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From left, Bill Cortner, Army; Dannie Miller, Army; Danny Martin, Army; and Clyde Trusty, Navy. The Commander's Ride will begin and end Saturday in Pampa to raise money for homeless veterans in Texas.

Ride for homeless veterans on Saturday

BY TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE
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Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 1657 and Motorcycle Group 28 are hosting the Commander's Ride on Saturday to raise money for homeless veterans in Texas.

The ride begins at 8 a.m. at the VFW Annex, 1100 S. Barnes St. From there, the ride goes to the Texas Panhandle War Memorial in Amarillo.

The next stop will be for lunch at the Big Texan restaurant. Next on the agenda is a stop in Claude for the dedication of the Charles H.

Roan Armstrong County Veterans Memorial. Roan was killed in action during World War II and was awarded the Medal of Honor posthumously.

After the dedication ceremony, the riders will proceed to the big white cross in Groom and then head back to the Freedom Museum in Pampa.

By then, it will be supper time. The riders will gather at the VFW Annex for pulled-pork barbecue and sausage on stick. Cost per meal is \$5.

VFW member Clyde Trusty said this is the first year for the Com-

mander's Ride.

Newly elected State Commander Sylvia Sanchez has chosen the homeless veterans fund as one of her charities for this year, Trusty said.

"Every year the state commander picks different charities," he said.

Sanchez is the state's first female VFW commander and will be participating on the ride.

Trusty said he hopes the ride not only draws VFW members from Pampa, but from throughout the state's District 9, which covers most of the Panhandle.

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PAWS to hold 'Dip and Chip' event Saturday

Free flea and tick prevention and affordable micro-chipping offered to public.

BY JOHN LEE
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Discovering a pet has fleas or ticks can be terrifying for an owner. Even worse, some owners unintentionally take for granted that their furry loved ones have never had these minute pests.

This is true until one day while rubbing their pup's belly, getting a hug from their large dog or scratching their kitty's ear they find a tick or flea. It can send an owner into a panic attack but realistically it is easy to prevent. Pampa Animal Welfare Society (PAWS) is holding a "Dip and Chip" event this Saturday as an option for pet owners. The event will run from noon-3 p.m. at the old animal shelter under the trees.

"Fleas and ticks carry a lot of diseases," said Kadda Schale of PAWS. "This event is one way to keep pests off pets."

According to www.dogsandticks.com some of the tick-borne diseases include Lyme disease, ehrlichiosis, anaplasmosis and others. Just a few symptoms which appear to be common among the fore-mentioned diseases are loss of appetite, fatigue and bruising on the gums and stomach. Other risks with the ticks are that the dogs will scratch where they were bit which

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Submitted photo

'Chip and Dip' your furry friend this Saturday.

GOLDEN HORSESHOE MERCHANT HINT

I really have to get this stuff picked up before the rodeo. Look good. Smell good. Oh yes, that's me.

Ram Rodeo series rides into town

Pickup truck event makes return to rodeo.

STAFF REPORT

The Ram Rodeo Series is riding into Pampa at 7:30 p.m. from Aug. 8-10, taking place at Top O' Texas Rodeo Arena to sponsor the Top O' Texas Rodeo.

At this year's Top O' Texas Rodeo, fans will have a variety of attractions to visit.

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rodeo for all the latest in cowboy and cowgirl fashion and trends.

Check out the Latest Ram Trucks. Fans can visit the Ram Trucks display put on by Fenton Dodge Chrysler Jeep at the rodeo and enter the Ram Rodeo Sweepstakes for a chance to win \$45,000 toward any eligible Chrysler vehicle.

Know your grub. Whether you like your chili with beans or without, and your brisket and ribs dripping in sauce or dry, there will not be a shortage of great food from local vendors.

Bucking excitement. The Ram Rodeo event starts at 7 p.m. with live event categories.

For more information, call Arrie

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Gov. Perry calls 3rd special session

BY AMAN BATHEJA AND ELIZABETH KOH
 The Texas Tribune

Just over an hour after lawmakers ended their second 30-day special session of the year, Gov. Rick Perry called lawmakers back for a third one, with transportation funding the only issue on the agenda.



Rick Perry

"When it comes to transportation, the stakes facing our state could not be higher, and a failure to act now could take years — if not most of a decade — to correct, as traffic congestion increases and harms our quality of life," Perry said in a statement announcing the call.

News of the call was apparent to leaders of the House and Senate earlier Tuesday as they wrapped up the second session's last day.

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PAMPA FORECAST

Today	Friday	Saturday
		
High 94 Low 70	High 101 Low 72	High 100 Low 70

Today: Mostly sunny with a high of 94 degrees. Winds south at 14 mph. Sunrise at 6:52 a.m. Chance of rain 20 percent.

Tonight: Partly cloudy with a low of 70 degrees. Winds south at 16 mph. Sunset at 8:47 p.m. Chance of rain 20 percent.

Friday: Sunny with a high of 101. Wind south-southwest at 20 mph. Sunrise at 6:53 a.m. Chance of rain 10 percent.

Friday night: Clear with a low of 72 degrees. Winds south-southwest at 14 mph. Sunset at 8:46 p.m. No chance of rain.

Saturday: Mostly sunny with a high of 100 degrees. Winds south-southwest at 18 mph. Sunrise at 6:54 a.m. Chance of rain 10 percent.

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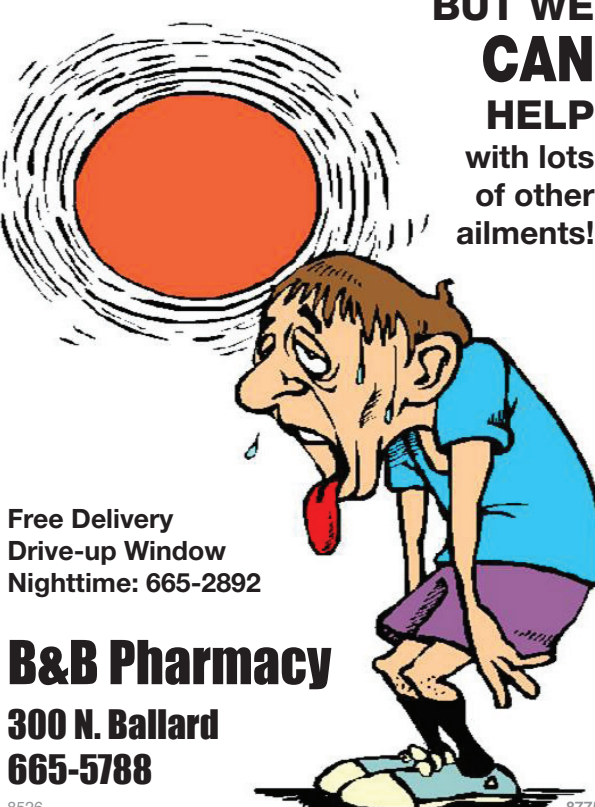
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Pampa Fire Department call log – July 30-31

STAFF REPORT

The Pampa Fire Department responded to these calls for the following dates. One unit with three personnel responded to each call, unless otherwise indicated.

July 30

- At 11:28 a.m., to a Hazmat call in the 1400 block of North Hobart.
- At 2:19 p.m., two units and seven personnel to a smoke scare in the 11000 block of West McCullough.
- At 7:53 p.m., one unit and four personnel to a false alarm at state Highway 60 and Cuyler.

July 31

- At 7:15 a.m., one unit and four personnel to a medical assist in the 600 block of North Somner
- At 9:08 a.m., one unit and four personnel to a Hazmat call in the 1400 block of North Hobart.
- At 9:56 a.m., two units and five personnel to a public education call in the 1600 block of North Banks.
- At 12:59 p.m., one unit and four personnel to a medical assist in the 800 block of East Scott.

Israeli-Palestinian aim: A peace deal in 9 months

WASHINGTON (AP) — Pressing ahead in a new U.S.-backed push for Middle East peace, Israeli and Palestinian negotiators agreed Tuesday to meet again within two weeks to start substantive talks in hopes of reaching a long-elusive settlement within nine months.

Speaking after the two sides wrapped up an initial two days of talks at the State Department and visited President Barack Obama at the White House, Secretary of State John Kerry said Israel and the

Palestinians were committed to sustained and serious negotiations on the “core issues” that divide them. The next round will take place in either Israel or the Palestinian territories before mid-August, he said.

Kerry said he was aware of the deep doubts surrounding the new peace effort and acknowledged that the road would be difficult.

Yet, he said, “While I understand the skepticism, I don’t share it. And I don’t think we have time for it.”

All issues, including contentious disputes over the

status of the territories and Jerusalem, are “on the table for negotiation, and they are on the table with one simple goal: a view to ending the conflict,” Kerry said.

The U.S. had already said the negotiations would continue for at least nine months — roughly until the end of April 2014 — but that had not been set as a timeframe for reaching a deal.

Kerry and both sides agreed that neither would walk away from the talks or take actions that could disrupt them for that period,

two senior U.S. officials said. The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they weren’t authorized to discuss diplomatic talks.

However, the officials also said they expect that the Israelis, over U.S. objections, will continue constructing housing for Jewish settlers on land claimed by the Palestinians over the course of the negotiations, an indication the Palestinians are serious about dropping their longstanding demand for a settlement freeze before returning to talks.

Don Hooton urges Congress on steroids education

McKINNEY (AP) — The father of a high school baseball player who died after using steroids has written to every member of Congress, criticizing the government’s lack of funding for drug education programs.

Donald Hooton testified at the 2005 congressio-

nal hearings that featured Mark McGwire, Sammy Sosa and other major leaguers.

Taylor Hooton was 17 when he committed suicide in 2003. His parents think the suicide stemmed from depression that followed Taylor’s decision to stop using steroids. Don-

ald Hooton established The Taylor Hooton Foundation to promote awareness of the steroids problem among youth.

“After all the grandstanding before the TV cameras that day, our federal government has not instituted any form of education program for our

children, and it hasn’t invested any time or effort in raising awareness about scope of the problem.” Hooton wrote in his July 18 letter, which was made available to The Associated Press. “As a result, the steroid usage problem by our children has not gotten any better.”

Defense seeks merger of some Manning verdicts

FORT MEADE, Md. (AP) — It is now up to a military judge to determine if Army Pfc. Bradley Manning will spend the rest of his life in prison even after being acquitted of the most serious charge against him for his release of thousands of documents to the website WikiLeaks.

The sentencing phase of the soldier’s court-martial began Wednesday. He faces up to 136 years in prison, though his attorneys have asked the military judge to merge two of his espionage convictions and two of his theft convictions. If Army Col. Denise Lind agrees to do so, he would face up to 116 years in prison.

The former intelligence analyst was convicted of 20 of 22 charges for sending hundreds of thousands of government and diplomatic secrets to WikiLeaks, but he was found not guilty of aiding the enemy, which alone could have meant life in prison without parole.

“We’re not celebrating,” defense attorney David Coombs said. “Ultimately, his sentence is all that really matters.”

Military prosecutors said they would call as many as 20 witnesses for the sentencing phase. The government said as many as half of the prosecution witnesses would testify about classified matters in closed court. They include experts on counterintelligence, strategic

planning and terrorism.

The judge prohibited both sides from presenting evidence during trial about any actual damage the leaks caused to national security and troops in Afghanistan and Iraq, but lawyers will be allowed to bring that up at sentencing.

The release of diplomatic cables, warzone logs and videos embarrassed the U.S. and its allies. U.S. officials warned of dire consequences in the days immediately after the first disclosures in July 2010, but a Pentagon review later suggested those fears might have been overblown.

The judge also restricted evidence about Manning’s motives. Manning testified during a pre-trial hearing he leaked the material to expose U.S. military “bloodlust” and diplomatic deceitfulness, but did not believe his actions would harm the country. He didn’t testify during the trial, but he could take the stand during the sentencing phase.

Lisa Windsor, a retired Army colonel and former judge advocate, said the punishment phase would focus on Manning’s motive and the harm that was done by the leak.

“You’re balancing that to determine what would be an appropriate sentence. I think it’s likely that he’s going to be in jail for a very long time,” said Windsor, now in private practice in Washington.

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Local Happenings

TFC holds yard sale

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Trinity Fellowship Church will be hosting a multi-family and church yard sale from 8 a.m. to noon on Aug. 3. Proceeds from this sale will go toward TFC’s Kingdom Builders Fund. A truck was purchased to aid the Harvest House in Amarillo with money from the Kingdom Builders Fund. The church will be sell-

ing many items. There are eight arcade games and other gaming systems, furniture, and teaching materials are among the things the church will be selling.

For questions about Trinity Fellowship, the Kingdom Builders Fund, or this event please contact the pastor’s wife, Ashley Williams, at 806-663-6270.

Tickets on sale for ‘Duck Dynasty’ speakers

Tralee Crisis Center is honored to be hosting special guest speakers Miss Kay and Jep from A&E’s “Duck Dynasty.” The program is called “Bringing Honor to the Table” In observance of Domestic Violence Awareness Month. The event will take place

on Saturday, Oct. 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the M.K. Memorial Brown Auditorium on 1000 W. Sumner. The cost of tickets is \$50 per person. Tickets will go on sale at noon, Aug. 1 and can be purchased at United Supermarkets or at panhandletickets.com.

AgriLife Extension: Wheat, feed grains marketing opportunity slipping away

SUBMITTED BY TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION

AMARILLO — Producers holding wheat or feed grains have a great opportunity to cash in on an extremely strong basis for any stocks of wheat and/or feed grains on hand, said a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service economist. Dr. Steve Amosson, AgriLife Extension economist in Amarillo, said the wheat basis, which is the cash price minus the futures’ price, is around 10 cents.

“This is a unique marketing opportunity,” Amosson said. “I checked the data back to 1976 and we have never had a positive basis for wheat at this time of year.”

“The average for the previous five years is a negative 70 cents. I’m recommending producers go ahead and market any wheat they have on hand to capture this extremely strong basis. If they think prices are going to rise, they can re-own the wheat

by buying the board or buying a call using the December contract. That will allow producers to capture the extremely strong basis and remain in the market if they wish.”

Amosson said he believes this is happening because the supply pipeline for feed and other uses is basically empty.

“End users are scrambling for anything they can use and are willing to pay a premium,” he said. “I expect the basis to fall as the new crop corn, which is anticipated to be at a record level, gets harvested. I don’t think this marketing opportunity will be around much longer since corn harvest has already started in South Texas.”

Amosson said the same advice applies to any supplies of feed grains producers might have on hand. The current corn basis is around \$1.45/bushel. That is approximately \$1.30 to \$1.40 above the normal basis for the region.

THIS WEEK'S WINNER



Submitted photo

Tonya Gonzales, left, is this week's Pampa United Way's basket winner, which was held Monday at Happy State Bank. With Gonzales is Jana Gregory, United Way executive administrator.

Pets

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could open the wound and cause bleeding.

The way the event works is the pet is simply dipped and covered in flea/tick prevention solution and the solution works for roughly three to four weeks, depending on the care of the pets' yard and whether he/she is an indoor or outdoor pet.

"The best thing to do is after having them dipped is to treat the yard," Schale said. "Keep the yard clear of debris and dog droppings. It should also be mowed regularly."

The "chip" part of the event includes micro-chipping the pets for \$20 a chip. This allows owners to have a pet chipped which allows for the animal shelters, or those who retrieve missing pets, to be able to contact the pet's owner.

"When they are picked up, that is the first thing they are checked for," Schale said.

Schale said they even had an incident recently where they picked up a dog who was from California. PAWS was able to contact the owner in California and send the dog back.

The chip is injected into the pet via a needle, which Schale said is of "good size," but most pets get over the pain quickly. Some don't even react to the injection. The chip is the size of a grain of rice and is injected between the shoulders. Schale said it is important should a family move or change phone numbers, they need to change the contact information with the microchip company.

For more information on PAWS, visit their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/PampaAnimalWelfareSociety.

Trucks

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Ledley at 973-588.2040.

Truck teams

An old favorite is returning to the 67th annual Top O' Texas Rodeo.

Spectators will be entertained while enjoying barbecue on Thursday, Aug. 8 by the RAM Pickup Race.

Session

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Standing before mostly empty chairs in the 150-member Texas House, House Speaker Joe Straus adjourned the second special session and announced that Perry would be calling them all back for a third special session later in the day.

After gaveling in the House at 2:36 p.m., Straus briefly thanked members for their time and hard work during the second special session before acknowledging Perry would probably call a third special session 30 minutes after both chambers had officially adjourned the second special session.

"See you in 30 minutes," he quipped, telling the few dozen House members in the Capitol to stick around for the opening of the third session.

The Senate convened briefly Tuesday afternoon and then quickly went into a "caucus of the whole," in which the full body meets in a room to speak privately.

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The barbecue is free to all ticket holders. This pickup race has provided many chills, spills and laughs over the years.

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The race begins with team members exiting a Dodge RAM pickup, unloading a trailered horse and saddling it. Each team member must ride the horse down the arena and around a barrel. The horse is then unsaddled and loaded back into the trailer.

Time will stop when both team members have returned to the pickup and closed both doors. Teams will be competing for custom-made belt buckles.

Entries are now open and are limited to the first 9 teams.

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Ride

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"It's for anybody in the state who wants to ride," he said.

Donations will be accepted for the state's homeless veterans fund.

According to the National Coalition for the Homeless, approximately 40 percent of homeless men are veterans although veterans comprise only 34 percent of the general adult male population. The coalition estimates that on any given night, 200,000 veterans in the U.S. are homeless,

and 400,000 veterans will experience homelessness during the course of a year.

In Texas, Trusty said, there are more homeless veterans living in the south than in the north.

But that doesn't mean it's not an issue in Pampa or the Panhandle.

"We have several here in town," he said. "All the way from Vietnam to Iraq and Afghanistan."

Those not going on the ride but wishing to make a donation to the fund can do so at the VFW post, 105 S. Cuyler St.

For more information, call Trusty at 806-662-9737.

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Both GOP and Democrats have party problems

Since last November's election there has been a lot of punditry about the fissures and schisms in the Republican Party. The divisions are real, and some of the commentary has been revealing.

There has been less of a look at fissures and schisms in the Democratic Party. They're real, as well. Most House Democrats voted against the Obama administration on NSA surveillance

after Stevens was defeated by 1 percentage point by Democrat Mark Begich; the party switch of Pennsylvania's Arlen Specter; the superior lawyering that gave Democrat Al Franken a victory in a very close contest in Minnesota.

Oscar Wilde said that he could resist everything but temptation. Democratic leaders could not resist the temptation provided by that 60-vote supermajority. Even after Scott Brown's special election victory in Massachusetts deprived them of the 60th vote, Pelosi squeezed out just enough votes to push Obamacare through.

Some of those votes came from Blue Dog Democrats elected from relatively conservative districts. Without such moderates, Democrats would not have maintained their majorities in the House during most of the years from 1958 to 1994.

The unpopularity of the stimulus package and Obamacare resulted in the defeat or retirement of most of the Blue Dogs. Their numbers fell from 54 in 2009 to 26 after 2010 to only 14 in 2012. A historic Democratic constituency largely disappeared, and so did Democrats' majority in the House.

Democratic numbers were further reduced by Pelosi's decision to pass cap-and-trade environmental legislation in June 2009. That decision favored the Democrats' urban green constituency over its historic constituencies in coal and oil country.

It was particularly surprising, since cap-and-trade's prospects in the Senate were never good. So coal and oil country Democrats were sacrificed for nothing. West Virginia, once safely Democratic, voted 62 percent for the not-culturally-Appalachian Mitt Romney.

This year Senate Democratic leader Harry Reid made a similar choice when he threatened to eliminate the requirement of 60 votes to overcome a filibuster unless Republicans agreed to allow confirmation of members of the National Labor Relations Board.

This favored the party's labor union constituency, which feared the Supreme Court would affirm an appeals court decision declaring Obama's recess ap-

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MICHAEL BARONE

last week. This shouldn't be surprising. America's two political parties need to get 50 percent of the votes, or nearly that, to win elections. That's difficult in a diverse country with significant cultural and economic differences.

The Democratic Party has managed to do that in two consecutive presidential elections, for the first time in three-quarters of a century. But holding that majority together has been harder.

But Democrats have failed to win majorities in the House of Representatives in the last two congressional elections, and in eight of 10 elections over the last two decades.

In the years of the Obama presidency, the president and congressional Democratic leaders have made a series of choices on legislation and policy that have alienated some of the party's major constituencies.

The first was to vastly expand the size and scope of government by passing the \$787 billion stimulus package in February 2009 and passing Obamacare in March 2010.

That choice was not inevitable. Democrats didn't take a similar course during most of the Clinton presidency.

But Democrats in 2009 had a large House majority and a determined and effective leader in Speaker Nancy Pelosi. And in the Senate they had a supermajority of 60 votes during critical months in 2009 and 2010.

That was the result of some lucky (or unlucky) political accidents — the prosecution by the Bush administration Justice Department of Republican Sen. Ted Stevens, a prosecution overturned

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Benefits of NSA's data mining versus the risks

On the night of March 10, 2004, in the intensive care unit of a hospital located just blocks away



BRUNO BALTODANO

from the White House, John Ashcroft, then the U.S. attorney general under President George W. Bush, redeemed his political legacy — which was no simple matter, given that Ashcroft once lost a Senate race in the state of Missouri to a dead man.

As he lay critically ill, having just had his gallbladder removed, Ashcroft was confronted by then White House Counsel Alberto R. Gonzales who wanted him to reauthorize a warrant-less surveillance program, which the Justice Department had just deemed illegal.

The story goes that Ashcroft, somehow, summoned the strength to lift his head and tell Gonzales

to propel those papers deep into his own intestinal track.

How intrusive should our government be in the name of national security?

There's no easy answer because, either way, the country loses. If you ask the "intelligence community," they will tell you that data gathered from spying on its citizens is supremely valuable in the War on Terror. But, according to a Washington Post poll from last week, 74 percent of those surveyed believe that intruding on the privacy rights of Americans is unacceptable.

After 9/11, the George W. Bush administration, out of necessity, created a counter-terrorism infrastructure that stretched the bounds of American law. President Bush's original surveillance program collected the contents of telephone calls and e-mails. This was done without court orders and outside statutory regulations. It was that program that Ashcroft, to his credit, refused to rubber-stamp.

That warrant-less surveillance program eventually led us to the current scandal over the (not so secret now) Obama administration collecting "meta-data" logs of social media and phone communications of "ordinary Americans" — not to mention people from other countries.

This is done purportedly to maximize national security.

We ordinary Americans may ask the following questions:

What in heavens do they do with this data?

Thanks to leaks from former National Security Association contractor Edward J. Snowden, we know now that the NSA uses the metadata to "analyze links between people to try to identify networks of terrorism suspects, or contact chaining." These "investigative leads" are then submitted to the FBI and the CIA to follow.

However they choose to call it, this is what makes ordinary Americans (including me) feel very

angry and uncomfortable. I didn't like Bush snooping into my private life and I surely don't like Obama doing it either.

Even so, given that terrorism remains the biggest threat to national security (let's not forget Boston), the next question for us, "ordinary Americans" becomes: How important is the data they gathered to the War on Terror?

According to Martha Crenshaw, one of the foremost experts on terrorism, this data is useful in what is called "a broad area search." The first step taken by intelligence agencies is to collect as much data as they can, then search for clues that lead to a more focused search for useful or "actionable intelligence." In other words, they first put together a big haystack of data (aka, "big data") and, then, they try to find the needle in that haystack. This two-step approach was successfully used in the hunt for Osama bin Laden.

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Are we Rome yet?

Unfortunately, the fall of Rome is a pattern repeated by empires throughout history ... including ours?



JOHN STOSSEL

A group of libertarians gathered in Las Vegas recently for an event called "FreedomFest." We debated

whether America will soon fall, as Rome did.

Historian Carl Richard said that today's America resembles Rome. The Roman Republic had a constitution, but Roman leaders often ignored it. "Marius was elected consul six years in a row, even though under the constitution (he) was term-limited to one year."

Sounds like New York City's Mayor Bloomberg. "We have presidents of both parties legislating by executive order, saying I'm not going to enforce certain laws because I don't like them. ... That open flouting of the law is dangerous because law ceases to have meaning. ... I see that today. ... Congress passes huge laws they haven't even read (as well as) oversteering, overtaxing and devaluing the currency." The Romans were worse. I object to President

Obama's \$100 million dollar trip, but Nero traveled with 1,000 carriages.

Tiberius established an "office of imperial pleasures," which gathered "beautiful boys and girls from all corners of the world" so, as Tacitus put it, the emperor "could defile them."

Emperor Commodus held a show in the Colosseum at which he personally killed five hippos, two elephants, a rhinoceros and a giraffe.

To pay for their excesses, emperors devalued the currency. (Doesn't our Fed do that by buying \$2 trillion of government debt?)

Nero reduced the silver content of coins to 95 percent. Then Trajan reduced it to 85 percent and so on. By the year 300, wheat that once cost eight Roman dollars cost 120,000 Roman dollars.

The president of the Foundation for Economic Education, Lawrence Reed, warned that Rome, like America, had an expanding welfare state. It started with "subsidized grain. The government gave it away at half price. But the problem was that they couldn't stop there ... a man named Claudius ran for Tribune on a platform of free wheat for the masses. And won. It was downhill from there." Soon, to appease angry voters, emperors gave

away or subsidized olive oil, salt and pork. People lined up to get free stuff.

Rome's government, much like ours, wasn't good at making sure subsidies flowed only to the poor, said Reed: "Anybody could line up to get these goods, which contributed to the ultimate bankruptcy of the Roman state."

As inflation increased, Rome, much like the U.S. under President Nixon, imposed wage and price controls. When people objected, Emperor Diocletian denounced their "greed," saying, "Shared humanity urges us to set a limit."

Doesn't that sound like today's anti-capitalist politicians?

Diocletian was worse than Nixon. Rome enforced controls with the death penalty — and forbid people to change professions. Emperor Constantine decreed that those who broke such rules "be bound with chains and reduced to servile condition."

Eventually, Rome's empire was so large — and people so resentful of centralized control — that generals in outlying regions began declaring independence from Rome.

At FreedomFest, Matt Kibbe, president of the tea party group FreedomWorks, also argued that America could soon collapse like Rome did.

"The parallels are quite ominous — the debt, the expansionist foreign policy, the arrogance of executive power taking over our country," says Kibbe. "But I do think we have a chance to stop it."

That's a big difference between today's America and yesterday's Rome. We have movements like the tea party and libertarianism and events like FreedomFest that alert people to the danger in imperial Washington and try to fight it. If they can wake the public, we have hope.

The triumph of liberty is not inevitable, though. And empires do crumble.

Rome's lasted the longest. The Ottoman Empire lasted 623 years. China's Song, Qing and Ming dynasties each lasted about 300 years.

We've lasted just 237 years so far — sometimes behaving like a republic and sometimes an empire. In that time, we've accomplished amazing things, but we shouldn't take our continued success for granted.

Freedom and prosperity are not natural. In human history, they're rare.

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They say that “good social science research leads to good public policy.” The G.W. Bush administration invested heavily on developing new research about terrorism because of the attacks on 9/11. So, from their efforts, we learned the following: Research supports the NSA’s argument that the (big) data they are collecting can be useful in preventing future foreign terrorist attacks.

Most of the plots that have been foiled by the NSA monitoring programs were overseas. From the history of terrorist plots and attacks to the United States since 9/11 we know that most plots take a long time to develop. Moreover, in foreign countries (even those that we call our allies) we can’t necessarily rely on local authorities to conduct good police work.

But the other thing we’ve learned is that the most effective tools in preventing domestic terrorist attacks in the U.S. are simple, old-fashioned police methods (again, remember Boston).

According to a report from the National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses

to Terrorism, out of 109 failed plots within the United States since 9/11, more than 75 percent were foiled at least in part because of traditional law enforcement methods, and not from NSA surveillance.

The final question then becomes: Does this make YOU feel any better about it?

Some of us, rightfully, do not feel better, at all. I prefer to read about “secret FISA courts” and “warrantless searches” in the writings of Tom Clancy, not in real-time newspapers.

Another part of me recognizes that, regardless of partisan chatter about data mining, in terms of national security “big data” has a place in the intelligence community – if it is managed properly, but I realize that is a BIG IF.

In real life, terrorist attacks are not foiled by computer programs. The most effective weapon against terrorism remains our law enforcement officials and “ordinary Americans” who not only see and report tangible leads but who also stand up for their rights.

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pointments to the NLRB invalid.

The unions want favorable NLRB rulings over the next three years. Reid acted at their behest even though there’s a good chance Republicans will regain a Senate majority in 2014, in which case changing the filibuster rule would hurt Democrats.

But he wasn’t willing to change the filibuster rule on judgeship nominations — something the party’s feminist constituency would love. Reid favored the unions and shoved the

feminists under the bus. Campaigning is about assembling majority coalitions. But to govern, as John Kennedy said, is to choose. In particular, governing requires choosing to favor one constituency over another. That can result in the disassembling of a majority coalition.

Democrats aren’t necessarily doomed in 2014 or 2016. But they are weaker because of the choices their leaders have made.

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Beat the Heat, Check the Back Seat: National Heat Stroke Prevention Day

SUBMITTED BY NOAA

The days may be getting shorter, and summer vacation may be coming to an end, but the heat of summer is just reaching its peak.

The average high temperature for the month of August in Lubbock, TX is 91 degrees, and temperatures in the 90s are possible through the beginning of October in West Texas.

That means the chances for a death as a result of heat stroke, in particular heat stroke as a result of vehicular hyperthermia, are still very high through early fall. On average, 38 children die annually from vehicular hyperthermia (average from 1998 to the present), which is the leading cause of non-crash-related fatalities among children age 14 and younger (61 percent of all fatalities). So far this year there have been 23 deaths as a result of vehicular hyperthermia.

The child safety advocacy group Safe Kids Worldwide and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration have designated July 31, 2013 as National Heat

Stroke Prevention Day, and requests that awareness be raised about children’s death by heat stroke and how to prevent it. There is a brochure being distributed by www.safekids.org with examples of how to utilize social media to raise awareness for heat stroke prevention.

Raising awareness, however, does not have to be limited to social media alone, and everyone is encouraged to use means they see fit to help raise awareness.

West Texas residents are urged to learn about this dangerous weather hazard and the safety rules that can save the life of a young child or pet.

Businesses and local governments should review their emergency action preparedness plans in the event a child is found left in a closed, locked vehicle alone. Residents are also urged to remind staff and employees about leaving their children alone in a vehicle. Emergency managers may wish to work with their media partners to promote specialized local awareness campaigns.



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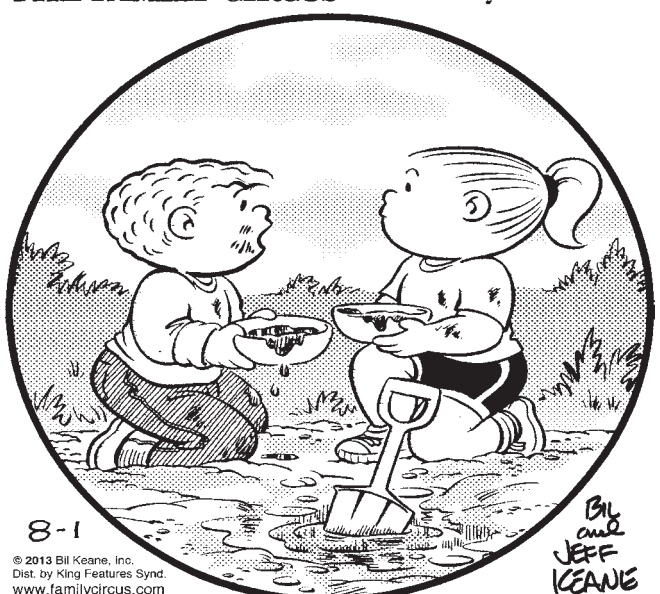
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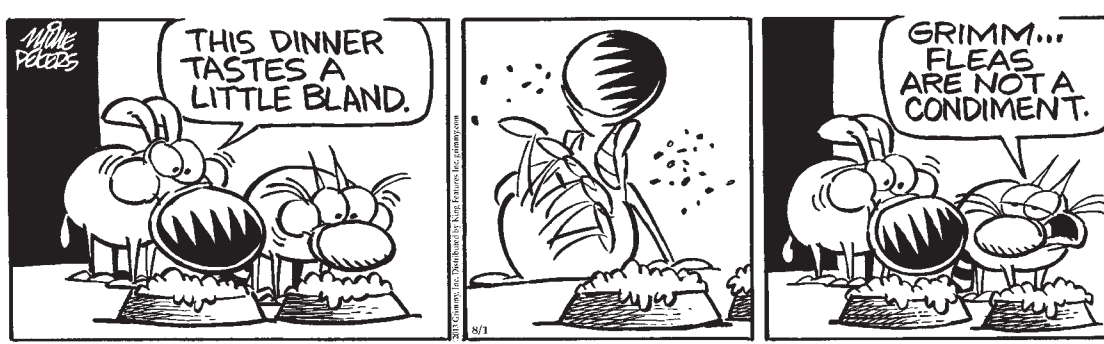
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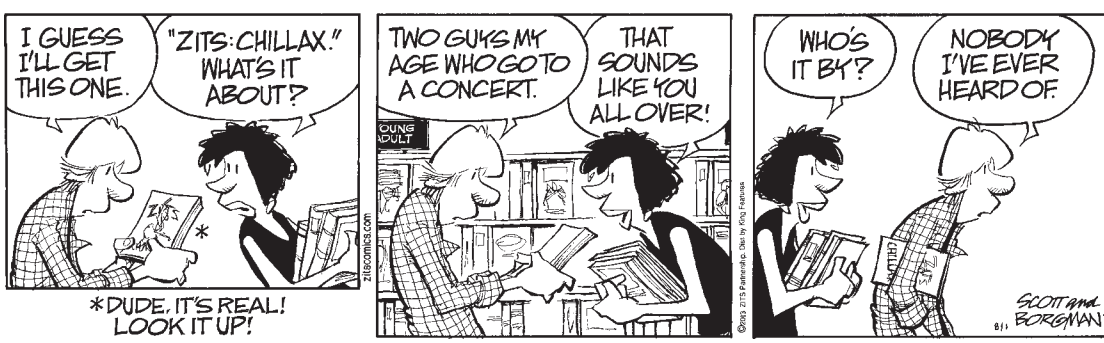
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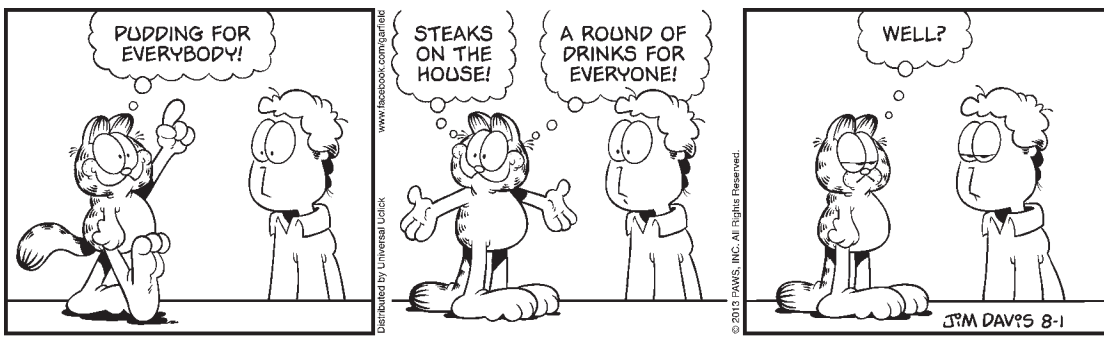
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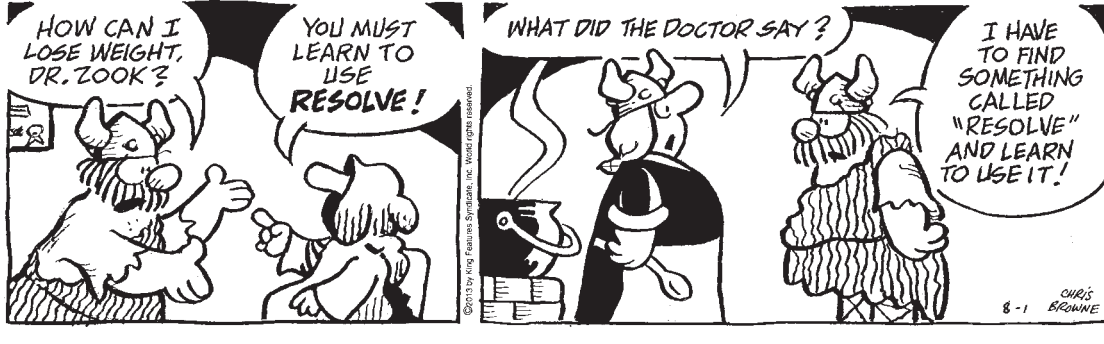
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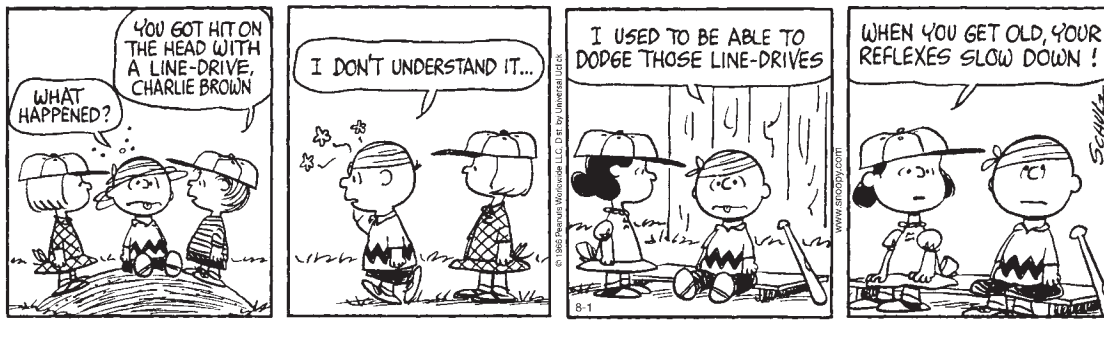
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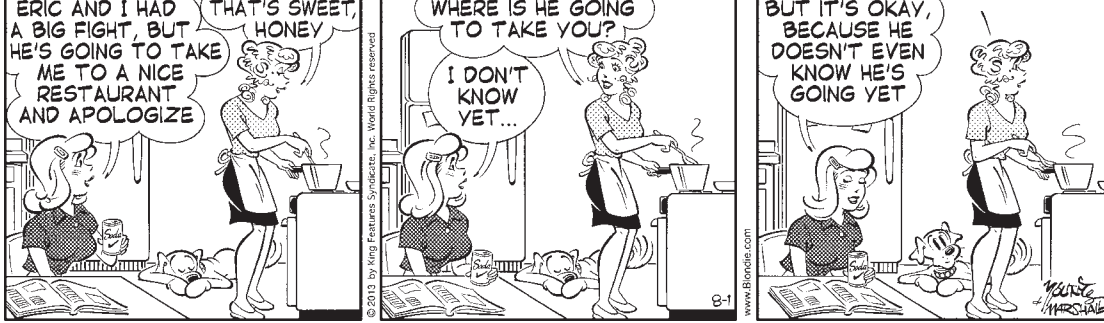
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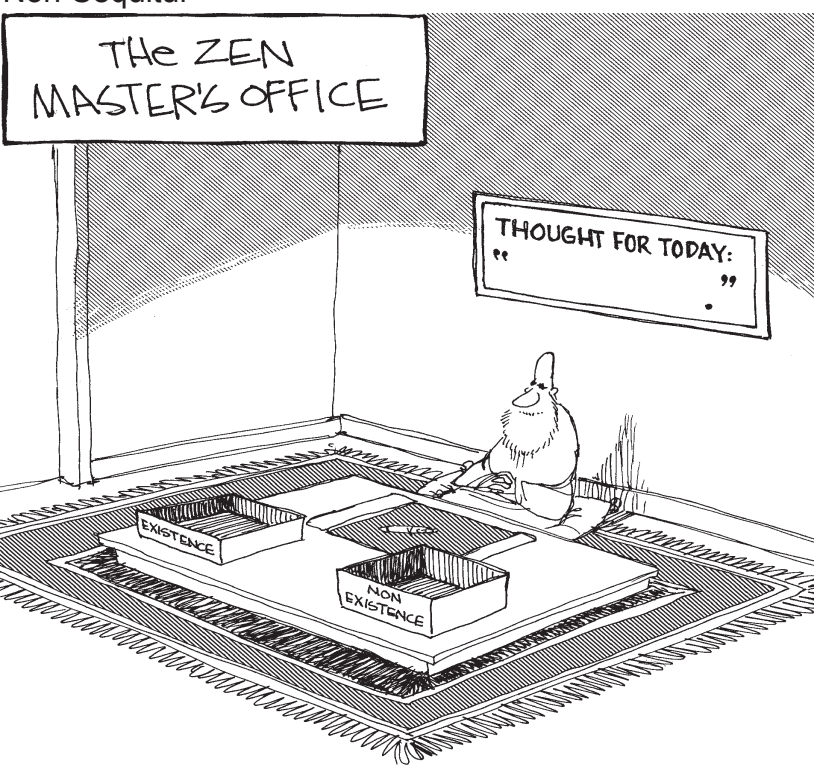
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daily horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Aug. 2, 2013:
This year you will be in the last year of a 12-year cycle. Be willing to eliminate what does not work if you can't make the necessary adjustments. You will want to enter the next phase of your life with as few problems as possible. If you are single, a potential sweetie could knock on your door. Be sure that this person is emotionally available before you jump in and commit. If you are attached, the two of you will benefit from taking some time away from everything. You will start acting like newlyweds before you know it!
CANCER understands you almost too well.
ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ You will accomplish a lot in a small amount of time. You also will be able to straighten out a misunderstanding that could have been a problem. Communication flourishes. Make plans for a late lunch, or take the day off to go on a day adventure. Explore. Tonight: Out and about.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ Finally, you'll have the energy you have been wishing for. An emotional conversation could remind you to be more expressive than you have been lately. (Sometimes you assume that someone else knows how you feel, but perhaps you are wrong. Tonight: Be a little naughty!)
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ You might feel as if you have accomplished a lot. Before spending any more money on a particular venture, consider whether it really will pan out. Do some price comparisons, and then decide whether it is a luxury or a necessity. Be smart. Tonight: Bring your friends together.
CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★ You'll want to do your own thing, and you have the energy to complete an important task. Do not hold back, and know full well where you are heading with an issue. A discussion of a sensitive nature would be best postponed until tomorrow. Tonight: Love the one you're with.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ A meeting could set the tone for the day, as an intuitive response from a friend or an associate will warn you that there might be more going on than meets the eye. Think carefully about what is causing a sense of frustration or possibly anger. Tonight: Accept an invitation to join

friends.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Honor a sense of responsibility. You know where you are heading and why. Expect a loved one to feel differently from how you do; know that this person won't hesitate to express those feelings. Sometimes you can't seem to reach a compromise. Tonight: Run errands first.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ You could be dealing with a touchy situation that involves a special person in your life. Realize that you will need to take a stand. Listen and try to understand where this person is coming from. You might choose to say nothing and just observe. Tonight: Togetherness works.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Rest assured that you'll have the support you need as you pursue an unusual solution. You could be full of get-up-and-go. Listen to news with a more open mind. You'll be able to see several alternatives and possibly a better course of action. Tonight: Catch up with a dear friend.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Others have a way of taking the lead again, but you might decide to undermine their position. The more gently you proceed and the less anger you bring to the situation, the better your success. Tonight: Join your friends for some fun. After all, it is Friday night!
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Considering everything that you might want to accomplish, it would be wise to put a little more time into a project. A partner could get upset if you're not free to join him or her. Understand that he or she really would like your company. Tonight: Better late than never. Join friends.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Tap into your ingenuity to finish a project quickly. You might want to take the day off, or throw a party with friends. Your playful manner attracts many people. What others might not realize is the amount of effort you've made to free yourself up. Tonight: Let the good times roll.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ You still might be a bit nervous. You will relax when you decide to find a way to eliminate some of the stress and tension around you. A partner would be only too happy to help you find the right path. Open up to new ideas -- they might work. Tonight: Chill out, then decide.

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Texas A&M freshman, Utah recruit killed in crash

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Texas A&M said Tuesday that redshirt freshman Polo Manukainiu and a friend who was joining the Utah football team this fall were among three people killed in a single-car rollover crash in the high desert of northern New Mexico, stunning both schools just days before fall practices begin.

Manukainiu, a 19-year-old defensive lineman for the Aggies, and 18-year-old Utah recruit Gaius "Keio" Vaenuku were killed, officials from both schools said. The wreck happened Monday evening on U.S. 550 near Cuba, N.M., about 85 miles north of Albuquerque, as the group of five was returning from Salt Lake City to suburban Dallas, where three of them had ties to prep football power Trinity High School in Euless.

The southbound 2002 Toyota Sequoia drifted off the sagebrush-lined highway, New Mexico State Police spokesman Emmanuel T. Gutierrez said. The driver, 18-year-old Siaoasi Salesi



Polo Manukainiu

involved and it appeared the driver was the only one wearing a seatbelt, investigators said.

Manukainiu and 13-year-old passenger Andrew "Lolo" Uhatafe died at the scene after they were ejected from the vehicle, Gutierrez said. Vaenuku was pronounced dead in an ambulance that responded to the accident.

The driver and his father, Salesi Uhatafe, were taken to the San Juan Medical Center in Farmington, N.M., and suffered only minor injuries, authorities said. Siaoasi Uhatafe was a stepbrother of Manukainiu and, like Vaenuku, also is a Utah recruit.

Manukainiu had apparently traveled to Salt Lake

City for some relaxation, tweeting Sunday: "It's always good to get away from the Texas Heat for the weekend. Utah got that breezzzzzzzzzz."

On Monday, hours before the accident, he tweeted: "22 hour drive back to Texas on no sleep. Oh my."

Manukainiu played football at Trinity High and was part of the Aggies' 2012 signing class. He was a recreation, parks and tourism science major, the school said, and is survived by his mother, Lima Uhatafe of Euless.

"We lost a terrific young man," Texas A&M coach Kevin Sumlin said. "Polo was loved by his teammates and coaches. Anyone who came in contact with him was struck by his sense of humor and smile. My heart aches for his mom and family members."

Texas A&M finished last season ranked No. 5 after an 11-2 season, their first in the Southeastern Conference. They were led by quarterback Johnny Manziel, who became the first freshman to win the Heisman Trophy,

and are expected to be highly ranked again this year.

"Heart hurts waking up to news about Polo," Manziel tweeted on Tuesday. "I think I speak for everyone on our team when I say we love you brother you will be missed."

It is the second such tragedy for Texas A&M in less than two years: Senior offensive lineman Joseph Villavencio, 22, was killed in a December 2011 car accident after veering head-on into the path of an 18-wheeler 40 miles from College Station. He had spent part of that day delivering gifts to families at a local shelter. Manziel mentioned Villavencio during his Heisman acceptance speech last year.

Vaenuku was a defensive tackle who had planned to play one year at Utah before going on a two-year Mormon mission.

"Everyone who knew Gaius is heartbroken today," Utah coach Kyle Whittingham said. "He was the kind of young man who lit up a room and his future in football and life had no boundaries. Words cannot express

our devastation over the loss of Gaius."

Vaenuku was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and considered playing at church-owned Brigham Young but he said he felt more at home in Salt Lake City playing for the Utes. His mother, Cela Vaenuku, said the last time she spoke to him was on Sunday — a brief conversation on how he had spent his day.

"He was a wonderful son," she said. "He was very social, very outgoing young man and a people person who always made people laugh."

She said he was the third oldest among seven brothers and sisters, and "they took it very hard" when they heard the news of his death. She said her son had planned to be dormitory roommates with Siaoasi Utahafe, the driver.

The news stunned Trinity High in Euless, where Manukainiu, Vaenuku and Siaoasi Utahafe all played football. The team has been one of the best in Texas in recent years, with three

state titles in a span of five seasons from 2005-09 and a trip to the championship game in 2010.

Principal Mike Harris said the deaths have affected a majority of the Euless community, where there is a tight-knit Polynesian community.

"They were students with bright smiles that everybody knew and everybody loved," the principal said.

Texas A&M associate athletic director Alan Cannon said Manukainiu was known for his sense of humor and "will be sorely missed as a person you enjoyed being around." He said the football staff was working Tuesday to notify teammates of his death. Players are scheduled to report to campus Sunday to begin practicing for the upcoming season.

Cannon said Manukainiu was to wear jersey No. 90 and that it was too early to determine if players will affix the number to their uniforms as a tribute. The NCAA must approve any such recognition, Cannon said.

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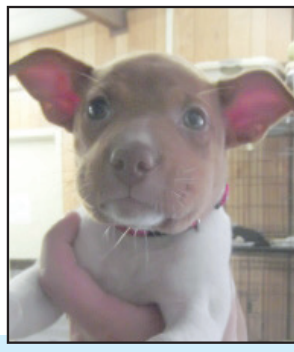
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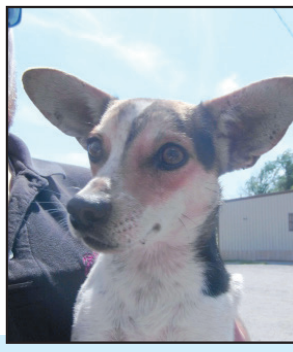
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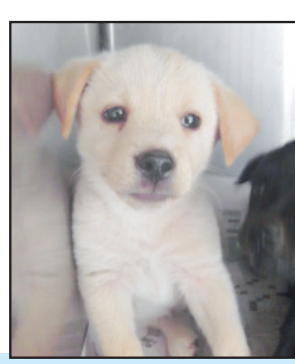
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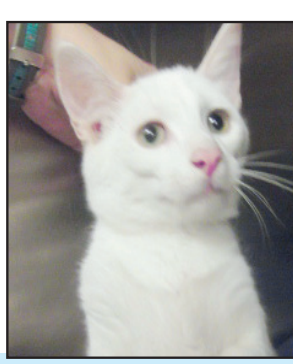
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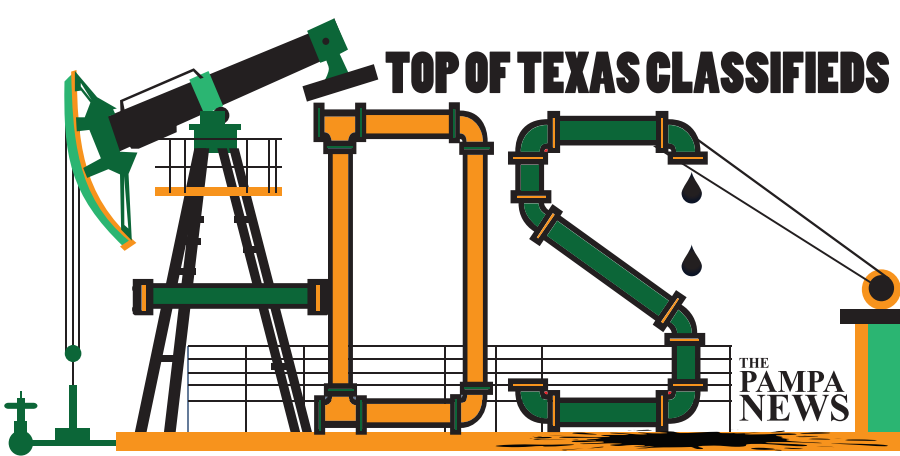


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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I travel a lot in my work with animal protection. Often I'll encounter dogs and cats in distress as soon as I reach the airport. Distracted by their own thoughts, their owners seldom realize they're upsetting the pets they're carrying through the terminal.

Animal carriers are carelessly swung to and fro, banged against counters, chairs and onto the floor. Cat or dog shoulder bags are dangled at angles that make it impossible for the animal inside to balance. These poor pets can be confused, dizzy and suffer from motion sickness before the flight even takes off.

Traveling is stressful enough for animals. So please, everyone -- if you fly with an animal companion, keep it foremost in your thoughts. Use a sturdy, well-ventilated carrier, preferably one with wheels, that's designed for animals and to fit under your seat. And please, keep the carrier upright and steady. -- ANIMAL LOVER IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

DEAR ANIMAL LOVER: Thank you for the heads up. In case someone's pet might have other issues while traveling, it's always a good idea to talk about it with a veterinarian before embarking. (Sorry, I couldn't resist.)

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 19-year-old guy and for as long as I can remember my parents have

yelled at me. It lasts for hours at a time at night after they come home from work almost every day. It's never about me doing something bad, but how I never do anything up to their expectations.

I don't know if they're right or wrong, but it makes me depressed and I have been thinking about suicide. I have never been able to have an opinion of my own because as soon as I had one my parents would yell at me all over again and call me "stupid and retarded."

I cry myself to sleep at night hoping God will put me to sleep forever. Please tell me what to do. -- JUSTIN IN SAN FRANCISCO

DEAR JUSTIN: Verbal abuse -- which is what you are describing -- can be every bit as destructive as physical abuse. Perhaps it's time to consider moving out. With the constant verbal battering you're receiving, it's no wonder you're depressed.

Harming yourself is not the answer to your problem. Because you have reached the point of wanting to hurt yourself, call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. The number is 800-784-2433. A counselor there can direct you to the help you need. You may have to build your self-esteem from the ground up, but the effort will be well worth it. My thoughts are with you.

DEAR ABBY: A few months ago my mother joined Facebook and I readily accepted her friend request. I'm a 30-something IT specialist, but Mom is new to the Internet.

There are times I have gone online and seen posts in which my mother is arguing with my friends about their lifestyles. I have friends and business contacts from all over the world, and their backgrounds are highly varied as are their belief and value systems.

I have told Mom in private and public discussions that she owes someone an apology, but she shrugs it off.

Am I wrong for asking her to respect my friends, and would you suggest I "unfriend" my mother until she learns proper Internet etiquette? -- DIGITAL FAMILY MAN

DEAR FAMILY MAN: Because what your mother is doing could negatively affect your business, you should do EXACTLY that. And quickly!

Sudoku

Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

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In each puzzle, use four of the tiles from each bunch to fill in the blanks to make a seven-letter word that connects the grid.

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Yesterday's Answer: BADMAN, CAMERA, CANVAS 8.1

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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PampaSports

Tues: Rangers beat Angels 14-11

ARLINGTON (AP) — Rangers leadoff hitter Leonys Martin was just trying to hit a ball over the five players positioned in the infield.



Leonys Martin

Martin instead knocked it over the wall for a game-ending three-run homer in the 10th inning as Texas, after trailing four times, pulled out a 14-11 victory over the Los Angeles Angels that took nearly five hours Tuesday night.

"This the biggest moment in my whole career so far," said Martin, the former Cuban defector who signed with Texas two years ago. "Last night, I had a dream like that."

His dreamy thoughts came after the Rangers had opened the series against the Angels with another game-ending homer.

Daniel Stange (0-1), making his Angels debut and his first major league appearance since 2010, walked Mitch Moreland and Geovany Soto to start the 10th. David Murphy then reached on a fielder's choice before Los Ange-

les put five players in the infield with only two outfielders.

That alignment didn't matter when Martin sent his sixth homer of the season to the opposite field, barely clearing the 14-foot wall and just inside the left-field foul pole. It was the seventh at-bat in the game for the Texas leadoff hitter, who got more than just a ball to the outfield that would have won the game on the 434th pitch thrown by a combined 14 pitchers.

"He's shown that he can do that. He's hit some doubles down that left field line," manager Ron Wash-

ington said. "But the most important thing is he got a pitch up in the zone and he stayed on it."

Closer Joe Nathan (2-1), the sixth Rangers pitcher, worked around a lead-off walk in the 10th for a scoreless inning.

It was the second night in a row the Rangers had a game-ending homer — the first time they've done that since 1981.

Before this series, the Rangers were swept in three games at Cleveland and had been shut out in three of four games. Washington held a 40-minute closed-door meeting after the finale against the Indi-

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Cowboys' Larry Allen takes quiet path to Hall of Fame

DALLAS (AP) — Larry Allen had just been drafted by the Dallas Cowboys when he found himself standing in front of a couple of hundred kids attending a football camp at Sonoma State, the alma mater that made his future Hall of Fame career possible.

His coach, Frank Scalerio, knew he was testing the best player he ever coached, coaxing the soft spoken but massive offensive lineman into a few words.

"Just say no," Allen blurted out.

That was it. "I can see that nothing's going to happen, so then I jump in and kind of close it out for him real quick," Scalerio said. "Some of

the guys still laugh about it today when they're around. They talk about the first speech he made."

Allen is getting ready for another one. A big one.

After 12 dominant seasons and a Super Bowl title with the Cowboys — and two final years closer to home with San Francisco — Allen's Pro Football Hall of Fame enshrinement speech Saturday night will be on national television in front of thousands of people at Fawcett Stadium in Canton, Ohio.

Plenty of family and friends will be there — but not his mother, Vera Allen. The woman responsible for steering him away from gangs as a kid in the Los Angeles area died a



Larry Allen

year ago. The biggest public speaking gig of his life would have been the perfect time to have her around.

"I miss her," Allen said. "Whenever I'd get nervous or had a big game and got nervous, I'd give her a call, and she'd start making me laugh."

The six-time All-Pro has already cried once over the Hall of Fame — the day his name was announced. He's not ashamed to say he'll probably cry again.

"She was one of the big-

gest reasons I'll be up there, and I know she'll be looking down on me," Allen said.

The soft side of Allen isn't a familiar one to former teammates and opponents.

This is a man who silently bench-pressed 700 pounds — "absurd," says former teammate Daryl Johnston — in the Cowboys' locker room while players screamed and mobbed him. This was a player who made notorious trash-talker John Randle of Minnesota keep to himself when he faced the Cowboys, for fear of making Allen mad.

"He never said nothin'," said Nate Newton, one of Allen's mentors on Dallas' offensive line. "Every now

and then you'd hear him utter a cuss word or hear him laugh that old funny laugh he had.

"Other than that ..." Newton said, trailing off.

Allen just played, which is how Scalerio discovered him at Butte College. That's the junior college where the lineman landed after attending four high schools in part because his mom moved him around to keep him away from gangs. Then an assistant for Sonoma, Scalerio was recruiting another player when he saw Allen throw an opponent to the ground for the first time.

"I kinda forgot about the guy I was actually recruiting," Scalerio said.

Allen ended up tiny So-

noma, a Division II school, because his academic progress wasn't fast enough to get him to Division I, where he probably belonged. He was out of football and living in Los Angeles when Scalerio sent some of his LA-area players looking for him.

They tracked him down on a basketball court, the same place Sonoma coach Tim Walsh took Allen when he showed up on campus. Walsh wanted to see the 6-foot-3 Allen lift his 320-pound frame for a dunk.

"You could have heard a pin drop when he slammed the ball," Scalerio said. "It was like in the movies where it just goes 'tick, tick, tick, tick' and stops."

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