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## HARD AT WORK — AND PLAY



Photos by Timothy P. Howsare

**CREATIVITY AT WORK.** Glenn "Buzz" Tarpley works on one of his custom birdhouses made from cedar. This one looks a bit like a Swiss chalet. "Ideas just pop into my head," he says.

## In the business of staying out of business

**■ Pampa shop owner doesn't like to keep regular hours.**

By **TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE**  
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You can buy custom-built bird houses, used electronics and maybe even an old clarinet or saxophone that's been converted into a wall lamp at the Tarpley Shop on North Hobart Street. That is, if you're lucky enough to find the owner, Glenn

"Buzz" Tarpley, who prefers not to keep regular hours. "This is a hobby for me for the next 10 years or so. If people can catch me then they can buy it," said the 79-year-old Tarpley, who owned the Tarpley Music Store in Pampa until it closed five years ago. (Hint: You might reach him at the former music store's phone number, 665-3019.) Though the Pampa store is but a memory, Tarpley Music still owns four stores in Texas, including one near Chili's in Amarillo. It is a family busi-

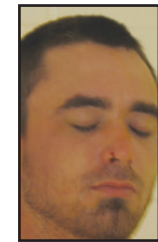
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Tarpley turns the switch on his custom lamp made from a saxophone.

## Amarillo man charged in Slatten's death

By **TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE**  
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**Joshua Rigo**

Joshua Keith Rigo was arrested Thursday for murder, first-degree felony, in the death of Kristi Dawn Slatten, the 42-year-old Lefors woman who was found strangled in her home on New Year's Day. Rigo, 28, of Amarillo, was in custody in the Carson County Jail for the original charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, according to a released statement from the Department of Public Safety.

His bond was set at \$300,000 and he remains in custody at the Carson County Jail.

Texas Rangers and the Gray County Sheriff's Office will continue to process evidence and follow leads. The next step will be to present the case to the Gray County Grand Jury, said Trooper Daniel Hawthorne with DPS in Amarillo.

He said Thursday's murder arrest warrant came from the Texas Rangers. Asked if the Rangers have determined a motive, Hawthorne said, "I'm sure the Rangers are working on that but won't talk about it until it goes to the grand jury."

Hawthorne said if convicted Rigo could face 99 years or life in prison.

To be charged in Texas with murder, felony of the first degree, it must be shown that the suspect both intentionally and knowingly killed his victim, Hawthorne said.

To be charged with capital murder, **RIGO** cont. on page 2

## City Commission meets Tuesday

By **SASHA HELLER**  
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The Pampa City Commission will meet at 4 p.m., Tuesday, to accept a \$250,000 grant award from the Pampa Economic Development Corp.

The resolution to approve the grant is a second and final reading, as the Commission first approved the award at its meeting in December.

The funds will be used to demolish more than 100 condemned residential structures around Pampa.

Also on Tuesday's agenda are two public hearings. The first public hearing will be for the Commission to receive public comments concerning Open Range Development's request to plat the Edwin Park subdivision. The second hearing will involve public comments on Robert Forester's application to rezone property at Lot 8, Block 3, Boyd Annex Addition, from agricultural to commercial.

The Commission will consider awarding bids for the following delinquent tax properties: 720 E. Murphy, Lots 11 and 12, Block 22, Wilcox Addition, for \$400; 1036 Varnor, Lot 13, Block 5, Prairie Village Addition, for \$301; and 611 Barnes, Lots 5-7, Block 14, Wilcox Addition, for \$300.

### EARLY MORNING SHOWER.

Water shoots out of the ground due to a water main break, which was called into dispatch at 7 a.m., Friday morning. The broken water main was located in the 300 block of South Starkweather Street across from Culligan Water. Pampa Public Works Director Donnie Hooper said the broken line was a six-inch cast iron pipe. "Our main objective during a water-main break is to get the water line fixed and water customers back in service," he said. After the water line is fixed, Hooper said street repairs will have to be made. Hooper said during a water-main break the first step is to shut off the water, then identify the problem and fix the problem.



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## PAMPA FORECAST

Today	Sunday	Monday
		
High 42 Low 23	High 46 Low 27	High 50 Low 27

**Saturday:** Sunny with a high of 42. No chance of rain. Winds northwest at 15 mph. Sunrise at 7:54 a.m.

**Saturday night:** Clear skies with a low of 23. No chance of rain. Winds northwest at 10 mph. Sunset at 5:46 p.m.

**Sunday:** Sunny with a high of 46. No chance of rain. Winds west at 9 mph. Sunrise at 7:54 a.m.

**Sunday night:** Mostly cloudy with a low of 27. Ten percent chance of rain. Winds south at 13 mph. Sunset at 5:46 p.m.

**Monday:** Partly cloudy with a high of 50. Ten percent chance of rain. Winds south southwest at 19 mph. Sunrise at 7:54 a.m.

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# Obituaries

## Kristi Dawn Slatten

Kristi Dawn Slatten, 42, of Lefors, died Jan. 1, 2013 in Lefors. Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Jan. 7, 2013 at Briarwood Church in Pampa, with the Rev. Albert Maggard, pastor of First Pentecostal Holiness Church of Pampa, officiating. Burial will follow in Memorial Heights Cemetery in Lefors under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.



**Kristi Slatten**

Mrs. Slatten was born May 16, 1970 in Pampa. She graduated from White Deer High School in 1988. She had been a resident of Lefors since 2005. She married Jarrod Slatten on Sept. 3, 2006 in Las Vegas, Nev. Kristi was the office manager for Dannie Hoover State Farm for 15 years. She also worked at Easy's Eastside for two years. She was a member of First Pentecostal Holiness Church. She was a dedicated mom, wife, sister and daughter.

Survivors include her husband: Jarrod Slatten of the home; her son: Ryan Lee of the home; her stepson: Joseph Slatten of the home; her mother: Barbara Roe of Lefors; two brothers: Zane Roe and wife Stacy of Lefors and Jon Roe of Pampa; an aunt: Pauline Parker of San Antonio; an uncle: Gene Roe of Wapanucka, Okla.; in-laws: Robert and Louie Slatten of Lefors; two nephews and three nieces. Kristi was preceded in death by her father: Bill Roe; a niece: Ashley Roe; and her grandparents.

Sign the on-line register at [Carmichael-whatley.com](http://Carmichael-whatley.com)

## Marvin Holman

Marvin Holman, 89, of Allen, Texas, died Dec. 25, 2012, in McKinney, after complications from COPD and pneumonia.



**Marvin Holman**

Marvin was born on April 25, 1923 in Cordell, Okla., one of 9 children, of the late Joseph and Cora Holman. He grew up in western Oklahoma and graduated high school in Thomas, Okla.

Shortly after graduation, Mr. Holman became part of the "Greatest Generation" when enlisted in the Army Air Force during World War II. He was a flight dispatcher and radio operator stationed primarily in Fresno and Glendale, Calif. After his honorable discharge, he moved

back to Thomas and joined the Army Air Force Reserves. Marvin married Elaine Williams, a teacher in Thomas, on Dec. 23, 1950 at Thomas. In 1954, the family moved to Pampa. He worked in the wholesale/retail dairy business for Sealtest before buying his business from Sealtest. He remained self-employed, associated with Sealtest and Plains Creamery, until he retired around 1993. He was a member of the Pampa Optimist Club and loved coaching Little League and Babe Ruth League baseball. He was the President of Pampa Optimist Club from 1961-62.

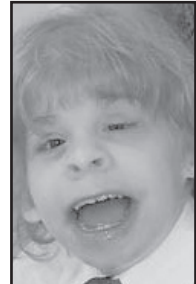
Marvin is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Ross and Pam Holman, of Allen; grandson, Chris Holman and his wife Wendi, and great-grandson, Dylan, all of Bloomington, Ill. His wife and all of his brothers and sisters preceded him in death.

Arrangements for Marvin's cremation are being managed by Charles W. Smith and Sons Funeral Home in McKinney, Texas. Ceremonies/services are pending, but

planned for the spring in Pampa. In lieu of flowers, the family requests making donations to: (1) Pampa Optimist Youth Club - 601 E. Craven Ave, Pampa, Texas 79065; or (2) Pampa Education Foundation - P.O. Box 1045, Pampa, Texas 79066.

## Daniel Francis Burleigh

Daniel Francis Burleigh resided in Willis. He was born in Lafayette, La., on June 14, 1999. Our precious son passed away in his sleep on Jan. 3, 2013.



**Daniel Burleigh**

Mark 10:13-16 - "People were bringing little children to Jesus to have him touch them, but the disciples rebuked them. When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.' And he took the children in his arms, put his hands on them and blessed them."

He was the beloved son of Lawrence K. Burleigh, Sr. and Alicia and Wesley Heiskell; sisters, Rebecca Lopresto and Delaney Heiskell; brothers, Thomas Lopresto, Christopher Heiskell, Jack Burleigh, David Burleigh, Larry Burleigh Jr., Bob Burleigh; grandparents, Claire and Joe Guillory, Barbara and Glenn Preas; aunts and uncles, Jonathan Gibson, Al Gibson, Grant and Melissa Gibson.

Condolences may be left at [Shmfh.com](http://Shmfh.com). Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Willis, Texas, 936-890-0454

## Rigo

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which carries the death sentence, there must be intent and knowledge, along with committing another felony such as robbing a bank, Hawthorne said.

He added that killing a child, a law enforcement officer or a corrections officer also can carry a death sentence.

Slatten was found dead in her home Tuesday

by the GCSO after they received a 911 call.

Authorities investigating the scene determined there was foul play and that Slatten's Chevrolet Avalanche was missing. A warrant was issued for the stolen vehicle and shortly afterward authorities stopped the truck on U.S. Highway 60 two miles west of Panhandle.

Rigo was the driver. The passenger, Steve Preston Dean, 47, of Amarillo, was arrested on unrelated charges. Both men were taken to the Carson County Jail.

## Author offers spot in book for finding lost dog

BROOKLINE, Mass. (AP) — There's a new mystery on Dennis Lehane's mind, and the best-selling author is offering a special reward: Find his lost dog and get a spot in his next book.

The plot kicked off Christmas Eve, when the crime novelist's rescue beagle Tessa escaped from his yard after an outdoor gate latch didn't lock all the way.

Since then, Lehane's family has launched an all-out search.

They've posted fliers, organized foot searches and used social media to try to bring Tessa back to their home in Brookline, Mass., near Boston.

The 47-year-old author of books including "Mystic River" and "Gone, Baby, Gone" is offering a monetary reward and has said he'll name a character in his next book after whoever finds Tessa.

Lehane said Thursday outside his home that he's surprised by the media attention the story has attracted, and thinks it has something to do with the character offer.

### Cat that spent a week in Mass. tree found

MARION, Mass. (AP) — A stray cat that spent at least a week stuck in a Massachusetts tree before plunging 80 feet to the ground and fleeing has been found, and all things considered, appears to be in good health.

A Marion Animal Hospital veterinarian said Wednesday it's "unbelievable" that the cat dubbed Fortunate has just a couple of pulled muscles and a possible parasitic infection.

The cat was spotted in a Rochester, Mass., tree on Christmas Eve. Several rescue attempts failed before firefighters cut the branch it was perched on

Cat shelter founder Pam Robinson finally trapped the skittish feline on Tuesday.

Robinson tells The Standard Times she will keep the cat for a few weeks so it can regain weight before putting it up for adoption.

### Pa. man claims booze on breath a week old

ALTOONA, Pa. (AP) — Police say a central Pennsylvania man arrested for public drunkenness when he tried to report his cellphone had been stolen claimed that the booze officers smelled on his breath was a week old.

Altoona police didn't buy that, and say they also found brass knuckles, a small amount of marijuana and a pipe on 19-year-old John Ozio, before they decided to arrest him on Dec. 23. Ozio's public defender could not immediately be reached for comment.

He remained in the Blair County Prison on Thursday, awaiting a Feb. 8 preliminary hearing on charges of carrying an illegal weapon, marijuana possession, public drunkenness, underage drinking and criminal mischief.

Police say Ozio claimed someone planted the marijuana pipe in his backpack and that he carried the brass knuckles as "protection from being jumped."

### Third per charged in death of TX boy

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A third caregiver has been charged following the death of a 5-year-old South Texas boy who showed signs of neglect and abuse.

San Antonio police on Thursday night arrested the boy's step-grandmother, Gloria Proo, on a charge of felony injury to a child.

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# Abrams Brothers to play in Pampa on Jan. 24

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Canadian troubadours The Abrams Brothers will play the M.K. Brown Auditorium at 7:30 p.m., Jan. 24, in support of their auspicious new album 'Northern Redemption' (United For Opportunity).

Tickets are available at the door. Individual tickets are \$20. Season tickets can be purchased for \$40, which includes the Jan. 24 event plus two more events TBA. Doors open at 7 p.m.

This is the first studio album of original material for the band, which consists of brothers John Abrams (vocals, guitar, mandolin, keyboard, percussion) and James Abrams (vocals, violin) and their cousin Elijah Abrams (bass).

The guys have been getting a ton of attention in Canada and now they're making strides in the US. Here's a great quote from the Toronto Star:

"While Kingston, Ont., bluegrass trio The Abrams Brothers may be fresh-faced, sweet-voiced and ready for the spotlight, they're anything but a Canuck version of those Jonas siblings.

The Abrams Brothers — John, James, and cousin Elijah — have been blowing away audiences across North America, Europe and Israel for the past several years with their virtuoso playing and effortless harmonies."

Born into a four generation touring bluegrass family, John and James have been on stage in the family business since they were 7 and 10. From this musical weaning, they have forged a sound considered to be "Abrams Brothers Music" in Canada.

It's a sound that lives somewhere between Americana, country and roots music.

Together as The Abrams Brothers for more than 10 years, the band became the youngest Canadians to perform at the Grand Ole Opry.

In 2005, they were named Emerging Artist of the Year at the Canadian Bluegrass Music Awards.

Over the past few years, The Abrams Brothers have been a constant on the Canadian festival circuit and have shared the same stage with Feist, John Hammond and Dean Brody.

Recorded on Wolfe Island, Ontario at the home studio of producer Chris Brown (The Bourbon Tabernacle Choir, Tony Scherr, Ani DiFranco, The Barenaked Ladies), the new album features nine original songs along with a beautiful, bluegrass version of Coldplay's "Viva La Vida."

"For us, Chris Brown's studio is like what "Big Pink" was to The Band: a rustic, cedar shingle covered cabin, secluded from any sense of haste brought about by an urban setting" says John Abrams.

"This was exactly the environment we needed to create this project. If you listen closely enough, you can almost hear someone stoking the wood stove behind a vocal take, or an axe splitting wood behind a violin solo"

Drawing from their vast influences including the Louvin Brothers, Tony Rice, The Beach Boys and Neil Young, The Abrams Brothers seamlessly fuse bluegrass with country and folk-rock.

Lyricaly, the album draws heavily upon the landscapes of the Canadian wilderness, and merges these images with themes of love, loneliness and restless ambition.

"The songs draw upon the many experiences of growing up playing music with four generations of Abrams musicians, coupled with the youthful unrest we feel in wanting to further our own career" explains John Abrams.

"The album is a bit of a paradox: a parallel dynamic between our retrospective view of our decade long touring career, along with the fact that we are still very young (James and I are 19 and 22 respectively) and feel like our career is only just beginning."



Submitted Photo

The Abrams Brothers will bring their bluegrass style to the M.K. Brown Auditorium at 7:30 p.m., Jan. 24.

## City library's heating unit to be fixed

**BY SASHA HELLER**  
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Pampa's city library, Lovett Memorial Library, will soon have all four of its heating units functioning again as library officials expected delivery of a blower motor on Friday.

Public Works Director

Donny Hooper said the city had originally ordered a part that was delivered but it was not working properly.

"We ordered a part," Hooper said.

"It came in. It was defective."

Hooper added that the library has not been com-

pletely without heat the past couple of weeks as three of the facility's four units were not affected.

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## CULBERSON'S Hometown Spotlight



### Dustin Kuhn

Dustin Kuhn is a graduate of Pampa High School, class of 2006. He recently married another Pampa native, Haley Acker. His parents are Steve and Lynn Kuhn, of Pampa. He has a younger sister, Kirsten that is a freshman at OSU.

Dustin has worked as a technician for Culberson Stowers for 7 years. He received an associate of Applied Science Degree at OSU in Okmulgee, Oklahoma. He is a Toyota Certified Master Tech and will soon become the only Master Diagnostic Tech in this area. "This is a great accomplishment and we are lucky to have him in Pampa." says Richard Stowers. When asked, "Why did you choose to be a mechanic?" Kuhn said " Since I was a kid, I enjoyed working on cars and taking things apart. I just have a natural curiosity of the way things work. It's something I really enjoy."

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## Las Pampas Square

### Revitalizing aging shopping center a worthy endeavor

Pampa is named after the La Pampas low lands, a fertile plain that includes several Argentine provinces and most of Uruguay.

In June, the 50-year-old Coronado Shopping Center was renamed Las Pampas Square after it was purchased by the Pampa Economic Development Corp., headed by Clay Rice as executive director.

Like the Argentine region its name resembles, the Square can prosper and grow much as Pampa itself has done over the decades.

Since PEDC became the new property owner, Steeles discount department store has opened next to Hastings and energy company Enbridge in November opened an office that is home to 235 of its employees.

#### Our View

This editorial reflects the views of The Pampa News' editorial board. Other opinions on this page may not reflect this view.

The PEDC is working ambitiously to improve the center's appearance with new landscaping and decorative awnings while replacing a lot of the old plumbing and wiring.

Rice said the buildings are still structurally sound, but have gone through the normal wear and tear you'd expect over five decades.

Rice said there a few new business prospects, and some of the existing businesses may be relocating within the center.

About half of the center's 200,000 square feet is available for leasing.

Cinema 4 in the Square shows current flicks in its four theaters, but it is hidden in

the back and has no marquee along heavily traveled North Hobart Street.

A new sign is in the works for the Square that will have a theater marquee.

Clay said the Square is a work in progress.

He describes it as part of a bustling economic hub that includes McDonald's and other nearby restaurants, the American Inn hotel, the M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium and several nearby banks.

Revitalizing the Square is a worthy endeavor, not just for that side of town, but for the entire city.

As new businesses and shoppers are attracted to the center, they will likely travel about and spend money in other parts of town, raising the tide for everybody in Pampa.

## One cheer for the cliff deal

One cheer out of a potential three is all anyone can logically give the fiscal-cliff deal. On the day after the bargain was clinched, the stock market gave a 300-point cheer. So be it.



**LAWRENCE KUDLOW**

In the short run, extending tax cuts up to \$450,000 probably saved us from a recession. If all the tax cuts had expired, we'd have a \$500 billion tax hike, plus marginal rate increases, and that would have sunk the economy. So I'm going to bet that the big stock rally was a sign of relief that the final deal wasn't worse.

The final product was sort of a least-bad tax scenario. The top tax threshold got to \$450,000. Capital gains and dividends were capped at 20 percent. And even the estate tax did better than feared, with a 40 percent rate off a \$5 million exemption. Plus, all the tax rates were made permanent — including the rate for the alternative minimum tax (AMT).

So it could have been worse. And it probably saved a recession. So that's the one cheer. But the rest of this story goes from bad to worse.

Let's start with no spending cuts. The spending sequester was thrown out the window. And I have zero confidence that much if any of it will be restored in the next couple of months. The well-publicized ratio of 41 to 1 — tax hikes over spending cuts — is deplorable.

We'll see during the upcoming debt-ceiling battle whether Congress, including the Republicans, has a real appetite to cut spending. There will be talk about shutting down the government and, even worse, talk of a debt default. But right now it's hard to expect any consensus on real entitlement reform and spending restraint that would limit the federal share of the economy to 20 percent, which is where it belongs.

And that brings me back to the tax problem. The president is going to want another \$600 billion or

\$700 billion in tax hikes. The recent bill already curbs high-end exemptions and deductions. But get ready — more is on the way from Team Obama. More deduction caps. Maybe a value-added tax. Maybe a carbon tax. Or maybe they just keep taxing the rich.

And don't forget the Obamacare tax hikes, which are estimated to be roughly \$1 trillion over the next 10 years. That includes a 3.8 percent surtax on investment income above \$250,000 per family, a 0.9 percent hike in the Medicare payroll tax (also a \$250,000 threshold), a 2.3 percent medical-device tax, new caps on flexible health accounts and an Obamacare haircut for medical itemized deductions.

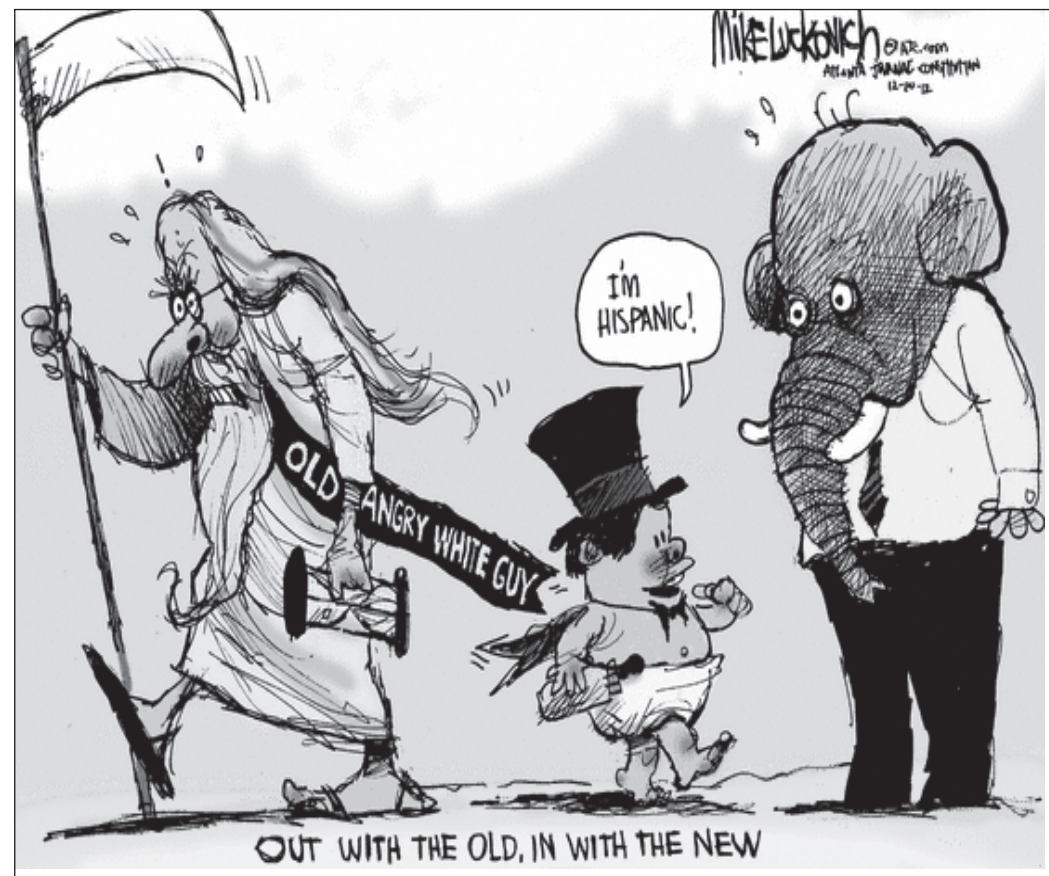
In rough terms, when you add the Obamacare tax hikes on successful investors, earners and small-business owners to the new fiscal-cliff bill, you're looking at a roughly 12 percent decline of incentive rewards from lower profitability and less take-home pay.

Of course this is anti-growth. Of course this will reduce the long-term growth potential of the U.S. economy. And of course the added revenues will be spent, bloating the budget and reducing the economy's potential to grow.

Economic growth is the key to reducing the spending, deficit and debt share of the economy. Specifically, grow the gross domestic product denominator with real personal and corporate tax-rate reform and reduce the demand for government dependency.

That's the solution to our problem. It's a European economic model. And it's the exact reverse of supply-side economics. You can't tax your way into prosperity or a balanced budget. The economic pie grows smaller. Government grows bigger. Redistribution and government dependency grow more powerful and pervasive.

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## If demography is destiny, good news for Texas, D.C.

Demographics buffs get a special Christmas present every year courtesy of the Census Bureau: its annual estimates of the populations of the 50 states and the District of Columbia.



**MICHAEL BARONE**

and of the flow of people into one set of states and out of another.

Nationally, the Census Bureau estimates that the United States has grown from 308 million people when the Census was conducted in April 2010 to almost 313 million in July 2012, a rate of 1.7 percent. If that continues through the decade, the nation's population will rise at a lower rate but by a larger number in this decade than it did in 2000-2010.

The fastest growth in the last two years has been in two small enclaves — in the District of Columbia (5.1 percent), thanks to the federal government and gentrification, and in North Dakota (4 percent), thanks to the

Bakken shale oil boom. Neither is up to 700,000 people yet, though North Dakota, after nearly a century in the 600,000s, is almost there.

The next-fastest growth rate is in the giant state of Texas. Its population rose 3.6 percent, to 26 million. This single state accounts for 18 percent of total U.S. population growth.

Two other states grew more than 3 percent, Utah and Colorado, thanks to high birth rates and newcomers eager to live near ski areas. And Florida, where growth stagnated after the housing bust, grew at 2.7 percent.

The two biggest growth states of the last two decades, Nevada and Arizona, are growing again, but at a pace behind Washington state and at about the same rate of the South Atlantic states of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia.

The two states that lost population in the last two years are economically beleaguered Rhode Island and Michigan. But Michigan seems to be rebounding, growing enough in the last year that its 2010-12 estimated population loss was only 275 people.

Immigration is sharply down from the levels of 1982-2007. International migration, as the Census Bureau calls it, was

only 0.6 percent of 2010 population in the last two years. It topped the 1 percent level only in New Jersey, New York and Florida.

To judge from the statewide figures, immigrants have stopped heading in large numbers to the heartland and have mostly been going to a few metro areas — New York, Boston, Washington, Miami and Orlando.

Immigration is only slightly above the national average now in California and Nevada and below it in Arizona, with its immigration enforcement laws. Net Mexican immigration has halted. California is likely getting more Asians than Hispanics.

Movement within the country has been at low levels; people tend to stay put when economic times are bad, as they did in the 1930s.

But New York, New Jersey, Connecticut and Illinois did see an outflow of more than 1 percent of their 2010 populations. People evidently aren't enamored of their high (and in Connecticut and Illinois, increased) tax rates.

And there was significant outflow from the auto states of Michigan and Ohio, as well. But outflow from California was much lower than in the past and amounted to less than half of the im-

migrants who moved in.

The biggest domestic inflow in percentage terms, though the numbers aren't huge, was to booming North Dakota and the District of Columbia, 2.6 and 2.4 percent of their 2010 populations. That's big in just two years.

After that, the biggest inflows in percentage terms were in the second-largest and soon to be third-largest states, Texas and Florida, and in Colorado. Tampa, Orlando, Houston, Austin, Dallas and Denver are drawing people in.

Nationally, natural increase — the excess of births (8.9 million) over deaths (5.6 million) — was almost double the number of immigrants (1.8 million).

Babies seem to come disproportionately to opposite ends of the political spectrum.

The big stories: the Bakken shale, big government, the Texas boom and the continued slide down I-95 from the Northeast to the South Atlantic from Washington, D.C., to Florida.

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**Breakfast-** Donut, sausage patty  
**WEDNESDAY, January 9**  
 Fish strips or popcorn chicken, corn, broccoli florets, mixed fruit, fresh fruit, cornbread  
**Breakfast-** Waffle sticks, syrup  
**THURSDAY, January 10**  
 Soft taco or pizza, refried beans, tossed salad, fresh fruit, juice, Spanish rice  
**Breakfast-** Biscuit, sausage patty  
**FRIDAY, January 11**  
 Grilled cheese sandwich or hamburger, french fries, black eyed peas, burger salad, peaches, fresh fruit, fancy gelatin  
**Breakfast-** Cereal, toast

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**MONDAY, January 7**  
 Chicken fried steak or chicken spaghetti, mashed potatoes, spinach, beets, northern beans, slaw, tossed salad, Jell-O, German chocolate cake, banana pudding, fruit cup, hot roll, cornbread  
**TUESDAY, January 8**  
 Swiss steak or teriyaki chicken breast/wild rice, steak fries, succotash, fried okra, pinto beans, slaw, tossed salad, Jell-O, marble swirl cake, lemon pie, fruit cup, hot roll, cornbread  
**WEDNESDAY, January 9**  
 Roast beef brisket/brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, peas, carrots, butter beans, slaw, tossed salad, Jell-O, butter pecan cake, blueberry cream pie, fruit cup, hot roll, cornbread  
**THURSDAY, January 10**  
 Chicken strips or taco salad/salsa, sour cream potatoes, Spanish rice, hominy, pintos, slaw, tossed salad, Jell-O, pineapple upside down cake, butterscotch pie, fruit cup, hot roll, cornbread  
**FRIDAY, January 11**  
 Cod fish filet/hushpuppies or goulash, potato wedges, broccoli & rice, beans, slaw, tossed salad, Jell-O, brownies, tapioca cups, fruit cup, breadstick, hot roll, cornbread

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**THURSDAY, January 10**  
 Stew, cornbread, mixed fruit  
**FRIDAY, January 11**  
 Tuna salad, pickled beets, cottage cheese, apricots

# 2012 statewide gas price average most expensive on record

SUBMITTED BY AAA TEXAS

According to the AAA Texas Weekend Gas Watch, 2012 proved to be the year with the most expensive annual statewide average on record.

The annual average price for a gallon of regular unleaded gasoline in Texas in 2012 was \$3.43.

The previous annual record was \$3.37 in 2011, and the third most expensive year for gas prices was in 2008 when the annual average was \$3.13.

Factors like major hurricanes, refinery outages and tension in the Middle East impacted gas prices sending markets in an upward swing for most of the year.

The highest daily Texas statewide average of the year was \$3.84 on April 5 and 6, while the lowest daily statewide average was \$3.03 a gallon on Dec. 20.

Gas prices in Texas averaged \$3.09 a gallon statewide in December, which was the lowest monthly average of the year.

April was the most expensive month for gas this year, with a monthly average of \$3.80.

As a result of continued negotiations in Washington, forecasts about gas prices in 2013 remain very uncertain.

Even as a fiscal cliff deal is reached, AAA Texas forecasts that gas prices in 2013 will remain high, but may be cheaper than in 2012 due to increased domestic crude oil production and that demand is expected to remain lower than in recent years.

This week the statewide average for a gallon of regular unleaded in Texas increased six cents and is \$3.13, according to the AAA Texas Weekend Gas Watch. Motorists in Texas are paying the most on average at \$3.19, and drivers in El Paso are paying the least at \$3.03.

The average price for

fuel in the Lone Star State is 16 cents less than the national average of \$3.29.

"What happens with gas prices this year will depend what happens both domestically and globally," said AAA Texas/New Mexico representative Sarah Schimmer.

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## ACCOLADE RIBBON CUTTING



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The Pampa Chamber of Commerce Goldcoats held a ribbon cutting recently for Accolade Home Care, which relocated to a bigger office space on North Hobart Street. Accolade Hospice offers individualized compassionate care to allow people suffering from life-limiting illnesses to live out their lives in comfort and dignity. The Goldcoats, in no particular order, are Darville Orr, Raymond Jaramillo, Jerry Foote, Sheila Webb, Bryan Guymon, Ken Rheams, Terry Barnes and Ronnie Wood. The Accolade staff, in no particular order, are Yvette Cuellar, Collin Rains, Lindsey Been, Deb Banks, Michelle Rainey, Suzanne Courtney, Rhonda Estes and Paula McGrath.

### Marriage applicants for December

STAFF REPORT

Gray County marriage license applicants from Dec. 17 through Dec. 31:

- Matthew Tyler Trusty and Kayla Marie Green.
- James Calvin White and Kayelene Grace Smith.
- John Junior Vargas and Brandy Marie McCoy.
- Stacey Edward Burns and Rosalee Marie Montano.
- Tristan Vidale Perry and Abigail Lynn Jones.
- Larry Wayne Pyle and Wilma Dean Gallander.

### Daniel Passini graduates with master's degree

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Daniel Passini, of Pampa, graduated from the Southwestern Assemblies of God University (SAGU) Harrison School of Graduate Studies with a Master of Arts in Bible and Theology on Dec. 7.

Southwestern Assemblies of God University is a private, Christian university located 30 minutes south of the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex in Waxahachie.

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# PampaSports

## BRAVING THE COLD



Photo by Zachary Green

The Pampa boys soccer team braves the cold Friday afternoon at practice. The team opens their season on Jan. 15 against Canyon. Some snowflakes even fell during the practice.

## Pampa boys soccer primed for 2013

By ZACHARY GREEN  
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The Pampa boys soccer team hopes to have a successful season in 2013. They open play today with a scrimmage and will have another scrimmage Jan. 8 before their season opener at Canyon on Jan. 14.

Last year's team only won three or four games but did have some accomplishments to reflect upon. The team beat Canyon for the first time in three years, Borger for the first time in four years and Randall for the first time in six years.

Coach Bryon May said it was exciting to win against some teams last year that we had not beat in a while.

"It was the first time in a couple of years that we were part of the playoff talk late in the season," May said.

Unfortunately for Pampa that team was comprised of nine seniors which will create a void to be filled for this season. The 2013 team has five returning starters from the 2012 team.

The senior returning starters are defender, Zane Robles, who is also the team captain and defender Miguel Blanco.

Junior returning starters are outside midfielder Jose Copada and goalkeeper Cesar Garcia.

The lone sophomore returning starter is midfielder Alan Stovall.

May added that Pampa

soccer is still competing in class 4A through the 2014 season which makes the schedule tougher.

In Pampa's district is Amarillo High, Randall, Caprock, Palo Duro, Dumas, Borger, Canyon High and River Road. River Road is unofficially in the district this season and may be officially in Pampa's district for the 2014 season.

This is because they just started a soccer program this year and will be playing an odd schedule this

season to get the hang of the sport. "Our district is very competitive in the playoffs every year."

"The numbers battle is another one we have to fight. Dumas has football like numbers of players to come out for soccer with about 100 each year, while we have about 30," added May.

May said that there are 28 kids currently in the soccer program this season.

"Our number one goal this year is to have fun. I

want everyone involved to be able to look back at the end of the season and say they had a great time and were happy to be a part of the experience," said May. "Our younger guys have to mature fast, we are a very young team. "The short-term goals need to be achieved fast but we can improve from game to game."

All the players have

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# PampaSports

## Soccer

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worked hard and come out to the Christmas practices to get ready for the season. The temperature on Fri-

day was 36 degrees with a wind chill of 27 and even a few snowflakes fell during the practice.

Come out and support this soccer team this season as they have worked hard and put in the work in the cold to prepare for the season.

## Senators from ND, TX wager steaks on FCS title game

ASSOCIATED PRESS

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — U.S. Sens. John Hoeven of North Dakota and John Cornyn of Texas have placed a friendly wager on the outcome of the NCAA Football Championship Subdivision title game between North Dakota State University and Sam Houston State.

If NDSU wins, Cornyn will give Hoeven some Texas beef steaks.

If Sam Houston State prevails, Hoeven will give Cornyn some North Dakota bison steaks.

The title game is a rematch of last year's FCS championship game, which NDSU won 17-6.

This year's game is this afternoon in Frisco, Texas.

## The PAMPA NEWS Sports Briefs

### TODAY JAN. 5

- Pampa JV boys @ Perryton Tournament.
- Pampa freshman boys @ Perryton Tournament.
- Pampa Wrestling hosts the Pampa Duals.
- Pampa boys soccer scrimmage @ Tascosa.

### MONDAY JAN. 7

- Pampa JV boys v. Childress 5 p.m.
- Pampa V boys v. Childress 6:30 p.m.

### TUESDAY JAN. 8

- Pampa JV girls @ River Road 4:30 p.m.
- Pampa V girls @ River Road 6 p.m.
- Pampa freshman girls @ River Road 7:30 p.m.
- Pampa boys soccer scrimmage.

### THURSDAY JAN. 10

- Pampa JH boys v. Perryton 5 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.
- Pampa JH girls @ Perryton.
- Pampa JH wrestling @ Hereford 3:30 p.m.
- Pampa girls soccer @ Frenship Tournament.

### FRIDAY JAN. 11

- Pampa JV girls v. Borger 4:30 p.m.
- Pampa V girls v. Borger 6 p.m.
- Pampa freshman girls v. Borger 7:30 p.m.
- Pampa JV boys v. Borger 4:30 p.m.
- Pampa V boys v. Borger 7:30 p.m.
- Pampa freshman boys v. Borger 6 p.m.
- Pampa swimming @ Lubbock Invite.
- Pampa girls wrestling @ Caprock
- Pampa boys wrestling @ Hereford.
- Pampa girls soccer @ Frenship Tournament.

### SATURDAY JAN. 12

- Pampa swimming @ Lubbock Invite.
- Pampa girls wrestling @ Caprock
- Pampa boys wrestling @ Hereford.
- Pampa girls soccer @ Frenship Tournament.
- Cheer Camp in south Cavalier 9:30 a.m. — 11:30 a.m.
- Cheer Camp in McNeely 9:30 a.m. — 1 p.m.

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# US economy adds 155K jobs; rate remains 7.8 percent

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. employers added 155,000 jobs in December, a steady gain that shows hiring held up during the tense negotiations to resolve the fiscal cliff.

The solid job growth wasn't enough to push down the unemployment rate, which remained 7.8 percent last month, the Labor Department said Friday. The rate for November was revised up from an initially reported 7.7 percent.

The government also said hiring was stronger in the previous month than first thought. November's job gains were revised up 15,000 to 161,000. October's increase was nearly unchanged at 137,000.

The "gain is perhaps better than it looks given that firms were probably nervous about adding workers with the fiscal cliff looming," said Paul Ashworth, an economist at Capital Economics.

Robust hiring in manufacturing and construction fueled the December job gains. Construction firms added 30,000, the most in 15 months. That increase likely reflected hiring needed to rebuild after Superstorm Sandy and also gains in home building that have contributed to a housing recovery.

Manufacturers added 25,000 jobs, the most in nine months.

Other higher-paying industries also added jobs. Professional and business services, which include jobs in information technology, management and architecture, gained 19,000. Financial services added 9,000, health care 55,000.

Lower-paying industry sectors were mixed. Restaurants and bars added 38,000 jobs. Retailers cut 11,300, a sign that the holiday shopping season may have been weak. But those cuts came after three months of strong gains.

All the job gains last month came from private employers. Governments shed 13,000 jobs, mostly in local school systems.

Hiring still isn't strong enough to quickly reduce still-high unemployment. For 2012, employers added 1.84 million jobs, an average of 153,000 jobs a month, roughly matching the job totals for 2011.

But the stable hiring last month shows that employers didn't panic during the high-stakes talks between Congress and the White House over tax increases and spending cuts that weren't resolved until New Year's.

That's an encouraging sign for the coming months, because an even bigger federal budget showdown is looming. The government must increase its \$16.4 trillion borrowing limit by around late February or risk defaulting on its debt. Republicans will likely demand deep spending cuts as the price of raising the debt limit.

Friday's report did point to some weakness in the job market. For example, the number of unemployed actually rose 164,000 to 12.2 million. Approximately 192,000 people entered the

work force last month, but most of them didn't find jobs.

The unemployment numbers come from a government survey of households; the number of jobs added each month comes from a separate survey of businesses.

A broader category that includes not only the unemployed but also part-time workers who want full-time jobs and people who have given up looking for work was unchanged in December at 22.7 million.

Despite still-modest job growth, the economy is improving. Layoffs are declining. And the number of people who sought unemployment aid in the past month is near a four-year low.

The December jobs report showed that hourly pay is staying slightly ahead of inflation. Hourly wages rose 7 cents to \$23.73, a 2.1 percent increase compared with a year earlier. Inflation rose 1.8 percent over the same period.

The once-depressed housing market is recovering. Companies ordered more long-lasting manufactured goods in November, a sign that they're investing more in equipment and software. And Americans spent more in November. Consumer spending drives nearly 70 percent of economic growth.

Manufacturing is getting a boost from the best auto sales in five years. Car sales jumped 13 percent in 2012 to 14.5 million. And Americans spent more at the tail end of the holiday shopping season, boosting overall sales that had slumped earlier in the crucial two-month period.

## Male Texas trooper suspended over search

DALLAS (AP) — A male Texas trooper has joined a female officer on paid suspension amid the investigation of her videotaped body cavity search of two women along a highway.

A Dallas County grand jury this month could consider the case involving Troopers David Ferrell and Kelly Helleeson. Texas

Rangers helped investigate last July's traffic stop in Irving.

The Department of Public Safety suspended both troopers in late December. DPS didn't immediately provide further details Friday.

An Irving woman and her adult niece on Dec. 17 sued both troopers and DPS director Steve McCraw. Angel and Ashley Dobbs say the search videotaped by a patrol car camera was illegal and humiliating.

The women say Ferrell stopped them after seeing cigarette butts thrown out a window. Helleeson searched the pair. No drugs were found.

## Texas allows gun show messages in Houston

HOUSTON (AP) — Texas transportation officials have overruled a district office and restored use of electronic freeway signs for public safety traffic updates near firearms-related events.

Texas Department of Transportation officials in Houston on Thursday said use of such signs was suspended amid complaints following a gun show the day after the Dec. 14 massacre at a Connecticut school. A gunman killed 26 people, including 20 children, then himself.

TxDOT officials on the state level later Thursday said the local decision to stop using traffic advisory signs at firearms-related events was wrong. TxDOT spokeswoman Veronica Beyer says message boards are used to help direct traffic when there's an accident and at large events for public safety.

Such signs are also typically used for high traffic-volume situations such as rodeos and sporting events.

## Texas company must pay for faked tests

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — A judge says a Houston company must pay \$1 million in fines and community service payments for falsifying water tests at an offshore production platform in 2009.

The U.S. Attorney's Of-

fice in New Orleans says in a news release that U.S. District Judge Eldon Fallon sentenced W&T Offshore Inc. on Thursday. The company had pleaded guilty to tampering with monitoring required under the Clean Water Act.

Permits require monthly tests of whether oil and grease discharges are within federal limits.

Prosecutors say that, at least six times in 2009, a contractor's employees filtered samples before sending them to a lab. A news release did not identify the contractor.

As part of three years on probation, W&T is to have three-quarters of its 107 offshore facilities audited.

## 1 in 24 admit nodding off while driving

NEW YORK (AP) — This could give you nightmares: 1 in 24 U.S. adults say they recently fell asleep while driving.

And health officials think the number is probably higher. That's because some people don't realize it when they nod off for a second or two behind the wheel.

In a government study released Thursday, a little over 4 percent of U.S. adults said they fell asleep while driving at least once in the previous month. Some earlier studies reached a similar conclusion, but the survey by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention was far larger.

The study found drowsy driving was more common

in men and in people ages 25 to 34.

The results are from a survey of 147,000 adults in 2009 and 2010.

## Children rescued in exploitation probe

DALLAS (AP) — U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement says 36 of 123 sexually exploited children identified in a five-week, international child pornography investigation were rescued in North Texas.

ICE Director John Morton revealed on Thursday that more than 200 adults

had been arrested on allegations arising from the probe, which ended in early December. It found 110 victims in 19 U.S. states. The others were living in six countries.

ICE spokesman Carl Rusnok in Dallas says 36 children were identified and rescued in the Dallas-Fort Worth area. He provided no other details.

Morton says the investigation is part of the agency's effort to find and rescue victims, and arrest abusers and people who make or transmit child pornography.

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# sunday horoscope

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Sunday, Jan. 6, 2013:

This year you become a little more hot-tempered than in the past. Inspiration and industry merge, and you become very driven as a result. If you don't achieve your goals, you could become cold or distant. The odds are you will greet success with your endurance. If you are single, your temperament could push someone away, but it is unlikely that you will be alone. A friendship could be the source of an intense romance. If you are attached, your sweetie could have a strong reaction to your moodiness. Do not be surprised by this person's response. Indulge him or her. **SCORPIO** also can be feisty!

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 the most of the moment, and know that you don't always get special time like this. One-on-one relating takes you down a new path. A serious discussion could dissolve into solemn unresponsiveness. Tonight: A favorite dinner with a favorite person.

This Week: Monday holds dissent, but by Friday you'll have a new beginning.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Wherever you go, others seek you out. Whether it is at church, at a favorite spot for brunch or even at home makes no difference. Once more, you have an opportunity to choose your company. An older person could be nothing short of grumpy. Tonight: You pick where and what.

This Week: You are feisty. Detach in order to gain a new perspective.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Be more forthright and direct in your dealings. You might opt to get a head start on a project or toss yourself into a winter pastime. Listen to your inner voice about a casual friend, especially if a newfound awkwardness develops. Tonight: Easy does it.

This Week: Heavy moments mark Monday. By Wednesday, you'll enjoy wherever you are.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ You could be

asking for more than you can handle. This fact becomes obvious in an argument that starts up out of the blue with a close loved one. A new beginning becomes possible if you can eliminate whatever is putting you on overload. Tonight: Spice up the moment.

This Week: Count on your imagination leading the way.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Take charge, and make the best of a situation. You could feel very uncomfortable with a family member's or roommate's demands. If you establish boundaries, know that there might be an awkward moment. Make that awkwardness OK. Tonight: Happily nested in.

This Week: Getting going could be hard, but by Wednesday you will be working at full speed.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Understand what is happening with a close relative. Just when you think there is a great deal of trust and ease between you, this person tightens up like a corkscrew. Recognize that this is a natural response for him or her -- it has nothing to do with you. Tonight: Catch up on calls.

This Week: You are on target and know what to do.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★ You could see a situation going on that

causes concern, especially as to how it will impact your finances. Know that, as hard as it might be, you can and will say no to someone. Disengage from this person financially. Tonight: Treat the family to dinner.

This Week: You are a source of insight, but you might be concerned about stabilizing a situation.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ You might feel as if no one can stop you. Don't count on being an unimaginable force, as someone might trip you up, whether it is conscious or not. A period of silence could mar a close-to-perfect day. Try to let go, and enjoy the positive aspects. Tonight: As you like it!

This Week: You beam, and others respond positively. Keep to your budget.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★ Note a tendency to want to be alone, only to become bored and lonely later. If you find that you get testy with others, go off to the movies or read a book. Just head somewhere where conversation might not be necessary. Tonight: Opt for an early bedtime.

This Week: By Wednesday, you will be on a roll.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ You might not be comfortable with an associate's manner. You can't change this person's

behavior, but you can distance yourself from his or her attitude. You will communicate without words that you do not want to be around this type of moodiness. Tonight: Where the action is.

This Week: Emphasize what you want as early as possible.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ You might want to take a stand or let others know how you feel. The problem might be someone's reception. This person could start a quarrel, so choose to let it go. Touch base with an older friend or loved one. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

This Week: Take charge Monday and aim for what you want.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Take off for a drive with the intention of meeting a friend. You might be late with gift-giving, but finally you'll be able to eliminate the distance between you. Don't read too much into someone's comment. Just sit back and observe. To-

night: Follow the music.

This Week: Look beyond the obvious, and you will find answers.

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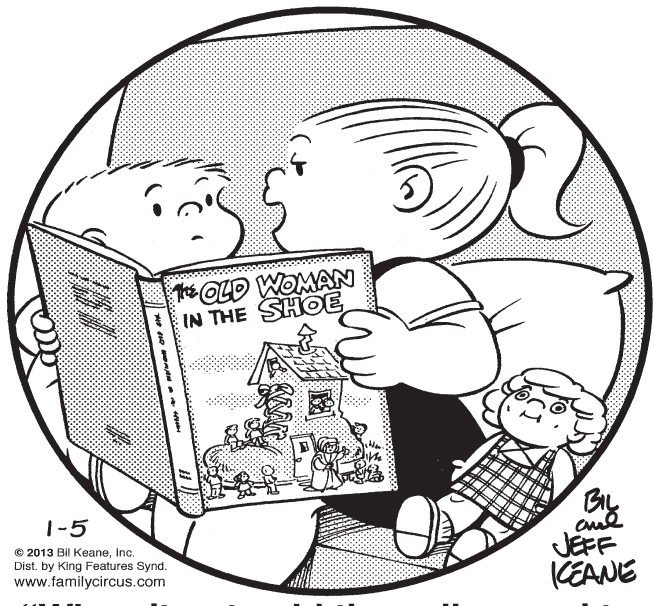
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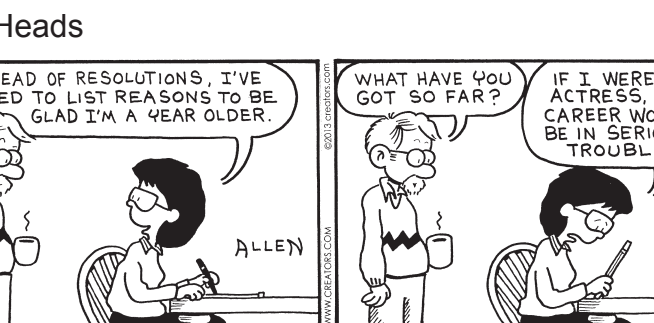
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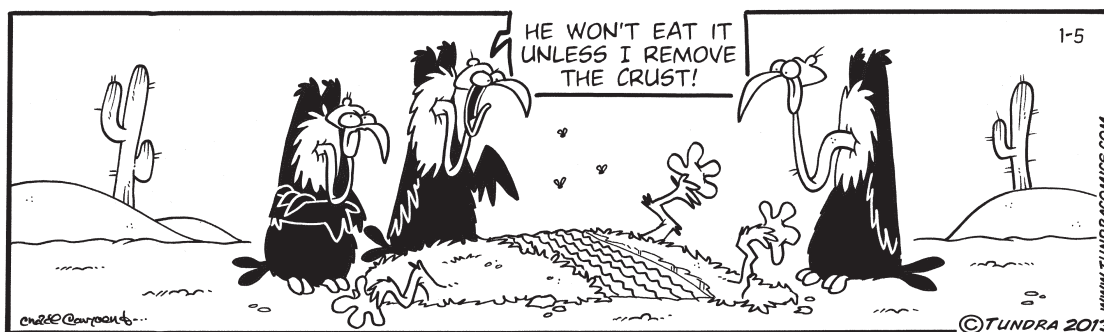
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# daily horoscope

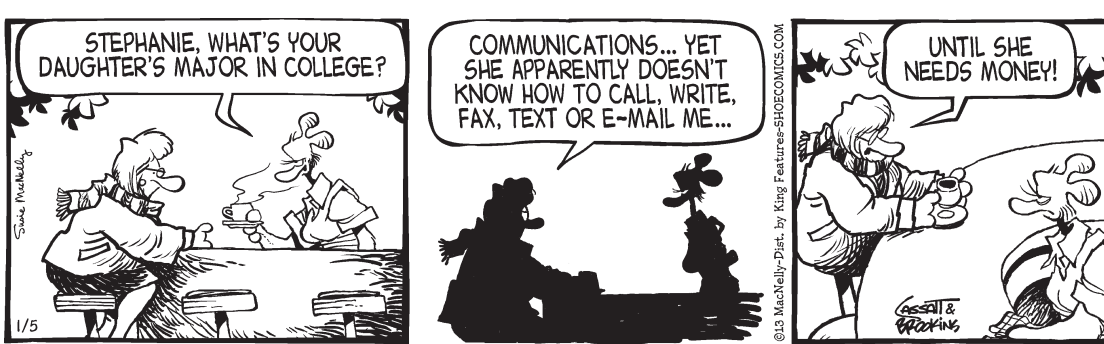
**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Monday, Jan. 7, 2013:  
 This year you focus on your goals, as you have the potential to make them so. You also gain the support of a key person, which allows you to head down a long-desired path. Plan on going alone, because someone involved could be more unpredictable than you think. If you are single, you might meet someone who resents your friends or isolates you in some manner. Consider this bond carefully. If you are attached, the two of you love to socialize and party together. Your biggest issue could be overspending. Why not try separate accounts? **SCORPIO** is a loyal friend, though he or she could have an intense tone this year.  
**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)  
 ★★★★★ If you make it your priority to get through a problem, you will succeed. A hurdle could appear in a meeting or when dealing with a friend. Tempers might flair, and you — the normally hot-tempered personality — will want to contain the situation. Tonight: Go with a friend's logic.  
**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)  
 ★★★★★ You'll defer to a loved one who needs to be in control and does well at it. You might be in agreement, but a boss, authority figure or associate might not be thinking along the same lines as you. Sort through what is needed and what is important. Tonight: To the wee hours.  
**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)  
 ★★★ You have a lot to do. You might want to bypass a conversation. You are correct in thinking that there could be a volatile nature to this discussion. Stay on top of a personal matter through detaching and looking at it from an outside perspective. Tonight: Detach from a hot situation.  
**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)  
 ★★★★★ How you handle someone could define a situation. You might be open to changing your responses when you see how out of control a disagreement could become. Though you might not be combative, the other person very well could be. Tonight: Be naughty and nice.  
**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)  
 ★★★ Tension seems like the natural outcome of the moment, no matter which way you turn or what you do. Clearly, several friends or associates could be hot-tempered and disagreeable. You would be

well-advised not to get into their issues. Tonight: The less said the better.  
**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)  
 ★★★★★ You have the ability to hear some nasty comments and not take what is being said personally. Tempers could flare, and you might wonder what exactly is happening. Your power of observation will become more important than you thought possible. Tonight: Visit with a pal.  
**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)  
 ★★★★★ You might have overspent and overindulged. At this moment, any excuse could cause you to do that again. Look at your budget, realize the present restrictions and decide what you ultimately want. Tonight: Use all of the self-discipline you can muster up.  
**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)  
 ★★★★★ All eyes turn to you. You might have too much to handle right now. As you determine your limits, a loved one could become argumentative. You are likely to get into a "tit for tat" situation. Be smart. Choose your response carefully. Tonight: Whatever knocks your socks off.  
**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)  
 ★★★★★ Follow your instincts, especially with finances. You know what is appropriate; don't hesitate to follow through on that. You might want to listen to a friend who too frequently offers his or her opinions. Right now, you need to hear from this person. Tonight: Get some R and R.  
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)  
 ★★★★★ You might want to get to the bottom of a problem. How you do this could be a little difficult, as you might find yourself involved in a controversy. Detach, and you can't help but come out on top. Evaluate your choices carefully. Tonight: Catch up on a friend's news.  
**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)  
 ★★★★★ You suddenly see the depth of your anger. You might want to rethink a personal matter, especially if it impacts your professional image. A boss or a respected associate could cop an attitude. Do not play into this person's behavior. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.  
**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)  
 ★★★★★ Suppressing your anger has more negative implications than you realize. You could act on those feelings, or perhaps you'll lose your temper with someone who doesn't deserve that hostility. Discuss your feelings when you feel more in control. Tonight: Follow the music.

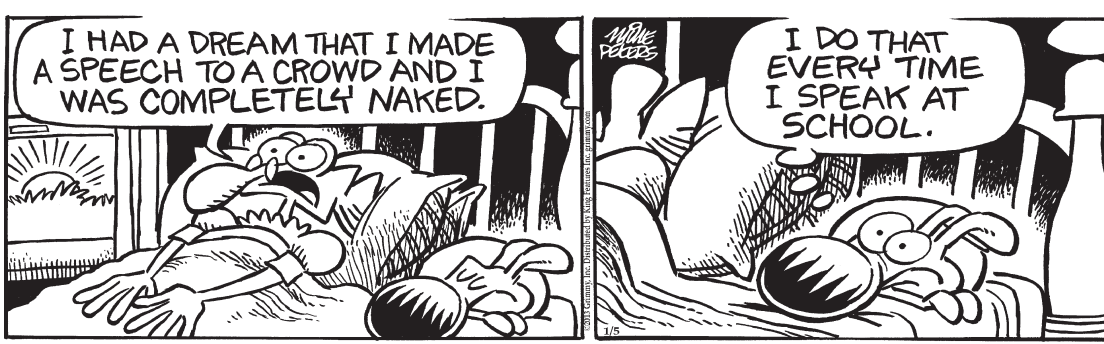
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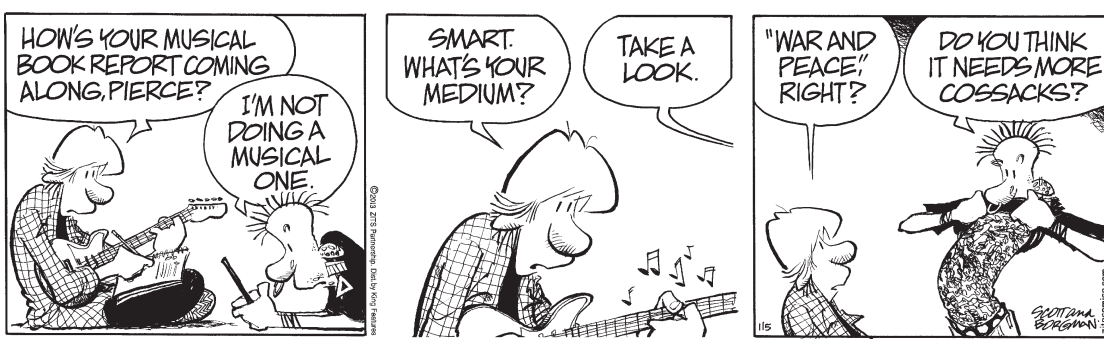
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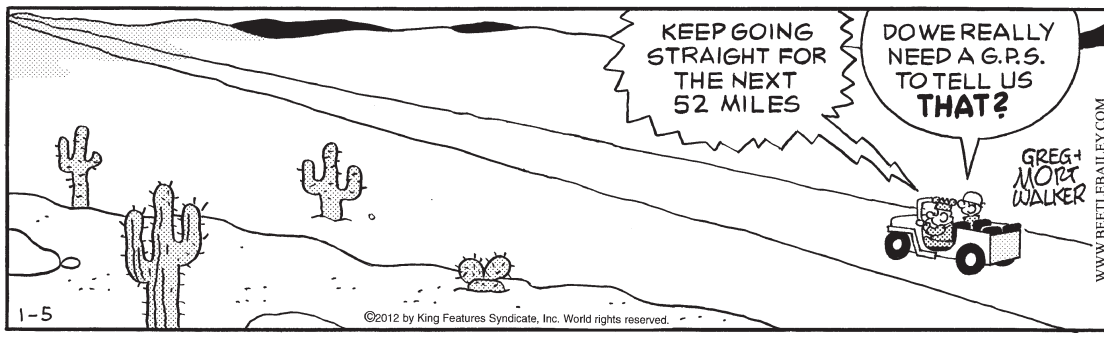
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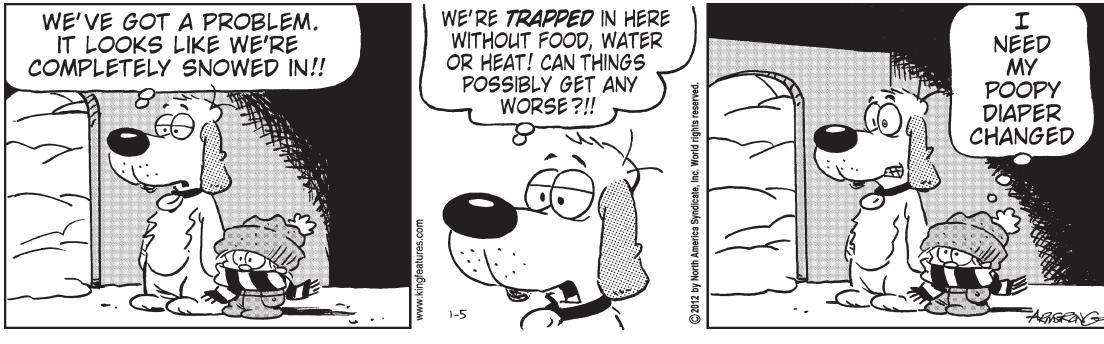
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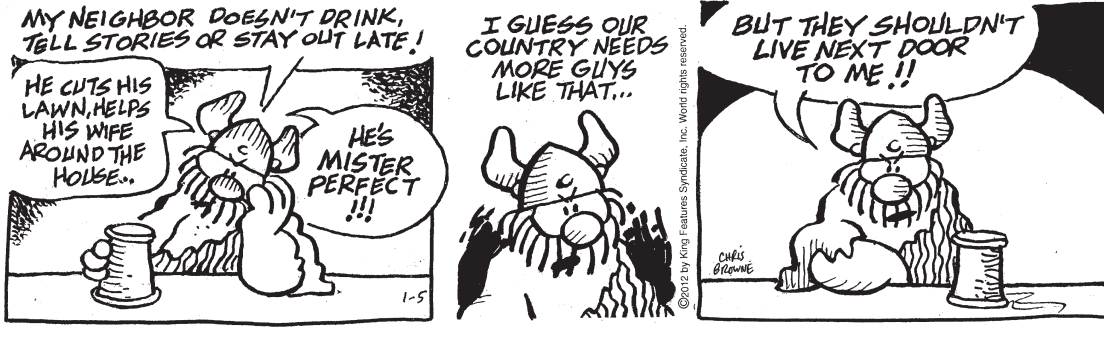
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An extensive collection of golf caps might be a giveaway that Tarpley likes to whack a few balls from time to time.

# Tarpley

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Business started more than 80 years ago by Tarpley's grandmother, Clara.

The Pampa store opened on North Cuyler Street in 1926 but shuttered in February 2007 due to lack of business.

Tarpley retired in 1991 and now spends an hour or so each morning building bird houses from cedar (or tinkering with whatever other project pops into his head) in the cavernous workshop in back of the small storefront at Hobart Street and Kentucky Avenue.

"This used to be an electrician's place that they rented from Tarpley music," he said.

Now, it's a woodworker's dream with band saws, table saws, drill presses and every hand tool imaginable.

Looking through the front window, you see what looks like a small retail area.

But it isn't a retail area at all, because there's no cash register, no sales clerk, and, of course, no designated business hours.

What you will find, however, is a lot of interesting stuff and oddities, like a Detroit-built Farrand pump organ that still works, a handmade birdhouse with a toy Hummer parked in the carport, another birdhouse built in the shape of a caboose, a vintage two-way radio used by law enforcement, and — a true flashback to the 1970s — a Pioneer receiver with a turntable and 8-track player. (A "Pink Floyd" tape is sticking out of the tape deck.)

Then there's Tarpley's small collection of old clarinets and saxophones converted into lamps.

As a former music store owner, Tarpley got to know a lot of band directors in town, either when they came into his store or through his visits to the schools.

One day, probably back in the '60s or '70s if his

memory serves correctly, Tarpley said he overheard a junior high band director say to a student, "If you can't play that any better than that, then I'm gonna make a lamp out of it."

The teacher's sarcastic remark inspired him to actually make lamps from musical instruments.

So where is Buzz-the-Owner when he's not at the shop?

Well ... he doesn't like to get too specific at first, but if you look around the shop, you might be able to make an educated guess.

In the northwest corner is Tarpley's "golf corner," where he has a few dozen golf hats hanging on peg boards.

Then he admits: "I like to play golf every chance I get. I like to fish, hunt, I'm pretty active."

Tarpley's son and nephew, John and David respectively, work for the family business at the company's operations office in Amarillo.

David said each summer the Tarpley men and boys go on a three-day fishing trip in the mountains of northern New Mexico.

"We were always doing something as a family outdoors," David recalled. "We were either hunting or fishing. I have great memories of Bill (David's father) and Buzz."

Though David went to college, he said he learned more about running a business from his father and uncle than he did in school.

John said he was adopted by Buzz and his wife, Jewel, when he was 9 days old.

"But there has never been any question that I'm a part of the Tarpley family," he said.

"I am very blessed to be in this family and Buzz has always been a role model and someone I looked up to."

John played basketball while attending Pampa schools, and said during that entire time his dad only missed one game.

As a music store owner, John said his dad never missed a beat.

"He put a tremendous amount of his life and hours into that store."



Tarpley is storing this old pump organ for a friend.

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# Transocean's \$1.4B oil spill deal will help Gulf recover

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — A \$1.4 billion settlement between the Justice Department and Deepwater Horizon rig owner Transocean Ltd. will pump hundreds of millions of dollars into projects designed to help the Gulf Coast recover from the nation's largest offshore oil spill.

Transocean, which owned the rig that sank after an explosion killed 11 workers and spawned the 2010 spill in the Gulf of Mexico, agreed Thursday to pay \$1 billion in civil penalties and \$400 million in criminal penalties and plead guilty to a misdemeanor charge of violating the Clean Water Act.

Much of the money will fund environmental-restoration projects and spill-prevention research and training.

Congress approved legislation that dedicates 80 percent of the civil penalty for environmental and economic recovery projects in the Gulf states.

"While this small step forward will not bring back the 11 lives that were lost or reverse the extraordinary damages caused by the Deepwater Horizon disaster, it is incremental progress in Transocean making it right," Louisiana Gov. Bobby Jindal said in a statement. "Natural resources damages and response costs are excluded from this

agreement. Now the focus remains on BP to fulfill the commitments of their PR campaign to put this tragedy behind us."

The proposed settlement resolves the Justice Department's civil and criminal probes of Transocean's role in the Deepwater Horizon rig disaster.

The deal, which is subject to a federal judge's approval, also calls for Transocean to implement a series of operational safety and emergency response improvements on its rigs.

"This resolution of criminal allegations and civil claims against Transocean brings us one significant step closer to

justice for the human, environmental and economic devastation wrought by the Deepwater Horizon disaster," Attorney General Eric Holder said in a statement.

Transocean said it believes the settlement is in the best interest of its shareholders and employees and eliminates "much of the uncertainty associated with the accident."

"This is a positive step forward, but it is also a time to reflect on the 11 men who lost their lives aboard the Deepwater Horizon," the company

said in a statement.

"Their families continue to be in the thoughts and prayers of all of us at Transocean."

BP PLC, which leased the rig from Transocean, already has agreed to pay a record \$4.5 billion in penalties and plead guilty to manslaughter and other criminal charges related to the spill.

The deal with BP doesn't resolve the federal government's civil claims against the London-based oil company.

U.S. Sen. Mary Landrieu, a Louisiana

Democrat, said the Transocean settlement will dedicate \$800 million of the civil penalty and \$300 million of criminal penalty to coastal protection and restoration work.

"While this is an important achievement, I hope it will be one in a series of settlements to bring justice and resolution to our region," she said in a statement.

U.S. Sen. David Vitter, a Louisiana Republican, said he hopes it leads to "much bigger final action with BP, the main culprit in this horrible disaster."

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# Three NYPD officers shot in separate incidents

NEW YORK (AP) — Three New York City police officers were recovering Friday, hours after being shot in separate incidents that left one suspect dead and four under arrest.

The shootings occurred in a one-hour span Thursday night.

Off-duty Police Officer Juan Pichardo was shot in the thigh at his family's Bronx car dealership by one of two men who entered the business around 6:30 p.m.

An hour later in Brooklyn, two plainclothes transit officers were injured in a shootout on a subway car. A man pulled a handgun from his waistband and opened fire, police said. One of the officers returned fire, killing the suspect.

"In recent weeks, we've heard some people say that the only thing that stops a bad guy with a gun is a good guy with a gun. But sometimes the good guys get shot — and sometimes, they are killed," Mayor Michael Bloomberg told reporters Thursday.

"Tonight, thank God, three good guys — three New York City police officers, who acted heroically — are going to make it," the mayor said. Last year, 11 police

officers were shot while on duty and one while off duty, none of them fatal.

Pichardo was working off-duty at the car dealership when two men, one armed with a handgun, entered while two other men waited outside in a getaway car, Commissioner Raymond Kelly said.

After the two feigned interest in buying a car, one of them pulled out a handgun and ordered Pichardo and an employee onto the floor in a back office and started to ransack the place.

"A few minutes after the robbery, Officer Pichardo stood up and grabbed the gunman, who fired, striking the officer in the right thigh," Kelly said.

Although wounded, Pichardo and the other employee wrestled the gunman to the ground and disarmed him. His accomplice fled in the getaway car with the two others, but they were stopped a short distance away and arrested.

Kelly said Pichardo had recognized the gunman as a member of a Bronx robbery crew. The suspect's gun was reported stolen from North Carolina in Dec. 2012, he said.

Bloomberg said Pichardo was in stable condi-

tion at Jacobi Medical Center in the Bronx.

The Brooklyn shooting, which left a suspect dead, took place at about 7:30 p.m. at the Fort Hamilton Parkway subway station at 62nd Street, according to Police Commissioner Raymond Kelly.

Two plainclothes officers assigned to Transit District 34, Michael Levay and Lukasz Kozicki, were on patrol when they observed a man moving between subway cars, a violation of transit regulations, Kelly said.

The commissioner said that in the past police have found that "people who are looking to commit crimes will walk through the cars."

As the train approached the station, Kelly said the officers approached the man, who was sitting down, and asked him for identification.

The man stood up and appeared to reach for his wallet, but instead "pulled a 9-millimeter Taurus handgun from his waistband and opened fire," Kelly said.

"A witness said that the gunman appeared to notice the officer's bullet-resistant vest, and, as a result, aimed low before he fired," Kelly said.

Kelly said Levay has a welt on his back and

investigators believe the bullet may still be in the vest.

Both officers were listed in stable condition at Lutheran Hospital.

The city reported a record-low number of murders last year — 418. The previous low was 471, in 2009.

## Vicar pleads innocent to sex charges

TOPEKA, Kan. (AP) — A former church vicar in Topeka pleaded not guilty to sexually assaulting two young brothers.

Thirty-two-year-old Hugh Denton Cranford, a former vicar at Faith Lutheran Church, will be tried starting May 6 on three charges of aggravated indecent liberties with a child younger than 14.

The Topeka Capital-Journal reports Cranford, a native of Kingwood, Texas, pleaded not guilty on Thursday.

## Mass. cops egg their sergeant's house

NEWTON, Mass. (AP) — Massachusetts police responding to reports of teenagers tossing eggs at a house last month got quite a surprise when they tracked down the suspects.

A department spokesman tells The MetroWest Daily News the three

people who egged the house in Framingham early Dec. 11 were fellow law enforcement officers serving with the Newton police. They were off duty at the time.

They told Framingham police the egging incident was "a prank, a joke between friends."

The homeowner is a Newton police sergeant and their superior officer. He says is handling the matter internally.

No charges were filed, and the Newton officers were not publicly identified.

## Third adult charged in San Antonio death

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A third caregiver has been charged following the death of a 5-year-old South Texas boy who showed signs of neglect and abuse.

San Antonio police on Thursday night arrested the boy's step-grandmother, Gloria Proo, on a charge of felony injury to a child.

Police say Josiah Williams on Dec. 27 was found dead at the family's San Antonio home. An autopsy indicated abuse and malnutrition. Investigators say the child had two black eyes and other cuts and bruises.

The boy's father,

Charleston Williams, and stepmother Crystal Williams took custody of Josiah after his biological mother went to prison.

Police last week charged the couple with injury to a child. Sgt. Jim Cole says Proo is the mother of Crystal Williams.

Online jail records didn't immediately list information on Proo.

## Coast Guard med-evac ailing N.O. man

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The Coast Guard says it safely evacuated a man with heart disease from a sailboat in the Gulf.

In a news release, the Coast Guard said officials received a call early Thursday about a husband and wife aboard a 64-foot sailboat that was bound for Houston after a trip to Cozumel, Mexico.

The woman reported that the man, who had a history of heart disease, had slumped over and was unresponsive.

A helicopter from the Coast Guard Aviation Training Center in Mobile, Ala., hoisted the man and woman from the sailboat and took them to the Coast Guard Air Station in Belle Chasse, where the man was reported in stable condition Thursday.

# Texas inmate who was ordered retired in 1980 has been waiting ever since

GATESVILLE, Texas (AP) — Jerry Hartfield was still a young man when an uncle visited him in prison to tell him that his murder conviction had been overturned and he would get a new trial.

Not long afterward, he was moved off of death row.

"A sergeant told me to pack my stuff and I wouldn't return. I've been waiting ever since for that new trial," Hartfield, now 56, said during a recent interview at the prison near Gatesville where he's serving life for the 1976 robbery and killing of a Bay City bus station worker. He says he's innocent.

The Texas Court of

Criminal Appeals overturned Hartfield's murder conviction in 1980 because it found a potential juror improperly was dismissed for expressing reservations about the death penalty.

The state tried twice but failed to get the court to re-examine that ruling, and on March 15, 1983 — 11 days after the court's second rejection — then-Gov. Mark White commuted Hartfield's sentence to life in prison.

At that point, with Hartfield off death row and back in the general prison population, the case became dormant.

"Nothing got filed. They had me thinking my case was on appeal for

27 years," said Hartfield, who is described in court documents as an illiterate fifth-grade dropout with an IQ of 51, but who says he has since learned to read and has become a devout Christian.

A federal judge in Houston recently ruled that Hartfield's conviction and sentence ceased to exist when the appeals court overturned them — meaning there was no sentence for White to commute. But Hartfield isn't likely to go free or be retried soon because the state has challenged a 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals' decision favorable to Hartfield, arguing he missed a one-year window in which to appeal aspects

of his case.

A 5th Circuit panel of the New Orleans court agreed with the district court in an October ruling, but last month it made a rare, formal request to the Texas appeals court asking it to confirm its decades-old decision to overturn Hartfield's conviction.

Hartfield's current attorney, Kenneth R. Hawk II, recently described the case as a "one-in-a-million" situation in which an inmate has been stuck in the prison system for more than three decades because no one seems to know what to do with him.

"When you see it, it's kind of breathtaking," he said.

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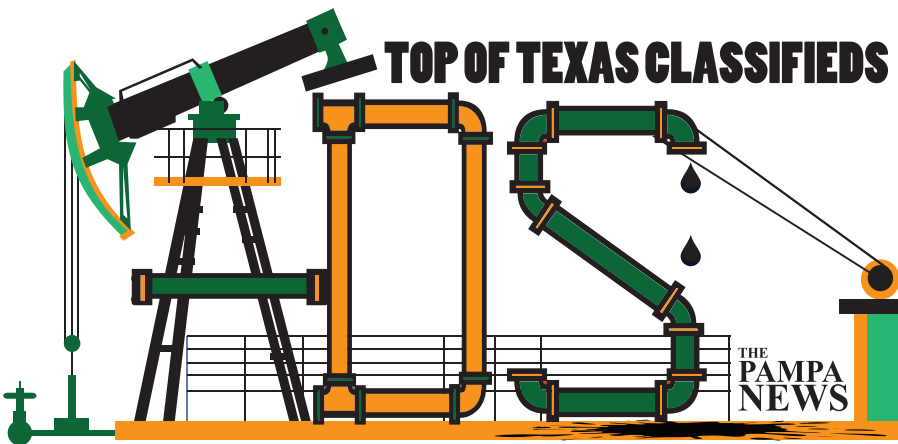


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## Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I'm the youngest of three children and I'll be graduating from high school in the spring. My parents always seemed happy with each other. They were obviously in love, and they told my brothers and me they would never get divorced. Although they had arguments, they always made up, and it never seemed to be serious.

For the last few months, my dad has been acting weird. He spends a lot of time talking to and texting "a friend" on the phone. The problem is, although the friend has a male name ("George") in his contacts, the person has a female voice. I didn't think anything about it until recently, when I turned on Dad's phone to play a game and it was open to a series of text messages between him and this "friend." What I saw made it clear that something is up. Mom knows nothing about it.

I love my father, but I don't think I can handle this. I can't believe he'd do this to our family, especially since all of us are going through a really hard time lately.

I don't know what to do. I don't want to tell anyone because I don't want our family to fall apart. But I can't stay quiet. What should I do? — BLINDSIDED IN JERSEY

DEAR BLINDSIDED: I agree that you can't keep quiet about this. What you saw was, of course, shocking — and the person you should talk to about it is

**your father. Sometimes when people are going through a really tough time, they do things they wouldn't ordinarily do. Your mother may — or may not — have an inkling that something is going on.**

**Ask your father if the text means he plans to leave the family. Then give him a deadline to come clean with your mother, and let him know that if he doesn't, you will. You have my sympathy.**

DEAR ABBY: My husband was sober for 14 years. He started drinking again two years ago. He's on probation and drinking is a clear violation of his probation. His liver enzymes are elevated, and I can't seem to find the right words to get his attention. I have thought about contacting his probation officer, but then he will be incarcerated.

Abby, I am watching the man I love drink himself to death and I'm afraid for him. Should I tell his probation officer or just watch him self-destruct? — SCARED AND CONFUSED IN MICHIGAN

DEAR SCARED: The reason you can't get your husband's attention is because of the alcohol. He isn't thinking straight. As I am sure you realize, one of the hallmarks of addiction is denial. No one helps an alcoholic by enabling the person to continue drinking, and your husband definitely needs help.

While it may not be easy, talk to the probation offi-

cer so your husband can be incarcerated, dry out and become rational again. I know it is a painful choice, but watching him die of liver disease would be worse.

DEAR ABBY: Can you answer something for me? If the abbreviation for "mister" is "Mr.," then why is there an R in "Mrs." when there's no R in the word it's short for? — INQUISITIVE IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR INQUISITIVE: According to my American Heritage Dictionary (4th Edition), "Mrs." is the abbreviation of the word "mistress" — an antiquated term for a married or widowed woman.

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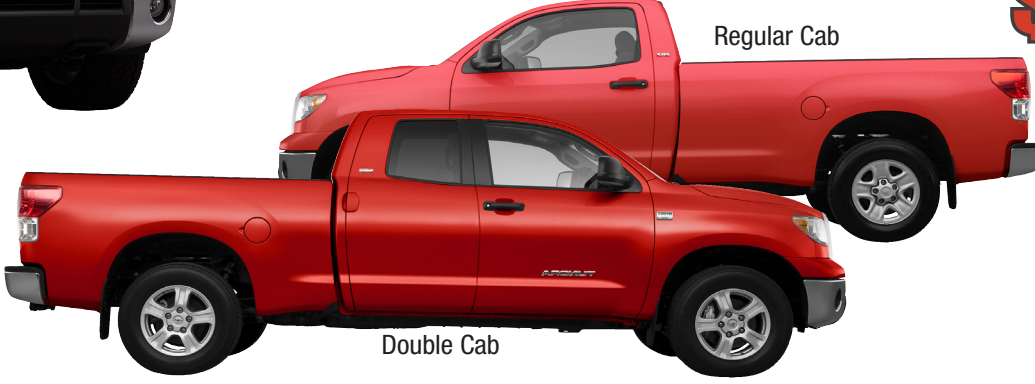


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