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City Commission approves utility rates, 2014 budget

BY TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE
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The Pampa City Commission approved Tuesday at its regular meeting monthly rates for water, sewer and waste disposal. The minimum bill for 1,000 gallons of water is \$23.34. Volume charges over the minimum are 1,000 to 4,999 gallon, \$3.57; 5,000 to 9,999 gallons, \$3.65; 10,000 to 29,999 gallons \$ 3.70; 30,000 to 49,999 gallons, \$3.80; 50,000 gallons and over, \$4.05. The minimum rates for residential and commercial sewer service are \$13.51 for 1,000 gallons. Volume charges over the minimum for residential are 1,000 gallons to 2,999 gallons, \$1.85; 3,000 gallons and over, \$1.90. For commercial, the over the minimum fee is \$1.90 for 1,000 and over. Monthly waste disposal rates within the city limits will be \$22.20 for each single-family dwelling. Residential collections and removals shall be made once a week. Rates outside the city limits will be \$33.30 for each single-family dwelling, whether any dumpster is shared by one or more residential, single-family dwellings or a combination of residential and commercial customers. Residential collections and removals will be made once a week. Residential services outside the corporate limits of Pampa must be approved by the director of public works or a designated employee. The commission adopted on final reading an ordinance for charging tonnage fees at the city's sanitary landfill. All vehicles will be \$38 per ton, whether the waste being disposed are soils, sewer sludge or trees and limbs. Businesses located within city limits disposing of grease trap slurry, car wash grit and septic tank contents will be charged \$ 8.50 per hundred gallons. Businesses located outside city limits will be charged \$12 per hundred gallons for those waste products. The commission authorized the city manager to enter into an amended Solid Waste Disposal **COMMISH** cont. on page 2

GET READY TO GET YOUR FRIGHT ON!!



Photo by Timothy P. Howsare

Be prepared to be scared. Frightmares is coming back for its second year but this time at the Pampa Mall. The owners of SugarSkullz and their husbands are organizing the Halloween show. From left, Josh "J-Sizzle" Salazar, Jera Salazar, Desiree Hillman and Roy Devoll.

Frightmares comes to Pampa Mall

■ Halloween event to raise money for juvenile diabetes.

BY TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE
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The Pampa Mall will soon be the scariest place in town. But that will be good thing. The north wing of the mall, which is closed to customers because it is not yet occupied by stores, will be converted into one big haunted house called Frightmares. Organizers Jera Salazar and Desiree Hillman, owners of the SugarSkullz boutique in the mall, are bringing Frightmares back for its second year.

Last year they held the Halloween spectacle in a small, vacant store near Western Finance and said it was very successful. "This year it will be at least three times bigger," Salazar said. "There will be four to five different scenes." The women said they received comments from many people who attended that their show was much better than the ones in Amarillo — and at \$3 per person, for a much cheaper price. They are raising admission to \$7 this year, but believe that is still a good deal because the haunted housees in Amarillo charge around \$20. Half of the proceeds from the hauntings will go to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. The other half **FRIGHT** cont. on page 2

A 30-YEAR-OLD MEATY STAPLE ON HIGHWAY 60



Photo by John Lee
 The Hamburger Station's sign can be seen by drivers entering or exiting Pampa via Highway 60.

BY COURTNEY OXLEY
 Special to The Pampa News

Walking into the Hamburger Station on U.S. Highway 60 has been the way many have started their mornings for 30 years. Whether you're headed out of town, into town, to the office or out to the field, Ed Robinson, owner of the Hamburger Station, will be there to greet you and wish you a great morning. Robinson, like so many fellow Pampans, came to the area to visit a friend during a trip from California to Oklahoma to see his mom.

He fell in love with the area. He appreciated the people and all that Pampa had to offer. It wasn't long after that he made his home in Pampa and plans to never leave. The Hamburger Station opened its doors on Sept. 18, 1983. The first menu offered lunch and breakfast all day long. The menu was a modest one, with a 99-cent hamburger, the popular Mexican Hamburger and, of course, the famous Station Burrito along with only a few other items. Today, the Hamburger Station opens by 5 a.m. and serves until 2 p.m. everyday except Sunday. Robinson and his wife Christy have stayed true to the spirit of the simplicity of The Hamburger Station all these years. The popularity of the breakfast burrito, also known as The Station Burrito, has put the station on the map. The quaint dining room provides the perfect hometown, small-town atmosphere for customers. The old-fashioned charm of the place is where many people gather to have coffee or a burger and share stories of the way Pampa used to be, talk about the weather, swap horses, and of course get the best advice you'll ever receive. The station works hard to support the Pampa community and lend a hand where it's needed. The generosity of "Hamburger Ed" and Christy can be seen in many different ways. They are always working events, catering and helping to improve and progress Pampa are often top priority on their agenda.

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Physicians Preferred Labs vendor for Pampa Health Fair



Submitted photo

Kyle Conner, Physicians Preferred Laboratories employee, in the company car. Physicians Preferred Laboratories and Amarillo Pathology Group has been open since 1994.

BY LINDSEY TOMASCHIK
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Accolade Homecare and Hospice Health is organizing its first health fair in Pampa. The fair, which is free and open to the public, will be from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 2 at the M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium. "We are looking forward to this event and hope to get a lot of partic-

ipation from the community," said Lindsey Been, account coordinator for Accolade. Various vendors will be present at the fair, including Physicians Preferred Laboratories and Amarillo Pathology Group, who will be doing blood drawings, lipid profiles for \$15, glucose testing for \$5, TSH testing for the thyroid for \$5 **DOCTORS** cont. on page 3

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PAMPA FORECAST

Today	Friday	Saturday
High 87 Low 59	High 76 Low 50	High 78 Low 53

Today: Mostly sunny with a high of 87. Chance of rain: 20 percent. Winds south-southwest at 17 mph. Sunrise at 7:30 a.m.

Tonight: Scattered thunderstorms with a low of 59. Chance of rain: 50 percent. Winds east at 12 mph. Sunset at 7:45 p.m.

Friday: Morning showers with a high of 76. Chance of rain: 30 percent. Winds northeast at 17 mph. Sunrise at 7:31 a.m.

Friday night: Clear with a low of 50. Winds east-southeast at 8 mph. Sunset at 7:43 p.m.

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Saturday night: Clear with a low of 53. Winds south at 10 mph. Sunset at 7:42 p.m.

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Obituaries

Jessie "Biddie" Edwards Taylor

Jessie "Biddie" Edwards Taylor, 86, died Sept. 17, 2013 in Pampa.



Jessie Taylor

a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great-grand-

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors. Mrs. Taylor was born May 11, 1927 in Electra. She had been a resident of Pampa since 1933. She married Claude A. Taylor on Dec. 7, 1946 in Pampa. Biddie was employed by Marie Foundations for 13 years and also worked for the City of Pampa water office. She was a member of Highland Baptist Church. She enjoyed ceramics and especially time spent at the lake with family and friends. Biddie was

mother. She was preceded in death by her parents, Jess and Inez Edwards, a son, Jerry Taylor, and a sister, Ruth Monce.

Survivors include her husband, Claude A. Taylor of the home, her daughter, J'Nell Stiles of Pampa, a sister, Cecelia Geneva of Odessa, a brother, Jack Edwards and wife Judi of Pampa, three grandchildren, Cory Taylor and wife Jennifer of Mt. Blanco, Derek Taylor and wife Jessica of Dallas, and Stacy Whited and husband Charles of San Marcos, four great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials to Highland Baptist Church Building Fund, 1301 N. Banks, Pampa, TX 79065.

The family will receive friends at Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Home from 6:30-8 p.m. Friday, September 20, 2013.

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

Missing Okla. boy may be endangered

STAFF REPORT

A 17-year-old from Hobart, Okla. is missing and considered an endangered runaway.



Bill Kiser

and Exploited Children reports.

Bill still may be in the Hobart area or may have traveled to Pampa, Amarillo, Childress or Dallas.

He is 5-feet, 9-inches tall, has brown eyes and black hair.

He has severe eczema and a two- to three-inch scar on his right forearm.

Anyone with information on Bill's whereabouts should contact the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children at 1-800-THE-LOST or the Hobart Police Department at 1-580-726-2128.

Naked burglar gets trapped in Milwaukee air vent

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Milwaukee police say a naked burglar tried to break into a veterinary clinic to steal drugs but got stuck in the air vents for almost 12 hours.

Police Lt. Mark Stanmeyer says employees of the Small Animal Hospital in Milwaukee came into work Monday morning and heard the muffled screams of someone calling for help. They discovered the 19-year-old stuck in a narrow shaft.

The teen had crawled into the vent Sunday about 9 p.m., meaning he spent about half a day in the vent.

Stanmeyer says the teen suffered multiple cuts and scrapes from screws.

Police Capt. Aaron Raap says the man had stripped naked on the roof before breaking into the vent, perhaps to prevent his clothes from snagging on screws.

The man faces an attempted-burglary charge.

Clean Port Townsend beach, get free beer

PORT ANGELES, Wash. (AP) — Help clean a beach, get a free beer.

That's the deal for volunteers Saturday at the Pourhouse craft beer taproom in Port Townsend.

The Peninsula Daily

News reports volunteers have to register with the Marine Science Center in the parking lot. They'll be assigned to a beach and asked to record what kind of trash is collected.

The information will be compiled as part of the Ocean Conservancy's International Coastal Cleanup Day.

Volunteers who bring the trash and information back to the Pourhouse will get one free beer.

Young moose hangs around Entiat

ENTIAT, Wash. (AP) — Leave the moose alone. That's the advice the state Fish and Wildlife Department is giving to residents of Entiat.

The Wenatchee World reports a young moose has been hanging out around town for two weeks and resting on lawns.

Wildlife Sgt. Dan Klump says cooler weather usually triggers moose to move on and agents are hoping this one soon travels up the Entiat Valley.

If there's a confrontation with humans, agents would have to tranquilize the moose and relocate it — a major operation that's traumatic for the animal.

SCHOLARSHIP CHECK



Photo by Lindsey Tomaschik

On behalf of the Tri-state Seniors, Pat Montoya presented Ray Jaramillo, administrator at Clarendon College — Pampa Campus, with a \$1,000 scholarship check at the college's Pampa campus on Tuesday morning. The college gives out the scholarship based on need, Jaramillo said. Montoya said that the Tri-State Seniors donate the scholarship money in order to demonstrate their appreciation for the college's Pampa location, which is the only location where the winner of the scholarship may use it.

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will be save to put on next year's event.

Salazar and Hillman said they have a lot of family members and friends helping them out, but they are still seeking volunteers. "We need extras," Salazar said. "Anybody who wants to come out and say 'boo.'"

Salazar said her brother, Rhett Skinner, is helping out in a big way by building some of the sets.

The scheduled dates are

Oct. 25-26 and then Oct. 28-31.

The "haunted mall" will be open 7-9 p.m. weeknights and 8 p.m. to midnight on weekends and Halloween night.

Along with the fright show inside the mall on Halloween, there will be "trunk or treating" in the parking lot, Salazar said. Several local churches will be passing out candy from cars, she said.

For more information, visit SugarSkullz' Facebook page at www.facebook.com/sugarskullzjd.

Burger

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Pampa voted and put The Hamburger Station the winner of two Best of Pampa awards in two categories,

Best Hamburger and Best Breakfast.

Be sure to stop by The Hamburger Station in Pampa on U.S. Highway 60 and wish them 30 more years serving Pampa and another three-dozen hamburgers sold.

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For those cities and companies, the City of Pampa has increased its charges for municipal solid waste and garbage disposal delivered to its regional landfill to \$38 per ton to meet the ever-increasing cost of operations and services. That rate will go into effect Oct. 1.

The commission approved on first reading a tax rate of \$0.621027 on each \$100 valuation of property and levying an ad valorem tax.

The 2013-14 Operating Budget was adopted on final reading. Total revenues are nearly \$13 million and total expenditures are \$8.3 million. The commission made several reappointments to city boards. Carl Novian, Tim Roberts, Bobby Burns and Kevin Redding were reappointed to the Construction Board of Adjustments and Appeals for two-year terms beginning Oct. 1.

Pubic Works Director Donny Hooper said the construction board is valuable to the city and now has a very diverse membership, with electricians, plumbers and construction contractors serv-

ing on it. Janie Shed and Harold Price were reappointed to the Planning & Zoning Commission for two-year terms beginning Oct. 1.

Hooper commented that Shed has served on the board for 17 years and has done a good job.

The commission authorized two departments to sell, auction or destroy listed property. For the Recreation Department, the listed items include a Laars pool heater, one Marlo pump and two Miami sand filters.

For the Water/Wastewater Department, the items include one 800-foot by 27-inch Lamson Vylon slip liner pipe and one 100-foot by 30-inch Lamson Vylon slip liner pipe.

The last action item was a resolution to amend the circulation policy for the Lovett Memorial Library, which the commission approved.

The library's fines for overdue materials will now be consistent with the Harrington Library Consortium, which is a collaboration of public and school libraries in the Panhandle.

It will now cost \$2.50 to replace a library card. Fines for overdue books, audio cassettes and music CDs will increase from 10 cents per day to 20 cents.

Fines for overdue DVDs and VHS tapes will increase from 50 cents per day to \$1. The maximum overdue fine per item will be \$5. The fine will be never more than the cost of the item.

Rocket trajectory links Syrian military to attack

BEIRUT (AP) — The trajectory of the rockets that delivered the nerve agent sarin in last month's deadly attack is among the key evidence linking elite Syrian troops based in the mountains overlooking Damascus to the strike that killed hundreds of people, diplomats and human rights officials said Wednesday.

The Aug. 21 attack precipitated the crisis over Syria's chemical weapons. The U.S. threatened a military strike against Syria, which led to a plan negotiated by Moscow and Washington under which the regime of President Bashar Assad is to abandon its chemical weapons stockpile.

A U.N. report released Monday confirmed that chemical weapons were used in the attack but did not ascribe blame.

The United States, Britain and France cited evidence in the report to declare Assad's government responsible. Russia called the report "one-sided" and says it has "serious reason to suggest that this was a provocation" by the rebels fighting the Assad regime in Syria's civil war.

The report, however, provided data that suggested the chemical-loaded rockets that hit two Damascus suburbs were fired from the northwest, indicating they came from nearby mountains where the Syrian military is known to have major bases.

Mount Qassioun, which overlooks Damascus, is home to one of Assad's three residences and is widely used by elite forces to shell suburbs of the capital. The powerful Republican Guard and army's Fourth Division, headed by Assad's younger brother, Maher, has bases there.

A senior U.N. diplomat, speaking on condition of anonymity because some of this material was from private meetings, said: "It was 100 percent clear that the regime used chemical weapons."

The diplomat cited five key details, including the scale of the attack, the quality of the sarin, the type of rockets, the warheads used and the rockets' trajectory.

A Human Rights Watch report also said the presumed flight path of the rockets cited by the U.N. inspectors' report led back

to a Republican Guard base in Mount Qassioun.

"Connecting the dots provided by these numbers allows us to see for ourselves where the rockets were likely launched from and who was responsible," said Josh Lyons, a satellite imagery analyst for the New York-based group. But, he added, the evidence was "not conclusive."

The HRW report matched what several experts concluded after reading the U.N. report. The U.N. inspectors were not instructed to assess which side was responsible for the attack.

"While the U.N. stuck within its mandate, it has provided enough data to provide an overwhelming case that this had to be government-sponsored," said Anthony Cordesman, national security expert at the Center for Strategic and International Studies.

The inspectors described the rockets used to disperse the sarin as a variant of an M14 artillery rocket, with either an original or an improvised warhead, which the rebels are not known to have.

There is no conceivable way to prove the rebels could not have gotten them, Cordesman said, but he added that the modification of the rockets pointed to the regime.

The U.N. diplomat in New York pointed to citations in the U.N. report and a private briefing to the U.N. Security Council by chief inspector Ake Sellstrom that reveal the scale of the attack: The seven rockets examined had a total payload of about 350 liters (about 92 gallons) of sarin, including sophisticated stabilizing elements that match those known to be in the Syrian stockpile.

This makes it "virtually impossible" that it came from any source other than the Syrian government, the diplomat said, adding that there were likely other rockets used that the inspectors couldn't get to.

The diplomat added that the trajectory points directly at known Syrian military bases. "There isn't a shred of evidence in the other direction," he said.

Syrian legislator Issam Khalil denied the Human Rights Watch report.

Preferred Laboratories and Amarillo Pathology Group's services at the Pampa health fair can be made by cash or check. They will not be accepting insurance at the fair because the procedures performed are not physician-referred.

Physicians Preferred Laboratories is among several other vendors set to participate in Accolade's first health fair. For more information on the fair, contact Lindsey Been at 806-665-9700.

Doctor

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This Land Is Our Land

Jesus, Miss America and fear of the 'other'

I find myself in the odd position of defending a beauty pageant.

My two youngest are girls so on principle I can't condone these events.



BRUNO BALTODANO

Psychology experts agree that participation in activities that focus on physical appearance at an early age can influence self-esteem, body image and self-worth. Struggles with perfection,

dieting, eating disorders and body image can take their toll well into adulthood.

But beauty is still one of the most valued characteristics of women in our society, and images of beautiful women bombard us every day. Is it any surprise that, in a culture that objectifies beauty, women will try to use the emphasis on their bodies to their own benefit?

On Monday, the Miss America pageant crowned its first winner from an Indian background and, nearly instantly, a biblical flood of xenophobic comments was unleashed onto social media.

"If you're Miss America you should have to be American," was someone's argument.

To set the record straight, Nina Davuluri is an American. She was born in Syracuse to parents of Indian ancestry. She lived in Oklahoma, went to school at the University of Michigan and now lives in New York City.

"How the (blank) does a foreigner win Miss America? She is a Arab! Idiots," said another and, "An Arab/Muslim Won Miss America," rejoined a similarly aspiring religious scholar.

According to missamerica.org, Ms. Davuluri is a Hindu, one of the world's oldest religions but not one of the "People of the Book" (that is to say, Hinduism does not share the God-revealed Abrahamic Holy Scriptures common to Judaism, Christianity and Islam) so no, she is not a Muslim nor an ethnic Arab.

And, finally, the gloves came off, "WHEN WILL A REAL AMERI-



Nina Davuluri

CAN WHITE WOMAN WIN MISS AMERICA?"

That is the question for us indeed: What does an American look like? More to the point, is a "REAL AMERICAN" defined by a line on the color bar?

Of course, the answer is no. That has never been the case and the Framers of the Constitution (eventually) got that part right.

But it seems that some of us still equate being an American with being "white."

Currently, as a corollary to the War on Terror, the category of "Arab" has become the scapegoat for all the ills of our country.

Xenophobia is defined in the Merriam-Webster dictionary as, "fear and dislike of strangers or foreigners or of anything that is strange or foreign."

It's been part and parcel of human societies from the very beginning and affects how we interact with people whom we see as "foreigners."

One of the most peculiar Bible stories involves a moment where Jesus is asked by a non-Jewish woman (the gospels of Mark and Matthew describe her as a Greek and as a Canaanite, respectively) to cure her daughter who was possessed by a demon and was suffering horribly.

He replied, "It is not right to take the children's bread and toss it to the dogs."

The woman's request was not unusual and thus, undeserving of the harsh response given by Jesus.

By this time in His ministry Jesus had already scolded people in Judea with the story of the Good Samaritan, and was well-known to have healed other non-Jews who were demon-possessed (particularly the daughter of a Roman and of the gentile man who was possessed by "Legion").

So, why did Jesus call the woman and her people "dogs?"

We, as Christians, must never forget that the Son of God came to earth to BE a man. That is one of the reasons why all Christians accept Him as the messiah, the anointed one.

To forget this is to diminish His message of compassion.

Male Jews of Jesus' generation held very xenophobic views of non-Jews and, especially of non-Jewish women whom they saw as permanently "unclean." To them all gentiles were the "other," the "foreigners."

The disciples, and Jesus' followers who were present for that confrontation, would have known this. For them, the "dogs" comment would not have been odd. What follows after the woman replies is what would have been odd.

The story goes on to record the woman's response as "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table."

Jesus tells her that, since her faith is great He has already granted her request. Even as the woman was clearly the "other" her faith alone made her a part of their (new) group.

America has never been a country, an idea, a community that is solely defined by a line on the color bar. And it never will be.

U.S. Census projections show that, by 2050, our country will be one where there will no longer be one racial majority. Who will be the "other," the "foreigner," then?

The xenophobic comments directed at Ms. Davuluri remind us that we still have some work to do. They don't represent all of us. They don't represent what is good IN us.

But they help to remind us that America is the land of the free and the home of the brave and NOT of the line on the color bar.

So, thank you, Miss America, I will be proud to show my young daughters a copy of your beauty pageant.

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Obama's Syrian 'red line'

Sen. Barack Obama snatched the 2008 democratic nomination from



LARRY ELDER

Sen. Hillary Clinton for many reasons, none more important than Obama's opposition to the Iraq War. All of Obama's major opponents — Sen. Chris Dodd, D-Conn., then-Sen. Joe Biden, D-Del., former Sen. John Edwards, D-N.C. and then-Sen. Clinton, D-N.Y. — had voted for authorization for war. Obama, then an Illinois state senator and a candidate for the U.S. Senate gave a speech in October 2002.

He called it "a rash war... based not on reason but on passion, not on principle but on politics." Sen. Obama pre-emptively criticized President George W. Bush in 2007 for possibly taking military action against Iran's suspected nuclear sites — should he do so without congressional approval. Such an action, Obama said then, would be in violation of the Constitution unless the President obtained congressional approval.

Flash forward. March 2011. President Obama joins the French and British in bombing Libya during that country's civil war. Libya had surrendered its weapons of mass destruction to the Bush administration in early 2004, fearing the same fate as the arrested and jailed Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein. Obama describes the Libyan campaign as "humanitarian," but also consistent with our "core interests." He does not go to Congress.

Today, Obama supports military action against the Syrian government because it "crossed a red line" in its civil war by reportedly using chemicals to kill some 1,400 Syrians. Initially, Obama said he had authority to strike without Congress' approval, and that he did not intend to seek their permission. Time was of the essence, he said.

The use of chemicals, says Obama, violates "international norms" — and by the U.S. alone, says Obama, if necessary.

Then the British Parliament, for the first time since 1782, refused to give the prime minister authority for military action. Here, polls find

Americans are overwhelmingly against military force in Syria. Obama abruptly announced that he would seek congressional approval — but said he retained the power to act and refused to say whether he'd do so should Congress vote no.

Where was Obama's concern about chemical weapons during the 2002 debate on military action in Iraq?

Obama opposed it despite Saddam's assumed possession of WMD and his use of chemical weapons on the Iranians and his own people.

Of the intelligence community's assumption that Iraq possessed stockpiles of chemical and biological weapons — with the acquisition of nuclear weapons just a matter of time — Obama had no doubt: "I suffer no illusions about Saddam Hussein. He is a brutal man. A ruthless man. A man who butchers his own people to secure his own power. He has repeatedly defied U.N. resolutions, thwarted U.N. inspection teams, developed chemical and biological weapons, and coveted nuclear capacity. He's a bad guy. The world, and the Iraqi people, would be better off without him."

Obama opposed the Iraq War because "even a successful war against Iraq will require a U.S. occupation of undetermined length, at undetermined cost, with undetermined consequences." Yet after 9/11, 90 percent of Americans expected a similar attack within 6 months to a year.

Apart from using chemicals on his own people, Saddam was shooting at the British and American planes patrolling the "no-fly" areas protecting the Kurds and other ethnic groups; paying \$25K to families of homicide bombers; stealing from the Oil-for-Food program; and was in violation of a number of U.N. resolutions to declare what he has done with his WMD and his nuclear program.

Still Obama called Iraq a "dumb war" orchestrated as "the cynical attempt by Richard Perle and Paul Wolfowitz and other armchair, weekend warriors in (the Bush) administration to shove their own ideological agendas down our throats."

Obama also opposed the Iraq War for reasons that seem to apply to a Syrian intervention. "I **SYRIAN** cont. on page 5



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Letter to the Editor

City's rate increases will burden seniors

What a surprise. Our water, trash and sewer rates are going up again.

I guess the water park didn't do that well this summer. Shame on you city officials; there are a lot of senior citizens in Pampa on fixed incomes.

What a burden these raises becomes for them.

I did research on the Internet, and guess what? Pampa has the highest water and trash rate over other cities our size and larger, including Amarillo and Dallas. Why is that?

Are our city officials getting greedy like Washington? Seems to me they are. It doesn't do any good to talk to them.

I tried that and all I got was the runaround. Where is all the money going?

Another subject: I suggest they start picking up trash all over Pampa's roadways and streets. I have never seen so much trash in our town.

My family came down from Alaska to visit and they could not believe all the trash in the fields and along the streets.

Would it be possible for our officials to plan a day in April or May to give out trash bags to kids and families and have them pick up trash in their neighborhoods?

Reward them with hot dogs and sodas and give

prizes for the most trash picked up by individuals or a neighborhood. Maybe even a prize for the most gross thing found or the most unusual. Thank you for allowing me to say that.

Rhonda L. Hunt Pampa

Panhandle folks are good people

Deputy Jake Longon of the Clarendon sheriff's department confirmed once again, that the people of the Texas Panhandle are good people.

A friend, Susan, was traveling in an oversized truck to rescue an elderly

aunt in the Boulder floods, when she had a flat near Clarendon. Attempts to release the spare were futile. Along with others, Deputy Jake Longon resolved the issue and sent her on her mission of mercy.

Decades ago, I was rescued at a farmhouse on State Highway 70 between Clarendon and Pampa, so was not surprised that Susan received caring attention.

To the good people of the Texas Panhandle, and especially to Deputy Jake Longon and his buddies, thank you.

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Gunman's path to DC emerges, but questions remain

WASHINGTON (AP) — Through a wall at his Rhode Island hotel, Aaron Alexis could hear them — voices harassing him, wanting to harm him. He couldn't sleep. He believed people were following him, using a microwave machine to send vibrations to his body. He



Aaron Alexis

changed hotels once, then again. But he called police and told them he couldn't get away from the voices.

On Aug. 7, police alerted officials at the Newport Naval Station about the naval defense contractor's call. But officers didn't hear from him again.

By Aug. 25, Alexis had left the state. The 34-year-old arrived in the Washington area, continuing his work as an information technology employee for a defense-related computer company. Again, he spent nights in different hotels.

He suffered from serious mental problems, including paranoia and a sleep disorder, and was undergoing treatment from the Department of Veterans Affairs, according to the law enforcement officials.

But Alexis wasn't stripped of his security clearance, and he kept working.

On Saturday, he visited Sharpshooters Small Arms Range in Lorton, Va., about 18 miles southwest of the nation's capital. He rented a rifle, bought bullets and took target practice at the 16-lane indoor range, then

bought a shotgun and 24 shells, according to the store's attorney.

Two days later, as the workweek dawned, Alexis entered the sprawling Washington Navy Yard, a 41-acre labyrinth of buildings protected by armed guards and metal detectors where employees must show IDs to get past doors and gates. Authorities believe he drove a rental car there.

He was equipped with his pass for base access — and the shotgun. Within minutes, it would create mayhem.

He stepped inside the massive Building 197, home to some 3,000 employees. He opened fire around 8:15 a.m., raining shotgun blasts down from a fourth-floor overlook and third-floor hallway into a glass-walled cafeteria where employees were eating breakfast. Trained tactical officers arrived, bursting through the building within seven minutes of the first 911 call, and Alexis shot at them, too.

Fire alarms blared, and officers had a hard time hearing one another. A voice came on the overhead speaker telling workers to seek shelter — and later, to head for the gates at the complex.

A U.S. Park Police helicopter flew overhead, plucking a wounded woman from the roof with a rescue basket while a crew member armed with a rifle provided cover.

"We have a report on the fourth floor, a male with a shotgun, multiple shots fired, multiple people down. We're still waiting for the OK that the scene has been secured," an am-

balance crew member says on emergency transmissions posted on Broadcastify.com, a source of live public safety audio feeds.

More dispatches followed: Shooter known to be in the main gate area. Officer down on the third floor. Female on the roof, shot in the shoulder.

Once inside, Alexis picked a handgun off an officer and, armed with two weapons, terrorized the building's occupants.

He fired relentlessly not only at police who engaged him but at the workers inside: a 61-year-old marine engineer and grandfather who immigrated to the U.S. years ago from India, a Navy veteran and avid pilot who had once been stationed at Pearl Harbor, a die-hard Washington Redskins fan known for generous bear hugs.

A Washington police officer was shot multiple times in the legs but survived.

"We just started running," said Patricia Ward, who was in the cafeteria when the shooting began. She said she heard three gunshots in a row, followed by several more.

Descriptions from witnesses and police paint a portrait of harrowing gun battles inside — all for more than half an hour. The FBI, which launched a nationwide active shooter training program for local law enforcement after last December's Connecticut elementary school massacre, says the average mass shooting is over within minutes and often ends once police arrive.

But this gun battle kept going. As the chaos unraveled inside, police in the

nation's capital shut down the surrounding area. Nearby schools went on lockdown, flights were halted at Reagan National Airport, and even after Alexis was mortally wounded by a police officer, officers chased leads that a second and possibly a third gunman had been working with him.

Twelve victims died — a body count that police say could have been much higher, even after they determined that the gunman had worked alone. Eight were injured, with all expected to survive.

The Navy said several garages and all surface parking lots at the Washington Navy Yard would open Wednesday for employees to retrieve their private vehicles. But the military installation would reopen for business for Mission Essential personnel only. In a posting on its Facebook page, the Navy said the yard remains an active crime scene.

Access to Building 197, the site of Monday's shooting, was prohibited.

More than 24 hours after the shooting, the motive re-

mained a mystery. U.S. law enforcement officials told The Associated Press that investigators had found no manifesto or other writings suggesting a political or religious motivation.

Ron Machen, the U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia, ticked off some of the unanswered questions Tuesday.

"What caused this individual to kill so many innocent men and women? How did he carry out and plan this attack?"

How did he get access to the weapons? What could have been done to prevent this tragedy?

And most importantly, whether anyone else aided or assisted him either wittingly or unwittingly in this tragedy?"

Machen added, "We're not going to stop until we get answers to those questions."

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know that an invasion of Iraq," he said then, "without a clear rationale and without strong international support will only fan the flames of the Middle East, and encourage the worst, rather than best, impulses of the Arab world, and strengthen the recruitment arm of al-Qaida."

Wouldn't striking Syria "fan the flames of the Middle East? And isn't al-Qaida on the side of the 'rebels' — the side we support?"

Regime change in Syria, says Obama, is not the goal. Rather, the objective is a "shot across the bow," designed to dissuade the Syrian government from further use of chemical weapons. U.S. credibility is on trial now that Obama

foolishly talked about the "red line," which, if crossed, would "change his calculus."

But advisors and experts are, at best, uncertain about whether launching some missiles from an aircraft carrier will have any real effect in Syria.

A symbolic strike, which appears to be the President's intention, could be interpreted by our enemies as weakness. "But," as then-Illinois State Sen. Barack Obama said on

Iraq, "we ought not — we will not — travel down that hellish path blindly."

One more thing — Syria is a client state. How about we cut to the chase and have the debate we should be having: Whether to go to war against Iran, the world's leading exporter of terrorism?

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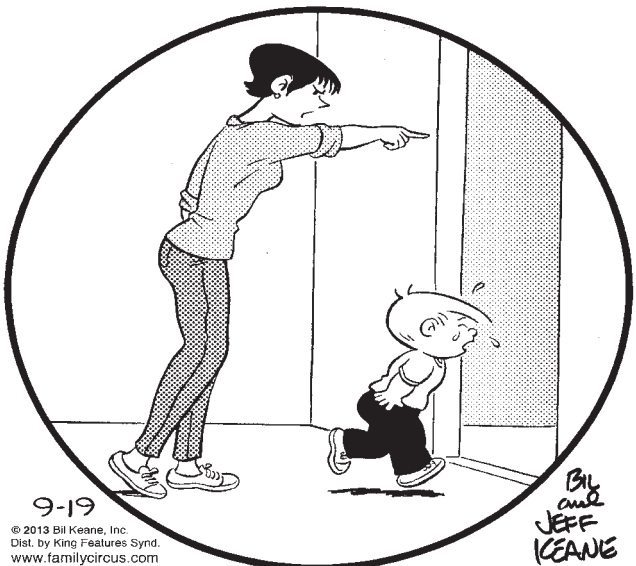


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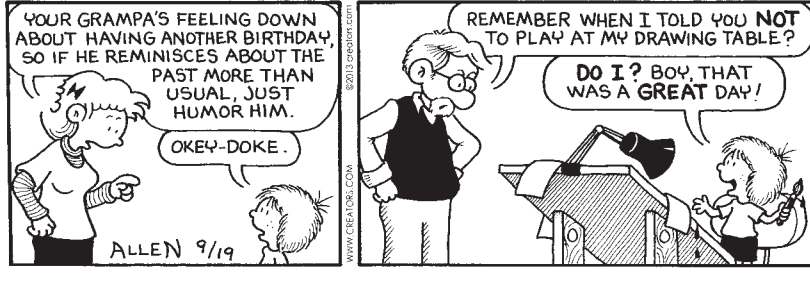
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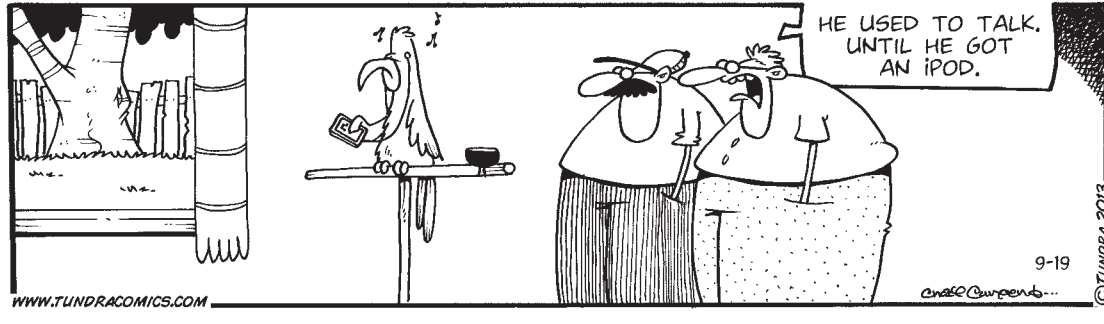
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daily horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Sept. 20, 2013:
 This year you will pull white rabbits out of a black hat -- you are that lucky! You can transform any situation you choose to. Your friends provide a lot of support. If you are single, you could attract a close-to-perfect suitor. Take your time getting to know this person. If you are attached, the two of you benefit enormously from spending one-on-one time together. Learn to express your feelings more openly, too. ARIES likes to have intense conversations with you.
 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)
 ★★★★★ Choosing not to respond to someone's power play will take a lot of self-discipline. You will see a solution, but the question remains: Do you want to work it out? Use your creativity when dealing with a situation that has too many potential outcomes. Tonight: As you like it.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
 ★★★ You'll want to distance yourself from a very controlling individual who creates a lot of pressure and tension wherever he or she goes. Break away from this person, and the results might make you smile. Suddenly, options will be dropped on your plate. Tonight: Make it early.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
 ★★★★★ You know what you want, and when obstacles appear one right after the other, you easily will find a way to bypass them. You will walk away from any situation that seems too contentious or difficult. You'll also state your boundaries clearly. Tonight: Find your friends.
CANCER (June 21-July 22)
 ★★★★★ Stay focused on what you want. You might be told that you seem to be oriented in one and only one direction. Make that OK. The only difference between you and others right now is that you are not as subtle as they are. Tonight: Join some friends for a drink and munchies.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
 ★★★★★ You can be impulsive, especially when you are detached. When you feel so free, trouble easily will find you. Stay focused, look at your options and have an open discussion; you will be much happier as a result. Tonight: A secret admirer could reveal him- or herself.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

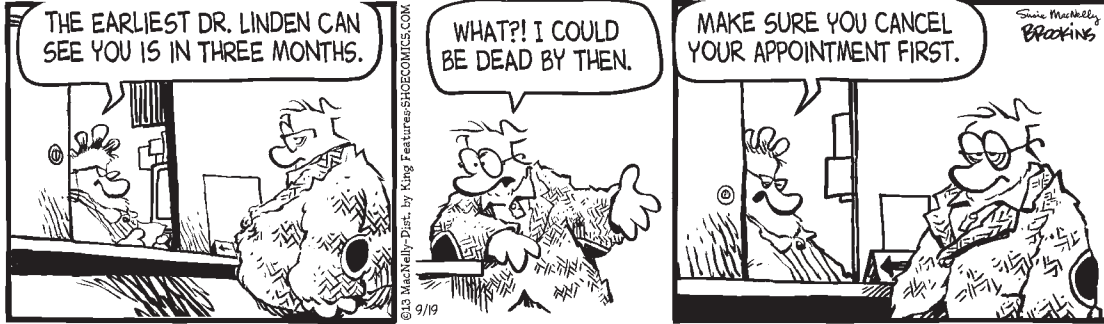
★★★★ Deal with a partner or key persons in your life directly. Someone might cop an attitude, but it won't be for long. You will be able to bypass this person's standoffish behavior. In a meeting, you'll see just how many people stand behind you. Tonight: Join friends first, then decide.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
 ★★★★★ You'll want to head in a different direction, but someone could exhibit a provocative and controlling attitude that might restrict you more than you realize. Be willing to listen to a partner, as his or her ideas might be more workable. Tonight: You will like what you encounter.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
 ★★★★★ You see no other course but the one you currently are on. Your instincts are to throw yourself 100 percent into this chosen direction. A boss or someone you look up to probably will walk the other way. Listen to his or her reasons. Tonight: Avoid an argument, and keep it light.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
 ★★★★★ You'll come up with novel approaches to difficult situations. You are likely to surprise those in your immediate circle. Someone you are dealing with could be an obstacle with his or her need for control. You will find a way to bypass this person. Tonight: Spice up your life.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
 ★★★ You might not have intended to be a roadblock for a lot of people, but it appears as though your stubborn ways contribute to that perception. You know why people will try to bypass you -- it is easier that way. You might want to re-think your position. Tonight: Head home early.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
 ★★★★★ Stop and think before you engage a difficult person in conversation. Are you really ready to end the work-week on a sour note? Be sure to test the waters before you launch into a discussion. Even if you don't think this exchange can wait, it can. Tonight: Hang out with friends.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
 ★★★★★ Keep conversations moving. You might want to avoid a controlling person. Don't worry -- you'll be so busy that you won't cross paths unless you choose to. Be creative with your plans when considering that the weekend is just around the corner. Tonight: It could be a wild night!

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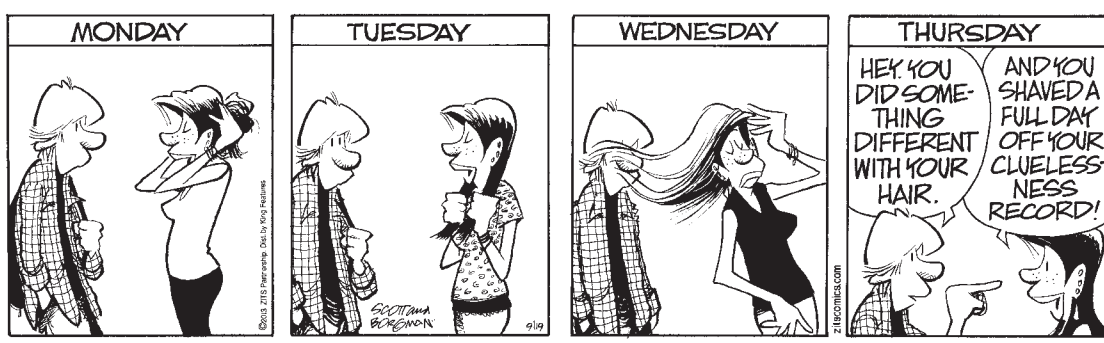
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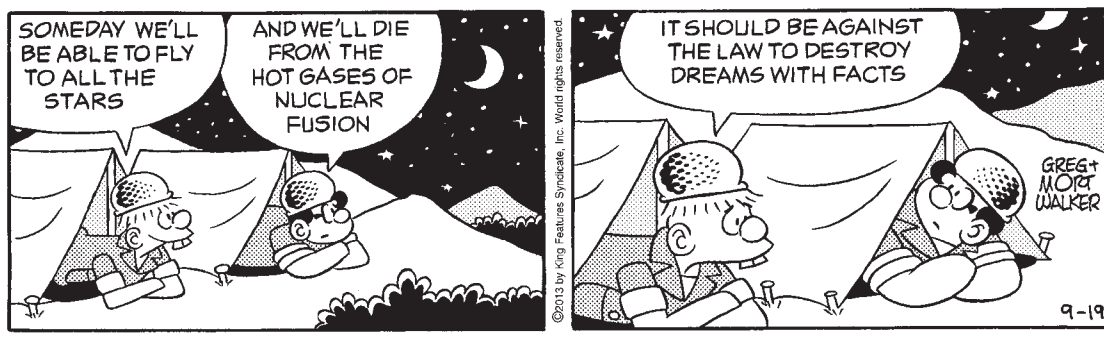
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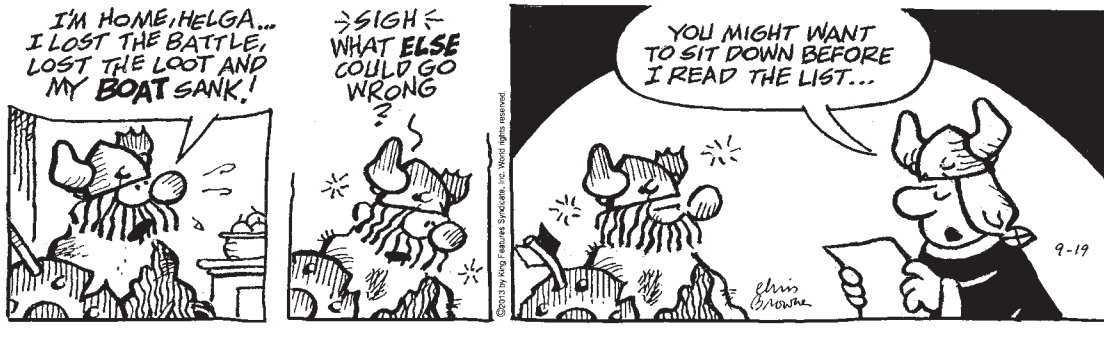
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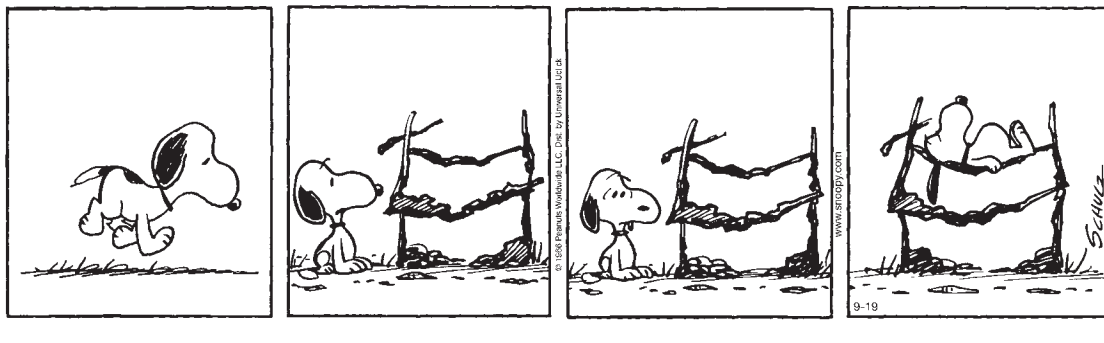
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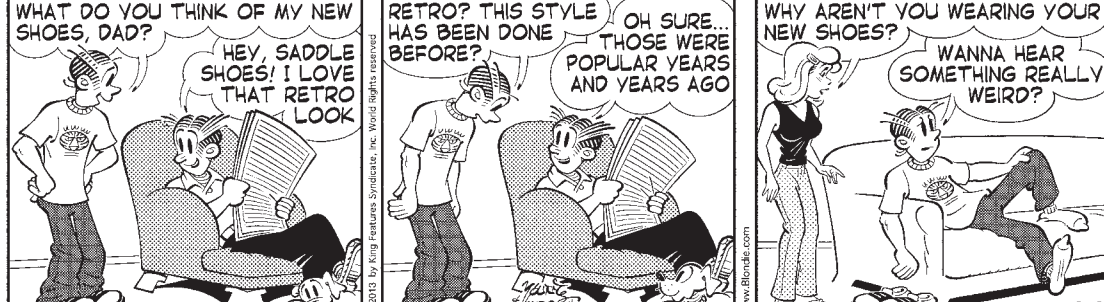
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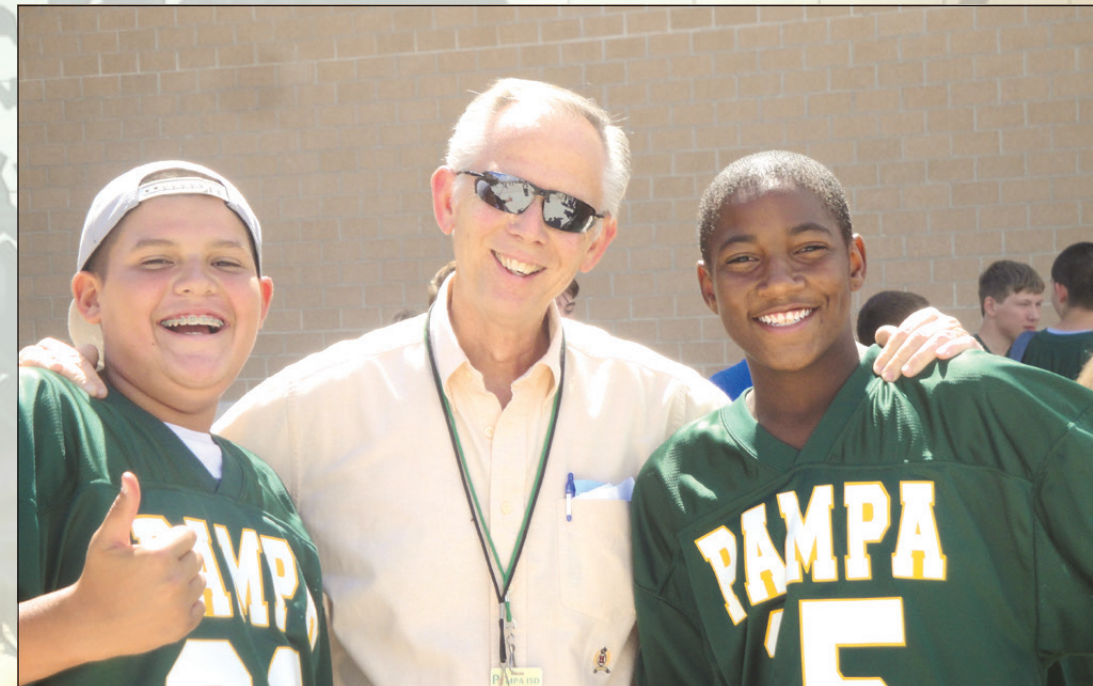
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“NEW” is the theme of PJHS this year

From new teams to new teachers, PJHS is celebrating the beginning of a fantastic NEW year! Great things are in store for the PJHS family, and everyone has high expectations for an outstanding year. Within the first month of school, PJHS has received rave reviews for the knowledge, energy, and positive attitudes of the teaching staff and the behavior of the students. The theme of the new school year says it all – “We are a family, Keepin' it Real!”

...new faces



Dr. Tom Lapacka, the new Assistant Principal at PJHS, brings fresh ideas and great enthusiasm to teaching and mentoring the students at the junior high.



Science classes at PJHS have also gained some new faces including Kelsi Chadwick who enjoys instilling a passion for science in her students.



Kayelynn Eakin makes history come alive as one of the new Social Studies teachers at PJHS.

...new team, new coaches, new players



The **7th grade girls'** volleyball team may be new to the PJHS court, but they've already proven they know how to win!



PJHS football is off to a great start with the addition of new team members and new coaches, Jay Johnson and Nick Johnson.



...new friends

Lunch time in the cafetorium provides a great opportunity to make new friends and strengthen the bond that is built when the community's elementary schools come together under the PJHS roof.

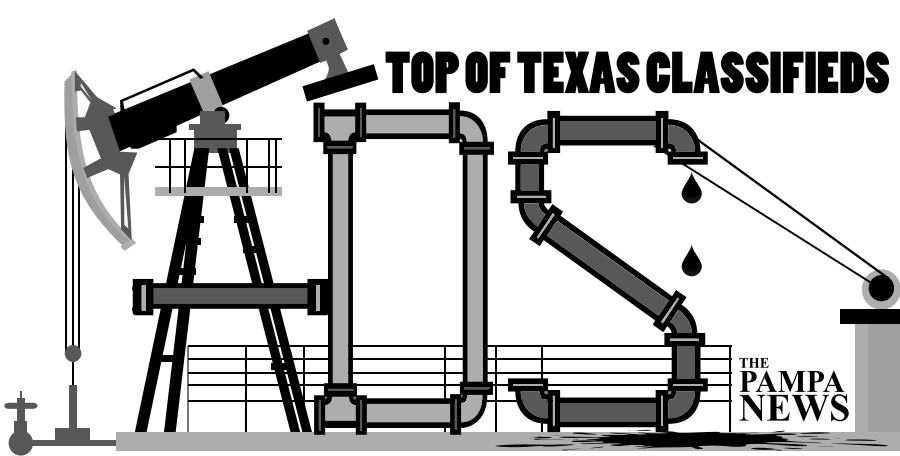
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c/o: Vanessa G. Buzzard Attorney at Law 208 N. Russell St. Pampa, TX 79065 Dated the 16th day of September, 2013.

Vanessa G. Buzzard Attorney for Sharon G. Mathis Olulu State Bar No.:

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- 1 Fashion
- 6 URL part
- 11 — Gay (historic bomber)
- 12 Off limits
- 13 Most new drivers
- 14 Skilled
- 15 Smooth and lustrous
- 17 Hot brew
- 19 Purpose
- 20 Comic's offering
- 23 Words from an insulted friend
- 25 Lug
- 26 Fizzles
- 28 Cockpit guesses
- 29 Doctoral papers
- 30 Wine choice
- 31 Writer Rita — Brown
- 32 Spot
- 33 Spanish city
- 35 Plane part
- 38 Celtic priest
- 41 Acrobatic
- 42 Coffee bar order
- 43 Eccentric
- 44 Hawke of Hollywood

DOWN

- 1 Old hand
- 2 Wallet bill
- 3 Proceeds
- 4 Arm bone
- 5 New York's time zone
- 6 Position
- 7 Lord's wife
- 8 Playwright Burrows
- 9 Soak up
- 10 Sizzling
- 16 All things considered
- 17 Bengal beast
- 18 Ham it up
- 20 Deteriorates
- 21 "— Grows in Brooklyn"
- 22 Gaggle members
- 24 Naval initials
- 25 English article
- 27 Cajole
- 31 Till fill

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Yesterday's answer

- 33 Incline
- 34 "Blast it!"
- 35 Scoundrel
- 36 In the past
- 37 Drill part
- 39 "Give — rest!"
- 40 Comfy room

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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of KENNETH LEE CRAWFORD, Deceased, were issued on September 16, 2013, in Docket No. 10,054, pending in the County Court of Gray County, Texas, to: BETTY LOU CRAWFORD.

The residence of the Independent Executrix is in Gray County, Texas. The post office address is: 1535 N. Nelson, Pampa, Texas 79065. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. Dated the 16th day of September, 2013.

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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: In response to "Contemplating Change in Rhode Island" (June 23), who is considering retiring with a friend to a city with a warmer climate, I would offer the same advice we have given our friends. She should know that she'll need to be proactive in developing a social network in her new location. My wife and I also moved far south when we retired. We wanted neighbors with a variety of ages so we could hear children play nearby from time to time. We purchased a house in a "normal" neighborhood instead of a retirement community. But we soon realized that, unlike us, our neighbors had jobs, family responsibilities and little time for us. More disconcerting was going grocery shopping and no longer seeing the three or four acquaintances we would see back home. Without jobs to occupy our time and give us a framework for social contact, we found ourselves isolated. To solve that problem we joined organizations and did volunteer work to meet new friends. Our story has a happy ending, but it took some effort to make it happen. "Contemplating" should be prepared to do the same. — MIKE IN SPARKS, NEV.

DEAR MIKE: "Contemplating Change" asked if readers had experience moving far away at her age (late 60s). You, and many others, wrote to share overwhelmingly positive feedback. Thank you for it!

DEAR ABBY: For the women planning to buy a retirement home together, please tell them there are wonderful places everywhere. I have moved 15 times since the age of 70 and at 91 am moving again. (No, I am not trying to stay ahead of the sheriff.) I have sought more pleasant climates as well as the company of ambitious writers. For the last move, I am going to a retirement community where I don't have to cook, wash dishes or clean house because it'll be done for me. — LIFE-

TIME WRITER IN SEDONA, ARIZ.

DEAR ABBY: I want to encourage your Rhode Island reader. Renting first is excellent advice. Research what you want in your new destination. Make sure it's a growing community where transplants will be welcome.

Be outgoing. Join a church, community center or other place to meet people. No one will beat a path to your door or care about your former home. Don't make negative comparisons to locals, and don't cling to your old friend.

If all goes well, consider buying a twin home/duplex where you can be close but have your own space. I'm glad I moved. I now have more diverse friends than ever before. — RETIREEE IN SOUTH CAROLINA

DEAR ABBY: Yes — rent first to check housemate compatibility. As to a new social community, check out nearby colleges or universities. Many offer programs for creative learning in retirement or something similar. One can make friends with shared interests through classes. Also,

find a local "newcomers club." — NANCY IN ASHEVILLE, N.C.

DEAR ABBY: You're never too old to make new friends. My suggestion to the ladies would be to consider buying what is referred to as a park model (manufactured home) in an RV park. They could even try renting one in a few different parks to get a feel for the park and location. These parks have all kinds of activities going on from morning 'til night. — MICHIGAN SNOWBIRD

DEAR ABBY: Moving into an over-55 community was the perfect solution when we were relocated. There was instant community with loads of activities and opportunities to make new friends.

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Pampa Varsity Volleyball stands toe-to-toe with off-playoff bound Highland Park

By JOHN LEE
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All three of the Pampa Lady Harvesters' volleyball squads competed at Highland Park in Amarillo Tuesday night. Each team won games, with the freshmen squad winning their match, but the JV and varsity squads falling to the Lady Hornets.

Freshmen win two of three, win match

After a dominant 25-17 win over the Lady Hornets JV2 squad, their equivalent to freshmen, the Lady Harvesters' freshmen squad fell to the Lady Hornets in the second set to tie the series.

The third game started with Taylor Ramming set to serve. With her serves, the Lady Harvesters jumped to a 7-0 lead, including two aces by Ramming.

The Lady Harvesters continued to play great defense, outscoring the Lady Hornets 13-7, after continual serves by Rylee Novian making the score 20-7. The back-and-forth volleying continued and the scoring was 5-8, but

the Lady Harvesters built too strong of a lead, giving the match to the Lady Harvesters winning the set 25-16.

JV starts hot, fizzles in final two

The Lady Harvesters junior varsity squad was in every single game, only losing their last two sets by a combined six points. The JV fell behind too much, too early in their last two sets, which was the primary cause of the fall in the last two sets.

Highland Park wins in four over Lady Harvesters

After falling to the Lady Hornets in the first set, the Lady Harvesters wanted to keep it interesting and did so, winning their second set. It wasn't easy by any means for the Lady Harvesters, having to win it in extra serves.

The Lady Harvesters were behind by as much as 5-3 to start the set, but fought to come back. The set was tied multiple times, but the play of Madison Joyce, Allison Noble and Madison Brown at the net made it difficult for the Lady Hor-

nets to establish a hefty lead.

"We have been working really hard on drills for individual blocking and they have been putting them to good use," head coach Brooke Sanford said.

But the serving from the Lady Hornets also made it difficult for the Lady Harvesters to separate themselves from their opponents.

The final two tie-breaking points were scored by Ariel Cambern and Madison Brown, in that order, giving the Lady Harvesters the win 26-24.

"It was a momentum builder, but it is hard to come back in these games," Sanford said. "It was great to come back in that game but game three and four we need to take leads and keep leads and we didn't do that."

They were tough losses for the Lady Harvesters in the third and fourth set, but they ultimately have shown much improvement. Although they lost the final set 25-16, many of their sets came down to the wire.



Photo by John Lee

Taylor Giles serves the ball to the opposing side. The Lady Harvesters lost in four sets to the Highland Park Lady Hornets.

"We just got down in two games, 6-1 or 7-1, it's just hard to come back from things like that," Sanford said.

The Lady Harvesters re-

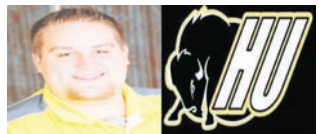
turn to the court in Pampa Saturday for match-ups against Palo Duro and Plainview, then start district against Perryton on Saturday, Sept. 28.

"We have some things we need to work on," Sanford said. "We have district next Saturday so that is what we're looking to."



Predicting the unpredictable

JOHN — 49-10 83%
ZAC — 50-9 84%
REDONN — 31-6 83%
TYLER — 31-6 83%



John's picks:

- (3) Clemson at N.C. State
- Texas St. at (25) Texas Tech
- Florida I.U. at (7) Louisville
- Florida A&M at (4) Ohio State
- Univ. of North Texas at (9) Georgia
- Idaho St. at (17) Washington St.
- Purdue at (24) Wisconsin
- Tennessee at (19) Florida
- Maine at (18) Northwestern
- Michigan St. at (22) Notre Dame
- Louisiana-Monroe at (20) Baylor
- Bethune-Cookman at (8) Florida St.
- (23) Arizona St. at (5) Stanford
- SMU at (10) Texas A&M
- Colorado St. at (1) Alabama
- Savannah St. at (16) Miami (Fla.)
- Auburn at (6) LSU
- (15) Michigan at Conn.
- New Mexico St. at (13) UCLA

Zac's picks:

- (3) Clemson at N.C. State
- Texas St. at (25) Texas Tech
- Florida I.U. at (7) Louisville
- Florida A&M at (4) Ohio State
- Univ. of North Texas at (9) Georgia
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Tyler's picks:

- (3) Clemson at N.C. State
- Texas St. at (25) Texas Tech
- Florida I.U. at (7) Louisville
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ReDonn's picks:

- (3) Clemson at N.C. State
- Texas St. at (25) Texas Tech
- Florida I.U. at (7) Louisville
- Florida A&M at (4) Ohio State
- Univ. of North Texas at (9) Georgia
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Sports Briefs

Broncos lose LT Clady for season to injury

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. (AP) — Peyton Manning will have a new left tackle protecting his blindside after the Denver Broncos placed Ryan Clady on season-ending injured reserve Wednesday.

Clady hurt his left foot Sunday when New York Giants defensive lineman Cullen Jenkins rolled up on him while the Broncos were trying to run out the clock in their 41-23 win. Clady will soon undergo surgery for what's being called a Lisfranc tear, which involves a separation of ligaments and joints in the foot.

Chris Clark, a fifth-year journeyman, will take the place of Clady — the undisputed leader on the line — and make his first career start at left tackle Monday night when the Broncos (2-0) host the Oakland Raiders (1-1).

Ex-NFL player's NY home trashed

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Former NFL offensive lineman Brian Holloway initially thought the Twitter photos showing young people partying at his family's second

home in upstate New York were a hoax.

Then he saw pictures of teens standing on the dining room table he bought with his Super Bowl bonus.

Holloway's rural vacation home was trashed during a Labor Day weekend party attended by an estimated 200 to 400 teenagers.

Holloway said the parties caused at least \$20,000 in damage, breaking windows and doors, punching holes in walls and spraying graffiti.

No. 2 Oregon's defense holds its own

EUGENE, Ore. (AP) — Oregon defensive coordinator Nick Aliotti is a perfectionist.

While the Ducks have allowed opponents an average of just 9 points per game, Aliotti says he's always looking to turn good into great.

Truth be told, while Oregon's opponents have not really challenged the second-ranked Ducks, the defense has increasingly shown its dexterity, most recently against Tennessee and its big offensive line.

Mayweather bout judge stepping away

LAS VEGAS (AP) —

A veteran Nevada boxing judge who drew widespread criticism after scoring a weekend title fight between Floyd Mayweather Jr. and Saul "Canelo" Alvarez a draw is giving up her ring-side job, at least temporarily.

"I'm taking time away," Cynthia C.J. Ross told The Associated Press on Wednesday in a brief telephone interview from her home outside Las Vegas.

The 64-year-old Ross said

she won't judge any fights "in the immediate future," and hadn't made a decision whether to quit.

Ross scored the world 152-pound title fight a 114-114 draw on Saturday night, but Mayweather won a majority decision after two other judges scored Mayweather the clear winner.

Those scorecards had the fight 116-112 and 117-111 for Mayweather, who remained an undefeated 45-0.

Thursday Night Football picks

For Thursday Night Football, John and ReDonn picked the Kansas City Chiefs to defeat the Philadelphia Eagles. Zac and Tyler picked the Philadelphia Eagles to win at home against the Kansas City Chiefs.

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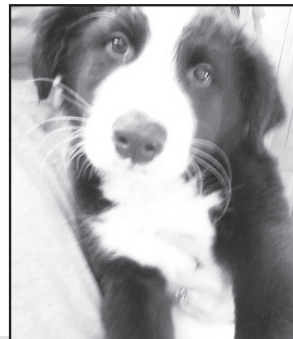
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