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Texas AG: DNA tests show Skinner committed 1993 triple murders

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No evidence to support Skinner's claim of an alternate suspect.

BY TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE thowsare@thepampanews. com

DNA testing sought by Henry Watkins "Hank" Skinner, who in 1995 was sentenced to death for murdering Twila Busby and her sons, Randy and

Elwin "Scooter" Caler, confirms that Skinner, now 50, is responsible for the murders, according to an advisory filed Wednesday by the Texas Attorney General's Office.

Skinner is on death row at the Texas Department of Justice's Polunsky Unit in Livingston.

The advisory states evidence collected at the crime scene consistently indicates Skinner is guilty of strangling and bludgeoning Twila Busby in the living room of her home on New Year's Eve

Crime scene evidence also shows that Skinner was responsible for the



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Skinner the Texas Department of Public Safty's Lubbock Crime Lab, and

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stabbing the advisory was filed with deaths of the 31st Judicial District Court of Gray County. Randy Busby and

Skinner maintains he is innocent, claiming he was unconscious on the couch at the time of the killings and that real killer was Twila's uncle, Robert Donnell. Skinner claims Donnell was abusive toward Twila and had sexually assaulted her before he murdered her.

Recent DNA testing by the Texas Department of Public Safety rebuts Skinner's claim, showing that Twila was not sexually assaulted before she was murdered. Six vaginal swabs and smears collected from Twila's body found no semen or DNA from any other person, the advisory states.

Kenneth Hopson, who SKINNER cont. on page 3

OLD TESTAMENT BROUGHT TO LIFE



Photos by Zachary Green

TEMPLE REPLICA. About 20 volunteers helped set up the Tablernacle Experience exhibit all day Thursday at the First Christian Church of Pampa. The exhibit will be open to the public from Saturday, Nov. 17, to Sunday, Nov. 25. Below, Jeanne Whittaker, left, Tabernacle Experience founder, with volunteer Kristin Kristianson.

Tabernacle Experience visits Pampa

BY ZACHARY GREEN zgreen@thepampanews.com

The First Christian Church of Pampa is hosting a touring exhibit called the Tablernacle Experience.

The exhibit is a life-size replica of the tabernacle from the Old Testament in the Bible. The only exception is the tent over the holy of holies is only 10 feet high versus the 15 feet high from the Bible.

The tabernacle experience was founded by Jeanne Whittaker. It is based out of San Juan, Capistrano, Calif. Whittaker said they started in 1998 at a women's retreat and in 2000 started going across the United States. That year, the Tabernacle Experience visited two sites across the country, while this year it has



been or will go to nine sites across the USA. Other places it has been this year include Saddleback, Calif., San Jose, Calif., Midland, Lubbock and Abilene twice. Next year the experience will travel to Cameron, Austin and Paris, Texas. They will go anywhere they are invited and more than 180,000 guests have gone through the experience.

'We don't have a lot of guarantees in life but this is one, you are guaranteed to be blessed so come and visit," said Whittaker

So who decided to bring The Tabernacle Experience to Pampa?

That would be Vic and Dee Dee Laramore. The Laramores visited Israel in 2010, and, while there, Vic had a life-changing experience. "Once he saw it all for himself, it all made sense to him," said Dee Dee Laramore. "He wanted to learn and see everything and was fascinated by the temple and Jerusalem."

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BP oil agrees to pay \$4.5B

Three company employees charged.

> BY MICHAEL KUNZELMAN Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS (AP) - A day of reckoning arrived for BP on Thursday as the oil giant agreed to plead guilty to a raft of criminal charges and pay a record \$4.5 billion in a settlement with the government over the deadly 2010 disaster in the Gulf of Mexico. Three BP employees were also charged, two of them with manslaughter.

The settlement and the indictments came 21/2 years after the drilling-rig explosion that killed 11 workers and set off the biggest offshore oil spill in U.S. history.

The settlement includes nearly \$1.3 billion in fines — the biggest criminal penalty in U.S. history — along with payments to entities inside and outside government. As part of the deal, the BP will plead guilty to charges related to the deaths of the 11 workers and to lying to

"We believe this resolution is in the best interest of BP and its shareholders," BP cont. on page 3



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PAMPA FORECAST

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Today Saturday Sunday

Low 35 Low 39 Low 44 Today: Mostly sunny with a high of 57. No chance of rain. Winds southwest at 13 mph. Sunrise at 7:21 a.m.

Tonight: Partly cloudy with a low of 35. Ten percent chance of rain. Winds south at 15 mph. Sunset at 5:36 p.m.

Saturday: Partly cloudy with a high of 63. Ten percent chance of rain. Winds south at 21 mph. Sunrise at 7:22 a.m.

Saturday night: Partly Cloudy with a low of 39. Twenty percent chance of rain. Winds south at 15 mph. Sunset at 5:36 p.m.

Sunday: Partly cloudy with a high of 66. Twenty percent chance of rain. Winds south at 19 mph. Sunrise at 7:23 a.m.

Sunday night: Mostly clear with a low of 44. No chance of rain. Winds south southwest at 13 mph. Sunset 5:35 p.m.

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Obituaries

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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 p.m. 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.

Rexcoat Norman was a self-employed carpenter. 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.

United Way.

Left to cherish his memory is his wife of 36 years, Phyllis Taylor of Midland; daughters, Ronda Moore and husband Ben of Princeton, La., Becky Herridge and husband Fuzz of Gail, Texas, Stephanie Wood and husband Jamie of Richmond, Texas and Sylvia Gosnell of Carbon, Texas; son, Gary Taylor and wife Rhonda of McKinney, Texas; sisters, Jeannie Bright of Woodville, Texas, Earnestine Seay of Capitan, NM and Mary Alderson of Lefors, Texas; brothers, Jack Taylor of Liberal, Kan., Wade Taylor of Tyler, Texas and Jay Taylor of Simonton, Texas; 10 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

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The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Sunday, Nov. 11, 2012 from 6 until 8 p.m. A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. on Monday, Nov.12, 2012 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Chapel with pastor Bob Porterfield officiating.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory of Midland. Online condolences can be made at: www.

Richard Leon Taylor

Richard Leon Taylor was born on July 24, 1941 in Cheyenne, Okla., and passed away on Nov. 9, 2012 in Midland, Texas. He married Phyllis Stefano on April

14, 1976 in Las Vegas, Nev., and the couple moved to Midland in August of 1989. When he began his 32-year career in the natural gas business, the company was known as Pioneer Natural Gas, which later transitioned to Energas and then to Atmos Energy. He retired from Atmos Energy in February of 1998 as district manager. After retirement he worked for Premier Parking before joining his new adopted

family at Cracker Barrel. Because he loved people and making new friends, he gained great satisfaction from doing these jobs during his retirement. Richard was a member of the Downtown Lions Club, Midland Chamber of Commerce and served the

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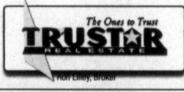
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Pampa woman arrested Thursday for possession of a controlled substance

■ 21-year-old Keziah Clendennen, for speeding and another for running a Pampa, was arrested Thursday by PPD for possession of a control substance.

Nolte, Pampa, was arrested by the Pampa Police Department on Wednesday for four capias pro fine charges, which is failing to pay back court costs of drug paraphernalia. One CPF was was for a DWI.

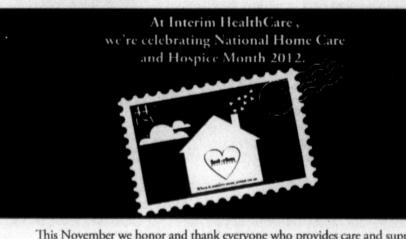
30-year-old Eric Lee Ornelas, 38-year-old Christopher Shane Round Rock, was arrested by the Gray County Sheriff's Office on Wednesday for a bond surrender, which is when the bail bondsman surrenders the bond or fees. Two CPF's were for possession over to the court. The bond surrender



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Photo by Timothy P. Howsare KEITH DEMETRIADES, a retired lieutenant commander with the U.S. Navy, was the guest speak Tuesday at the Pampa Chamber of Commerce. Demetriades joined the Navy have after he graduated from high school in Virginia, and has served on submarines, carrier ships and as a Navy pilot. His spoke to chamber members about his impressive military career and answered questions. After 24 years in the Navy, Demetriades decided to settle in Pampa with his wife, Christie, a Pampa native. He now works at Edward Jones as a finical advisor. Pictured with Demetriades is chamber president Cristy Robinson.

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"We are excited, anxious and want it to be successful. We also want everyone to be involved in this experience, its an experience not only historically but spiritually as well," Dee Dee said.

Vic wanted people to feel like he did and make God more alive and real to the people of Pampa. Earlier this year, he found the Tabernacle Experience website and decided to raise the \$5,000 down payment by himself, he said. Around the end of the summer and beginning of fall he raised the money to bring the Tabernacle Experience to Pampa. The Laramores are members of the First Christian Church, which sponsored the ex-

The Tabernacle Experience is nonprofit and the money raised goes to pay back the down payment. If 1,000 people come, enough money will be raised to cover the down payment price. Anything above that goes to the Tabernacle Experience, which will then give 10 percent back to the host, First Christian Church. Dee Dee

said it is not about making money, but for the experience to be shared with as many people as possible.

First Christian Church asks for a donation of \$5 for anyone who visits, but doesn't want people to feel like they can't come if they cannot afford it. For student groups they ask for a donation of \$3 per person and for families of four or more they ask for \$20 to-

There will be a reading tent set up while people are waiting to go through as well as an audio tent. Every 90 seconds two people will go in through the experience and it takes 50 minutes to complete the full guided tour. It is an interactive exhibit and each person that goes through will have an MP3 headset to listen to an audio explanation of each station. When it is time to move to the next station, the shofar will sound. A shofar is the horn of a ram that is blown during Jewish religious services. The altar will be burning and patrons can place stacks of wood on it. There will also be incense burning in the tabernacle.

A DVD series on the Tabernacle Experience will come out in June 2013. It was published by Rose Publishing Co. and

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Skinner

tant chief of the Pampa Police, was on duty with the department working as a detective the night of the triple slayings.

He said the murders occurred after midnight. Hopson was one of many investigators on the

"A lot of folks worked on it; just about the entire police department worked on it," he said.

"Do I think he (Skinner) committed the crime? Yes, I have no doubt in my mind."

Prior to his capital murder trial in 1995, Skinner and his attorneys elected not to seek DNA testing of all the evidence collected at the crime scene.

Skinner's defense attor-

ney testified during a subsequent evidentiary hearing that he made the strategic decision not to seek testing of all the crime scene evidence because he thought it would further incriminate his cli-

Since then, however, Skinner, believing the tests would prove his innocence, reversed course and sought to test the remaining DNA evi-

In 2010, the U.S. Supreme Court stayed his execution less than a hour before he was scheduled

In June, Skinner and the state agreed to the testing.

On Oct. 5, the DPS Crime Lab released a report and then an amended report on Oct. 14. The DPS test results do not support Skinner's claim an alternative suspect is the real killer, the advi-

sory states. During the trial, the

state proved Skinner's bloody handprints were found throughout Twila's house.

Skinner admitted he was in the home during the murders but failed to call police or seek help for the victims.

Skinner chose instead to flee to a friend's house wearing clothes soaked with the victims' blood.

Skinner arrived at the friend's house with a cut wound in the palm of his hand.

He threatened to kill the friend and her children if she called police, and was hiding in a closet still wearing the bloody clothing when police arrived and arrested him a few hours after the triple mur-

Community Calendar

PHS Choir Sock Hop for Kids

is a six-week Bible study.

Those interested in pur-

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For more information on

the Tabernacle Experience

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The Tabernacle Experi-

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Nov. 17 and run through

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are Monday-Friday from

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nacleexperience.com.

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.

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Carl-Henric said Svanberg, BP chairman. "It removes two significant legal risks and allows us to vigorously defend the company against the remaining civil claims."

Also, BP well site leaders Robert Kaluza and Donald Vidrine were indicted on manslaughand involuntary manslaughter charges, accused of disregarding

abnormal high-pressure readings that should have glaring indications of trouble just before the deadly blowout.

In addition, David Rainey, who was BP's vice president of exploration for the Gulf of Mexico at the time, was indicted on charges of obstruction of Congress and making false statements. Prosecutors said he withheld information from Congress that indicated the amount of oil spewing from BP's blown-out well was greater than he let on.

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Election results approved

STAFF REPORT

The Gray County Commissioners Court on Thursday canvassed the results of the Nov. 6 General Election for Gray County.

According to Texas

for each precinct must be canvassed, or approved, by the Commissioners Court for each county in which elections are held.

Until the elections are canvassed, the results are considered unofficial.

There were no changes or protests made to the Nov. 6 results.



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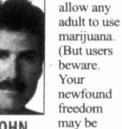
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Did freedom win?

Democrats won big last week. So government will continue to grow. Individual freedom will yield.

At least some people with records of supporting liberty were elected: Sen. Jeff Flake in Arizona and U.S. Reps. Justin Amash and Kerry Bentivolio in Michigan and Thomas Massie in Kentucky.

Washington and Colorado voted to allow any



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Your newfound freedom may be short-lived thanks to that extraor-

dinary human being in the White House -- you know, the one who smoked pot when he was in school. Despite promising that he wouldn't, he has cracked down on pot dispensaries far more often than President Bush did.)

Voters in Maine, Maryland and Washington said yes to gay marriage; Minnesota defeated a proposed constitutional amendment that would have outlawed

That's the good news. But overall, the results were bad for freedom. As P.J. O'Rourke says, we need to "fix" government. By that, we mean "fixing" government the way we neuter a cat or spay a dog.

Term limits would be good. When we give politicians power, they should know they don't get to keep it forever. They have to bring that power right back to us and drop it at our feet. "Good boy. Now go back outside!"

Sadly, President Obama's swooning fans don't want to tame politicians. They don't even seem to think much about freedom. We attended Obama's victory party in Chicago (we go so you don't have to) and asked his supporters what Obama's reelection means for freedom. People reacted as if they didn't understand the question.

"Freedom?" one asked. "Um, yes, I have no idea," said another.

It's not on their radar, and that's upsetting. Some wouldn't know freedom if they fell over it. To many, "freedom" means getting the government to force women's employers to pay for birth control.

Sorry, that's not freedom. That's force.

Obama's supporters seem to think it's enough to put this extraordinary man

in office. After that, he will take care of everything. Spare us the details.

"Obama is a classic example of this cult of the presidency," said David Boaz of the Cato Institute. "But the idea that any politician can just fix the problems in society -- that there's some magic there -- that doesn't start with Obama. It goes a long way back.'

Leader-worship is unbecoming a free people. But are we a free people today? I mean psychologically. Years of government impositions change people. At Obama's celebration, people didn't mention freedom, but they sure mentioned handouts, like taxpayer-financed higher education. It's as if their attitude is: What can government give me? They don't realize that "free stuff" only seems free because the real cost is hidden.

"When you have a \$3.6 trillion federal government, that money will absolutely benefit some businesses. That's crony capitalism. It takes money from all of us and gives it to some," said Boaz. "Maybe a clean-energy or green-jobs company that has not already gone bankrupt might get that money. Similarly, if you're a defense contractor, you'd be in favor of Mitt Romney getting elected, because that would be good for your business. But it's all bad for the American economy to tax some people and then dole the money back out."

People say they like bipartisanship, but bipartisanship usually means politicians conspire to take more of our money and freedom. Bipartisanship gave us the Department of Homeland Security, TSA, PATRIOT Act, Import-Export Bank, war on drug users, ethanol subsides, TARP, No Child Left Behind, foreign wars and an ever-rising debt. When Democrats and Republicans come together, they put us deeper in debt.

The outcome of this election is a sea of government with a few islands of freedom. Gay people are freer in a few states, and marijuana consumers in a couple more. But sadly, most of us will be victims of the ever-growing government spider web of higher taxes and freedomkilling rules.

John Stossel is host of "Stossel" on the Fox Business Network. He's the author of "Give Me a Break" and of "Myth, Lies, and Downright Stupidity.

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Attorney General: child support review process offers alternative to court stresses

A child needs and deserves bothparents to play an active role in his or her life. That's why it is important for moms and dads to work together to parent their children.

Most parents recognize the importance of maintaining cordial relationships for the good of their children. They don't want their children to suffer because mom and dad can't get

Under Texas law, the Office of the Attorney General is responsible for collecting and distributing child support. In an effort to foster healthy relationships, the parent who pays and the parent who receives support are treated as equal partners who are committed to doing what is best for their children.

Services provided by the Attorney General's Child Support Division include locating absent parents, establishing paternity, establishing, enforcing and modifying child and medical support orders as well as collecting and distributing child support pay-

In order to establish paternity and child support orders, parents have to make at least one trip to the courthouse. In court, the facts of the case are presented to a judge, who then rules on the matter. Going to court can be a stressful experience for parents, who many times do not know what to expect from the process. The for-

mality of legal proceedings can result in increased tension between parents who already may be at odds about the outcome of their case.

Child Support Review Process (CSRP) is a non-adversarial way parents can resolve legal issues about their child sup-

port without going to court, thereby supporting improved family relationships. That is why parents are encouraged to use CSRP as an alternative to the courthouse. For mothers and fathers who qualify, CSRP is a way to unite rather than polarize parents who must find common ground and resolve their child support obligations. Last year, more than 67,000 legal actions were resolved through CSRP.

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CSRP is for divorced, separated or never-married parents who are willing to negotiate orders to: establish paternity, set current child and medical support, establish visitation rights, pay retroactive child support, obtain judgments for past due child support, modify child support amounts and enforce the payment of child support. With CSRP, both parents meet with a child support officer to establish an order in the privacy of an office. If traveling to the office creates a hardship for either parent, the meeting can be conducted by conference call.

Once an agreement is reached, a CSRP order is filed with the court and reviewed by a judge. After the judge has signed it, a CSRP order is legally binding and will be enforced just as any order obtained through a court proceeding. Parents should consider CSRP because it:

· Reduces stress. Because CSRP is less formal than a courtroom setting, parents are more comfortable and more willing to discuss issues related to the outcome of their individual case.

 Provides privacy. During the CSRP process, negotiations are conducted in the privacy of a child support office.

If you need more information about CSRP, contact your local child support office. To apply for child support services, call (800) 252-8014.



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The hiring hypocrisy of the New York Times

Mark Thompson, a former director-general of the British Broadcasting Corporation, began his new job Monday as president and CEO of The New York Times. The lack of embarrassment was remarkable. Thompson claimed he was the worst kind of ignorant buffoon,



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knowing nothing about the massive sex-abuse scandal and then its censorship that's rocking the

BBC.

Scotland Yard has been conducting a criminal investigation into allegations of child sex abuse by the late disc jockey and TV personality Jimmy Savile over six decades, describing him as a "predatory sex offender." In mid-October, the metropolitan police stated they were pursuing over 400 lines of inquiry based on the testimony of 300 potential victims. Chris Patten, the head of the BBC's government body called it "this great tsunami of filth." BBC's "Newsnight" was about to broadcast an expose last December -- but BBC

tributes to Savile instead. The New York Times has routinely found it implausible that a Pope or a Republican president or a Rupert Murdoch could ever be unaware of grave scandals or allegations of

bosses spiked it, and, in-

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scandals beneath them. The paper consistently telegraphs that someone so unaware of such a scandal must be the worst kind of knave or dolt. So the newspaper's hiring of Mark Thompson is the height of corporate hypoc-

And that's the best that can be said. What if Thompson was not unaware, as common sense dictates?

The corporate statement that matters most (and sickens most) came from publisher "Pinch" Sulzberger. He insisted against all the evidence that Thompson "abides by high ethical standards" and "is the ideal person to lead our company." How in blazes do Thompson's assertions of ignorance of censorship and child sexual abuse in the hallways of his own network constitute "high ethical standards" and ideal lead-

ership qualities? It's perfectly obvious that the Times editors have followed Sulzberger's moral judgment and given the BBC a kid-gloves treatment, especially when you compare it to the paper's aggressive campaign of coverage against Rupert Murdoch in the News of the World phone-hacking scandal. The differing levels of aggression are notable in the number of stories, the tone of stories and the allergic-to-front-page placement of BBC stories. Reporters covering Savile seem forced to use qualifiers that they would not use for subjects they dislike.

As in "Whether through a series of near misses or a more deliberate avoidance, the executives failed confront questions about Mr. Savile and the possibility that, in decades past, the BBC was somehow complicit in his behavior." Somehow?

Or: "For the moment, the Savile case has shaken the solid reputation Mr. Thompson had when he left the BBC on Sept. 14." For the moment?

The Times has mostly buried Mark Thompson's role in the ignorance and censorship, largely consigning it to officialsounding paragraphs of denial buried late in its BBC scandal stories, deep inside the paper.

Matt Philbin and Clay Waters of the Media Research Center did some counting. Between Oct. 14 and Nov. 6, the Times. ran just 16 stories on the BBC sex-abuse scandal, and only one ran on the front page. By contrast, in a two-month period in 2010, the Times published 64 news stories on Catholic sex abuse scandals, 13 of them on the front page. Twenty of these accusatory articles began with sentences linking Pope Benedict to the scandal with phrases like a "growing pressure to address his role" in allowing abuses.

The Times would like to think there is no one to apply "growing pressure" to them when they look askance at sexual abuse at the BBC. The BBC, in their eyes, is a global

enterprise in enlightenment, while the Catholic Church is a global conspiracy of sexual repression and male chauvin-

In an Oct. 15 column, former Times executive editor Bill Keller sneered at Murdoch, the "BBChater," for making this an issue. "So far no evidence has surfaced that Thompson, his successor. or anyone else up top had anything to do with dropping the Savile documentary." Keller even tried to smear the stain over all of Britain. He quoted one BBC insider as saying there was "a kind of national conspiracy which united all of us and together we colluded with him."

Keller, by contrast, wrote a scabrous column in 2002 insisting that the Catholic sex abuse scandal was "of the pope's making." And "The fact that the pope's passing reference to the rape of children as a 'crime' was treated as a bolt of divine enlightenment reflects just how eager we are to let him off the hook ... The scandal is the persistent failure of the church hierarchy to comprehend, to care and to protect."

The scandal today is the persistent failure of Thompson and/or The New York Times hierarchy "to comprehend, to care, and to protect." Keller and Co., heal thyself. Thompson must be dumped.

L. Brent Bozell III is the president of the Media Research Center.



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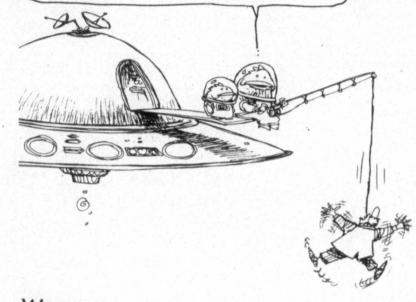
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CAPRICORN might rain on your parade. The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average;

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

*** Make time for an older friend or family member, as this person is easy to a storm. please. You might decide to bring along a child or loved one. Though the extra person might change the mood, no one cares. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

**** Keep reaching out to others, and try to catch up on news and plans. Once you start talking, it could be hard to stop all the conversation. You might feel pushed to your limit when trying to fit in everything you want to do. Tonight: Indulge a loved one.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

person explain where each of you is coming from. Good vibes come through, no matter what you decide to do. Your plans will be revived as a result. Tonight: Togetherness works.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

*** Others dominate the conversation. As a result, you might not be sure whether to make plans or just passively express interest in what is discussed. Make plans that suit you and that will bring you happiness. Tonight: Just do not be alone.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★ Remain evenly paced, and understand your limitations. You could be overwhelmed by everything that goes on, which likely will form an obstacle to doing whatever you want. Plans keep changing.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Saturday, Nov. Touch base with a child or loved one. Tonight: Having fun works.

> VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) *** Your energy quickly dwindles when dealing with a child or loved one. You also could hear an earful from someone else regarding what he or she wants and needs. A conversation could encourage some deep thought; don't make anything heavier than need be. Tonight: Frolic

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*** You might opt to stay close to home or with family. You also might want to visit a friend and catch up on news. You find that your feelings seem to be constantly changing and, in some cases, are deeply emotional. Tonight: Invite others over for

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Keep conversations moving, and feel free to discuss what might have been a difficult topic in the past. Push comes to shove if you are not careful. Let someone have his or her way. You cannot stop this person anyway. Tonight: Chat up

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★ Pull back some, and you will note a possessive streak in yourself. Usually, those feelings come from insecurity, and they trigger behavior that can be difficult. Discussions could draw in important information, which could lead to understanding. Tonight: Make it your treat.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

*** The Moon in your sign adds energy, magnetism and a certain appeal to your day. You will want to act on a conversation when making plans. You see how ★★★ Understanding is the result of feelings can be separate from actions. Note a conversation in which you and the other the schism, but don't make it a big deal. Tonight: As you like.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

*** Do less and relax for a change. Sometimes you go overboard. More often than not, you are assertive and do not stand on ceremony. For everyone involved, pulling back works better. It builds greater confidence in the various friendships or bonds involved. Tonight: Not to be found. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 21)

*** Focus on the possibilities of what could happen if you relax more. Bring friends together for a little gettogether in the near future. A male pal becomes unusually demanding and will continue to be that way for several weeks. You don't have to do anything about it. Tonight: Where crowds are.

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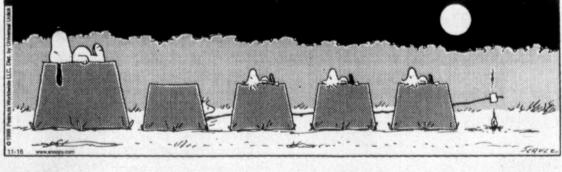
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Dear Abby...

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that small children

will be fed first,

regardless of whose

side of the family

of the adults should

be ASSIGNED a

one side of the fam-

ily isn't stuck with

themselves, noth-

ing will change, so

please suggest this

to them in advance.

everyone

Grandma

cheerfully

This

and

arrives.

should

inform

revelers

DEAR ABBY: My back into the living boyfriend, "Richard," room and watch TV or leave to go someand I are a mature where else. It would couple who have been seeing each other for be nice to get some three years. I love help once in a while him. My dog is the so Mom, my aunts and I could also relax issue. "Princess" after the meal. Just 2-year-old rat ter- leaving the mess rier/mini-pinscher is not an option. We tried it once,

mix. She weighs 9 pounds and is spoiled. and Grandma and (I admit I'm a softy Grandpa ended up doing it. Any advice? when it comes to discipline.) She barks at ADVANCE anyone and anything she sees. Her barks **IOWA** are shrill and can be STRESSED: annoying. But I live Gladly! alone and feel she is

protecting me.

Richard can no longer tolerate Princess' barking and has Grandpa curbed his visits considerably. Except for the happy this issue, he is my dream guy, and I feel lucky to have found him. I was married for more than 20 years they come from. At to a controlling man, the same time, each and I had to defer or compromise on everything. I will not cleanup chore so compromise on this. I feel Richard should

I miss him. Our bucket seats w/3rd row dates are now only occasional. He thinks roof, excellent condi- I prefer the dog over him, and that's not the case. Am I being

understand my attach-

ment to Princess, Unless your grand-

parents

selfish? Why can't I have them both? Is there a future for us, White / blue, lrg bird on or have we reached an impasse? - WON'T 24,500 actual miles, 6.6 GIVE UP THE PUP, LAFAYETTE, LA. DEAR WON'T GIVE UP: Loving one's dog is not being

selfish. You COULD have them both if you would contact a dog trainer and FOR Sale 1987 Ford start giving Princess Econoline, good work a doggy education van \$1,500 OBO. Call that includes bound-Incessant aries. barking should not

be allowed. Perhaps Richard sees that Princess no longer regards him as a hostile intruder, he will feel more welcome. But that could take some work on the part of all three

of you, if he's still willing. DEAR ABBY: My grandpa remarried when I was a child. He and Grandma "Ella" each have five children. She is

a wonderful woman.

When the holidays roll around, especially Thanksgiving bodywork, and Christmas, my grandparents always host at their home. They spend all day fixing up the house and preparing the food. When it's time eat, Grandma Mint condition, 4,000 Ella's children think they should first in the line. If someone else tries (some of us on my grandfather's side of the family have grumble and com-

plain. When the dinner is over, it's always my mom, one of my two aunts and me doing the dishes and cleaning up. Grandma Ella's family never help. They just stroll

Saturday,



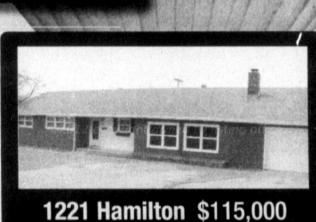


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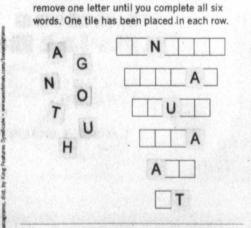
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Rearrange the tiles below to spell a seven-letter word that fits in the first row. Then remove one LEVEL letter and rearrange the remaining tiles to spell a six-letter word in the next row. Continue to remove one letter until you complete all six words. One tile has been placed in each row.



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Elvis

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5 Home-

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part 25 Moose's Kin 27 Bakery buy

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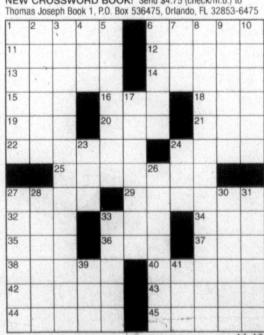
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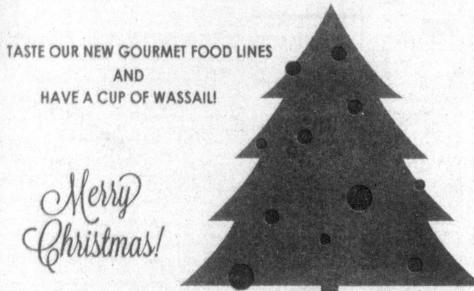


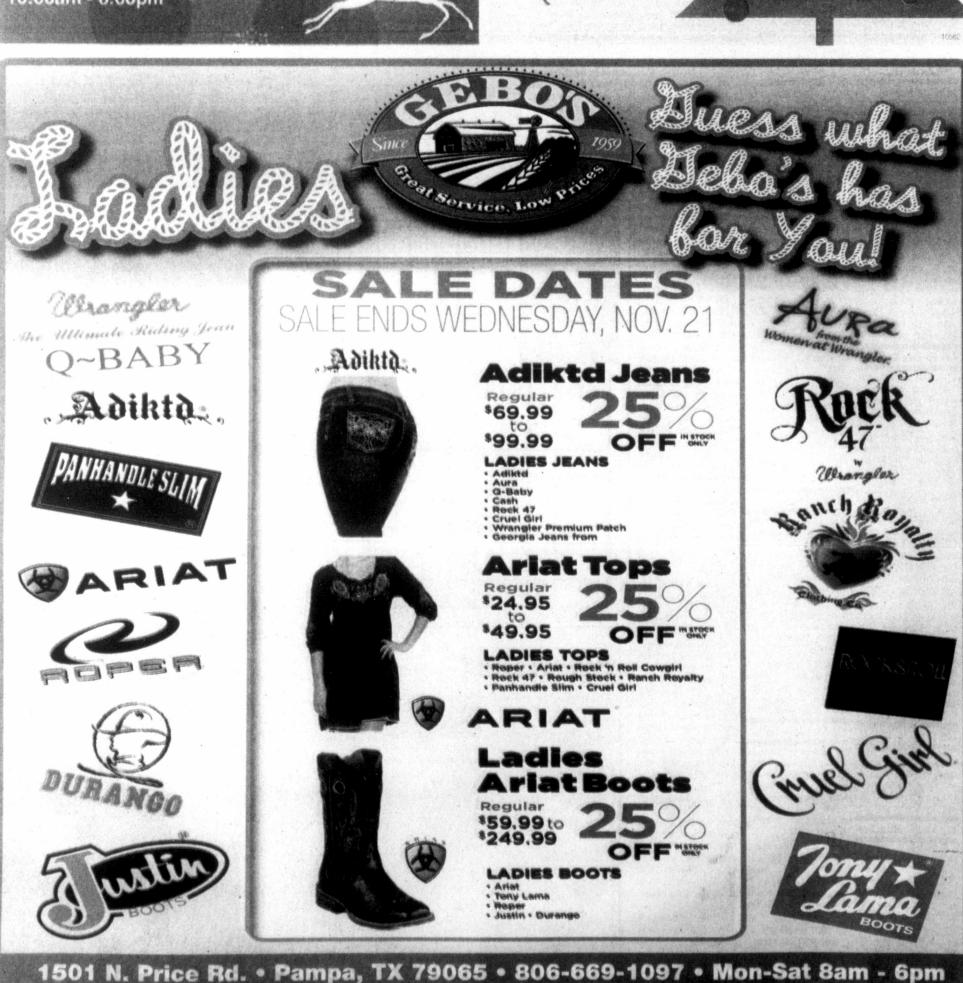


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