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Action group brings concerns to city



The Pampa City Commission meeting Tuesday was standing room only as close to 50 residents showed up to express concern over a multi-family housing project that may be developed in their neighborhood.

By Sasha Heller sheller@thepampanews.com

The action group of concerned residents who have protested a multi-family housing development planned for their neighborhood aired their concerns at the Pampa City Commission meeting on Tuesday.

Nearly a dozen residents took to the podium during public participation to express to the commissioners their fears over how the 48-unit apartment complex would increase traffic flow in their neighborhood, impact their property values and overcrowd the local school system.

Stuart Stoffle addressed safety issues and noted



Taylor Harris

that felons would be allowed to rent the apartments if they had been clean and stayed out of trouble the previous two years.

"I'm not for it," Stoffle said. D e n n i s

Williams discussed how the local schools are already overcrowded and how having more children in that area would be a disservice to the students attending Austin and Travis elementaries.

"Austin is busting at the seams right now," Williams said. "So is Travis."



Pingel

Williams also asked about how apartment complex would affect the local drainage system.

"Will the sewage system in place right now be able to handle this?"

Williams then questioned if taxes would be affected.

The commissioners did not answer Williams' questions because they do not hold backand-forth conversations during public participation. They can only offer factual information in CONCERNS cont. on page 3

Semi slips on ice, crashes on Hobart



Photo by Sasha Heller

A semi-tractor towing a semi-trailer and hauling hazardous materials crashed Tuesday night at the intersection of Hobart and Alcock streets. There were no injuries. The Pampa Fire Department secured the chemical spill. Traffic had to be rerouted for almost two hours.

By Sasha Heller

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Pampa Police officers responded a few minutes after 6 p.m., Tuesday to a traffic accident involving a semi-tractor on the 200 block of Hobart Street at Alcock Street near Allsup's.

The driver of the semitractor, Bernard Vicente Pacheco, was towing a semi-trailer. Both units were traveling north on Hobart. Pacheco attempted to turn west onto the 1000 block of Alcock but failed to control his speed, causing the truck to roll on its side and damaging both the tractor and the in-tow trailer.

According to the accident report, the semi-trailer was transporting hazardous materials — two, 550-gallon containers of potassium hydroxide solution. Five gallons of the solution spilled onto the roadway. The trailer was

also carrying four, 550-gallon containers of friction reducer. None of the friction reducer containers ruptured or had spillage.

"When we respond to an accident in that situation, we work the accident," said

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Snowstorm can't stop the pancake tradition

By Sasha Heller

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More than a half-foot of snowfall Tuesday couldn't keep the crowds away from St. Matthew's Episcopal Church for its 57th annual Pancake and Bacon Supper.

Close to 500 guests were served and the event raised around \$2,000, which will go toward scholarships for St. Matthew's Day School students.

Pastor Linda Kelly said she was pleased with the turnout and the show of community spirit.

"Not even a snowstorm can stop us," she joked. "This event has never been canceled in 57 years. We got a good crowd.'

The event would go off on Tuesday as planned because it is a pre-Lent tradition, associated with Fat Tuesday. To postpone the event until Wednesday or Thursday would have defeated the purpose and pre-Lent Kelly then noted how members

from the entire community, not just St. Matthew's parishioners, come for the pancakes. "It's not just a church event," she

said. "It's something that the entire community supports. PANCAKE cont. on page 3



Jim Bonnell cooks up some pancakes Tuesday at St. Matthew's.

Stranded couples to arrive today in Mobile, Ala.

■ Eight from Pampa among passengers in Gulf on ill-fated Carnival cruise ship.

> By TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE thowsare@thepampanews.com

Four couples from Pampa are among the 4,200 passengers and crew members who were stranded on a Carnival Cruise Line ship in the Gulf of Mexico after a fire

broke out on the vessel. The couples are Steve and Jamie Croomer, Amy and Noah Sutherland, Matt

and Jenny Elliff and Lori and Chad Giles. The ship is now being towed to Mobile.

Ala., where it is expected to arrive today. The Carnival Triumph was about 150 miles off the coast of Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula, heading back Sunday morning to Galveston — where it had departed last Thursday on a four-day trip — when a fire broke out in an engine room, according to

Carnival Cruise Lines. The ship's automatic fire extinguishing

SHIP cont. on page 3

County Commission to meet Friday

By Sasha Heller sheller@thepampanews.com

The Gray County Commissioners Court will meet at 9 a.m., Friday, at the Gray

County Courthouse. The commissioners will consider a road crossing request by Texas Express Pipeline

on County Roads N and 1. "If a company wants to trench or bore across a roadway, we need to be notified about it," said Judge Richard Peet. "We

have a road crossing policy.' The commissioners will also consider criteria of a Reinvestment Zone and elec-

tion to participate in a tax abatement. Concerning the Reinvestment Zone Peet said a company wants to install power lines through Gray County, starting

on opposite ends in neighboring counties,

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Today Friday Saturday





High 48 High 48 Low 19 Low 16 Low 32 Thursday: Partly cloudy with a high of 46. No

chance of rain. Wind north northeast at 15 mph. Sunrise at 7:31 a.m. Thursday night: Partly cloudy with a low of 19.

No chance of rain. Wind north northeast at 13 mph. Sunset at 6:25 p.m.

cent chance of rain. Wind west northwest at 7 mph. Sunrise at 7:30 a.m. Friday night: Partly cloudy with a low of 16.

Friday: Partly cloudy with a high of 39. Ten per-

west at 8 mph. Sunset at 6:26 p.m. Saturday: Sunny with a high of 48. No chance of rain. Wind at west southwest at 12 mph.

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Vernell Fortin

Vernell Fortin, 85, went to her Heavenly home on Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2013. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 16, 2013, at Fairview Cemetery, with the

Rev. Micah Meurer, pastor of Cornerstone Baptist Church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Di-

Mrs. Fortin was born April 1, 1927 in Elk City, Okla. She was a 1945 graduate of Pampa High School. She married Joe L. Fortin, a pro baseball player, on Feb. 7, 1948 at the Holy Souls Catholic Church in Pampa. He preceded her in death on June 5, 2000. Vernell worked at Citizen's Bank and Trust and worked

as a bookkeeper at White House Lumber Co. She was involved as room mother and baseball team mom in her four children's activities. She was a sweet person who always enjoyed being around her family and friends. Vernell loved being Mom, Grandma and GG to her four children, eight grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents: David Monroe Bynum and Gladys Pearl Bynum.

The family wishes to express their thanks to Interim Hospice and her very special friend, John Stewart of Pampa. She is survived by three sons, Mike Fortin and wife June and Gary Fortin and wife Tammy, all of Amarillo, and David Fortin and wife Sherri of Orting, Wash.; her daughter, Debbie Davis and husband Greg of Pampa; eight grandchildren, Michelle Snell and husband Eric and Catherine Fortin, all of Amarillo, Melinda Tyler and husband Wade of Corpus Christi, T. J. Davis and wife Jen of Wolfforth, Clayton Davis and wife Shantillee of Pampa, Drew Grimsley of Portland, Ore., Sgt. Dusty Fortin and wife Kayla of Fort Bragg, S.C., and Krissy Workman and husband Jason of Puyallup, Wash.; and 18 great-grand-

children

Memorials may be made to Interim Hospice, 2217 Perryton Pkwy, Pampa, Texas 79065, or a favorite charity.

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Helen M. Koehler

Helen M. Koehler, 88, died Feb. 12, 2013 in Gainesville. Services will be at 10 a.m., Friday, Feb. 15, 2013, at Memory Gardens Mausoleum in Pampa, Texas, with Keith Fereer, minister of Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ of Pampa, officiating. Burial will follow in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of

Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Koehler was born Aug. 10, 1924 in Gainesville to Charlie Allen Carter and Opha Bruce Carter, and she attended schools in Gainesville. She was a member of Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ in Pampa.

Survivors include a daughter, Margaret Tilley, Dripping Springs, Texas; three sons, Kinzy Ray Wright of Gainesville, David Koehler and wife Jan of McKinney and Raymond Eric Koehler and wife Peggy of Pampa; 11 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchil-

dren and 11 great-great-grandchildren; her sister, Katherine Norris of Gainesville; and her sister-in-law: Anita Carter of Dallas. She was preceded in death by her husband, Henry Koehler; her parents; her brothers, Charles, Lawson and David Carter; and one great-grandchild:

Memorials may be made to the Lupus Foundation of America, Texas Gulf Coast Chapter, Inc., 3701 Kirby Drive, Suite 700, Houston, Texas 77098.

Sign the on-line register at Carmichael-whatley.com

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Oklahoma fugitive caught in Pampa

• 44-year-old Allen Lee Roberts, Pampa, was arrested Wednesday by Pampa, was arrested Tuesday by nnault, Pampa, was arrested Tuesday the Pampa Police Department on a the Gray County Sheriff's Office for by the GCSO for violation of probafugitive warrant from Oklahoma.

theft of service.

• 41-year-old Timmy Leal Ray, • 19-year-old Lyndell Quaid Chaetion — driving while intoxicated.



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Texas man arrested in N.J. after cops find \$800k in drugs

GREENWICH TOWN- Garcia of San Benito, SHIP, N.J. (AP) — State troopers inspecting a tractor-trailer in New Jersey arrested a Texas man after finding \$800,000 worth of drugs hidden in the truck.

The troopers stopped the vehicle on Interstate 78 in Greenwich Township on Tuesday. The troopers say they seized 64 pounds of marijuana and 20 kilograms of cocaine hidden in the ceiling and behind the wall of the truck's sleeper berth.

Bail is set at \$250,000 34-year-old Andres Texas. He's charged with possession and possession with intent to distribute marijuana and cocaine.

Detective says fugitive is schizophrenic

DALLAS (AP) — A Florida detective who was stabbed near Dallas by a prisoner being transferred to Nevada told a 911 operator that the prisoner is "a schizophrenic." Miami-Dade Det. Jaime Pardinas can be heard breathing heavily in a recording of the 911 call police re-

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leased Wednesday.

He tells the operator he has been stabbed in the neck, describes Alberto Morales' height, weight and appearance and then adds, "He's a schizophrenic." Morales escaped Monday after using a piece from his eyeglasses to stab Pardinas while they were stopped in the parking lot of a Wal-Mart in Grapevine, a community near Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport. Authorities are still searching for Morales, a 42-year-old convicted sex offender.



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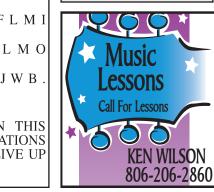
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Annual A&M ag conference | Pa. grad student sues, says set for Feb. 26 in Pampa

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The annual agriculture conference conducted by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Gray County will be held Feb. 26 at the Clyde Carruth Livestock Pavilion in the concession area of the bull

Registration will begin at 9 a.m., and the program will start at 9:30 a.m., according to Brandon Mc-Ginty, AgriLife Extension agriculture and natural resources agent for Gray County. There is a \$10 fee for this conference and

Concerns

regard to questions asked

Jennifer Licklider, who

has served as the group's

spokeswoman and led

the neighborhood action

group's meeting Monday

night at Calvary Baptist

"I'm concerned about

this housing project being

put in my backyard, direct-

ly in my backyard," she

said. "I'm concerned about

privacy, property values

Taylor Harris addressed

the safety issues common-

ly associated with high-

"It's a safe community

Church, also spoke.

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by the public.

lunch will be provided by Gray/Roberts Farm Bureau. Speakers and topics will include:

- Efficient irrigation systems, McGinty.
- · AquaSpy probes, David Sloane, AquaSpy agronomist, St. Louis, Mo.
- Sorghum Production and Limited Irrigation, Rick Kochenower, Oklahoma State University Extension agronomist, Goodwell, Okla.
- · Texas Department of Transportation – Farm Truck Compliance, Chad Brooks, Texas Department of Public Safety, Pampa.

and there's an expecta-

tion of privacy and that's

why I moved there," he

said. "I'm pro-Pampa. I'm

pro-growth...but I believe

there are more appropriate

While that may be true,

the developer, Overland

Property Group, selected

that site for a specific

reason. Texas Housing

Authority, which will fund

the operation, ranks the

community using a scor-

Currently, Pampa is one

of three communities that

Overland is looking at,

along with Levelland and

Plainview. For Pampa's

score to rank the highest,

the apartment complex

would have to be built in

the targeted area, Harris'

areas in town."

ing system.

neighborhood.

· Commodity Markets and Outlook, Dr. Steve Amosson, AgriLife Extension economist, Amarillo.

 Laws and Regulations, Casey Summers, Texas Department of Agriculture representative, Amarillo.

Five Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units will be offered — one in laws and regulations and four gen-

Preregistration is requested. Please contact McGinty by Feb. 22 at 806-669-8033 to reserve

apartment complex.

"At this point, the city is not involved other than giving information to the developer," he said.

Earlier in the meeting, Pingel said, "At this time the city has no position, one way or the other,' regarding the apartment complex.

The Pampa News spoke with Overland developer Brett Johnson on Tuesday, who said he and associates plan to meet with the concerned residents next

The location of the Place.

Mayor Brad Pingel also addressed those present concerning the proposed

development is east of Navajo Road and between Laguna Road and Sioux

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system kicked in and soon contained the flames, and no injuries were reported, Carnival reported.

After breaking down, the ship drifted north in the

Chad's father, Steve Giles, said Wednesday they were about 150 miles

Giles said his son and the other passengers were

Truck

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board the ship after they were unable to recharge their cell phones.

"They have no way to charge their phones," he

Steve said the fire began next to Lori and Chad's

unharmed, Steve said, "It will probably be a while until you can get them on

Steve said his son told him passengers had been sleeping on the deck because their rooms were

too hot and covering themselves with sheets to shade themselves from the sun.

ill were taken off the ship with helicopters, Steve

docks in Mobile, the couples will likely travel to Houston by bus.

ably take a couple of days to rest," he said.

in this story.

Chief Kim Powell described how the Pampa the help of local crews, the Fire Department handled FD uprighted the containlast night's HAZMAT ers and loaded them onto the truck.

McCullar said there

C-plus cost her \$1.3M

EASTON, Pa. (AP) — Talk about grade inflation.

Graduate student Megan Thode wasn't happy about the C-plus she received for one class, saying the mediocre grade kept her from getting her desired degree and becoming a licensed therapist and, as a result, cost her \$1.3 million in

Now Thode is suing her professor and Lehigh University in Bethlehem, claiming monetary damages and seeking a grade change.

A judge is hearing testimony in the case this week in Northampton County Court. Lehigh and the professor contend her lawsuit is without merit. Northampton County Judge Emil Giordana declined to dismiss the suit Wednesday, ruling that there was enough evidence for the suit to proceed, according to The (Easton) Express-Times (http://bit.ly/ Ye2Aj1).

Thode took the class in the fall of 2009. Her instructor, Amanda Eckhardt, testified this week that she stood by the grade, saying Thode failed to behave professionally and thus earned zero out of 25 points in class participation, bumping her down a full letter grade.

"I ... believed she received the grade she earned," Eckhardt said.

The C-plus prevented Thode, an otherwise A student, from going on to the next class and advancing in her professional therapist studies, the newspaper reported. She wound up getting a master's de-

gree in human development instead. Her attorney, Richard Orloski, argued that Eckhardt targeted Thode because she is an outspoken advocate for gay

Eckhardt testified that while she believes marriage is between a man and a woman, she would never allow her personal views to influence her treatment of students. She said Thode had outbursts in class, did not participate appropriately, was emotionally unstable and failed to heed a warning letter.

Stephen Thode, the plaintiff's father and a longtime finance professor at Lehigh, testified on his daughter's behalf and said her participation score was highly irregular.

"I have never heard of a case, not just at Lehigh, where a student achieved a zero in class participation where they attended and participated in every class,

Northampton County Judge Emil Giordano is presiding over the nonjury trial and is expected to rule on Thode's lawsuit after testimony concludes.

Pancake

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The supper is served family style and truly brings out the community spirit. Guests are seated at long tables, similar to those in lunchroom cafeterias. They sit next to familiar faces and

strange ones as well. They turn to their neighbor, introduce themselves and then ask for some more pancake syrup.

By the end of the meal, guests have often made some new friends or rekindled flames with older friends they may not have seen in a while, all while contributing to a worthy cause and enjoying some pancakes and bacon.

Ship

density housing.

and traffic."

Gulf of Mexico.

out from Mobile.

allowed, one by one, to

call out from a phone on

Though they were

another cruise ship."

"The way we handle it

depends on the chemical

spill," she said. "All we

did was use an absorbent.

We then isolated the mate-

spill.

Passengers who became

Steve said after the ship

"After that they'll prob-

Information from the Associated Press was used

Powell added that with

were no injuries.

The truck is owned or leased by Nalco, of Levelland.

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with the ultimate goal of developing wind generators. The power lines would connect the wind generators to a substation, located just south of Lefors.

The commissioners will also discuss a gas line easement to the new terminal building at Perry Lefors Airport and electrical work in the Heliport upstairs meeting room.

Commissioner Gary Willoughby's precinct has a water tanker no longer of service to the county that will be declared surplus.

Valentine's **Feature**

The Pampa News will feature a special Valentine's Day story in Friday's edition.

To accompany the feature, the editorial staff is asking for our community to send us their photos from this valentine s Day.

Of course, the photos must be in good taste and age-appropriate for a family-oriented publication. Email your photos thowsare@thepampanews.com.

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'Zero Dark Thirty' threatens Bush-theincompetent narrative

In "Zero Dark Thirty," the movie about the killing of Osama bin Laden. one of the first scenes shows a terrorist being

> waterboarded,

> where useful informa-

> tion gets

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The movie



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versial practice leads to actionable intel-

Not only was former President George W. Bush criticized for 'authorizing torture,' his critics argued that "torture doesn't work." During the 2008 presidential campaign, then-Sen. Barack Obama said: "Torture is how you get bad information, not good intelligence. ... No more secret authorization of methods like simulated drowning.

When I am President, America will once agam de me country that stands up to these deplorable tactics." "Zero Dark Thirty"

threatens that narrative. Here's the problem. Presumably to help make the film as accurate as possible, and, many suspect, to aid in his re-election, President Barack Obama's administration gave the filmmakers what some describe as "unprecedented access" to the State Department. At the time, many

conservatives criticized the cozy relationship the screenwriter and director enjoyed with the State Department. (The film, ultimately, didn't come out until after Obama's re-election.)

The Obama administration was not happy. How dare the movie suggest that waterboarding "worked" and that it led to information useful in leading us to bin Laden?!

So in a rare comment on the alleged accuracy of a movie, the head of the CIA issued a statement denying that waterboarding played a positive role in leading to bin Laden.

The film, wrote acting CIA Director Mike Morell, "takes significant artistic license, while portraying itself as being historically accurate. ... 'Zero Dark Thirty' is a dramatization, not a realistic portrayal of the facts. ... Whether enhanced interrogation techniques were the only timely and effective way to obtain information from those detainees, as the film suggests, is a matter of debate that cannot and never will be

This statement didn't satisfy the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, prompting a probe of the CIA's contacts with the filmmak-

definitively resolved."

Chairman Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., and two other committee members, Sens. Carl Levin, D-Mich., and John McCain, R-Ariz., sent a letter to Morell, challenging his state-

The senators claimed that Morell's words were "potentially inconsistent" with their committee's studies and asked him to "provide specific examples of information that was obtained in a 'timely and effective' way from CIA detainees subjected to the CIA's enhanced interrogation techniques."

The trio of senators also sent a letter to Sony Pictures, saying the studio has "an obligation" to correct "the impression that the CIA's use of coercive interrogation techniques led to the operation against Osama bin Laden.'

And then there was the May 3, 2011, interview, when NBC's Brian Williams asked Panetta: "Are you denying that waterboarding was, in part, among the tactics used to extract the intelligence that led to this successful mission (to kill bin Laden)?" Here, "Zero Dark Thirty" makes a real attempt to get it right. But this upsets the Bush-themoronic-incompetent narrative.

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Seniors need independence!

Q: I am an 86-year-old widowed guy in good health. Every day I take a four block walk with my dog, chat with neighbors along the way, take a

baby aspirin, have a glass of wine or two and spend the day happily talking out loud, mostly to myself. I know how lucky and blessed I am.

My only concern is my daughter. We love

each other, but I am frustrated because I feel my daughter is over caretaking me. She emails me a dozen times a day, and if I do not respond quickly, she phones. She tells me she worries about me all the time. She recently divorced, and I think she is lonely. While I'm nap-

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ping or while I am watching my favorite movie channel she calls and will not hang up until

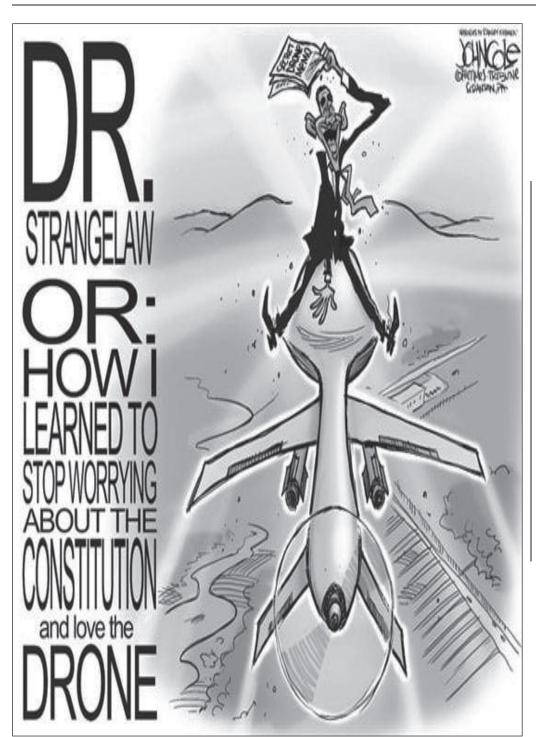
She also knows I enjoy the company of a friendly nextdoor lady who bakes tasty chocolate cookies. I think she is invading my need for independence and privacy. What am I to do?

A: Keep doing what you are doing! I can't count how many readers would like to be in your shoes. Could it be because of her divorce that you are the recipient of her unhappiness?

Tell her not to worry about you so much, and that when she calls while you are napping, it is difficult to get back to sleep. Tell her you will respond to her emails before bedtime. Could it also be that she is overly concerned about your next-door neighbor? Not surprisingly, interaction within families is much more complicated than is reflected on the surface. Sometimes individual actions can be difficult to overcome. Your bottom line is to convince your family that your priority is to remain independent as long as possible, that you will let them know if and when you need help, and that you do not plan to remarry.

Tell your daughter your goal is to live to be 100 (unless your creator chooses otherwise), your estate plans are all in order, and that you plan to visit her for the holidays! That should help solve your problem!

Doug Mayberry makes the most of life in a Southern California retirement community.



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He was born on the Bayou

KRAEMER, La. — Roland Torres wants you to know a few things. He lives in a rural area where life is pretty straightforward. His family has been



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active on the bayou for five generations, witnessing a daily battle of survival of the fittest. The birds, animals and reptiles

who inhabit the vast swamps of south-central Louisiana live only as long as their wits and luck hold out. They are on their own 24/7.

So is Torres. A former game warden, Torres is of Spanish descent and still speaks the language of his Cajun ancestors: French. He

makes a decent living

giving tours of the bayou

and asks for nothing from the powers that be. What he has, he earns. He does not understand why some Americans accept government assistance. In this very poor part of America, someone who works hard can still earn a decent living.

Torres also has guns. And they came in handy immediately after Hurricane Katrina, when a horde of folks fled New Orleans about 70 miles away.

Torres tells me how "the good, the bad and the ugly" flooded his zone, looking for safety from the storm that just glanced his bayou. When some city thugs began to show menace, Torres calmly

produced his arsenal. The danger quickly passed. For almost 70 years, Torres has lived on the bayou. He has never ventured out of Louisiana, yet he loves America. He

cherishes the values his

family handed down to him. He and his wife have been married for 51 years. They met in high school at age 16. Roland calls his wife an "angel."

They have three sons, two of whom work the bayou with Torres. They are entirely self-reliant. If he had to, Torres says, he could survive in the wilderness with a penknife, a spool of thread, some matches and a cache of dried rice.

The rice is for luring the birds that he would trap with the thread and cook with the matches. He says he could live for years off the land, even explaining how to eat sawgrass. "That can keep you alive if you know what you're doing," he assures me.

Torres watches some of the news programs on cable TV. Almost every modest dwelling in the swampland has cable. He likes the conservative shows. He doesn't quite

understand the big social changes taking place. He protects his family with

Why should that bother anyone, he asks. I have no answer.

To Torres, President Obama is an enigma. He doesn't understand "income redistribution." Torres charges a fair price to show you his world, and you can take it or leave it. If you leave it, he'll find other work. There's always something a man can do to feed his family.

Millions of Americans believe exactly what Roland Torres believes. But they are seldom heard. Not many live shots coming out of the bayou.

Veteran TV news anchor Bill O'Reilly is host of the Fox News show "The O'Reilly Factor" and author of the book "Pinheads and Patriots: Where You Stand in the Age of Obama.'

Community Calendar

City Commission meetings

The Pampa City Commission meets at 4 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. The meetings are held on the third floor of City Hall.

School board meetings

The Pampa Independent School District board meets at 6 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month. Check The Pampa News for meeting locations.

County Commission meetings

The Gray County Commission meets at 9 a.m. on the 1st and 15th of each month. If the date falls on a Saturday, the meeting will be held on Friday. If the date falls on a Sunday, the meeting with be held on Monday. The meetings are held on the second floor of the Gray County Court-

PAWS meets second Tuesdays

ciety meets the first Tuesday of each month in the north meeting room at the Lovett Library. The meetings are at 6:30 p.m. and

Pampa Animal Welfare So-

are open to the public. There is a desperate need for more members, especially when the new shelter opens. PAWS members are needed to work at the shelter from 3-5:30 p.m. each day and to work adoption days or take animals to the vets when needed, but mostly people are needed to love and work with the animals where they will be more adoptable. For more information, call the shelter after 3 p.m.at 669-5775 and ask for the PAWS volunteer.

Jam sessions every Friday night

The Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center has a jam sessions every Friday night starting at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to play or listen. The center is located at 320 S. Cuyler St. For more information, call 806-664-0824.

Meredith House presents live music

Meredith House, an assistedliving facility at 812 W. 25th Ave., has a band performing at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday and Saturday night. Join them for Western music, gospel and the classics. For more information, call 806-665-5668.

Pampa Pride religion section

The Pampa News will publish multiple special sections in the paper on March 29. One of those sections is the religion section. To have your church featured, please contact the paper.

Send us a story and/or picture about your church or bring it by the paper. For more information, call 669-2525.

Pampa Pride

The Pampa News will publish multiple special sections in a paper on March 29. Send us a story and/or picture you want featured. You may also bring the story to the paper. Submissions deadlines vary by section. Please get the stories in ASAP to increase the chances of the story being included. For more information, call 669-2525.

Social planned on Valentine's Day

The Meredith House is celebrating its community sweethearts at 2 p.m. on Valentine's Day. All visitors will have a chance to win a grand prize and join them as they crown the Meredith House King and Queen. RSVP by Feb. 11 by calling 665-

Monday night dance club

The Monday night dance club meets from 7-9 p.m., each Monday, in the Pampa Chamber of Commerce building on the corner of Ballard and Kingsmill. Admission is \$3. Cold drinks and coffee are offered. The club plays Country music from the 1940s, 50s, 60s and 70s. For more inforatmion, call Della at 806-665-2858.

Carver School alumni, former teachers

Did you attend the Carver School before Pampa School District integrated? Or did you ever teach at Carver School? The Pampa News is working on an ongoing series that documents the Carver School and would like to share your stories, your memories of the school and your experiences there. Contact reporter Sasha Heller at Sheller@thepampanews.com or call the news office at 669-2525.

Meeting on prairie chicken Feb. 15

on the potential listing of the lesser prairie chicken as an en-

The Panhandle Produces and

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(PPROA) will brief its members

dangered species from 3-5 p.m., Friday, Feb. 15, at the Palace Theater, 210 Main St., in Canadian. The meeting is open to the public. For more information, contact Wayne Hughes at 806-352-5637 or pproa@pproa.org.

Active shooter seminar Feb. 18

The Pampa Police Department will host a Citizens Response to an Active Shooter seminar at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., Feb. 18 in the Heritage Room at M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium. Guest speaker will be Chris Paine of the Lubbock Police Department. Paine will discuss how to remove the victim from the shooter.

Each seminar will last one hour. RSVP is requested to Officer Stormy McCuller but not required. For more info, email McCullar at Smcculler@pampapd.com

Editor's note: Email submissions to thowsare@thepampanews.com. Submissions should be 100 words or less and written in the third person. Please include the title of the event, the date and time, physical address, the admission cost or whether it is a free event and a contact number and/or email address for the public.

Clarification

An article, "Neighborhood action group meets to share concerns," that printed in the Feb. 13 edition, requires a clarification. The proposed 48-unit housing development, planned for the Navajo Road area, is not HUD-subsidized housing. The Pampa News regrets the

error and any confusion.

Gov. Perry leaves California empty handed - for now

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) Gov. Rick Perry is wrapping up his highprofile recruiting trip to California without having convinced any businesses to relocate to his state at least not vet.

The Republican said Wednesday that he met with "entrepreneurs and business leaders from across the Golden State." He also held a reception for more than 200 California companies who have expressed interest in moving.

But Perry offered nothing concrete to show for the visit as he heads home.

Last week, Perry was featured in radio ads denigrating California taxes and regulation and touting Texas as friendlier to businesses.

He now says that competition between the states is healthy, even if it can sometimes get uncomfortable.

Perry likened it to a race, saying he'd rather be ahead and "letting someone look at my backside.



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DPS seizes 43 kilos of cocaine grams of cocaine were discovered.

AMARILLO — The Texas Department of Public Safety conducted a traffic stop Sunday on Interstate-40 yielding 43,000 grams of cocaine, valued at \$2,791,488.

At approximately 5:33 p.m. Sunday, a DPS trooper conducted a traffic stop on a 2012 Nissan Versa traveling eastbound on I-40 on a traffic

The traffic stop was conducted about one mile west of Vega in Oldham County.

The driver of the vehicle was identified as Justin Dae Kim, 25, of Maple, Ontario, Canada. During the traffic stop, the trooper conducted a search of the vehicle and 43,000

The 32 packages of cocaine were concealed in compartments located under the driver and passenger seat.

The driver was placed under arrest for possession a controlled substance, a first-degree felony, and booked into the Oldham County



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Coast Guard Acad. workers busted for sex on the job

NEW LONDON, Conn. (AP) — The U.S. Coast Guard Academy has disciplined a service member and five civilian employees for allegedly engaging in sex acts on campus and using government computers to send sexually explicit and other inappropriate content, an academy spokesman said Wednesday.

All six people misused computers at the academy in New London and some of them participated in consensual sex acts on school grounds during the workday, academy spokesman David Santos said.

Two of the civilian workers resigned and three were disciplined. The Coast Guard discharged the service member, who was stationed at the academy and was not a cadet, Santos said.

Academy officials didn't release the names of the six people or more details of their punishments, saying personnel decisions are confidential.

"It's something that we took very seriously and the behavior of the individuals involved is certainly not indicative of the academy community," Santos told The Associated Press.

The academy didn't pursue criminal charges, he

Santos said the improper activities took place within the past three years and the six people were disciplined in August. The academy first released information about the allegations and punishments Tuesday to The Day of New London under a federal Freedom of Information Act request. The academy denied the newspaper's request for the 2,113-page investiga-

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tion report on the wrongdoing, citing a personnel files exemption allowed for in public record laws.

Santos said not all of the computer misuse involved sexually explicit content. Coast Guard policy bans the use of government computers for inappropriate discussions.

The academy also prohibits civilian workers and service members from engaging in sex acts on campus.

The academy's superintendent, Rear Adm. Sandra Stosz, said in a statement that the Coast Guard has extensive policies outlining appropriate actions and behaviors in the workplace and on government proportive.

"When an individual is suspected of violating these policies, we carefully follow the system in place to protect the rights of all involved in the matter," Stosz said.

LBJ, Lady Bird love letters released

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The entire collection of nearly 100 love letters written between Lyndon Johnson and Lady Bird Johnson during their 2½-month courtship in 1934 is being made available to the public for the first time beginning on Valentine's Day.

The letters at the LBJ Presidential Library at the University of Texas show an impatient Johnson, then a 26-year-old congressional aide, eager to marry 21-year-old Claudia Alta Taylor. She was known as "Bird," was a recent graduate of the university, and the future president had asked her to marry him a day after they met in Sep-

tember 1934. She wrote she loved him but "don't know how everlastingly."

They would tie the knot 10 weeks later in San Antonio and were married for 39 years. LBJ died 1973, Lady Bird in 2007.

Pastor wants social media fast for Lent

PITTSBURGH (AP) — A Pittsburgh pastor is all a Twitter with a new idea for a Lenten fast: No social media.

KDKA-TV reports the Rev. William Curtis has asked members of his church to give up social media sites like Facebook and Twitter for Lent, which began Wednesday and runs through Easter.

Curtis says he's not even asking his members for a full 40-day fast, just three or four days.

And, Curtis confesses, "It's going to be hard for me because I practically live on Twitter."

The pastor doesn't want to police his congregation's compliance, but confesses he might have a peek on the Internet now and then to see how many of his members are trying to cut back on social media, saying "Let's say I might every now and then go on and just see."

Pastor wants snakes confiscated in Tenn.

MIDDLESBORO, Ky. (AP) — An eastern Kentucky pastor wants Tennessee wildlife officials to return five venomous snakes confiscated in Knoxville.

Gregory Coots, who's known as Jamie Coots, is pastor of at the Full Gospel Tabernacle in Jesus Name

Church in Middlesboro. Coots handles the snakes as part of worship services.



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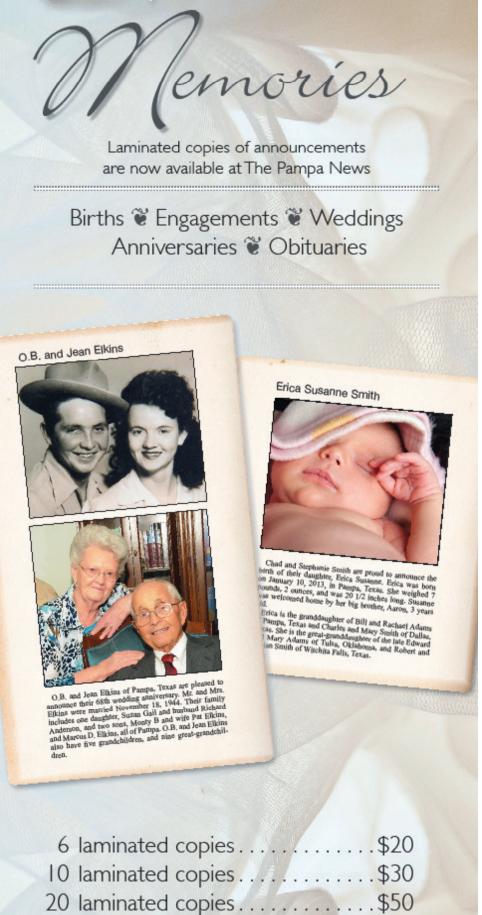


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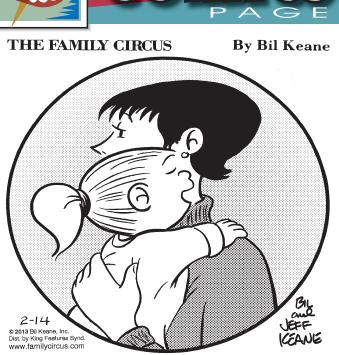
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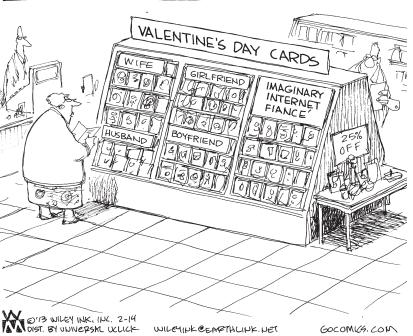
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Non Sequitur

MURIEL DECIDES IT'S TIME TO STOP TRYING TO FIGURE OUT ANYTHING ANYMORE ...



Nest Heads







HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Feb. 15. 2013:

ativity flourish. Be careful not to overthink a possible financial bonus or change. Stay as grounded as possible when dealing with important life issues. A revision of your finances also might be in order. If you are single, you could find that you become unusually possessive of you have to offer. If you are attached, you might consider keeping separate checking accounts. You'll discover that many battles over money can be eliminated as a result. CAPRICORN can be controlling.

ARIES (March 20-April 19)

*** Tension surrounds financial long-term goal. What you desire is in the offing, so just relax and look for the best path. Go with the moment, and honor an internal desire. Not everything is as you see it. Tonight: Run an errand or two on Let others choose what and where. your way out.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

regarding a child or loved one. Sometimes you can be a rather strict authority figure. Relax, and let everyone get grounded before initiating a potentially difficult discussion. Tonight: Wherever you are, others appreciate your presence.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) **** Rethink a decision, espeown thing. A long-desired goal that might have seemed difficult to realize could become a reality. Think twice about an opportunity that seems to be spiraling toward you. Tonight: Do your own thing. CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★ You dance to someone's tune. Those observing you wonder what you are responding to. When you detach, life looks different and you feel renewed. Share more of your enthusiasm with trusted friends. An immediate reaction is not a final reaction. Tonight: Where there is music.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) *** You find the present activ-

ity level to be high and difficult to work with. Someone could be too direct for your taste; in fact, you might view him or her as being harsh. You would appreciate a different style, but you aren't going to change this person. Tonight: Leader of the gang.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★★ Reach out to someone at This year your imagination and cre- a distance. This person has a unique approach, but you understand where he or she is coming from. You could feel rather overwhelmed at the moment. Detach, and you will relax. Tonight: Where you can let your imagination roam.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*** Relate to a key person disomeone you are dating. Realize what rectly. He or she might be unusually perceptive and could be changing right in front of your eyes. One-on-one relating will help ignite the sparks that exist between you. Keep it light, especially as you have a lot to do. Tonight: Homeward bound.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Review a situation, and evalumatters, especially those involving a ate your expectations. Be realistic; otherwise, you might be disappointed. A bond with a child, new friend or key loved one is changing. Just observe, and you could be delighted at what happens. Tonight:

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 21-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Invest more time in a friend-**** Reconsider your options ship. You really like this person, but you rarely take the time to get past the customary greetings. Make an effort in the near future to bridge the distance between you. Take time to confirm that your budget is on target. Tonight: Stay level-headed.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★★ Your imagination gets a cially as others seem to want to do their hold of your typically disciplined mind. You might want to get to the bottom of a problem. Pretend that you are each person involved, and you will find the right solution. Your intuition is very strong at the moment. Trust it. Tonight: How you

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Work from home if you can. You might have pushed someone past his or her limit. Let this person know that you realize you crossed a boundary and won't do it again. A judgment you have made no longer works, which you will see clearly soon. Tonight: Order in.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★★ Tap into your ingenuity. Others could be delighted by a suggestion you make. Listen to what their responses are. You have the ability to see past the obvious and isolate the issue. Knock down a barrier that is hiding some vulnerability. Tonight: Hang out with a loved one.

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WINTER WONDERLAND



Several Pampa News Facebook readers submitted photos they shot during Tuesday morning's snowfall. The photos have been posted in a gallery on our Facebook. Needless to say, we got lots of great pictures. However, we decided to print a couple in our print edition today for everyone to see. We always welcome reader-submitted photos of local events. Please email them to thowsare@thepampanews.com. Attach the photos to the email as jpgs. Photos pasted into Word docs do not work well in our editing software. Above: This 6-foot, 4-inch snowman was submitted by Randy Mulligan. Below: This snowy white tree was submitted by Robin K Abshire.







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PHS Harvester playoff update

By Zachary Green zgreen@thepampanews.com

After a coin flip earned Pampa the No. 2 seed for district 1-3A, the Harvesters still had to wait for their playoff opponent to be announced.

Well, now we know. Pampa will play Lubbock Cooper in the playoffs next week.

But before that, the Hustlin' Harvesters will play Hale Center at 8:30 p.m., Friday, at Randall High School for a playoff warmup game. Details are still in the works.

Once The Pampa News knows, we will share it with our community.

PHS Lady Harvesters

The Pampa Lady Harvesters played Levelland in the playoffs on Wednesday night.

The game ended too late for press time. Check The Pampa News Facebook page for the results from that game and information on the possible second round playoff matchup.

Girls soccer falls against Randall

By Zachary Green

zgreen@thepampanews.com

Pampa's girls soccer team lost on Monday night to Randall 9-1. A bright spot for Pampa was a goal by Samantha Woodruff on a breakaway. The assist came from Macie Loggins.

Some of the players Pampa coach David Willis credited with a good game were Olga Garcia, Viante Ellison, Woodruff

and Loggins.

"Our passing has been getting progressively better. This game showed that, at times, we can compete with the best teams in the district at holding the

With the loss, Pampa falls to 1-7 on the season. They will be back in action at noon on Saturday when they host Amarillo High.

The PAMPA NEWS Sports Briefs

For the full schedule and latest updates visit Pampaisd.net, then click on 'District" and then click on "Athletics Department. Changes can be and sometimes are made after the sports briefs are published. To keep up to date with the latest information visit the website.

TODAY, FEB. 14

Ryan Smith signing party 4 p.m. in Ready Room.

FRIDAY, FEB. 15

- Baseball v. Dumas scrimmage 4 p.m. (weather permitting)
- JV Softball Pampa Tournament. (weather
- permitting) Tennis @ Canyon
- Tournament 8 a.m.
- Girls Golf @ Borger.

SATURDAY, FEB. 16 ■ JV Softball Pampa

- Tournament. (weather permitting) ■ Tennis @ Canyon
- Tournament 8 a.m. Boys Soccer @ Ama-
- rillo High 2 p.m. ■ Girls Soccer @ Ama-
- rillo High 12 p.m. Girls Golf @ Borger
- SUNDAY, FEB. 17

Baseball Dinner

FROM THE HUDDLE TO THE HOOP





Submitted photos

Above left, Pampa Varisty Head Coach Matt Embry visits with his team and draws up a play during a timeout. Right, freshman Adam Zuniga fires a three-pointer. Below left, JV player Keneth Hair blows past Wildcat defenders for a layup. Below right, JV player Alex Maruffo holds the ball and waits for defenders to clear out before dishing a pass to Brandon Stokes. All pictures were during Pampa's games at River Road on Monday night. All three teams came home with victories. For the varsity, it was their last district game. They play in the playoffs next week. For the freshman and JV teams, the game concluded their season.

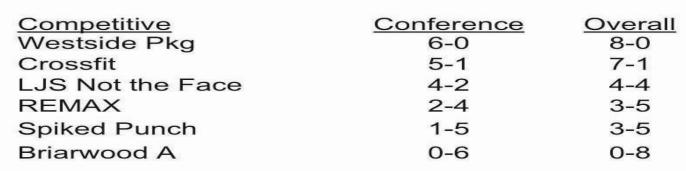






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Rednecks	5-1	6-2
Domino's	4-2	5-3
Notorious D.I.G	3-3	5-3
Utility Tire	1-5	1-7
Briarwood B	0-6	2-6

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	Conference	<u>Overall</u>
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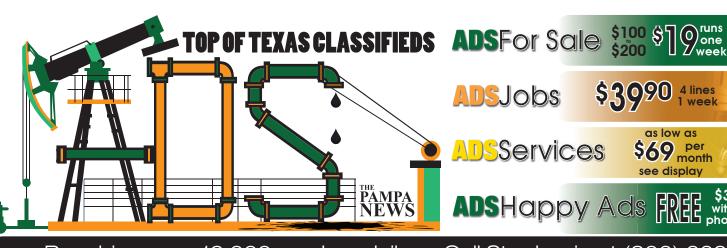


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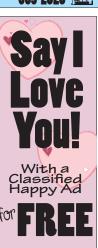


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about bribery. One

would think that, hav-

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you and your husband

are experiencing, your

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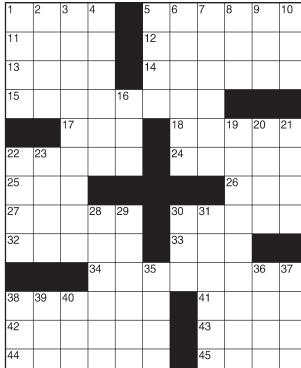
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tant that young people be educated about and prevented from using tobacco. Smokers shower. And if that doesn't work, go to an who start as teenagers increase their chances all-female gym.

a few tiles from the bunch have been placed. Reuse the tiles for each grid. ZGDEOG A Yesterday's Answer: DECEIVE, DUELLER, KINDRED, REENTRY

Dear Abby... By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

ers me greatly to know of Washington, D.C., Think about it: reduced that so many children ruled the major ciga- lung function, early continue to start smok- rette manufacturers heart disease, cancer, ing at an early age. My were guilty of fraud asthma, disfigurement. husband and I did that, and racketeering under Yes-it could happen and now we're paying an the federal RICO Act. to YOU. (When the tobacco companies appealed, the

Supreme Court rejected

DEAR ABBY: It both- Judge Gladys E. Kessler of becoming addicted.

it without comment.) She wrote that for more than 50 years the tobacco industry "lied, misrepresented deceived the American public, including smokers and the young people they avidly sought as 'replacement smokers,'

about the devastating effects of smoking.... "They research, they destroyed documents, they manipulated the use of nicotine so as to increase and perpetuate addiction, they distorted the

It is extremely impor-

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suppressed band. What else can I do? truth ... so as to discourage smokers from quit-

a friend. I find myself thinking of this man during the day and night. I don't want to have an affair nor do I want him to know what I feel. When the thoughts of him come, they overwhelm me so I try to pray. I have no plans to cheat on my hus-

DEAR ABBY: I have

a wonderful husband and

adorable grandchildren,

but I have developed deep

feelings for a man I met at

the gym where I go with

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