and shown 'The Silo", the clothing The Accent was given closet for students, a new by Linda Weaver on project of Altrusa this year. Following the speaker, an vide Leadership skills to entertaining demonstration women through work on of scarf tying was given by committees and as officers. Kathryn Green, with Kitty

Allison Watson won the

Committee officer or director visits .Sign up sheets were grade classroom, selecteach club in the district passed around for month- ed by teachers based on to assess the club's prog- ly Reading at Travis citizenship and behavior, assistance. They also note Fields, Chairman, and for Perry Lefors Airport. On the good projects, work Lunch with Dignitaries November 1, a different

Reports: student from each fourth

will be October 4 and one by Carol will be taken to visit the

taken to the White Deer sor of ASTRA, reported Land Museum.

Melodie on Wednesday, Oct. 3.

Allison Watson, spon- Workshop.

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that the students helped Basket, members recited Dosch hand out programs at the Altrusa Benediction. announced a need for more the Community Concert clothes hangers and a noon Sunday, Nov. 25. Their work session for the Silo plans also include assistance with the Sheltered First United Methodist

After passing the Brag The business meeting will be Tuesday, October 9 in the parlor of the Church.



Capital Farm Credit stockholders receive \$55 million in cash

CONTRIBUTED REPORT

PAMPA — Capital Farm Credit Board of Directors recently approved a \$55 million cash distribution by retiring a portion of previously-allocated equities.

Combined with cash patronage paid in the spring, Capital Farm Credit has returned record cash distributions totaling \$93.4 million, in 2012. Customers will receive their portion of the cash payment this fall.

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The PAMPA NEWS Sports

Wheel Times, Inc. hosts softball game at Harvester Field

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On September 15, Wheel Times, Inc. conducted a softball game at Harvester field.

Wheel Times, Inc. was created in the winter of 2011 and their goal is to make organized sports available to all people regardless of Physical limitations.

Participating in the game were 25 kids and volunteers, with special events and activities before, during, and after the game.

The players were divided into two equal teams, "red" and "blue" teams. Despite the best efforts by both teams the game ended in a tie.

Wheel Times provides year-round sporting events and the Board of Directors will be meeting this week to add additional events to

their calender. Members of the 501(c)3 non-profit organization board of directors are Brad Pingel, Kyle Parnell, Danny Fain, Dori Miller, Tad Smith, Kevin Davis, Suzanne Pingel, Allyson Embry, and Lynn Hancock.

For more information about events or to be a volunteer call 806-440-1863. after a good play.



Courtesy photo by Diane Jennings

Mckaylee Swift smiles

Courtesy photos by Diane Jennings



Community members express their appreciation for Wheel Times, Inc.

Because our family is relatively new to Pampa, we had not been to a Wheel Times event before. Attending the softball game on September 15th was an amazing experience that I will not soon forget. Music was playing as my daughter and I arrived at Harvester Field. It was apparent that fun was about to happen. As the participants arrived, a child in a wheelchair was paired with another child who would be pushing them. Although the atmosphere was light and fun, there was definitely competition between these teams just like you might see on a Friday night on the same field. Community members announced and umpired the game. The innings were broken up with fun activities where competitors and spectators participated in the chicken dance and singing "YMCA". At the end of this game, free hot dogs were provided to spectators and the athletes. The socialization that occurred after the game was just as fun as getting to cheer on the kids.

I feel proud to be part of a community where the contributions of all children are valued and respected. We cannot wait to attend the next event and cheer on Wheel Times. If you have not attended a Wheel Times event, I highly encourage you to support the kids of Pampa. You will quickly see that Wheel Times is an organization that seeks to include all children in sports-related activities and is focused on providing opportunities that would not otherwise exist for students who face physical challenges.

Amanda Young

When we arrived, I was not sure if I would be watching or playing. I was a little nervous because I was not sure exactly what to do, but my partner, Avery, helped me out and showed me what to do. I thought it was a great opportunity for kids in wheelchairs to be able to play sports just like other kids. I would not normally have gotten to play softball with my friend Lauren, so this was a fun way to get to do that. It also opened eyes to the challenges that other kids face who have to be in a chair all the time. I loved being able to have fun with all of these kids who were different ages.

Madison Young



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Alexis Mungia: crosses the finish line at the Rebel Run last Saturday in Amarillo. The eighth grader finished eighth in a field of over 230 runners. Mungia has finished in top 10 in every cross country meet this year



Staff photo by Gayden Hays

During a lunchtime Rotary Club presentation, Pampa News Editor Ben Tinsley compares the challenges of changing a newspaper to the difficulties he has had measuring up to the legacy of his late father, Jack B. Tinsley, also a journalist. Don Whitney listens as guest speaker Tinsley relates his life experiences.







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01623 SOLICITUD Y PER-MISO PRELIMINAR. sion of air pollutants Cabot Coporation, PO from the permitted Box 5001, Pampa, area may request a Texas 79066-5001, una notice and comment planta Manufactura de Negro Carbon, ha presentado una applicacion solicitud ante la Comision de Calidad Ambiportunity to submit ental de Texas (TCEQ, por sus siglas en ingles) para una modificacion significante del Permiso Federal de Operacion (en adelante denominado el Permiso) No. O1623, Solicitud num. 17863 con el proposito de operar para autorizar la operacion de Cabot Coporation Pampa Plant. El area al cual se refiere la solicitud esta las instalaciones ubicades en 3 millas oeste cacion y comentarios, de la cuidad de Pampa en Highway 60 y norte de las vias de ferrocarril, Pampa, Condado de Gray, Texas. Este enceived within 30 days lace a un mapa electroafter publication of the nico de la ubicacion newspaper notice. The general del sitio o de la instalacion en proporcionado como una cortesia y no es parte de la solicitud o del aviso. Para la ubicacion exacta, consulte la solicitud. http://www.tceq.texas.g ov/assets/public/hb610/i ndex.html?lat=35.51&l ng=101.015&zoom=13 &type=r. Esta aplica-cion fue solicitud fue presentada ante la TCEQ el 23 de abril, 2012.

El proposito de un Per-miso Federal de Operacion es mejorar el acatamiento general de las reglas que gobiernan el control de la contaminacion atmosferica, claramente, por favor este consciente que su direcmente definiendo todos los requisitos aplicables cion de correo electro-If a notice and comment como estan definidos en hearing is granted, all el Titulo 30 del Codigo nico, como su direccion postal fisica se hara la Administrativo de Tejas parte del registro publi-§ 122.10 (30 TAC § a hearing request will 122.10, por sus siglas receive written notice of en ingles). El permiso preliminar no autoriza construcciones nuevas ni tampoco el aumento de emisiones del sitio. El Director Ejectivo de la TCEQ ha concluido ments and/or requests el analisis tecnico de la for a notice and com- aplicacion y ha preparabe submitted to the mar para la revision y Texas Commission on comentarios del publi-

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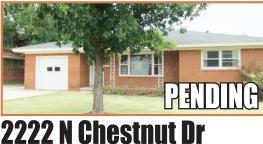


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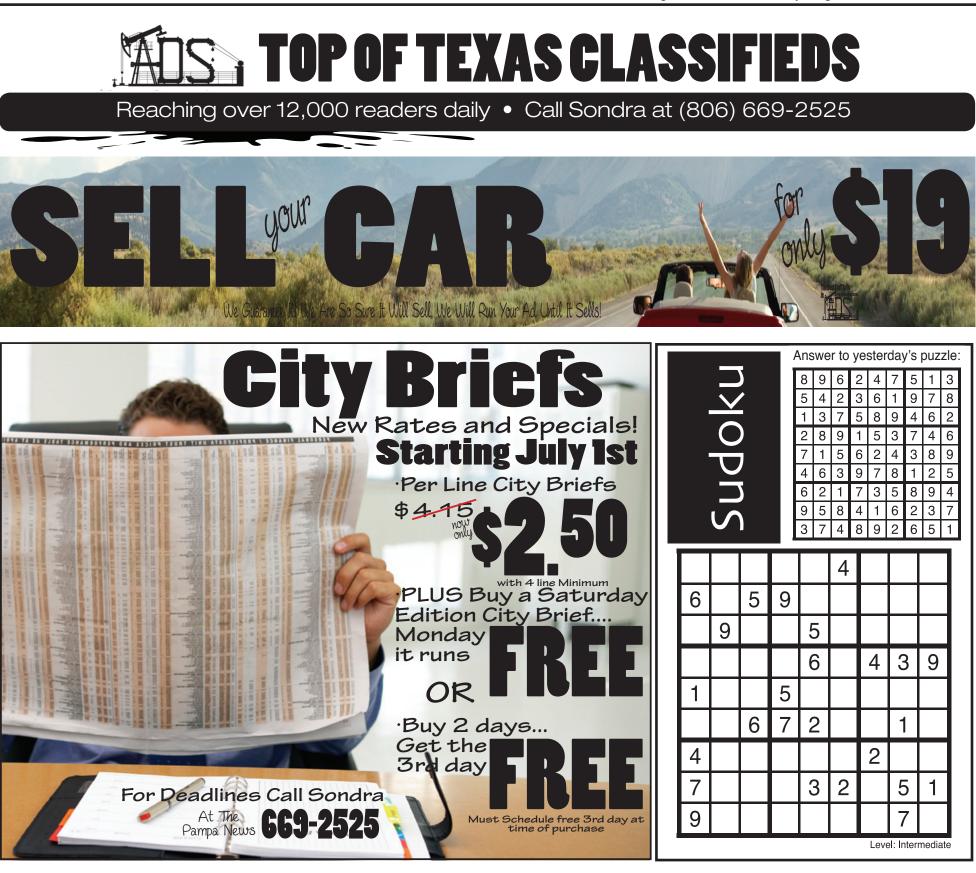
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found himself Dad a younger woman — a with a terminal illness COURSE your husband 'chick" of 70. He has early last year and is close is angry. He has good announced that he still to the end now. He's very reason to be - but he's has sexual needs and angry, which I under- misdirecting it on you. wants to enjoy the rest stand, but he takes it out Guilt is the last thing of his life. My husband thinks it will be a short- giver. I'm also a full-time you're dealing with. term fling and he'll return student about to graduate It's normal to crave the to Mom, but she says she with my degree in regis- closeness you haven't won't be taking him back. tered nursing, so I'm busy (Who knows how she'll all the time. feel later?) ter what happens between care to my husband, I'm your nursing school, them, I'm having a hard stressed out. He yells a please avail yourself time even considering forgiving him for his selfishness. I know it's not my place as his daughterin-law, but I don't know how I can bring myself to face him feeling as I do. Any words of wisdom? – JUDGMENTAL JUDY IN ARIZONA D Е legal advice possible. lives? - DEPRESSED After 60 years of marriage, there should be plenty of assets to split. They will make her financially independent, and from that, emotional independence will follow. Do not count her out as a weak sister just yet because she appears to be stronger than you think. While it's possible your father-in-law may want to reunite after the fling, it is equally possible that when the "chick" sees his nest egg is cracked in half, he will be less appealing to her. Only time will tell. In the meantime, keep the peace, bide your time, and as tempting as it may be to voice everything that's on your mind, keep your lip zipped. This isn't your marriage, so don't stir

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By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

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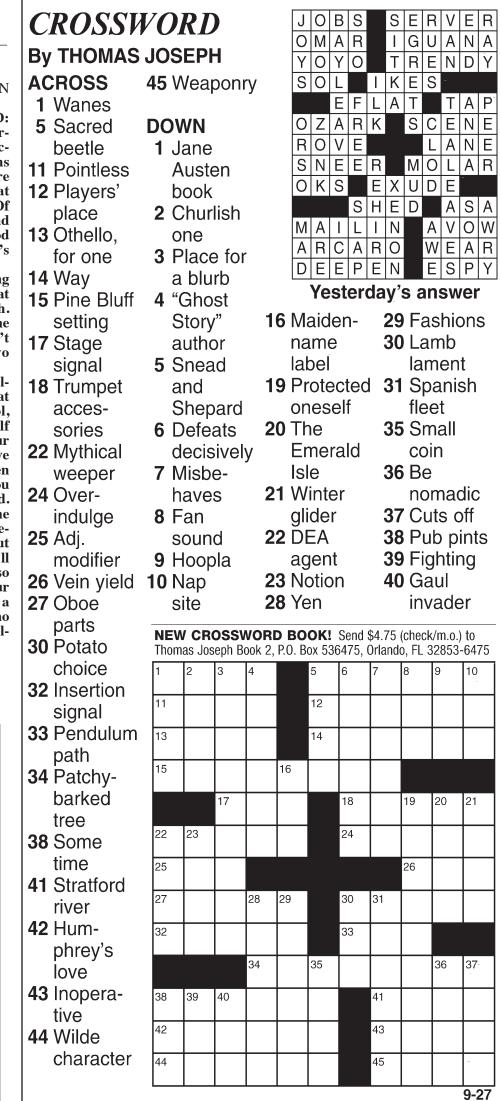
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New members of the Pampa Chamber of **Commerce welcomed**

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PAMPA — The Chamber of Commerce, left, recently welcomed Cindy and Jill Crawford of The Sparrow's Nest as new members of the Chamber.

The Sparrow's Nest is located in downtown Pampa at 120 N Cuyler.

Pictured from left to right: Pat Mitchell, Roy Morriss, Debbie Heiser, Landon Field, Jill Crawford, Jerry Foote, Cindy Crawford, Charles Henry, Paulette Hinkle and Darville Orr.



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Employees of Accolade Pampa, above and below, offer free lunches to customers and passersby on Sept. 21 as a way ot saying thanks. Meanwhile: Did someone misplace a helicopter the other day? Photos by Ben Tinsley.



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