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County discusses cuts to nonessential services

By **TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE**
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To balance the next county budget, the Gray County Court of Commissioners will need to make some cuts. The tough questions are deciding what to cut. Commissioners met in a special meeting Wednesday to brain

storm several ideas, although no action was taken. There are essential services the county is required by state law to provide to the taxpayers — law enforcement, a clerk's office and road maintenance, to name a few. But many things the county spends money on — which are ultimately paid for by the taxpayers — are not mandated by

the state. However, these are services that residents have grown accustomed to as the county has included them in its budget year after year. These include funds for the White Deer Land Museum, the Lovett Memorial Library, the three senior centers in the county and the Tralee Crisis Center.

The county also pays for a secretary for the Department of Public Safety's local office and partially pays for a secretary at the agriculture extension office. Having a full-time secretary taking care of the abundance of paperwork allows the state troopers to spend more time out on patrol and keeping the public safe, the commissioners said they

were told by DPS. Many of these expenditures are small — some are only \$1,000 per year — but when combined they comprise a sizable portion of the budget. "We have got to cut nonessential funds," said Commissioner Jeff Haley of Precinct 4. **BUDGET** cont. on page 3

A rodeo success



Submitted photo
 Former Pampa resident Matt Reeves after he won the steer wrestling championship in Cheyenne, Wyo. in late July. Reeves now lives in Waco.

■ Got his start in Pampa at kid pony show.

By **LINDSEY TOMASCHIK**
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Pampa native Matt Reeves grew up around rodeos and has now been competing professionally for seven years. Reeves said his family got him involved in rodeo. His father Jim was a roper, and growing up, Reeves competed in roping and steer wrestling, getting his start at Pampa's kid pony show. He did these events throughout high school, college and did some roping at the amateur level. Professionally, he focuses on steer wrestling and has experienced a lot of success in the event, especially

over the past year. His most recent win was at the Cheyenne Frontier Days rodeo in Wyoming earlier this summer, which is arguably the most prestigious rodeo of the year drawing nearly 200,000 people to the stands annually. This year was the 117th anniversary of the event, and Reeves had a short round win in steer wrestling with a time of 8.2 seconds. His other times were 7.1 and 7.8 seconds in other rounds. "I just like that I get to go out and do what I've always loved to do, and I'm lucky enough to get to make a living out of it," Reeves said of his win. Although originally from Pampa,

Reeves now lives outside of Waco. "I moved so I could be more centrally located in Texas for competitions." He is now married and his wife is from the Waco area. Reeves competed with his father-in-law from 2006-08 prior to getting married. When asked what he likes most about rodeo, Reeves spoke passionately about the sport, "I like the competition; it's a wonderful life. I get to go where I want, see the country and meet new people. I've been all over the U.S. and some of Canada, and I really enjoy getting to travel. We're finishing up a year of rodeos right now." Reeves is currently in Washington for a rodeo. **REEVES** cont. on page 3

Thornberry speaks at Pampa Senior Citizens Center

By **LINDSEY TOMASCHIK**
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U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry addressed a full crowd Wednesday afternoon at the Senior Citizens Center. After a briefing on the future of oil, energy and our government as well as explaining the role he plays in politics, Thornberry then turned control over to the audience and took questions for the remainder of his time. According to Thornberry, this year China will pass the U.S. as the world's top importer of oil, and for the 22nd year in a row. What this means for us is that our oil imports are decreasing, while the number of exports continues to grow. "By 2020 we have the potential to be self-sufficient. This would mean that if we continue at our current rate, we will not have to import any oil, which would be huge," Thornberry said of the future of oil in our country. Thornberry also informed the audience about an energy project in Tulia that would aid the country in becoming self-sufficient. "They are currently digging beneath the windmills in or-

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Photo by Lindsey Tomaschik
 U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry and Top O' Texas Federation Republican Women Treasurer Leona Willis posed for a picture Wednesday afternoon after Thornberry's appearance in Pampa.

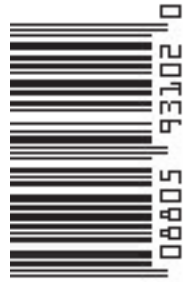
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Obituaries

Esther Pauline Anderson Wagner

Esther Pauline Anderson Wagner, 97, died Aug. 16, 2013 in Kirkland, Wash.

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.



Esther Wagner

Mrs. Wagner was born Nov. 25, 1915, in Webb City, Missouri. She was a 1933 graduate of Webb City High School and attended the Southwest Missouri State Teachers College (now Missouri State University) and Pittsburg State University in Pittsburg, Kan., where she graduated with a degree in music and English in 1938. She was a public school teacher in Joplin, Mo., between 1938 and 1943. She met her future husband Albert Louis Wagner of Tulsa, Okla., at a USO dance at Camp Crowder, Mo., in 1942. They were married in Rayne Memorial Methodist Church in New Orleans on Dec. 19, 1943. Following Albert's discharge from the Army at the end of World War II, they lived in Ft. Worth; Compton, Calif.; and Odessa, before coming to Pampa in 1959. She was a member of the Pampa First United Methodist Church for 46 years, and also was the church pianist for many years. In Pampa, she was an employee of the Montgomery Ward store for ten years. She also taught private piano lessons in Pampa. Following the death of her husband in 2005, Mrs. Wagner moved from Pampa to Redmond, Wash., to be close to her daughter and grandchildren.

Survivors include her son, Dr. Raymond Wagner and wife Cheri of Elbert, Colo., her daughter, Polly St. John & husband Harry of Redmond, Wash., three grandsons, Richard Wagner & his wife Gretel of Lake Stevens, Wash., Derek Wagner of Elbert, Colo., and Jordan St. John and wife Katherine of Seattle, Washington, granddaughter, Stephanie Poplaski and husband Joe of Seattle, a great-granddaughter: Zoey Poplaski of Seattle, and a sister-in-law, Elsie Seay, of Denver.

Memorials: First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1981, Pampa, Texas 79066-1981.

The family wishes to thank employees of the Overlake Terrace, Redmond, and the Life Care Center of Kirkland,

Wash. for the care and kindness they showed Pauline in her last years and days.

Sign the online guest register at www.carmichael-whitley.com.

Earlene "Ikey" Earp

Earlene "Ikey" Earp, 89, died Wednesday, Aug. 21, 2013, in Pampa.

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.



Earlene Earp

Mrs. Earp was born March 5, 1924 in Haskell County, Texas to James Anderson Driggers and Nova Mae Owens Driggers. She married W. H. "Hood" Earp on Aug. 26, 1944 in Weinert. He preceded her in death on Feb. 10, 2007. Ikey had been a resident of Pampa since 1946. She was a bus driver for the Pampa Independent School District for 33 years. She was a member of Central Baptist Church. Survivors include a son, Wyatt Earp and wife Raynetta of Paducah, Kent.; a daughter, Jeanna Miller and husband Johnny of Pampa; six grandchildren, Shelley Brantley and husband Dr. Ken Brantley and Jeremy Miller and wife Natalie, all of Amarillo; Rodney Robertson and wife Tonya and Jamie Winborne and husband Tommy, all of Pampa; Jay Wyatt Earp and wife Jennifer of Elmore City, Okla., and Joshua Miller and wife Lori of Moore, Okla.; and seven great grandchildren, Natalie and Jaycee Winborne, and Emily Robertson, all of Pampa; Judd and Lauren Earp of Elmore City, Okla.; Wesley Brantley of Amarillo; and Lynlee Miller of Moore, Okla.; and by a son-in-law, David Robertson of Pampa. Ikey was preceded in death by a daughter, Debbie Robertson, on Dec. 10, 2007, a great granddaughter, Jenna Kay Earp, and by three sisters, Imogene "Tiny" Vaughn, Wanda Vojkufka, and Loree Flanagan.

Memorials may be made to Central Baptist Church 513 E. Francis, Pampa, Texas 79065.

Sign the online register book at www.carmichael-whitley.com.

No defense from suspect in 2009 Fort Hood shooting

FORT HOOD (AP) — The soldier on trial for the deadly 2009 shooting rampage at Fort Hood refused to put up a fight on Wednesday, resting his case without calling a single witness or testifying in his own defense.

Maj. Nidal Hasan could face the death penalty if convicted for the attack that killed 13 people and wounded more than 30 others at the Texas military base. But when given the chance to rebut prosecutors' lengthy case — which included nearly 90 witnesses and hundreds of pieces of evidence — the Army psychiatrist declined.

About five minutes after court began Wednesday, a day after prosecutors rested their case, the judge asked Hasan how he wanted to proceed. He answered: "The defense rests."

The judge, Col. Tara Osborn, then asked Hasan: "You have the absolute right to remain silent. You do not have to say anything. You have the right to testify if you choose. Understand?"

Hasan said he did. When the judge asked if this was his personal decision, he answered: "It is."

Osborn then adjourned the trial until Thursday to give prosecutors time to prepare closing arguments, and jurors were led out of the courtroom.

Hasan's move wasn't completely unexpected, considering he has made no attempt since his trial be-

gan two weeks ago to prove his innocence. He has sat mostly in silence, raising few objections and questioning only three prosecution witnesses.

Instead, he appears to be making his case through leaks to the media — even though jurors are barred from reading media reports about the case.

Taken together, the leaks reveal that Hasan, an American-born Muslim, justifying the shooting as a necessary killing of American soldiers to protect Muslim insurgents in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Hasan allowed his civil attorney to give The New York Times a report showing that he told military mental health workers after the attack that he could "still be a martyr" if convicted and executed by the government.

He also sent a personal letter sent to the local newspaper.

Most recently, two emails he released to the Times show that Hasan asked his Army supervisors how to handle three cases that disturbed him. One involved a soldier who reported to him that U.S. troops had poured 50 gallons of fuel into the Iraqi water supply as revenge.

"I think I need a lot of reassurance for the first few times I come across these," Hasan wrote in an email on Nov. 2, 2009 — three days before the shooting.

Hasan's email signature included a quote from the

Quran: "All praises and thanks go to Allah, the Cherisher and Sustainer of the Worlds."

On the first day of the trial, Hasan had tried to cross-examine a former supervisor about the fuel-dumping allegations, but Osborn quickly silenced him.

She ruled the line of questioning out of bounds and not relevant to the case.

The judge also barred Hasan from arguing during trial that the killings were in defense of Taliban fighters in Afghanistan.

Richard Rosen, a military law expert who teaches at Texas Tech University and has followed the trial, said Hasan might be using the media to present the case that Osborn won't let him in court.

"I thought he might use this as a show trial to kind of put the Americans on trial for things we're doing in the Middle East and Afghanistan," Rosen said. "But this may be an alternative means of doing that."

Inside the courtroom, Hasan has done little to challenge the narrative of military prosecutors, who showed evidence of Hasan's laptop being used to search the Internet for "jihad" and find articles about calls to attack Americans in the days and even hours before the rampage.

He declined to challenge witnesses, including several shot during the attack, who recalled hearing a shout of "Allahu Akbar!" — Arabic for "God is

great!" — inside a crowded medical building at Fort Hood before Hasan opened fire using a laser-sighted handgun.

Hasan did address jurors during a brief opening statement, but he told them that evidence would show he was the shooter and called himself a soldier who had "switched sides" in a war.

However, he has never played the role of a high-threat, angry extremist. Hasan, who was paralyzed from the waist down when shot by Fort Hood police officers responding to the rampage, hasn't gotten agitated in court or raised his voice.

The military defense attorneys ordered to help him during the trial have accused Hasan of trying to secure himself a death sentence. The attorneys asked that their advisory roles be minimized, but the judge refused.

Hasan began the trial signaling that he would call on just two people to testify — one a mitigation expert in capital murder cases and the other a California professor of psychology and religion. But on Tuesday, he indicated to the judge that he would now call neither, leaving Osborn raising her own skepticism that he would seize his last chance to defend himself.

Prosecutors were expected to give their closing argument on Thursday. It was unclear whether Hasan would do the same.

Woman loses money in quest for monkey

BATTLE CREEK, Mich. (AP) — Police in the Michigan city of Battle Creek have advised a woman that she shouldn't expect to see a monkey, or

her money. The Battle Creek Enquirer reports a 25-year-old woman contacted police Tuesday to report she lost \$350 trying to buy a

monkey from the African country of Cameroon.

The woman says she and her roommate found what they thought was a reputable website and received pictures and information about monkeys.

The so-called seller offered the monkey for \$50. She sent it but received no

simian.

After more back and forth, the woman shelled out \$300 in two more payments but her contact wanted more money for a cage, license and shots.

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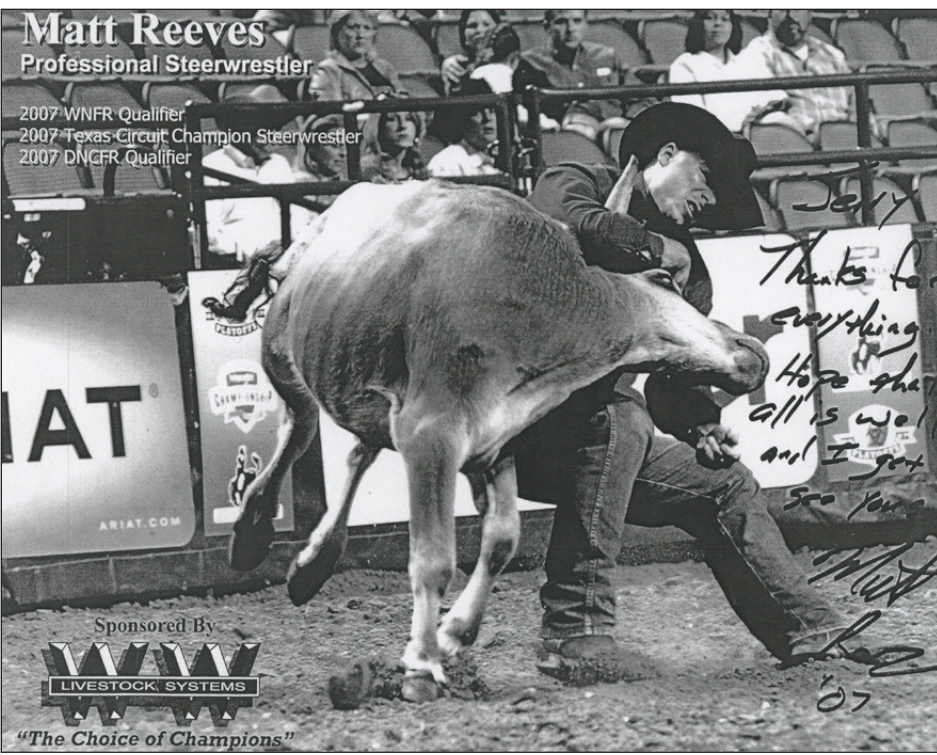
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Rodeo success Matt Reeves in a 2007 promotional photo.

Reeves

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As for the future, Reeves plans to compete professionally for a few more years. "I'll compete in my fifth NFR rodeo in Las Vegas

later this year, and I never even expected to be invited to go to one. As long as things keep going well and I am able to stay fit and healthy, I can easily see myself doing this for at least a couple more years," Reeves said. He is also grateful for the love and support from

his family and the Pampa community throughout his 30 years of being involved in rodeo, "I think it's awesome that my family and the people of Pampa are still so supportive of me and the sport in general. I want to continue to make them proud."

Mac

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der to have storage for compressed air to be used to produce energy when there is not enough wind to do so. Essentially, these (storage places) would be like natural batteries to power the windmills," Thornberry said.

As far as the government goes, Thornberry continued with good news stating that for the first time since the 1950s, government spending went down over the past year. "Last year, government spending topped out at \$1 trillion, and this year the number went down to \$600 billion. It's not a huge decrease, and it can still go down more, but a 30 percent cut is a good start," Thornberry said. He also believes that the nation needs to put an end to Obamacare, and he thinks this can be done if the Republicans begin to take the House.

When it came time for the audience to ask Thornberry their questions, some interesting points were brought to the table. One person asked how President Barack Obama continues to get around Congress with no consequences for his actions.

Thornberry explained that although the president does not have the power to create new laws without the approval of Congress, he can do regulations, which is how he gets around them. Obama has been doing an increased number of regulations recently, which has brought forth some concerns. Thornberry also stressed that we cannot successfully pass new laws without enforcing the old ones.

Another topic of concern from the audience was in regard to the Million Muslim March scheduled for Sept. 11 in Washington D.C.

The audience member was angered by the march and wanted to know where to send a letter stating her concern, and another crowd member stated that the event currently only has 57 people signed up to partake in the event. Thornberry said that it is rare that complaint letters

get much notice due to the amount of mail received each day, but he did offer his assistance.

Immigration was another issue addressed as one legal immigrant asked if anything was going to be done about the messy legal immigration process that's necessary to go through. Thornberry spoke passionately about this topic as he, too, believes this is one area in particular that our country can improve upon. He believes that the current state of the legal immigration system is a mess and detracts people from going about the immigration process the right way, therefore increasing the number of illegal immigrants in the U.S.

Thornberry will finish out the month of August visiting more towns in the area and spending some time at his home in Clarendon before returning to Washington D.C.

Budget

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He suggested cutting the McLean/Gray County Airport, which he said gets very little traffic.

"Is the benefit worth the cost?" Haley asked about the airport.

Haley said it was necessary to come up with ideas to make the jail operate more efficiently.

Though the jail was built in the mid 1990s to hold 78 inmates, its daily population now usually runs well below that number.

Because the jail is two stories there needs to be staff on both floors, costing the county more in payroll than if the jail was just a single story. Also, anytime there are 48 or more inmates there most be four guards working that shift.

The commissioners discussed with Sheriff Don Copeland the possibility of Gray County either housing its inmates at nearby county jails or building a new jail that could be shared by two or more counties.

Copeland said he favored the idea of a jail where the four corners of Gray, Wheeler, Hemphill and Roberts counties meet, but did not give specifics.

The commissioners discussed with Gray County Auditor Elaine Morris the possibility of cutting the death benefit paid to the survivors of a county employee if he or she dies while employed by the county.

Beneficiaries are paid a lump sum equal to one year of the deceased employee's salary. The cost to the county for the life insurance plan runs \$17,500 a year.

Morris said an additional \$15,000 is paid out to the

survivors through the deceased employee's health insurance plan.

Morris said in the past she had explored canceling the separate death benefit plan and increasing the amount paid out through the health plan, but that would only save the county a few hundred dollars per year and create a "bookkeeping nightmare."

Commissioners Neil Fulton and Gary Willoughby briefly debated on the consequences of cutting out the death benefit.

While Willoughby said his employees would not likely miss it, Fulton said his employees have worked for the county from seven to 20 years and would expect the death benefit as a way to provide security to their families.

Commissioner Joe Wheeler said that because his job on the commission keeps him informed, he knows first

hand everything that's in the county's budget. However, most taxpayers are probably unaware of how the county's money is spent, he said.

Further, while most people can agree that spending cuts are a good thing, nobody wants to see the particular service that they enjoy get cut.

"We are managers of the county services," he said. "It's tough to start anywhere."

Willoughby said he was concerned about a public backlash if they cut funding to services that people want, like the museum and library.

"Before we whack it we have to explain it to them," he said.

At Willoughby's suggestion and The Pampa News' request, Morris said she would provide a complete list to the newspaper of all the nonconstitutional services included in the county's budget.

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Beware of warrior cops

We need police to catch murderers, thieves and men, and so we give them



JOHN STOSSEL

special power — the power to use force on others. Sadly, today's police use that power to invade people's homes

over accusations of trivial, nonviolent offenses — and often do it with tanks, battering rams and armor you'd expect on battlefields.

In his book "Rise of the Warrior Cop," Radley Balko recounts the rise of police SWAT teams armed with heavy military equipment. SWAT raids began as rarely used methods of dealing with violent situations, like hostage-takings.

In the 1970s, there were about 300 SWAT raids per year. "As of 2005," says Balko, "100 to 150 per day."

What began as a few specialized groups of police trained to address genuine threats to safety has degenerated into small armies descending on organic farms where farmers sell unpasteurized milk and legal medical marijuana dispensaries getting raided as if they were heavily armed threats.

The increase began under Nixon-era politicians who wanted to look "tough on crime," even if that meant exaggerating the threat posed by illegal drugs.

As the futile war on drugs escalated, cops worried that drug users would destroy evidence if cops knocked and announced themselves.

So they stopped doing that, changing a centuries-old rule that treated citizens' homes as their castles — castles whose owners must be presented with a warrant before police can enter.

Soon, every police department wanted a SWAT team — and many were more interested in getting cool military gear than in considering the potential downside — like terrorizing innocent people, raiding the wrong house and causing violence.

"I found over 50 cases where a completely innocent person was killed in one of these raids," says Balko. Often this happens because the homeowner does not realize who is

breaking down his door in the middle of the night.

Iraq War veteran Jose Guarena just knew that armed men were bursting in. So he picked up his semi-automatic rifle. Before he could take the safety off, police fired 71 bullets, hitting him 22 times.

Police raided his house because they suspected drugs were there. But after Guarena was killed, police found no drugs and no evidence of drug dealing.

Now that the public is finally starting to have doubts about the drug war, another type of war has arrived: the War on Terror. The idea that domestic enemies need to be raided and rooted out — that law enforcement should be given a free hand or we could all be killed — got a new lease on life.

And a new source of funding.

Despite laws clearly saying that soldiers may not be used for domestic policing except in very special circumstances, the Pentagon and the Department of Homeland Security now offer armored vehicles — tanks and troop transports, body armor and stun grenades — to police departments, large or small.

A sheriff in quiet Concord, N.H., cites people not so different from me as an excuse for getting DHS money to buy an armored vehicle. In an application for what is essentially a tank, he wrote that groups like the Free State Project — libertarians who moved to New Hampshire seeking increased individual freedom — pose "daily challenges" to the police of Concord.

Free Staters better watch out next time they get into an argument over a traffic ticket.

Most libertarians argue that police, courts and military are legitimate functions of government. We focus our skepticism on completely illegitimate government actions, like corporate welfare.

But few freedoms are more basic than being able to sleep securely in your bed without armored men bursting through your door.

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This Land Is Our Land Our fatal attraction with abstinence

To celebrate my wife's graduation from veterinary school last May we went to a dance club



BRUNO BALTODANO

during our last week in Pullman, Wash. It was fun, but the most salient event of the night, at least for me, was a chance encounter we had with two young girls at the bar inside the club.

They were young, early 20s it's safe to assume, and very gregarious and not sober at all.

In their exuberance and jubilation they apparently mistook me for a guy named "Travis" and, punching me on the shoulder, gleefully asked me; "Hey, Travis, wanna watch us make-out?"

My mom raised me properly so I was not about to be rude and say no to a lady, let alone two for that matter.

So on and on they went, making out in front of me, that is to say. I tried to explain to my wife that

I was merely being polite but I still earned myself "the look." So I left the girls and concentrated on recollecting my dance moves from younger days.

The truth was, honestly, that I could not help but think about "Abstinence-Only-Until-Marriage" programs as I obliged these girls in their voyeuristic request.

The appropriate type of sex education that should be taught in U.S. public schools continues to be a major topic of debate, which is itself motivated by high teen pregnancy and birth rates. Much of this debate has centered on whether "abstinence-only" versus "comprehensive sex education" should be taught in public schools.

According to the CDC, the United States ranks first among developed nations in rates of both teenage pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases.

In an effort to reduce these rates the federal government has funded abstinence-only sex education programs for more than a decade — to the tune of \$1.5 billion from 1996

to 2010, according to a study by the American Bar Association.

Controversy grows over whether this investment has been successful and whether abstinence-only programs should be continued.

Multiple studies have found that "increasing emphasis on abstinence education is positively correlated with higher teenage pregnancy and birth rates." In other words the more "abstinence-only" programs we use the more teenage pregnancies we see.

The truth is that the answer to whether abstinence-only programs or comprehensive sexuality education are more effective is as clear as a Pampa sunset in July.

Two landmark studies, both released in 2007, conducted broad examinations of abstinence-only and comprehensive sexuality education programs. Their findings are as important as they are predictable.

The first study, dealing with abstinence-only programs, conducted by Mathematica Policy Research,

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Who owns the future of the world?

In the near term, bet on the men with the guns.

The Egyptian Army, being slowly squeezed out of its central role in the nation's life by Mohammed Morsi, waited for the moment to oust the elected president

PATRICK BUCHANAN

and crush his Muslim Brotherhood.

Morsi was deposed and arrested, and the Brotherhood leaders rounded up and jailed. Their Cairo encampments were cleansed by gunfire. Hundreds of brothers were cut down and killed, and thousands wounded.

Gen. Abdel Fattah al-Sisi, gazing into his mirror, must see Col. Gamal Abdel Nasser gazing back.

In the near term, the Brotherhood is in disarray. It backed the Arab Spring, heeded America's call for free elections, and won parliament and the presidency, only to have the army, with America's backing, overthrow its Islamist government in a military coup.

If the Brotherhood feels betrayed, if it believes its sons who opposed the coup died as martyrs, if it has concluded that the Americans, with their endless blather about democracy, are duplicitous hypocrites, are they entirely wrong?

In the short term, America must get on with the generals.

For it is they who bottle up Hamas in Gaza, battle al-Qaida in Sinai, protect

the Christian Copts, grant our Air Force overflight rights and our Navy first-in-line transit rights through the Suez Canal. And it is the generals who continue to honor the terms of the Camp David accords.

Understandably, Israeli diplomats are imploring us, the slaughter aside, not to cut our ties to the Egyptian military. Yet it is hard to believe the long-term future belongs to the generals.

Looking back, of all the forces unleashed by the Arab Spring, the Facebook-Twitter crowd calling for secular democracy harvested the greatest publicity. But even then, other forces seemed to have deeper and broader roots in the hearts and minds of the masses.

Those forces: tribalism, nationalism and Islamism.

The generals may work hand-in-glove with the Israelis. But anti-Zionism remains one of the few rallying cries that can unite secularist and Islamist, Sunni and Shia.

And as the Jews have been expelled from the Arab world, today it is the turn of the Christians. They have seen priests murdered, churches torched and congregations massacred in Iraq, Syria, Egypt and beyond, in Ethiopia and Nigeria — by extremists who cite the Quran for what they are doing. And after the Jews and Christians are gone, it is likely to be the turn of the Americans.

Why? First, the Americans are seen as standing behind Israel's regional superiority and dominance of the Palestinian Arabs.

Second, while we defend our wars in Afghanistan and Iraq as liberations from dictatorship and obscurantism, they are seen over there as America using her power to impose upon these nations our institutions and our ideology. And while America's achievements may inspire awe, America's culture, suffused with feminist and Hollywood values, evokes revulsion.

Millions of Muslims are willing to die to keep America and American values out of their societies. How many Americans are willing to fight and die over there to force them on Arab peoples?

Third, there is a growing confidence in the Islamic world that the future belongs to them. Whence comes this confidence?

Western peoples are dying, as Muslim populations are exploding and Muslim migrants are pouring into Europe and the United States. While Islam is booming in the East and being welcomed in the West, Christianity is dying in the West and being expelled from the East.

It is not unreasonable for Muslim visionaries to see the next 500 years as an era of Islamic ascendancy, as the last 500 saw a Western ascendancy.

Fourth, while Egypt's army has the guns and, temporarily, the banner of patriotism, it has no faith, no philosophy, no ideology to justify an indefinite hold on power. When, like Hosni Mubarak, this generation of generals is seen as incompetent and

repressive, upon what do they fall back to justify their legitimacy to the next crowd in Tahrir Square?

Indeed, this is America's dilemma. When Japan attacked and Adolf Hitler declared war, and when Josef Stalin set out to dominate the world, all we held dear — faith, family, freedom, country — said resistent. When Osama bin Laden took down our towers, we united to take down him and al-Qaida.

Millions of Muslims are willing to fight to drive us out of their part of the world. How many Americans are willing to send our sons to die for secular democracy and American values in their part of the world?

After World War II, when communists captured the banner of nationalism, they were on the move in China, Vietnam, Cuba. When Ronald Reagan recaptured the banners of nationalism in Angola, Afghanistan and Eastern Europe, suddenly it was the communists on the run.

Ethnonationalism and religious fundamentalism tore apart the British, French and Soviet empires. All are working now against the U.S. Imperium. The generals in Egypt won this round. But is there any doubt as to which way the wind is blowing?

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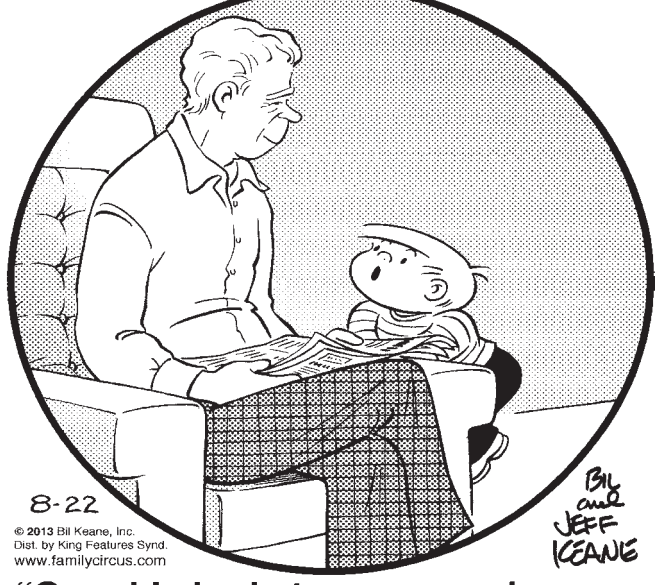
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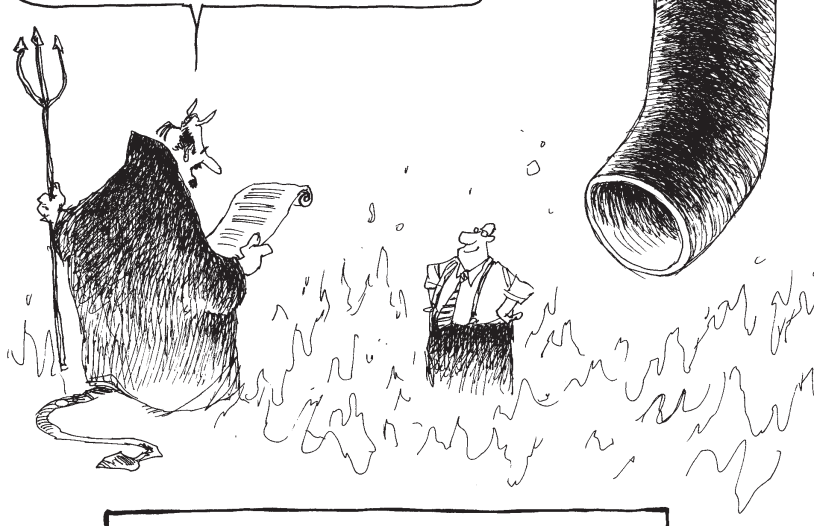
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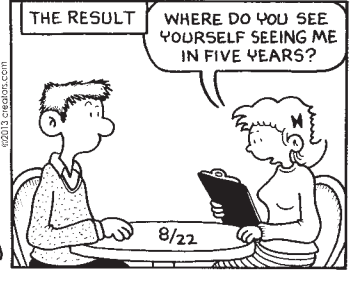
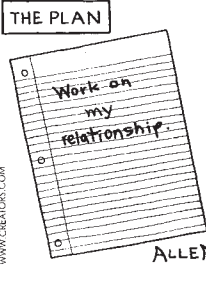


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daily horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Aug. 23, 2013:

This year you will make your imprint by expressing your unique vision and ability to let go of the past. You express a quality of kindness that attracts many people. At the same time, others might become more demanding, which forces you to look at yourself and your expectations. If you are single, you will have many choices. Someone you might meet could be quite picky. Do not move quickly here. If you are attached, romance will flourish, especially when you go away for a few days together. You make a good team. Join **ARIES** if you want an adventure.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★★ You have reason to feel energized once again. What a wonderful way to end the week and start your weekend! You seem to cruise through problem after problem. A boss or higher-up will give you nothing but high praise. Tonight: You have plenty of reason to celebrate.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Understand that the less said, the better. This approach works very well, especially when you don't know what to say next. Still, your good humor marks much of what is going on. Curb a tendency to go to extremes with life's indulgences. Tonight: Visit with a friend or loved one.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Tension might build around a domestic matter. Worry less about that issue, and enjoy your positive friends. You'll want to make a big difference, but perhaps right now is a period to relax and be more carefree. Tonight: The more people around you, the better. Enjoy yourself!

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ You can't always be the epitome of self-discipline. There seems to be a high level of tension surrounding a particular matter, but you'll be able to handle the tension. You'll come up with a solution with a little help from your friends! Tonight: Take your cue from someone else.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Assume that you don't have all the information needed. Willingly ask more questions and accept others' theories. Use caution in the next few months when dealing with your funds. Avoid

putting words into someone's mouth. Tonight: Consider escaping for the weekend.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ You will feel empowered with the Sun in your sign. Work with individuals rather than groups. Others will clamor for your attention. Know that you can handle this, while still achieving the results you desire. An offer is too good to say "no" to. Tonight: A close encounter.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★★ Stay focused, as others might drop a lot of information on you. Consider your options, but be careful not to negate any suggestions. You might need some personal thinking time, which could be difficult to achieve with everyone seeking you out. Tonight: TGIF!

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ You might need to move in a new direction after some thought. Right now, assess a situation and decide what might be best for you, as well as for others. During the next few weeks, emphasize manifesting more of what you want. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ You might want to rethink a personal matter more carefully, yet the moment seems to take over. Someone in your immediate environment is quite the jovial personality. You can't help but lighten up and be more spontaneous, at least for now. Tonight: Let the good times rock and roll.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ You could be looking at a matter very differently because of a recent discussion with someone you respect whose perceptions are far more diverse than yours are. Be willing to extend this conversation over several days, if need be. Tonight: Homeward bound.

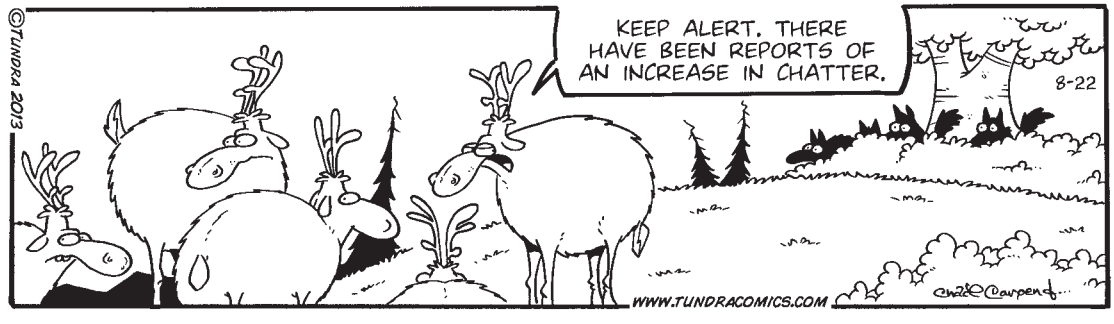
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★★ You can't help but be in the middle of conversations and plan-making. For now, the world seems to be revolving around you. Do not hesitate to call a special person whom you have not spoken to in a while. The conversation will delight you. Tonight: Out and about.

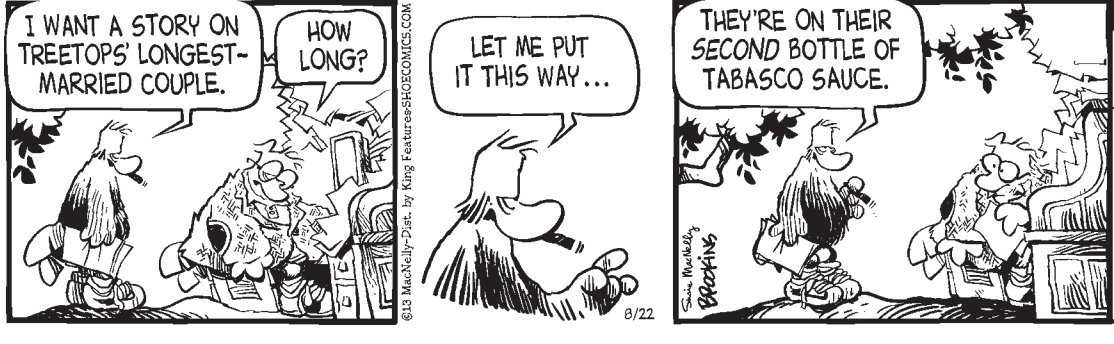
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ You might want to continue taking the lead with financial matters. You could be more inspired about a proposition than others anticipate. Your vision is far more complete than that of those making the suggestion. Be as direct as possible. Tonight: Treat a loved one to some drinks.

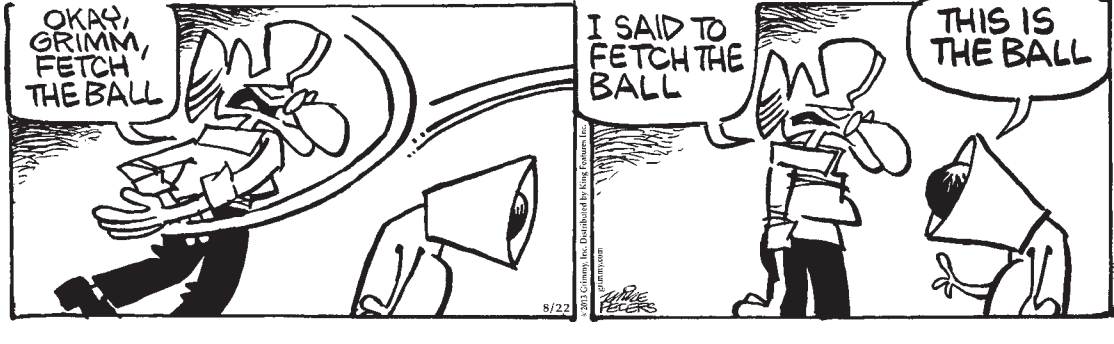
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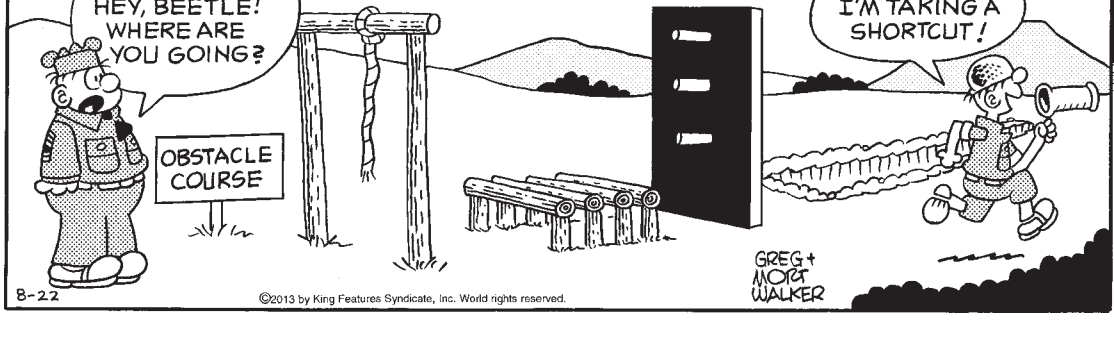
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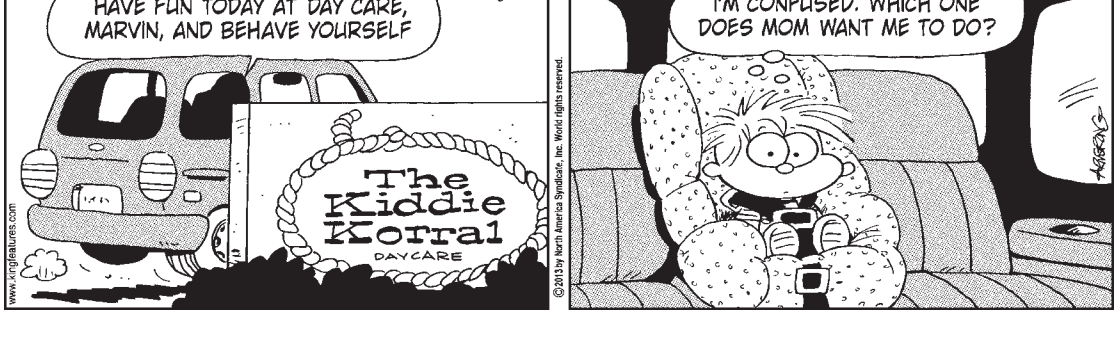
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Preview: Childress 'like' Iowa Park, just faster

■ Pampa plays last scrimmage tonight.

By JOHN LEE
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The Harvesters will head to Childress on Thursday for their second live scrimmage against the Bobcats. Harvesters head coach Heath Parker said this week's scrimmage is going to be more about game-day situations.

"It's our second live scrimmage, to(ight) we are one week away from playing," Parker said. "So you're looking for how they are going to respond to game situations opposed to just running a play, without thinking about down and distance. Making sure we know what to do, not situational things.

"We are going to play two live quarters against Childress, so I am interested to see how we respond to each other when the game starts flowing like a live game. How the offense and defense responds to and compliments each other. If we are able to get Childress off the field quickly and if we are able to respond to them. We are still looking for competition, it is that time of year when there are still spots that have yet to be determined. Somebody needs to step up and take that spot."

Childress was a .500 team last year, going 5-5 and 2-3 in district play. More than half of their starters are returning on each side of the ball, and according to Top Of Texas Football magazine their strength, just like for the Harvesters, is that their lines have experiences, but their weakness is the lack of experience in their secondary.

The defense for the Harvesters are anchored by big, senior defensive lineman Aaron Hernandez who had 18 tackles and a fumble recovery last season. This will hopefully keep returning senior running back Da'Should Hughes at bay, who has 2,600 yards in his high school career as a Bobcat. The schemes that Childress uses will help the Harvesters in their season opener against Iowa Park.

"Childress and Iowa Park are similar in their schemes, different in the people they do it with. Iowa Park is a bigger, more physical team with a few skill kids that can hurt anybody;

Childress is predominantly really fast and right now their core of athletes are dominating every track meet they go to in the Spring. It will be really good for us to find out against really quick kids: Can we

take the proper angles? Can we have the proper footwork? Can we show up where we need to?"

Pampa is an inexperienced team, which, according to Top of Texas Football magazine, is their primary weakness. While this can be a weakness, it will help the Harvesters gel as a young team, and gives them a fresh start from their 3-7 season in 2012.



This defense had 25 turnovers last year, many of them senior linebacker Larry Ragan was involved in. Combine him with Hernandez and returning defensive back Daymon Flores, who had 53 tackles, an interception, a fumble recovery and a sack in 2012, there is experience at each of the critical points of the defense.

This young offense is headed by junior quarterback Tyler Hooper, senior wide receiver Kody Maddox and senior running back Adrian Elam.

If there was any concern that the mild (for West Texas) summer has kept the heat off of the practice field, it is gone as this week as temperatures were in the high 80s on Monday, 90s on Tuesday and are expected to stay that way through the end of the week.

"I have been really pleased how prac-

The W's of the Game

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ice has been this year," Parker said. "This team seems to be driven to be good, helping each other in practice by not letting the other guy look good. They are really trying to compete against each other, which is the quality of a good football team.

"Practice this week, I don't know if this has anything to do with the scrimmages or not, but this is the first time we backed ourselves up to a normal school routine so now all the sudden we are starting practice at 3:30 p.m., and even though this summer has not been quite as hot (as others) that is a different type of heat and condition to deal with.

"I think it was good for us to get used to that. You can certainly tell a difference in us practicing in the heat of the day."

Cowboys CB Claiborne still out with knee injury

IRVING (AP) — Morris Claiborne tried to hide a dislocated pinkie that had to be popped back into place by a trainer early during Dallas Cowboys training camp.

Then when the second-year cornerback came out of another practice after jamming his left knee, he downplayed the significance of that injury and said he would be back on

the field the next day.

That was two weeks ago, and Claiborne still hasn't returned to practice.

"If he does anything, it will be toward the end of the week," Cowboys coach Jason Garrett said Tuesday. "I don't anticipate a lot of practice for him this week, or this weekend."

Claiborne has already missed three preseason



Morris Claiborne

games, the first when Garrett held starters out of the Hall of Fame game and the last two since he left practice on Aug. 6.

There are two more tune-up games at home before

the Sept. 8 season opener. Starters will get their most extensive action of the preseason Saturday against Cincinnati, and most of them won't play four nights later against Houston.

Claiborne hasn't been in the locker room at Valley Ranch when it was open to reporters this week.

But before the Cowboys broke camp from California, Claiborne was already

anxious to get back. He took no comfort in the fact that there were then still three weeks before the start of the season.

"I believe anything is a setback," Claiborne said last week. "It might not be to no one else, but to me it's real because I've got high expectations of things that I want to accomplish this year. Not only just in games but in practice, as

well. Not being able to go out and practice is a setback for me."

Cowboys owner Jerry Jones has said he expects Claiborne to be ready for the season.

"The injuries that he's having are not what you call the kinds of injuries that would be chronic," Jones said. "He's every bit the player we thought he was."

Sports Briefs

Texans DE Smith banned by NFL for opener

NEW YORK (AP) — Houston Texans defensive end Antonio Smith has been suspended by the NFL for the season opener and the last two preseason games for hitting Miami guard Richie Incognito with the Dolphins player's helmet.

Smith ripped the helmet off Incognito's head, then hit Incognito on the shoulder with it in last Saturday night's preseason game. The two also went at it in

last season's opener, when Smith kicked Incognito, drawing an \$11,000 fine.

Dempster suspended 5 games for hitting A-Rod

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Boston's Ryan Dempster accepted his punishment without admitting any misdeed.

Dempster was suspended for five games and fined by Major League Baseball on Tuesday for intentionally hitting New York Yankees star Alex Rodriguez with a pitch last weekend.


While Dempster still

maintains he was only trying to establish the inside part of the plate and wasn't trying to hit Rodriguez on purpose, he will not contest the punishment and began serving it Tuesday.


Tiger Woods has stiff neck and back

JERSEY CITY, N.J. (AP) — Another week, another nagging injury for Tiger Woods — this from a soft bed in his hotel.

Woods did not play the back nine of his pro-am Wednesday at The Barclays.



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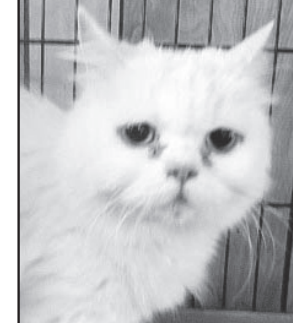





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Inc. on behalf of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, focused on four federally funded abstinence-only programs in different cities. The study found no evidence that abstinence-only programs actually increased rates of sexual abstinence.

In addition, teenagers in these programs had a similar number of sexual partners as their peers in the control group as well as a similar age of first intercourse. Most importantly, participants in both the study and control groups had the same rate of unprotected sexual intercourse.

The second study, conducted by Dr. Douglas Kirby, reviewed several studies conducted on the effectiveness of both abstinence-only programs and comprehensive sexuality education.

Like the Mathematica study, Kirby came to the conclusion that there is no evidence that abstinence-only programs delay the initiation of sexual intimacy, hasten the return to abstinence, or reduce the number of sexual partners.

Taken together, these studies make a strong case that abstinence-only education, as a state policy, is ineffective in preventing teenage pregnancy and may actually be contributing to the unacceptably high teenage pregnancy rates in America.

The thing that proponents of abstinence-only sex education forget, or wish to forget, is that sex happens. And the BIG problem with abstinence-only programs is that

abstinence is only effective if used consistently and correctly. We know that it is not the case; “abstinent” teens have a comparatively high STD infection rate – according to a study by Patrick Malone and Monica Rodriguez.

Girl meets boy – or, as it happened in that dance club in Washington, girl for that matter – and magnetism takes over. And let’s not even talk about “love.”

Ideally, sexual intimacy should be reserved for the blissfully wedded and committed couples. But it isn’t. To deny this would be akin to me teaching my son to drive his car with the expectation that he will never encounter any other vehicles on the road.

Comprehensive sexuality education complements and augments the education children receive from their families, religious groups, and health care professionals.

I think the most important message here is that sexual education was never meant to be something that the government would provide.

It is, first and foremost, the territory of the parents. Everything else is, as they say, gravy.

Bruno Baltodano, a resident of Pampa, is a faculty adjunct at Lewis-Clark State College in Lewiston, Idaho and at Clarendon College in Pampa. He teaches college courses on Global Politics, Government and Terrorism.

Muslims face more scrutiny for citizenship

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Civil liberties advocates said Wednesday they have uncovered a government program to screen immigrants for national security concerns that has blacklisted some Muslims and put their U.S. citizenship applications on hold for years.

The American Civil Liberties Union of Southern California said in a report that federal immigration officers are instructed to find ways to deny applications that have been deemed a national security concern. For example, they’ll flag discrepancies in a petition or claim they failed to receive sufficient information from the immigrant.

The criteria used by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services to blacklist immigrants are overly broad and include traveling through regions where there is terrorist activity, the report said.

The ACLU learned about the program through records requests after detecting a pattern in cases of Muslim immigrants whose applications to become American citizens had languished.

“It is essentially creating this secret criteria for obtaining naturalization and immigration benefits that has never been disclosed to the public and Congress hasn’t approved,” said Jennie Pasquarella, an ACLU staff attorney and the report’s author.

“I feel like ultimately this is just about politics. They don’t want to be seen as having granted citizenship to somebody who’s going to

be the next Boston bomber,” she said.

It was not immediately clear how many immigrants have been reviewed under the program, which began in 2008 and is formally known as the Controlled Application Review and Resolution Program.

Christopher Bentley, a spokesman for Citizenship and Immigration Services, said the agency routinely checks the background of immigrants applying for benefits and puts the country’s safety, and the integrity of the immigration system, first.

“We are vigilant in executing these responsibilities, and will not sacrifice national security or public safety in the interest of expediting the review of benefit applications,” Bentley said in a statement.

Under the program, immigration officers determine whether a case poses a national security concern and confer with the appropriate law enforcement agency that has information about the immigrant. Officers then conduct additional research and put many cas-

es on hold for long periods of time. Most applications are eventually denied, as the program states that officers are not allowed to approve such cases without additional review, the report said.

Iranian math professor Mahdi Asgari started receiving visits from FBI agents after he applied for

citizenship three years ago, the report said. At one point, agents asked him about his relationship with a fellow Iranian graduate student whom he now has little contact with.

Asgari is still waiting for a decision on his naturalization application, the ACLU said.

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2013 Property Tax Rates in Gray County General

This notice concerns the 2013 property tax rates for Gray County General. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year’s tax rate is the actual tax rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year’s effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year’s rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers start rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

	General Fund	Farm to Market/ Flood Control Fund
Last year’s tax rate:		
Last year’s operating taxes	\$6,619,380	\$651,771
Last year’s debt taxes	\$109,351	\$0
Last year’s total taxes	\$6,728,731	\$651,771
Last year’s tax base	\$1,485,341,572	\$1,470,370,203
Last year’s total tax rate	\$0.453009/\$100	\$0.044327/\$100
This year’s effective tax rate:		
Last year’s adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$6,721,902	\$650,994
+ This year’s adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$1,629,270,075	\$1,621,048,535
= This year’s effective tax rate for each fund	\$0.412571/\$100	\$0.040158/\$100
Total effective tax rate (Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)	\$0.452729/\$100	
This year’s rollback tax rate:		
Last year’s adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent healthcare expenditures)	\$6,624,339	\$650,994
+ This year’s adjusted tax base	\$1,629,270,075	\$1,621,048,535
= This year’s effective operating rate	\$0.406583/\$100	\$0.040159/\$100
x 1.08 = this year’s maximum operating rate	\$0.439109/\$100	\$0.043371/\$100
+ This year’s debt rate	\$0.006901/\$100	\$0/\$100
= This year’s rollback rate for each fund	\$0.446010/\$100	\$0.043371/\$100
This year’s total rollback rate	\$0.489381/\$100	

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If Gray County General adopts a 2013 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.452729 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2012 taxes by \$43,694.

Schedule A: General Fund - Unencumbered Fund Balance

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit’s property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
Maintenance and Operations	2,024,074
Interest and Sinking	37,892

Schedule B: General Fund - 2013 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
Refunding Bonds Series 2011 CO (FEB)	95,000	9,679	0	104,679
Refunding Bonds Series 2011 CO (AUG)	0	8,544	0	8,544
Total required for 2013 debt service				\$113,223
- Amount (if any) paid from Schedule A				\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources				\$0
- Excess collections last year				\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2013				\$113,223
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 100.00% of its taxes in 2013				\$0
= Total debt levy				\$113,223

Schedule A: Farm to Market/Flood Control Fund - Unencumbered Fund Balance

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit’s property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
Maintenance and Operations	90,259

Schedule B: Farm to Market/Flood Control Fund - 2013 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
Total required for 2013 debt service	0	0	0	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from Schedule A				\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources				\$0
- Excess collections last year				\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2013				\$0
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 100.00% of its taxes in 2013				\$
= Total debt levy				\$0

Schedule F - Enhanced Indigent Health Care Expenditures

The Gray County General spent \$83,695 from September 1, 2012 to July 25, 2013 on enhanced indigent health care at the increased minimum eligibility standards, less the amount of state assistance. For the current tax year, the amount of increase above last year’s enhanced indigent health care expenditures is \$11,689.

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates’ calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 205 N Russell, Pampa TX 79065.

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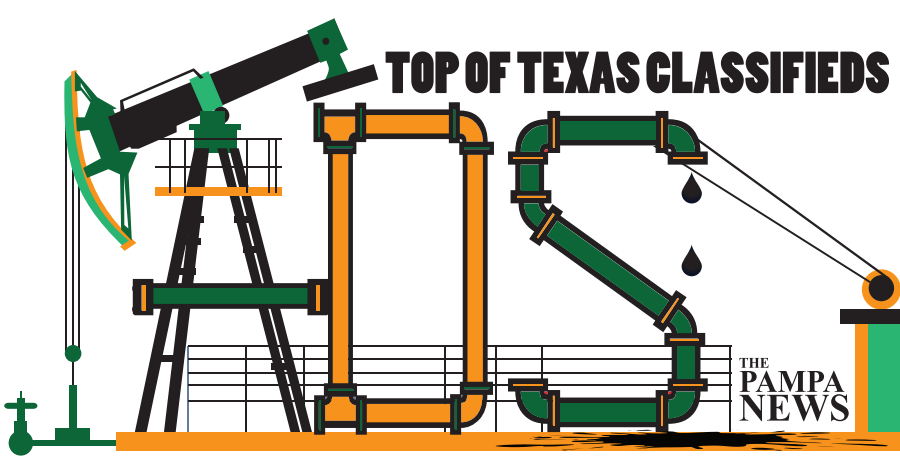
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Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

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Level: Intermediate



Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I'm writing about the letter you printed from "Somewhere in the South" (May 26) who heard someone confess to a crime he had committed at age 12 during one of his Narcotics Anonymous (NA) meetings. The person asked if he should go to the police. You advised him to talk about it to the "group leader."

Abby, in a 12-step program, there is no formal leader who has a responsibility to report anything to the authorities. There are usually discussion groups led by someone chosen for the night.

I am not condoning what the person did at that young age. It was a horrible act. But 12-step programs are based on ANONYMITY. Reporting what is heard at meetings is completely against what 12-step meetings are all about. It was unfair of you to place responsibility on someone who is there for his OWN addiction to tell on another group member. — ANONYMOUS IN THE USA

DEAR ANONYMOUS: I received a ton of criticism for my response to that letter. Readers like you wrote to point out that I was misinformed about how these programs work; others berated me for not insisting the writer notify the police immediately.

I was — and still am — of two minds on the question. While it would be satisfying to see "justice done," I could not bring myself to recommend going against the principle upon which these 12-step programs that have helped thousands of people is based. Another principle of these programs is that people who have hurt others must make amends for what they have done. However, this is the responsibility of the person

who committed the crime — NOT someone who overheard mention of it at a meeting. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I have been a member of NA for 26-plus years (drug- and alcohol-free for that entire time). I also work in the field of mental health, where I have certain reporting duties as part of my professional code of ethics. I learned long ago how to separate my professional responsibilities from my membership in NA. If I obtain information about abuse or neglect in the conduct of my profession, THEN I have a duty to act. Should I overhear something at a meeting, in the mall or some other social setting, I have no specific duty to report. — CLEAN, FREE AND LIVING LIFE

DEAR ABBY: As a 30-year member, I can say with certainty that some meeting attendees are grandiose and others are mentally ill. I have not infrequently heard disclosures that I later determined to be not true. The advice for members offered by our NA traditions is, "Take what you can use

(in one's own recovery) and leave the rest of what one hears at a meeting." — CHARLES IN ILLINOIS

DEAR ABBY: I disagree with your answer to that letter! Yes, this needs to be reported. If the victim died in that incident, it is a cold case and the boy's parents — if they are still alive — would have never had closure. There may be siblings who would want to know what happened to their brother. I am not a believer that if you confess to murder in NA, AA or with a priest in a confessional that they are bound not to tell. That is HOGWASH! For some crimes I would say OK, but not something this serious. — JIM R., LANCASTER, CALIF.

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Using each three-letter word just once, combine a word in the left column with a word in the right column. Then rearrange each six-letter scramble to form a word that begins with an A, M or T, and write it into the appropriate space below.

AFT TAD

DIM RID

RUN RAY

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Yesterday's Answer: WEAKLY, HYBRID, FLAGON, CUTOUT

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS 42 More coquettish
6 "The Metamorphosis" writer
11 Martini extra
12 A second time
13 Vegas action
14 Bookish, perhaps
15 Ambassador's agents
17 Polite address
19 Big galoot
20 Restful resort
23 Preposterous
25 Obsessed captain
26 Elevator door feature
28 "What's Going On" singer
29 Goddess of wisdom
30 Farm female
31 Seventh letter
32 By the unit
33 Does refinery work
35 Touch base
38 Castle of dance
41 Like good watchmen

42 More
43 Muscular
44 Herd member

DOWN
1 Do yard work
2 Imitating
3 Quartz variety
4 Tied up
5 Butler, for one
6 West of music
7 Historic times
8 Way off
9 Billy's baby
10 Some amount of
16 Run
17 Prolonged attack
18 Acquired relative
20 Amorous glance
21 Golfer Stewart
22 "Fuzzy Wuzzy was —"
24 Dogfight pro
25 German cry
27 Stressed type
31 Gas gauge
33 Ride the waves
34 Easy run
35 Bar bill
36 Bar choice
37 "My word!"
39 Once called
40 Mess up

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Yesterday's answer

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Remainder of NFL Preseason

Thursday, Aug. 22
 New England at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
 Carolina at Baltimore, 8 p.m.
Friday, Aug. 23
 Seattle at Green Bay, 8 p.m.
 Chicago at Oakland, 10 p.m.
Saturday, Aug. 24
 Buffalo at Washington, 4:30 p.m.
 Cleveland at Indianapolis, 7 p.m.
 N.Y. Jets at N.Y. Giants, 7 p.m.
 Kansas City at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.
 Philadelphia at Jacksonville, 7:30 p.m.
 Tampa Bay at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
 St. Louis at Denver, 8 p.m.
 Cincinnati at Dallas, 8 p.m.
 Atlanta at Tennessee, 8 p.m.
 San Diego at Arizona, 10 p.m.
Sunday, Aug. 25
 New Orleans at Houston, 4 p.m.

Minnesota at San Francisco, 8 p.m.
Thursday, Aug. 29
 Indianapolis at Cincinnati, 7 p.m.
 Detroit at Buffalo, 7 p.m.
 Philadelphia at N.Y. Jets, 7 p.m.
 New Orleans at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
 Washington at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.
 Jacksonville at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
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 Arizona at Denver, 9 p.m.
 Oakland at Seattle, 10 p.m.
 San Francisco at San Diego, 10 p.m.

Tuesday: Beltre homers for Texas in 4-2 win over Astros

ARLINGTON (AP) — Adrian Beltre just keeps chugging along for the Texas Rangers. He's making it look oh so easy, too.



Adrian Beltre

Beltre doubled and scored in the second inning, and then hit a two-run homer in the sixth to power AL West-leading Texas to a 4-2 victory over the Houston Astros on Tuesday night.

"This is what I'm supposed to be doing, right?" Beltre said. "I've been feeling better lately. Definitely."

Beltre's 26th homer came against rookie right-hander Jarrod Cosart (1-1) and lifted Texas into a 3-2 lead. It was his 160th hit, one behind Miguel Cabrera for the major league lead.

"The only way I can really describe it, he's the MVP. He's having an MVP-caliber season," Ian Kinsler said. "He's one of the best players in the league on one of the best teams, and he does

it night in and night out." Beltre is hitting .434 (33 of 76) over his last 21 games, raising his season average 19 points to .326, third in the American League.

After a leadoff double in the second, Beltre went to third on a wild pitch and scored on an infield single by Alex Rios. "He's been swinging the bat extremely well and been getting it done in situations when we really need him to get it done," manager Ron Washington said. "That's what Beltre is about, and it seems like every time we go down the stretch, he's right there ready to do it"

Matt Dominguez homered for Houston, which has lost seven in row

and 13 of 14 against the Rangers.

Neal Cotts (5-2) struck out the first three batters he faced over 1 1-3 innings and was credited with the win. The lefty was the second reliever after Travis Blackley pitched four innings against his former team a week after being traded to Texas.

Joe Nathan struck out the side in the ninth for his 37th save in 39 chances.

Tuesday's Games

- Yankees 8, Blue Jays 4
- Rays 7, Orioles 4
- Yankees 3, Blue Jays 2
- Twins 6, Tigers 3
- White Sox 2, Royals 0
- Indians 4, Angels 1 (14 innings)
- Mariners 7, Athletics 4
- Giants 3, Red Sox 2
- Rockies 5, Phillies 3
- Diamondbacks 5, Reds 2
- Mets 5, Braves 3
- Dodgers 6, Marlins 4
- Nationals 4, Cubs 2
- Brewers 6, Cardinals 3
- Pirates 8, Padres 1

LADY HARVESTERS HOSTS RANDALL



Photos by Charla Shults

The Pampa Lady Harvesters hosted and lost to the Randall Raiders Tuesday night. Top, the freshmen team defends the net. Below left, the junior varsity team prepares to defend a score attempt. Below right, the varsity team receives coaching from head coach Brooke Sanford. The Lady Harvesters return to the court in Graham for a tournament starting Thursday. Sanford said that Randall is a very good team and the Lady Harvesters are "excited about the upcoming tournament. It gives the kids a chance to see different teams and see new parts of the state." Bottom, cheerleaders look on.



Von Miller to serve 6-game suspension

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. (AP) — Broncos linebacker Von Miller received a six-game suspension under the NFL's substance-abuse policy Tuesday, taking away the best defensive player from a team many expect to make a run at the Super Bowl.

The league wanted a longer penalty for the third-year linebacker, but the sides agreed to less than half the season, a person familiar with the negotiations between the linebacker and the NFL told The Associated Press.

The person who spoke to the AP did not want to be identified because details about the negotiations were not public. Broncos executive vice president John Elway said the team was frustrated with what happened "and, I think, disappointed in Von."

"We'll live with that decision," Elway said. "What I'd like to do is try to do everything we can to prevent any other situations."

According to the NFL, Miller is eligible to play and practice through the last two preseason games. His suspension, without pay, will begin Aug. 31, and will cost him more than \$800,000 of the nearly \$2.3 million he's scheduled to make this season.

He'll be allowed at the team facility, but not at practice during the suspension. He can return to the field Oct. 14, the day after Denver's home game against Jacksonville, and

will be eligible for an Oct. 20 contest at the Indianapolis Colts.

After being notified of the decision, Miller released a statement saying, "although my suspension doesn't result from a positive test, there is no excuse for my violations of the rules."

"I made mistakes and my suspension has hurt my team, Broncos fans, and myself," he said. "I am especially sorry for the effect of my bad decisions on others. I will not make the same mistakes about adhering to the policy in the future."

The NFL has two drug policies — one that covers use of performance-enhancing substances and the "Policy and Program for Substances of Abuse" that applied to Miller's case.

There are ways to violate the drug policy without necessarily testing positive. They include missing a test, refusing to test, tampering with tests or giving a diluted urine sample.

The Broncos had been operating throughout the preseason as if Miller would be with them for their regular-season opener Sept. 5.

"I don't know if that was confidence as much as it was wishful thinking," coach John Fox said. "I think we all tend to look at the glass half full instead of half empty. But now the reality is there and I'm kind of glad we've gotten to where it is finalized."

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