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Bennigan's restaurant in works for Pampa

2000s.

By TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE thowsare@thepampanews.com

Bennigan's Franchising Company has posted on its website that a Bennigan's is opening in Pampa.

The website does not provide any specifics, such as where the restaurant will be located, who the franchise owner is or when construction will begin.

Ladd Biro with Champion Management, a Dallas-based public relations and marketing firm that represents Bennigan's, said Tuesday a Bennigan's in Pampa is "in the works." He offered no further details.

Bennigan's is an Irish-themed, casual-dining chain with locations in the United States and abroad.

"It's exciting that a new restaurant is coming to Pampa," said Lori Byrne, executive director of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce. "It's the beginning of what we hope will be positive growth for the community of Pampa."

Bennigan's Franchising is headquartered in Dallas and appears to be rebounding from some hard times caused by economic downturn of the late

All of the company's 150 corporate locations in the U.S. closed in 2008 when its parent company filed for bankruptcy protection, according to the online dictionary Wikipedia.org. The 138 franchise stores stayed open, but many of them closed in the months and years after the bankruptcy filing, according to the website.

Several new franchise locations are now being announced on the Bennigan's website.

Along with Pampa, Bennigan's will open in Tyson's Corner, Va., Fayetteville, Tenn., Melbourne and Orlando, Fla., the Dubai Mall in the United Arab Emirates, Larnaca, Cyprus, and El Dorado, Veracruz, Mexico.

Two possible locations for a Benni-BENNIGAN'S cont. on page 3

Roden represents Pampa in work, play



Candidate forum set for April 23

Speakers also scheduled to address each side of mixed drink issue.

STAFF REPORT

Hear what your local candidates have to say.

say. The Top O' Texas Republican Women's Club is sponsoring a candidate forum for City Commission and school board candidates at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 23, in the Pampa High School Commons.

Candidates who will be on the ballot for the City of Pampa and Pampa Independent School District elections are scheduled to attend.

The only open seat in the two elections is place 6 on the PISD board. Louis Nava and Lance DeFever will contend for that place. Board member Matt Brock did not refile.

The four unopposed candidates are: Jay Johnson — place 1; David Teichmann place 4; Lee Porter — place 5; and Cay Warner — place 7. Also appearing on the ballot will be seats on the City Commission representing Wards 1 and 3 (commissioners John Studebaker **FORUM** cont. on page 3

Submitted photos

Above, Jennifer Roden is on the left with her awards from the 1986 Olympic Festival in Houston. On the right, she is performing an act on the balance beam. Below, Roden with Miguel Hernandez, jockey, in the winner's circle at the Ruidoso Downs in Ruidoso, N.M. last July.

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Jennifer Roden is 42-year-old Special Olympian who enjoys basketball, golf, bowling and gymnastics. She was born with Down syndrome, a chromosome abnormality that occurs in one of about 700 births.

The Pampa native showed athletic ability at an early age.

At age 8, she started to ride her bike without training wheels and began gymnastics. Jennifer took gymnastics classes in Pampa with Fred and Lola Hughes at Gymnastics of Pampa. Her mother, Monica Roden, said since Pampa doesn't have a Special Olympic gymnastics program, she took her daughter to Austin for state gymnastics.

In 1986, she was one of eight Special Olympic gymnasts who were invited to the U.S. Olympic Festival in Houston. Another Texan was invited, along with two athletes each from Louisiana, New Mexico and Arkansas. Jennifer won second place in the floor routine in front of 14,000 people at The Summit in Houston. The Summit was the home of the Houston Rockets until 2005 when the city sold it. Jennifer still takes private rhythmic gymnastics classes at Madeline Graves Dance and Gymnastics in Pampa.

In addition to gymnastics, Roden has enjoyed success in Special Olympics basketball, which she said



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Building permits approved from Jan. 1 to March 31

BY SASHA HELLER

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The City of Pampa approved 27 building and moving permits from Jan. 1 to March 31. They are as follows:

January

• TC Lawn and Construction for building a front wall and doors at 822 W. Francis.

• Armando G. Reza for a 10x8 storage room at 1232 N. Duncan.

• Plains Builders Inc. for construction of a new animal shelter at 811. S. Hobart.

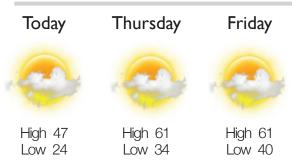
• Wiley Hicks Jr. Inc. for addition of a new wall at 123 N. Hobart.

• Jesus Natividad for construction of a 27x30 carport.

• Tim Willson Construction for a 40x50 **PERMITS** cont. on page 3



PAMPA FORECAST



Today: Partly cloudy with a high of 47. No chance of rain. Wind north northwest at 25 mph. Sunrise at 7:18 a.m.

Tonight: Partly cloudy with a low of 24. No chance of rain. Wind north northwest at 17 mph. Sunset at 8:13 p.m.

Thursday: Partly cloudy with a high of 61. No chance of rain. Wind northwest at 12 mph. Sunrise at 7:16 a.m.

Thursday night: Mostly clear with a low of 34. No chance of rain. Wind northeast at 7 mph. Sunset at 8:14 p.m.

Friday: Partly cloudy with a high of 61. Twenty percent chance of rain. Wind east at 11 mph. Sunrise at 7:15 a.m.

Friday night: Partly cloudy with a low of 40. Ten percent chance of rain. Wind east southeast at 8 mph. Sunset at 8:15 p.m.

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Obituaries

Anne Ruff Zochowski

Anne Ruff Zochowski passed away on March 29, 2013 at her residence. She was born in Shamrock, on Aug. 6, 1936 to the late Shelby J. and Margie Ruff. She was also preceded in death by a son, Rodney Zochowski and a grandson, Ryan Zochowski.

She is survived by her husband of 49 years, George Zochowski, five children, DeLynn and husband Mark Kinney, Jay and wife Carla Zochowski, Richard and wife Lisa Zochowski, David and wife Valerie Zochowski, and Rachel Zochowski; a brother Mike and wife Nancy Ruff; five grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and two nieces.

Services were held on April 2, 2013 at Central Presbyterian Church, Bristol, Tenn. with the Rev. Dr. David Wadsworth officiating. Interment was at Glenwood Cemetery with arrangements by Blevins Funeral Home.

Juanita L. Gardner

Juanita L. Gardner left this life peacefully on March 31, 2013 in Richland Hills, Texas. She was born Jan. 9, 1918 in Binghamton, N.Y., the daughter of Anna Lou-



ise (Eldredge) and Lyle Barber. She lived in Hopewell Junction, N.Y. for many years and upon retiring, she moved to Bonita Springs, Fla. She later was a resident of Pampa, Texas where she lived with her son, Bruce McMahon, at the Star Motel.

She was employed by and retired from I.B.M. in Fishkill, N.Y. She is survived by her daughter,

Sandra McMahon, of Hurst, Texas her son Bruce McMahon of Pampa, granddaughter Marni Corrigan and

Juanita L. Gardner

husband Larry and two great-granddaughters, Mikaila and Kelsey Corrigan of Libertyville, Ill.

She loved to dance, read and go to garage sales and flea markets.

There was a memorial service at Memory Gardens on Price Road in Pampa on April 3.

Fortherecord

Tulsa man arrested for driving with invalid license

• Ryan Scott, 35, Tulsa, Okla., was arrested Mon- pa, was arrested Tuesday day by the Department of by the Pampa Police De-Public Safety for driving partment for possession of while license invalid with drug paraphernalia. previous conviction.

• Tyler Roberts, 18, Pam-

Woman crashes into building, transported to hospital

STAFF REPORT

A 34-year-old Pampa woman lost control of her vehicle Tuesday and crashed into a building on Alcock Street.

Jessica Alexander was driving a 2013 Chevrolet Malibu eastbound at about 1 p.m. when she lost control of her vehicle due to possible medical reasons and ran into a building in the 1600 block of West Alcock Street, said Officer Stormy McCullar of the Pampa Police Depart-

More than a dozen hurt in Texas college stabbing

ASSOCIATED PRESS

CYPRESS, Texas (AP) – More than a dozen people were wounded when a suspect went building-to-building in an apparent stabbing attack at a Texas college campus Tuesday, authorities said.

The attack about 11:20 a.m. on the Lone Star Community College System's campus in Cypress sent at least 12 people to area hospitals, including four people taken by helicopter, according to Cy-Fair Volunteer Fire Department spokesman Robert Rasa. He said several people refused treatment at the scene and all the wounds were consistent with stabbing.

The Harris County Sheriff's Department confirmed at least 14 people were wounded and spokesman Thomas Gilliland said authorities had one suspect in custody.

Lone Star officials initially urged people on campus, about 25 miles northwest of downtown Houston, to take shelter and be on alert for a second suspect. But Gilliland said a short time later that authorities believed just one person was responsible. He did not say whether the suspect is a student

"It was the same suspect going from building to building," Gilliland said.

Gilliland said the attacker is believed to have had some type of knife or a pencil, but authorities could not immediately confirm the weapon used.

Student Teaundrae Perryman said he was in class when he received a text message from a friend and went outside to see a young woman being loaded into an ambulance with what appeared to be

stab wounds to either her neck or head. He said he didn't receive an email alert from the college until 11:56 a.m.

"I was concerned but I wasn't afraid because I was with a large group of people," the 21-year-old said, later adding, "The police got to the scene very quickly.'

The four people taken by helicopter and two others with moderate injuries were taken to Memorial Hermann Hospital. Of those six, two were in critical condition and four were in fair condition Tuesday afternoon, hospital spokeswoman Alex Rodriguez said.

One student said she learned one of her classmates was stabbed after leaving the school's Health Science Center building.

"I called to check on another classmate who was still inside the building and she said the classroom was on lockdown and she said one of the classmates had been stabbed," said Margo Shimfarr-Evans told KHOU-TV. "It happened in the hallway.'

Courtland Sedlachek, 18, was in class when his phone started buzzing along with the phones of everyone else in class. The room was temporarily locked down, but students were let out and off campus a short time later, in what Sedlachek described as an orderly evacuation.

He described his reaction as a "little bit of nervousness."

The attack came three months after a different Lone Star campus was the site of a shooting in which two people were hurt. The suspected gunman in that incident is charged with aggravated assault.

Newtown, Conn., fund to distribute \$4M



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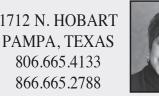
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Alexander was transported to Pampa Regional Medical Center by EMS personnel, McCullar said.

McCullar added it is unlikely Alexander's injuries are life-threatening and the incident is under investigation.

Texas Senate to gun makers: 'C'mon down!'

ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) ----The Texas Senate is sending a message to gun makers across the country: the Lone Star State wants you.

The Senate gave preliminary approval Tuesday to a bill encouraging Gov. Rick Perry's office to recruit gun manufacturers to Texas.

The bill by Sen. Craig Estes, a Wichita Falls Republican, says Perry can use incentives, including financial to entire gun makers to relocate. A few lawmakers said Perry already has that authority.

Estes said his bill sends tells gun makers that they are welcome in Texas, even as other states around the country are passing new gun control measures. Estes says those companies could bring good jobs and economic development to Texas.

The bill still needs a final vote, likely Wednesday, before going to the House.

Man dressed as Cookie Monster arrested in NY

NEW YORK (AP) — A man dressed as the Cookie Monster has been accused of shoving a 2-year-old in New York's Times Square and has been charged with endangering the welfare of a child

Queens resident Osvaldo Quiroz-Lopez was arrested Sunday afternoon. He was arraigned Monday on charges including aggressive begging. He didn't enter a plea.

A Connecticut family posed for a photo with the man dressed as the "Sesame Street" character. Police say he demanded \$2 but the family refused to pay. A criminal complaint says the man shoved the toddler and yelled obscenities at the family.

Quiroz-Lopez has no prior arrests.

His lawyer hasn't returned a message seeking comment.

In December, a performer dressed as a Super Mario Brother was accused of groping a woman in Times Square. His case is pending.

Circus elephant shot in drive-by in Miss.

TUPELO, Miss. (AP) Authorities say a Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus elep hant was hit by a bullet in a drive-by shooting in Tupelo, Miss.

Circus spokeswoman Melinda Hartline says the elephant was not seriously hurt Tuesday. She says no other animals were harmed.

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — The foundation handling the largest charitable fund set up following the Sandy Hook Elementary School massacre said Tuesday that it will begin distributing \$4 million of that money right away, responding to criticism that it was moving too slowly.

The foundation, which oversees an \$11 million fund, said the preliminary disbursement will go out within the next two weeks to the families of the 26 people killed inside the school on Dec. 14, the families of 12 children who escaped classrooms where the massacre took place and the families of two people injured in the shooting.

"The reality of the approach that we have adopted is that having a dialogue with those impacted in the community requires time particularly when so many are in the midst of responding to trauma," said Charles Herrick, a member of the foundation's board. "The board will move as quickly as possible to bring relief to the families while also ensuring decisions are made thoughtfully for the future.'

Newtown Selectman Will Rodgers, who has been working with the foundation, said officials have been sensitive to concerns about timing.

"The thought was that without casting blame around we can just address the situation and make a quick distribution while still keeping to our more

deliberative processes for the future," he said. "Of course what we're afraid is that we'll trade one set of criticisms for another. The 'You haven't acted fast enough' criticism will be replaced by, 'How can you distribute it in this way."

The fund to support the Newtown community was established by the United Way of Western Connecticut and Newtown Savings Bank in the wake of the Dec. 14 school shooting, in which a gunman killed 20 children and six adult educators before committing suicide. In February the nonprofit Newtown-Sandy Hook Community Foundation was created to evaluate requests and suggestions on how to use the money.

A daughter of Dawn Hochsprung, the Sandy Hook principal killed in the shooting, wrote on her Facebook page in February that families were being asked for proof of hardship before the smallest disbursements were issued.

"We've been victimized enough," Cristina Lafferty Hassinger said in the post. "We shouldn't have to fight for what is rightfully ours, but we won't be taken advantage of in our darkest hour."

The committee tasked with distributing the money to the families affected most severely by the tragedv will also consider providing some to address the needs of first responders and Sandy Hook school personnel.

Roden

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is her favorite sport.

Her team, the Golden Warriors, took home second place in the Special Olympic Tournament in Amarillo recently.

"She is the best wing shot that we've ever had. She can set up on either side and hit the same shot over and over and over again," said her coach, Kyle Parnell. "It really never matters how big or how tall someone is, she is willing to guard whoever."

Every winter, the Roden family treks to the mountains in Wolf Creek, Colo., where you will see Jennifer on the slopes. She has skied on Treasure Chair, which is the highest point on Wolf Creek Mountain.

Jennifer has snow skied since she was 10 years old and used to water ski, Monica said.

Though she doesn't race horses herself, Jennifer enjoys watching the events. While in Ruidoso, N.M. in July,

Jennifer saw the winner's circle of the race track and wanted to be in it with a winning horse.

A race track employee spoke with someone with a winning horse who agreed to let Jennifer in the circle. Monica said the jockey with the winning horse even gave Jennifer his goggles.

Jennifer loves music and every year her mom takes her to Branson, Mo. for a vacation.

"Jennifer loves going to Branson. She loves to watch the shows, play putt-putt and ride go-karts," Monica said.

In March, Monica took Jennifer to a Bon Jovi concert in Lubbock and a Willie Nelson concert in Amarillo. Jennifer said she also likes George Strait, Elvis Presley and Celine Dion, and Parnell added she is a fan of the Monkees.

In their travels, Jennifer and Monica also have visited Washington, D.C., Disney World and the Grand Canyon.

"We travel a lot," Monica said. "We have also been to Sedona, Ariz. and Greer's Ferry Lake in Arkansas to hike." Greer's Ferry Lake is located about 60 miles north of Little Rock, Ark.

In Pampa, Jennifer has befriended

Bennigan's

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gan's in Pampa are the Pampa Mall or the Edwin Park Subdivision, which is the site of former Pampa Middle School. The old school is being demolished for a planned residential and commercial development.

Jason Bagwell, who is redeveloping the mall and recently signed a lease with one local business, said he has not been in contact with anyone from Bennigan's.

Edwin Park is being developed by Open Range Development of Pampa, which is selling five commercial lots along the Perryton Parkway. The lots are suitable for restaurants and retail businesses, Open Range representatives have said in previous newspaper articles.

According to its website, Open Range has sold one of those five commercial tracts. The website does not provide de-

Permits

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addition at 724 W. Wall St.

• Bill Bridgman for moving a 12x60 trailer onto property at 640 N. Christy.

• Adrian Garcia Soto for a 10x16 storage building at 315 N. Nelson.

• Joanna Machado for addition of three bedrooms at 1300 N. Starkweather.

February

• Doug Cates for construction of a 24x24x10 metal building at 2700 N. As-

• Wiley Hicks Jr. Inc. for demolition of interior at the Pampa Independent School District's new administration facility at

1223 N. Hobart.

tails about the 1.4 acre sale. However, the sale appears to be recent, since the website did not indicate any of the lots were sold when Open Range held a groundbreaking for the development on March

Open Range spokeswoman Stephanie Nelson said she could not comment on the property sale. Stephen Nelson, a partner with Open Range Development, confirmed the lot was sold and said the company should be able to release details on the sale in about two weeks.

Calls to the Bennigan's Franchising corporate office in Dallas were not returned by press time.

Bennigan's has neither applied for a city business license nor a building permit, said city spokesman Donny Hooper.

The nearest Bennigan's to Pampa is in Borger, which opened in May 2010.

The restaurant is owned by Subhir Patel, who also owns the Holiday Inn Express in Borger, according to the Borger Chamber of Commerce.

carport at 1208 E. Darby.

March

· Open Range Engineering for remodeling at 1203 N. Hobart.

 Maria Louisa Davila for construction of a 30x30 foundation at 2413 N. Comanche and a 12x12 storage building at the same property.

• Legacy Homes for construction of a new house at 1626 E. Harvester.

• EF-5 Shelters for an 8-foot-diameter storm shelter at 1818 N. Chestnut.

• Lucio Armendarez for a 3x10 porch at 727 E. Malone.

Olivia Rodriguez for a 22x6 front porch at 1101 Cinderella.

• John Ferguson for construction of a storage building at 1940 N. Holly.

 Ammons Roofing & Construction for new construction at 2301 N. Dogwood.

 Barbara Jean Conger for a 22x8 from porch at 728 N. Lefors.

customers and fellow staff alike with her warm smile and dedication to her job every Wednesday from 2:30 to 4 p.m. at Brandon's Flowers on North Cuyler Street.

She has been working at the flower shop for about a year and a half, where she cleans, sweeps and washes out flower pots and buckets.

Owner Brandon Richards said, Jennifer is a joy to have in our shop. She always makes us smile."

One of Jennifer's co-workers, Donna Caskey, agreed: "Jennifer is always willing to help anybody, but her favorite thing to say is, 'How about some teamwork?' She loves teamwork.'

Jennifer said she enjoys her work, and the folks at Brandon's are great to work with.

Before working at the flower shop, Jennifer worked at the Pizza Hut on North Hobart Street in Pampa from December 1991 to June 2010.

Monica said Jennifer's former manager at Pizza Hut told her that Jennifer was the best stuffed crust pizza maker they had.

Despite her own challenges as a special-needs person, Jennifer is always

Forum

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and Robert Dixon); and the mayor (Brad Pingel). They, too, are running unopposed.

Each candidate will be given two minutes to speak about himself or

The audience will be given an opportunity to write questions that they would like to ask the candidates. The questions will then be presented to the candidates by the moderator of the forum.

The big-ticket item in the May 11 election is the mixed drink referendum. In December, the City of Pampa received





Submitted photo

Jennifer Roden enjoying time on the slopes of the Wolf Creek Colo. ski area. She skis every winter in Colorado with her family.

willing to help others.

more than 1,300 verified

restaurants in town.

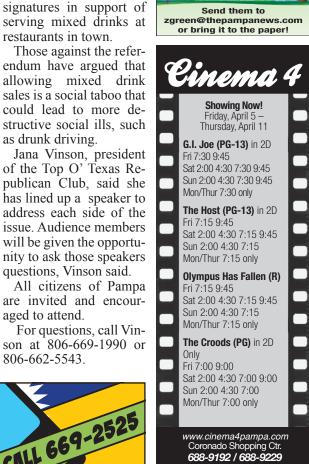
questions, Vinson said.

aged to attend.

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"Anytime Jennifer sees someone in a wheelchair or has their leg bandaged up, her heart goes out to them," Monica said. "She shows affection for them and gives them a hug.'

Got A Sports Story or Photo?





Those against the referendum have argued that allowing mixed drink sales is a social taboo that could lead to more destructive social ills, such as drunk driving.

his position.

• Joel Morgan received a demolition permit at 511 Huff Road.

 Joe Miller Plumbing for an ice vending machine at 1504 N. Hobart.

• Carter, Sand & Gravel for demolition of property at 2401 N. Charles.

• Tomas Soto for a 16x20 addition at 601 W. Foster.

• Julian D. Lopez Jr. for a 20x20 front

In addition to the above building and moving permits, there were 33 electrical, 126 plumbing, 28 roofing and 27 health permits.



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Filling the D.C. circuit

The United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit is widely considered the second most powerful court in the land

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SUSAN Estrich

from the Federal Trade Commission to the Federal Communications Commission. It is the court where key challenges to federal law are often brought and where knotty issues of executive privilege and constitutional law are decided. And among judges, it has long been the "feeder" court to the United States Supreme Court. And that is certainly the reason it is so empty. Of the 11 seats on the court, four are empty. No nominee has been confirmed since 2006. Highly qualified nominees — most recently, former federal prosecutor Caitlin Halligan are regularly rejected. Halligan's nomination languished for two and a half years before a Republican filibuster led the president to withdraw her name in late March. All of this makes the letter sent last week by six former solicitors general of the United States, including three Republican superstars, all the more important. In the letter, Paul Clement (who argued against Obamacare and gay marriage), Ted Olson (the nation's top appellate lawyer under George W. Bush) and Ken Starr (who led the investigation of President Clinton) joined with their Democratic colleagues to support the "swift confirmation" of Sri Srinivasan, currently the principal U.S. deputy solicitor general, to fill the seat on the D.C. circuit vacated in 2005 by now Chief Justice John Roberts. According to the bipartisan group, Srinivasan has a "first-rate intellect, an

open-minded approach to the law, a strong work ethic, and an unimpeachable character," is "one of the best appellate lawyers in the country" and is "extremely well prepared to take on the intellectual rigors of serving as a judge on the

D.C. circuit." But that, for the past seven years at least, has not been enough to get anyone confirmed. There was a time, not so long ago, when the confirmations of nominees such as Srinivasan were almost routine votes devoid of politics. No longer. The more important the court the more politicized the process.

Highly qualified lawyers resist even having their names put up in the first place. For those in private practice, the big deterrent is not necessarily the 90-plus percent cut in pay (judges on the D.C. circuit make less than young associates at big firms like mine), but the prospect of years of purgatory while awaiting confirmation. How do you tell your clients and partners that you are about to be hung out to dry, with no certain result, and that you may or may not be there to handle their cases? Those who do seek to serve (and this is public service) learn how to fudge all of their answers. "Balls and strikes," nominees now routinely respond when asked how they will decide cases. Just an umpire, they explain with a straight face; my background will have nothing to do with it. No serious student of the law believes this. But honesty is by no means the best policy. God help the would-be nominee who has written provocative articles or given provocative speeches even decades earlier. If you want to be a judge, much less a justice, beware what you say in your law review note.

Are we spoiling our granddaughter?

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What are we to do?

A: Remember teenagers? It is time to lessen your influence. Tell her how much both you and her parents love her, but that she needs to look to her parents for advice and dealing with her peers and parents is the way life is. At her age, she takes the easy out and needs time to understand what parents are for.

Remind her that her parents brought her into this world and are her major caretaker. Tell her someday she will probably have her own children and become responsible for them and their well-being.

This process takes time but teaches children that parents are human and do make mistakes while raising their families.

Explain to her that her parents are providing room and board, along with an education and clothing.

Your backing off from making decisions for her will be helpful. Assure her that in growing up, all of us have experienced making decisions. Sometimes the path we choose is the wrong one, but the best way to learn is to actually experience life.

Discuss your granddaughters' issue with her parents. Agree on an approach that will create a more positive attitude for her unhappiness at home.

Your granddaughter may be feeling her parent's expectations too high.

There are cases in which children become angry because of abandonment, abuse or medical reasons, and they find life difficult.

Hopefully, over time, she will mature and get the message how much they love her and the time and energy they put into her life in order to make her happy.

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



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Where have all the workers gone?

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That America created only 88,000 jobs in March, less than half the number anticipated, was jolting news, indicating the recovery that the <u>White House</u> has boasted



about may not be at hand.

But in that March jobs report, there was more disturbing news. While

BUCHANAN unemployment fell to

7.6 percent, the reason it fell is alarming.

Half a million U.S. workers (495,000) disappeared from the labor force. They dropped out. They are no longer even looking for a job.

Worse, this appears to be an inexorable trend. The participation rate of eligible workers in the United States has fallen to 63.3 percent, a level unseen since Jimmy Carter gave his malaise speech in 1979.

These folks, who have quit working and quit looking, who are they? How do they support themselves? What does this surging dropout rate from the workforce portend for America's future?

Disproportionately, the dropouts are young, black, Hispanic, female, working class. Some have gone home to live with their parents and may have re-enrolled in school to re-enter the job market better prepared. But other indices are troubling.

Though we have been

creating jobs for two years, even if at a torpid pace, the food stamps rolls have soared to 47 million at a cost of \$80 billion. When George W. Bush departed, 31 million Americans were on food stamps. Fifty years ago, there was no food stamp program. Yet, now more than one in seven Americans is fed by government.

In another shocking number, almost 9 million Americans ages 20 to 64 years old — nearly 5 percent of the working-age population — is receiving disability pay. Among workers 55 to 64, 10 percent are on disability. Few of those folks will ever enter the job market again.

In 1971, only 1.5 percent of U.S. workers were on disability. Yet, today's workplace is a less hazardous and safer place than it was back when manufacturing was a far larger factor in the economy.

Other questions are raised by the Friday numbers released by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Why is Asian unemployment 5 percent, while the Hispanic rate is more than 9 percent and the African-American rate more than 13 percent?

Do Asian-Americans and Asian immigrants have a superior work ethic or superior capacities for work and success in a post-industrial economy?

And with 14 percent of the U.S. labor force unemployed, underemployed or having quit looking for work, why is Congress about to grant amnesty to 12 million illegal aliens who are taking and doing jobs that might otherwise go to unemployed Americans?

Patriotism argues that we enforce the laws against businesses that hire illegals and declare a time-out on handing out a million green cards every year to foreign folks to come here and work, until our own fellow countrymen are fully employed.

As to why so many are dropping out of the U.S. labor force, politically incorrect thoughts come to mind. Have we made idleness so appealing we are killing the work incentives of millions, and perhaps tens of millions, who would prefer not to work, if they don't have to work?

In the 19th century, the phrase was "root, hog or die." Raise crops, farm animals or starve. From the Jamestown colony to the 20th century, America was a self-sufficient society in which all understand St. Paul's epistle to the Thessalonians, "He who does not work, neither shall he eat."

During Depression days and World War II up through the 1950s, the necessities of life were provided by the individual himself or herself or by the family.

Today, however, government provides for almost all of the needs of those who claim they cannot provide for themselves.

There is the welfare program Temporary Aid for Needy Families. Medicaid pays the health care costs. Head Start, free public schools K-12, Pell grants and student loans take care of education from cradle through college.

School breakfasts, lunches and food stamps take care of feeding folks who say they cannot feed themselves. So successful are these programs that obesity is most prevalent among food stamp recipients. Then there are the unemployment checks rent and energy subsidies and endless tax credits for taxes never paid.

The impolitic questions that arise are these:

Has the welfare state killed the work ethic for a rising share of the American people? If you can live a comfortable life with your food, shelter, health care, education and income paid for or subsidized, why work when you don't have to?

Today, the top 1 percent of Americans in income pays 37 percent of all income taxes. The top half of wage earners pays 98 percent of all income taxes. How long can onehalf of America carry the other?

With the Baby Boomers going on Social Security and Medicare at a rate of 300,000 a month, and scores or hundreds of thousands going on disability rolls and quitting the labor force every month, what kind of future are we looking at?

Patrick J. Buchanan is the author of "Suicide of a Superpower: Will America Survive to 2025?"

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Become like children No. 4

After Isaac and Joseph, the next child who appears on the biblical scene as an example for us to imitate is Miriam.



Her childhood story is recorded in Exodus 2:1-9. It begins like this: "Now a man of the tribe of Levi married a Levite woman, and she became pregnant and gave birth to a son. When she saw that he was a fine child, she hid him for three months. But when she could hide him no

longer, she got a papyrus basket for him and coated it with tar and pitch. Then she placed the child in it and put it among the reeds along the bank of the Nile. His sister stood at a distance to see what would happen to him'

Miriam is the one who followed the basket as it floated down the Nile River. Does that act of bravery impress you? It should. Why? Well, first, there were no doubt soldiers everywhere making sure that all the baby boys were thrown into the Nile as Pharaoh had commanded. That meant that Miriam had to hide from the soldiers because even if they saw her and stopped her only to question her, she would lose track of the basket for sure.

Then more impressive, as she made her way through the grass and reeds down near the water's edge, she would have to keep her eyes peeled for any of the seven different types of poisonous snakes indigenous to the Nile River. (Black Mamba, Egyptian Cobra, Saw Scaled Viper, Spitting Cobra, Innes Cobra, Horned Viper and Carpet Viper) And that didn't even count the thousands of crocodiles that made their home in and near the Nile. She had to watch the basket and watch for the reptiles too

Now I don't know what you call that, but I call that bravery. And that would be bravery even if it was a grown man. But this was a young girl, maybe in her early teen years.

And she grabbed hold of this task with complete disregard for her own safety, all for the sake of her little brother. What a brave young girl. What an example for us to imitate.

Is bravery important to God? Does God expect us to be brave in the life we live for Him?

Mt 14:27 But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid."

1 Cor 16:13 Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong.

So the next time you have an opportunity to take a stand for the Lord either through action or words, remember Miriam. Be inspired by her bravery to STAND! God bless. Mike

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Church Calendar

Somerville Church of Christ Gospel Meeting

The Somerville Church of Christ is hosting a gospel meeting April 10-14. Evangelist David Minson of Lubbock will be speaking at the event.

The meeting will be Wednesday through Saturday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Somerville Church of Christ is located at 500 N. Somerville. For more information contact the church at 806-665-0004.

Southside Church of Christ

Southside Church of Christ is located at 11923 McCullough Ave. Pampa. The church extends an open invitation to you to come and worship where the gospel, "God's Word," is always taught and preached. The church offers an annual Songfest, set for

Sept. 21-22 this year. On Saturday, the Songfest will begin at 4 p.m. and end at around 9 p.m. Dinner will be served immediately following. On Sunday, the church will follow its regular schedule and dinner will be served immediately following morning services. The Songfest is not a competition — it is a gathering of the churches of Christ to come together to praise the Lord through preaching, praying and singing praises unto our Lord and savior Jesus Christ.

Regular worship services are: Sunday morning Bible study, 9:30-10:30 a.m.; morning worship begins at 10:45 a.m. to noon; Wednesday night Bible study is from 5-6 p.m.

tor is Ronnie Ferguson.

Services are every Wednesday at 7 p.m. and every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. The church also has a children's ministry at 10:30 a.m. on Sundays. The ages for the children's ministry are nursery through fifth grade.

The church offers a variety of Bible studies and special events. The church also offers a drug and alcohol recovery group that meets twice a week and is based on the teachings of the Bible.

You don't have to be a cowboy or know how to ride a horse at their church. Just come as you are and remember "the church

Live in the light of eternity

Most people live their lives like they have plenty of time. The younger they are, the more time they assume they have. They

> think they are invincible. They feel like they will live forever. But that's a dangerous way of thinking. The truth is, we don't

know how much time we will have on this earth. The Bible compares this life to a vapor that appears for a short time and then vanishes.

How do you want to spend your "vapor" of life? I want my life to count for

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They train and encour-

the glory of God. Eternity is an incomprehensible amount of time. One Bible commentator put it this way: "After being in heaven for 4 million years, the trials of this life will seem inconsequential. And for sinners, 4 million years of hell will make the follies of sin seem futile." Just imagine, 4 million years in hell is only a second in time compared to eternity -- an eternity of pain and suffering.

I've heard people say, "When I get old and have done what I wanted, then I'll think about eternity and maybe turn to God." But what if you die before you can make things right with God? After only one second in hell, you'll wish you had lived your life for Him.

Living for God is wonderful. He blesses you in so many ways. And when this life is over, you'll spend eternity in paradise with God. It will be a perfect place with no pain or sorrow.

Are you ready for eternity? Are you where you want to be with God if you knew you were going to die tomorrow? If not, make it right today. We will all spend eternity somewhere. Live your life in light of eternity.

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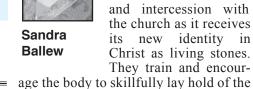
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Walk with them on this glorious journey of revival and into the fullness and freedom that opens the way for pure worship of an almighty God One person, one body, one army gaining the victory and taking down giants — one stone at a time.

Lighthouse Covenant

Fellowship is located at 1733 N. Banks St. behind Pak-A-Sak. Child care will be provided for the event. The event is at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m., April 14 and at 7 p.m., April 15-17.

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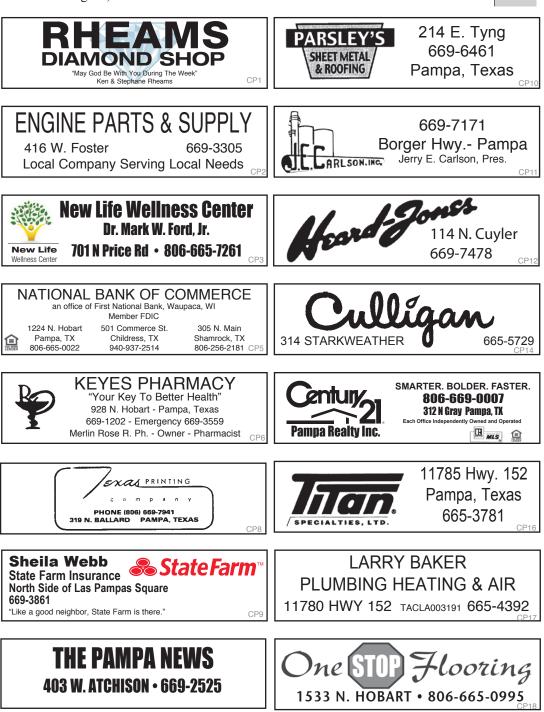


McLean **Cowboy Church**

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The church is located at the intersection of state Highway 273 and Interstate 40 in McLean. For more information call 806-779-0260.



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LOOKIN' DEAR **GOOD:** Barbers are about it. Some sessions human like everyone with a psychologist or else. If you announce that you want to make a change, there probably will be hurt feelings. The question you must ask yourself is, is your relationship with your barber/friend such a close one that you're willing to tolerate continuing to patronize him even though you think someone else can barbers without caus- THAT'S friendship!)

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and dynamic. A partner could be quite the opposite. You might not be sure what to do. Listen to this person's woes, but don't enable him or her. If you are single, you become very possessive when relating to a specific person. Is it you, or is it two. You often push very hard to achieve the other party? Remember, you cannot change anyone. If you are attached, the two of you juggle your finances fairly well. You will reach your mutual goal in cessful. Use care with spending, and the near future. TAURUS is stubborn.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

 $\star \star \star \star$ Follow your intuition. A moneymaking idea of yours might have tremendous value. Try it out on several trusted friends who will take turns playing devil's advocate. You want their feedback, even if it is negative. You can make adjustments later. Tonight: Indulge a little.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

 $\star \star \star \star \star \star$ A friend who might be artistic or just unreliable might play a significant role in what goes on. Remain cused. You could be amazed at what you confident, and don't lose sight of your goals. A partner or an associate pushes you hard and could become controlling. Is this jealousy? Tonight: You make the call.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

 $\star \star \star$ Understand that something is going on behind the scenes. You might fear the worst, but try to remain optimistic. You easily can balance a situation. A partner might be uptight about money. A change in how you handle funds could relax this person. Tonight: Get some R and R.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

 $\star \star \star \star \star$ You might be questioning what is happening within your immediate circle. Friends surround you, and they seem to support you. A creative venture or a matter involving a loved one could go south. Know that this, too, will change. Tonight: Where the fun is.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

 $\star \star \star \star$ Others observe you a little too closely for your comfort. You might wonder if you could do something offbeat without being noticed. Let go of a controlling situation. The only way to win is to not play. A family member's negativity could irritate you. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Keep reaching out to some-

this behavior is not intentional; he or she is preoccupied with something else. Tonight: Wherever there is good music.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

 $\star \star \star \star$ You discover the power of certain results. If you teamed up with someone, the process would be easier and just as successful, if not more succount your change. Tonight: Talk and visit with friends.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ You might want to try something different. You also might not be sure which way to go with a loved one. Please note your detachment. People certainly will not react the same way they would if you were your usual smiling self. Tonight: Go with a friend's suggestion

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Stay level-headed and focan accomplish while others dillydally around. Be more expressive and open with a co-worker or close friend. You will see a different side emerge in this person as a result. Tonight: Squeeze in some exercise.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

 $\star \star \star \star \star$ Your creativity emerges, and it attracts many people. Your interest in a situation allows greater give-andtake. If a friend cops an attitude, ignore his or her unpleasant mood. Share a great idea with a friend, get some feedback and then go for it. Tonight: Play the night away.

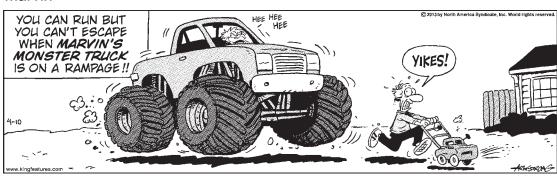
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

 $\star \star \star$ If you could work from home, would you? You just might get an opportunity to try this out. If you are OK having no one but yourself around, it just might work. A boss or an older friend seems off-kilter. Reach out to this person to find out what's going on. Tonight: Order in.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

 $\star \star \star \star$ Make and return calls in the morning. A message initially could disappoint you, but in the long run, it will give you the space to do what you want. A family member lets you know how much he or she adores you. Enjoy the moment. Tonight: Out and about at a favorite haunt.

Marvin



Hagar The Horrible



Peanuts



Blondie



PampaSports

Harvester track at North Plains Relays

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The Harvester track team

traveled to Dumas on Thursday for the North Plains Relays.

In the 300-meter hurdles, Joesph Radke finished 15th with a time of 46.36. Ryan Smith was right behind him at 16th with a time of 47.12.

The 4x100-meter relay team comprised of Zane Robles, Adrian Elam, Zach Gates and Kody Maddox finished fifth with a time of 44.15.

The 4x200-meter relay team

comprised of Robles, Elam, Maddox and Brendan Ponce finished third with a time of 1:31.36.

Radke placed eighth in the high jump with a jump of 5 feet, 6 inches. Trey Wiggins finished in a tie for ninth with a jump of 5 feet, 4 inches.

Maddox placed second in the 100-meter dash with a time of 10.59. Robles finished 10th with a time of 11.10 and Gates placed 20th with a time of 11.77.

Ponce finished 19th in the 200-meter dash with a time of 23.89. Elam was right behind him at 20th with a time of 24.23. Brycen McClendon placed 25th with a time of 25 67

Wiggins had a time of 57.89 in the 400-meter run. That was good enough for 17th place.

Junior varsity

The JV Harvester track team also went to Dumas on Thursday. Kambrin Scott finished 19th in the high jump with a jump of 5 feet, 2 inches. Alec McClendon was fifth in the triple jump with a jump of 37 feet, 5 1/5 inches.

Pampa had three place in the top 25 of the 300-meter hurdles. Jesus Holquin was 17th with a time of 48.08. Ersi Vukantana was 19th with a time of 48.35 and Erik VIzcaino was 22nd with a time of 50.08.

The 4x100-meter relay team comprised of Coleton Bolin, Scott, Vizcaino and Alec Mc-Clendon finished ninth with a time of 49.81. The 4x200-meter relay team comprised of Bolin, Alec McClendon, Freddy Jackson and Blake Caldwell finished sixth with a time of 1:41.58.

100-meter dash had The

three Harvesters in the top 30. Caldwell was seventh with a time of 11.41. Jeremie Bivins was 22nd with a time of 12.46 and Christian Vizcaino was 30th with a time of 14.37.

Alec McClendon had a time of 26.18 in the 200-meter dash. That was good for 19th place. Calvin Webb finished 25th in that event with a time of 27.03.

Gabe Garcia placed 17th in the 400-meter run with a time of 58.75.

The track teams will be back in action Friday at the district meet in Dalhart.

Golf thought of the week

They didn't forget the head cover.

You may have spotted fellow golfers swinging their Metalwoods with the head cover still on. It's usually during

a brief warm-up

before teeing off

or hitting balls

on the range. You

may also have

wondered wheth-

er they have sim-

ply forgotten to

remove the cover,

or if there was



Tim Stadler

some method to this. I'm sure some just haven't thought to remove the cover, but there is a reason to do this.

The benefit of taking a few swings with the head cover on (or with any light weight attached to the head of the club) is essentially that it helps you focus your mind on exactly where the club goes during your motion.

Most often the weight reminds you to think about the transition from backswing to downswing. More specifically, this is a useful way to work on maintaining the 90-degree angle between your front arm and the club shaft. Better players keep this shape until the hands are almost in line with the back hip.

Of course, the precise angle and how long you keep it for is a personal thing — no two swings are alike. If you'd like to find out how to improve these important facets of your technique, why not put me to the test?

Book a lesson with me and we'll find the answers. You'll feel the difference when you get on the course, too.

Regards, **Tim Stadler Head Golf Professional** Pampa Country Club

BY JIM LITKE

AP Sports Columnist

ATLANTA (AP) - Someday soon, Rick Pitino is going to have to explain the tattoo to

his grandkids. But first, he's going to tell them the story of how getting into the Hall of Fame might have been only the second best thing that happened to him on a serendipi-

tous Monday in April

Rick

Pitino

Because barely 12 hours after Pitino became a member of one of the most exclusive clubs in sports, he did something no college basketball coach had ever done. He won a second national championship as Louisville beat Michigan 82-76, a victory that made him the only coach to take two different schools to the top of the heap.

It came 17 years after Pitino's 1996 Kentucky team, a squad loaded with nine future pros, won in a walkover. This team was less about pure talent and more about grit.

Their story begins with Luke Hancock, who recovered from a devastating shoulder injury and made all five of his 3-point attempts to earn the final game's most outstanding player. In what was only its latest display of unity, the team rallied around Kevin Ware, whose season ended 10 days with a gruesome broken leg as he came down at the edge of the court trying to block a shot in last weekend's regional final. Ware was the first guard off the bench and his absence put more pressure on starting guards Peyton Siva and Russ Smith, who already log plenty of minutes making Louisville's

press so effective.

"Probably the 13 toughest guys I ever coached," Pitino said afterward.

Maybe the best week a coach ever had

Now, we'll find out if the coach is as tough as his guys. As payback for the title, Pitino promised to commemorate their tenacity by getting a tattoo.

"They said if you win the national championship, coach, you are getting a tattoo. I said, 'Hell yeah,'" the 60 year-old coach laughed. "I'm getting a tattoo. I owe them."

And there's no chance they'll forgive the debt.

"I told some reporters he should get a lower back tattoo. He said, 'Does it sting?' I said, 'I don't know, I don't have any tattoos," said Siva, who is heavily inked.

"I don't have any tattoos, either," Hancock chimed in. "But we have a couple ideas. I don't think he knew what he was getting into when he signed up for that one."

Frankly, deciding which of the events of the last week of Pitino's life to etch into his skin won't be easy. He's on such a run at the moment that you'd be tempted to tell him to rush out and bet on a horse.

But hold that thought, because Pitino has already done that — and naturally, his horse won that race, too.

Just last Saturday, a thoroughbred he owns by the name of Goldencents captured the Santa Anita Derby, one of the most important prep races on the road to the Kentucky Derby. And just a few days before that, his son, Richard, moved into the top flight of his father's profession, leaving Florida International to take over at Minnesota. So when Pitino blinked beneath the confetti splashing down from the roof of the Georgia Dome and said, "I've

had the greatest life," you got the sense he wasn't kidding.

"I knew this game would be a great game. Two great offensive teams doing battle. Two great backcourts, great front courts, great talent. I was so happy to see that because I knew it would be a great game. Didn't know we'd win," he said, "but I knew it would be a great game."

This latest stretch, like so much of what Pitino accomplished, wasn't about luck or simply finding great players. It was Pitino's ability to knit this group together into a relentless defensive unit, to convince them the only way to run opponents ragged was to run themselves ragged first. If you want to know how successful a salesman he is at selling the team concept, ask Ware.

'You would think we all came out of the same womb,' he said

Ware's absence meant everybody had to log more minutes, but their commitment never wavered. Louisville's constantmotion defense Monday night enabled the Cardinals to crawl back from 12 points down in the first half against the Wolverines, one of the best offensive teams in the game. That was after Louisville came back from 12 down against Wichita State in the semifinal just two nights ago. But they've been doing that to plenty of opponents this season, closing deficits of 10 points or more an incredible seven times in all. "It's just amazing," Siva said. "Kevin was playing such a big part. For him to go down and everyone to rally around him turned out to be a blessing." But only one of many in a week that Pitino will never forget Just in case he does, well, there's always going to be that tattoo to remind him.



tle-blower.

ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) -Rutgers University is pledging to get to the bottom of how a basketball coach who kicked and shoved players and used gay slurs as he yelled at them was allowed to stay on the job — and to make



sure the same thing isn't happening in other sports.

The university said Monday that the school's Board of Governors would meet Thursday to discuss hiring an adviser to report on what went wrong with Mike Rice.

University President Robert Barchi said that employees are going through video of practice sessions from other sports to see if any other troubling behavior needs to be rooted out.

The scandal has had far-reaching implications on the university's athletic department.

Rice was fired on April 3, a day after a video of him at practice was made public. Athletic Director Tim Pernetti later resigned, as did an assistant basketball coach and the university's top in-house lawyer.

On Monday, the university chose former dean Carl Kirschner to serve as acting athletic director while a search is conducted for someone to fill the job permanently.

There's been widespread anger over the video, which was presented to university officials in

told The Associated Press that the FBI is looking into whether the ex-employee, Eric Murdock, unlawfully asked for money in exchange for not making the video public. Gov. Chris Christie said at a news conference Monday that Rice needed to be fired promptly and that his antics cost him credibility with athletes and their families

November by a former basketball

program employee who last week

sued the university, claiming he

was let go because he was a whis-

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nymity because the investigation

has not been made public, has

A person with knowledge of the

"What parent would let this animal back into their living room to try to recruit their son after this video?" he asked.

Christie also said that he wants to know why Rice was not fired even before the university knew about the video of his behavior at practice.

That's a question that the investigation being commissioned by the university could look at.

Questions of who knew what about Rice's behavior and when, and what they did about it, are likely to loom large as the investigations continue.

On Monday, Christie said anyone who knew about the behavior previously and did not act to oust Rice was in the wrong.

SPORTS Briefs

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 11 • JH Track @ District in Dalhart 3:30 p.m.

• Baseball v. River Road 4:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.

• Softball v. River Road 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

• Track @ District in Dalhart.

SATURDAY, APRIL 13

· Baseball @ Borger noon and 3 p.m.

• Softball @ Borger noon and 2 p.m.

• JH Tennis @ Amarillo Tournament 8 a.m.

• JH Swim @ Andrews.

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Court hearing arguments on NFL concussions

PHILADELPHIA (AP) -– Former NFL players trying to sue the league over concussion-linked injuries have argued in court that the NFL "glorified" violence and profited from damaging hits to the head.

Players' lawyer David Frederick also called the NFL's brain-injury committee 'a sham" that spread misinformation.

Frederick's remarks came in a pivotal hearing Tuesday in Philadelphia on lawsuits filed by about 4,200 former players and their families.

Some players are suffering from dementia or depression, and fault the league for rushing them back on the field.

NFL lawyer Paul Clement says the teams bear primary responsibility for health and safety under the players' contract. And he says injury claims belong in arbitration under the collective bargaining agreement.

U.S. District Judge Anita Brody appears most interested in whether the contract gives anyone specific responsibility for latent brain injuries.





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Harvester and Lady Harvester soccer teams reflect on season

By ZACHARY GREEN zgreen@thepampanews.com

The Pampa Harvester and Lady Harvester soccer teams came together at Briarwood Church Monday night to reflect on their seasons.

A slideshow featuring the season's highlights played in the background during dinner and the festivities. After dinner, Julia Soto introduced the girls Head Coach David Willis.

Willis then introduced every player and what position they played. He said it was "a special thing to see the dedication of these girls to play through blood, sweat and weather."

After he introduced the players, he spent some time reflecting on the four seniors. "Hannah Baker shows up ready to play soccer," Willis said. "Soto is 100 percent soccer, 110 percent of the time. She will play sick or tired. I will miss her."

Willis went on to say that Samantha Woodruff bought into the soccer program 110 percent. "Cheyenne Young is a happy-golucky person. She is happy to play wherever we put her."

Willis said it was his first senior class as a head coach. "You girls have set the mold for me on what I should expect from seniors. I cannot thank you enough."

Coach Willis also recognized the 16 letter winners. He said to letter in soccer, one must play in four district games. "I am proud of these letter winners and was happy to have them on the team this year."

Next up was the boys program. Adrian Ramos introduced Head Coach Byron May. "We had lots of young players this season. We didn't have a lot of time to prepare," said May. "The best soccer we played all season was in the second meeting with Palo Duro."

The first meeting between the two teams was in blowing snow conditions in Pampa. The game was called after 25 minutes and Palo Duro won 2-0. In the second meeting, the game was in Amarillo with beautiful weather and Pampa held Palo Duro scoreless the entire second half.

"The behavior outside of town was great. Parents, you would be proud of them. I got used to hearing people tell me how well they behaved, their good sportsmanship and competition," May added.

Coach May then recognized his seniors. Fransisco Garcia was not present at the banquet. "Miguel Blanco played all but one with Pampa. He vear worked himself into a position where our whole formation ran through him," May said. "Zane Robles was an enjoyable person to coach. Adrian Ramos was the key person on our team to get our offensive push going.'

Now was time for the awards.



Photo by Zachary Green

The award winners recognized at Monday night's banquet. From left, Adrian Ramos, boys MVP; Julia Soto, girls Fighting Heart Award winner; Samantha Woodruff, girls MVP with Viante Ellison, not pictured; Cheyene Young, girls "Just Kick It" Award winner; and Zane Robles, the boys Senior Leadership Award winner. The boys also had eight letter winners. The girls had 16 letter winners.

For the girls, the MVP Award was a tie between Woodruff and Viante Ellison. The Fighting Heart Award, the player that gives everything they have, was given to Soto. The "Just Kick It" Award is for the player that shows up ready to play and nothing gets them down. This award was given to Young.

For the boys, the MVP Award was given to Ramos because he was the factor that settled the whole team down. Coach May said that he doesn't think the MVP Award is a fair award for soccer because there is not really a chance for one person to truly shine above the rest. The Senior Leadership Award was given to Robles. "He was a great example of how Pampa should act," May said. The evening was con-

The evening was concluded with the booster club members being recognized and thanked by the players for their support this season.

Lady Harvester track places fifth in Dumas

By ZACHARY GREEN zgreen@thepampanews.com

The Lady Harvester track team traveled to Dumas on Thursday to compete in the Dumas Relays. This would be their last track meet until district which will be on Wednesday and Friday of this week in Dalhart. ter run with a time of 1:08.4.

Giles place fifth in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 48.9.

Hood placed 15th in the 200-meter run with a time of 28.3 and Cummins finished 18th in that same event with a time of 28.5.

Holmes took home first place in the 1,600-meter run

feet, 5 inches.

Kristen Duree placed 10th in the triple jump with a jump of 27 feet, 11 inches. Maci Loggins finished 11th in the same event with a jump of 26 feet, 3 1/4 inches.

Yesenia Soria took second in the 3,200-meter run with a time of 14:20.1. a time of 29.7. Autumn Bridwell placed 12th with a time of 29.9 and Rilee Didway finished 22nd with a time of 32.3.

Soria took fourth in the 1,600-meter run with a time of 6:17.9 and Ontiveros finished 16th with a time of 6:55.2.

The JV team finished

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Cheyene Williams placed first in the shot put and discus events. For the shot put, her throw was 36 feet, 9 1/2 inches. For the discus, her throw was 110 feet, 7 1/2 inches.

Taylor Smith finished fifth in the high jump with a jump of 4 feet, 8 inches.

Ty'Randa Johnson placed sixth in the long jump with a jump of 14 feet, 11 1/2 inches. Samantha Woodruff finished 12th in the same event with a jump of 14 feet, 2 1/2 inches. Johnson also finished sixth in the triple jump with a jump of 31 feet, 2 1/2 inches.

Terra Truitt placed second in the 3200-meter run with a time of 12:37.7. Savanna Hulsey finished second in the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 15.9. Hulsey also placed tenth in the 100-meter dash with a time of 13.0. The Lady Harvesters

4x100-meter relay team finished fifth with a time of 52.5. That team was comprised of Hulsey, Woodruff, Kirsten Hood and Kathlyn Cummins.

Woodruff placed 23rd in the 100-meter dash with a run of 13.6 and Cummins took 25th with a time of 13.8.

J'Cee Holmes finished second in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:29.2. Karoley Villareal placed ninth with a time of 2:54.5 and Michelle Rivera finished 12th with a time of 2:55.7.

Megan Brock, Johnson, Hood and Taylor Giles made up the Lady Harvesters 4x200-meter relay team. That team finished seventh with a time of 1:52.7.

Francheska Bridwell placed 14th in the 400-mewith a time of 5:33.3 and Truitt placed eighth with a time of 5:50.3.

Pampa's 4x400-meter relay team finished fifth with a time of 4:21.3. That team was comprised of Giles, Johnson, Bridwell and Holmes.

As a team, Pampa finished fifth overall with 68 total points.

Junior varsity

The JV Lady Harvester track team also traveled to Dumas on Thursday.

Gracie Brown finished 12th in the shot put and first in the discus. Her shot put was 23 feet, 3 inches. Her discus throw was 85 Jaycee Devoll placed sixth in the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 18.4.

Loggins finished 13th in the 100-meter dash with a time of 14.1. Autumn Bridwell placed 14th in that event with a time of 14.2 and Duree finished 19th with a time of 14.6.

Vanessa Ontiveros placed seventh in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:55.1. Marlee Youree finished eighth in the event with a time of 2:56.5.

Millie Borunda placed tenth for the Lady Harvesters in the 400-meter run with a time of 1:09.8. Loggins placed tenth in the 200-meter dash with sixth as a team with 23 total points.



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