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## City Commission to meet today

STAFF REPORT

The Pampa City Commission is holding a meeting at 4 p.m. today to discuss allowing UPS to use golf carts for Christmas deliveries in neighborhoods.

Other items on the agenda for Tuesday's meeting include:

- Excusing Commissioner Karen McLain from the Sept. 17 Special City Commission Meeting.
- Consider adopting on second and final reading of an ordinance setting a tax rate of \$0.62 on each \$100 valuation of property and levying an Ad Valorem Tax.
- Consider reappointing Dick Stowers, Ray Jaramillo, Lynn Allison and Roy Morriss to the Board of Adjustments for a two year term beginning Oct. 1.
- Consider reappointing Jeri Erickson to the Lovett Memorial Library Board for a two year term beginning Oct. 1.
- Consider reappointing Dusty Tapp and Chuck Morgan to the Hidden Hills Golf Advisory Board for a two year term beginning Oct. 1.
- Consider approving the List of Disbursements dated Aug. 31, 2013.

The Commission will end the meeting with an executive session.

The meeting will be held on the third floor of City Hall, 201W. Kingsmill Ave.

### 3 killed in Sunday wrecks

STAFF REPORT

Three people were killed in two fatal crashes that occurred Sunday within one hour of each other in the Amarillo area, according to the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Around 4 p.m., Juan Orozco Jr. 27, of Albuquerque, was killed when the right rear tire blew out in the vehicle he was driving west on Interstate 40 in Carson County. The vehicle swerved out of control and spun into the center median overturning one complete time. Orozco was not wearing a seatbelt and was ejected from the vehicle, according to the report.

His passenger, Vincent Arevalo-Lopez, 27, of Espanola, N.M., was injured. No further information on Arevalo-Lopez was in the report.

The second fatal crash involved two Harley Davidson motorcycles and occurred in Armstrong County around 4:50 p.m.

Laverne Eldon Rost, 57, of Amarillo, was riding north on State Highway 207 in the inside lane while David James Burris, 52, of Perryton, was traveling north in the outside lane. Both vehicles entered a curve and Rost drifted into the outside lane striking Burris. Both motorcycles left the west side of the roadway, entered a ditch and struck a guardrail, according to the report. Both Rost and Burris were killed.

Burris' female passenger, Tammie Marie Mathews, 42, of Perryton, is in stable condition with incapacitating injuries at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

None of the three motorcyclists was wearing a helmet, according to the report.

On Saturday, a woman from Sudan, Texas was killed in a Bailey County crash. Yuri Ivey Pacheco, 27, died after the vehicle she was a

Pacheco, 27, died after the vehicle she was a passenger in struck a car towing a trailer as it slowed to make a right turn. Her daughters, 10-month-old Madison and 4-year-old Avery, were transported to University Medical Center in Lubbock.

# **Shattered Dreams**



Photos by Timothy P. Howsare

Top, EMS personnel and a flight crew transport WDHS student Nathaniel Mitchell to a Lifestar helicopter Monday during a dramatization of a Shattered Dreams, a program to show teenagers first hand the consequences of drinking and driving. Above left, Jessie Taylor survives the mock crash, but with injuries. She was transported in a ground ambulance. Above right, from the looks on their faces, the dramatization had an emotional impact on many of the students. For a complete story, see page 2A.

### Smile Zone: A dentistry that lives up to its name

By LINDSEY TOMASCHIK LKTomaschik@thepampanews.

Since opening in August, Smile Zone has become known as a kidfriendly dentistry. With bright colors painted on the walls and a television in the waiting room that plays cartoons all day, this is far from the stereotypical dentistry that most people, especially kids, dread. This is the dentistry's second location, the other office is in Hereford, and a third location is coming to Dumas in October.

Although Smile Zone wel-

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comes patients of all ages. It is a place that welcomes children warmly and with a smile.

Smile Zone's employees are people who genuinely enjoy their job. They even make balloon animals for the patients. Office assistant Jasmine Salinas said that the girls in the office just started looking up instructional videos on YouTube for fun, and now it's become something that they do for their patients.

It's those things that aid Smile

It's those things that aid Smile Zone's laid back environment and make patients enjoy their

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Photo by Lindsey Tomaschik vees greet all patients

Smile Zones' employees greet all patients with a smile. From left are Dr. Rhoit Narayan, MarKeisha Menefield, Dr. Viral Patel, Jasmine Salinas, Christy Ray, Melissa Townsend and Dr. Dweepa Mahta.

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Nathaniel Mitchell, portraying a fatality victim, is loaded into a hearse Monday morning during the Shattered Dreams drill at White Deer High School.

### WDHS hosts dramatization of fatal DWI crash involving teenagers By TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE ment, a Hyundai Accent terlock." In order to start

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Nobody actually got arrested for DWI, taken to the hospital or hauled away from the scene in a hearse.

That said, students at White Deer High School got a big dose of reality Monday morning when a mock DWI crash involving four teenagers in two vehicles was held in the parking lot.

The make-believe crash had already happened, so there were no Hollywoodstyle smash ups. But the responses from police, firefighters, EMS and even a Lifestar helicopter crew immediately after the crash which killed one student and sent two to the hospital

were all very realistic.

Called the Shattered Dreams program, an alcohol-related crash is dramatized on or near a high school campus, complete with police and EMS response, emergency room treatment, family notifications, and the arrest and booking of the driver. The crash scene drama is played out before the student body during a school day.

Traffic crashes, many of which involve alcohol and other drugs, are a leading cause of death and serious injury for youth 15 to 19 years of age.

Communities around the state are often faced with these tragedies, and many Texas high schools are turning to Shattered Dreams, a youth-led community collaborative program, to prevent more fatalities.

The intent is for the crash scenes to look real enough to show kids what law enforcement officers, EMS personnel and funeral directors see all too often in their jobs — young people being killed in alcohol related accidents.

In Monday's reenact-

plorer toppled on its side him start the car. and the "jaws of life" had to be used to remove the even more real, Landon's occupants.

funeral director for Min-started arguing with a cop. ton-Chatwell in Panhandle, He was told to calm down was there to haul away in a or face arrest himself. body bag Evan Putman, the student who portrayed the Darla Forney, WDHS prinfatality victim.

Though sometime after event. the dramatization Putman crawled out of the hearse ten an Academy Award," alive and well and went to class, that is not the case husband's intense perforfor all the other teenagers mance. Phelps has picked up at accident scenes.

wrecks," he said. "I've been zation, she said. on very many of them."

man was hauled away in who wanted to do it," Darla a hearse, Landon Forney, said. who played the drunk driver, was hauled away in the her staff and decided to state police patrol car.

been charged with driving months to put together, she while intoxicated and manslaughter, said State Troop-er Christopher Ray, who she said. "If we can save did the honors of arresting one life, it's worth it." and handcuffing Landon.

would face if convicted in in the mock accident were real life is prison for not Jesse Taylor — who did less than two years to 20 some very realistic screamyears and a fine not to ex- ing as she was removed ceed \$10,000.

would serve a minimum of Mitchell, who was flown 120 days in jail as a condi- away in a Lifestar helicoption of the probation.

He also would be ordered to report to a probation of- so real that two or three feficer each month. Absent an male students were crying emergency, there is no ex- as they watched. cuse for not reporting.

mum of 200 hours, not She could only nod her more than 800 hours of head ves. community service granted probation.

other requirements by the 21, and never drink and state, like an "ignition in- drive.

with a male driver and fe- his car, he would have to male driver crashed into blow into the device, and if a Ford Explorer with two it detects a certain amount male passengers. The Ex- of alcohol, it will not let

To make the scene seem real-life father, Ross, drove Mark Phelps, assistant up in an emotional state and

Ross is the husband of cipal and organizer of the

"He should have got-Darla quipped about her

This is the first time White Deer has done a "I've been to a lot of Shattered Dreams dramati-

"Two years ago we had Minutes before Put- a counselor, Sheryl Starks,

She met with some of move forward with the In real life he would have plan, which took about six

The two students who The punishment Landon were injured but not killed from the Accent by para-If probation is granted, he medics — and Nathaniel

The dramatization looked

The Pampa News report-Landon would be man- er asked one girl, "Does dated to perform a mini- this looked real to you?"

The message authorities want to get across is this: There is a long list of Don't drink until you are



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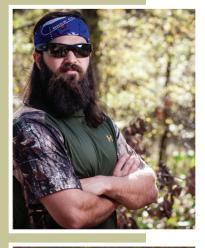
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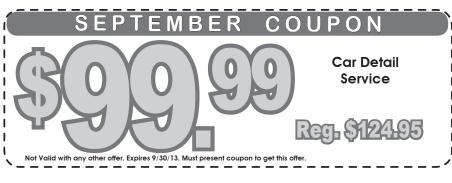
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Wednesday night: Clear with a low of 58. Winds south at 14 mph. Sunset at 7:36 p.m.

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### **Obituaries**

### Mattie Wave Grammer Morgan

Mattie Wave Grammer Morgan, age 99, was born July 10, 1914 in Godley to W.C. Grammer and Elizabeth Shelton Grammer. She passed away peacefully on

Wednesday, Sept. 18, 2013 in Campbell, Calif. Mattie Wave and her husband, W.A., were active members of Pampa's First Presbyterian Church for many years. She graduated from Amarillo High

School in 1932 and West Texas Teacher's College in Canyon in 1936. Mattie Wave married her childhood sweetheart, W.A. (Woodrow) Morgan on June 3, 1939.

During World War II, Mattie Wave and W.A. moved to Texas City where she worked in the photographic sec-

tion of the US Army Engineers in Galveston. In later years, we found that she had been recruited as a secret agent for Army Intelligence. After the war, they moved to Kingsville and then Pampa where the new Celanese plant opened. Mattie Wave began teaching in Pampa High School in 1955. She became the head of the foreign language department and enjoyed organizing and leading student trips to Mexico for summer study. She was a strong believer in life long learning.

Mattie Wave was open-minded and liked to explore new ways of thinking. Her home was always open to foreign students where you could hear lively discussions on a wide range of topics. She and her husband loved to travel and immerse themselves in a variety of cultural experiences. She was a wonderful hostess and loved to have people just drop in for a cup of coffee. The Morgans were avid campers and traveled with their children all over the United States to visit national parks. In later years they enjoyed taking cruises.

Mattie Wave always had a smile and a good word for everyone. She was involved in a variety of community service activities in Pampa. She was of that generation that was in the transition period where women were beginning to be seen as equal partners in society. She had a gentle exterior, but was strong and decisive when neces-

Mattie Wave was a wonderful mother and doting grandmother who was an excellent role model for everyone who knew her.

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Thursday, September 26

She was preceded in death by her husband, W.A. Morgan, her sister, Clorine Wheeler, and brother, W.C. Grammer, Jr. She is survived by her daughter, Cynthia Cohen, son-in-law Jay Cohen, son, Douglas Morgan, and daughter-inlaw, Kathleen Morgan. Her grandchildren are Elyse Cohen Shahar, Philip Cohen, Troy Morgan, Michael

Morgan, and Paul Morgan. Her great-grandchildren are Ella Shahar, Ben Shahar, Savi Moreno, and Wyatt Cohen.

The memorial service will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 26 at the First Presbyterian Church. She will be interred at Llano Cemetery in Amarillo after the memorial service.

Memorials may be made to "The Book of Rememberance," First Presbyterian Church, 525 N. Gray St., Pampa, Texas 79065.

#### Henry Creel Grady

Henry Creel Grady, Jr., 91, formerly of Pampa, died Friday, Sept. 20, 2013, in Burleson.

Memorial services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.



Henry Grady

Mr. Grady was born Nov. 6, 1921 in Brownwood, the only child of Henry Creel and Edna Grady. He was a 1937 graduate of Brownwood High School and graduated from John Tarleton College in Stephenville in 1940. He worked at Camp Bowie in Brownwood before joining the U.S. Army in 1942. He served in Europe during World War II in the 804th Ordnance Company, 104th Division, and supported General Patton from Cherbourg and the British Army in Belgium. Creel was redeployed to Japan but the war end-

ed while he was enroute. After his honorable discharge in 1945, he entered Baylor University in Waco in 1946 and married Mary Elizabeth Quick in 1947 in Brownwood. He graduated from Baylor in 1948 and moved to Pampa that same year. Creel worked for Standard Oil and Gas in offices on the Cobb lease and started working for Edwin Simmons, CPA, part time and then became full time when they both went to work for George Cree at Cree Drilling Company. In 1957, he left Cree Drilling to form his own accounting firm, H.C. Grady, Jr., Inc.

Creel was preceded in death by his first wife, Mary, in 1959. In 1961, he married Marguerite Kirchman, and she preceded him in death in 2009. He moved to Burleson in 2012 to be closer to his son, Jim, and his family. He leaves behind a lifetime of memories and friends in Pampa. The family expresses their heartfelt gratitude to the people of Pampa that made Creel's life so full.

Survivors include a daughter, Laurie Vann of Abilene; three sons, Jim Grady and wife Mary Ann of Burleson, Steve Grady and wife Patti of Oak Ridge, Tenn., and Scott Baldwin of Amarillo; 11 grandchildren, John Vann of Fort Worth, Matthew Vann of Las Vegas, Mark Vann of Abilene, Jessica Mauldin and husband Josh of Las Cruces, N.M., Rachel Freese and husband Chris of Flower Mound, Jacob Grady and wife Keri of Benbrook, Daniel Grady of San Diego, Calif., Jennifer Grady of Asheville, N.C., Sarah Grady of Boone, N.C., and Melissa Baldwin, Kelly Baldwin and wife Kami, all of Amarillo; and by eight great grandchildren.

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### Mexico man arrested for assault

Dulce Verecruz, Mexico, weapon.

 Brenda Been Trevathan. 55, Pampa, was arrested Friday by the Pampa Police De-

• Ricardo Perez, 37, Agua partment for a blue warrant.

• Anthony Dewayne Dunn, tion — assault with a deadly iff's Office for possession of spection, failure to appear. a controlled substance.

 Julie Ann Crossman, 23 Pampa, was arrested Friday by PPD for capias pro fine by PPD for possession of a — speeding, capias pro fine controlled substance.

• Tyler Blane Roberts, 18, motor vehicle. Pampa, was arrested Friday pro fine — possession of drug paraphernalia, capias inspection, capias pro fine failure to appear.

• Johnny Todd Brown, 19, day by GCSO for theft of GCSO for capias pro fine.

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 Tammy Whisenhunt, 37, was arrested Sunday by 29, Pampa, was arrested Fri- Pampa, was arrested Satur-GCSO for violation of probaday by the Gray County Sherday by PPD for expired in-

> • Joshua Gene Stevens, 18, Pampa was arrested Sunday - operating an unregulated

• Danny T. Boyd, 55, Pamby PPD for possession of a pa, was arrested Sunday by controlled substance, capias PPD for disorderly conduct — language.

• Amanda Jenkins, 32, pro fine — failure to obtain Pampa, was arrested Sunday by GCSO for possession of drug paraphernalia.

· Matthew Trusty, 24, Pam-Pampa, was arrested Satur- pa, was arrested Sunday by



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### Prairie Plains Perspective

## Will there be water for our grandchildren?

One of my endeavors, that of working for an arborist, allows me to drive



ways and biways of our Panhandle. Doing so provides me with ample scenery and beautiful vistas to nourish my

love of nature whatever direction of the compass I'm headed.

If you were to drive from Pampa to Perryton, Pampa to Wheeler, Pampa to Canadian, Pampa to Clarendon, or Pampa to Borger you will note, due to the recent abundant rainfall, just how green the countryside is.

Cow tanks, ponds and buffalo wallows are once again full of water, something that hasn't been so the past seven years of this drought.

What? Yes, I left out Pampa to Amarillo for the simple reason the other drives offer something to see. If you've nothing to do, why not take a drive in those different directions?

You will be able to take in just how beautiful and green the Panhandle can be when it rains. We may have had some plentiful rainfall of late, but don't let that fact fool you, for the drought is still upon us. It will take much, much more rainfall to abate the drought.

It's a fact. Bucket loads of rainfall will not fill up the Ogallala Aquifer. As I have written in past essays, something akin to Noah's event will be the aquifer's

savior, and as I have also written, you should know what God said about any

On my drives around Pampa I have noticed how abundant and healthy the corn crops are, but that should be the case if you consider how much of the Ogallala has been pumped onto them, and that water does not go back into the aquifer.

This past summer farmers have pumped more out of the Ogallala than any other time, and that is not a good thing for our only source of water.

On the other hand, the water under the farmer's land belongs to him and is the basis of his livelihood. Much can be said about the dry land cotton and maize crops, for they haven't looked so good as well these past seven years.

Suffice to say, abundant rainfall and an abundant underground water supply make for a happy farmer and ultimately a happy consumer.

But in the long run, where will the Ogallala Aquifer be for our grandchildren?

What I'm getting at is this: I've heard talk and read a few newspaper articles, one such being the Ogallala Aquifer initiative, whose am is "to reduce aquifer water use, improve water quality and enhance the economic viability of croplands and rangelands in the eight states that draw from the aquifer."

A recent event did bring some added relief for our water needs, but I'm willing to bet most of you didn't make the connection com.

with the Ogallala Aquifer. A low-pressure system stalled on the eastern slopes of the Rocky Mountains; primarily from Albuquerque north to include most of Colorado.

High mountains have a tendency to block a wet low pressure system, and if the sustaining winds are not strong enough to move the system along or an advancing more powerful front is not in the forecast, the low pressure system will indeed stall and dump copious amounts of rainfall.

Such is the case with the two states I just mentioned, but not only did copious amounts of rainfall occur, destruction and death created by flooding waterways created untold misery and havoc for people living on the mountain's eastern slopes.

That being said, the rain filled low pressure system that brought nothing but misery to parts of New Mexico and Colorado was of tremendous benefit to people living in the Great Plains, for the eastern slopes of the Rocky Mountains is the sole recharge zone for the Ogallala Aquifer.

Think about that while I offer you Job 1:21 ... the Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away.

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

### Bronc riding champ coming back for richest rodeo

Six-time bronc rid- for first place and \$25,000 payouts ever." ing world champion Dan for second. Qualifiers will of retirement to compete in million side purse. the richest one-day rodeo.

Mortensen, the roughstock cowboy in the history of the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Associamillion in career earnings, has accepted the first exemption invitation to compete in the AMERICAN event on March 2 at the

Dallas Cowboys' stadium.

deo event paying \$100,000 shot at some of the biggest

The first Mortensen, a member of came in 2003, which tied the Pro Rodeo Hall of him with Casey Tibbs for Fame, retired in 2008.

"I've been out of bronc tion to earn more than \$2 riding and western sports the event organizers, said for a while now. I've Mortensen was selectmissed matching physical and mental skills sportsmanship and record against powerful and im- in the arena.' pressive animals in the arecompete in the sport I love, the March 2 competition. There is a potential purse while being part of this hisof \$2 million, with each ro-toric event that gives us a

Mortensen won one Mortensen is coming out be entitled to share in a \$1 All-Around World title in 1997. The last of his six 44-year-old world titles in bronc riding the most.

Randy Bernard, one of my ed "for his sheer talent,

Other participants will be na," Mortensen said. "THE determined by five qualify-Event organizers an- AMERICAN allows me to ing events for each rodeo nounced Mortensen's entry get back into the saddle to event in the weeks before

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#### School board meetings

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#### Immunization clinic 3 times a month

The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) hosts an immunization clinic in Pampa three times a month. The clinics are held from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. and from 1 to 3 p.m. on the first three Wednesdays of each month. The first 10 people in line for the morning and first 10 in the afternoon will always receive shots. However, if there are more than 10, they still may be able to accommodate the patients, or ask them to come back at

another time. For more information, call 665-4752 or 806-874-3211. The clinic is located at 736 S. Cuyler St.

#### **PAWS** meets first Tuesdays

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

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

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

#### **County Commission** meetings

Gray County The Commission meets at 9

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

#### TOT Republican Women's Club

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

#### Jam sessions every Friday night

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

#### **Meredith House** presents live music

Meredith House, an

assisted-living facility at 812 W. 25th Ave., has a band performing at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday and Saturday night. Join them for Western music, gospel and the classics. For more information, call 806-665-5668.

#### Monday night dance club

The Monday night dance club meets from 7 to 9 p.m., each Monday, in the Pampa Chamber of Commerce building on the corner of Ballard and Kingsmill. Admission is \$3.50. Cold drinks and coffee are offered. The club plays country music. For more information, call Della at 806-665-2858.

Editor's note: Email submissions to thowsare@ thepampanews.com. Submissions should be 100 words or less and written in the third person. Please include the title of the event, the date and time, physical address, the admission cost or whether it is a free event and a contact number and/or email address for the public.

### Planetarium stars align, spell love for couple

MACON, Ga. (AP) — The way the stars aligned bert persuaded Sanderson inside a Georgia planetar- to join him at the planium caught the 22-year- etarium Sunday. The Teleold woman by surprise, graph newspaper reports spelling out the question: the couple sat through a 'Krystal Sanderson Will 30-minute show about You Marry Me?"

Sanderson's boyfriend, Alan Gilbert, was behind appeared on screen the weekend message that against a backdrop of appeared at the planetari- Earth and stars while muum of the Museum of Arts sic played. & Sciences in Macon.

gazing up at the night sky. ring.

So the 23-year-old Gilprehistoric sea creatures before the big question

Others attending the One of their first dates show applauded when had been under the stars, Sanderson, no longer in and they regularly enjoyed the dark, accepted the

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### Floods in NM washes up mysterious casket

AZTEC, N.M. (AP) — northwestern New Mexico. seph Gonzalez said nothing is his. Flooding in New Mexico washed up an unexpected item in one small city — a

ports that the rusty casket were bones. washed up in an arroyo near Aztec Speedway during the recent flooding in

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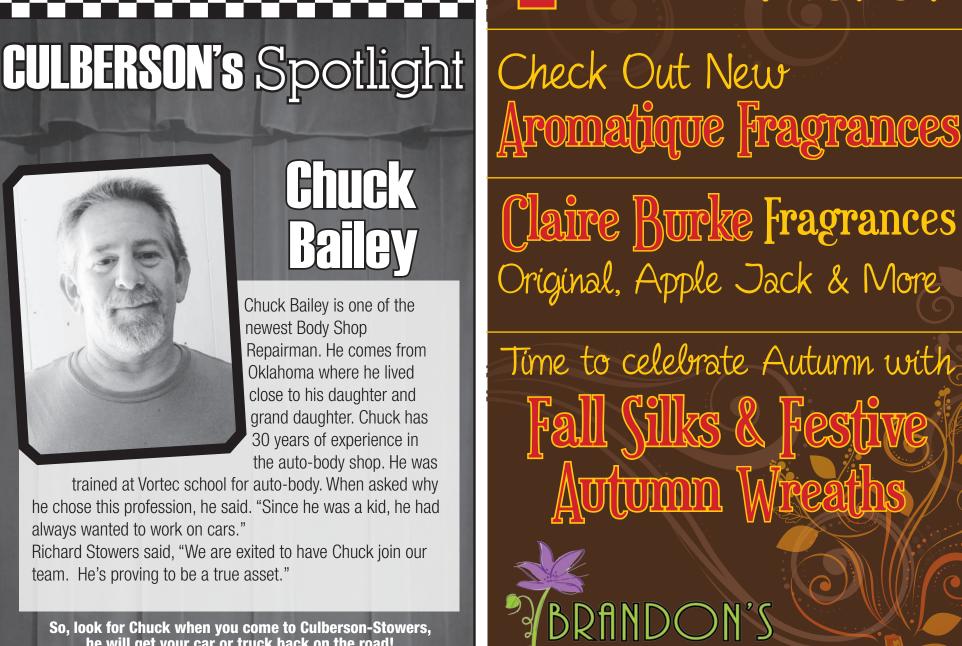
The casket's appear- but trash, towels and junk were inside.

Anti-zoning when an employee opened Carl Bannowsky, who lives The Daily Times re- it he found what he thought near where the body-less lects old cars but had purcoffin was found, says he's chased the casket at an auc-But Aztec Police Sgt. Jo- sure the mysterious casket tion in the 1980s.

He says one of his three caskets washed away duradvocate ing a recent monsoon rain. Bannowsky says he col-









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Altrusa members volunteer to read to kindergartners and first graders once a month at Lamar Elementary School as one of the club's literacy projects. Left, Janiya Clark, Keegan Upton, and Christopher Perez look over the books they have selected for reading. Right, Altrusan Kathryn Green ready to read to Lamar kindergartners MaKenzie Hollon, Dustin Langley and Kaytlin Laake.

### **Smiles**

**Continued From Page 1** 

dental experience. With an office full of laughs, the mood is contagious, and patients leave with smiles on their faces.

Salinas said that it's Smile Zone's goal to bring a city dentistry to smaller towns so that people are not forced to make the commute to Amarillo for the procedures they need performed. Future goals will be to continue to expand to smaller towns in the area and to maintain its customer satisfaction rate. Word has begun to spread about what a happy place an appointment at the new Pampa's newest dentistry is, and residents are becoming increasingly curi-

ous about the building with the giant tooth sign. The dentistry accepts all major insurances and Medicare and both English and Spanish are spoken within the office, which makes for a pleasant experience for a wide range of patients.

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Insects spend the winter in various life stages: egg, nymph, larvae, pupae, or adult. Many overwinter as eggs. Aphid eggs can be found in the bud scales of woody plants. Bagworms hang out as eggs inside this year's bags. Tent caterpillars spend the winter as egg masses on branches. Turf feeding grubs overwinter deep in the soil as beetle larvae. Certain moths and butterflies overwinter as pupae in cocoons or chrysalis.

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### One week until government shutdown deadline

With a week left to hammer younger lawmakers closely out a deal to avoid a government shutdown, some law- are going to stop with their makers seem resigned — if not rushing — to that end.

Most say they don't want the first government shutdown since 1996. But if the government happens to shut down, so be it. Republicans say it is part of their effort to dismantle Democrats' health care overhaul, while Democrats defending the law recall that similar standoffs gave them political gains.

And fingers were already being pointed just to be on the safe side.

"I believe we should stand our ground," said Sen. Ted Cruz, a tea party darling from Texas who pushed fellow Republicans to link a temporary budget bill with a provision to defund the Affordable Care Act. Some Republicans have vowed to shut down the government unless they can stop the law from taking hold.

Cruz and fellow tea party conservatives on Sunday said President Barack Obama and his Democratic allies would be to blame if they don't accede to demands to strike the national health care law.

"If Harry Reid kills that (demand), Harry Reid is responsible for shutting down the government," Cruz said

The tactic won sharp criticism from Democrats and even some Republicans, well aware the shutdown in themid 1990s helped President Bill Clinton regain his political footing and win a second

House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi called supporters of the defund-or-else strategy "legislative arsonists." Sen. Tom Coburn, R-Okla., said the effort would not accomplish its goal and was unrealistic.

And the president had a direct message to those backing efforts to roll back his health law: "Let me say as clearly as I can: It is not going to hap-

The Republican-led House on Friday approved legislation designed to wipe out the 3-year-old health care law. Yet Senate Democratic Leader Harry Reid vowed to keep the health law intact despite Republicans' attempts. And there's virtually no chance reach his desk.

WASHINGTON (AP) — servatives — especially the aligned with the tea party – demands.

Rep. Tom Graves, R-Ga... said the goal was to defund the president's health care legislation for at least one more year, if not forever. If the government shuts down, it will be because Obama refused to compromise, he said.

"We do have eight days to reach a resolution on this, and I propose an idea that kept the government operating and opened for an entire year while delaying and defunding Obamacare for a year so that we could work out those differences," Graves said, appearing on his first national Sunday program.

Left unsaid: It would require Obama to abandon his chief domestic accomplish-

"We don't want to shut down the government," said Rep. Matt Salmon, R-Ariz. "I want to make it clear: We want to shut down Obamacare."

The unyielding political posturing comes one week before Congress reaches an Oct. 1 deadline to dodge any interruptions in government services. While work continues on a temporary spending bill, a potentially more devastating separate deadline looms a few weeks later when the government could run out of money to pay its bills.

Lawmakers are considering separate legislation that would let the United States avoid a first-ever default on its debt obligations.

House Republicans are planning legislation would attach a 1-year delay in the health care law in exchange for ability to increase the nation's credit limit of \$16.7 trillion.

"I cannot believe that they are going to throw a tantrum and throw the American people and our economic recovery under the bus," said Sen. Claire McCaskill, a Missouri

Even within his own party, Cruz faced skepticism.

"It's not a tactic that we can actually carry out and be successful," Coburn said.

Cruz and McCaskill were interviewed on "Fox News Sunday." Pelosi spoke to CNN's "State of the Union." Obama would sign such a Coburn and Salmon were measure if it were to ever on CBS' "Face the Nation." Graves was on ABC's "This

# Is the maximizing SS game worth it?

TOM MARGENAU Creator's Syndicate

Have aging baby boomers turned into greedy geezers? Or are they just being wise and prudent with their Social Security benefits. I'm talking about a trend I've discussed many times in this column: Recent and near-term retirees are gaming the Social Security system (some might call it gambling) to squeeze every last nickel out of their Social Security benefits.

They are primarily employing two specific strategies to maximize their Social Security payout. One, generally called file and suspend, allows a 66-year-old retiree to apply for Social Security retirement benefits, but then immediately suspend those payments, usually so that a lower-earning spouse can claim benefits on his or her record. So the lower-earning spouse gets up to half of the retiree's rate, even while the retiree's benefits are in suspense. At 70, the retiree "unsuspends" benefits and gets his or her full retirement rate plus a 32 percent bonus.

The other strategy, known as the restricted application rule, allows a 66-year-old higher-earning potential retiree to claim 50 percent of a lower-earning spouse's Social Security until age 70, at which point the retiree would switch to his or her own benefits and they would come with the aforementioned 32 percent

I have written a fact sheet that explains these strategies in more detail. If you want a free electronic copy, send me an email at thomas.margenau@comcast.net. (This

Social Security and you

is the same fact sheet I've offered several times before in this column. So if you've sent for and received the fact sheet in the past, it's the same version as the one I'm still offering today. There is no need to ask for another copy.)

The good news about my fact sheet is that it is free. The bad news is that to find out if and how these strategies could work for you, you would have to get out your calculator and run the numbers yourself.

But there are a growing number of businesses that will provide you with software programs or other services for a fee to help you make the calculations. I don't want to mention or endorse any of these outfits, but a simple Google search using key words like "maximize Social Security" should lead you to any number of these enterprises.

Or better yet, you can check out a recent Wall Street Journal story headlined "Financing your future: how to maximize your Social Security benefits." WSJ tested and rated five of these maximizing services. They used a fictional couple: Bob and Wendy, both of whom are turning 66 and both of whom are eligible for their own retirement benefits. Bob's monthly rate is \$2,182 and Wendy will get \$815. They assumed that both Bob and Wendy would live until age 85.

The Journal reports that

and the various maximizing strat-

Security benefits over the next 19 years (age 66 to 85) of anywhere between \$763,222 to \$773,500. The WSJ article obviously goes into much more detail than I am providing here. But one thing the Wall

Street Journal didn't do is factor in a sixth scenario: no maximizing strategy at all. In other words, they didn't tell you what Bob and Wendy would have received had Bob simply filed for retirement benefits at age 66, and Wendy filed for a combination of her own retirement and spousal benefits at the same age. And the answer to that question is \$746,244.

I am making this point to stress that these maximizing strategies aren't really going to make you rich. To be sure, assuming you live to a ripe old age, you will end up netting maybe \$20,000 or \$30,000 more over two decades than you would had you simply filed for Social Security benefits in the regular manner. But you have to ask yourself if that extra money is worth

And the risk is this: "Are you going to live until that ripe old age?" For example, in several of the strategies suggested by the Social Security maximizing services, Bob would file and suspend and thus not get any Social Security benefits until age 70. In other

ising the five dif- words, he is essentially throwferent programs, ing away \$2,182 per month for four years gambling that he will live until his mid 80s egies suggested to beat the system. And if he by each, Bob and has a heart attack and dies Wendy would get at age 69, what then? Well, projected Social then Bob would have lost the

Social Security gamble. As I've reported before in the column, throughout my 40-year career of working on Social Security issues, both as an employee of the Social Security Administration and now as a columnist, I have met or communicated with thousands of widows who told me that their husband delayed benefits (usually until age 70) because he expected to live until his 90s.

But then he died in his early 70s and each widow usually told me something like this: Gosh, I wish he would have retired earlier so we would have had a chance to enjoy our retirement together." And in that same 40-year

into an 85 year old who came up to me and shouted with ioy: "I did it! I lived long enough to beat the system!" I'm not saying those folks aren't out there. Of course, they are. But I am saying that once they reach that age, they

career, I have never once run

might not be jumping up and down with excitement at having won the Social Security Just something to think about as you consider gaming the Social Security system by employing your own maxi-

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## WR Jaz Reynolds emerging for Oklahoma

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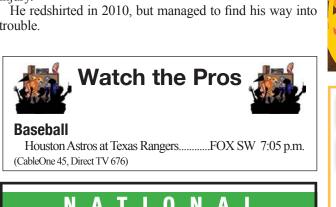
Reynolds, a fifth-year senior wide receiver, seems resolute in his desire that he not be remembered for his mistakes, but rather for his play. He took a step toward that goal last Saturday, catching four passes for 109 yards as No. Oklahoma rolled to a 51-20 win over Tulsa.

It reminded fans of the promise Reynolds had coming out of Eisenhower High School in Houston, before some illadvised tweets and two lengthy suspensions. It would have been easy to leave Oklahoma and seek a fresh start, but Reynolds said that wouldn't have been the right thing to do.

"I was taught growing up to never quit," Reynolds said. "I could have transferred but in my mind that would be quitting and running away from your problems. You can persevere through it and keep going and there's always light at the end of the tunnel. I just wanted someone to look at me and be able to see that I made it through my situation and they can, too.'

As a freshman in 2009, Reynolds played in nine games and caught 13 passes for 256 yards - decent numbers for a newcomer in a high-profile program, especially after he sat out most of his senior season of high school due to an ankle







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# Emmert says change coming for NCAA

GRAPEVINE (AP) — Players United, to call for decisions are driven by President Mark Emmert NCAA reform. said Monday he expects "a lot of change" for the Commissioner next year.

agrees on with Division Tennessee. remarks at a meeting of said Monday. more than 100 Division I faculty athletics repremonths in particular.

to look at a whole differ- case. ent governance model for significantly different."

convention is in January. The board hopes to adopt proposals at its meeting next April, and then have a special meeting for the full membership next summer.

The discussion focused on transparency and the public perception of the NCAA.

Emmert has received sharp criticism months, for everything from the unprecedented sanctions handed to Penn State for the Jerry Sandusky child sex-abuse scandal to the botched investigation of alleged misconduct in University of Miami athletics. He, and the NCAA in general, have been singled out by conference commissioners, professional athletes and even current college football players.

Houston Texans running back Arian Foster, who says in an upcoming documentary he accepted money while at Tennessee, recently called the NCAA a bully. Some college players wore patches Saturday with the letters APU, standing for All

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Additionally, Mike task. governance structure of Slive suggested last week "I've said publicly on part of the problem amid the

said during his opening speak for him," Emmert what my job is."

dent is fully aware of the NCAA would consentatives. He later said the public's perception sider creating a new big-NCAA directors are look- of the NCAA. Emmert school Bowl Division ing at the next six to eight said the board and other in essence, splitting up NCAA officials have the current Division I. A "I think the board antic-concerns about that. The packet distributed at the ipates a lot of change," he public sees him as more session called "Princisaid. "They're going into of a commissioner of a ples and Model for New their October and Janu- professional sport, which Governance Structure" ary meetings expecting Emmert said is not the suggests that FBS insti-

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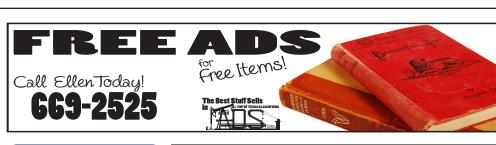
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"To think that the presi-Division I sports over the that the NCAA's rules dent of the NCAA has on governing agents are ever been anything like commissioner a number of occasions reports of possible prob- baseball is ludicrous," the only thing everybody lems at Alabama and Emmert said, "but yet that would be the most I governance is that it "I haven't talked to popular perception I susdoesn't work," Emmert Mike about it, so I can't pect that people have of The discussion did

> The third-year presi- touch briefly on whether tutions and conferences He said getting people that are more closely





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## Rising immigrant deaths put burden on Texas county

United States. She was identification. found just feet from a the same journey.

would have been taken tification, then buried in aminer in Laredo. this town an hour north of

from hyperthermia, is the budget. part of a mounting body count that has overwhelmed sparsely populated Brooks County, providing further evidence money has not followed. that immigrants are shiftsouthern Texas.

ties that have the economic wherewithal to into a real bad bind," said have soared.
Raquel Rubio Goldsmith, The numb immigration issues.

But Brooks County is than 30,000. trying to step up to the

ably slogged 25 miles Webb County for autopin her quest to enter the more intense efforts at through Texas.

highway where she might for Brooks County, pophave been picked up and ulation just over 7,100, taken to Houston with where on a recent mornother migrants making ing the chief deputy mopped the floors of the Not long ago, her body sheriff's office himself.

He will also be making to a funeral home for a the weekly trips to deliver cursory attempt at iden- corpses to the medical ex-

the Mexico border under bodies last year, which crammed into the local county's top administra-Her death, probably tor, says blew a hole in

And even though he and most other local officials see illegal immigration as a federal problem, federal

Last year, Brooks ing their migration routes County trailed only Pima away from the well-worn County, Ariz., in the numpaths into Arizona and in- ber of immigrant bodies stead crossing into deep recovered and they already have 76 this year. The changing patterns Nearly a million people have put an extra burden live in Pima County, and on local governments the 171 bodies found in with limited experience 2012 were consistent in such matters and even with annual totals dating fewer financial resources. back to 2004, according "There are some coun- to a report by the migration institute.

Brooks County, on the take on these issues, and other hand, averaged 50 there are other counties to 60 dead before last that just don't have any year, but Border Patrol money, so that puts them apprehensions in the area

The number of immicoordinator of the Bina- grants detained in South tional Migration Institute Texas' Rio Grande Valley at the University of Ari- border sector outpaced zona, which researches the historic leader, the Tucson sector, by more

FALFURRIAS (AP) — skeletal remains of sus- but most of the growth lem: a 55-gallon blue By the time the woman pected immigrants will has involved Central plastic drum holding oneperished, she had prob- travel 90 miles to nearby American immigrants, gallon water jugs. The who often take the more water station is topped through dry ranch lands sies, DNA sampling and direct route to the U.S. with a 30-foot pole and a

Immigrants typically It's a monumental step die in Brooks County try- the first water station der Patrol checkpoint.

usually They're dropped off with guides and forced to hike for two

point. In the past, unidenti-The county handled 129 fied immigrants were samples being taken. The years. cemetery did not even the dead. In May, Lori Baker, a Baylor Univerteam to Falfurrias to exgrants' graves.

Baker identified 54 it.' marked graves but found 63 burials. In some cases, the team opened a body other bags of remains. Some of the remains carcounty.

more exhumations next year, and she's encouraged by the county's She was wearing earrings progress, noting that the and a ring on the middle short-staffed sheriff's of- finger of her left hand. fice is going to start taking DNA samples from t-shirt and pink Converse family members who sneakers with pink laces. come looking for missing She carried several phone loved ones.

Three days before the turned up anything yet. woman was found on Those numbers are an ham proudly showed off He's wearing a suit and challenge. Now, all new- imperfect measure of the his personal contribution what appears to be a gradly recovered bodies and overall flow of migrants, to addressing the prob- uation cap.

large blue flag.

Durham said it was ing to circumvent a Bor- in Brooks County, and he has plans for several

He would prefer for south of the checkpoint the government to erect a double-layer border or three days to a pickup fence. But in the meanspot north of the check- time, the 68-year-old doesn't want to see people continue to die on the ranch. He estimates he's found 25 bodies on the a sign reading "unknown Judge Raul Ramirez, the cemetery without DNA property in the past 23

"I'm trying to exhave accurate records for pose the killing fields of Brooks County," Durham said. "If dead human besity anthropologist, led a ings don't catch your attention, what the hell else hume unidentified immi- is going to? We're just trying to be human about

Dr. Corinne Stern, the Webb County medical examiner, puts her office's bag expecting to find one identification rate on person and found four non-skeletal remains at 65 to 70 percent. But the woman from the ranch ried tags indicating they remains a Jane Doe for came from a neighboring now. Found on Aug. 26, she was already in an ad-She plans to return for vanced stage of decompo-

There are clues, though. She wore a Gold's Gym numbers, which haven't

Tucked into one pocket the El Tule Ranch, ranch of her shorts was a photo manager Lavoyger Dur- of a boy about age five.

### No injuries during fire at Austin group home

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) the fire was put out. Nobody has been hurt in a fire at a Central Texas determine what sparked group residence for the the fire.

mentally challenged who may be homeless. at Hannah's homeless. Monday

Place in North Austin. people in the structure swered Monday. were safely evacuated as

Authorities are trying to

Hannah's Place, on its website, describes the The Austin Fire Depart- site as a group home for ment says the blaze was disabled people who are reported around dawn mentally challenged and

Calls to the home Officials say about 30 weren't immediately an-







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The White House said group. Sunday that Obama also

al-Qaida-linked

has phoned Kenyan Presi-try's effort to bring the and remains holed up with ship with the East African

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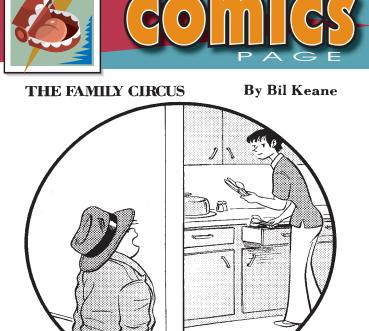




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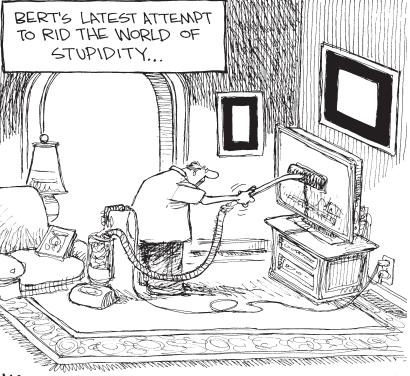
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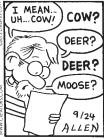
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#### ARIES (March 21-April 19)

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#### a friend's news. TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★ Take a look at what is going on within your immediate circle. Understand what is taking place behind the scenes with a money matter. You might sense some deception. If that is the case, go for a holding position rather than cause yourself a bigger problem. Tonight: Your treat. GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

\*\*\*\* You'll beam in more of what you want in order to make a situation work. Fatigue might be the only obstacle preventing you from bringing others together to gain the support that you think you need. You might choose to continue, regardless. Tonight: Ease the

#### CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★ Everyone has days when they don't feel quite up to snuff. Why would you be any different? Allow yourself to call out of work for the day. If you already aren't working, play it low-key. Take this time to revitalize and do what you want for a change. Tonight: Not to be found.

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★ Visualize and create a better platform from which to work, whether you are a boss or an employee. You will find that your effectiveness will be enhanced, and others will respond in a more authentic manner. Tonight: Discuss a grievance with a wise family member or friend.

#### LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★★ Your ability to gather the facts and see what is missing will help you as well as others. You'll weigh the pros and cons of an issue, but know that the outcome will be positive. You have time to fill in the blanks. Someone's criticism might just be jealousy. Tonight: In the limelight.

#### SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Listen to news, and ask for a friend's perspective. You might opt to go along with this person's thinking. You could be surprised by the way events play out as a result. When allowed to wander, your mind will come up with amazing scenarios! Tonight: Togetherness works.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ You could be taken aback by a situation that is developing. Maintain a sense of humor. You will be happier as a result, and you also will gain a new perspective with ease. Understand what is going on behind the scenes. Tonight: Listen to others' "war stories" of the day. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

**★★★★** Your caring yet methodical manner creates change quickly. Realize what is happening within your circle of friends. Someone might be angry, and this person is likely to toss a boulder in your way. Do not take his or her reaction personally. Tonight: Ask, and you shall

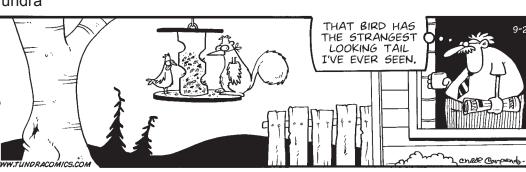
#### AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

\*★\*\* You will go directly toward creative option that appears quite suddenly. Finding out what is workable could test your limits. You might be holding back your feelings, whereas someone else isn't. Do not engage this person. Tonight: How about some fun?

#### PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★ Being centered at home might be a higher priority than it normally would be, as much pressure seems to emanate from others' demands. You will make an effort to be responsive, but you are only human. Stay somewhat unavailable, and screen your calls. Tonight: Stay anchored.

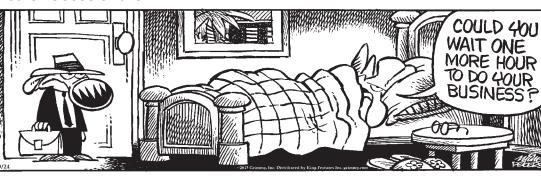
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### Dear Abby...

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23-year-old woman who still lives at home. I have been working for the last five years and have saved enough to live comfortably on my own. Unfortunately, my parents have forbidden me to do it because they think I'm being manipulated into it by my boyfriend, that I just want to "do whatever I want" and be out until late (although I'm rarely up past 9 p.m. and they know it), and because I "can't stand them" anymore.

I have no privacy! My mail is opened "mistakenly" and my calls are listened in on even when I politely — and sometimes angrily — ask them not to. They have even imposed a rule that I must show them my bank balance weekly.

They have told me I will not leave the house without being married first. I would like to

ABBY: I'm a ally marry so I can experience what it's like. This is something I have always wanted to do. If I do move out, they say I'll "bring shame and embarrassment" to the family.

There seems to be a double standard going on here because my older brother has his girlfriend sleep over. How can I accommodate my parents without being disowned? FEELING HELPLESS IN

**DEAR FEELING HELPLESS: Your parents** have chosen to ignore that you are an adult, self-supporting and entitled to make your own choices. They may be well-meaning, but they are extremely heavy-handed. Their hyper-vigilance opening your mail, eavesdropping on your phone calls and insisting on checking your bank balance weekly -

like you to be "safely" married before you leave their protection.

Is their problem that they disapprove of your boyfriend? If you get a place of your own, do you plan on moving him in? If that's not the case, there is no reason why your living independently might shame or embarrass

Not knowing your parents, can't judge whether their threat to disown you is serious or not. However, if it is, realize it's a form of blackmail, and you will have to decide which is more important — your freedom or their support.

DEAR ABBY: "Lights Out in Federal Way, Wash." (Aug. 13) asked if it was a "sign" that her deceased parents were watching over her when streetlights would go out as she drove under them on her way home.

I understand your desire to give encouragement to someone who has lost her loved ones, but don't you know that live on my own before I actu- is over the top. They would many streetlights are light-acti-

vated so that after headlights hit them in just the right way they will turn off? After you pass under them, it becomes dark enough again and they will turn back on within a few

While I'm sure that given the opportunity this girl's parents would watch over her, the streetlights she described have nothing to do with the paranormal but have a scientific and logical explanation. — SOMEONE'S WATCHING IN GUILFORD, MO.

**WATCHING:** DEAR While many readers shared similar experiences, the majority had a logical explanation as you did. However, I still feel that if what she's experiencing brings her comfort, the important thing is what she chooses to believe.

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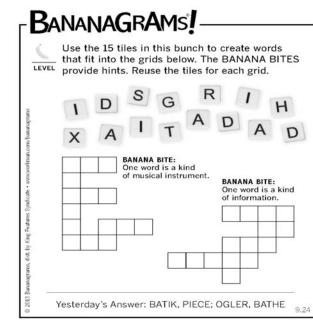
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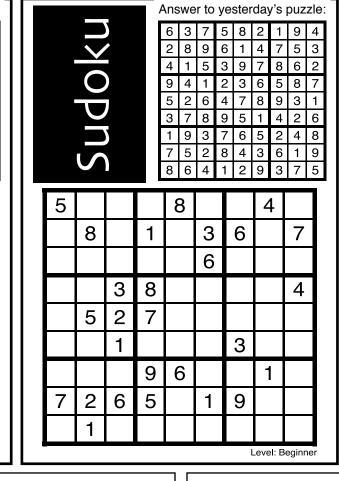
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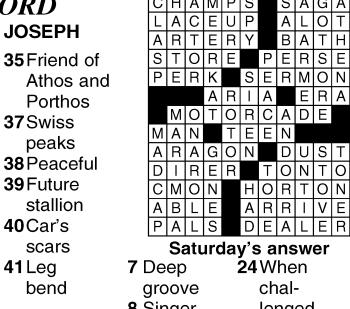
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### Wis. college student helps pay tuition by eating

MADISON, Wis. (AP) 50 seconds. - A University of Wisconsin student with a nickname of "Silo" is eating his way through school — competitively.

Computer engineering stuthird in the world of competitive eating as determined by All Pro Eating rankings, though he once held the top spot. Dahl has earned more than \$18,000 in prize money or merchandise to help pay for his education.

"I'm eating for my education," he said. "It helps me get through."

Dahl was drawn to competitive eating in 2011, at didn't want to pay for his meal so he signed up for a challenge: eat a three-pound cheesesteak sandwich in less

"It just started rolling from there," he said.

Dahl's first paycheck came from Dickey's Barbecue Pit in suburban Minneapolis, where he earned \$250 for dent Eric Dahl now ranks inhaling nine pulled-pork sandwiches in six minutes. The former high school athlete found the competition and its over-the-top atmosphere reminiscent of professional wrestling.

"I really get pumped when the crowd starts cheering," he said. "I'm friends with other competitive eaters, but once I'm on stage I don't have any friends."

The 6-foot-3 Dahl said the former Big Red's Steak- he walks a few miles a day, house in Madison. Dahl lifts weights twice a week and plays intramural soccer and hockey to maintain his 220-pound weight. The State Journal reports that





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