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Tillarie Sisneros, left, a case worker for Texas Panhandle Centers talks to Pam Harris, a STAR (Skills Trained for At Risk) children's counselor, about happenings at the Texas Panhandle Centers.

Care for the small town

Texas Panhandle Centers offer aid for regional towns.

BY JOHN LEE jclee@thepampanews.com

For the population of Pampa, or towns smaller, it can be difficult to get help for those with special needs. Small towns lack the convenience of Amarillo, which has a medical district as large as some of the rural towns in the area. Texas Panhandle

We are a nonprofit organization, a lot of people think we are a state agency, but we have a local board of directors and service just the top 21 counties of the Panhandle," said Jim Womack, director of planning for Texas Panhandle Centers. "Services

Centers can help with that.



we provide are to all ages of people from 3 year olds to senior citizens."

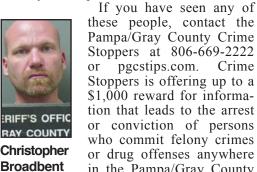
Womack said that TPC treats a wide range of diseases — anything from schizophrenia to bipolar to crisis-caused diseases.

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Pampa/Gray County most wanted for Sept.

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The Pampa/Gray County Crime Stoppers needs your help.



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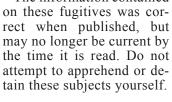
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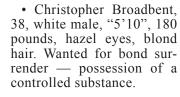
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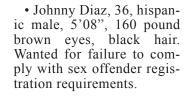
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these people, contact the Pampa/Gray County Crime Stoppers at 806-669-2222 or pgcstips.com. Crime Stoppers is offering up to a \$1,000 reward for information that leads to the arrest or conviction of persons who commit felony crimes or drug offenses anywhere in the Pampa/Gray County area. You will remain anonymous. The information contained







• Marque Damar Johnson, 22, black male, "5'6", 120 pounds, brown eyes, black hair. Wanted for theft of property greater than \$1,500 and less than \$20,000.

- Misty Dawn Lang, 37, white female, "5'10", 275 pounds, hazel eyes, red hair. Wanted for fraudulent use or possession of identifying information.
- Zach Keith Mabry, 36, white male, 6'0", 150 pounds, blue eyes, brown hair. Wanted for failure to comply with sex offender registration requirements.

• Ruben Reyes (no photo

Mabry available) 25, white male, 6'0", 140 pounds, brown eyes, brown hair. Wanted for forgery of a financial instrument.

TAKE ME HOME



The Pampa Animal Welfare Society adopted 14 dogs and two cats at the Chautauqua festival Monday. There are always dogs and cats at the Pampa Animal Shelter who need forever homes. For more information, call the shelter at 806-669-5775.

PAWS animal adoption at Chautaugua a success.

By LINDSEY TOMASCHIK LKTomaschik@thepampanews.com

At the 32nd annual Chautaugua in central park on Monday, PAWS held an animal adoption. Faustina Curry, presi-

dent of the organization, said the adop-

was held by 30 volunteers working to \$25 for adult cats and \$40 for kittens.

find homes for the animals.

tion was a huge success. The adoption continuing after Labor Day, including 3-5 p.m.

For more information on pet adop-'We were able to get 14 dogs and two tion, contact the Pampa Animal Shelcats adopted," she said. Curry also said ter at 806-669-5775 or visit the animal that many of the dogs that were adopted shelter, located at 752 Municipal Drive. had been at the shelter for some time. Shelter hours are Monday-Friday from There are still some specials for cats 3-6 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from

TOOT'N TOTUM IS COMING TO TOWN



Photo by Timothy P. Howsare

Toot'n Totum, an Amarillo-based convenience store chain, has purchased the vacant Coca-Cola bottling plant across from United Supermarkets on North Hobart Street, said company spokeswoman Melinda Batchelor. The old bottling plant, along with the vacant National Health Care property on the north side of the plant, were purchased last month. The sale was brokered by Gail Sanders of One Plus Realty in Pampa. A construction timetable for the new store is not definite yet, Batchelor said. However, Batchelor said it will be similar to the one pictured. That one is located on Washington Street in Amarillo and is less than a year old. Earlier this year, Toot'n Totum bought the Express Lane convenience store near Walmart with plans to rebrand it to a Toot'n Totum. Batchelor said there are no firm dates yet on that project.



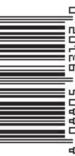






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Amarillo, Texas. At Mrs. Downey's request, her body was donated to Texas Tech Medical School, Lub-

Directors of Pampa.

Laura Belle Willie Downey

Laura Belle Willie Downey, 86, died Aug. 30, 2013, in

Obituaries

Laura

Downey

Laura Downey was born Dec. 24, 1926, near Moriarty, NM. She was one of 14 children. She graduated from high school and worked for Navajo Freight Lines in Albuquerque, NM, until one of the truck drivers caught her eye. On June 21, 1948 she married David Downey in Amarillo. The couple farmed in Deaf Smith County from 1951 to 1973, then relocated to White Deer, where they continued farming until 1996. They were members of the First Baptist Church in White Deer.

bock. Memorial services are pending

with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral

Mrs. Downey was bookkeeper for Downey Farm Supply and drove a school bus for White Deer Independent School District. She enjoyed and loved the students as she did her children and grandchildren. Her pastimes included gardening, painting,

needlework, and reading. She was humble, patiently understanding, deeply grateful, and reluctant to trouble others. Her sparkling eyes, sweet smile, positive responses, peaceful acceptance, and bantering humor encouraged her family members and friends to share concerns and successes. This gentle and kind woman had great strength and faith in those she knew and in her God. The Scripture she chose for her memorial service reminds us to thank God for everything. (1 Thess 5:18). Mrs. Downey was preceded in death by her husband in

2006, son Joel Downey with his wife Ruth and son Paul in 1974, four brothers and four sisters.

Survivors include a son, Dennis Downey and wife Martha Kate of Euless, three daughters, Karen Houchin and husband Eddy of Crosby County, Virginia Artho and husband Eddie of Wichita Falls, and Cindy Brown and husband Steve of White Deer; three sisters, Luella Willie of Albuquerque, NM, Bernice Maloch of Livermore, Calif., and Betty Martin of Eugene, Ore., two brothers, Robert and Billy Willie of Eugene, Ore., eight grandsons, David Downey, Jeremy, Jared and Matthew Artho, Erin and Daniel Houchin, Charles and Cale Brown, two granddaughters, Sarah Artho and Kate Downey, 15 great grandchildren, Anna Downey, Abigail and Elijah Houchin, Gideon and Graham Artho, Haley and Mason Artho, Reiter, Amber, Leah, Ella, Emma and Owen Artho, and Saylor and Abel Brown.

Memorials may be made to Hospice Care of the Southwest, 6600 Kilgore DR, Ste. 110, Amarillo, TX 79106 or First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 337, White Deer, TX

Sign the online guest register at www.carmichaelwhatley.com

Anna Mae Tripplehorn

Anna Mae Tripplehorn, 96, died Sept. 2, 2013 in Pam-

Services will be at 3 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6, 2013 in Car-



Anna Mae Tripplehorn

michael-Whatley Colonial Chapel, with Rev. Byron Williamson, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will follow in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Tripplehorn was born Dec. 10, 1916 in Illinois Bend, Texas. She was a 1936 graduate of Pampa High School. Anna Mae worked for R. L. Edmondson Laundry Service where she met her future husband. Jim Tripplehorn. She later worked for Southwestern Bell Telephone Company.

They were married on June 15, 1939 in Amarillo. He preceded her in death on Jan. 5, 2004. 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. She was preceded in death by two brothers, Phillips Gotcher and James "Babe" Gotcher.

Survivors include her daughter, Anne Lusk and husband

Glynn of Pampa, her son, John Tripplehorn and wife Susan of Pampa, a sister, Grace Gething and husband Bill of Pampa, five grandchildren, James D. Tripplehorn, Kelly Tripplehorn, Matt Hinton, Ross Hinton, and Holly Sheridan, and numerous great-grandchildren and great-great-The family would like to express their sincere gratitude

to Lori Crutchfield and the staff at BSA Hospice, as well as the staff of the unit at Pampa Nursing Center for the wonderful care they provided for their mother. Memorials may be made to the Shriners International

Headquarters, Khiva Memorial Fund, 2900 Rocky Point Drive, Tampa, Florida 33607, or BSA Hospice, c/o The Don & Sybil Harrington Cancer Foundation, 1600 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo, Texas 79106.

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 will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 4, 2013, in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with Paul Nachtigall, pastor of Highland Baptist Church, officiating. Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. Saturday at Shattuck Cemetery in Shattuck, Okla. under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

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 great-grandchildren. 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

Dorothy "Dot" Francis

Dorothy "Dot" Francis, 91, passed away suddenly from cancer in Dallas on Saturday, Aug. 31. Born in Oklahoma, she moved to Lingo, NM at an early age. After graduating high school, the family moved to Lubbock. She went to work at Wiley's Drug Store, where she met the love of her life, Elmer Francis. A business opportunity became



Dorothy Francis

available and the couple moved to Pampa, where he owned Elmer's Supermarket. Upon his early death, she ran the supermarket but later sold it. She eventually worked at Montgomery Wards, and after it closed, transferred to the store in Lubbock. Among the activities and organizations she enjoyed in Pampa were gardening, cooking, teaching Sunday School and Beta Sigma Phi. It was never Christmas unless the party was at Dot's house. Upon retiring from Wards, she spent many years volun-

teering at St. Mary 's Hospital. Dot always had a smile for everyone and never had a bad word to say about anyone. She is preceded in death by her husband, Elmer Francis, mother, Ruby Jacobs, sister, Mildred Montgomery, half sister, Gene McDonald and half brother, Preston Jacobs.

Dot is survived by a daughter, Carolyn Drew, granddaughter, Tanya and a great granddaughter, Ralara of San Antonio and son Tom Francis of Dallas.

Your pain and suffering Are now over, and the Angels are rejoicing at Your arrival. And now you will find out Why your stepfather called You "Duke."

Graveside services are scheduled at 1 p.m. today in Fairview Cemetery in Pampa under the direction of Franklin-Bartley Funeral Home.

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For the record

Several arrested for DWI over Labor Day weekend

• Dustie Don Herrera, 17, Pampa, was arrested Friday by the Pampa Police Department for public intoxication.

• Parker Noble Best, 25, Pampa, was arrested Friday by the Department of Public Safety for possession of

 Ricky Joe Diaz, 38, Pam-PPD for possession of a dangerous drug, illegal use of a criminal instrument.

Jeremy Wayne Barnes, 35, Pampa, was arrested Friday by PPD for capias pro fine — failure to maintain car insurance, capias pro fine

- failure to appear. • Jennifer Clark, 25, Pampa, was arrested Saturday by the Gray County Sheriff's Office for driving while intoxicated.

• Phillip Curtis Rodriguez, 24, Pampa, was arrested by PPD for his second driving while intoxicated offense.

• Shawn Aylor, 39, Amarillo, was arrested Saturday by PPD for bond forfeit — possession of a controlled substance — Runnels County.

• Dylan Ross Ellis, 20, pa, was arrested Friday by Pampa, was arrested Saturday by GCSO for capias pro fine — speeding, capias pro fine — failure to appear.

 Rodney Allen Mendoza, 31, Pampa, was arrested Saturday by PPD for capias pro fine — failure to appear, capias pro fine — expired registration, capias pro fine - failure to appear.

• Jennifer Renee Patton, 34, Pampa, was arrested Sunday by DPS for driving while intoxicated.

rock, was arrested Sunday by DPS for his second driving while intoxicated of-

Sunday by PPD for contempt of court.

• Stephanie Stein, 30, Pampa, was arrested Sunday Pampa, was arrested Tuesby DPS for driving while intoxicated.

• Stephen Spencer, 19, Pampa, was arrested Monday by PPD for possession of marijuana in a drug free zone, capias pro fine — possession of drug parapherna-

• Carl Wine, 38, Pampa, PPD for violation of a pro-

tective order. • Chauntyl Martinez, 30, order.

• Davis Porras, 26, Sham- Pampa, was arrested Tuesday by DPS for driving while intoxicated with a

child under 15 years of age. • John Charles Knell, 50, Anita Lynn Sanderson, Miami, was arrested Tues-44, Pampa, was arrested day by PPD for theft by check, theft of property -Hutchinson County.

 Miguel Salazar, 37, day by the Pampa Police Department for theft of services.

 Derek Cotton, 20, Pampa, was arrested Tuesday by the Gray County Sheriff's Office for possession of a prohibited substance in a correctional facility.

Daniel Medrano was arrested Monday by Jimenez, 40, Pampa, was arrested Tuesday by PPD for violation of a protective

FASHION SHOW



Photo by Callie Odell Amy Gamblin models clothes from Carousel Expressions in preparation for the Texas Cattlewomen's Association fashion show, which will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at the Pampa Country Club. Brunch tickets are available at Carousel Expressions or at the door.

Gray County indictments Aug. 28

The Gray County grand jury met Aug. 28 and handed down the following indictments:

- Travis Calvin Selby, possession of a controlled
- substance less than one gram. • Timmy Lael Ray, theft of services — greater
- than \$1,500 and less than \$20,000. • Eduardo Enrique Quezada-Muro, driving while
- Eric Andrew Masias, burglary of a habitation, tampering with or fabricating with physical evi-
- Miguel Angelo Martinez, possession of a controlled substance — less than one gram.
- · Andrew Steven Keeton, possession of a controlled substance — less than one gram.
- Amanda Lynn Jones, possession of a controlled substance — less than one gram.
- · Richard James Ivey, tampering with or fabricating physical evidence.
- · Melinda Ann Huffman, possession of a controlled substance — less than one gram.
- Joseph Huffman, III., possession of a controlled substance — less than one gram.
- · Cody Allen Hollon, sex offender's duty to register.
- Amy Renee Cole, burglary of a habitation.
- · Michelle Ann Butenhoff, fraudulent use or possession of identifying information — less than
- Thomas Roman Brown, possession of a controlled substance — greater than one gram and less than four grams.
- · Jennifer Marie Brown, possession of a controlled substance — greater than one gram and less than four grams, possession of a controlled substance — less than one gram.

Have an Event? tell us about it!

PHS 40th class reunion this weekend

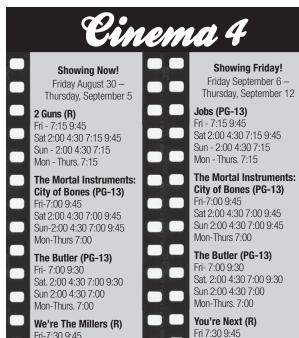
STAFF REPORT

Pampa High School Class of 1973 40th Class Reunion starts Friday, Sept. 6 and continues Saturday, Sept. 7. Registration begins Friday at 4 p.m. in the AmericInn Event Center, located next to M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium.

The AmericInn Event Center will serve as "home base" for the 1973 reunion.

Registration is \$50 per person for the class reunion and an additional \$25 per person for Pampastock, which includes a performance by The Buster Brown Band.

To register, call Richard Stowers at 806-665-1665.



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Centers

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TPC tries to reach anyone in the community who needs the help. Even if patients have a difficult time paying for the services, there is a system that helps with payment.

"We go on a sliding scale," Womack said. "How much you make determines how much you pay.'

centers in Dumas, Pam-Borger, Clarendon, Hereford and Amarillo, each center is different in the services they offer depending on the population.

"Every community is different," Womack said. "Regionally they are developed along their needs."

The centers also allow

see a case manager, who more to raise awareness than helps with the doctors and money. physicians.

equipment that allows the excited about. One of them patient to communicate with the physician in realtime over the Internet faceto-face. This not only helps coordination and service the physician and patient provision to male and female with transportation costs and time, but allows for more patients to be seen because the establishes and enhances the doctors are not losing precious time driving.

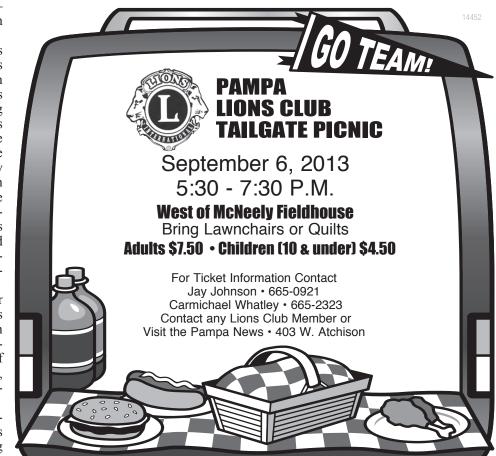
Other technology they use Even though they have include various telehealth programs, which allows doctors to communicate with inmates in Grav County Sheriff's Office. This saves finding out more about Texas the state money and time in Panhandle Centers is through transportation of inmates, and the uneasiness non-incarcerated patients may feel while in the same doctor's they have a crisis line at 359office of inmate.

TPC's Pampa office remeans to who patients can fundraisers, they are really henning@txpan.org.

TPC has several projects They also have special in the works that Womack is being a veteran services program, which, according to TPC's website, "provides veterans within a 30 county service area. The program availability of veteran peerto-peer counseling, provides peer support services, and provides linkage for veterans to vital community partners."

Still, the best means for their website, at www.texaspanhandlecenters.org. someone is in urgent need, 6699 or 1-800-692-4039.

If interested in volunteerfor medicine and some ser- ceives funding from Pampa's ing for TPC, volunteers vices provided through tele-medicine. Telemedicine is a Even though TPC holds 806-351-3288 or natalie.



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Labor Day is the real New Year's

Labor Day signals the end of summer. Cottages are closed, and schools are open. The days grow shorter and the nights cooler. The seasons are changing;

autumn is on deck. Labor Day, always the first Monday in September — and not Jan. 1 **MARK** in the dark

SHIELDS

is the logical New Year's.

This means that the desk must be cleaned out. What follows are a few of my "end-of-theyear" odds and ends.

middle

of winter

The U.S. Congress, which only 12 percent of voters in the most recent Wall Street Journal-NBC News poll rate favorably, do in fact serve two enormously important purposes. The Congress, by comparison, can make the U.N. look efficient and make a president's job rating look good.

Republicans in Congress with an average unfavorable rating from 65 percent of voters in the last five major national surveys are struggling, but Democrats cannot be too excited about their party's congresspersons average unfavorable score of 59 percent in the same polls. The Democrats' campaign strategy, essentially, consists of Not Being The Other Guys. Bob Filner was the

first Democrat in 20 years to be elected mayor of San Diego. But after 18 separate women publicly accused him of sexual harassment, Mayor Filner resigned. Come to think of it, the most terrifying words for any male officeholder to hear could be "Personal for you online one; it's attorney Gloria Allred.'

There are four U.S. states that begin with "New." New Hampshire, New Mexico, New York and New Jersey. But only one of the four doesn't need the "New" to identify it. You say "Jersey" and everybody knows what you mean. And Jersey, one of only two states (the other is Virginia)

holding a gubernatorial race this year, is home to Governor Chris Christie, the only

national political figure who is rated favorably across the board among Republicans, Democrats and independents. Governor Christie

underwent lap band surgery to control his weight last February. This reminds me of the foolproof test for whether you need to change your diet: If you're sitting in the bathtub and the water in the toilet bowl rises, you do have a weight problem.

Pollsters who eventually discover that half the population is "below average" get to ask all kinds of questions. One question that has always intrigued me: If mime Marcel Marceau were arrested, would the police tell him he has the right to remain silent?

I'm confused. Is Senate Majority leader Harry Reid like Senate Minority leader Mitch McConnell without the charisma? Or is Mitch McConnell like Harry Reid without the charisma?

In the Middle East turmoil, even Democrats concede that President Barack Obama has seemed tentative and indecisive. Or as they say at the White House: "A mind is a terrible thing to make up.'

Freshman Republican senator Ted Cruz of Texas does not lack self-confidence. The Texan and self-doubt are total strangers. One Republican asked the other day: What's the difference between God and Ted Cruz? Answer: God doesn't think that he's Ted Cruz.

Just 10 months ago, Barack Obama became the first U.S. president since Dwight Eisenhower to win more than 51 percent of the popular vote in successive national elections. Some conservatives insisted that Mr. Obama would not have won without the votes of blacks or Hispanics or gays - or, as some people call them, Americans.

Happy New Year.

To find out more about Mark Shields and read his past columns, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at www. creators.com.

The milk of human blindness

The Denver Post warns, "Milk, food prices could rise if Congress fails to

Congress is working on a farm bill, which, among other things, will set limits on how high or low milk prices can be in different regions of the country.

Politicians from both parties like to meddle in agriculture. When the Heritage Foundation told Republicans not to pass any farm bill, "conservative" politicians banned Heritage from their weekly meetings.

JOHN STOSSEL

But why should politicians be involved

in agriculture? Why should they set food prices, any more than they set the price of books or staplers? The market decides most prices, so we don't have to wait with bated breath for politicians to make up their minds.

In a normal market, sellers charge the highest price their customers will pay – and then lower the price when they lose customers to sellers who charge less. Competition keeps prices low, not generosity or warm-heartedness. Or government.

The price of milk, on the other hand, is decided by regulators, using complicated formulas. They set one price for

wholesale milk used to produce "fluid" products and another for milk used in making cheese. It's a ridiculous game of catch-up, in which the regulated prices never change as fast and efficiently as they would in a market, one buyer and seller at a time.

Next week, California will hold public hearings about milk price negotiations, as if more arguing will reveal the "correct" price. The agricultural news site Agri-View reports that dairy farmers filed a petition with the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA), demanding it implement an earlier, massive milk-price compact agreed to by cheesemakers and legisla-Under the agreement, cheese proces-

sors must kick in an additional \$110 million to a statewide pool of money used to pay dairy farmers, who are upset that they've been paid less than what farmers get in surrounding states. Rob Vandenheuvel of the state's Milk Producers Council says, "Government has the responsibility to keep us in line with what the rest of the country

Great. How many lawyers does it take to produce a gallon of milk?

on lawyers."

is making, and they're not doing it. It

gives us no choice but to spend money

The dairy farmers say some dairy farms lose money, which proves milk prices are too low. But cheesemakers say they can barely stay in business, proving milk prices are too high.

Why is any of this the legislature's business? It shouldn't be. Prices should be decided by buyers and sellers.

Prices are not just money. They're information. Rising prices tell farmers to produce more; that increases supply and prices go back down. Falling prices tell producers to invest in other products. This system works well for plums. peaches, cars and most everything we

Vandenheuvel says cows can't be subject to market demand because "there are several years of lead time between when you decide to buy a cow and when that cow produces milk.' The CDFA agrees because: "Milk

is a perishable product and must be harvested daily," and "Milk continues to be viewed as a necessary food item, particularly for children." It's not "lead time" or being "perish-

able" or even being "necessary" that makes milk unique. Plums and newspapers are perishable and harvested daily. All business is risky. When politicians micromanage mar-

kets, consumers suffer.

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With crime down, the nation moves to ease get-tough policies

Americans change their minds on some issues. One of them is crime and punishment.



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It's an interesting issue because, while it's sometimes a subject of discussion in national politics, state legislatures and gover-

nors, county prosecutors (usually elected and often prominent figures in their communities), and local government law enforcement handle it in a largely decentralized way.

Nonetheless, there are national trends. In the middle 1960s, as the civil rights movement made most Americans uncomfortably aware that they had been mistreating their black fellow citizens, or had been averting their gaze from that mistreatment, they also started to get softer on

That may have arisen from an awareness that blacks — specifically young, black males - commit violent crimes in hugely disproportionate numbers. It is uncomfortable to say that out loud, which may be a good thing, but almost every adult American knows it's true. In any case, in the 1960s American prison populations declined even as the numbers of crimes started rising from the very

low levels of the 1930s, 1940s and 1950s.

Attitudes changed on capital punishment, too. Gallup has asked about that periodically from 1936 to 2012. The only year in which more Americans opposed than favored the death penalty was 1966.

So the result, not so much dictated by liberal elites but resulting from the decisions and actions of millions of decentralized citizens, was less aggressive — and abusive — policing, shorter sentences and lower prison populations.

Unfortunately, and probably not coincidentally, crime rates soared, roughly tripling between 1965 and 1975. There may have been other causes as well. Some have argued that exposure to lead paint, phased out in 1950 but still chipping off walls, may have played a

Crime plateaued between 1975 and 1995, spiking upward with the crack cocaine epidemic in the late 1980s. Crime — or "law and order" - became an issue not only in local and state politics but in national politics as well.

The Supreme Court overturned the death penalty in 1972, then allowed it in restricted form in 1976, when Gallup showed support of capital punishment had bounced back up to 66 percent, about the same as today.

The decentralized criminal justice system responded

with mandatory minimum sentences for violent and drug crimes and prison populations expanded exponentially. Crime rates remained stunningly high, however, until Mayor Rudy Giuliani's computer- and accountability-policing methods reduced crime sharply in New York

For years most criminologists said police tactics could not curb crime. It stemmed from root causes. Scholars James Q. Wilson and George L. Kelling argued otherwise, and Giuliani wisely took their advice.

Others followed his example or variants on it and crime nationally has fallen since 1995 at almost as dizzying a pace as it rose between 1975 and 1995.

Now, almost 20 years later, the decentralized system is changing again. Interesting coalitions of black liberals and religious and fiscal conservatives are arguing that we went too far.

It doesn't make sense, they say, to hold elderly felons who are no longer dangerous. And it's expensive to feed, clothe and guard them for years.

There is something discordant about mandatory five-year terms for marijuana users when voters in Colorado and Washington state have legalized the drug and medical marijuana laws elsewhere have made it easily available.

Moral issues are raised as well. We have a duty to prevent the rapes that too often occur in prisons and a duty to care about the plight

of prisoners' children.

Americans still favor capital punishment, 63 percent in 2012, but several states have abolished it recently and executions in most states are rare. Perhaps more important, many states, Republican as well as Democrat, are scaling back mandatory minimum sentences and releasing prisoners earlier than previously.

Americans' soft stands on crime in the 1960s seemed wrong in retrospect. Was the hard line against crime in the 1980s and 1990s a mistake as well?

I would argue not. Crime at the 1975-95 levels was truly a scourge, hurting most those stuck in high-crime neighborhoods, ruining central cities such as Detroit. Aggressive measures were needed to change behavior, and they worked.

But they also may have changed attitudes. Today's young people were babies when crime started dropping. They seem less disposed to violent crime than their counterparts a generation ago.

Getting tough on crime then made sense. Getting softer may make sense now.

Michael Barone, senior political analyst for The Washington Examiner (www.washingtonexaminer.com), is a resident fellow at the American Enterprise Institute, a Fox News Channel contributor and a co-author of The Almanac of American Politics.

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Photos by Charla Shults Above, Taylor Giles serves the ball. Right, Madison Brown blocks a serve over the net. The Lady Harvesters looked a lot better than they did last week against Dumas, only losing by a total of 14 how action-packed this set was. points for all three games.

Improved Lady Harvesters fall to Fort Elliot

Giles and Niccum star in three, action-packed matches for the Lady Harvesters.

BY JOHN LEE

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The Lady Harvesters fell short in three matches against Fort Elliot, losing 20-25, 19-25 and 24-26.

The Lady Harvesters appeared much improved compared to their matches against Dumas just seven days

In the first set the Lady Harvesters were down by as much as 10 points at one point. Strong serves and errors by Fort Elliot allowed them to pull within five points, however, but it was too little, too late for the Lady Harvesters in the opening set, as they fell to Fort Elliot 20-25.

Allison Noble had the most points scored during her serves with four. Genevieve Zavala, Ariel Cambern, and Madison Brown had three points scored during their

In the second set, it was a different story. This set was back and fourth for almost the whole set. Towards the end of the match Madison Joyce and Kirstin Hood seemed to be the difference-makers for the Lady Harvesters. The final score on the set was 25-19.

In the third set was a completely different look for the Lady Harvesters. They had a lead of 21-15 at one point, but just as the Lady Harvesters almost did to Fort Elliot the first set, Fort Elliot came back on the Lady Harvesters. The final score on the set was 26-24, showing just

The ball was volleyed back and forth multiple times, with the members of the Lady Harvesters each scoring multiple points. Caragan Niccum was one of the many Lady Harvesters who put up multiple points, with soft sets coming from the crowd side of the net.

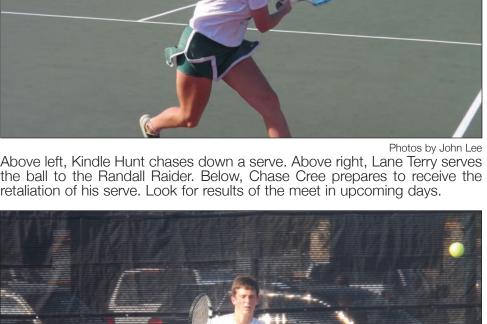
The defenders at the net knocked down many of the sets coming from Fort Elliot, but at times Fort Elliot was sneaky with their serves between the net and defenders. Fort Elliot wanted their sweep and walked away with the win for the set.

The Lady Harvesters return to the court on Saturday.



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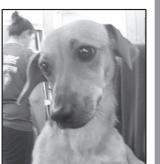




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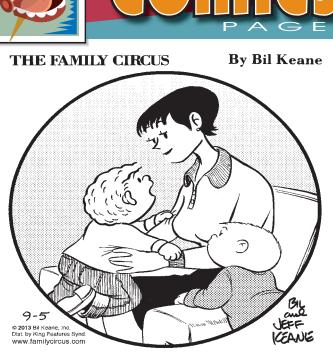
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ARIES (March 21-April 19)

without you taking action. Others seek you out for countless reasons, and you will respond to their inquiries. Don't put plans on the back burner for this weekend -- make them an active part of today's conversations. Tonight: Go along with plans.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

to reveal his or her true feelings in the morning. You could be taken aback by how verbal this person is, and perhaps you'll wish that he or she had chosen a different day. Suggest talking more later in the day or during the weekend. Tonight: Mellow out.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

 $\star\star\star\star$ As the day gets older, you'll become more dynamic and direct. How you deal with someone could vary, as you might note a change in his or her response. The smart move would be to put all your cards on the table. Don't push tion. too hard. Tonight: Let your hair down.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

power to make a change. Either act this morning or wait for several days until the Force is strong with you. Someone might talk your ear off. Don't walk away from the conversation; there is something you need to hear. Tonight: Let the fun begin. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ You have a lot to say. Deal

with a financial matter first so that you can relax later in the day. Start a conversation with a friend as soon as you can, because it could go on for a long time. You might have a matter you want to clear up.

Tonight: Hang out with your pals. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ It might seem as if someone has convinced you that you need to be This year you will alternate between more open. The outcome could be great, being busy and efficient and being diplo- and you will feel much better about yourself as a result. Making a decision like this is important. Tonight: Treat yourself

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to something you really want. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Your mood will change in the afternoon. You'll go from being withdrawn to being open and carefree. You might wonder how this could happen, but don't -- just get into the moment. This is the time to claim your power and zero in on what you want. Tonight: Happy as a clam.

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★★★★ People could play a bigger *** Communication sizzles even role in your life than usual this morning. Some even might share news you've never heard before. There is a new openness. You will be left to evaluate the pros and cons of certain decisions you have made. Tonight: Have a somewhat quiet night.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★ A boss suddenly could reveal **** Someone might decide his or her true agenda. You might have to choose whether to accept where this person is coming from. Don't feel as if you need to give an immediate answer. In the afternoon, a meeting will play a big role.

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 $\star\star\star\star$ Check in with an expert this morning. You might want to detach from a hair-raising situation. You will know what to do once you learn to avoid your triggers. Take charge of your day, and make plans that suit you. Tonight: TGIF! Let a meeting transform into a celebra-

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★★★★ Listen to news, and be di-**** Know that you have the rect in your dealings. A partner might keep feeding you information. What this person claims to know could be different from what the original source says. Know when to pull back and get a broader perspective. Tonight: Explore a new spot. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ You will listen to others, but know that you also need to respond to the issue at hand. If you do not agree at this point, be prepared to detach and venture off in a different direction. You will be well received. Follow-through counts. Tonight: Head to a new Friday night scene.

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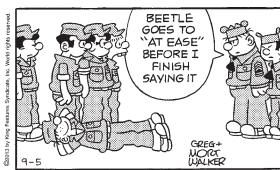


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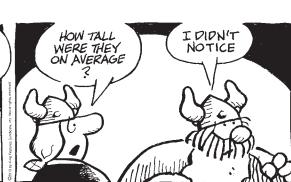






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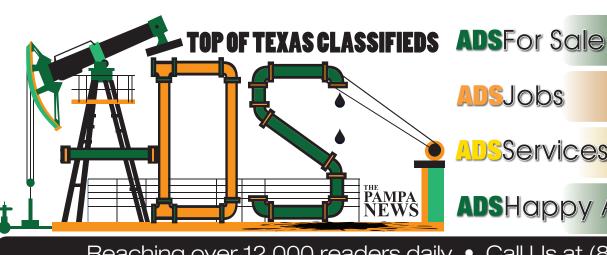






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DEAR ABBY: I am ap- vive.

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who hang onto their jobs crystal ball that enables lost their son only hours so they can live lavish you to see what seniors before, but that they did lifestyles, while young have in the bank, it's it through Facebook. workers trying to support **presumptuous** to say MOURNING IN THE families are left with lack someone should retire. MIDWEST of advancement or even Many seniors are un- DEAR MOURNING: laid off because they don't prepared financially to Please accept my symdo so through no fault pathy for your family's I am a single mom, and of their own. And while tragic loss. We live in an

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older people work longer Is it just me or isn't that

they are asking questions palled at older workers Unless you have a of a grieving family who

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formation, it is usually buy on the streets. done VOLUNTARILY, After I was sober for a DEAR

For 10 years I was addict- do in life. ed to pain pills. My poor Everyone keeps saying mother tried everything. I should tell my story, but She offered me trips or help in buying a new car if I would just go to rehab. I refused because I wasn't ready. I finally hit rock bottom and went into rehab

tasteless — whether in when I realized my daugh- to be honest, my story isn't person or via electronic ter was pulling away from finished yet. Thank you for media. If a person wishes me. I had been spending letting me share. — ENto convey this kind of in- our rent money on pills I'd JOYING SOBRIETY IN

helping others. I believe journey. There IS life after drugs. this is what I was meant to

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and certainly not when few days, I realized I liked SOBRIETY: You're welthe feeling. After the sixth come. You're right that DEAR ABBY: Too often day, I was "me" again, and your story isn't over yet, we hear horrifying stories I loved it. I have been so- but from where I'm sitin the news about prescrip- ber for two years and am ting it looks like the next tion drug addiction and now entering school to chapter will be a happy overdoses. I'd like to offer become a patient tech. It's and constructive one. I hope to addicts who are exciting because I will be wish you success in your



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PREDICTING THE UNPREDICTABLE

The college football picks brought on so much attention that we added two more players to finish up our panel. ReDonn Woods, publisher for The Pampa News, and Tyler Anderson, assistant editor for West Texas A&M's The Prairie News, have joined in the festivities, picking for both NFL and AP Top 25 in college football. We also want to hear your

If you have a pick you disagree with or just want to tell us who you think will win, comment on our website/Facebook.

Records:

• John: Last week-17-5 Overall-17-5 • Zac: Last week-19-3 Overall-19-3

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John's picks West Virginia at (16) Oklahoma (15) Texas at BYU (12) Florida at Miami (Fl.) SELA at (24) TCU

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John's pick - Denver Broncos Zach's pick - Denver Broncos

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and other people who need it.'

or contact any Lions Club member.

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NFL Thursday Night

Football Picks

Match-up – Baltimore Ravens at Denver Broncos

Look for the rest of our NFL picks in the Weekend Edition of The Pampa News

Lions Club to hold

tailgate picnic

SUBMITTED

The Lion's Club will be holding a tailgate picnic

"This is our sixth year to have a tailgate party before the Harvesters' first home game," said Jay Johnson, chairman of the tailgate project for Lions Club.

The picnic will be held west of McNeely Fieldhouse, tailgaters are encouraged to bring lawnchairs

"Bring an appetite and a quilt and/or chair to sit

Costs are \$7:50 for adults and \$4.50 for children 10

"This will benefit Lions Club projects," Johnson said. "We do a lot of things that help sight for kids

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