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# CHAUTAUQUA!



Photos by Timothy P. Howsare

Above, runners pass the time with conversation before the start of the 5K run. Right, these kids are just as curious about the cats as the felines are about them. Fifty dogs and 15 cats were brought to the festival for adoption by the Pampa Animal Welfare Society (PAWS). In its 32nd year, Chautauqua is a celebration of the arts held in Central Park. This year's festival was blessed with sunny weather and a lively crowd that enjoyed a variety of foods, arts and crafts vendors, games and live music. For more photos, see page 8.



# Sto Lat! Sacred Heart celebrates 100

BY TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE

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WHITE DEER — When introducing yourself to someone, you weren't sure if they were going to answer back with a Texas drawl or a Polish Sacred Heart Catholic Church in White Deer,

which was founded by 13 families of Polish immigrants in 1913, celebrated its 100th anniversary on Saturday. The church's enormous parish hall was packed

with about 300 people, most of whom were descendants of the 13 settler families. Along with residents from White Deer, there

were grandchildren and great-grandchildren of some of White Deer's settlers attending from as far away as Wichita, Kan., Oklahoma City, Dallas and San Antonio. There were family reunions planned to coincide with the event.

A tour bus brought in about 40 descendants from San Antonio. They came with Rev. Msgr. Franciszek Kurzaj, who is Polish-born and president of the Father Leopold Moczygemba Foundation.

In the 1850s, immigrants from the European STO LAT cont. on page 3



Four couples perform a traditional Polish dance. The red

banners hanging on the walls represent each of the 13 settler

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# than \$350,000 in drugs Drugs from both stops

en route to Okla. City

STAFF REPORT

2 DPS busts in

2 days net more

AMARILLO — The Texas Department of Public Safety made drug busts during traffic stops Sunday and Saturday on Interstate 40 that netted more than \$35,000 in illegal drugs.

In a traffic stop Sunday on I-40, DPS arrested a driver from Mexico with more than five pounds of methamphetamine valued at more than \$180,000.

At approximately 12:58 a.m., a DPS trooper conducted a traffic stop on a 2004 Ford Taurus passenger car traveling east on I-40 for a traffic violation, near Conway in Carson County.

The driver of the Taurus was identified as Daniela Gandarencinas, 28, of Los Colorado, Mexico. During the traffic stop, the trooper discovered four bundles of methamphetamine in the firewall.

The driver was placed under arrest for possession of a controlled substance, a first-degree felony, and booked into the Carson County Jail. The illegal drugs were allegedly being transported from Mexico to Oklahoma City.

On Saturday on I-40, a DPS bust during a traffic stop yielded more three pounds of methamphetamine, nearly three ounces of heroin, 37 grams of oxycontin and a stolen gun. The value of the drugs seized was over \$175,000.

At approximately 11:07 a.m., a DPS trooper conducted a traffic stop on a 2012 Toyota Tundra traveling east on I-40 for a traffic violation near Bushland in Potter County.

The occupants of the Toyota were identified s Jessica M Garner, 27, of Torreon, N.M., Paris L Castillo, 23, of Torreon, N.M., and Joseph Barboa, 17, of Albuquerque, N.M. During the traffic stop, the trooper discovered more thanthree pounds of methamphetamine, almost three ounces of heroin, 37 units of oxycontin, and a stolen nine-millimeter handgun.

The occupants were placed under arrest for possession of a controlled substance, a firstdegree felony, unlawful carrying of a weapon, a class a misdemeanor and booked into the Potter County Jail. The illegal drugs were allegedly being transported from Albuquerque, N.M., to Oklahoma City.

# Congress considers bills targeting notarios

DALLAS (AP) — Tatiana Jimenez left her native Guatemala seven years ago to escape an abusive relationship and begin a new life in

But she endured a different kind of abuse after she arrived in Washington, D.C., and sought legal help on her immigration status. With little knowledge of the system, she turned to an unscrupulous lawyer who had her sign a contract to pay \$2,800 and charged her hundreds of dollars for immigration documents the federal government provides for free.

Several months later — after a series of canceled appointments from her lawyer — Jimenez sought help from an immigrant advocacy group that reviewed the matter and confirmed her suspicions: She had been duped. She discovered a front-desk receptionist had been left in charge of her paperwork and little if any progress had been made on her case.

"They assured me this wasn't the way things are, that I wasn't filling out the right documents **NOTARIOS** cont. on page 3

# PAMPA FORECAST

**Today** 





High 91 Low 59 High 94 Low 63 High 94 Low 64

Today: Sunny with a high of 91. Wind southsoutheast at 10 mph. Sunrise at 7:18 a.m. No chance of rain.

Tonight: Clear with a low of 59. Winds southsoutheast at 11 mph. Sunset at 8:08 p.m. No chance of rain.

south at 11 mph. Sunrise at 7:19 a.m. No chance of rain.

Wednesday: Sunny with a high of 94. Winds

Wednesday night: Clear with a low of 63. Winds south at 8 mph. Sunset at 8:06 p.m. No chance of rain.

Thursday: Sunny with a high of 94. Winds

south-southwest at 11 mph. Sunrise at 7:19

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# Obituaries

### Elsie Mae Earles

Elsie Mae Earles, 86, of McLean, died Saturday, Aug. 31, 2013, in Pampa.



**Elsie Earles** 

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Mrs. Earles was born Feb. 10,

1927, in Gray County to James Clyde Holloway and Mary Pauline Stewart Holloway. She grew up 10 miles north of McLean at what many called Holloway's Corner, in a town that never really got started called Back City. She was the oldest of three girls and grew up doing farm chores and helping at the Corner Service station her father operated. She lived

through the Dust Bowl, the Depression, and World War II helping the family meet their needs during extremely difficult times. She grew up strong and tough, but nothing compared to her compassion for others and love of family.

She married Willie Burton "Bill" Earles on Feb. 14, 1946, in McLean. They lived in McLean and Lefors until 2002 when they moved to Littlefield. After Willie Burton died in 2007, she moved back to McLean and resided in the McLean Care Center. Over the years, she worked at many different jobs to make ends meet. Her jobs included serving as church secretary at the First Baptist Church in McLean, as a cashier at several different grocery stores, and managing the Pirates Den and later the Hill Top Café in Lefors. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Lefors.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Willie Burton "Bill" Earles and a son, James David Earles, on Feb.

Survivors include a daughter, Wilma McMinn and husband Bill of Lefors; a son, Billy Ray Earles and wife Margit of Columbia, Md.; two sisters, Mildred Cannon of Canyon and Mary Hinson and husband Powell of San Marcos; 12 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be grandsons Christopher Dean Mc-Minn, Clint McMinn, Wesley Earles, Justin Earles, Christopher Earles and David Earles.

Memorials may be made to Gray County Association for Retarded Citizens, P.O. Box 880, Pampa, TX 79066-

Sign the online register book at www.carmichaelwhatley.com.

# Elizabeth Lindsay Malone

Elizabeth Lindsay Malone, 83, died Aug. 31, 2013 in Pampa.

Graveside services will be held at 10 a.m. today in Fairview Cemetery with the Rev. Norman Rushing, pastor of Central Baptist Church, offici-



under are

Mrs. Malone was born in Marshall, Texas in 1930. She lived and worked in the Panhandle area most of her life. Mrs. Malone was a member of Central Baptist Church and loved helping the preschool aged children.

She is survived by her

dren; and 2 sisters, Vivian Harlen and Carroll Flanagan,

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to Central Baptist Church Nursery Fund, 513 E. Francis, Pampa, TX 79065.

Sign the online guest register at www.carmichaelwhatley.com.

# Maryola Trisler

Maryola Trisler, 87, went to be with the Lord, Sunday, Sept. 1, 2013 in Pampa.

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.



Maryola **Trisler** 

Mrs. Trisler was born Feb. 16, 1926 in Shattuck, Okla. She married Frank Trisler on June 15, 1942 in Arnett, Okla. He preceded her in death on April 26, 1986. She had been a resident of Pampa since 1950. She was a member of Cornerstone Baptist Church where she was very involved with her Sunday school class. Mrs. Trisler enjoyed working in her yard and cooking. She loved spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren and greatgrandchildren. Maryola was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, and great

grandmother, who will be truly missed. She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers, a sister, and her grandson, Mark Rodgers.

Survivors include her daughter, Mary Hartley and husband Robert of Pampa; two granddaughters, Marilyn Ball and husband Geary and Cheryl Weeden and husband Jay, all of Pampa; five great-grandsons, Brandon Rodgers, Ryan Weeden, Bryce Weeden, Norman Rodgers, and Austin Rodgers; and four great-granddaughters, Hannah Ball, Lesley Ball, Payton Rodgers, and Tiffany Gonzalez. Memorials may be made to a favorite charity.

Sign the online guest register at www.carmichaelwhatley.com.

### J. D. Paris

J.D. Paris, 91, of Miami, died Monday, Sept.2, 2013, in Amarillo. Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 5, 2013, at the First Christian Church in Miami with Steve Porter, his son-in-law and pastor of the Primitive Baptist Church in Paducah, officiating. Burial will be in Miami Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa. Military honors will be made at Altus Air Force Base in Altus, Okla.



**Paris** 

Mr. Paris was born March 16, 1922 in Roberts County to Leo and Thelma Paris. He was a 1940 graduate of Miami High School and served the U. S. Army Air Force from 1942-1945 in Trinidad in the British West Indies. J.D. married Lorene Thompson on June 20, 1944 in Miami. She preceded him in death on Jan. 18, 2013. He owned and operated Paris Motor Co. in Miami from 1948-1960 and farmed and ranched in the Miami area for many years.

J.D. was a member of the First Christian Church of Miami, Miami Masonic Lodge No. 805 for 67 years, American Legion Post, and he served as a director of the Gray-Roberts Farm Bureau for many years.

Survivors include two daughters, Martha Porter and husband Steve of Pampa and Nancy Burnett and husband Jim of Wolfforth, Texas; a sister, Billy Jo Ratliff of Miami; a sister-in-law, Mary Thompson of Miami; a brother-in-law, Jack Sloan of Pampa; four grandchildren, Stephanie Shankle and husband Shane of Colleyville, John Porter and wife Tasha of North Richland Hills, Courtney Cox and husband Clint of Providence Village. and Sarah Truesdell and husband Thomas of Lubbock; and by eight great grandchildren. J.D. was preceded in

death by his parents, and a sister, Betty Sloan. Memorials may be made to First Christian Church,

> Museum, U. S. Hwy 60, Miami, TX 79059. Sign the online register

201 E. Tascosa, Miami, TX 79059 or Roberts County

book at www.carmichaelwhatlev.com.

## Two-tone lobster shown in Maine

PORTLAND, (AP) — Maine has seen its share of blue lobsters, orange lobsters, albino lobsters and calico lobsters. But one on display at a Portland research facility has all of those turning green with envv.

The lobster at the Gulf of Maine Research Institute is half orange and half brown.

The lobster was caught by lobsterman Jeff Edwards and was donated by Ship to Shore Lobster Co. in Owl's Head.

Research Institute spokesman Steven Profaizer says it's being kept in a tank used by the Lab-Venture education experience. For the program, the institute transports about 10,000 students each year.

As for the lobster, it is indeed rare. The Lobster Institute at the University of Maine tells WMTW-TV this type of two-tone lobster is one in 50 million. Only albino lobsters are rarer.

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direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

husband of 58 years, Harvev Malone of the home; a son, Harvey "Buck" Malone, Jr. and wife Cara

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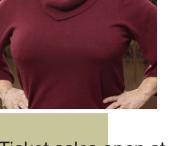
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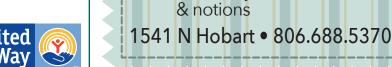
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# Sto Lat

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region of Upper Silesia, now Poland, came to Texas. Following the leadership of Father Moczygemba, they left their homeland and entered the United States through the gates of Galveston and Indianola,

They started many settle- persecution. ments in Texas, including one in Panna Maria in the hill country.

"Father Moczygemba was a missionary from Poland," said Carolyn Rapstine, parishioner and one of the event's organizers. "He came to Texas and saw all the open land."

**Notarios** 

and the amount of money (I

paid) wasn't right, either,"

Jimenez said, breaking

Such deception has long existed in the U.S. and of-

ten flies under the radar of

authorities targeting higher-value fraud cases. Con-

gress may address the issue

as part of proposed immi-

gration reforms that could

expand protections against

con-artists offering help to

problem," said Rep. Bill

Foster, D-Illinois, who in-

troduced a House bill that

calls for a fine and up to 10 to 15 years in federal prison for fraudulently offering immigration legal services. There is no federal statute

that specifically addresses the unauthorized practice

of immigration law, though the U.S. Department of Justice said federal authorities

are able to prosecute using other statutes. The DOJ

would not address whether

Foster's legislation as well

as a related Senate-ap-

proved bill would spur it to

pursue more cases — many

of which don't involve

more than a few hundred

Experts say putting a

specific federal law on the

books would be an effective

deterrent in places where

local authorities don't have

the resources to handle the extra workload. They say these non-lawyers who at-

tempt to handle complex cases can consequently

ruin the singular opportu-

nity an immigrant has for

dollars.

those seeking citizenship. "This is a foreseeable

down in tears.

**Continued From Page 1** 

side and Russians on the the railroad tracks.

Anderwald, of Polish. She said it was to sound German to avoid

space for all of them to live. Plus, the hill country was for farming.

ny in Pampa had set aside

"Every time we have (de-

bates) on immigration reform

we have those individuals

who try to prey on the disad-

vantaged," said Doug Stump,

Immigration Lawyers Asso-

ciation. "And many of these

people are non-lawyers — or

notaries — who just kind of

come out of the woodwork at

a time when it seems conve-

A federal database alerts

state authorities about

crooked attorneys or non-

lawyers who advertise them-

selves as notarios — the

Spanish word for notary

public that in Latin America

implies authorization to prac-

tice law. Some states go after

nient.'

clients deported.

Rapstine, who is de- land for an ethnic group. scended from one of the Thirteen Polish families settler families, said many from Panna Maria moved Poles were suffering — op- to what is now White Deer pressed by Germans one and bought land north of

'They came here on the Rapstine's maiden name very same railroad that which goes through White Deer sounds German instead today," Rapstine said. "The land here was ideal not uncommon for Poles for farming because it had to change their last names no rocks or trees. Thirteen families came and brought their children, pigs and As the Polish communi- cows. They bought parcels ties in the hill country grew and all lived in a grainery in population, Rapstine until their houses were said, there wasn't enough built. As they grew they built a church in 1913."

At Saturday's celebrarocky and not well suited tion, sandwiches, side dishes and chips were served. They had heard that the There was ice tea and lem-White Deer Land Compa- onade to drink, along with

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increase of annual cases re-

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Photos by Timothy P. Howsare Above, Revs. Msgr. Franciszek Kurzaj and Mieczyslaw Przepiora, who were both born in Poland. Left, the younger dancers.

word for beer.

An entire table was dediniech zy-je, zy-je nam! cated just for desserts.

A new book was unveiled the church and Polish settles. Called "Sto Lat: 100 Years of Family Favorites," it was sold at a table for

Polish dancers, both children and adults, performed traditional dances.

The Rev. Mieczyslaw Przepiora (Father Mitch) led the singing of a blessing in both Polish and English. Przepiora is pastor of both Sacred Heart in White

Deer and St. Theresa in Panhandle. The blessing goes like

Sto lat, sto lat, niech zy-

je, zy-je nam, sto lat, sto "piwo," which is the Polish lat, niech zy-je, zy-je nam.

> – but experts and federal officials agree the scope of the problem is much bigger.

FTC lawyer Michael 2006 and gradually saw an Waller said many cases go unreported because immigrants living illegally in the ers and the Department of U.S. fear legal repercussions if they report the has nearly 3,000 complaints fraud to authorities.

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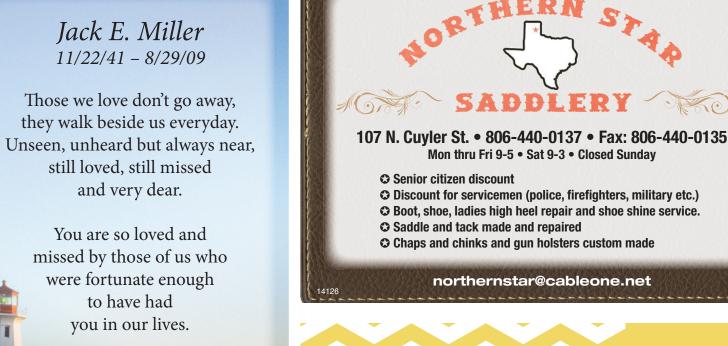
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A reward of up to \$1000 suspect(s) in this crime is being offered for inforhave been using some mation that leads to the type of firearm to shoot arrest or conviction in this out the street lights. The case, and as always, you damage caused from these will remain completely acts has reached into the anonymous if you submit thousands of dollars, mak-your information through

# Conjoined boys separated

DALLAS (AP) The mother of twins successfully separated cy was very frightenafter being born joined ing. I didn't know what at the chest says she's looking forward to once thought had no chance of survival.

"I'm just so happy that alive and thriving. It's the best feeling in the world," Jenni Ezell said conference at Medical City Children's Hospiwas joined by husband Dave and a doctor.

Saturday at the hospital after being born joined the liver. from just below the

The babies shared a said. liver and intestines and had an about 3 inch by 5 inch area on their lower stomach that wasn't covered by skin or mus- doctor said.

"The whole pregnanwould happen."

I didn't know if they holding the babies she would make it. It's hard as a mom to know that,' Ezell said tearfully.

Dr. Clair Schwendethey're here and they're man, a neonatologist, said that once the boys were born, tests were done to determine ex-Thursday during a news actly how many connections they had.

During the nine-hour tal in Dallas, where she surgery, a team of surgeons separated the liver and intestines, with Owen and Emmett the most difficult part Ezell were separated being the separation of a shared blood vessel in

"At this point they're breast bone to just be- as stable as we could low the belly button on hope for post-opera-July 15. hope for post-opera-tively," Schwendeman

Conjoined twins are rare, occurring in about one in 50,000 to one in 200,000 deliveries, the

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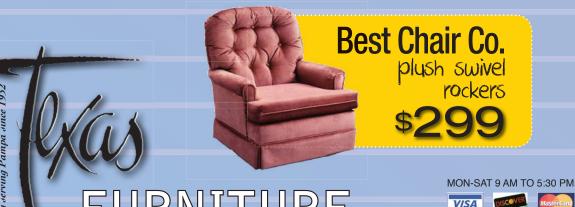
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# Prairie Plains Perspective

# Pampa needs more affordable housing

When Mayor Brad Pingel brought forth the motion of the \$34,500

fee waiver requested by Brett **DENNIS** 

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Johnson of Overland Property Group at last Tuesday's City Commissioners meeting, the commissioners

for the lack of a better word) conduct was rather unbecoming. Brett Johnson was simply performing his chosen endeavor. Whether each commissioner was pro or con in regard to the fee waiver request doesn't matter.

What does matter to a number of Pampa citizens was how disrespectful they felt our commissioners were to Mr. Johnson over how the motion procedure was carried out. The question floating about is: Could Mayor Pingel and Pampa's city commissioners have chosen a less insulting way to have turned down Mr. Johnson's

Compared to \$5.2 million, \$34,500 in fee waivers is chump change. Had the motion for the \$34,500 passed at last Tuesday's session, some mostly income restricted apartments would have been built on the city's northeast side.

I find it highly unusual that a requisite for developer Overland Property Group to have received the \$5.2 million was a stipulation by our state government that some sort ing traffic.

of community good faith involvement had to be met in order for this type project to start.

Unusual in the aspect that I maintain just a tad's worth of pessimism about any government using checks and balances when it comes to taxpayers' monies. Score one for the taxpayer.

Ever since Overland Property Group let it be known their wishes to construct Section 42 housing, citizens living on streets next to the proposed construction site have been in an uproar.

Much innuendo and false information has been spread around in regard to their concerns over the apartments, and some was spouted at last Tuesday's commissioners' session.

How could the citizens be concerned about increased crime and drug activity when that concern was nothing but hypothetical?

Increased vehicle traffic was another of the citizens' concern. If that is the case, citizens already living in houses on that side of town use 23rd and 25th avenues for their personal race ways.

If you don't believe me, park your auto on one of the intersecting tree streets, sit back and take note of the excessive amount of speeders going to and fro on the two eastwest thoroughfares.

In my humble opinion and that of a few others, the city needs to erect some well-placed stop signs to slow the speed-

Another citizen taking the podium and microphone before the mayor and commissioners said Pampa "does not need more housing." Sir, if you please, tell that to the many families with husbands and wives employed in the oil and gas industry who cannot find affordable housing here in Pampa.

Another concerned citizen said the apartments would "adversely affect my quality of life and my children's" and went on to add "although the apartments would like nice to begin with, they will deteriorate and that is depressing."

How would that be? I guess if pessimism reigns supreme in that particular citizen's home, well, that statement is correct. However, check out some of the houses on streets close to where the construction would have been and you will see where homeowners have let their properties deteriorate.

Another misnomer was when the same person stated, "Everybody else who's built (apartments) in Pampa has had to pay their own fees." Considering some Section 8 apartments on Pampa's west side and the Hampton Village construction, that is not true. I had to laugh over another citizen's remark, the lone citizen in support of the development when he said that "people getting older are not going to have a place to live." Well, where are they living now? Is there some law or situation that takes hold when a

person gets older that they cannot continue living in their homes?

As this Overland Property Group scenario has taken shape over the past months, and if you cannot discern by my comments, I have grown to where I was sitting atop the ambivalent fence on this issue.

But now, even my ambivalence is moot, for there will be no Section 42 housing on Pampa's northeast side unless some \$34,500 benefactor steps forward in a hearty good faith to aid Overland Property Group's plan.

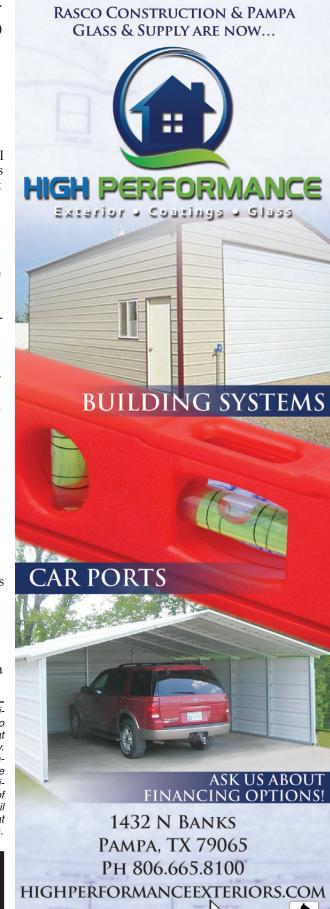
I'm still concerned in regard to the aspect that Pampa does need some affordable housing or apartments for income strapped individuals and families.

With inappropriate decorum from citizens in attendance along with mum-with-arms-on-table city commission, one can only imagine the uproar had the motion been made and carried. However, inspite of the melodrama, the prior turndown of Overland Property Group's \$105,000 loan request to Pampa's EDC, the will of the people was considered and met, and when it comes to government doing such that is always a good thing.

Pampa resident Dennis Palmitier is a regular contributor to the opinion page on issues that affect Pampa and Gray County. He can be reached at denpalm1949@yahoo.com. Anyone wishing to respond to Palmitier's viewpoints in the form of a letter to the editor can email editor Timothy P. Howsare at thowsare@thepampanews.com.

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(AP) — Put the members of Alabama in the same room after more than four detogether and very quick- cades, they feel dusted with ly the jokes start and the good fortune. laughs roll.

and releasing a new album without one of these guys if good.

Tenn. of duets this week called it went one way instead of "Alabama & Friends." And another. We feel like we're

blessed to be doing this."

There was a time when Alabama was on top of the "How could I not be hav- country music world, win-Randy Owen, Jeff Cook ing the time of my life?" ning all the major awards, and Teddy Gentry are back bassist Gentry asks. "I'm writing the most popular together, out on tour play- sitting here with two cancer songs and changing the way ing to thousands every night survivors. I could be here country music sounded for



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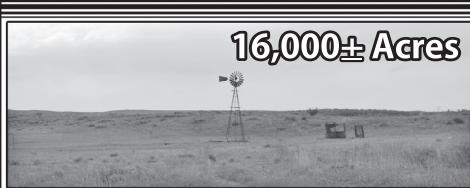
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### Immunization clinic 3 times a month

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### PAWS meets first Tuesdays

Pampa Animal Welfare Society meets the first Tuesday of each month in the north meeting room at the Lovett Memorial Library. The meetings are at 6:30 p.m. and are open to the public.

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

For more information, call the shelter after 3 p.m. at 669-5775 and ask for the PAWS volunteer.

### **County Commission** meetings

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

### TOT Republican Women's Club

Top Texas Republican Women's Club meets at noon on the third Wednesday of every month at the Pampa Senior Center, Citizens 500 W. Francis St. For more information call 806-669-1990.

### Jam sessions every Friday night

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

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Evans, is a scrawny and sickly man, weighing in at about 90 pounds. He he can't pass the medical exam. While he and his buddy Bucky have a heartto-heart chat Dr. Abraham Erskine, project manager for a secret experiment to build super-soldiers, eavesdrops. Erskine is moved by Steve's sense of right and wrong and gets Rogers admitted into the program.

Steve wins the chance to be the first injected with an experimental serum when during training he throws himself on a grenade to save his buddies. One of my favorite lines from the movie is soon after delivered by Dr. Erskine, "...a strong man, who has known power all his life, may lose respect for that power, but a weak man knows the valcompassion."

After his transformation,

In the year 1942 Steve travelling show as "Cap-Rogers, played by Chris tain America" with a bevy of chorus girls to help sell war bonds.

He is humiliated and wants to fight Nazis but taunted by combat soldiers but, when he hears that Bucky may be held with about 400 other prisonersof-war as slave labor in a weapons factory 30 miles from where he is preforming, Steve Rogers/Captain America decides that he amazing. must do something.

and British Strategic Scientific Reserve agent Peggy Carter, played by Hayley Atwell, is the reluctant love interest. The villain, Red Skull, aka Johann Schmidt, who injected himself with the serum before it was ready for human consumption, is played by Hugo ue of strength, and knows Agent Smith in the Matrix movies.

The movie cost \$140

**SPIKE** 

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To make Chris Evdigitally shrunken or, in a few scenes his head seemed shorter.

five-star scale.

I also asked 10 non-

office. That the movie. My movie if they were making them. my friends call me Spike. I'm production making friends all rated budget pro- the movie higher at four stars while non-movie remarkable people rated it at 3 ½ stars out of 5. One fam-Steve's ily member moaned that it was "sometimes cheesy and formulaic yet entertaining and inspiring."

Usually, it's my filmmaker friends who take points off anything that is pro-American, pro-traditional, pro-family, pro-Col. Chester Phillips, ans appear skinny and Christian, etc. This movie played by Tommy Lee sickly each scene had to is certainly pro-Ameri-Jones, thinks that Captain be filmed a minimum of can, although the director America is a waste of time four times against green Joe Johnston, made clear screens. He was then efforts to not be jingois-

thought Johnston was digitally placed on a struck the right balance. body double. Pre-trans- I also thought this movie formation, other actors was perfectly cast, Atwell were required to stand on as the love interest rubbed apple boxes so that Evans me slightly wrong on my first viewing, but grew on I asked 10 filmmaker me for the second. Oh, and Weaving, best known as and actor friends to rate Red Skull's car, as cool as "Captain America" on the cool can be, is actually based on two pre-WWII Mercedes-Benz cars, the Rogers is given a set of million to make and made filmmaker friends and 540K and the G4. I'd buy leotards and relegated to a \$368.6 million at the box family members to rate a Red Skull Hydra Coupe

Be sure to watch the end credits; the artwork alone is worth it. There is a sequel in the works to which I am looking forward. It is "Captain America: The Winter Soldier.'

I give "Captain America" 3 1/2 stars.

IMy name is Dan Harville, but,

an actor, writer and filmmaker. I do weekly "Vintage Movie Reviews," a weekly piece called Tinseltown Trivia" for reasons I hope are obvious and an occasional opinion piece "My Friends Call Me Spike" where I look at the history of film and how it touches our culture, or anything else that catches my fancy. Please visit my blog www.MyFriendsCallMeSpike. com and follow me on Twitter @

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Department of Public Safety (DPS) today highlighted notable traffic and criminal laws that went into effect on Sept. 1.

"As a result of these new provisions, Texans now have additional protection while traveling our roadways, and individuals who disregard our laws will face tougher penalties for a variety of crimes," said DPS Director Steven Mc-Craw. "DPS encourages all residents to educate themselves about the laws affecting their lives and to do their part in keeping Texas safe.

Please note that the following is not a comprehensive list of all new laws passed by the Texas Legis-

HB 347 expands the current limitations on wireless communication device (cell phone) use in an ac-

AUSTIN — The Texas time a reduced speed limit does not constitute effection for counties where sheriffs is in effect for the school tive consent for a law en- or deputy sheriffs can be crossing zone. Further, it forcement officer, or any certified by DPS to enforce that are stopped, or drivers contents of the wireless using a hands-free device communication device exor making an emergency

> HB 1174 amends current statute to increase the minimum fines for the misdemeanor offense of passing a stopped school bus loading or unloading children. The minimum fine increases from \$200 to \$500, and the maximum fine for such an offense increases from \$1,000 to \$1,250.

The bill also enhances the penalty for a second trol device. or subsequent conviction of that offense committed within five years to a misdemeanor punishable by a already requires drivers minimum fine of \$1,000 to yield to tow trucks, poand a maximum fine of lice, fire and emergency \$2.000.

SB 181 allows a motor vehicle operator the option fense punishable by a fine tive school crossing zone of using a wireless comto include the property of a munication device (such by a fine of \$500 if prop- penalty for leaving the public elementary, middle, as a cell phone) to display erty damage occurs; or scene of a motor vehicle or junior high school for motor vehicle financial a Class B misdemeanor accident resulting in the which a local authority has responsibility (proof of if the violation results in death of a person and faildesignated a school cross- insurance) information as ing zone. The use will only evidence of financial re-

cept to view the financial to Bexar, Tarrant and Traresponsibility information. \*This bill is effective immediately.

SB 510 requires drivers to move over or slow down (as required depending on the roadway) when approaching a stationary Texas Department of Transportation vehicle with its lights activated and not separated from the roadway by a traffic-con-

This provision expands the state's Move Over/ Slow Down law, which vehicles. Violators would commit a misdemeanor ofof up to \$200; punishable bodily damage.

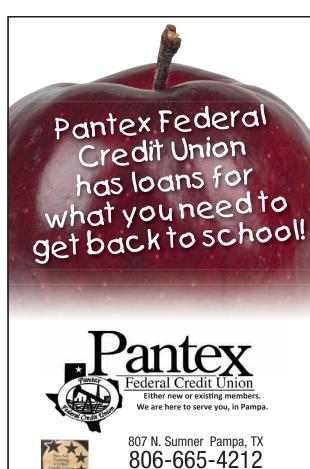
ulation requirement from second-degree felony.

will not apply to vehicles other person, to access the federal commercial motor vehicle regulations. This will open the opportunity vis counties.

HB 625clarifies that the penalty for operating a vehicle on a public highway without displaying the two license plates assigned to the vehicle is a misdemeanor offense punishable by a fine not to exceed

HB 3668 amends current statute to require the operator of a vehicle involved in an accident that results or is reasonably likely to resulting the injury or death of a person to immediately determine whether a person is involved in the accident, and if so, whether the person requires aid, in addition to other existing statutory requirements.

SB 275 increases the ing to render aid from a HB 2304 lowers the pop- third-degree felony to a



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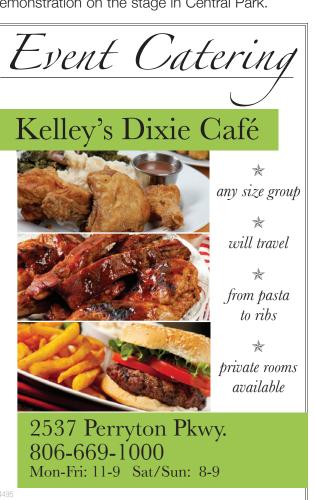








Photos by Timothy P. Howsare Top left, the drum line from the Pampa High School band performs. Top right, the family that clowns around together stays together. Above, a Zumba demonstration on the stage in Central Park.





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# Freshmen, junior varsity have big-play-filled games vs. Iowa Park

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Despite losing their games, the freshmen and junior varsity squads showed plenty of big-play ability against the Iowa Park Hawks.

# Freshmen: Parker and

If there is anything the coaching staff learned about their freshmen squad in their regular season home opener, it's that play-makers on offense.

A interception returned a touchdown. for a touchdown makes

for a blemish on quarter- Dodd also had a touch- multiple occasions.

which this team can make fourth quarter. plays allowed for a flea-Dodd shine among others field multiple times, but get an interception. The ability to break out of finally ending up with freshmen squad lost 38a big play from Parker 24. to wide receiver Ryan Roden.

Later in the drive Parker they are not lacking of would hook-up with receiver Jayson Thomas for

Running back Newt

back Bryce Parker's game down in the contest. Wide in which he accounted for receiver Enrique Vil- from fellow sophomore multiple touchdowns, two lanueva also showed his quarterback Erick Vizcairushing and one passing. big-play ability, catching no, Sergio Santos broke a The multiple facets of a sideline throw in the tackle and took the ball all

flicker in which the ball ability to play on defense, was pitched in the back- using his good hands to

### JV: Turnovers hinder otherwise good showing

While the junior varsity struggled some against Iowa Park, the offense showed promise, moving

After catching a pass the way down the field for Roden also showed his an impressive touchdown scamper.

> Vizcaino showed the sacks as he connected with sophomore Jordan Green.

> It would be too little, too late, however, as the JV team lost 35-14. The freshmen and junior varsity teams return to the field Thursday in Canyon.



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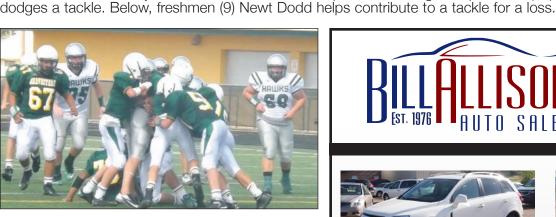
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Photos by John Lee Above left, freshman Ryan Roden secures an interception. Above right, sophomore (21) Sergio Santos







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# TOP O' TEXAS GOLF TOURNEY - PATRIOT GOLF DAY





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Left, along with the Top o' Texas Golf Tournament Saturday was Patriot Golf Day. An active soldier, Sgt. Sean Baldwin, was posted at hole No. 9, shaking hands with golfers and manning the flag on the pin. Right, golfers teed off from hole No. 7. There was also a hole-in-one contest held later that day. The winner received \$750 and all the entries fees went toward the Folds of Honor program, which provides scholarships to the children of fallen soldiers.

### Correction:

In The Pampa News football preview, published with the newspaper on Aug. 28, the cutline beneath the freshmen Pampa Harvesters football team should have read:

Front, from left, Jarrett Rivera, Ricky Rivera, Colby Boland, Cody Parker, Chris Cryer, Garrett Ely, Austin Burton and Mason McKay. Middle, Enrique Villanueva, Jayson Thomas, Ryan Roden, Jorge Martinez, Jesse Downs, Payne Beesley, Justin Beck, Angel Saldierna and Nicholas Thomas. Back, Bryce Parker, Bryson Paronto, Kade Woods, Lorenzo Venzor, Derek Norris, Cy Wood and Shay Burnett.

Here are my likes and gripes from this weekend's sports action:

### • Texas A&M QBs - I will say something positive about Johnny Manziel: he put up when it was putup-or-shut-up time. But the other A&M quarterback Matt Joeckel was very impressive in the relief of Manziel, going 14 of 19 for 190 yards and a touchdown. This has to be comforting for A&M should Manziel get hurt, at the very least

when Manziel leaves for the NFL.

• Garrett Gilbert – Remember him? Longhorn fans do I am sure. The backup who almost led the Longhorns to a National Championship against Alabama years ago when Colt McCoy went down has found a new home at SMU. He played fairly well in the loss to Texas Tech, throwing for 388 yards and rushing for a touchdown. It is just nice to see guys who nobody thinks about after they leave a bigname school continue their football career in hopes of still making it to do it, who can blame him. I want to the pros.

• Todd Helton – Long-time sta- it very hard ple in the Colorado Rockies rota- for people tion Todd Helton hit a milestone to rally bein his career Sunday in the 7-4 win hind him. against the Cincinnati Reds. Helton became the 96th player in major cos league history to reach 2,500 career complainhits. Helton could retire at the end ing – I hate of the season. If he did it is a shame to attack my own people, but what Rockies teams, aside from the time petty. who lost in the World Series to the Phillies a few years back.

• Johnny Manziel – I am beating a dead horse recently with the Manziel gripes. First after a touchdown Manziel rubs his fingers together like he is feeling money, almost taunting the NCAA. Then he gets his team an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty taunting a Rice player. Bad leadership rolls downhill. Another A&M player got an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty, after seeing the quarterback (who is supposed to be the leader of the team) root for Manziel, but he is making

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John Lee's

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There are posters of Baltimore Ravens quarterback Joe Flacco (and Peyton Manning) being hung up on the stadium and around downtown Denver to promote Thursday's season opener.

The Broncos and Ravens have what is becoming a budding rivalry and I have personally taken a dislike to the Ravens (Can you blame me? Ask Green Bay fans how they feel about the New York Giants,) but the NFL Kickoff Week is much bigger than any rivalry in NFL football. So Denver Broncos fans, instead of complaining about the posters, use it to fire up the team and then be happy about beating the Ravens.

# Rarvesters in Action Ra

### Football

Varsity vs. Canyon......Friday 7:30 p.m. JV at Canyon......Thursday 6:30 p.m. Freshmen at Canyon.....Thursday 5 p.m.

Volleyball vs. Fort Elliot...Tuesday 6 p.m.

Tennis vs. Randall.....Tuesday 4 p.m. Tennis vs. Andrews at Lubbock..... Saturday 9 a.m.

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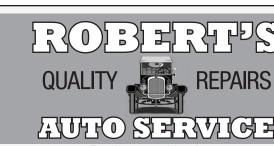
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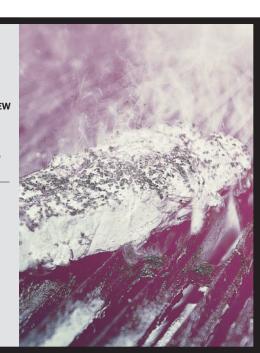
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INTRODUCING



# The 'notch'—the SS issue that just won't die

TOM MARGENAU Creator's Syndicate

I frequently tell folks that despite the subject matter, my column generally isn't really for senior citizens. Once you are getting a Social Security check, I really don't have too much news or information for you. But if you are approaching retirement age (somewhere in your late mid 50s to early 60s) then I have tons of advice to help you decide when and why and how to take your Social Security checks.

But this week, if you are under 85, you can stop reading the column right now. (However, if you have a much older parent or relative, you may want to keep reading because today's column refers to him or her.)

That's because I'm going to trot an updated version of the time-worn "notch" column. My email inbox has been filled lately with emails from elderly readers who keep bringing up this tired old issue. My hunch is an article about the so-called "Social Security notch" must have appeared in a national publication and it has incensed older folks who will go to their graves convinced the government has cheated them out of Social Security benefits that are rightfully

For those readers who don't have a clue what I am talking about, the "notch" refers to a time period when corrections were made to the Social Security benefit formula corrections that were necessary to ensure that all Social Security recipients were paid properly, but corrections that were misconstrued by many to be a way of bilking them out of benefits they felt they were due. Here's the

In 1972, Congress passed a law mandating automatic annual costof-living adjustments or COLAs — to Social Security checks. Those COLAs were to be based on increases in the government's official inflation measuring stick: the consumer price index. (Before 1972, COLAs were not automatic. They were sporadic and happened only if Congress specifically authorized a yearly increase.)

As part of the new process, the Social Security Administration had to come up with a formula for calculating increases to people's Social Security checks — which they did. But after COLAs were paid for a couple of years, someone noticed the formula was wrong. Social Security beneficiaries were getting increases

Social Security and you

that were slightly higher than justified by the actual increase in living costs.

Once the mistake was discovered and SSA notified Congress, several decisions had to be made. For one, they had to figure out what to do about all of the Social Security beneficiaries who received the overly generous COLA adjustments. Congress quickly decided to let them keep the money. (It would have been political suicide to send overpayment letters to every senior citizen in the country demanding repayment of the incorrectly paid funds.)

The second choice Congress had to make was to decide where to draw the line — to figure out which people would have their benefits figured using the proper COLA formula. And they drew that line at 1918. In other words, they said everyone born in 1918 and later would have his or her Social Security benefit figured using the corrected formula.

Sounds simple enough, doesn't it? But sometimes Congress can't leave well enough alone. In this case, they bowed to pressure from senior citizen groups who demanded a transition period from the old (incorrect) formula to the new (proper) formula. After lots of haggling, what they eventually decided is that everyone born between 1918 and 1921 would have his or her benefit figured using a special formula.

So, we ended up with

ing scenarios: People born after 1921 had their benefits figured using the proper (and lower) COLA for-

mula; people born before 1918 had their benefits figured using the incorrect (and higher) formula, and people born between 1918 and 1921 had their benefits figured with a special formula not quite as generous as the one used for the pre-1918 crowd but more generous than the one used for the post-1921 crowd.

You'd think everyone would be happy, right? Well, what happened next was pretty bizarre. Social Security recipients born in 1918 and later started to complain that they weren't getting quite as much as folks born 1917 and earlier. Someone should have splashed some cold water in their faces and said, "Duh, you are being paid correctly. It's the folks born before 1918 who are getting overly generous benefits."

Instead, mobs of angry senior citizens around the country started to form into groups demanding justice. Even Ann Landers got into the fray, labeling people born between 1918 and 1921 "notch babies." They mistakenly thought they were singled out for lower benefit adjustments than everyone else. To repeat the facts: They were getting slightly lower benefits than people born 1917 and earlier, but they were getting higher benefits than everyone born from 1922 on.

Then lobbying groups got into the mix and really muddied things. They sent letters to folks born in the so-called "notch

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years" telling them they were being cheated out of Social Security benefits and asking for donations to fight this injustice. And to help fill their coffers even more, the lobbyists craftily expanded the definition of those notch years to include everyone born through 1926. Some inexplicably even pushed the "notch" cutoff into 1930s! So, senior citizens of all ages started sending in tens of millions of dollars — money that paid for many overpriced lobbyists and some pretty nice office space on K Street in Washington, D.C. — but money that accomplished nothing else. After all, there really was no injustice to fight.

Sadly, millions of seniors born between 1918 and 1926 or even later went to their graves bitter and disappointed — including my own mother! Those still alive believe to this day that they are being cheated out of Social Security benefits. Shame on all those folks who perpetuate this

If you have a Social Security question, Tom Margenau has the answer. Contact him at thomas.margenau@comcast.

# Two men linked to immigrant smuggling ring

ALBUQUERQUE, in the Army. N.M. (AP) — Two men, including an active mem- said Feliciano was reber of the U.S. Army, have cruited by a known smugbeen linked to a "transna- gler whose "transnational

New Mexico, according to mas, Mexico. federal court documents.

trict Court said Carlos gling operation. Vives Feliciano and Albuquerque resident Gerald Feliciano was arrested by Espinoza helped transport Border Patrol agents in groups of Mexican immi- June after being stopped grants suspected of being at a checkpoint in Truth in the country illegally or Consequences, N.M. from Columbus, N.M., to Authorities said Feliciano other locations.

the men participated in country illegally. different stages of the smuggling operation.

as, and admitted to help- July. ing at least five groups of immigrants for \$2,500 a indicted. trip. The documents didn't identify Feliciano's rank for them.

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Documents show that had with him three im-Court documents said migrants who were in the

Feliciano identified Espinoza as the man who According to court doc- connected the immigrants uments, Feliciano is an to their final destinaactive member of the U.S. tions, according to the Army and is stationed at complaint. Espinoza was Fort Bliss in El Paso, Tex- released from jail in mid-

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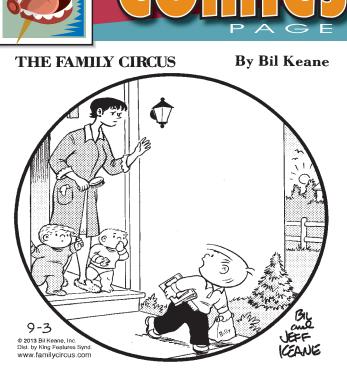
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## ARIES (March 21-April 19)

sion if it is made immediately. Sit on this matter for a few days, if possible. A partner will appear to be more cheerful than he or she has been in a long time. Know that a boss or older relative might expect certain things of you. Tonight: Go for an early bedtime.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

emerge when dealing with a partner who can be cold. You might decide to suggest a weekend away together. Understand that you can't change this person -- only he or she can decide to lighten up. Tonight: Consider taking a midweek break. GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

\*\*\* You might need some time to reach out to a family member or to deal with a domestic matter. A boss or higherup could be so vague about what he or

she wants that you might need to read some tarot cards in order to figure it out! Stay even-tempered. Tonight: Happy to be home.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Keep conversations moving. You might find that someone's voice has you drifting off to a different time or place. Try to stay present. Someone who has been controlling will become a the moment. Tonight: Accept someone's are with. invitation.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

\*\*\* A partner could be more creative than usual. This person seems to be choosing not to see what he or she does not want to. Try to help this individual be more realistic without sacrificing his or her imagination. You might like the out- her thoughts. Tonight: Go with the flow.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ You might want to try a new way of doing something, and even if you don't, a partner or loved one will insist that you approach a situation in just that manner. Keeping the peace in this case might not be very easy, but it certainly will be necessary. Tonight: Ever playful.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ You have a lot to do, and you will do your best to accomplish all of it. You could be overwhelmed by everything that you hear. Do not hesitate to question a family member, as this person often is elusive. You know what needs to be done. Tonight: Head home early.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★★ You might have been so \*\*\* Confusion could cloud a deci- focused on work lately that you'll be delighted to have some fun with a child or loved one today. You could see a situation differently from how an associate sees it. Make a point to consider this person's point of view. Tonight: Play the night

away. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★ Others will push you hard be-\*\*\* Your creativity is likely to cause they know that you'll perform to the best of your ability. You might not feel comfortable with their lack of perspective. You are likely to distance yourself and say little. You care more about the end product. Tonight: A must appear-

## CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ You will want to reconsider an offer that comes from someone at a distance. You might not want to share more until you are ready. You also might want consider making a change in your daily life. Recognize the effect that this could have on others. Tonight: Surf the Web.

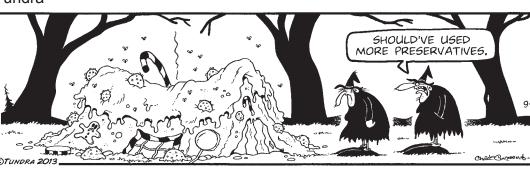
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Try a different approach, or do some rethinking and revising. An associate or a partner could have strong feelings regarding how a situation needs to be approached. Let this person have his or her way, as your convictions are not as strong lot easier to deal with. Take advantage of as his or hers. Tonight: Love the one you

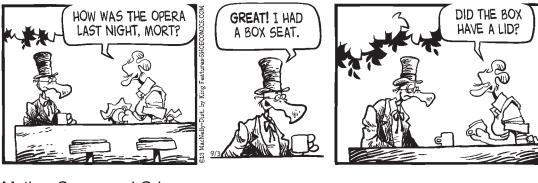
# PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Defer to a friend or loved one. You might be uptight about what you are hearing. Clearly, you seem to be getting mixed messages. Understand what is happening between you and someone else. Let this person reveal more of his or

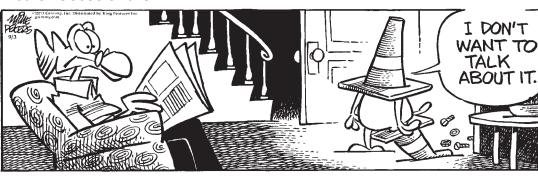
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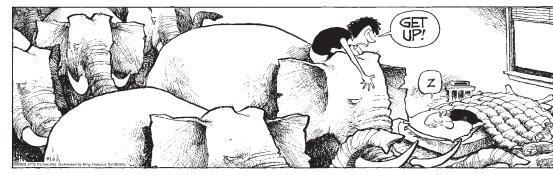
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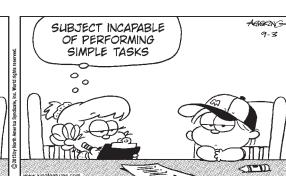
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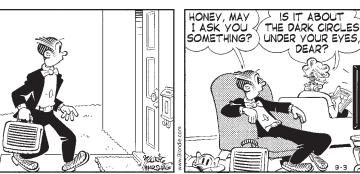


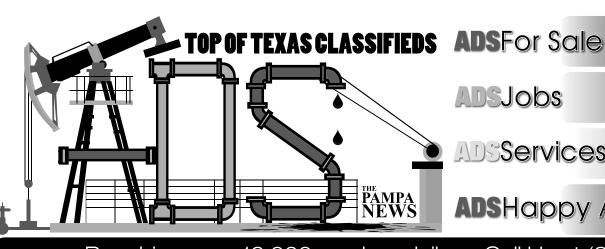


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# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

Congratulations to "Trying to Be Nice" (June 6) for her random acts of kindness. The world needs more of it. Let me point out, however, that being nice isn't just about doing specific charitable tasks. It is something that applies every moment of every day, and as the axiom says, "Charity begins at home."

It can mean paying a compliment to a family member or friend, refraining from a hurtful comment at work or in school, smiling to a stranger on the street, willingly doing a chore at home (even if it's "not my job"), or something as simple as cleaning up one's quote another axiom: Little things mean a lot. — RHEAL IN OTTAWA, CANADA

simplest things, opportu- checkbook, smart grocery

nities we take for granted that are right in front of us. I was touched by the responses I received from readers suggesting other acts of kindness:

DEAR ABBY: Animal shelters often need volunteers to walk dogs. Rescue organizations could use foster families for pets, or even pet food donations or supplies. Veterans organizations such as the Wounded Warrior Project welcome volunteers to help with events, or mentor or assist vets in writing a resume

If you sign up with Volunteers of America, they can match you with organizaown mess after lunch. To tions that suit your skills reading to the elderly in nurscan sometimes use volunteers **DEAR RHEAL:** I agree. to help teens learn basic life Sometimes they can be the skills such as balancing a

shopping or meal planning. Around the holidays, my husband and I visit the cemetery and clean/maintain headstones that look neglected, especially those of veterans. LYNN IN BOTHELL, WASH.

DEAR ABBY: As an avid teenage volunteer, I have some suggestions! Donating your hair to Locks of Love is one of my favorite acts of kindness. Your hair will help make wigs for women with cancer. Donating blood is another great way to help strangers.

If you prefer to give your time instead, nursing homes are always looking for people to play bingo with patients. Shelters for women and children need volunteers to come and play with the children, so the moms have time to talk with counselors. — SARA IN SUGAR LAND, TEXAS

DEAR ABBY: "Trying" ing homes, etc. Youth shelters could join a neighborhood watch or help with Meals on Wheels, take the newspaper to an elderly person's front porch, or start a recycling pro-

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gram in her neighborhood. — LUCY IN ST. LOUIS

DEAR ABBY: I decided,

after a self-imposed seclusion (my daughter passed away at a young age), to go back out in the world and spread the joy of flowers. I contacted a local supermarket and asked them to save me their wilting flowers that would have been thrown out. I took the best, arranged them in vases, and distributed them to local nursing homes, memory-care facilities and hospice. In this way I have brightened people's last days on Earth with something that would have otherwise been discarded.

My "mission" has expanded now and includes another store and a shelter for abused women and children. KATHY IN NAPLES, FLA.

DEAR ABBY: Volunteer to drive people to vote on Election Day. And the easiest — call the aging members of your family regularly and let them talk your ear off! — MARY IN EAST HARTFORD, CONN.

Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

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### AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different. **CRYPTOQUOTE** 

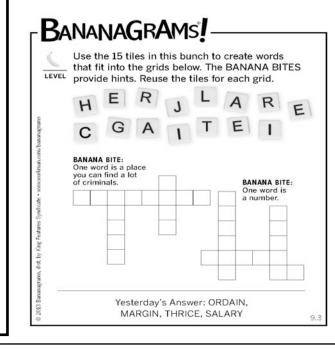
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CHMEJMZ CVM FWFT Yesterday's Cryptoquote: EFFORT ONLY FULLY RELEASES ITS REWARD AFTER A PERSON REFUSES TO QUIT. — NAPOLEON HILL





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# **CROSSWORD** By THOMAS JOSEPH

# **ACROSS**

1 Subject of a September obser-

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study **11** Stay away from

**12** San **Antonio** landmark

13 Watches

over 14 Fleet-

related

**15** Poker game

**17**"— we there yet?" 16 Ballpark **18** Ship

steerers 22 Opera solo

**23** More than enough **27** Skating

spots **29** In the know **30** Notice

32 Whirl **33** Driving aids

35 Obtained **38**Top draft rating 39 Skilled

**41** Ohio city 45 Playful sprite

46 Sierra -**47** Door sign

48 Pick up

the tab

**DOWN** 1 Give permission to

Level: Beginner

P|H|L|O|X

2 Broad st. **3** Prohibit

**4** Point spread calculator

**5** Takes it easy

**6** Nobelist Nelson

7 Chicken — king

8 Coffee, in slang

9 Poet Khayyám **10** Part to

play official

**18**Challenging **19**Lake near Buffalo

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**21** Name in the **24** Wine valley of **25**Journey **26** Longings **28** Bike's

headlines California 40 Diner cousin **31** Light brown

20 Dryer fuzz 35 Stare in disbelief **36** Norse god **37** Printed matter dessert 42 Fish eggs **43** "Put – happy face" 44 Tennis need

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**34**Traded

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# **CROSSWORD** By THOMAS JOSEPH

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**5** Put up

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**7** Reddish

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**16** Whoop it

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**20** Apartment

19 Stable

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**21** Cool, to

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9 Spotted

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Level: Beginner

**ACROSS** 1 Jalapeño, for one

**7** Green stone 11 Jockey

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setting 13 Desk-side

item **15** Cover with

frost 16 Mob revolt 14 Way to

18 Witty

remark **21** Not his

22 Richard of "Becket"

**24** Longoria of TV

**25** USO patrons

**26** Boxing great **27** Captain

Ahab's ship

**29** Bend 30 Fuzz

31 Having a shiny coat **32** Congo's

former name 34 Edible gift

**40** Highway exit

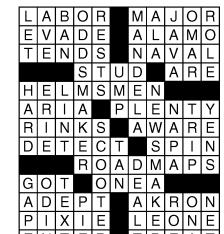
41 Consumption

42 Little devils 43 Didn't go

**DOWN** 

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**1** Fido's foot 2 Pitcher's



ENTER T|R|E|A|T Yesterday's answer

10 Consume 22 Auction **34** Work wk.'s signal **23** Veto end roast beef 25 Suggested 35 Ewe's mate

28 Opens a jacket 29 Cinco

de Mavo event 31 Endow-

ment 33 Sacred bird of Egypt

37 Singer Starr **38** — out (scrape by) **39** TV's

**36** Diamond

worker

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