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Spine, body, spirit



Above, physical therapist Jennifer Hataway, right, works with one of her new patients, Melissa Gallaway. Below, Dr. Mark W. Ford Jr. explains how the “c-arm” works, which is like an X-ray machine that shows a video instead of producing still images.

Christian-based wellness center treats patients holistically without drugs, surgery.

BY TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE
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If you had to describe New Life Wellness Center with one word, a good choice would be synergy. Derived from the Greek word synergia, it is the interaction of multiple elements in a system to produce an effect greater than the sum of their individual elements. Under the sprawling 11,000-square-foot roof of the building on Price Road is Live Well Chiropractic, Pampa Pain Management, Total Care Health, Next Step Physical Therapy & Occupational Medicine, United Allergy Services and Massage Advantage. The center also performs drug screenings for local companies and the Department of Transportation, he added. Steering the course of this very large health-care ship is chiropractor Dr. Mark W. Ford Jr., who started the business in 1992 after buying the practice from Dr. Louis Hayden. When Ford bought the practice, the office was located near the hospital.



As the practice grew, Ford said he needed a place much bigger than 1,800 square feet. When his real estate agent told him about the closed Stowers Oil Company corporate office on Price Road, his first reaction was, “I don’t want to be located in an industrial area.” Then, after seeing the building with his own two eyes, he realized it was the place God wanted him to be. “It was perfect,” said the Southern California native.

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Houses selling in Country Club Heights

■ But builder must replat subdivision before construction can continue.

BY TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE
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Jim Davidson, broker/owner of Century 21 Pampa Realty, said he has sold one unbuilt house in the Country Club Heights subdivision and has a contract that should close later this month on the spec house that’s already been built. Davidson said construction can’t begin on the second house, which sold for \$194,000, until the subdivision is replatted. The buyer of the house is living in a hotel in Pampa until his home is finished, Davidson said. A plat is like a map of a subdivision, development or small town that shows the location and size of lots, along with other information such as where streets, alleys and utility easements are located. Country Club Heights is a small subdivision located on Harvester Avenue across the street from the Pampa County Club.

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A photo taken in June of the first house built in the Country Club Heights subdivision.

House damaged in Friday fire

STAFF REPORT

A house in the 200 block of South Nelson Street was heavily damaged by fire Friday night. The Pampa Fire Department responded to a call on a structure fire at 8:27 p.m. Six units and 13 personnel responded. The family was at home when the fire started, but were out of the house and uninjured when firefighters arrived. The cause of the fire is being investigated by the fire marshal. The mother and four children lost everything in the fire. A collection to assist the family is being taken at the Country Consignments and Thrift Store, 301 W. Foster Ave. The store is accepting clothing, furniture and cash, said store owner Silvia Dowd. There also is a raffle for four hours of free J music, she said. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at the store. For more information, call 806-202-8936.

COMIC RELIEF

Photo by John Lee

The Table’s Edge comic book and gaming store opened Saturday at its second location in the Pampa Mall. The store opened its first location in Amarillo two years ago. The store offers local shoppers a large selection of comic books and table-top games and accessories. Pictured is owner Darren Hutchinson, third from right, explaining to a customer the different card games for which they have accessories.



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PAMPA FORECAST

Today	Thursday	Friday
		
High 94 Low 61	High 94 Low 63	High 94 Low 64

Today: Sunny with a high of 94. Winds south at 12 mph. Sunrise at 7:19 a.m.

Tonight: Clear with a low of 61. Winds south-southeast at 12 mph. Sunset at 8:06 p.m.

Thursday: Sunny with a high of 94. Winds south-southeast at 11 mph. Sunrise at 7:19 a.m.

Thursday night: Mostly clear with a low of 63. Winds south at 9 mph. Sunset at 8:05 p.m.

Friday: Mostly sunny with a high of 94. Winds south at 13 mph. Sunrise at 7:20 a.m.

Friday night: Clear with a low of 64. Winds south at 11 mph. Sunset at 8:03 p.m.

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Application can be requested at 205 N. Russell, Pampa. Assistance in completing the application will be provided if needed. Contact Sandra Martin for assistance.

Gray County Indigent Health Care will use rules and procedures found in the County Indigent Health Care Program Handbook published by the Texas Department of State Health Services. In summary, these rules are:

1. Application forms must be completely filled out, signed and dated.
2. Verification of income is required. Verification of residence, household composition, and resources is required, if questionable.
3. Maximum countable income cannot exceed:

Family Size	Minimum Income Standards	Maximum Income Standards
	21% FPIL	50% FPIL
1	\$202	\$ 479
2	\$272	\$ 647
3	\$342	\$ 814
4	\$413	\$ 982
5	\$483	\$1,149
6	\$553	\$1,317
7	\$624	\$1,484
8	\$694	\$1,652
9	\$764	\$1,819
10	\$835	\$1,987
11	\$905	\$2,154
12	\$975	\$2,322

4. Total countable resources and assets cannot exceed \$2,000 or \$3,000 if the household contains a relative who is aged or disabled. The value of a car greater than \$4,650 is counted against the \$2,000 limit. Personal possessions and homestead are exempt assets.

5. Eligible persons must be a resident of Gray County.

6. Applicants must provide all information and documentation that is requested.

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Obituaries

Elsie Mae Earles

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

Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Sept. 6, 2013, at First Baptist Church in Lefors, with Rev. Rick Timmons, pastor of Central Baptist Church of Canadian, officiating. Burial will follow in Hillcrest Cemetery in McLean, under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.



Elsie Mae Earles

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. 20, 1984.

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-great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be grandsons Christopher Dean McMinn, 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 885, Pampa, TX 79066-0880.

Sign the online register book at www.carmichael-whatley.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 by the Blue Knights Honor Guard, Altus Air Force Base, Altus, Okla.

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, 201

E. Tascosa, Miami, TX 79059 or Roberts County Museum, U.S. Hwy 60, Miami, TX 79059.

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

Anna Mae Tripplehorn

Anna Mae Tripplehorn, 96, died Monday, Sept. 2, 2013 in Pampa.

Services will be at 3 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6, 2013, in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with Rev. Byron Williamson, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.



Anna Mae Tripplehorn

Mrs. Tripplehorn was born Dec. 10, 1916 in Illinois Bend, Texas. She was a 1936 graduate of Pampa High School. She married Jim Tripplehorn on June 15, 1939 in Amarillo. He preceded her in death on Jan. 5, 2004. Anna Mae worked for R. L. Edmondson Laundry Service where she first met her future husband, Jim Tripplehorn. She later worked for the telephone company. She was a member of First Baptist Church for 80 years where she was an active member of her Sunday school class. Anna Mae was an avid reader and loved working in her yard. She was a loving and dedicated mother.

The family would like to express their sincere gratitude to Lori Crutchfield and the staff of BSA Hospice as well as the staff of the unit at Pampa Nursing Center for the wonderful care they provided their mother.

Survivors are a daughter, Anne Lusk and husband Glynn of Pampa; a son, John Tripplehorn and wife Susan of Pampa; a sister, Grace Gething and husband Bill of Pampa; five grandchildren, James D. Tripplehorn and wife Cecily, Kelly Tripplehorn, Matt Hinton and wife Kathryn, Ross Hinton, and Holly Sheridan and husband Kevin; and numerous great and great great grandchildren. Anna Mae was preceded in death by a sister, Phyllis Gotcher, and a brother James "Babe" Gotcher.

Memorials may be made to Khiva Temple Memorial Fund, P. O. Box 328, Amarillo, TX 79105 or Harrington Cancer Foundation for BSA Hospice, 1600 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo, TX 79106. The family will receive friends at 2536 Duncan, Pampa, TX 79065.

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

Amos Britten

Amos Britten, 77, of Groom, surrounded by his loving family, was taken home to be with the Lord on Sunday, Sept. 1, 2013.



Amos Britten

Rosary will be Wednesday 7 p.m. at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Groom. Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Thursday, September 5th at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, 411 Ware St., Groom with the Rev. Arokia Raj Samala as Celebrant and the Rev. Mieczyslaw Przepiora of Panhandle as Con-Celebrant. Burial will be at St. Mary Cemetery in Groom. Arrangements are by Schooler Funeral Home, 4100 South Georgia.

Amos was born Feb. 1, 1936 in Groom to Leo and Marietta Britten. He graduated from Groom High School in 1954. Shortly after graduating from Groom High School, Amos started his lifelong passion of farming, working closely with his brother Lynn. He married Loretta Copeland April 23, 1962 in Amarillo. The Texas Historical Commission awarded Amos for his distinguished service in 1979 as well as 1980. In 1989, he was recognized as Carson County Outstanding Farmer of the Year. In 2006 Amos was honored as the Resident Conservation Farmer of the Year by McClellan Creek SWCD. He served on the Groom ISD board. Amos was Director and President, as well as co-founder of Groom Irrigation Gas Inc. He was a lifetime member of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Groom and served on the Parrish Counsel. Amos was instrumental in erecting the ornamental iron fence around St. Mary's Cemetery. On June 4, 2009, the family farm was recognized by the Family Land Heritage Foundation to be a 100-year-old historical farm, which was originally established in 1905.

Amos was preceded in death by his parents, one sister, Carey Bichsel and one brother, Lynn Britten.

Survivors include his loving wife Loretta, two sons, Terrell Britten and wife Rebecca of Waxahachie, Charles Britten and wife Barbara of Groom; two daughters Rebecca Weatherford and husband Kirk of Sanford, Karen Boatman and husband Kenneth of Dumas. 12 grandchildren, Lindsey Boman and husband Brad of Canyon, Neal West of Amarillo, Brad Boatman and wife Cory of San Antonio Texas, Matt Boatman of Dumas, Chance Britten and wife Rebecca of Dumas, Chris Kidd and wife Emily, Kara and Kayla Kidd all of Amarillo and eight great grandchildren.

He loved the Lord, his family and farming and will be greatly missed. Psalms 112: 1-9

The family suggests memorials to be made to BSA Hospice or Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church.

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Wellness

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“It had all the rooms we needed.”

Ford said the New Life Wellness Center is the only one of its kind in the Panhandle. There’s not even a place like it in Amarillo, he added.

“You’d almost have to go to Dallas to find a multidisciplinary center like this,” he said. “We have a unique situation where a patient can see a chiropractor, a medical practitioner, a massage therapist — all under one roof.”

Ford said he now gets patients and referrals from all over the Panhandle — Borger, Perryton, Childress, Canadian and Wheeler.

For a patient who lives in Perryton, for instance, the center can provide the same treatment that would otherwise require a trip to Amarillo.

The main stay of the business is Live Well Chiropractic. Ford’s daughter Samantha, or Sam for short, is a chiropractor with the practice along with Dr. Lance W. Krogh.

Ford describes chiropractic medicine as conservative care to help avoid sur-

gery or prevent surgery. “It is preventative,” he said. “We are really nerve doctors. We treat from cradle to grave the spine and the nervous system.”

In The Pampa New’s recent “Best of Pampa” promotion, Ford was voted by the readers as the best chiropractor in town.

In general, the multidisciplinary center provides health care exclusive of surgeries or drugs.

Ford said every morning the entire staff, which is now around 18 people, gets together for 30 to 45 minutes to discuss each patient’s case.

“We are all like minded,” Ford said. “The benefactor is the patient.”

And, as a devote Christian, Ford asserts it is God who really does the healing.

“All we do here is facilitate that.”

New under the New Life Wellness umbrella is the allergy clinic, which started five months ago.

Ford said he was fortunate to find someone who lives right here in Pampa, Chelsie Powers, to hire as the allergy specialist.

Allergies are a big issue for many residents in the Panhandle, Ford said.

His daughter is one of those sufferers who is now

experiencing significant improvement since getting the allergy shots, he said.

“Every time she would drive by the cotton gin in Panhandle she would sneeze,” he said.

The pain management clinic is now going through a transition as Ford conducts interviews to replace a doctor who left for a different job.

The center’s nurse practitioner, Matthew Gill, RN, FNP-C, can provide most of the care that is provided by a medical doctor, Ford said.

“He can take care of strep throats, cuts, pretty much anything you would go to a family doctor for,” he said.

For someone who gets a minor injury at work, Ford said they can provide very speedy treatment.

“The employee won’t have to sit at the hospital for several hours,” he said.

Near the back of the center is Next Step Physical Therapy & Occupational Medicine, which looks almost like a small gymnasium or fitness center.

There are exercise bikes, mats and hand weights along with the specialized tables and equipment used for physical therapy.

The therapist is Jennifer Hataway, who was with one of her new patients, Melissa



Photo by Timothy P. Howsare
Dr. Mark W. Ford Jr. collects military uniforms and has several in glass cases in his office at the New Life Wellness Center.

Galloway. “I just started and am very happy,” said Galloway, who said she is having neck pain.

Massage therapy is provided at the center by Trena Moore.

Along with massage therapy, Moore holds yoga classes three nights a week.

Ford said one of the benefits of yoga is it helps improve balance, which is especially important for people 50 and older, who are much more prone to breaking their hips when

they fall.

Michelle Hendrick has worked for New Life Wellness for 12 years, longer than any other employee.

She works at the front desk and also performs X-rays.

“I like chiropractic because it doesn’t have all the drug involvement and is all natural,” she said.

Hendrick added she also likes working for a Christian-based business.

Ford serves on the board of the Christian Chiroprac-

tors Association.

“Our work is very important to me,” he said.

On one mission trip, Ford said they treated 1,500 children in four days.

“I’ve gone on mission trips to Jamaica with my daughter,” he said. “We not only treat them but talk to them about their spiritual needs.”

For more information, call 806-665-0537. New Life Wellness Center is located at 701 N. Price Road.

Obits

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Marilyn Hampton Lewis



Marilyn Lewis

Marilyn Hampton Lewis, 78, died Tuesday, Sept. 3, 2013 in Amarillo.

Services will be 4 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5, 2013, in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with Glen Walton, associate pastor of Bell Avenue Church of Christ in Amarillo and Keith Feerer, pastor of Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ in Pampa, officiating. Burial will be at Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

She was born April 23, 1935 in her grandparents’ home in Young County Texas to Bowie B. and Gladys Hamilton.

Her family moved to Skellytown in 1942. She attended school in Skellytown and White Deer moving to Pampa in 1950 and graduated from Pampa High School in 1953. After graduation she was employed by Gordon, Gordon and Buzzard for 8 years and the Dunigan Operating 17 years and Sivals, Inc. for 5 years, retiring from WBD Oil and Gas in 2001.

She attended Clarendon College taking many classes in the business field.

On Jan. 6, 1953, she met the love of her life James

Howard Lewis who had just returned from the Korean conflict. They were during her years in Pampa High School and after graduation, she played with a traveling volleyball team that her husband sponsored playing tournaments around the panhandle for many years. They won all but one tournament.

She was a past president of Pampa Desk and Derrick Club and member of the board of directors of Lake McClellan improvement and active in several clubs. She was a member of Mary Ellen & Harvester Church of Christ where she taught Sunday school for 7 years. She was also a member of Pampa Chapter No. 65 of the Eastern Star and a former member of Republican Women’s Club, serving as President and secretary several times. She was a troop leader for Brownie and Girl Scouts for several years. She was preceded in death by her parents and infant brother: Melvin Buford and sister: Katherine Adele.

Survivors include her children: Howard and wife Michelle of West Des Moines, Iowa, Debbie and husband Paul of Plainview, Texas and William J. (Bill) Lewis of Pampa.

She is also survived by her grandchildren Tiffany and Brad of Simpsonville, SC, Brittney and Dan of Austin, Rachel and Jonathon of Fort Worth, Erika and David of Peoria, Ariz., Haley of Lubbock, Ryan and Amber, and Erick and Lisa all of Pampa. Great grandchildren include Kinsler, Kol-

fax and Kennedy of Simpsonville, S.C. and Courtney and Braden of Pampa. Foster daughter: April Walkup of Huntington, Pa. Special friends: Tawny Lewis of Amarillo and Dana Lewis of Pampa, Brother-in-law: Harold and wife Charlotte Lewis of Pampa, Sister-in-law: Billie Schulz of Wasilla, Alaska, nieces and nephews: Howie, Dean, Annette, Andrea, Jerome, William and Pamela and

several great nieces and nephews from Alaska.

The family request memorials to be made to the American Heart Association national center, 7272 Greenville Ave., Dallas, Texas 75231, or the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, 1311 Mamaroneck Avenue, Suite 310, White Plains, NY 10605.

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Houses

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The original plat showed six lots, but Davidson said they have taken one of those lots, divided it into two, and included the land with two other lots. Now there are five lots instead of six.

Davidson said the city has required that the subdivision be replatted because of that change, which is delaying construction of the second house. He has hired Carder Engineering of Borger to do the replatting.

Davidson said the city’s requirement for the new plat along with an earlier requirement that he pave an alley behind the houses for the city’s waste disposal trucks have cost his company an additional \$20,000.

City spokesman Donny Hooper said that anytime you reconfigure a subdivision it is a standard requirement that you have a new plat.

“Replatting is a simple process and fairly streamlined,” he said. “It keeps

our processes in order for future developers and city planners. It keeps everything accurate and up to date.”

Davidson said he is getting a lot of inquiries on houses in the subdivision, which will sell in the \$190,000 to \$225,000 price range.

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PFD call log — Aug. 29-Sept. 3

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

Aug. 29
• At 2:41 p.m., to a medical assist in the 1400 block of Williston.
• At 8:23 pm., to a medical assist in the 400 block of Graham.

Aug. 30
• At 11:38 a.m., to a medical assist in the 1700 block of Evergreen.
• At 6:07 p.m., to a medical assist in the 2800 block of North Charles.

• At 8:27 p.m., to a structure fire in the 200 block of South Nelson, six units and 13 personnel.
• At 10:51 p.m., to a gas leak in the 400 block of Crawford.

Aug. 31
• At 4:42 p.m., to a medical call in the 900 block of

Finley.
• At 8:17 p.m., to a medical call in the 400 block of Roberta.

Sept. 2
• At 2:50 a.m., to a medical call in the 1200 block of Williston.
• At 3:53 a.m., to a medical call in the 1900 block of Dogwood.
• At 4:25 p.m., to a

Hazmat call (gas leak from vehicle) in the 1200 block of North Hobart St.

• 7:26 p.m., to a smoke scare at Enbridge plant on U.S. Highway 60. The caller was not aware the company was doing a controlled burn.
Sept. 3
• At 8:20 a.m., to a medical call in the 1500 block of West Kentucky.

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Museum Musings

Prairie fires way of life for early settlers

Fires have been a threat in the Panhandle for as long as people have been in the area.



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Prairie fires, swooping across the plains, were a constant threat to early settlers. From late summer through the autumn months, endless miles of tall prairie grass became vast tinderboxes, dry and brown from scorching summer heat.

It took only one quick spark from an unattended campfire, a passing train engine or a stroke of lightning to set the countryside on fire. Within minutes, great clouds of heavy black smoke could fill the air and turn the skies red.

In those days, there were no modern fire trucks to call when the prairie caught fire. Everyone who was able soaked feed bags and brooms in water before trying to beat out the flames. Those with water wagons filled their barrels with water to take to the fires. Some made fire guards by plowing two parallel furrows and burning grass off the strip between the furrows. Often the fire would jump the burned strip and set fire to the grass beyond. Sometimes the wind would pick up a burning cow chip and toss it thirty feet or more and start a new fire.

About 1901 or 1902 a drag was developed by the White Deer Land Company. The drag was a square sheet, about 12 to 14 feet on a side, constructed out of row upon row of chain. Ropes were attached to two

of the corners. One of the ropes was attached to a wagon while the other side was held by a mounted cowboy. The cowboy in the wagon traveled a parallel course down one part of the roaring fire while several persons followed behind with wet sacks and brooms to stamp out any part of the fire that remained. This was repeated over and over until the fire died out.

Sometime in 1907 a prairie fire was started north of Pampa by someone burning a haystack. The fire burned all the way to Red Deer Creek.

Visit the White Deer Land Museum in downtown Pampa. Regular tours are offered Tuesday through Saturday from 1-4 pm. If you would like to schedule a special or group tour, please call or email the museum at 806-669-8041 or courtney.oxley@graycch.com.

The content of character

The singer Billy Ray Cyrus was supposed to be interviewed on television this week, but he canceled. And who could blame him? His daughter, Miley, embarrassed herself and her family on



BILL O'REILLY

worldwide TV. Her narcissism on full display, the 20-year-old pop star simulated sexual activity with an older male singer while singing some kind of suggestive song. With millions of young people watching, the scene was as degrading as it was unnecessary.

As her father, Mr. Cyrus should be mortified by Miley's behavior. He's made no direct comment about it, but he should.

Generally speaking, there is an epidemic of bad parenting going on in America. The three teenage boys accused of murdering a young Australian man in Oklahoma were constantly in trouble, according to local authorities. After being apprehended, there were cries that they are "good kids." Bull. The overwhelming evidence is that they are thugs. A background check on their parents finds they are largely irresponsible and apathetic. One mother is even in prison.

In Spokane, Wash., two 16-year-old boys have been charged with beating a World War II veteran to death. The father of one of the accused killers told the press he doesn't understand how this could have happened. Then he admits he hadn't talked with the boy in weeks and that his grandmother essentially was raising him.

There is no question that American society is becoming increasingly

callous and coarse, and part of the reason is that derelict moms and dads refuse to set boundaries for their children. Many parents are distracted and care more about themselves than their children, and the kids know it.

Some liberals want the government to replace bad parents by pouring billions of dollars into social programs that often wind up being babysitting services. This is a fool's errand. The government cannot overcome bad parenting. What our leaders can do is publicly condemn irresponsible parental behavior in vivid terms.

When was the last time you heard a powerful politician do that? The truth is, the powers that be are mostly afraid to mention the collapse of the traditional family, because secular-progressives attack any judgmental behavior on the part of a politician. According to the secular left, unless a public person is a saint, he or she has no right to cast aspersions on any parental situation.

Sociologists well understand that chaos at home causes violent behavior, educational failure and social alienation among children. Yet, many of us in America stay far, far away from this topic.

That in and of itself is a national scandal. Bad parenting is gravely harming this nation. Let's get that out in the open. And the campaign should begin with the president of the United States.

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Freeing inmates is criminal

Why would someone who opposes draconian federal mandatory



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minimum sentences oppose efforts to cut California's prison population by about 9,600 inmates?

Because the federal system and the California system are two different animals.

U.S. prosecutors have been known to throw the full weight of the federal government toward putting low-level, nonviolent offenders away for decades.

In California, the focus has been on violent and serious offenders. In the past several years, Sacramento has reduced the state prison population by about a quarter, or more than 40,000 inmates. Gov. Jerry Brown's 2011 "realignment" plan diverted nonviolent, non-serious and non-sex offenders to county jails or programs.

Now, apparently, Brown has hit his limit.

"The proverbial low-hanging fruit, they're gone," California Department of Corrections spokeswoman Terry Thornton noted. "The people who still come to prison are serious and violent and sex offenders."

Now Brown wants to put the brakes on the inmate exodus.

Alas, in 2009, a panel of three federal judges ordered the state to reduce its prison population to 137.5 percent of capacity. Please note that 100 percent capacity means one inmate per cell; by this definition, every prison is overcrowded. No worries: The judges also concluded that overcrowding is "criminogenic" — or likely to produce criminals. So they ordered the inmate reduction, which Brown clearly fears would be truly criminogenic.

"If you let 10,000 people out, what happens if they decide not to go to church every Sunday and instead commit serious crimes?"

Dao Gov noodled during a news conference. They will have earned their way back to prison, but thanks to the judges' inmate cap, there will be no room at the inn. Before freeing inmates, Brown argued, dogooders should ask, "How many people will pledge not to commit crimes that will get them back in?"

"Politically, (Brown has) been with the releases all the way down the line," observed Kent Scheidegger of the tough-on-crime Criminal Justice Legal Foundation, which opposed Brown's realignment plan. Now that Brown

wants to stop an inmate release, he added, "I do think he genuinely believes that releasing another 10,000 would indeed increase crime."

Brown fought the three-judge panel all the way up to the U.S. Supreme Court, but he lost. (So much for the Roberts court's being conservatively activist.) With a Dec. 31 deadline looming, the Democratic governor has been left with two choices — free thousands of inmates who are likely to reoffend or find more prison beds. Here "find" means "build them or buy them."

The governor reached out to Assembly Speaker John Perez, Assembly Republican Leader Connie Conway and state Senate Republican Leader Bob Huff to put together a bipartisan package to place state prisoners in privately owned facilities.

To pay for the program, Sacramento will have to raid budget reserves to the tune of about \$415 million per year.

"I always tell the governor," Conway later quipped, "I love it when he channels his inner Republican." For their part, Conway and Huff had to hold back the temptation to criticize Brown for not spending some of the \$7.4 billion in bond funds approved in 2007 to build

more prisons.

Perez has the thankless task of standing with Brown and GOP leaders as state Senate President Pro Tem Darrell Steinberg pushes an alternative plan that screams the sort of soft-on-crime thinking that drove up crime in the Golden State until voters approved a three-strikes ballot measure in 2000. Steinberg proposed spending \$200 million per year on drug treatment and mental health programs; in exchange, prison inmate attorney Donald Specter might agree to a legal settlement that would give the state three years to reduce the prison population, not four months.

If an attorney for inmates might agree to keep some 10,000 inmates in prison, that says two things: The prisoner lobby can live with the status quo, and maybe it's afraid of what happens if too many inmates go free. As Scheidegger blogged, "if you release prisoners in order of dangerousness, the danger to the public safety per prisoner released increases as you go along."

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TOP O' TEXAS RESULTS



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Michael Pruitt won the Top O' Texas Golf Tournament this weekend with a score of 276. The Top O' Texas is one of the largest golf tournaments for Pampa Country Club and the Panhandle area.

2013 Top o' Texas Results	
Overall Winner: MICHAEL PRUITT "287"	
SCORE: Championship Flight:	SCORE: Senator's Flight
276 1st. Michael Pruitt	231 1st. Jay New
278 2nd. Travis Lovins	242 2nd. Cory Fowler
280 3rd. Shawn Reeves	245 3rd. David McGill
282 4th. Nick Hughes	248 4th. Cody Allison
283 5th. Rex Hughes	249 5th. Joey Montoya
285 6th. Cody King	252 6th. Tim Hedrick
	First Flight:
	1st. Hank Jordan
	2nd. Tim Brown
	3rd. Dee Joiner
	4th. Jamie Wariner
	Second Flight:
	1st. Curt Brashears
	2nd. Greg Trollinger
	3rd. Bill Heuston
	4th. Josh Larkin
	Third Flight:
	1st. Cullen Allen
	2nd. Dennis Holman
	3rd. Louis Klein
	4th. Todd Richardson
	Fourth Flight:
	1st. Jerry Stephens
	2nd. Brent Baten
	3rd. Bill Terry
	4th. Chuck Thompson
SCORE: Presidents Flight:	
218 1st. Daniel Higgins	
220 2nd. Shawn Boyd	
220 3rd. Kevin King	
223 4th. Max Simon	
226 5th. Tim Whippley	
229 6th. Terry Hall	
SCORE: Governor's Flight	
225 1st. John Kaplan	
230 2nd. Heath Stevens	
231 3rd. Jerry Iby	
231 4th. Kelly Everson	
234 5th. Les Jones	
237 6th. Clay Simpson	

Regional Sports



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Above, Tjaeden Swires, 21, running past the Loop defense. Below, Kyndan Lott, 7, passing the ball before taking a hit.



Lefors falls to Loop in high-scoring game

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The Lefors Pirates fell to the Loop Longhorns 67-59 Saturday in Happy.

It was a match-up of two playoff teams from a year ago. Senior Tjaeden Swires was the offensive weapon, with 37 yards rushing with a pair of touchdowns. He also had 57 yards and a touchdown.

"(It was a) great team effort, (we) never quit, came up a little short, but we will learn from it and get better," Head coach Joey Czubinski said. "(We are playing) Hedley in Hedley on Friday night, can't wait, looking forward to it."

Freshman Kyndan Lott had six touchdowns and 278 yards.

Lefors returns to action Friday night at 7 p.m. in

Cowboys' Spencer still out as opening week begins

IRVING (AP) — Anthony Spencer vowed when training camp started without him that he would be at left defensive end for the Dallas Cowboys in the season opener.

Time is running short. Spencer wasn't on the field at the start of practice Monday — six days before a visit from the New York Giants and 39 days removed from arthroscopic surgery on his left knee.

The seventh-year pro missed all of camp after an injury from offseason workouts was aggravated during the pre-camp conditioning test. Coach Jason Garrett hasn't ruled out Spencer practicing this week and isn't ready to say how much or whether he will play.

Even if he does play, Spencer will probably be limited.

"Conditioning certainly is a factor," Garrett said. "I would say particularly for Spence, just because he really hasn't done much during training camp and hasn't played in the preseason games."

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ESPN (CableOne 24, Direct TV 206)	
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MotoGP World Championship.....	9 p.m.
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Athletics pull into tie with Texas atop AL West

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Unlike early September last year, the Oakland Athletics and Texas Rangers are neck and neck chasing the AL West title.

Both clubs are ready for this race to go right down to the end — again.

Coco Crisp hit a tiebreaking two-run homer in the fifth that was confirmed by a video review, and the A's pulled into a first-place tie with Texas by beating the Rangers 4-2 on Monday.

"You enjoy the race," A's closer Grant Balfour said. "I'd like to say we're sitting here 10 games up."

Yoenis Cespedes homered leading off the second inning and Chris Young added an RBI single in Oakland's fourth straight win. David Murphy hit a tying two-run shot in the Texas fifth for his first homer since Aug. 1. But the Rangers loaded the bases against Dan Otero with one out in the sixth and couldn't deliver.

Crisp set a career high with his 17th homer that stayed just fair of the left-field foul pole, topping his 16 for Cleveland in 2005. He homered for the third straight game to help the

A's (79-58) move a season-best 21 games over .500.

"I didn't think it was going to stay fair," he said.

Crisp fouled a ball off the area below his right knee in the sixth. He stayed in and struck out, and then was removed for what the team called a shin contusion. Crisp said he felt fine afterward.

In games so meaningful, he will do all he can to stay on the field.

"It's a back and forth that kind of pumps your blood a little bit," Crisp said. "Obviously you want to be close or you want to be in front, in first place or as far in front as possible. We're fortunate we're in the situation we are now."

Other Scores:

- Yankees 9, White Sox 1
- Tigers 3, Red Sox 0
- Twins 10, Astros 6
- Royals 3, Mariners 1
- Orioles 7, Indians 2
- Blue Jays 4, Diamondbacks 1
- Angels 11, Rays 2
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Pampa Faith

Seth: teacher of unity

It would probably have been 1978, and I was preaching at a very conservative non-instrumental Church of Christ in Sabetha, Kan. That meant that our church didn't fellowship with the other churches in town, just the other Churches of Christ in the area. Our Sunday morning attendance was only about 50-60 people, so we certainly qualified as a small church. That meant that our Sunday evening service was only about 15-20 people; nowhere to hide on Sunday evenings.



MIKE SUBLETT

One evening we had just started the service when six visitors walked in the door: the Thomas family. It was obviously a mom and dad with their four kids. We were always excited about visitors, always hoping for new members.

The whole family participated in the service, each of them singing every song. That was really unusual for first time visitors. After the service everyone about shook their hands off. I introduced myself and learned that Seth was the pastor of the United Church of Christ in Seneca, Kansas about 25 miles away. He commented that he was actually a Christian Church minister and that he had taken the position at the UCOC as a mission. I didn't really understand what that meant.

We set a date for our two families to get together at their home in Seneca. When we arrived it was a really nice house, the parsonage for the church. We had a pleasant evening and then broke up into groups after supper. The kids were playing, Shari and Karen were visiting and Seth and I got off by ourselves.

I asked Seth about his life and he was only too happy to share. He had attended Cincinnati Bible College and

prepared for a life of ministering in Christian Churches. But before he could select one, this United Church of Christ called. A friend of Seth's family lived in Seneca and knew that he was graduating. He put Seth's name into the hat. He really didn't want to check them out, after all they weren't "one of us".

That is when Seth realized how judgmental he was and how legalistically Pharisaical he was, as well. So Karen and Seth drove out to Seneca and checked them out. That is when the Lord told them that he wanted them to move to Seneca. He shared that during his tryout when he preached sermons that he was sure would get him thrown out. To his surprise the church not only didn't disregard him, but loved the straight from the Bible approach. They worked out all the details and the Thomas family was headed to Seneca.

So Seth and his family moved to Seneca to be missionaries at the UCOC. If you are unaware, the UCOC is a much more liberal denomination than Christian Churches. But what Seth discovered was that even though the denomination was very liberal, the Seneca UCOC members wanted Bible teaching. And since that is why he went to school, why not go there?

We left Sabetha the next year so I don't know what happened to Seth and his family. However, I do know that he reminded me why those of us who are called to the ministry go to school. We study and are trained so that we can go to a place and preach/teach the Word of God. Who are we to say where that might be. Maybe it's better to let God work that out. And just because a denomination may have turned away from the Bible, that doesn't mean that all the people in their churches have. Don't judge a book by its cover. God bless.

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CHURCH SPOTLIGHT

Remember God while you're young

I've always tried to live life in the moment. Living with the physical limitations caused by cerebral palsy, I have learned to take nothing for granted. I want to live each day to the fullest, making the most of every moment God gives me.

When I was young (or at least younger), I saw each day as a great adventure. I would jump on my three-wheel bicycle and head out to explore the neighborhood. There seemed to be no limit to the things I could do, except maybe my parents' summons to be home before dark!

The older I get, though, I am quickly realizing I can't do some of the things I did when I was younger. I guess that's true for all of us. Time takes its toll on our bodies.

This should remind us that everything in this world is temporary. Nothing lasts. Our bodies and even our homes in this world are only temporary. It is only beyond this life that we will receive our permanent home. That home will either

be with God in heaven, or it will be separated from God forever in Hell.

Ecclesiastes 12:1-8 is a pointed narrative that describes how a young person becomes old, and, in the end, that person dies. It teaches us that we should remember God before we are too old to appreciate His goodness.

The writer of Ecclesiastes urges us not to delay. He says the right time to remember God is now. Then, you can remain grateful to Him for the rest of your life. Troubles will certainly happen to all of us, but we can't let these hard times cause us to forget God or to neglect our relationship with Him.

If you are young, remember God's kindness now! Give your life to Him; do your best to serve Him all the days of your life. But if you're getting older, you still have a duty to serve God. Love God with your whole heart and trust Him completely. Remember, He created you, and He loves and cares for you.

We must remember God! After death, He will be our judge; so we must have a right relationship with Him today.

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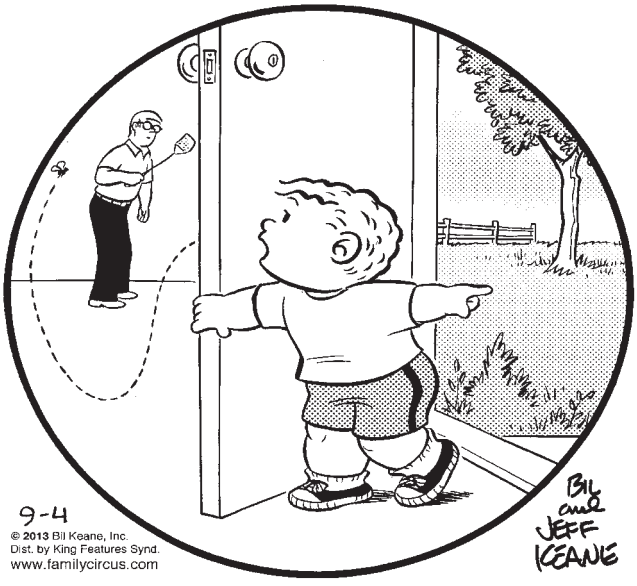
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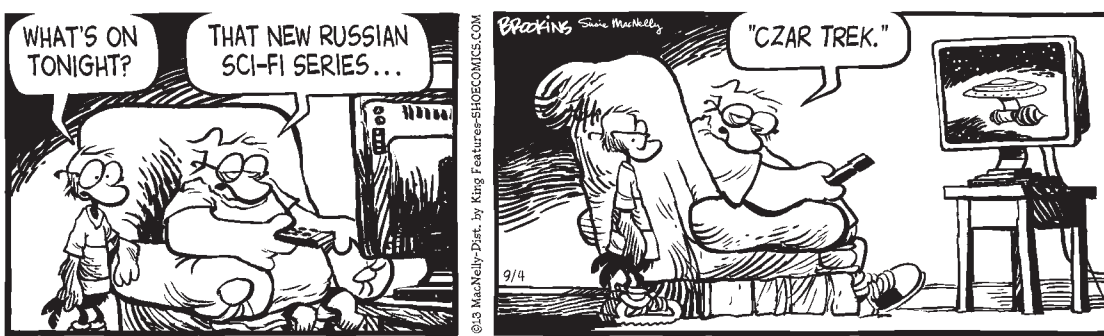
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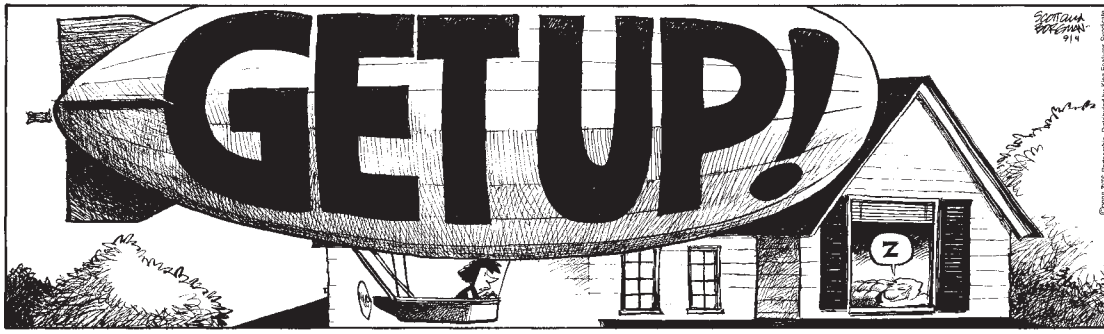
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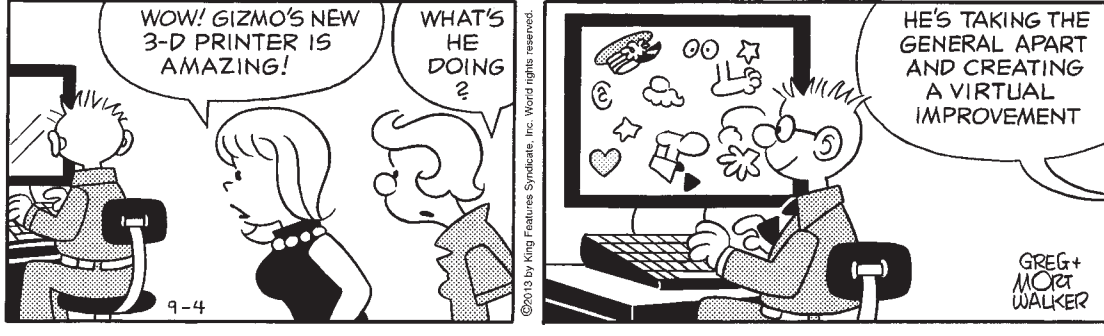
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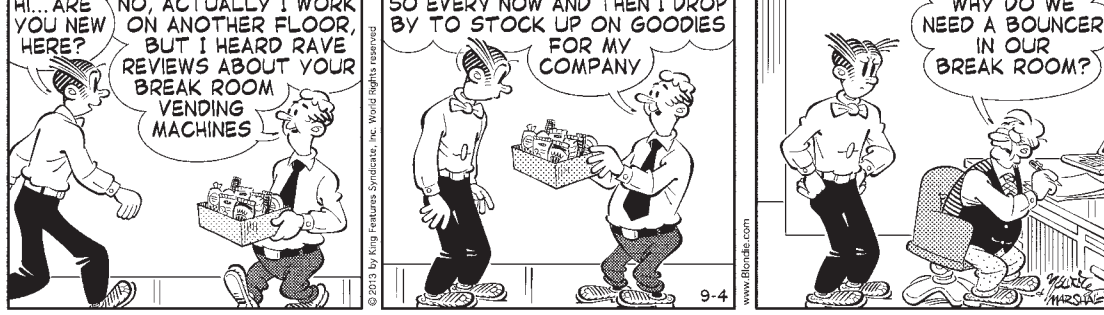
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Sept. 5, 2013:
This year your creativity and intellect merge to create new opportunities. Others quickly discover this interesting blend, and often find you when they need solutions. You will expand your circle of friends and professional associates, and you'll feel good about this growth. If you are single, you could meet someone through a friend whom you would like to get to know. If you are attached, the two of you will find that your relationship is more upbeat and supportive than in the past. Enjoy it. A fellow VIRGO adds different ideas to your life.
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)
★★★★★ If you are in the mindset to start a diet, clean your office or approach a situation differently, then this is the time to resolve to do just that. If you make that resolution, you will find it is easier to head down a new path. Tonight: Start by sharing your decision with a friend.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ You finally will be able to straighten out a problem with a child or loved one and start on better footing. You might see quite a difference as a result. When approaching a project, toss yourself completely into it, as it could be more fun than you think. Tonight: Spread your wings.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ If you decide to turn around an annoying situation or domestic matter, you will be more likely to succeed if you start today. Financial opportunities are heading your way, and you might choose to head in a new direction as a result. Tonight: Treat a friend or two to munchies.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ You might need to update your software, get a new security system or change the oil in your car. Your main concern needs to be communication, though, and it will be crucial to have equipment that works. You even might opt to buy a new computer. Tonight: Hang out at home.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Listen to news with an open mind. A new beginning might become possible in the realm of your finances. In your mind's eye, consider what could happen and decide what you want. Laughter surrounds you. Good news also

might come forward. Tonight: Enjoy the moment.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★★ Your magnetism draws others toward you. If you could have more smoothly flowing interactions, would you want that? If the answer is "yes," decide to create more of that energy in your life. You will have an easy time instrumenting that change. Tonight: All smiles.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ Spend some time reviewing what you feel is important to you, and consider enhancing the areas that bring you the most happiness. Use the day to make a personal assessment of your daily life; you will see only positive results. Tonight: Take some much-needed private time.

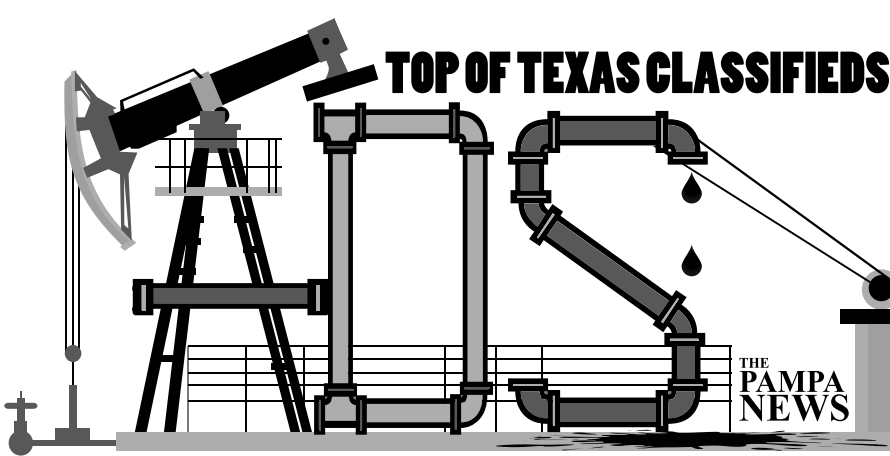
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ You might realize that you are on the verge of completing an unfinished project or pursuing an unmet goal. You'll need to gain a new perspective, and, depending on the issue, possibly even speak with an expert or someone whom you respect. Tonight: Where friends are.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ You have responded to others' needs, so congratulate yourself on stepping up to the plate. Ask yourself if this is a pattern you would like to repeat. If not, step back gracefully and let others have the opportunity to assume some responsibility. Tonight: Burn the midnight oil.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ Keep searching for the pot of gold over the rainbow. Whatever it is that you want, now is the time to act. Don't leave this desire to good luck. Allow your determination to push you. A partner could prove to be beneficial in your pursuit. Tonight: Read between the lines.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ A key relationship involving finances will push you toward change and possibly even some type of renewal. You often discuss personal matters with this person, and you trust and need his or her feedback, even if you don't always see eye to eye. Tonight: Easy works.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★★ Continue to let a loved one play a dominant role. You might question what is going on within your immediate circle and wonder what might be best for both of you. Make suggestions, but do not make the final decision alone. Tonight: A vibrant, meaningful discussion is possible.



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DEAR ABBY: Two years ago one of my granddaughters was molested by her mother's (my daughter's) then-boyfriend, whom they were living with. When the girl's father found out, he called the police and the man was arrested, tried and convicted.

Abby, while he was out on bail, my daughter married him! She doesn't believe that molestation took place. If I were in her shoes, I would certainly believe my 8-year-old daughter over a boyfriend about something so damaging.

I cut off contact with this daughter, as did her sisters. She occasionally calls my husband (who is not her father) when she wants something, and I have received a few texts, which I ignore.

Am I doing the right thing? I sometimes feel guilty, but it angers me that she didn't stand behind her daughter and has made no effort to see either of her girls over the past two years. I see them often because their dad knows I stand with the girls 100 percent. — GRANDMA IN OHIO

DEAR GRANDMA: The answer to your question depends upon why your daughter hasn't seen her children in two years. If it's because their father won't allow it, then her estrangement from her daughters isn't her fault. If it has been her choice, however, then stop feeling guilty.

DEAR ABBY: I need your opinion about my ex-husband and his lack of respect for boundaries. He moved out of our home two years ago, but never changed his mailing address. We have been officially divorced for six months. He feels it's OK to come to our "married house" anytime he wants. We have two teenage children who refuse to spend the night with him.

When he comes to my house, he goes through the

mail, opens the cabinets and refrigerators, even goes into my room when I'm not home and watches TV. I am dating someone new and don't feel comfortable with this setup. I'm worried it will cause problems with my new friend, and I don't know how to stop this madness.

We currently have the "married house" on the market, and I want to make sure he knows he won't be welcome in my new home if not invited. How do I avoid conflict with him and my kids? — REALLY DIVORCED IN ST. LOUIS

DEAR REALLY DIVORCED: You should have set clear boundaries the day your divorce became official, but it's still not too late to do so. Tell your ex to notify the post office — and his creditors — of his change of address, and that if his mail continues to show up at your

house, after a month it will be returned to the post office with the notation "not at this address."

You should also inform him and your children that you do not want him in your house in your absence. If he doesn't respect your wishes, then change the locks. The time he spends with your teenage children should also be elsewhere. He may not like the fact that you are establishing your independence, but you have a right to your privacy.

TO MY JEWISH READERS: Sundown starts Rosh Hashana, the Jewish New Year. It is the beginning of our time of solemn introspection. I would like to wish you all "Leshana tova tikatevu" — may you be inscribed in the Book of Life — and enjoy another good year.

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- 41 Mosquito or gnat
- 1 Invites
- 5 Yokel
- 9 Belonging to those folks
- 11 The Evil One
- 12 Caesar's land
- 13 Cabaret fixture
- 14 Descartes' conclusion
- 15 Red hue
- 17 Red hue
- 19 Tax agcy.
- 20 Flea market unit
- 21 Heating choice
- 22 Take care of
- 24 Do something
- 26 Ore sources
- 29 Place for the pampered
- 30 Red hue
- 32 Red hue
- 34 Machinery part
- 35 Quartet doubled
- 36 River of Provence
- 38 Flour source
- 39 Temptress
- 40 Hawk

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Yesterday's answer

- 11 Reach across
- 16 Jazz legend
- 18 Ship staff
- 21 Depleted
- 23 1984 World Series champs
- 24 Cochise's people
- 25 Bloc
- 27 Concert bonus
- 28 Gems
- 29 Flat-bottomed
- 30 Catcher's boats
- 31 Deal need
- 33 Diner buy maker
- 37 Roof part

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Sudoku

Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

5	7	3	8	6	9	4	1	2
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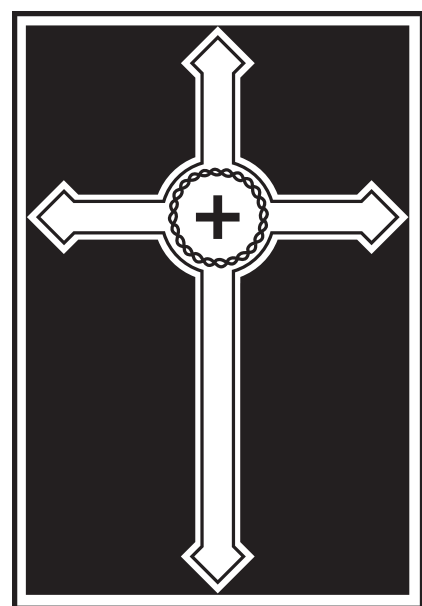
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