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Obama: No evidence of security breach in scandal

President speaks on foreign policy in first news conference since election

> BY BEN FELLER AP White House Correspondent

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Barack Obama said Wednesday he has seen no evidence that national security was threatened by the widening sex scandal that ensnared his former CIA director and top military commander in Afghanistan.

Facing questions from reporters, Obama also reaffirmed his belief that the U.S. can't afford to continue tax cuts for the wealthiest Americans, a key sticking point in negotiations with Republicans over the impending "fiscal cliff." He said, "The American people understood what they were getting" when they voted for him after a campaign that focused heavily

on taxes. And he defiantly told critics of U.N. Ambassador Susan Rice, a potential candidate to lead the State Department, that they should "go after me" - not her - if they have issues with the



Barack Obama

administration's handling of the deadly attacks on Americans in Benghazi, Libya. His words were aimed at Republican Sens. John McCain and Lindsey Graham, who have vowed to block Rice's potential nomina-

The president addressed those topics and others

for about 50 minutes in his first news conference since he won re-election last week. His party also picked up seats in both houses of Congress, but the president refrained from claiming a broad mandate, other than for protecting middle class families.

The tangled email scandal that cost David Petraeus his CIA career and led to an investigation of Gen. John Allen has disrupted Obama's plans to keep a narrow focus on the economy coming out of the election. And it has overshadowed his efforts to build support behind his re-election pledge to make the wealthy pay more in taxes in order to reduce the federal deficit.

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A PENNY SAVED IS A PENNY EARNED



Wilson Elementary third grader Kaia Gasaway makes a deposit Wednesday morning at the school's Kid's Bank. The tellers are fifth graders Victoria Lopez, left, and Devin Hieronymus. At far right is Happy State Bank employee Jolita Sells, who with fellow employee Erica Guzman takes the deposits back to the "grown-up" bank.

Students learn money skills through Kid's Bank

BY BARB AMRHEIN

Special to The Pampa News

Understanding money and handling the responsibility of money is a downfall for many Americans. Students at two Pampa elementary schools have the opportunity to begin saving at a young age.

The Kids' Bank at Wilson Elementary and Austin Elementary schools affiliated with Happy State Bank encourages students to become savers and helps to educate students in the handling of money. "We've been doing Kids' Bank for three years at

Wilson Elementary, and we're in our second year at Austin Elementary," Jolita Sells, regional operations manager for Happy State Bank.

"We started the program because we wanted the opportunity to teach our students how to save at an early age. We believe that if they learn young to save money, that it will carry on into their adult

The accounts the children deposit into are actual accounts and real money is exchanged.

The children can deposit any amount, even if it's

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Abortion debate flares as Ireland probes death if ill woman

BY SHAWN POGATCHNIK Associated Press

DUBLIN (AP) — The debate over legalizing abortion in Ireland flared Wednesday after the government confirmed that a woman in the midst of a miscarriage was refused an abortion and died in an Irish hospital after suf-

fering from blood poisoning.

Prime Minister Enda Kenny said he was awaiting findings from three investigations into the death of Savita Halappanavar, a 31-year-old Indian woman who was 17 weeks pregnant. Her case highlighted the legal limbo in which pregnant women facing severe health problems can find themselves in predominantly Catholic Ireland.

Ireland's constitution officially bans abortion, but a 1992 Supreme Court ruling found the procedure should be legalized for situations when the woman's life is at risk from continuing the pregnancy.

Five governments since have refused to pass a law resolving the confusion, leaving Irish hospitals reluctant to terminate pregnancies except in the most obviously life-threatening circumstances.

The vast bulk of Irish women wanting abortions, an estimated 4,000 per year, simply travel next door to England, where abortion has been legal on demand since 1967.

But that option is difficult, if not impossible, for women in failing

Halappanavar's husband, Praveen, said doctors at University Hospital Galway in western Ireland determined she was miscarrying within hours of her hospitalization for severe pain on Sunday, Oct. 21.

Pampa City Commission Texting ban passes first reading

Commissioners vote down golf carts on city streets

BY TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE thowsare@thepampanews.com

The Pampa City Commission approved Tuesday on first reading an ordinance that would ban texting while driving and other cell phone usage that could distract drivers such as "Googling" for addresses or websites.

The ordinance must pass a second reading before it can be adopted by the city.

Mayor Brad Pingel said the ordinance would not ban oral communication on cell phones, like the ordinance in Amarillo, which has become very controversial.

City Manager Richard Morris said Canyon has recently enacted an ordinance banning

Though commissioners and Police Chief Kelly Rushing agreed the ordinance will be difficult to enforce, they all agreed it would CITY cont. on page 5

Boat needed in one Minneapolis voting precinct

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) - Not one voter cast a ballot in one Minneapolis precinct on Election Day. That's because the only living species in Ward 10, Precinct 3B, is of the aquatic variety.

A newly redistricted precinct map shows 3B is located entirely in the eastern half of Lake Calhoun — the biggest lake in Minneapolis. City Clerk Casey Carl says the watery precinct is the "unintentional result of a programming error" made in drawing new ward boundary

Charter Commission chairman Barry Clegg tells the Star Tribune (http://tinyurl.com/bhtca7n) that the mapping software couldn't draw a line around the edge of the lake without putting a census block in the wrong ward. Clegg says it was supposed to be cleaned up for the final map, but never was.





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PAMPA FORECAST

Today Friday Saturday

Low 30

Low 35

Mary

Vaught

Today: Mostly sunny with a high of 59. No chance of rain. Winds north northwest at 10 mph. Sunrise at 7:20 a.m.

Tonight: Mostly clear with a low of 30. No chance of rain. Winds north northeast at 8 mph. Sunset at 5:37 p.m.

Friday: Mostly sunny with a high of 59. No chance of rain. Winds south southwest at 11 mph. Sunrise at 7:21 a.m.

Friday night: Clear with a low of 35. No chance of rain. Winds south at 13 mph. Sunset at 5:36

percent chance of rain. Winds south at 17 mph. Sunrise at 7:22 a.m. Saturday night: Partly cloudy with a low of 39.

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20 percent chance of rain. Winds south at 13 mph. Sunset 5:36 p.m.

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Obituaries

Mary Jane Vaught

Mary Jane Vaught, formerly of Borger, died Sunday, Nov. 11, 2012 in Amarillo.

Services will be 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 17, 2012 at the Fellowship Baptist Church with Rev. James Powell

of Pampa officiating. Interment will follow at Highland Park Cemetery under the direction of Minton Chatwell Funeral Directors of Borger.

Mary Jane Vaught was born March 16, 1934 in Lincoln, Neb., to Bill and Mary Pearl (Carpenter) Robertson. She had been living in Amarillo for the past 35 years and was a Southern Baptist. Mary was a generous giver who cared for her family very much. She was a very loving mother.

Survivors include her son Danny Pierce and wife Susan of Keller, Texas; two grandchildren; Cody Pierce of Honolulu, Hawaii, Misti Pierce Coutier of Florida, a nephew Martin Hendricks of Amarillo, her life companion Robert Fulton of Amarillo, and caregivers, Sylvia and Nicole of

Mary is preceded in death by her husband Jack Pierce November 20, 1985, her son Tony in 1972, her daughter Kathy in 1965, and her parents.

Jackie Charles "Jack" Gray

Funeral service for Jackie Charles "Jack" Gray, age 81, of Emory, will be held on Saturday, Nov. 10, 2012, 2 p.m. at Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church No. 1, with visitation starting at 1 p.m.

Bro. Jeff Thompson will officiate. Burial will be in Pampa.

Mr. Gray died Thursday, Nov. 8, 2012, at Hunt County Regional Hospital. He was born in Onley on Feb. 6, 1931, to Milton and Rosa Mae Scott Gray. He married Margie Jo Inman in Pampa in 1952.

Mr. Gray served his country in the U.S. Army, during WW II. In his earlier working years, he worked for oil companies in the oil fields. Before his retirement, he worked in his own electrical contracting company, High Plains Electric.

Pallbearers will be Robert Kile, Bobby Kile, Ronnie Kile, Kent Kile, Steve Taylor and Rodney Weaver.

Survivors include: Daughter: Diane Gray Peerson and husband, Mike of Sanger. Sister: Mildred "Shorty" Rossee of Rockwall. Grandchildren: Tyson Enterline; Jaime Pickle; Seth Peerson. Great-Grandchildren: four. Special Nephews: Robert Kile, wife Betty; Bobby Kile, wife Joan; and Ronnie Kile, wife Suzy. Numerous other loving family and friends

Preceded in death by: parents; wife, in 1994; four sisters; and one brother. Wilson-Orwosky Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Norman Ray Rexroat

Norman Ray Rexroat, 70, of Amarillo died Nov. 9, 2012. Visitation will be from 1 to 2 p.m. Saturday with services to follow at 2 nm in Schooler Funeral Home

> Brentwood Chapel, 4100 South Georgia with Rev. Robert Field officiating. Burial will be in White Deer Cemetery.

Norman was born Nov. 27, 1941 in Antlers, Okla. to Emmett and Eulene Rexroat. The family moved to Pampa, Texas in 1946.

Norman attended Pampa High School. As a youth, he was a member of the Pampa Optimist Club and was a Golden Gloves boxer.

Norman was a self-employed carpen-

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ter. He was an excellent barbecue cook and enjoyed applying his skills to feed family and friends. Norman was a fighter and a survivor. He fought and won his first bout with cancer in the early 1980s. He continued to battle cancer in various forms for three decades.

Norman was a generous and loving man. If someone was in need, he was always there to help. He had a wonderful sense of humor and quick wit that made us laugh out loud. He loved his family without reservation, and in return, was loved unconditionally.

He was preceded in death by his father, his mother and his son, Mark Allen Rexroat.

Norman is survived by a son Kevin Rexroat and wife Deanne of Cincinnati, Ohio; a daughter Kelsey Barclay and husband Jason of Bedford; three brothers, Jim Rexroat and wife Amparo of Bayside, Bill Rexroat and wife Connie of Houston, Richard Rexroat and wife Cynthia of Amarillo; a sister, Kathrine Harden and husband Clint of Clovis, N.M.; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials be sent to Interim Hospice, 1901 Medi-Park Drive, Suite 1055, Amarillo, Texas 79106; or the American Cancer Society, 3915 Bell, Amarillo, Texas 79109.

Please sign our online guest register at www.schoolerfuneralhome.com.

Samuel Anaya-Cano

Samuel Anaya-Cano, 27, died Nov. 13, 2012 in Ama-

Rosary was held at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 14, 2012, at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel, with Scott Schwind, deacon of St. Vincent dePaul Catholic Church, officiating.

Mass will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 15, 2012, at St. Vincent dePaul Catholic Church, with Rev. Francisco Perez, pastor, officiating.

Burial will follow in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Anaya-Cano was born Oct. 3, 1985. in Jerecuaro, Guanajuta, Mexico, and had been a resident of Pampa for the past six years. He married Natalie Moreno on

March 12, 2011 in Amarillo. He worked for Top O' Texas Oilfield Services for four years and was a member of St. Vincent dePaul Catholic Church.

Survivors include his wife: Natalie Moreno of the home; two sons: Julian Anaya and Maximiliano Anaya, both of the home; his parents: Hermilo and Esperanza Anaya of Jerecuaro, Guanajuta, Mexico; 12 brothers and 4 sisters; and his grandparents: Augustin Cano and Teresa Hernandes, both of Mexico.

Memorials may be offered to the American Cancer Society, c/o Gerry Caylor, 2130 Charles, Pampa, Texas

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

David G. Varnon

David G. Varnon, 76, of Liberty, Missouri, passed away on Nov. 8, 2012 in Kansas City, Missouri.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16, 2012, at Memory Gardens Mausoleum in Pampa, Texas, with Eric Varnon, M.Div., officiat-

Burial will follow in Memory Gardens Cemetery, with military honors courtesy of Altus AFB Blue Knights Honor Guard, Altus, Okla. Arrangements are under the

David Varnon

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direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa. Mr. Varnon was born Aug.15, 1936 in Alvin, Texas to George W. and Eugenia

M. Varnon. He married his high school sweetheart, Billie Gwyndolin Clay on March 7, 1955. He served his country by joining the U.S. Air Force in 1953. David became a crew chief on B-47 and B-52 bombers in SAC. He then went on to become an instructor at the B-52 school at Chanute AFB, Illinois. He was honorably discharged in June of 1962. David then joined the National Guard, working as a crew chief on the F-102 fighters. In December of 1966, he left the military but continued his aircraft career in the commercial airline industry as an aircraft mechanic. He worked for several airlines before retiring in 1999 from TWA in Kansas City, Missouri. He enjoyed many hobbies and always had a project or two to keep him busy. David was preceded in death by his parents.

Survivors include his wife of 57 years: Gwyndolin Varnon; his son: David G. Varnon, II and wife Kathryn; his daughter: Rhonda L. Ray; 4 grandchildren: David W. Varnon, Elizabeth A. Varnon, Samantha Ray and Chevy Ray; a great-grandson Landon Ray; a sister: Ruby L. Biship; a brother: Alan Varnon and wife Peggy; his mother-in-law: Mary G. Clay-Andrews; two brothers-in-law: Claude Clay and wife Helen and Jerry Hollon and all of their respective families.

Memorials may be offered to a VA Medical Center or charity of your choice.





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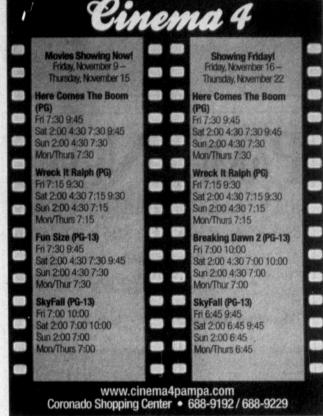
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Cold weather means extra care for pets



When temperatures drop, humans are not the only ones who feel the chill. Cold weather also can take its toll on animals, including dogs, cats and birds. Protecting pets when winter arrives involves modifying care tactics.

A major winter snowfall or simply a snap of cold weather can cause many problems for pets. Much like humans, dogs and cats can experience frostbite on extremities when subjected to cold temperatures. Ears, noses and paws all may bear the brunt of cold weather, increasing the risk of in-

Provide warm shelter

Although it may appear that pets are well insulated against cold temperatures, fur or feathers do not make pets impervious to the cold. According to the ASPCA, fur wetted by snow may not dry quickly, putting animals at risk for a chill or even hypothermia. As a precautionary measure, keep companion animals inside when temperatures drop below 30*F.

If yours is an outside dog, be sure that he or she is equipped with dry, draft-free shelter. A dog house that is too large will not retain heat, so keep this in mind. Reduce wind chill by placing the dog house where it will not be in the direct line of wind. You may want to

think about keeping the dog in an insulated shed or garage if you prefer not to move the pet in-

Cats can easily freeze while outdoors; therefore, it is safer to keep them inside. Also, outdoors a cat may seek unsafe shelter, such as under the hoods of cars where they can be injured or killed if the car is started.

Dress warmly

A mammal's system for regulating heat can be compromised when there is excessive cold. No matter its type of fur, a dog or cat may not be able to tolerate long periods of cold weather, unless it is a breed that was specifically bred for remaining outdoors in the cold, like a Malamute or Husky. When venturing outside, consider the use short-haired dogs, but keep an eye on the pet. Wearing a coat doesn't mean he should be left outdoors unattended.

Cats probably will not tolerate any type of clothing. If going outdoors to a vet appointment, use a carrier that is insulated from the cold with thick blankets.

Limit drafts

Address drafts around the house, which will increase your comfort and that of your companion animals. Dogs and cats lie on the ground, where colder air tends to collect.

It may be several degrees cooler near the floor where they reside. Check windows and doors for drafts. If repairs or replacements aren't financially possible, consider the use of draft guards or insulating curtains.

These measures also will protect pet birds. Most birds that are kept as pets are from tropical climates and cannot tolerate severe colder temperatures. Reduce risk of illness by keeping birds away from drafty windows and doors that open and close frequently during the winter.

Keep them leashed

Many dogs like to frolic in the snow, but snow can cause a pooch to lose his scent on the ground and get lost. A dog also may run off and get smothered by tall snowdrifts or slip through thin ice when not being able to gauge its surroundings. It is best to keep dogs on leashes during any type of inclement weather.

Be mindful of pets young and old

Puppies and kittens as well as older dogs and cats may be less tolerant of colder weather. Young animals are lacking the fat stores and thick coats of their adult counterparts that can help protect them against the cold. Housebreaking a puppy during the cold weather could be challenging.

Senior dogs may feel aches and pains from the cold, which can irritate existing conditions like arthritis. Limit their time outdoors to bathroom

Remove chemical poi-

Antifreeze and special-

ized nonicing window cleaners used in automobiles are commonly used in winter. These chemicals are often sweet to the smell and taste and very attractive to curious pets. But only a few laps of antifreeze can be deadly.

Keep any dangerous winterizing chemicals -- even salt used to melt snow -- away from pets to avoid accidental inges-

Provide extra food and water

Pets need extra calories in order to keep their bodies warm in the cold weather. You may need to feed them a little extra during the winter. Extra water may also be necessary when the pet's metabolism is working harder.

If a pet is kept outdoor's, be sure to check if its water has frozen and replace it frequently.

Watch for symptoms of hypothermia

Even well-meaning pet owners may be unaware if their pet is suffering from the effects of too much cold. Here are some symptoms of hypo-

· violent shivering, followed by listlessness

- · weak pulse
- · lethargy
- · muscle stiffness problems breathing
- · lack of appetite · rectal temperature be-
- low 98*F
- · coma cardiac arrest
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Healing storm damaged trees

You may not have been in the path of one of the recent hurricanes, but you can still learn some tree planting and tree maintenance lessons from the areas that have been hit. Wind damage from



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quent than thunderstorms; so potential tree problems go unnoticed for longer periods of time. When the winds

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finally do come, they have larger trees to destroy. The damage comes in two broad categories; trees either get broken apart or blown down.

Trees with more than one trunk or that have rotting wood in a trunk are the most susceptible to wind damage. Once one trunk breaks, the rest of the tree is at greater risk. Many trees planted in recent years have an upright growth pattern. They fit better in smaller yards and street areas, but they often have many vertical branches growing close to the trunk that offer no support for branches that lean outward. When the wind blows a branch outward, it snaps off and it often breaks off a whole trunk

Whenever a multitrunked tree's trunks are so close together that the bark from one trunk is touching the bark of one or more of the other trunks there is a strong potential for a split tree during a storm. It doesn't matter if the two trunks are touching at ground level or if they don't start touching until they grow together ten feet off the ground, this is a tree with a strong potential to

Trees that have been cut in half or have huge chunks missing because of power line pruning will have a strong potential for failure in high winds. The top of a tree needs to stay balanced in shape to help it remain standing. Tall trees should not be planted under power lines. When the trees were there first, installing power lines underground is better for the trees and the area is not susceptible to trees causing a power

outage.

It is amazing how many large trees are planted in locations that can't possibly sustain them for the long term. Most forest trees should not be planted in small un-irrigated parking lot islands, in concrete sidewalks with metal grates, in the five foot space between the curb and sidewalk and in the medians between streets. The roots of a healthy strong forest tree grow several times farther than the branches. So, if the book says the tree grows to fifty feet across, the branches grow 150 to 200 feet across. A ten by ten parking lot island will stunt the trees growth and the roots will not be able to support the top in a windstorm.

If a large tree has lots of space to grow roots in only one direction and the winds come from the other direction, there is a strong potential for the tree to blow over. Large trees need large root systems balanced in size and shape with the top.

If you do have a tree with broken branches, either have it professionally pruned by a licensed arborist or learn how to do it properly yourself. Never over prune a damaged tree. During the next growing season it will need as many leaves as possible to produce enough food to heal its wounds. Don't waste your time keeping an old, heavily damaged tree when a new smaller properly planted tree would be better, but also don't remove trees in fear of future windstorms.

During storms, many trees will lose a lot of small dead branches. If they leave subs larger than an inch in diameter, cut the stubs off so they don't allow watering and fungi into the tree trunk. Trim the ragged edges around any branches that ripped the bark as they fell from the tree. This will allow

the rip to heal faster. Do not coat the wound with any black stuff or paint. Research shows that all of these coverings slow the healing process and protect decay organisms and insects, not the

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Letters to the Editor

Thanks to caregivers

During this season of gratitude and giving, my colleagues at Texas Oncology and I want to highlight the important role that caregivers play in supporting cancer patients. Caregivers are more than mere helpers, they are essential partners in cancer care.

We thank them.

More than 110,000 Texans will be diagnosed with cancer this year, and in most cases, friends or loved ones stand with them to provide critical support and care in many ways from running errands and meeting home health care needs to taking on household management duties. Caregivers play a vital role throughout treatment, and our communitybased practice enables patients to stay connected to friends and family serving in these important roles.

During November, National Family Caregivers Month, we urge you to take time to thank and help caregivers. Even a small gesture can make a big difference. Texas Oncology has created a downloadable thank you card. You can also lend a hand by running errands, preparing a meal, sitting with a cancer patient, and in many other ways (see more suggestions and the card at www.TexasOncology.com/GivingThanks).

We are always impressed and deeply moved by the courage of our patients and the unlimited compassion of family and friends who care for them once they leave our clinics. Please join us in honoring caregivers for their many sacrifices and sup-

John Gwozdz, MD **Texas Oncology** Amarillo

Reader disappointed on parade pictures

I am very disappointed that there was no pictures of our veterans in the paper today! We the people showed our support in the

cold brisk wind, waved our flag in honor, and you didn't print pictures. Viewpoints and I quote, "Freedom isn't free, and we should not only thank

those who have served on Veterans Day, but throughout the year." Thanks for you support.

Pamela Lamboley Pampa

Editor's note: A photo gallery of the parade is posted on The Pampa News Facebook page.



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Using a turkey pulleybone to stay in touch

miles away from Pampa; three live 976 miles away and 1 lives 1,826 miles away from Nana and Pawdad. Now if we were independently wealthy that wouldn't be a big problem. However, preachers in small church-



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fall into that "independently wealthy category. But it crossed my mind that surely we the aren't only ones that have

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financial struggles. So I thought that I would tell you about a fun time that our family shared last night to help stay in touch that most families could

imitate. This past Sunday a friend was kind enough to smoke our Thanksgiving turkey for us and as we cleaned it for eating some and freezing the rest, a thought struck me. As I cut up the turkey breast, I asked Shari to take extra care with the pulleybone

for a special project. Now to those under 40 yrs, you might not know what I'm talking about. It is a bone located at the front of the breast that is filled with all white meat. If you are careful you can get the bone out unbroken. Then after it dries a while

Three of our grandkids it is ready to be "pulled" West, FL. Thinking it was apart in pieces. The old wives' tale was that whoever got the "LONG" part would receive their wish. During my growing up years my favorite part of fried chicken was the pulleybone. Most foul have

The project that struck



my thinking was simply what we would do if any of the grandkids were at the house. Well, of course, we'd pull the pulley bone and laugh and laugh. But what do you do when everyone is thousands of miles away.

So I texted my three kids this photo of the turkey pulleybone and told all grandkids to pick either the left side or the right side (without any help from mommy or daddy) and that all winners would receive a Thanksgiving bonus of \$10 from Nana and Pawdad. There was one exception to the "no help". Neal is only 2.5 yrs.

Within two minutes I heard back from Key my granddaughter Lily, I was surprised to read: Right. Oh crud, dory, I'll ask Lily later. LOL It was my impetuous son Jeff. He didn't read the grandkids part of the text and sent his own answer. Shari and I laughed and laughed.

Now we couldn't have

the pull until all of the picks were in. I hadn't thought that we all live in three different time zones separated by three hours. So I heard back quickly from Lily (EST) and then Zachary, Lizzy and Jackson (CST). But the west coast crew were all taking their nap. So we waited and waited. I'm sure it seemed longer than it really was, but finally we got all of the votes in. In age order: Zachary-left, Lizzy-left, Conner-right, Lily-right, Jackson-right, Leesy-right and Neal-left. Neal cast his vote by picking one toy out of two placed in front of him. I thought that was an ingenious way to help him pick.

I turned on my Iphone and prepared to video the pulling. I figured Shari would do a better job so she held the left side of the pulleybone and started videoing. I pulled and Shari pulled and BOOM the pulleybone exploded. I forgot that it had been drying for three days so it was brittle, brittle. Pieces of the turkey bone flicked all over the living room. We laughed so hard.

However there was a piece left in Shari's fingers and one in mine too. At first I thought they were exactly the same length. NO WINNER. But after a closer look, the one in my hand was about a 32nd of an inch longer. RIGHT was the winner.

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I got two texts from impatient families about who had won, while I was loading the video and texting the results. Everyone got to see the videc of the actual pulling of the pulleybone. All the kids were elated and had a ball. Jackson already knew what he was going to buy with his \$10. I then asked for each family's PayPal account and sent the winner's their money: five winners, \$50, ABSO-LUTELY PRICELESS EVENING WITH OUR **GRANDKIDS!**

So why don't you have a priceless evening with your "far away" family Oh, it might not be a pulleybone evening, but keer your eyes and ears open for opportunities to use all of this modern technology that we have for a GREATER purpose, for a FUN EVENING with family who live far away! God bless. Mike

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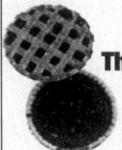
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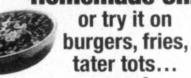
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just a quarter, and there is no service charge on the kids accounts," Sells said. "It's a learning experience and we're wanting to teach them to save."

Wilson Elementary Principal Rhonda Patterson believes the program is a strong educational tool, especially for the fifth grad-

"The fifth graders apply for the teller and manager positions and go through an interview process at the bank," Patterson said. "It serves a two-fold purpose, it teaches all the students to save money, and it's particularly good for the fifth

graders because they have to go through an interview process and they also wear uniforms and learn respon-

The bank is open from 7:30 a.m. until 8 a.m. every Wednesday.

The fifth grade student tellers take the money, fill out the deposit slips and sees that the money gets to the bank through the staff member helping each Wednesday morning.

Three of this year's tellers at Wilson Elementary, Josie Fields, Fernando Perez and Kameron O'Dell, are enjoying the responsibility of working as bank representatives even though it means a little less sleep one morning a week.

"Yes, I'd do it again," teller Kameron Odell said.

"I'm really good at math, and this has taught me more about math. I like handling money and getting better at math

Fields, who hasn't yet set up her own savings account also likes monetary

endeavors. "I like this job because you get to handle money and count it," she said.

The program appears to be working in fulfilling the two-fold mission of teaching to save and teaching responsibility and honesty to the fifth grade workers, especially student teller Fernando Perez.

"The most important thing I've learned is that when people give you money you can't take it, because it isn't yours," Perez said.

Policy Continued From Page 1

Obama said he hoped the scandal would be a "single side note" in Petraeus' otherwise extraordinary career.

Petraeus resigned as head of the CIA last Friday because of an extramarital affair with his biographer, Paula Broadwell, who U.S. officials say sent harassing emails to a woman she viewed as a rival for the former general's affection.

The investigation revealed that that woman, Jill Kelley, also exchanged sometimes-flirtatious messages with Allen.

Obama brushed aside questions about whether he was informed about the FBI investigations that led to the disclosures quickly enough. White House officials first learned about the investigations last Wednesday, the day after the election, and Obama was alerted the following day.

"My expectation is that they follow the protocols that they've already established," Obama said. "One of the challenges here is that we're not supposed to meddle in criminal investigations and that's been our practice."

Turning back to the economy, the president vowed not to cave to Republicans who have pressed for tax cuts first passed by George W. Bush to be extended for all income earners. Obama has long opposed extending the cuts for families making more than \$250,000 a year, but he gave into GOP demands in 2010 when the cuts were up for renewal.

That won't happen this time around, he said Wednesday.

"Two years ago the economy was in a different situation," Obama said. "But what I said at the time was what I meant. Which was this is a one-time proposition."

The president and Congress are also seeking to avoid across-the-board spending cuts scheduled to take effect because lawmakers failed to reach a deal to reduce the federal deficit. Failure to act would lead to spending cuts and higher taxes on all Americans, with middle-income families paying an average of about \$2,000 more next year, according to the nonpartisan Tax Policy Center.

Obama said he was "open to new ideas" but would not allow current tax rates to continue for the top 2 percent of wage earners, drawing a line for Republicans who say they will not tolerate any tax rate increases.

Asked if the tax rates for the rich had to return to Clinton-era levels, Obama indicated he was open to negotiations.

Looking ahead to his second-term agenda, Obama pledged quick action on comprehensive immigration reform, but said climate change would be a tougher slog. There was little action on either issue during his first term.

Obama said he expected that a comprehensive immigration reform bill would be introduced "very soon after my inauguration." The White House is already engaged in conversations with Capitol Hill.

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be a good law because if it makes one person think twice before texting, then everyone on the streets is a little safer.

Rushing said the city already has an ordinance that bans texting in

school zones.

"Texting is a distraction while driving," Pingel said.

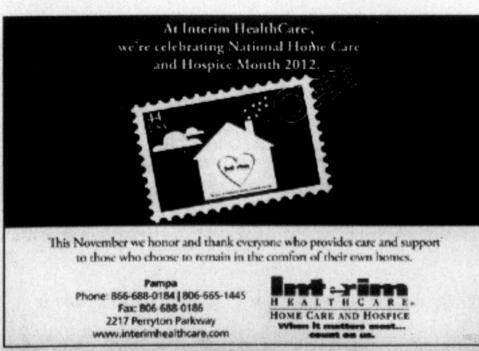
In another action, the commissioners voted against allowing residents to drive golf carts on city streets. Because the motion failed on first reading, it will not come up for a second vote.

A new state law per-

mits golf carts on city streets with speed limits of 35 mph or less.

Golf carts are not permitted on state highways, although the carts are allowed to cross highways.

However, it is up to each municipality to decide whether to adopt the law as part of their city codes.







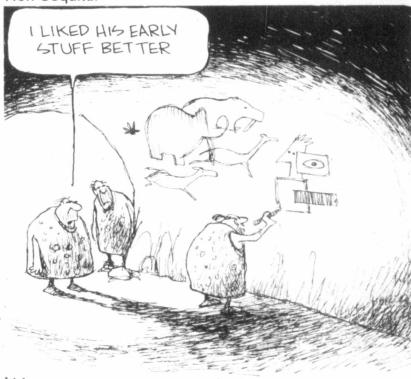
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By Bil Keane



"Mommy, do we know any princes?"

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your depth. The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Aver- first. Tonight: Don't push.

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

★★★★ You might feel as if you carry the weight of many on your shoulders. You are willing to give 110 percent, no matter what you do. Realistically, saying "no" might be more appropriate than letting yourself be overwhelmed. Tonight: A must appearance.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★★ You have the ability to see beyond the obvious, and you often nix situations because of their likely ramifications. On the other hand, you know when to take a risk on something worthwhile. Friends often scratch their heads at do not want to. In the long run, you will your decisions. Tonight: Go for exotic.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) **** One-on-one relating becomes successful, if you go with the flow. You might feel as if you do not have enough energy to do everything you want is happening, and understand that difto do. A partner becomes fiery out of the blue, which catches you off guard. Be careful. Tonight: Try to get rid of the mogrowth. Tonight: Curb some sarcasm. mentary friction.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

*** Others are demanding, and you could be unusually distant, which will be frustrating to those who want you to respond immediately. You might resent the intrusion of those who make demands. A loved one occupies your thoughts and interests. Tonight: Enjoy your space.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

** Work, tasks and your to-do list all catch up with you today. Focus, and get as much done as possible. You'll want one you care dearly about. This person's to enter the weekend free and clear. As a anger could be overwhelming, whether result, your pace might be hard to keep up it is directed at you or not. Tonight: With with, but you'll make sure to get the job friends.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Nov. done well. Tonight: Party the weekend in. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

**** Though you might not be life and make it more to your liking. It sure of your weekend plans yet, your will be a slow but worthwhile process mind could be long gone. Your ability to daydream is fueled by a suggestion or well. You become a better communicator, two from close friends. Your sense of direction and ability to follow through on key projects seem to awaken your mind. Tonight: Loosen up.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★ Be sensible when making plans. want to invest in a special acquisition to- If you feel the need to handle a personal matter, do. In the long run, following your desires will make you more efficient. If you feel the need to make a change or a move, discuss it with a family member

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Keep conversations moving. You will accomplish a lot more if you just relax and go with the flow, Someone might decide to revamp his or her schedule, which could have a definite impact on you. Listen to someone else's news. Tonight: Meet a friend at a favorite

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) *** You could be tired of having to be so precise and careful with your funds. Should you choose to loosen up, you will see the results almost immediately. Proceed with caution, even if you be left smiling. Tonight: Your treat.

CAPRICÓRN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) **** Remain sure of yourself, yet also understand that others might not be as driven as you are. Evaluate what ferences are natural. Your uniqueness is what puts you in the position of gains and

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) *** You might want to try a different approach. Discuss this matter with someone you trust who can give you adequate feedback. Understanding evolves between you and another person after a long-overdue conversation. Tonight: Get

some extra R and R. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

**** Friends surround you, as they show their support and offer you a sense of direction. You could be taken aback by what is happening with some-

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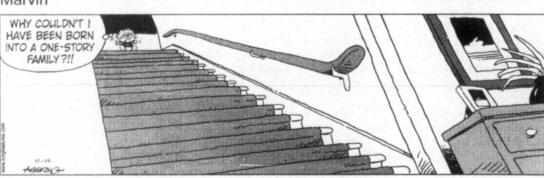


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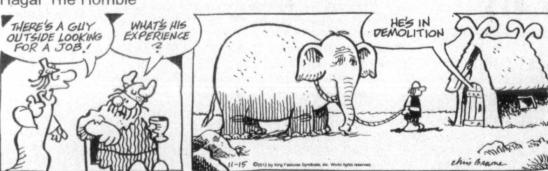




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Stocks slide after gloomy report on retail sales

BY STEVE ROTHWELL AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) -Stock indexes moved lower in light trading on Wall Street Wednesday. Strong earnings from Abercrombie & Fitch were offset by a gloomy report on retail spending from the government.

The Dow Jones industrial average was down 56 points at 12,692 shortly after noon. The Standard & Poor's 500 index slipped four points to 1,370 and the Nasdaq composite was down four points at 2,879.

Abercrombie & Fitch, the purveyor of apparel to teenagers, was among the standout stocks. Abercrombie jumped \$8.76 to \$39.94 after reporting that its international business was thriving and that its net income soared 40 percent in the most recent quarter, more than analysts were expecting.

The strong results from Abercrombie were tempered by a report from the Commerce Department saying that Americans cut back on spending in October, suggesting that many are still cautious about the economy.

Sales dropped 0.3 percent last month after three months of gains. That's worse than analysts had been expecting, according to FactSet. The government also said auto sales fell 1.5 percent, the most in more than a year. Sales may have been hurt by Superstorm Sandy.

Investors will be closely watching a press briefing later Wednesday by President Barack Obama.

Stocks were roiled in the immediate aftermath of last week's presidential the U.S. will fall over the

"fiscal cliff." Unless lawmakers hammer out a deal to cut the budget deficit by Jan. 1, a series of tax increases and revenue cuts will be implemented that will likely push the U.S. back into recession.

"Investors' hopes that the election would end uncertainty remain unfulfilled," said Lawrence Creatura, a portfolio manager at Federated Investors in Rochester, New York. "Investors are still grasping for visibility.... it's very tough to determine what happens next."

The S&P 500 has slipped 3.7 percent since Obama won re-election Nov. 6, and has dropped 6.5 percent from Sept. 14, when it hit the highest point of the year.

Stocks had risen over the summer before the Federal Reserve announced Sept. 13 that it would extend its so-called quantitative easing program by mortgage-backed securities with the intention of holding down borrowing costs.

Market participants are also awaiting the release of minutes from the Federal Reserve's October meeting on Thursday for more insight into how the U.S. economy is doing. The notes are scheduled to be released at 2 p.m. Eastern.

The yield on the 10-year Treasury note rose to 1.61 percent from 1.59 percent. Among other stocks making big moves:

Cisco Systems, the world's largest maker of computer networking equipment, gained \$1:05 to \$17.89. Cisco said late Tuesday that its earnings rose 18 percent in the latest quarter and that U.S. election on concern that companies are starting to spend again.



CHOIR STUDENTS ADVANCE. PHS choir students auditioned for the Texas Music **Educators Association** Region Choir on Saturday, Nov. 4, at Tascosa High School in Amarillo. Students making the choir and advancing to the Pre-Area auditions are, front row from left, Logan Turley, Holly Lane, Nicholas Nelson, Brittany Darnell and Macy Cochran. Back row, Drew Facio, Emilee Frost, Gage Greenhouse

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The PAMPA NEWS Community Calendar

PHS Choir Sock Hop for Kids

The PHS Choir will hold a Mini Sock Hop for Kids from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17, at the M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium. The cost is \$15 per person and includes a hot dog, chips, Coke float, ticket to any one of PHS's "Grease" productions and meet the "Grease" cast members before the show at 2:30 p.m. at M.K. Brown. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Dust Bowl events at historical museum

The White Deer Land Museum will present "A Historical Perspective of the Dust Bowl and the Drought of the 1950s" beginning 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 17.

There will be a book signing by Virginia Frantz, lunch at 1 p.m. and music will provided by the Corn Cob Coalition.

The museum is located at 116 S. Cuyler St. and the phone number is 669-8041.

Community Thanksgiving service

The Ministerial Alliance of Pampa invites you to the annual Community Thanksgiving Service to be held at First United Methodist Church of Pampa on Sunday, Nov. 18, at 6 p.m. Pastor Lynn Hancock of Briarwood Church, and current President of the Alliance, will bring the message. A community choir will also lead singing, and offer special music. Anyone wishing to join with the choir is invited to rehearsal at 5 p.m. Sunday.

A special offering is received each year with proceeds offered to community ministries. This year's offering will be divided equally between "Gray Cares" and "Snack Packs 4 Kids." Come enjoy an inspirational service of celebration and thanksgiving as the community of faith in Pampa joins together in worship. The church is located at 201 E.Foster Ave. and the phone number is 669-7411.

Local artist displaying works

The White Deer Land Museum will have the Pampa Fine Arts Association, Artist of the Year Exhibit open until Dec. 1. artist Omajean Lewis will be displaying oils water colors and photography.

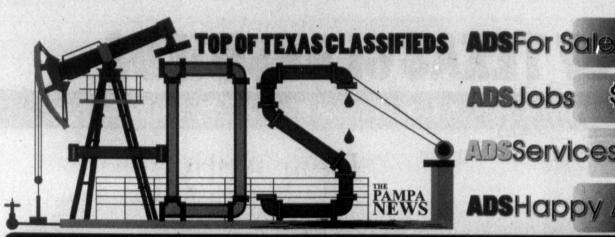
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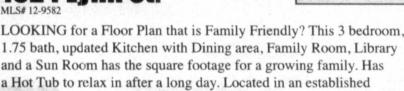
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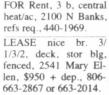
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rearrange each set of letters to form a new word

day's Answer: MYANMAR, INDIA,



DEAR writing about a letter you published Sept. 23 from 'Friend in Arizona." She wrote that after her friend "Blanche" was diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease, Blanche had asked not to be "paraded around for others to gawk at" after she reached a certain point. You advised that continuing to take her friend to church every Sunday was going against her wishes. I

disagree. I'm an LPN and specialize in Alzheimer's. I have been doing this for more than 25 years, and have headed Alzheimer care units. One of the things we strive for is some sense of normalcy. These people lose their short-term memory at first. But many have strong, vivid memories of years ago.

Going to church every Sunday is probably one of the few things Blanche actually remembers, and it most likely brings her a sense of comfort. Most of the parishioners probably have known her for years. This isn't walking through a mall full of strangers; it is enjoying fellowship with old friends. I'm sure they are not "gawking."

Nursing homes are often frightening to Alzheimer's patients - full of strange sounds and people. Church, however, is full of beloved hymns and friends.

Unfortunately, there will come a time when her disease will progress to the point that these trips will become stressful for her, and possibly that her behavior will become too difficult for church. But until that time comes. I hope this dear friend continues to do such a wonderful thing for this woman. I only hope that I have such caring friends in my later years. - JENNIFER IN CARTHAGE, MO.

DEAR JENNIFER: I would like to thank you and the many readers who urged me to change my answer to that letter. Some pointed out that Blanche had elicited the

Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

am torn. While I think it's brusuffer from dementia to be treated as pariahs and

isolated (and many are), and clearly this friend is well-meaning, I also feel strongly that a person's wishes stated in advance should be respected. Blanche may have wanted to be remembered as the person she was, and entrusted her friend to carry out her wishes "after she reached a certain point."

The writer of that letter asked me if I thought she was wrong to disregard her friend's wishes. I apologize if anyone was offended by my telling her I thought she was.

DEAR ABBY: My wife and I have a disagreement. No matter what we are doing, she's constantly checking her cellphone for texts or emails. Then she'll get into text conversations and talk to herself while I sit there wondering what's so funny. It happens a lot anytime, anywhere. Her cellphone is a constant companion and usually the center of attention.

different from the woman which we now live? -IN RICHLAND, WASH.

tal for older people who NOT THERE: You are they're going to last, and you should. If she has any

Am I too sensitive in thinking that the phone should be put away some-

ABBY: I'm promise when she was a times when we're togeth- consideration for your "different person," far er? Or is this the world in she is today. However, I LIKE I'M NOT THERE of time so she can spend

DEAR LIKE YOU'RE not being overly sensitive. communication is crucial. more attention to her cell-

feelings, she will turn it off for an agreed period that time with you.

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CROSSWORD By THOMAS JOSEPH

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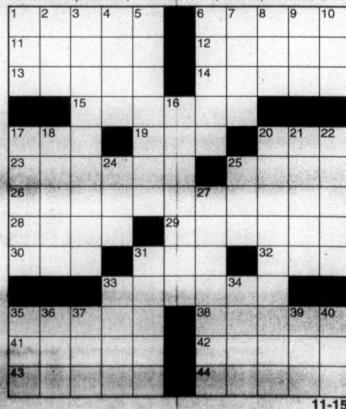
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Persimmons grow on trees. In the late fall, the tree loses its leaves, while the bright orange persimmons remain dangling from the bare branches. The tree looks a bit like it is decorated for the holidays!

Standards Link: Health: Know nutritional value of certain foods.

label each persimmon.



There are two varieties of persimmons. The **fuyu** is shorter in size and has a crunchy texture. Read this paragraph and then A fuyu persimmon can be eaten when crunchy. The hachiya has a very sharp, astringent (bitter) taste when unripe. It is more egg-shaped and taller than the fuyu. If you bit into an unripe hachiya, you would know you had made a mistake. But the bright red, soft texture of an over-ripe hachiya persimmon it sweet and delicious.

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Can you read backwards? Hold this health tip up to a mirror to read it.

Perform at the top of your game by eating fresh fruits and vegetables and engaging in physical activity.

Nutrition Facts

Serving Size: 1/2 medium persimmon (84g) Calories 59 Calories from Fat 1

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Saturated Fat 0g	0%	
Trans Fat 0g		
Cholestorol 0mg	0%	
Sodium 1mg	0%	
Total Carbohydrate	16g 5%	
Dietary Fiber 3g	12%	
Sugars 11g		
Protein 0g		
Vitamin A 27%	Calcium 1%	

Vitamin C 11%

How many persimmons can you find in this

tree? How many on this page?

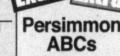
Use the Nutrition Facts Label to complete the following sentences about persimmons:

1. One serving of a persimmon is of a medium persimmon and has calories.

g of fat. 2. A persimmon has ___ to beautiful that there are

3. A persimmon has g of sugar.

is Link: Health: Know nutritiona value of certain foods.



Look through the newspaper for five or more adjectives that describe a persimmon.

Put these words in alphabetical order.

Standards Link: Spelling: Alphabetize

Half of a medium persimmon has lots of vitamin A. Eating persimmons is also a good way to get fiber and vitamin C. Persimmons have many antioxidants like beta-carotene. Vitamin A helps to maintain good vision, fight infection and keep skin healthy.

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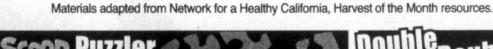
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Unscramble these foods that are high in

beta-carotene. What is the same about all of them?

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onia took a picture of the bike races. Find five

or more silly things in Sonia's cycling photo.

Standards



PERSIMMONS DELICIOUS HACHIYA HARVEST VITAMIN **CRUNCHY UNRIPE TASTE TREAT** MONTH **FUYU** FALL

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Find the words in the puzzle. Then look for each word in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

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Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patter

(C) Kid Scoop Together:

Ask a friend to give you each type of word to fill in the blanks. Then read your silly story

Persimmon Pie

My grandmother makes a

aloud.

persimmon **ADJECTIVE** pie that has won PLURAL NOUN

at baking competitions.

It's an unusual recipe. She starts with a freshly squeezed

and sprinkles PLURAL NOUN over it. She heats up the NOUN

to 350°. Then she pours the

mixture into the **ADJECTIVE** pie crust.

Soon, the whole NOUN is filled with the

ADJECTIVE

My grandpa sometimes invites

PLURAL NOUN

because they can smell the pie baking and can't wait to

into a slice. VERB

My grandparents have a

persimmon tree in their

. When the leaves

start to fall off, the

persimmons look

PLURAL NOUN Christmas tree.

Remember that if if you

into a persimmon

before it is ripe, it has a very

ADJECTIVE

Complete the grid by using all the letters in the word ORANGE in each vertical and horizontal row. Each letter should only be used once in each row. Some spaces have been filled in for you.

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Expressing Opinion

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Standards Link: Reading: Identify fact and opinion,

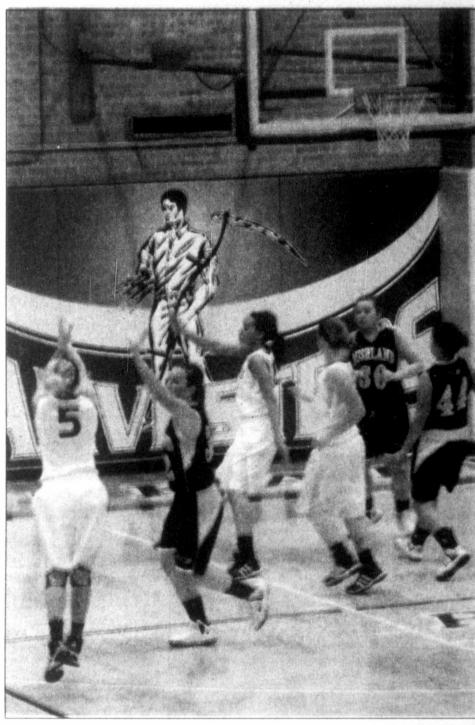
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Write a paragraph about your favorite fruit. Include two facts and two opinions.

PampaSports

Pampa Varsity Lady Harvesters The Daniel Sports Briefs fall to Bushland, 60-47



HAYLEY BURNETT attempts a three-pointer against Bushland on Tuesday night. Burnett would finish the game with a team high 21 points.

Hayley Burnett scores 21 points in a losing effort.

By ZACHARY GREEN zgreen@thepampanews.com

Pampa's Lady Harvester Varsity team faced the Bushland Lady Falcons on Tuesday night.

Pampa struggled right out of the gate as Bushland took a 12-4 lead after the first quarter.

The Lady Falcons would add to the lead and bring the

score to 31-15 at the half. The drama-free game would continue as Pampa built a

bigger hole trailing 47-29 after three quarters. Pampa tried to rally but it was just too big of a hole with not enough time on the clock. The closest they would bring the score was eight at 53-45, before falling in the

game 60-47. Hayley Burnett led the way for the Lady Harvesters with 21 points and shooting 4-8 from the free-throw line. Madison Brown added 11 points. Hannah Baker added eight points. Taylor Eubank added five points and Bailey

Wichert added two points. Pampa falls to 0-1 on the season and their next appear. ance is in the Frenship Tournament this weekend. The tournament starts on Thursday and runs through Satur-





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FRIDAY NOV. 16

Pampa Varsity Boys Basketball @Dumas 7:30 p.m.

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SATURDAY NOV. 17

■ Pampa Wrestling @Dumas

Pampa Swimming ACS Dual in Pampa.

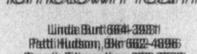
Pampa Basketball 7th/8th girls v. Dalhart

MONDAY NOV. 19

■ Pampa Basketball 7th/8th boys @Dalhart 4 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

■ Pampa Basketball freshman boys v. Panhandle 6 p.m.

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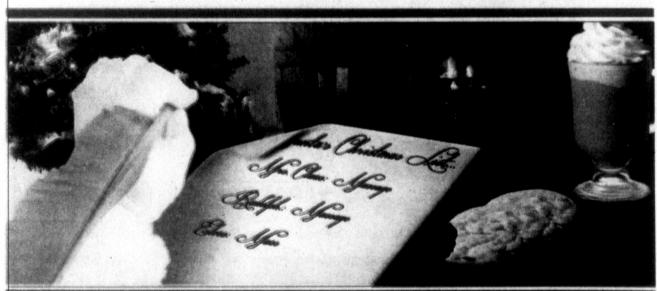




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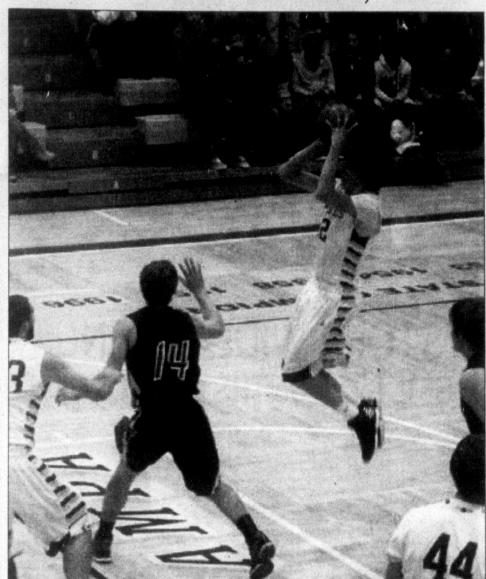
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Pampa's Hustlin' Harvesters fall in the final seconds, 48-47



TY HUTTO, above, attempts a foul-line jumper against San Jacinto on Tuesday night. Hutto would finish the game with 2 points. Below, Cory Ponce goes up for a layup. Ponce would finish the game with nine points.

Harvesters come up short late in the game.

By ZACHARY GREEN zgreen@thepampanews.com

Pampa's Varsity boy's team played the San Jacinto Patriots on Tuesday. night.

The game started off as a back and forth game with multiple lead changes and ties, until late in the first quarter San Jacinto went on a mini run to take the lead after the first at 18-12.

Pampa would trail by 14 points midway through the second quarter, until they went on a 13-0 run sparked by a Tyler Powell jumper, and a Ryan Powell jumper. After that Oliver Cabrales and Jake Green would both go to the free throw line and sink both attempts. Then Romel Lee hit a three-pointer and a late bucket was added by Cory Ponce, which pulled Pampa to within one, 28-27 at the half.

The rest of the game would be a seesaw battle much like the first quarter was, with the biggest lead for either team being six points. After the third quarter Pampa trailed by only two, 42-40.

Late in the game is where the drama began, With Pampa leading 47-45 with 53.4 seconds left. San Jacinto's coach would call a timeout to set up a play, and the

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Patriots used nearly all of the 53 seconds before Andrew Coffey hit a three pointer with sevenseconds left on the clock.

Pampa Coach Matt Embry would use a timeout, and then another after the ball was inbounded across half court. Embry would have 5.3 seconds for Pampa to work with and try to set up a game winning shot as they trailed 48-47. Pampa ended up not being able to even get a shot off in time and would lose the heartbreaker 48-47.

Every player for Pampa would score with the leading scorer being Cory Ponce with nine points. Gabe Garcia and Romel Lee both added six points. Derrek Pollard, Ryan Powell and

the season. The next Hustlin' Harvester game will be Friday night at Dumas

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at 7:30 p.m.

Cade Engle all added four points. Patterson Alvey and Jon Cox added three points each. Jake Green, Oliver Cabrales, Tyler Powell and Ty Hutto would all add two

points for the Harvesters. Pampa falls to 0-1 on

Pampa JV girls fall short in game one of the season against Bushland, 47-43

By ZACHARY GREEN zgreen@thepampanews.com

Pampa's JV girls team hosted Bushland's JV team on Tuesday night.

There was not much scoring to start the game with Bushland leading 10-9 after the first quarter. At halftime Bushland would go into the locker room with the score 19-

In the second half Pampa would trail by as many as 12 when it was 43-31 Bushland with about four and a half minutes left in

A rally was sparked by Raven Neal going to the line and sinking two free throws, and she would go to the line again and sink one of the two. Then Risa Rodriguez hit a

two, followed by Tracie Smith and all of the sudden with 2:30 left in the game the 12 point deficit had dwindled to five.

Pampa would get back within two points before Bushland would ice the game on free throws. The rally would fall short for Pampa as they lost 47-43.

Risa Rodriguez was Pampa's leading score with 15 points. Tyranda Johnson finished the game with eight points. Raven Neal added seven points. Jazmyn Hair added five points. Tracie Smith added five points. Caragan Niccum added two points. Keshia Daniels added one

Pampa falls to 0-1 on the season and next up is Nov. 20 in Pampa against

Pampa JV boys rout San Jacinto, 52-25, to start the season off on the right foot

BY ZACHARY GREEN zgreen@thepampanews.com

The Pampa JV boys team routed the San Jacinto JV boys team on Tuesday night

The game was in hand all the way for Pampa. The score after the first quarter was 10-2 Pampa. At halftime the score was 25-4 Pampa.

In the second half Pampa would let up on the gas a little bit as the score after three quarters was 36-19. The final score would end up being 52-25 Pampa.

Pampa's leading scorer was Brandon Stokes with 16 points. Brayden Trimble added 10 points for the Harvesters. Alex Marrufo would add eight points. Johnathan Stevens would score seven for Pampa. Blayne Troxell scored six points and Joe Meurer would add five points for Pampa.

Pampa starts the season off with a winning record, 1-0. The next game for the Harvesters' JV squad will be during the Amarillo Tournament in Tascosa starting on Thursday. The tournament will run through Saturday.

Marlins trade Jose Reyes, Mark Burhele and Josh Johnson to Blue Jays in huge MLB deal

BY STEVEN WINE **AP Sports Writer**

MIAMI —The Marlins swapped highpriced talent for top prospects, trading All-Star shortstop Jose Reyes, left-hander Mark Buehrle and ace right-hander Josh Johnson to the Toronto Blue Jays, a person familiar with the agreement said.

The stunning agreement came less than a year after the Marlins added Reyes, Buehrle and closer Heath Bell in an uncharacteristic \$191 million spending binge as they rebranded and moved into a new ballpark. The acquisitions raised high hopes, but the Marlins instead finished last in the NL East.

Salary-paring actually began in July, when the Marlins parted with former NL batting champion Hanley Ramirez, second baseman

Omar Infante and righthander Anibal Sanchez, among others. Bell, the and revenue fell far short of their projec-

Even so, the blockbuster deal came as a shock. The players involved must undergo physicals before the trade becomes

The swap was easier for the Marlins to swing because of their longstanding policy of refusing to include no-trade clauses in contracts.

The deal gave an immediate boost to the Blue Jays, who have not reached the playoffs since winning their second consecutive World Series in 1993. Toronto went 73-89 this season and finished fourth in the AL East for the fourth straight year, again falling short in a division that includes big spenders.







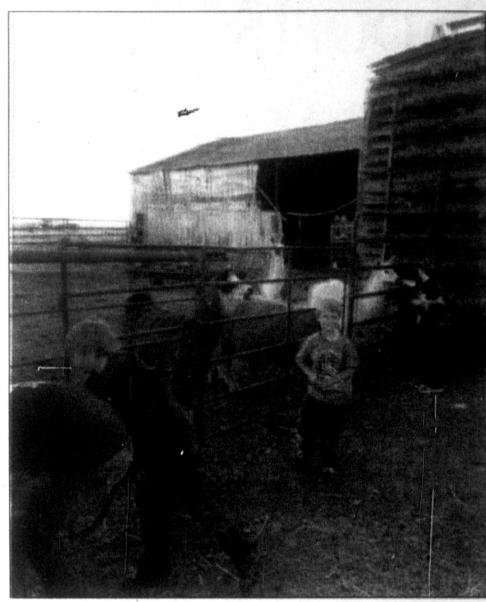
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ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Rachel Andrews Derrek Pollard

RANCH HANDS FOR A DAY



LETS GO RANCHING. First Baptist Church Choir kids recently enjoyed a trip to the Stokes Ranch. The kids enjoyed feeding the llamas, above, and the buffalo, below.



Panhandle agencies celebrate **National Rural Health Day**

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CANYON - The Panhandle Area Health Education Center (AHEC) will join the National Organization of State Offices of Rural Health and other local, state and national rural stakeholders in celebrating the second annual National Rural Health Day on

Thursday, Nov. 15. National Rural Health Day was created to showcase rural America, increase awareness of rural health-related issues and promote efforts to address those issues. Nearly 60 million people - about one in five Americans live in rural areas. These community-minded people possess a selfless, "can do" spirit that has helped our country grow and thrive. They also have unique health care concerns that must be addressed.

Panhandle AHEC is a part of the West Texas Area Health Education Center (AHEC) Program in collaboration with the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUH-SC) F. Marie Hall Institute for Rural and Community Health, West Texas A&M University College of Nursing and Health Sciences serves as the host for the Parhandle AHEC program. The AHIBC mission is to address the health care provider shortage and improve health care access in the Texas Parthandle and the West Texas region through education and dewelopment off the health care workforce. One off

the key components of our centers is that we are community-based to bettermeet the local health care education and health pro-

fessional support needs. The West Texas AHEC Program services 105 counties in the western half of Texas. The service area has been divided into five AHEC regions covering the South Plains, Panhandle, west Central Texas, Permian Basin and far west Texas. This region spans over 131,000 square miles and is home to more than 2.7 million people (about 11 percent of Texas' population) in the 108 counties that make up the service area of TTUHSC that includes both the West Texas and Panhandle AHEC programs. Most of Texas' remaining frontier landmass (49 percent) is in West Texas. Ninety-eight counties are designated as mural, and half of those are frontier counties with few than 10 residents per square mile. Twelve counties do not have a physician, murse practitioner or physician assistant and 32 counties do mot have a hospital.

Allthough we have mentioned the unique challenges and obstacles our rural communities may fface when it comes tto accessing or providing healthcare please help us addebrate and honor the imnovativeness and determination of our rural meightbors across the

Texas Parthandle and

West Texas region on

Nov. 15. Additional National Rural Health Day information is available at celebratepowerofrural.org. For more information about AHEC program go www.westtexasahec. org or contact Karen Russell at 806-651-3482 or krussell@mail.wtamu.

North Dakota company opening plant in Lubbock

ARSOGIATED PRESS: HQRACE, N.D. — A North Dakota based sunflower business is beginning production this month at a sunflower roasting facility in the Texas city of Lubbock.

The SunGold Foods plant will produce in-shell sunflower seeds to be sold as snack

The National Sunflower Association says the plant will open with 40 full-time emplayees, with room to more than double

SunGold Foods is based in Horace. It is a subsidiary of Fargo-based Red River Commodities Inc., which also has a bird food

plant in Lubbook.

BPA doing flyover of Austin before Formula One race

ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN, Texas - Federal officials will do air quality flyovers of the Central Texas racetrack where the Formula One U.S. Grand Prix will be held Sunday.

The Environmental Protection Agency scheduled aerial surveys Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday over downtown Austin and the Circuit of The Americas track.

EPA says the review was requested by Travis County and city officials. The plane will be visible to the public, at times flying at an altitude of 500 feet.

The 3.4-mile Circuit of The Americas is the first U.S. track built specifically. for F1. The track, a few miles southeast of downtown Austin, will host the F1's first U.S. race since 2007:



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