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A MOMENT FOR HONOR



Photo by Sasha Heller

Pampa VFW post commander Danny Martin pins the Bronze Star onto Joe Hernandez' chest during a special ceremony held Tuesday at the VFW.

67 years later

■ WWII vet Hernandez receives Bronze Star in ceremony at VFW.

By SASHA HELLER
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Better late than never, they say. World War II veteran Joe Hernandez, 86, received a Bronze Star in a special ceremony Tuesday at the Pampa VFW post, a mere 67 years after he returned

home from serving overseas. "It was sort of overwhelming," Hernandez said Wednesday morning. "So many people came and so many shook my hand." Hernandez said the ceremony inspired feelings inside of him that the country was behind the military and supported their efforts.

"It makes me feel like, overall, it was for a good cause," he said. "We had to win the war or else the Nazis and Japanese would take over." Hernandez' military biography is filled with heroic tales of bravery, sacrifice and commitment to service.
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GCSO makes multiple arrests in Pampa

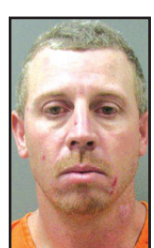
By SASHA HELLER
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Deputies with the Gray County Sheriff's Office on Tuesday night and early Wednesday morning made two arrests of drug offenders, one for an excessive amount of marijuana and another for a much smaller amount of suspected methamphetamine.



Charles Wilhelm

Charles Ronald Wilhelm, 66, of Kingsboro, Calif., was arrested Tuesday for possession of marijuana — greater than 4 ounces and less than 5 pounds.



Don Howard

GCSO Lt. Terry Cox said Wilhelm is being held in the Gray County Jail and that his bond has been set at \$10,000.

Cox could not provide any more details about the arrest.

The GCSO also arrested Don Ray Howard, 40, of Pampa, for possession of a controlled substance — more than 1 gram and less than 4 grams.

"The arrest was made when a deputy was dispatched to a vehicle parked in the roadway at (State) Highway 273 and County Road 22," Cox said. Howard is being held at the Gray County Jail and his bond has been set at \$5,000.

City approves rezoning request on Wells

By SASHA HELLER
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The Pampa City Commission Tuesday approved an ordinance to rezone property at 908 S. Wells from single-family-3 residential to commercial.

"Last week, I thought this was a very good thing," said Commissioner Robert Dixon, who had made the motion to approve the item. "I commend him for doing it."

Property owner Edward Losoya plans to establish a landscaping business along with a nursery at that location.

The Commission also approved a joint election agreement with Pampa Independent School District for the May 11 General and Special elections. Similarly, the Commission approved a contract for election services with Gray County for all joint elections throughout 2013.

City secretary Karen Price introduced Karen

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Sneaky boyfriend steals her heart — and her car keys

By TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE
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A girl should be more careful when she lends her boyfriend her car keys. The Lord only knows the trouble a teenage boy can get into after he pries a set of keys out of someone else's hands.

"He actually took my keys and said he was going to wash my car," said Amy West, a senior at Pampa High School. "But when he brought it back

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Photo by Timothy P. Howsare
 Amy West, a senior at PHS, and her "Love Bug" decorated with hundreds of sticky notes by her boyfriend, Austin Starbuck.

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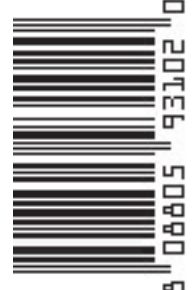
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PAMPA FORECAST

Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		
High 74 Low 46	High 83 Low 46	High 60 Low 41

Thursday: Sunny with a high of 74. No chance of rain. Wind northwest at 9 mph. Sunrise at 7:56 a.m.

Thursday night: Clear skies with a low of 46. No chance of rain. Wind southeast at 8 mph. Sunset at 7:51 p.m.

Friday: Sunny with a high of 83. Ten percent chance of rain. Wind southwest at 13 mph. Sunrise at 7:54 a.m.

Friday night: Clear skies with a low of 46. Ten percent chance of rain. Wind north northeast at 9 mph. Sunset at 7:52 p.m.

Saturday: Partly cloudy with a high of 60. Ten percent chance of rain. Wind northeast at 14 mph. Sunrise at 7:53 a.m.

Saturday night: Partly cloudy with a low of 41. Ten percent chance of rain. Wind northeast at 10 mph. Sunset at 7:53 p.m.

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For the record

Pampa man arrested for DWI — third offense or more

• Jorge Garcia, 43, Pampa, was arrested Tuesday by the Department of Public Safety for driving while intoxicated — third offense or more.

• Patrick Lydell-Robert Fleming, 28, Detroit, Mich., was arrested Tuesday by the DPS on a fugitive warrant.

• Jesus Rene Torres, 27,

Pampa, was arrested Tuesday by the Gray County Sheriff's Office for failure to identify.

• Keonti Lachelle Nickleberry, 21, Pampa, was

arrested Wednesday by the Pampa Police Department on an arrest warrant — no drivers license and failure to appear.

Okla. authorities rule Trevathan death accidental

STAFF REPORT

The shooting death of former Pampa resident Jacob Trevathan at a relative's apartment in Sayre, Okla., has been determined as accidental, said Jessica Brown, public information director for the Oklahoma

State Bureau of Investigation.

Brown said Wednesday authorities made their determination sometime last week.

Trevathan was found dead in the apartment on Feb. 13. The shooting was investigated as a suspicious death by the OSBI.

N.J. fugitive rappels off bridge, caught in Texas

EL PASO (AP) — A man from Mexico wanted in New Jersey on murder and attempted murder warrants has been caught in West Texas after rappelling off a bridge.

U.S. Customs and Border Protection officials on Wednesday announced the arrest of 27-year-old Marco Antonio Miranda-DeJesus.

Border Patrol agents in the downtown El Paso area on Monday night saw a man run north from the border with Mexico and rappel off a bridge. Agents

caught the man following a brief foot chase.

Records show authorities in New Brunswick, N.J., sought Miranda-DeJesus on charges of murder, attempted murder, aggravated assault, gang criminality, conspiracy and unlawful possession of a weapon.

Further details on the cases weren't immediately available.

Miranda-DeJesus, who's also been charged with illegal entry into the U.S., faces extradition to New Jersey.

USDA suspends some AG reports due to budget cuts

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — The U.S. Department of Agriculture's statistical arm says it won't issue some agricultural reports this year because of the automatic federal budget cuts taking effect.

The National Agricultural Statistics Service keeps tabs on a wide range of agricultural industries that generate billions of dollars for the U.S. economy. Its reports influence the price and supply of many products that end up on Ameri-

can dinner plates.

The reports being suspended this year include the agency's July tally of cattle, which is used by the beef industry, and milk production reports.

The agency posted a notice on its website Tuesday listing the reports to be cut. It says the decision was not made lightly but it was necessary given the agency's funding.

Other reports cover catfish, potatoes, rice and fruit and vegetables.

Bill would require drug test for benefits

AUSTIN (AP) — A lawmaker is demanding financial evidence to support a plan for government-sponsored drug-testing of laid-off-workers.

The bill came up for debate in a legislative committee on Wednesday morning.

It targets workers who have been on the job long enough to qualify for unemployment insurance payments.

Currently, only workers who lose their jobs through no fault of their own quali-

fy for payments.

If the bill passes, a state agency will perform new drug tests on those workers in certain industries. The agency will revoke unemployment insurance payments to workers with positive test results.

Republican Sen. Tommy Williams said his bill will make sure workers are ready for employment.

But Democratic Sen. Wendy Davis asked for statistics to show the new program would be worth the cost.

GOP sends mixed signals on Obama's outreach effort

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Republicans are sending mixed signals in agreeing to meet with President Barack Obama for talks over the budget impasse, while Obama is conceding that a political accommodation may be impossible.

On the one hand, many Republicans who long have chided Obama for failing to engage their party on the nation's biggest problems are applauding his newfound outreach — part of a concerted effort by the president to mend ties with Congress in hopes of reaching a grand compromise on fiscal issues.

On the other hand, neither side is backing down from entrenched positions that have prevented deals in the past — a status quo scenario that Obama acknowledged could pre-

clude any agreement.

"Ultimately, it may be that the differences are just too wide," he said in an interview broadcast Wednesday on ABC's "Good Morning America."

"It may be that, ideologically, if their position is, 'We can't do any revenue,' or 'We can only do revenue if we gut Medicare or gut Social Security or gut Medicaid, if that's the position, then we're probably not going to be able to get a deal," he said. "That won't create a crisis," Obama said. "It just means that we will have missed an opportunity." The issues separating the two parties are the same as they have been all along — fundamental disagreements over whether to pair tax increases with budget cuts in an effort to rein in the nation's deficit.

Exhibit A: the House GOP's new budget pro-

posal, crafted by House Budget Committee Chairman Paul Ryan, R-Wis., who ran against Obama as the 2012 Republican vice presidential nominee but broke bread with him last week as the president initiated his congressional "charm offensive." Ryan and House Republicans, who were to meet with Obama at the Capitol on Wednesday, put forward their 2014 budget fully mindful that it would be dead on arrival at the White House and in the Democratic-controlled Senate.

The plan, which the White House immediately panned, doubles down on longstanding Republican proposals to slash funding for programs Obama and Democrats sorely want to protect. It includes a repeal of Obama's health care law — a major component

of his legacy — and Medicare changes that would shift more of the cost to future patients.

The president, who was returning to Capitol Hill Wednesday for more discussions, said in the network interview that he was searching for the "common-sense caucus."

Earlier, White House press secretary Jay Carney told reporters, "We're not naive. There are disagreements and obstacles. But the president is at the head of this effort because he believes deeply in it." In interviews and on Sunday talk shows, many Republicans on the receiving end of Obama's overtures have praised the president for making an effort — even if they feel it's too little, too late. But other Republicans are refusing to give Obama the benefit of the doubt.

Judge declines to explain recusal from crash suit

MIDLAND (AP) — A judge is declining to explain why he's recusing himself from a lawsuit that sprung from the West Texas train crash last year that killed four veterans participating in a parade.

State District Judge Rodney Satterwhite stepped aside from the case without explanation. He said Wednesday his policy is not to discuss any active or pending cases. A retired judge from Big Spring, Robert

H. Moore III, has been appointed to replace him.

Nine of the 12 couples on the float the train hit at 62 mph Nov. 15 have filed suit, accusing Union Pacific of negligence. The railroad says Midland County and city officials and the parade organizer failed to exercise "ordinary care" in parade plans.

The accident remains under investigation by the National Transportation Safety Board.

Texas convicted sex offender caught in Longview

AUSTIN (AP) — A fugitive on the Texas Department of Public Safety's 10 Most Wanted sex offender list has been captured in Longview.

DPS on Wednesday announced the arrest of 57-year-old Michael Wayne Hopson, who formerly lived in Tyler.

Hopson was wanted for failure to register as a sex offender in Anderson County and for indecent exposure in Payne Coun-

ty, Okla.

DPS agents had searched two homeless shelters when they located Hopson around midnight Tuesday at a soup kitchen.

Investigators did not immediately provide further details on what led them to Hopson but say his arrest was not the result of a tip. DPS had warned that Hopson should be considered armed and dangerous.

Book returned to Estonian library 69 years late

TALLINN, Estonia (AP) — An Estonian man has returned a library book 69 years late, partly blaming a World War II aerial bombing that damaged the library for the late return.

Ivika Turkson of the Tallinn Central Library says that last week the man in his mid-80s returned the overdue book — which was checked out on March 7, 1944, while Estonia was occupied by

Nazi Germany — along with an apology and an offer to pay a late fee.

Turkson said Tuesday that the library waived any penalty for the late return of the tome, which still contained the original emblem and serial number, allowing librarians to identify it.

It was not immediately clear why the man waited so long to return the book, a work of fiction by Estonian author Eduard Vilde.

\$5B added to Texas budget under Senate plan

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Budget writers in the Texas Senate are adding \$5 billion in proposed spending that throws more money at everything from education to mental health.

The Senate Finance Committee on Wednesday unanimously approved \$94.1 billion in general revenue spending for 2014-15.

Chairman Tommy Williams wants the spending bill on the floor of the Senate chamber by next week.

Two months after unveiling a budget draft that critics slammed as unnecessarily lean, the Senate will now consider \$1.4 billion more in public school spending and another \$240 million for mental health.

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Frack to the future

Celebrities are now upset about fracking, the injection of chemicals into the ground to crack rocks to release oil and gas. With everyone saying they want alternatives to foreign oil, I'd think celebrities would love fracking. I'd be wrong.

Lady Gaga, Yoko Ono and their group, Artists Against Fracking, don't feel the love. Yoko sang, "Don't frack me!" on TV. Stopping fracking is the latest cause of the silly people. They succeeded in getting scientifically ignorant politicians to ban fracking in New York, Maryland and Vermont.

Hollywood gave an Oscar to "Gasland," a documentary that suggests fracking will shove gas into some people's drinking water, so the water will burn. It's true that some water contains so much natural gas that you can light it.

But another documentary, "FrackNation," shows that gas got into plumbing long before fracking came. There's gas in the earth. That's why it's called "natural gas."

Some gets into well water. Environmental officials investigated the flames shown in "Gasland" and concluded that the pollution had nothing to do with fracking.

"FrackNation" director Phelim McAleer tried to confront "Gasland" director Josh Fox about this, but Fox wouldn't answer his questions. Instead, he demanded to know whom McAleer works for. He also turned down my invitations to publicly debate fracking. Many activists don't like to answer questions that don't fit their narrative.

Even some homeowners who filed a lawsuit claiming that their water was poisoned by fracking weren't happy to learn that their water is safe. I'd think they

would be delighted, but "FrackNation" shows a couple reacting with outrage when environmental officials test their water and find it clean.

The real story on fracking, say scientists, is that the risks are small and the rewards immense. Fracking lowered the price of natural gas so much that Americans heat our homes for less, and manufacturing that once left America has returned. For those concerned about global warming, burning gas instead of oil or coal reduces CO2 emissions.

"Skeptical Environmentalist" author Bjorn Lomborg points out that "green" Europe promised to reduce emissions, but "only managed to cut half of what you guys accidentally happened to do when you stumbled on fracking."

Still, the process sounds dangerous. It requires chemicals and explosions. So fracking is now scapegoated for the usual litany of things that peasants feared when threatened with curses centuries ago: livestock dying, bad crop yields, children born with deformities.

None of it is backed by scientific evidence. Even environmentalists who usually are too cautious (by my standards) see little danger. President Obama's first EPA administrator, Lisa Jackson, told Congress that the EPA cannot show "that the fracking process has caused chemicals to enter groundwater."

So far, most regulators outside New York, Maryland and Vermont have ignored the silly people. So thanks to fracking, Americans pay less for heat (and everything else), the economy is helped, new jobs get created, we create less greenhouse gas, and for the first time since the 19th century, America may become a net exporter of energy.

Good things happen if the silly people can't convince all politicians to ban progress.

John Stossel is host of "Stossel" on the Fox Business Network.

When do I reveal my chronic disease?

Dear John, I have a chronic illness without a known cure. Because of my illness, I also am unable to have children.



JOHN GRAY

Should I mention this on a first date or will it scare guys off? I don't want them to think I was about to drag them to the altar when they just thought dinner and a movie would be a nice way to spend the evening. How do I handle it? —Kicking the Can Down the Road, in Seattle, Wash.

Dear Down the Road, The issue that you are facing clearly, and with just cause, weighs heavily on your heart and mind. That said, I hope you can pull back a little and look at this from a wider perspective.

Many people make the

mistake of treating the dating process as an exercise in finding a mate. Of course, this is one goal of dating. But, in fact, it is also the way in which we go about meeting others or discovering our own compatibility likes and dislikes. Dating doesn't always lead to marriage; marriage doesn't always lead to children.

No first date, nor perhaps 10th date, should have to focus on the issue of having children. To move attraction to engagement takes a substantial period of time, six to nine months or more. The time to bring up your concern is when you've both begun to consider whether or not you wish to make a deeper commitment.

Dear John, My stepdaughter just had her heart broken. Her boyfriend of several years suddenly ended the relationship. I don't know what to say to

comfort her. —Worried for Her in Reno, Nev.

Dear Worried for Her, As loving parents, our natural instincts are to solve our children's problems and somehow make things better. Now is the time for you to empathize with the pain she feels, but you must do so without trying to fix the hurt or minimize it by suggesting that there will soon be a better guy who will come along.

When she has had the time to grieve the loss of this relationship, there will come a time and a place for you to say: "He just wasn't the man for you." In the meantime, give her that time and space she needs to mourn before expecting her to move on.

John Gray is the author of "Men Are from Mars, Women Are from Venus."



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Spare the hype of 'budget armageddon'

Barack Obama's strategy going into the scheduled sequestration was to hit the panic button, over and over again, putting the very Obama-friendly media into a heavy rotation of disaster metaphors.

"Hours, now, until massive government cuts go into effect that could

impact every American. Jobs vaporizing, flights delayed, even criminals walking free," warned ABC morning anchor Josh Elliott. On screen were the words "BUDGET ARMAGEDDON."

The only people being released from jails were about 2,000 illegal immigrants who were facing deportation. The Department of Homeland Security released them, citing "looming budget cuts." That's just more gamesmanship. Put another quarter in the panic jukebox.

"Like the asteroid headed to earth, they're coming! Eighty-six billion in automatic budget cuts. And don't bother trying to duck," hyped CNN anchor Carol Costello. "So we let these draconian budget cuts take place. You know who's going to suffer the most? It's not going to be Congress. It's not going to be the president. It's going to be us."

"Kids without vaccines, schools without teachers and massive airport delays — we'll show you the worst-case scenario for government spending cuts," CBS morning host Charlie Rose read off the Panic Prompter.

It sounded a little like Bill Murray in "Ghostbusters" when he was whimsically warning: "Fire and brimstone coming down from the skies! Rivers and seas boiling! Human sacrifice, dogs and cats living together ... mass hysteria!"

Media Research Center analysts reviewed all of the 88 sequestration stories on ABC, CBS and NBC from Feb. 14 through March 1 when the "cuts" took effect and found 58 (66 percent) were dominated by panic nonsense, without a second of rebuttal of common sense. Another 10 stories offered the same hyperbole but at least included a few seconds of the skeptical view that the sequestration reductions weren't huge and their effects were being overhyped.

"The good news is the world doesn't end March 2. The bad news is, the world doesn't end March 2," liberal lobbyist Emily Holubowich told the Washington Post. "The worst-case scenario for us is the sequester hits and nothing bad really happens."

There is no daylight between the views of liberal lobbyists and the national news media.

This was the same game Bill Clinton played against the conservatives in Congress in the mid-1990s. The liberals are always presumed to have the upper hand in the blame game because the liberals have a very large Blame Machine known as the media.

ABC's Jack Smith unloaded this dire warning at the end of 1995: "Monuments and national parks are shut. So are museums. A long-awaited rare exhibit of the Dutch painter Vermeer at the National Gallery, eight years in the making, is closed. And the shutdown now has a human face. Joe Skatleberry and his wife Lisa both work for the government. Both have been furloughed. They can't afford a Christmas tree." Please suspend all reason and try to avoid wondering how two federal workers couldn't spare \$50 for a Christmas tree. Smith reported this a week into the shutdown and before paychecks were even delayed.

On Jan. 2, 1996, future "CBS Evening News" anchor Scott Pelley compared budget negotiators to bombers: "In April, terrorists tried to kill them. Today, politicians stopped their paychecks. In Oklahoma City's Social Security office, they're being ordered to work for nothing. ... The bomb broke Beverly Rankin's ankle. Politics is breaking her bank."

They called this a "newscast." It sounded

more like CBS started a super PAC to run negative ads against Newt Gingrich. They wonder why a strong majority now tells pollsters that the media is guilty of favoring one side. The favoritism isn't just obvious it's completely shameless.

We've lived through four years of Obama, and as the federal government overspent us into trillion-dollar deficits every year, no reporter hit a panic button. The Federal Reserve is printing money like it's making Monopoly games, and no journalist is reporting with their hair on fire. The tax burden on most Americans went up this year, and no one took a camera and a microphone to interview someone who'll get by on a few less thousand dollars this year.

Our journalists talk like they're not only willing marionettes for the Obama panic message but like they're addicts for ever-growing government.

Every potential spending limitation is portrayed as a dire and cruel assault on the suffering. In the statist mindset of the media elites, an American can never suffer from more government, only from less.

Americans won't feel these GOP-made disasters because they won't happen. They will, however, remember the hype.

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

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Chamber of Commerce Calendar of Events

- March 15, 22 and 29: Woody Guthrie Jam Night - 6:30 p.m.
- March 14: St. Patrick's Day at Meredith House - 812 W. 25th St.
5:30 to 6:30 p.m. For more information, contact Jennifer Roybal, 663-2527
- March 14: Diabetic Support - PRMC Hospital Cafeteria
7 p.m. (second Thursday of each month)
- March 15: Accolade Home Care's "Love Your Heart" Screening - United Supermarket, 1420 N. Hobart
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- March 16: Jesus A. Mejia Concert - Woody Guthrie Center; 320 S. Cuyler
3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- March 19: Chamber Luncheon - Cost is \$10 per person (please RSVP by Monday, March 18)
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Program: Marshall Jeffus — Texas Association of Business
Meal by: Dyer's
- March 22: Light Up Awareness - Central Park
7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Pampa Junior High and High School students
- March 23: Welcome Home Garage Sale and Trade Show - 2401 Charles (old middle school)
10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Edwin Park subdivision and Open Range Development ground breaking will follow immediately after.
- March 23: Hidden Hills 3-Person Golf Scramble - Hidden Hills Golf Course
9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Entry fee is \$45 per player; only one player with a 8 handicap or less.
- March 23: TaylorMade Demo Day - Hidden Hills Golf Course
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- March 26: Cancer Support Group - PRMC second floor classroom
1 p.m. Led by Dietitian Cynthia Ackley. (fourth Tuesday of each month)
- March 28: Clarendon College Easter Egg Hunt - Clarendon College Pampa Center
4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
- April 5, 12, 19 and 26: Woody Guthrie Jam Night - 6:30 p.m.
- April 6: 80th Civilian Conservation Corps - Palo Duro Canyon State Park
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11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
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- April 26-28: Pampa Partnership Golf Tournament

Area support groups

The following is a list of support groups that meet regularly each week in Pampa. Information for each meeting is submitted to The Pampa News office and may not be completely updated or accurate. Please notify the newsroom if a change is necessary.

The Pampa News welcomes all submitted materials for area support groups.

Please include the meeting time, date and location and, if applicable, provide a contact number for each group.

■ **Victims of domestic violence and sexual assault**, meet at 5:30 p.m., Thursdays, and at 2 p.m., Fridays, at the Tralee Crisis Center, 308 S. Cuyler St. For more info, call the Center at 806-669-1131.

■ **Narcotics Anonymous — The Pampa Group** meets at 7:30 p.m., Tuesdays, and at 6 p.m., Saturdays, at 805 N. Gray St. **Narcotics Anonymous — Rufe Jordan Unit** also meets at 6 p.m., Mondays, and at 5:30 p.m., Wednesdays, at 1992 Hilton Road.

■ **Diabetics Support** meets at 7 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month in the Pampa Regional Medical Center cafeteria. For more info, contact Cynthia Ackley at 806-663-5504.

■ **Cancer Support** meets at 1 p.m. on the

fourth Tuesday of each month in the Pampa Regional Medical Center cafeteria. For more info, contact Beth Kean at 806-359-4673. Ext. 235.

■ **Alcoholics Anonymous Open Door Club** meets daily at noon and 8 p.m. at 910 W. Kentucky Ave. **Al-Anon** meets at noon on Mondays. For more information, call 665-9072.

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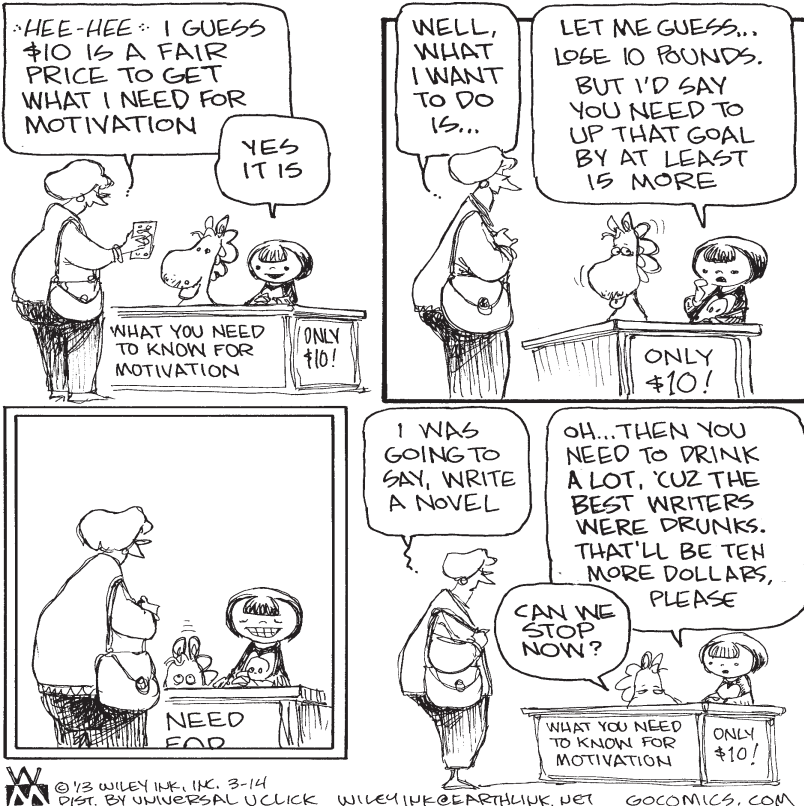


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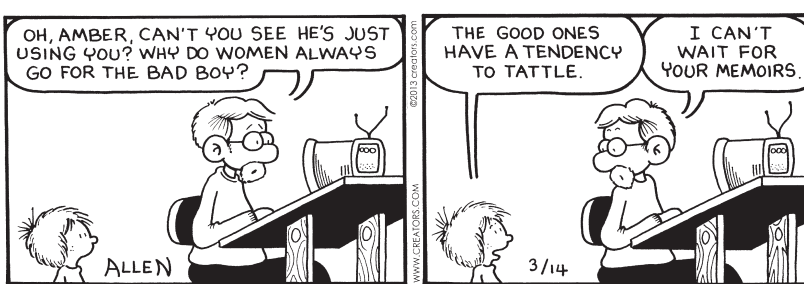
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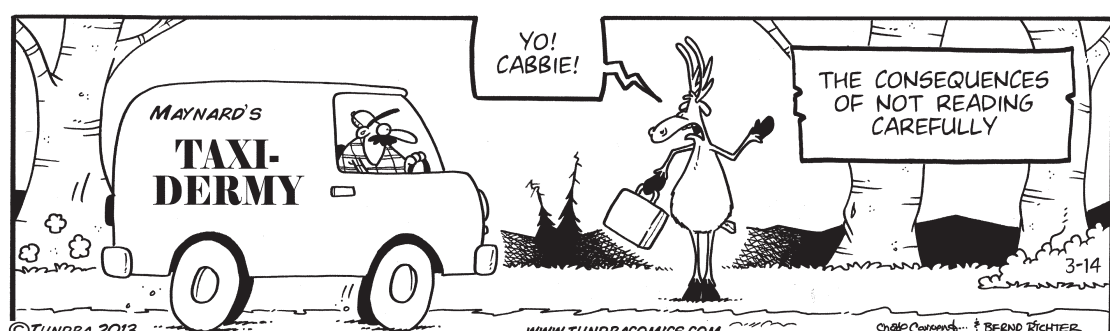
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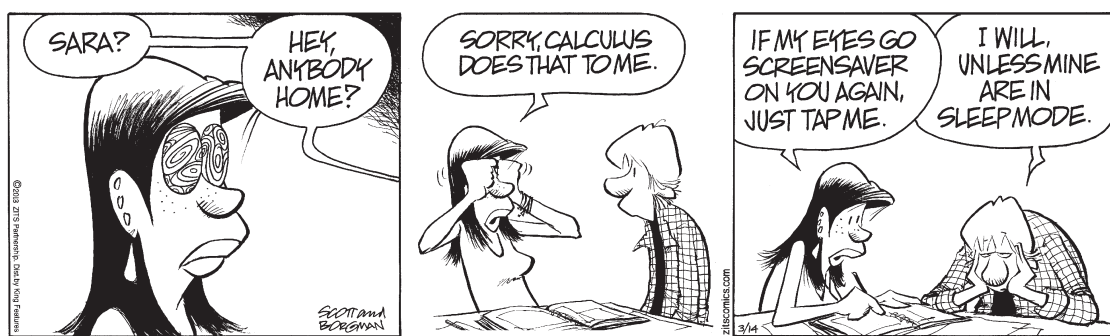
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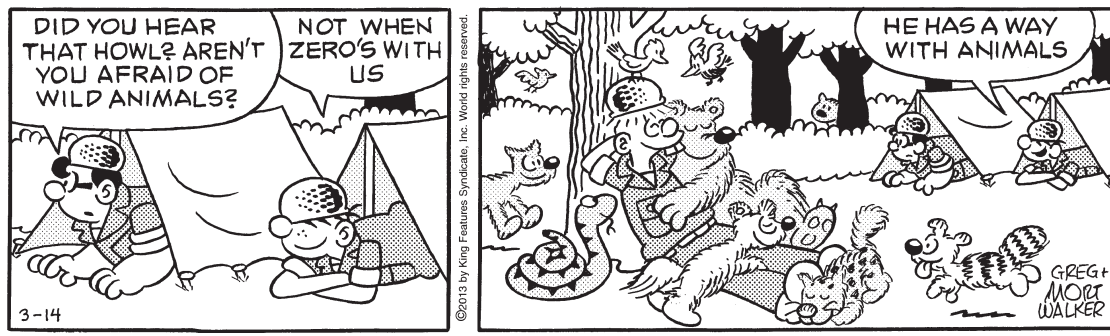
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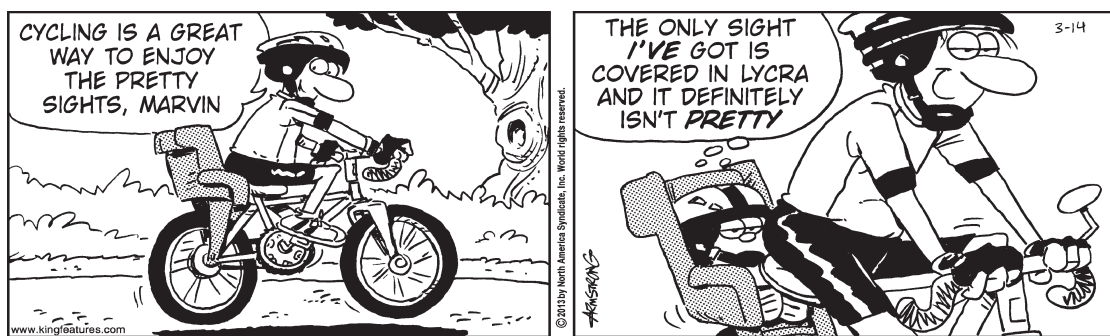
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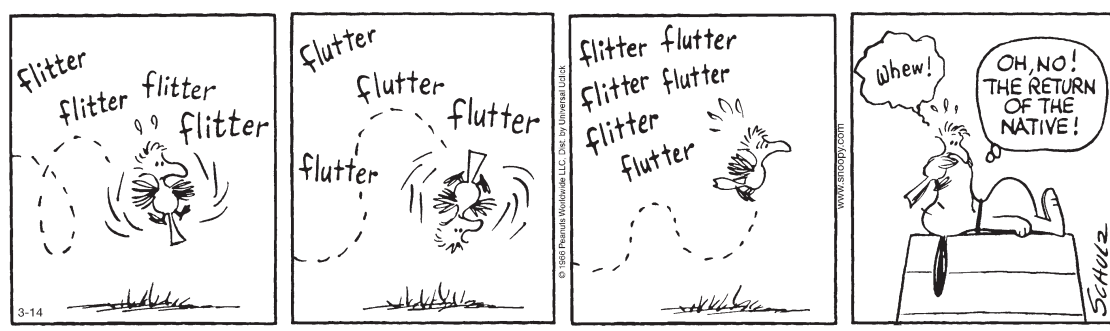
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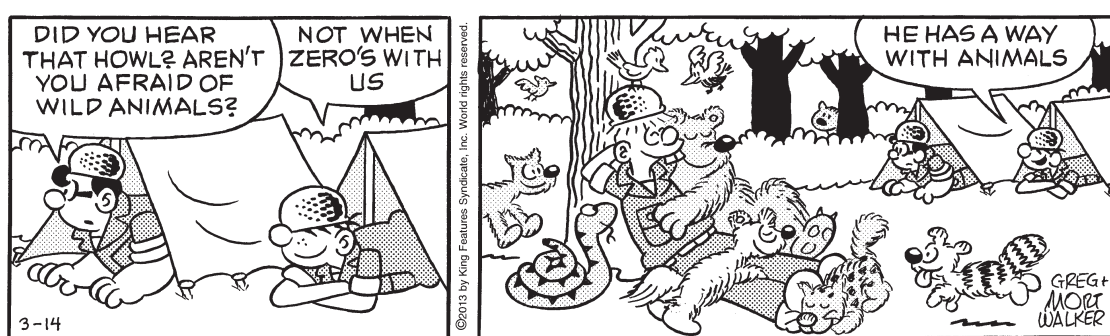
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daily horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, March 15, 2013:

This year you communicate with precision because you want others to receive your message. Unfortunately, you can't control others' responses; however, you can clarify and confirm that they understand you. If you are single, you might meet someone in a class or by participating in some other mind-opening experience. If you are attached, a conversation will reveal that the two of you need to revive a goal. Enjoy manifesting more of your life wishes together. **TAURUS** not only is stubborn, but he or she also can be rigid.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★ You might be concerned about an associate's comment that could affect your security. Try not to worry so much. You will work better with someone on a one-on-one level. Your thoughts are subject to change if you remain more open. Touch base with a friend. Tonight: Your treat.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ Work with someone's ideas regarding a problem. You can't change this person's mood, but you can affect his or her thinking in a discussion. This individual tends to see the negative side of things. Open his or her eyes if you can. Tonight: Follow someone else's lead.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ Sometimes you push too hard, which results in fatigue or even a low-level depression. One of the best decisions you could make is to take a day or two off. You might be surprised at how a change of routine could turn your energy and attitude around. Tonight: Be a bit less findable.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Zero in on a long-term goal. Do that, and a slip-up in your daily life might be less aggravating or disappointing. A child or new love interest seems closed down. Do not respond to any negativity, and stay centered ... everything will work out. Tonight: Follow the gang.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Accept your responsibilities, and you will get a lot accomplished. Others naturally observe what you do. A loved one might feel dejected, as this person seems to think that you don't have time to help him or her deal with a problem. Tonight: Out and about to the wee hours.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Your ability to stay out of problems and detach from heated situations proves remarkable once more. You come up with solutions with ease. Someone might be taken aback at how authoritarian your style might be. Tonight: Make a call to or email someone at distance.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Discuss a key issue with a partner. Your caring is evident, but the other party might not be very responsive. Fatigue could be a factor. Change the conversation, and try to find a more effective approach. Both of you will express more enthusiasm as a result. Tonight: Let someone else treat.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ Curb your cynicism; otherwise, you could ruin the best of times. You seem determined to express your feelings. If you are going to rain on someone's parade, why not just go home? Wouldn't that be the best solution for everyone involved? Tonight: The only answer is "yes."

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ You are willing to pitch in to help others out. You might feel as if someone assumes too much, or that he or she might be too confident in your abilities. Act on your feelings, but take a moment before giving this person a reaction. Tonight: Meet up with friends. TGIF!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ While others seem to be hitting a wall, you are able to bypass them because of an unusual creative bent. In fact, you'll see solutions right and left. It's OK to share them, as others will appreciate your thoughts and feedback. Tonight: Enjoy a romantic evening at home.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★ You won't be able to avoid certain priorities, no matter what you do. Even if you're at work, your mind might tend to wander to a recent decision involving your domestic life. Don't take action just yet, as there are other possibilities. Tonight: You can't control everyone's behavior.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Stay more sensitive to the moment. Note what others might not be saying, and ask questions about vague information. Provide comfort by allowing others to feel safe. News from a distance could be distressing, but know that it is not the whole story. Tonight: Join work friends.

Mo. golfer survives fall into Ill. course sinkhole

By **JIM SUHR**
Associated Press

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Mark Mihal was having a good opening day on the links when he noticed an unusual depression on the 14th fairway at Annbriar Golf Club in southern Illinois. Remarking to his friends how awkward it would be to have to hit out of it, he went over for a closer look.

One step onto the pocked section and the 43-year-old mortgage broker plunged into a sinkhole.

He landed 18 feet down with a painful thud, and his friends managed to hoist him to safety with a rope after about 20 minutes. But Friday's experience gave Mihal quite a fright, particularly after the recent death of a Florida man whose body hasn't been found since a sinkhole swallowed him and his bedroom.

"I feel lucky just to come out of it with a shoulder injury, falling that far and not knowing what I was going to hit," Mihal, from the St. Louis suburb of Creve Coeur, told The Associated Press before heading off to learn whether he'll need surgery. "It was absolutely crazy."

Annbriar general manager Russ Nobbe described the sinkhole as "an extremely unfortunate event, an event we feel is an act of nature."

"We don't feel there is any way we could have foreseen this happening," he told a Tuesday news

conference.

Mihal said it was a real downer on what had been a fine outing.

With winter finally nearing an end, "it was the first day to get to play in a long time," he said. "So I wasn't expecting too much."

Golfing with buddies, Mihal was waiting to hit his third shot, some 100 yards from the pin on the par 5, when he noticed a bathtub-looking indentation about knee deep just behind him on the fairway. At just one over par for the round, the golfer with a 6 handicap was on a roll.

Then the ground gave way beneath him.

"It didn't look unstable," Mihal said. "And then I was gone. I was just free-falling. It felt like forever, but it was just a second or two, and I didn't know what I was going to hit. And all I saw was darkness."

His golfing buddies didn't see him vanish into the earth but noticed he wasn't visible, figuring he had tripped and fallen out of sight down a hill. But one of them heard Mihal's moans and went to investigate.

"He just thought it was some crazy magic trick or something," Mihal said.

Hardly. Getting panicky and knowing his shoulder "was busted," Mihal assessed his dilemma in pitch darkness as he rested on a mound of mud, wondering if the ground would give way more and send him deeper into the pit that

was 10-feet wide at the opening, then broadened out into the shape of a bell below the surface.

"I was looking around, clinging to the mud pile, trying to see if there was a way out," he said. "At that point, I started yelling, 'I need a ladder and a rope, and you guys need to get me out of here.'"

A ladder hustled to the scene was too short, and Mihal's damaged shoulder cramped his ability to climb.

"At some point, I said,

'I need to get out of here. Now,'" Mihal recalled.

One of his golf partners, a real-estate agent, made his way into the hole, converted his sweater into a splint for Mihal and tied a rope around his friend, who was pulled to safety.

While disturbing, such sink-holes aren't uncommon in southwestern Illinois, where old underground mines frequently cause the earth to settle. In Mihal's case, the culprit was subsurface limestone that dissolves from acidic

rainwater, snowmelt and carbon dioxide, eventually causing the ground to collapse, said Sam Panno, a senior geochemist with the Illinois State Geological Survey.

That region "is riddled with sinkholes," with as many as 15,000 recorded, Panno said.

Nobbe told the AP other golfers are not in danger and the Annbriar course will remain open while officials seek geologist recommendations for what to do about the 14th


hole's sinkhole.

"Every geologist we've talked to says it is unreasonable and unnecessary" to survey the entire grounds for other sinkhole threats, he added.

Mihal, meanwhile, is debating a return to Annbriar.


"It's a great course. I love the course," Mihal said, having played Annbriar a couple dozen times during the past decade. "But I would have a tough time probably walking down that hole again."

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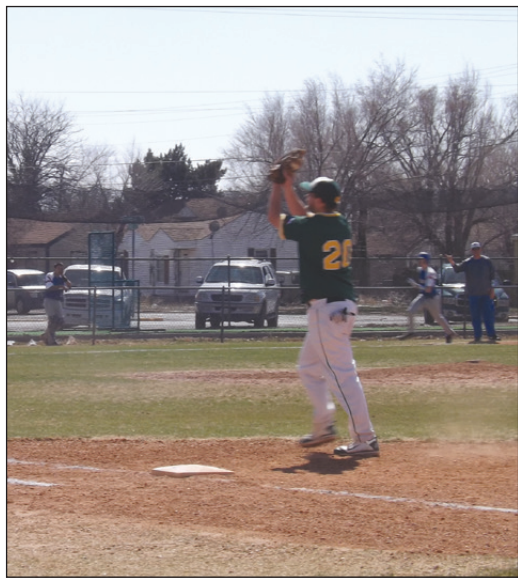
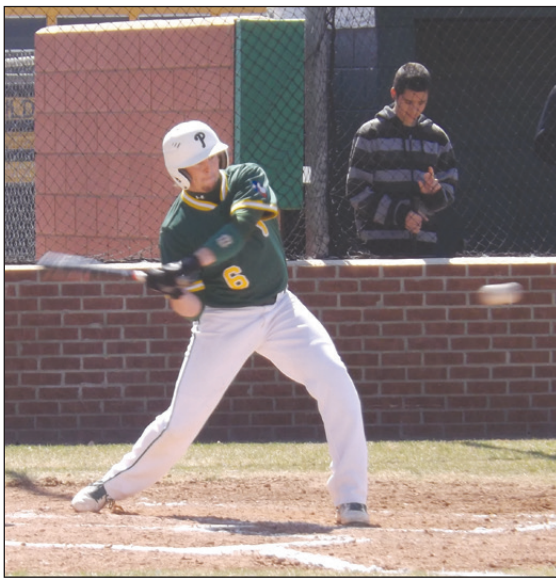
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Harvesters outlast Bobcats 9-8



Photos by Zachary Green

Left, Jordan Lemons swings for the fences in the bottom of the first inning. Lemons hit a home run on that pitch. Right, Ethan Hunt records the final out of Wednesday's game.

Harvesters rally from behind to pick up win.

BY ZACHARY GREEN
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The Pampa Harvester baseball team hosted the Childress Bobcats in matinee baseball action Wednesday.

Childress hit a home run to begin things in the top of the first. Pampa quickly answered back in the bottom of the first with five runs of their own.

Cade Engle started the bottom of the first off with a triple. Ryan Powell followed with a single to plate Engle. James Thompson then hit a single.

With two men on Jordan Lemons blasted a three-run home run over the right field wall to give Pampa a 4-1 lead.

Ethan Hunt made it back-to-back home runs for Pampa as he hit one out to nearly the same spot as Lemons' home run. Pampa led after the first inning 5-1.

Some fielding and pitching miscues for the Harvesters let the Bobcats plate six runners in the top of the second to regain the lead, 7-5. Engle started the bottom of the second with a double. He came home on a Lemons sacrifice fly to make the score 7-6 in favor of the Bobcats at the end of two.

Childress added another run in the top of the third to bring the score to 8-6.

There would be no more scoring until the bottom of the fifth when Pampa picked up two runs to tie the game at 8. Hunt and Tyler Powell both reached base thanks to walks and came around to score on Riley Douglas and Chris Howard singles.

Lemons would score the go-ahead run for Pampa in the bottom of the sixth. He reached base on a single and scored after Taylor Woods walked with the bases loaded. Hunt and Ty-

ler Powell walked to load the bases before the Woods walk.

Tyler Powell picked up the win after pitching 5 1/3 innings and he struck out seven batters. Hunt struck out two over 1 2/3 innings pitched.

Lemons was 2-3 with four RBIs and a run scored. Ryan Powell was 1-3 with an RBI and a run scored. Engle was 2-4 with two runs scored.

Thompson went 1-3 with a run scored. Hunt was 1-2 with an RBI and a run scored. Tyler Powell reached on two walks and scored one run. Woods was 1-1 with two RBIs. Howard was 1-4 with an RBI. Jacob Nelson and Brandon Stokes each scored one run after courtesy running in the game.

Pampa coach Kaleb Snelgrooes said it showed a lot of character that the Harvesters were able to come back in the game and win. "We have had games where we got leads and let people come back. So for us to get behind and chip away and get back in it, that shows a lot of character in these guys. We have lost some heartbreaker one-run games and for us to win this game at home — especially the home opener it's a big deal and we are excited about that."

He added that Pampa is looking to just play innings when they go to Guymon this weekend. "We need to get on the field as much as we can. We are looking forward to playing two games. We want to win at least one out of two, but we are really going up there with the mindset to win two games to springboard us on a three-game winning streak to reach district. I've never been to Guymon, it will be a different atmosphere. Will be tough for us but looking forward to what is in store for us. I am really proud of the seniors."

The final score was Pampa 9, Childress 8. The Harvesters move to 4-7 on the season and will be back in action in Guymon, Okla. on Saturday for a doubleheader.

New USSSA softball bat rule

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Due to the new United States Speciality Sports Association (USSSA) Slow-pitch Softball bat rule, the City of Pampa Recreation Department has decided to go with the new rule for all city league sanctioned softball games and tournaments.

USSSA Slow-pitch bats must have the new USSSA 1.20 BPF (Bat Performance Factor) fingerprint stamp beginning in 2013, and this stamp is only on newer bats released in January 2012 or later. No bats with the old USSSA 1.20BPF will be allowed starting this 2013 spring season of softball.

This means that older ASA bats, once legal for USSSA Slow-pitch, will not be legal as of 2013 if they do not have the new USSSA 1.20 BPF stamp.

For questions contact Autumn Schaub at 806-669-1044, 806-292-2912 or by email at pamparecreation@gmail.com



Varsity boys track in Panhandle meet

BY ZACHARY GREEN
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Pampa's varsity boys track team went to a meet in Panhandle last Friday.

Pampa had three runners place in the top six in the 100 meters. Kody Maddox took first with a run of 11:23. Zane Robles placed third with a time of 11:52. Adrian Elam placed sixth with a run of 11:76.

Pampa's 4x100-meter relay team placed second with a time

of 44:94. Pampa's 4x200-meter relay team took home third with a time of 1:35.10.

Kyler Allen placed fourth in the discus with a throw of 127 feet, 10 inches.

Skyler Been tied for sixth in the pole vault with a vault of 10 feet, six inches.

Joseph Radke placed third in the triple jump with a jump of 40 feet, 3 1/2 inches.

The track team will be back in action in Canadian on March 23.

Lady Harvesters fall to Monterey

BY ZACHARY GREEN
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The Pampa Lady Harvesters traveled to Lubbock on Tuesday for a game against Monterey.

Claire Hopkins started the game off with a double. Hopkins later scored in the first inning as Alexa O'Brien knocked her in.

Pampa's lead did not last long as Monterey scored three runs in the bottom of the first.

In the top of the second, Brittney Gonzalez hit a single. Martecia

Alexander reached on an error and Hopkins was hit by a pitch. Bailey Beck took a walk with the bases loaded to score Gonzalez.

That would, however, be the only scoring for Pampa and Monterey added two more runs in the bottom of the fifth to win 5-2.

O'Brien had 13 strikeouts in six innings pitched. O'Brien and Beck also had a stolen base each.

The team falls to 14-8 on the season. They are back in action today in Canyon at 4 and 6 p.m.

United States beats Puerto Rico 7-1 in World Baseball Classic

ASSOCIATED PRESS

MIAMI (AP) — Gio Gonzalez gave Team USA its best start yet, and David Wright provided a big finish.



Gio Gonzalez

Gonzalez pitched five scoreless innings and the Americans beat Puerto Rico 7-1 in the World Baseball Classic on Tuesday night.

Wright drove in five runs, the last three with a bases-loaded double in the eighth. That prompted chants of "U-S-A! U-S-A!" from the crowd of 32,872.

"Obviously the adrenalin gets pumping for this tournament," Wright said. "You wear that uniform, you want to go out there and represent your country. Hitting in this lineup is ridiculous. You have some of the best hitters in the game, and it creates some matchup problems."

The United States fell behind in all three games in the opening round, but led from the first inning against Puerto Rico.

The Americans will play Thursday night against the Dominican Republic, which remained unbeaten in the WBC by rallying past Italy 5-4 on Tuesday.

"It's a marquee matchup," U.S. manager Joe Torre said. "They haven't lost. They've got some guys having some fun. They have a lot of confidence. But I feel good about my team."

Puerto Rico plays Italy in an elimination game Wednesday.

"If you go inside our clubhouse, everybody is up," manager Edwin Rodriguez said. "We lost today. Turn the page. We concentrate on Wednesday."

Gonzalez, who grew up in nearby Hialeah, struck out five for the hometown team and departed with a 3-0 lead. He said U.S. pitching coach Greg Maddux helped him keep from getting distracted by the importance of the game and the big crowd.

"He said to think about fishing or something and take your mind off it," Gonzalez said. "Tune it out and think of something real simple. When you get some of the greats of baseball to help you out with your composure and keep your tunnel vision, that's the best you can do."

Gonzalez lowered the ERA of the U.S. rotation to 4.00.

"Gio set the tone early, coming out and absolutely getting us in the dugout quick," Wright said. "We didn't have to play too long on defense, and we kept putting runners on base. It was building that momentum, and Gio started it."



David Wright

Gonzalez said he worked well with catcher Joe Mauer and shook him off only once.

"He was tough," Mauer said. "Early on he was trying to find his curveball. After the third inning he pretty much had everything going."

Five U.S. relievers combined to allow one run over the final four innings.

Wright had an RBI groundout in the third and a run-scoring single in the fifth. He's 7 for 16 (.438) with 10 RBIs in four games.

"It makes my job a lot easier when I'm hitting behind Ryan Braun and Joe Mauer," Wright said. "It seems like every at-bat

there were runners in scoring position."

Mauer's two-out RBI double scored Braun in the opening inning.

The Americans added a run in the third on singles by Brandon Phillips and Braun and Wright's groundout.

Adam Jones had a two-run single in the seventh.

Marlins right fielder Giancarlo Stanton earned a big cheer from the Miami crowd when he made a running catch at the warning track to rob Martin Maldonado of a two-out, two-RBI hit in the fourth inning. Stanton also ended an 0-for-7 slump when he singled twice and walked.

"It's one of those things where you don't realize it has only been two games," Stanton said. "You can say I was pressing a little bit, but it was seven at-bats and I had good at-bats and put good swings on the ball before. So it wasn't a big deal. But it's nice to get them for sure."

Braun and Mauer each reached base four times.

Puerto Rico starter Mario Santiago allowed three runs in 4 1-3 innings. Angel Pagan's drove in Puerto Rico's run in the eighth.

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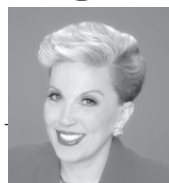
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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I need help and don't know where to turn. I am divorced and have a 37-year-old son, "Teddy," who has never married and has no children. He lives on his own except when he's in trouble or has nowhere else to go. Then he moves back in with me.

The problem is my son is a liar and has been ever since he was a teenager. He even lies when telling the truth would be better. I punished him every way I knew how when he was growing up. Nothing worked.

Teddy has been in trouble with the law in the past and is now in trouble again. Of course, he says he's innocent. I got him out on bond and offered to get him help. I also told him there would be no more money from me, and I no longer want to hear his lies.

Another problem: Teddy is extremely good-looking and women swoon over him. He ends up using them and then dumping them, and then they call me.

I don't know why he is the way he is. Is there treatment for people who can't tell the truth? Please tell me what to do. I love my son and it breaks my heart to see him do these bad things. — BROKENHEARTED MOTHER IN TEXAS

D E A R BROKENHEARTED: As

much as you love Teddy, it's time to accept that you can't fix what's wrong with him; only he can do that. It won't happen until he finally has to accept the consequences of his bad behavior.

Taking him in and bailing him out is not the answer. It also helps no one when you have long conversations with the women who call you, so protect yourself by cutting them short. Considering the kind of man your son is, thank your lucky stars that he has no children — yet.

DEAR ABBY: My father recently moved to an apartment with no storage and I was left with 10 large boxes of memorabilia. Going through these boxes brought many tears of remembrance and new insights into the lives of my parents and grandparents.

My problem now is what to do with these things; I can scan photos and letters, but what about Great-Grandma's wedding dress (stained and moth-eaten), Mother's christening gown (too frail to use again) and the dear soft curl of hair from my uncle who died in childhood?

I don't have much storage room, and I'm not certain my children would even care about these things. Yet it doesn't seem right to throw them in the garbage. I wonder what other peo-

ple do with treasured items that have no value beyond sentiment. — SOFT HEART/PRACTICAL HEAD IN TACOMA

DEAR SOFT HEART: Do not automatically assume that your children would have no interest in the contents of those 10 boxes. ASK them. However, if they say no, then contact the state historical society or a local theater troupe and inquire if they would have any interest. You may be pleasantly surprised to find some of

the items would be welcomed.

DEAR ABBY: My wife and I are having a disagreement about laundry. When you buy new clothes that are still in the plastic wrapping, should they be washed before they are worn? — JIM IN NEW JERSEY

DEAR JIM: It's a personal choice. Some garment manufacturers recommend that certain items be laundered before wearing. However, if they don't, I don't!

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Change one letter in the top word to one of the letters that appears in the bottom word, then rearrange the tiles to form a new common word. Do the same with each new word until you arrive at the bottom word. For example, one path from BARK to PLUM is BARK, MARK, RAMP, RUMP, PLUM.

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Yesterday's Answer: SEOUL, CAIRO, HANOI

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Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

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Level: Intermediate

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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- 13 Small amphibian
- 14 Frat party
- 15 British money
- 17 Old auto
- 18 Abyss
- 22 Diamond side
- 24 Find charming
- 25 One-kind link
- 26 Petite
- 27 Caravan stop
- 30 Jacket material
- 32 Politician Lott
- 33 Mess up
- 34 Large
- 38 "Put It on Me" rapper
- 41 Aspirin target
- 42 Tips off
- 43 Not new
- 44 Most broad
- 45 Stock holders

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- 2 "Cold As Ever" rapper
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- 6 To-do list
- 7 Pulled with effort
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Good Samaritan Christian Services, Inc. was organized by the Pampa Ministerial Alliance under the leadership of the Rev. Joe Turner, Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Pampa and had the support of 16 Pampa churches.

This all-volunteer organization has had an outstanding record of helping others in Pampa since February 1983, when they received its nonprofit status from the state of Texas and opened to serve the needy.

St. Matthew's had a three-bedroom house available on the church property which they leased to them for \$10 a year. Later, additional buildings were added; a walk-in-freezer unit and three attached storage buildings to hold all of the supplies. Good Samaritan is responsible for paying all of its own utilities and upkeep on the buildings.

There are no paid employees, and Good Sam is one of only a few all-volunteer ecumenical organization assisting the needy in this area.

Good Sam is now supported by 23 participating member churches, donations, memorials and grants from foundations, especially the David D. and Nona S. Payne, Foundation, Inc., M. K. Brown Foundation, Inc. and the Gray-Pampa Foundation, Inc. It does not receive any assistance from the United Way or have any other money raising projects. It takes a minimum of eight people to open the doors on Monday through Thursday from 2 to 5 p.m. Good Sam purchases food from local grocery stores to supplement food purchased from High Plains Food Bank in Amarillo in addition to what is donated.

For more information, contact Iris Ragsdale at 669-6296 or irisr@sbcglobal.net.



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Above: From left, Good Samaritan volunteers Betty Morris, Doyle Keeton, Joy Bivins, volunteer executive director, and Margaret Enmon. Below: Volunteers were treated last week to a special lunch for their dedication and service.



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