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## HAPPY TIMES AT HEALTH FAIR



Photos by Lindsey Tomaschik  
 Above, Dr. Gretchen Adams and receptionist Sherri Griggs were among the many who participated in Saturday's health fair at Pampa Regional Medical Center. The event drew a sizable crowd and had many informational booths, drawings and activities set up for those in attendance. Right, one of the more interactive booths at the health fair included one at which participants were able to try out some of the hospital's newer technology. The machine pictured was set up to simulate the removal of a gallbladder. Participants had to use a small set of pliers to carefully remove a bead from a peg. The microscopic monitor enables the surgeon to see his work more closely in order to enhance precision during the procedure. For photos from the bicycle raffle, see page 2.



## Hastings here to stay in Pampa

■ No plans to close local store after Canyon site shuts down.

BY JOHN LEE  
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Hastings Entertainment may have caused some disappointment for the college kids and other residents in Canyon. The company who takes pride in selling various multimedia merchandise including movies, CDs and reading material is closing the book on its Canyon store located at 205 N. 23rd St., which employs approximately 35 full and part-time employees, according to a company press release.

"It wasn't meeting the requirements needed to remain open," said Brad Massie, a spokesman for Hastings.

The store will be conducting a going-out-of-business sale that will run through Saturday, Nov. 2, its official last official day of business.

According to an article in the Amarillo Globe-News, Hastings stores have been converting to a "lifestyles" store, as profits in books, movies and music have been diminishing with the rise of digital media. It can be speculated that the size of the Canyon store, and even the store located on Gem Lake Road (which is similar in size) in Amarillo, could make it difficult to convert these to "lifestyles" and trendy product.

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Photo by John Lee

Though the Canyon location will be closing on Nov. 2, the Pampa Hastings, pictured above, has no current plans to shut down.

## MilkDrive delights music lovers

BY TIMOTHY P. HOSWARE  
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■ If you're playing in Texas, you gotta have a fiddler in the band.

Austin-based "jazz-grass" band MilkDrive, who performed Sunday at the AmericInn Event Center, had no less than three.

The four-piece string band's performance came at the conclusion of a three-day Woody Guthrie celebration in Pampa. Though attendance was light, the band played with the same enthusiasm as if there were throngs of thousands.

MilkDrive performed a mix of innovative originals, like the energetic and jazzy "Random Access," along with fresh takes on classic tunes such as "Fifteen Cents" and The Beatles' "Dear Prudence." While they played the song in the key of A, it had a twist at the finish by ending with a double bass solo.



Photo by Timothy P. Howsare

MilkDrive lead singer Brian Beken with bassist Matt Mefford.

## Local Red Cross seeking volunteers

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The Eastern Texas Panhandle Chapter of the American Red Cross is in need of local volunteers to help serve the 13 counties in the chapter's coverage area. A new volunteer training will be held in at the Eastern Texas Panhandle Chapter on from 6 to 8 p.m., Monday Oct. 21. The chapter is located at 108 N. Russell St. in Pampa.

"Our mission is critical to the communities we serve, and it's local Red Cross volunteers who make that mission possible," said Steve Pair, executive director, American Red Cross. z

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# MilkDrive

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ing on a G major chord instead of the expected tonic chord, A.

Fronting the band was lead vocalist and fiddler Brain Beken, who added some percussion from time to time with a tambourine he played by foot with a bass drum pedal. A multi-instrumentalist, Beken also played guitar and mandolin.

Band mate Noah Jeffries, when not strumming or picking his main instrument, guitar, picked up his fiddle and played several outstanding solos. Although band member Dennis Ludiker's main instrument is mandolin, he, too, was an impressive talent with a bow and fiddle.

It was fiddle-playing that brought the three young musicians together while competing several years back in the National Oldtime

Fiddlers' Contest in Weiser, Idaho.

The three migrated to Austin, where they toured with a mix of bands and honed their playing and song writing chops.

They eventually hooked up with upright bass player Matt Mefford to form MilkDrive.

Though Mefford doesn't sing or switch back and forth on instruments like his band mates, pumping out the bass in a band without a drummer is a big and important job all on its own.

Sunday was the first time the band played in Pampa, and after the show they headed back to Austin.

MilkDrive has played at music festivals from coast to coast, including Colorado's RockyGrass Festival and at home at the Austin Limits Festival.

Their latest album, Waves, was released in 2012. It was produced by Bil VomDick, who is based in Nashville and has won several Grammys.

# Hastings

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stores. Massie would not comment on the topic of size versus product.

Massie also said that there are no plans to close any of the other regional stores, including Pampa and Borger.

"Canyon is the only

store we have made plans of closing," Massie said. "There are no plans to close any other store."

Hastings Entertainment, Inc., is a leading multimedia entertainment retailer with 128 stores in 19 states.

For more information on Hastings Entertainment, visit [www.gohastings.com](http://www.gohastings.com).

# Cross

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Just this year, more than 200 people across the Panhandle have been helped by the Red Cross following emergencies like home fires.

"It's really a great way to give back, help serve your community and be there for those who have just had their lives turned upside down," Pair said.

The chapter is currently looking for new volun-

teers for its Disaster Action Team, Logistics Team and overall office help in Pampa and Borger.

"One really awesome thing about the Red Cross is that there are a variety of volunteer opportunities, if you are looking for a way to give back, we have a need and place for you," said Pair.

Anyone interested in the training should visit [www.redcross.org/texas-panhandle](http://www.redcross.org/texas-panhandle) and fill out the volunteer application, or contact Karen Tomlinson at 806-376-6309.

# UNITED WAY BICYCLE DRAWING WINNER



Left, Jana Gregory, executive administrator, and Brad Morse, 2013 Campaign chair of the Pampa United Way, draw the winner of the bike at the Pampa Regional Medical Center Health Fair Saturday morning. The winner was Danna Jackson, pictured right.

# Social Security judge accused of disability scheme

WASHINGTON (AP) — A retired Social Security judge in West Virginia collaborated with a lawyer to improperly award disability benefits to hundreds of applicants, according to a report released Monday by congressional investigators.

The report accuses retired administrative law Judge David B. Daugherty of scheming with lawyer Eric C. Conn to approve more than 1,800 cases from 2006 to 2010.

"By 2011, Mr. Conn and Judge Daugherty had collaborated on a scheme that enabled the judge to approve, in assembly-line fashion, hundreds of clients for disability benefits using manufactured medical evidence," said the report by the staff of the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee.

Conn runs a law firm specializing in disability cases in Stanville, Ky., near the West Virginia border. Daugherty, who was a judge based in Huntington, W.Va., retired in 2011 after questions were raised about his relationship with Conn, the report said.

According to the report, the Social Security Administration paid Conn's firm more than \$4.5 million in attorney fees from cases heard by Daugherty from 2006 to 2010. In 2010, Conn was the third highest-paid disability lawyer in the country, the report said.

Investigators reviewed Daugherty's bank records

and found \$96,000 in unexplained cash deposits, the report said.

"From 2003 to 2011, Judge Daugherty's bank records contain regularly occurring cash deposits totaling \$69,800, the source of which is unexplained in the judge's financial disclosure forms," the report said.

"From 2007 to 2011, his daughter's bank records list similar cash deposits totaling another \$26,200. When asked about the \$96,000 in cash deposits, Judge Daugherty refused to explain their origin or the source of the funds."

Neither Daugherty nor Conn could be reached for comment. Both men were scheduled to testify Monday

at a committee hearing.

Justice Department spokesman Brian Fallon declined to comment on whether the Justice Department is conducting a criminal probe of the matter.

Questions about Daugherty's relationship with Conn were first raised by The Wall Street Journal in 2011.

Nearly 11 million disabled workers, spouses and children get Social Security disability benefits. That's a 45 percent increase from a decade ago. The average monthly benefit for a disabled worker is \$1,130.

An additional 8.3 million people get Supplemental Security Income, a separately funded disability program for low-income people.

In order to qualify, people are supposed to have disabilities that prevent them from working and are expected to last at least a year or result in death.

Social Security disability claims are first processed through a network of local Social Security Administration field offices and state agencies called Disability Determination Services. About two-thirds of initial claims are rejected, according to agency statistics.

If your claim is rejected, you can ask the field office or state agency to reconsider. If your claim is rejected again, you can appeal to an administrative law judge, who is employed by Social Security.

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**Tonight:** Partly cloudy with a low of 51. Winds south at 18 mph. Sunset at 7:18 p.m.

**Wednesday:** Sunny with a high of 80. Winds south at 18 mph. Sunrise at 7:46 a.m.

**Wednesday night:** Clear with a low of 52. Winds south-southeast at 16 mph. Sunset at 7:16 p.m.

**Thursday:** Partly cloudy and windy with a high of 79. Winds south at 22 mph. Sunrise at 7:46 a.m.

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# Obituaries

## Les Raymond Darsey

Les Raymond Darsey, 85, died Oct. 3, 2013 in Alanreed.

Graveside services were held Monday, Oct. 7 in Darsey Cemetery, north of Alanreed, with Ronnie Ferguson and the Rev. Thacker Haynes officiating. Interment was held at Darsey Cemetery.



**Les Darsey**

Arrangements were held by Robertson Funeral Directors of McLean.

Les was born March 10, 1928 in Wichita Falls to Raymond E. and Edna Darsey. He had been a resident of the McLean and Alanreed area most of his life. He grew up wanting to be a cowboy and he became a cowboy his whole life working on his family ranch north of Alanreed. He was great at chuck wagon cooking later in life and was very successful. Les also enjoyed fishing.

He is preceded in death by his parents; a son, Todd Darsey; and a sister, Norma Purcell.

Survivors include a son, Mike Darsey and wife Leslie of McLean; two grandchildren, Melissa and Trent Darsey; a very special companion, Carol Lax; five step children; several step grandchildren and great grandchildren and those dear to him were Tonya Whipkey, Trudy Davis, Whitney Davis, and Jessie Davis; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family request memorials be sent to the McLean/Lefors Ambulance service or the McLean Volunteer Fire Department.

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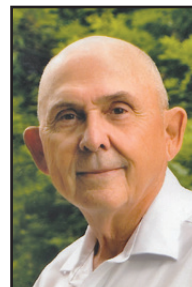
## Herchel Ronald "Ronnie" Gill

Herchel Ronald "Ronnie" Gill, 72, died Saturday, Oct. 5, 2013, in Pampa.

Vigil will be at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 9, 2013, in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel in Pampa. Mass will be at 2 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 10, 2013, at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church with Bishop Patrick Zurek of the Amarillo Diocese, Rev. Francisco Perez, pastor, and Rev. Christopher Schwind, associate pastor, as concelebrants. Burial will be in Miami Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Miami, Texas and surrounding areas are mourning the passing of Herchel Ronald Gill, a fourth generation cattle rancher and farmer who was one of the pillars of the Miami community. Ronnie was the great grandson of George W. and Mary A. Thorpe Gill, and of the Henry Palmer Chisums. He was the grandson of Harley and Tenney Talley, and Alonzo and Cordelia Gill, all pioneers who helped settle Roberts County and develop the area into the thriving agricultural community that it is today.

Throughout his life, he served his family and community to the fullest. The son of Herchel and Eleanor Gill, Ronnie was born March 19, 1941 in Pampa. He graduated from Miami High School in 1959 and attended Texas Western College for one year. At the age of 19, he returned to Miami and took over the family ranch after the untimely death of his father. He fully accepted these responsibilities and for the next 50 years, he raised his brother and sister, four children, thousands of



**Herchel Gill**

head of cattle and untold bushels of wheat and other crops. Throughout the time, Ronnie was the anchor for the Gill family, along with his wife of 52 years, Dee Gill. Within the Miami community, Ronnie was known for his service, generosity, and good-natured sense of humor. He was a Roberts County Commissioner for 20 years, and also served as a member of the Board of Directors, as well as Chairman of the Board, for the Miami First State Bank. On any given morning in Miami, Ronnie could be found having a cup of coffee and good conversation with his friends at the downtown cafe. Ronnie was also a devout member of St. Vincent DePaul's Catholic Church where he was a Knight of the Holy Sepulchre, joined the Knights of Columbus, and served on various boards for the Amarillo Diocese.

Ronnie's entire life revolved around Dee, who was his love, lifelong partner and best friend. They traveled the world together, survived the tragic loss of a child and grew in their faith and love for one another. Together, they raised four children, and have eight grandchildren: Beth Gill, a college professor at Randolph Macon College in Ashland, Va.; Lora Christian, a pediatrician who lives in Richmond, Va., with her husband Paul and five children, Maura, Erin, Meredith, Anna and Daniel; John Herchel Gill, who preceded Ronnie in death and welcomed him home to heaven; and Mike Gill, an Assistant United States Attorney who lives in Richmond, Va., with his wife Patty and three children, Hannah, Avery and Patrick. Ronnie is also survived by his sister, Margot Thompson and her husband Dr. Paul Thompson of Bella Vista, Ark.; his brother, Dr. Mike Gill and wife Vicki of Sioux Falls, S.D.; and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Aside from his intense love for his family and his Lord, Ronnie will best be remembered as a Renaissance Man, who had an intense interest in the natural world and all of its wonders. He stayed on the cutting edge of technology, armed with the latest Apple products that he enjoyed using to keep pace with new discoveries, as well as family and friends across the United States. Ronnie was known as an honorable and humble man, who strove to always do the right thing and instilled those same values in his own children. Along with his insatiable appetite for knowledge, Ronnie had an eagle eye and was known for finding things that escaped others. Among his many discoveries, he found four meteorites, an amethyst arrow head, and, somehow, always found Indian treasures for his visiting grandchildren.

Ronnie was also known as one of the best shots in the Texas Panhandle, who enjoyed hunting with his friends and won numerous local and state skeet and trap titles. Fly fishing was also one of his passions, and he loved his yearly fishing trips with his son, Mike, and his best friend, Doyle Smith.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials to St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 810 W. 23rd St., Pampa, TX 79065 or a favorite charity.

Sign the online register book at [www.carmichael-whatley.com](http://www.carmichael-whatley.com).

## Jim Hanks

Jim Hanks, 55, of Skellytown, died Sunday, Oct. 6, 2013, in Pampa.

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Hanks was born June 7, 1958 in Pampa. He attended Pampa schools, graduating from Pampa High School. He married Deborah Hanks in August 1984. He worked as a carpenter for many years, and owned and operated Hanks Construction. Jim was employed at the "Triple 7" up until the time of his death. In his spare time, he liked to play poker, but most of all, he enjoyed woodworking. He was preceded in death by a brother, Charlie Wassherman, and his father, Samuel Hanks.

Survivors include his wife, Deborah Hanks of the home, a son, Travis Berryman of Skellytown, his mother, Mary Wassherman of Northfield, N.J., a brother, Melford Hanks of Pampa, two sisters, Lorraine Smith of Pampa and Kathy Wassherman of Northfield, N.J., his stepmother, Reba Hanks of Valley View, a stepbrother, Dempsey Atwood, and a stepsister, Stephanie of Valley View.

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# Several arrested for drug, alcohol charges over the weekend

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- Kolby Johnson, 26, Pampa, was arrested Friday by the Pampa Police Department for public intoxication.
- Marvin Monrow Finney, III, 37, Lefors, was arrested Friday by PPD for burglary of a habitation.
- Daniel Medrano Jimenez, 40, Pampa, was arrested Friday by PPD for arson, burglary of a building, possession of a controlled substance.
- Christopher Duane Jimenez, 41, Pampa, was arrested Friday by GCSO for driving while license is invalid with a previous conviction.
- Ronald David Dodd, 40, Pampa, was arrested Friday by GCSO for possession of a controlled substance.
- DeWayne Eugene Chilton, 34, Pampa, was arrested Friday by GCSO for capias pro fine — no driver's license, capias pro fine — expired car insurance, capias pro fine — displaying an expired registration, capias pro fine — failure to appear, capias pro fine — failure to maintain car insurance.
- Lucio Guillen Hernandez, 49, Pampa, was arrested Saturday by the Department of Public Safety for his second driving while intoxicated offense, no driver's license.
- Nicole Michelle Rhoades, 40, Pampa, was arrested Saturday by DPS for driving while intoxicated.
- Bobby Fowler, 24, Pampa, was arrested Saturday by GCSO for not having a valid driver's license.
- Kala Seymour, 24, Pampa, was arrested Saturday by GCSO for five capias pro fine charges.
- Jonathan White, 29, San Angelo, was arrested Saturday by GCSO for theft of property by check.
- Betsy Crossman, 29, Pampa, was arrested Saturday by GCSO for violation of probation — manufacturing or delivering a controlled substance.
- Norma Gray, 37, Perryton, was arrested Saturday by GCSO for theft of property.
- Amber Canness, 30, Pampa, was arrested Sunday by PPD for two capias pro fine charges.
- Juanita Flores, 19, Pampa, was arrested Sunday by PPD for two capias pro fine charges.

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# Prairie Plains Perspective

## A lesson on parking tickets

An article the other day in the Amarillo Globe-News caught my attention, surfacing a situation yours truly placed upon himself years ago while living and working down around San Antonio.



**DENNIS PALMTIER**

The Globe News story was about a soon-to-be campaign by Amarillo's city government to collect on long overdue parking fines. The paper went as far as listing Amarillo's worst parking offenders and the fines they owe. One overtime parking abuser owes the city of Amarillo a five-figure amount, meaning, five figures to the left of the decimal point. Ouch! Working my pharmaceutical sales job, I had an appointment with the oncology section physicians at Brooke

Army Medical Center. BAMC as it was known at that particular time, was spread out over many acres of clinic buildings which created, due to the clinic's rather busy workload, tedious searches for parking spaces. BAMC is literally a rock toss from my then San Antonio residence and because of such, I left my home with what I thought was ample time to meet my appointment, having plum forgot about the parking problem. The only parking space available at BAMC's oncology clinic had a sign that read "Officer of the Day." Getting close to tardy in regard to my appointment, I chose to park in the Officer of the Day slot. Upon exiting my auto, an elderly gentleman and his wife were approaching me when the man said something to the extent, "Find a parking place, Captain?" You know, as in, Army captain. My smartass reply was

something similar to "Why yes indeed there, sergeant!" while promptly leaving the two in my dust in a hasty run to meet my appointment. Returning to my auto afterward, stuck under the driver's side wiper blade was a military police issued parking ticket. The fine for parking in the Officer of the Day slot was \$10. Upon reading the ticket, it stated I had 30 days to pay the fine. I tossed the citation. A little over six months had passed since that parking ticket when sitting at the dinner table with my lovely first wife there came a rather forceful series of knocks upon my front door. Opening the door, two U.S. Marshals introduced themselves with one of the gentlemen producing a federal warrant for my arrest for failure to pay a parking ticket issued at BAMC. Stunned, I uttered "You've got to be kidding me!" They weren't.

The Marshals offered me the choice of two options in regard to the warrant. First option was the brig at Ft. Sam Houston. Second option was, they would follow me to the closest business where I could get a \$70 money order made payable to the US Government, Department of the Army and after doing such, hand it over to them and then, I could return to my wife and dinner. I chose option number two. The moral of this story: No matter where you are and you receive a parking ticket, pay it! There is one other point I need to add. Never ever show impudence and sass any person, particularly an elderly individual with his wife on his arm, over an incident where you knowingly are in the wrong and caused solely by your lack of insight over something so trite as being late for an appointment. The elderly man I called a



Photo by Dennis Palmtier  
A old parking fine collection box, no longer in use, on South Cuyler Street.

sergeant was retired Army. He was the person who called the military police and told them of my parking in the Officer of the Day slot. That elderly man, mentioned by one of the grinning U.S.

Marshals as I handed over the \$70 money order, was a retired general. Pampa resident Dennis Palmtier is a regular contributor to the opinion page on issues that affect Pampa and Gray County.

## Elizabeth Smart details kidnapping in memoir

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Minutes after 14-year-old Elizabeth Smart was snatched from her bedroom in the dead of night, a police cruiser idled by a neighborhood street as she was forced to the ground at knifepoint. "Move and I will kill you!" her captor hissed. It was one of several fleeting times Smart watched a rescue slip away during her nine-month ordeal, she recounts in "My Story," a 308-page book being released by St. Martin's Press on Monday. She writes that she was so terrified of the street preacher who kidnapped her that when she was rescued by police in a Salt Lake City suburb in March 2003, she only reluctantly identified herself. Between the heartbreak of missed chances, Smart writes, she was treated as a sex object by Brian David Mitchell and as a slave by his wife, Wanda Barzee. She says they denied her food and water for days at a time. A U.S. attorney called it one of the kidnapping crimes of the century. Smart, a quiet, devout Mormon who played the harp and loved horses, vanished without a trace from her home high above Salt Lake City. Smart, now 25, is married, living in Park City, finishing a music degree at Brigham Young University and traveling across the country giving speeches and doing advocacy work. She created the Elizabeth Smart Foundation to bring awareness to predatory crimes against children. For her, the book was another way to help bring nine months of brutality to a close.

hell." Her account was written with help from Chris Stewart, a Utah congressman who has authored books with religious and patriotic themes. Smart says she doesn't care to understand Mitchell, yet her book opens a window on his personality. He was a downtown Salt Lake City fixture in a robe and sandals who first laid a crooked eye on Smart when her mother offered the man \$5 and work at the family home. At that moment, he resolved to take her as the second of a hoped-for five wives, he later told Smart. Smart says Mitchell believed that anything in the world was his for the taking, and that he was a man who never cared for anyone even as he ranted about God. Smart calls him a "manipulative, antisocial and narcissistic pedophile." Against that backdrop, the book chronicles a series of near-rescues, notably by a homicide detective who questioned Mitchell at a downtown Salt Lake City library. From under a table, Barzee clamped "iron" fingers into Smart's thigh. Smart, disguised in a dirty robe and face veil, remained silent as she remembered the couple's repeated threats to kill her family if she tried to save herself. Her book reveals another near-rescue. Only days into the kidnapping, a helicopter hovered over the makeshift camp in the mountains just 5 miles from Smart's home where she was kept tethered to trees by

steel cables. She was forced inside a tent as the wash of the helicopter's rotors bent trees around them. After an eternal minute, she watched the helicopter slowly glide away. It never returned. Mitchell took it as another favorable sign from God. "Why didn't I cry out for help?" Smart reflects. The answer "comes down to fear." The young girl believed Mitchell invincible. Despite years of misdeeds, he had never served more than a few days in jail. After Smart's rescue, Mitchell wheedled his way through state courts for more than six years, leaving them hopelessly bogged down in hearings over his mental competence. Federal prosecutors took over, and a judge ruled Mitchell was faking mental illness. Mitchell is serving two life terms after he was sentenced in 2011. A year earlier, Barzee was given 15 years for her role in Smart's kidnapping and sexual assault. Mitchell managed to convince some psychiatrists he

was insane. He shouted hymns and songs in court and ordered judges to "repent." Smart described a moment in his federal trial when Mitchell feigned collapse, with paramedics rushing into court. Between gasps and moans on a gurney, Mitchell locked eyes with Smart for the first time in years. He offered an "evil grin" to show he could still control others, she writes. "I returned his cold stare, never looking away." It was outside San Diego, where Mitchell took Barzee and Smart for winter at a homeless camp, that Smart devised a plan for freedom. She convinced Mitchell that God intended them to return to Salt Lake City. On their arrival outside the city, police stopped the odd-looking trio, a middle-aged couple and young girl wearing filthy clothes, a gray wig and dark sunglasses, walking along a major metro street. Smart writes that before she identified herself, police seemed to know they had found her, asking, "Are you Elizabeth Smart?"

"I want people to know that I'm happy in my life right now," Smart told The Associated Press. "I also, even more so, want to reach out to people who might not be in a good situation. Maybe they're in a situation that was similar to the one that I was in." Smart said she hopes the book, which The AP received in advance of its release from the publisher, will help other victims know that it's possible to be happy and move forward with their lives and will shed some light on what was going through her head during what she called "nine months of

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# Is history repeating itself?

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## Social Security and you



Here is a quote from a speech given by a leading Republican about a recently passed federal law that introduced a major new government program. "It [the new program] is a glaring example of the bungling and waste that have characterized this administration's attempts to fulfill its benevolent purposes. In my own judgment -- and I have examined it most carefully -- this law is unjust, unworkable, stupidly drafted and wastefully financed."

Was this House Majority Leader John Boehner denouncing the Affordable Care Act? Was it Senator Ted Cruz slamming the same act, better known as "Obamacare," during his recent filibuster charade?

No and no. The quote comes from a speech given by my Governor Alf Landon in September 1936 following the passage of the Social Security Act. Landon, the Republican nominee for President that year, who would go on to be defeated in a landslide to Franklin Delano Roosevelt, was leading the charge of Republican politicians who were bound and determined to repeal Social Security -- a program they thought was a misguided intrusion of the federal government into the lives of American citizens.

Just as today's Republicans are convinced that Americans don't need help getting health insurance, the Republicans in the 1930s were sure that people didn't need the government's help to set aside money for their old age. They thought people should and would provide their own retirement nest eggs. Of course, the fact that most Americans were not doing that was a point they glossed over. And that fact that almost half of all senior citizens were living below the poverty level was an issue that didn't seem to bother them.

I bring this up because as I am writing this, the federal government is into the early stages of a foolhardy and totally avoidable shutdown. This action was prompted by the Republican-dominated House of Representative's insistence on tying the passage of government funding bills to a delay in implementing the Affordable Care Act, which is just the first

step in their campaign to repeal the same act.

I am going to stay out of the politics of this issue, except to ask these questions. Were the Republicans wrong in 1936 to try to repeal the Social Security Act? Are the Republicans wrong in 2013 to try to repeal the Affordable Care Act? You can be the judge for now. But I think history has provided the answer to the first question. And time and history will provide the answer to the second.

In the meantime, the shutdown looms over our country. As most people know, a government shutdown will not impact the payment of Social Security benefits. Nor will it totally shutdown local Social Security offices. People will still be able to file new Social Security and Medicare claims or ask for appeals of claims that were previously denied. These are considered essential government services.

By the way, about 20 years ago during the last government shutdown fiasco, I was a decidedly non-essential employee of the Social Security Administration. At the time, I was serving as the speechwriter to the Commissioner of Social Security. She certainly didn't need me putting words into her mouth during the shutdown period so I, along with thousands of other employees, was sent home on an "unpaid furlough." However, when I was finally recalled back to work, I learned that I would be paid for the entire length of the furlough period. So were all other federal employees. This further demonstrates the folly and waste of a government shutdown. Millions of government workers essentially got a paid vacation!

This time around, the biggest service that SSA provides that is considered non-essential is the replacement of lost or damaged Social Security and Medicare cards. So if you need a new SSN or Medicare card, you will just have to wait until the government (and SSA) is back up and running at full strength. This latter point leads me to include this question in today's column.

Q: I recently had the need to go to my local Social Security office to turn in my birth certificate for a claim for retirement

benefits that I had filed earlier in the week on the Internet. And I was absolutely shocked by what I saw. There were probably 50 people in the waiting room, but there were only a handful of senior citizens. The room was packed with mostly young people and a lot of kids. I thought I was in a welfare office. If you ask me, this is a glaring example of what is wrong with Social Security. What was supposed to be a program only for retirees has turned into a giveaway for vagrants, tramps and ne'er-do-wells.

A: What you and many visitors to Social Security offices do not realize is that the vast majority of customers you will encounter are not there to file for Social Security benefits. They are there to replace lost or stolen Social Security cards, or to get new cards for young children. My educated guess is that 80 percent of the folks you see in a Social Security office waiting room are there to do just that.

In addition, those people you unkindly referred to as "vagrants" and "tramps" were probably down-on-their-luck folks there to file for Supplemental Security Income, or SSI, benefits. As I've pointed out hundreds of times in this column, SSI is a federal welfare program that SSA runs for the government. But SSI is funded by general tax revenues, not Social Security taxes. I will admit that the SSI program can bring a colorful cast of characters into the waiting rooms of many Social Security offices. They are there because they don't have the luxury of filing for benefits, as you did, from the comfort of home using a computer.

*If you have a Social Security question, Tom Margenau has the answer. Contact him at [thomas.margenau@comcast.net](mailto:thomas.margenau@comcast.net).*



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# Community Calendar

## City Commission meetings

The Pampa City Commission meets at 4 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. The meetings are held on the third floor of City Hall.

## School board meetings

The Pampa Independent School District board meets at 5:45 p.m. on the fourth Monday of each month. Check The Pampa News for meeting locations.

## 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

The Gray County Commission meets at 9

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

## TOT Republican Women's Club

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# Kilgore man charged in shooting of girl

KILGORE (AP) — An East Texas man has been charged with the fatal shooting of a 17-year-old girl while she and some friends were visiting him at his mobile home.

Gregg County jail records show 22-year-old Coby Hudgins of Kilgore was being held Monday on murder and driving while intoxicated charges. Bond was set at \$101,000 for Hudgins, who was booked Sunday.

Kilgore police on Saturday night responded to a report of a person shot at a residence. Investigators say Kayla Elizabeth Williams of Hallsville was dead at the scene. Police did not release a possible motive.

Witnesses told police that Hudgins fled after the gunfire. He was involved in a traffic accident and arrested on a DWI count, then later charged with murder.

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## Harvester cross-country

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The Harvesters had three finish in the top eight. Alex Marrufo finished first of the entire field of runners, Jose Hernandez finished sixth and Nathan Ferguson eighth.

The Lady Harvesters had a strong outing from

Reata Collins, and had five ladies finish in the top 10.

Collins was in second, Alexis Munguia finished fourth, Yesenia Soria in sixth, Shann Regalado in seventh and Madison Young finished it in ninth.



**Alex Marrufo**

The junior high cross-country team competed in Amarillo on Sept. 28.

Finishing first for the girls was Alexandra Galvan at 16:24, second Monique Rosalez at 17:51 and Brenna Barrow at 23:14.



**Reata Collins**

For the boys, finishing first was Oscar Gonzalez at 14:13, second was Xander Karson at 15:00 and Nahum Nunez at 15:39 and fourth David Soria at 17:16.



JV Boys			
	Calkins, Tommy	3	1:06:00
Varsity Girls			
	Collins, Reata	2	12:14
	Munguia, Alexis	4	13:14
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Varsity Boys			
	Marrufo, Alex	1	17:19
	Hernandez, Jose	6	18:44
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## Manning tops Romo, Cowboys in wild 51-48 shootout

ARLINGTON (AP) — Peyton Manning had to make sure Tony Romo wasn't the last man with the ball in his hands. The Denver quarterback did it by keeping the Broncos out of the end zone in

the final moments of the second-highest scoring game since the NFL-AFL merger. Manning maintained his record pace for touchdown passes, then milked the clock for a game-ending

field goal after an interception by Romo spoiled the first 500-yard game in Dallas history, and the Broncos stayed unbeaten with a 51-48 victory Sunday. Matt Prater's 28-yard

kick for the Broncos' 16th straight regular-season win came after linebacker Danny Trevathan's diving interception at the Dallas 24 with Romo trying to direct a third go-ahead score in the fourth quarter.

### Here are my likes and gripes from this weekend in sports:

**Likes:**  
 • **Tony Romo** — All right Romo haters, I know he choked at the end of the 51-48 loss. But Tony Romo outplayed Broncos quarterback Peyton Manning. Romo was 25/36 for 506 yards and five touchdowns. Numbers don't lie. Tony

Romo is having his best season thus far. Yes the Cowboys are 2-3, but there is so much parity in the NFL and it is so hard to win games.

But the defense is being torched week-in and week-out, that's the blame for the 2-3 record. For the record on the interception, Romo's foot was kicked during the throwing motion.

• **Tiger Woods** — Tiger

Woods and the U.S. won the President's Cup for the fifth year in a row. Woods is showing to have finally moved on with his life since his distractions a couple years ago.

Tiger Woods is great for golf, when he is good, golf is interesting. I don't know what will happen when he and Phil Mickelson leave the sport.

**Gripe:**  
 • **Matt Schaub** — Oh Matt Schaub. What has happened to you? Four straight

games with a pick-six. Houston fans are tired of it and Schaub is getting clobbered by on-lookers. It may be time for the Texans to switch to T.J. Yates, who, during his rookie season, led the Texans to the playoffs during the 2011 season when Schaub was hurt.



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## 'Double Indemnity' a five-star gritty 'film noir' with obvious skill and talent

Directed by the legendary Billy Wilder, "Double Indemnity" (1944) stars Fred MacMurray as Walter Neff, Barbara Stanwyck as the love interest and Edward G. Robinson as an insurance investigator. It cost \$927,262 to make and made \$2.5 million at the box office. The original ending, filmed in an actual gas chamber, wasn't used and burned up \$150,000 of the budget.

The movie starts out (and ends) with Neff, an insurance salesman, bleeding from a bullet hole near his heart and making a recorded confession of how he fell for a woman who used him to write a fraudulent insurance policy on her husband and then how he and she killed the man for the payout. The majority of the movie is told as a series of flashbacks with an occasional flash forward to reinforce Neff's role as narrator. Although we know the what-happened we don't



**SPIKE HARVILLE**

novella written by James M. Cain and adapted for the screen by Billy Wilder and famous ex-detective-turned-crime writer Raymond Chandler. That novella was based on the real life adulteress and murderess Ruth Snyder of Queens, N.Y., who in 1927 took out a life insurance policy on her husband with a double indemnity clause that paid twice the listed payout if her husband suffered a violent death. Then, with the help of her boyfriend, she violently killed her husband in order to collect.

The movie is a study in hard-edged stylized black

know the how-it-happened, or why the scheme fell apart, which is the crux of the story.

The movie was based on a 1935 crime

and white camera-work and is told in narrative, both of which are solid "film noir" devices. The movie is considered by many to be a high watermark for American film noir, setting the standard for all that followed. "Double Indemnity" was nominated for seven Academy Awards but won zero.

It was selected for preservation in the National Film Registry by the U.S. Library of Congress in 1992 and in 1998 it was ranked No. 38 on the American Film Institute's list of the 100 best American films of the 20th Century. It appears in many "Top 100" movie lists (but not mine).

I asked 10 filmmaker friends and actors to rate the movie on the five-star scale. I asked the same of another group of ten, made up of normal people, family and friends. The filmmakers were obviously enamored with the skill of the cinematographers, craft

of the actors and vision of the director. They spoke of the groundbreaking plot and subject matter, of the career risk that Stanwyck took by portraying a black-widow type when at the time she was the highest paid actress in America and had made her career doing fluff-kitten roles. At this time Fred MacMurray was the fourth-highest paid American actor. My filmy friends used words like "paradigmatic" and "defining" then gave the film five stars.

Most of the regular people who watched the film used terms like "gritty," "stylized" and "edgy" then averaged it at four and a half stars, with the lone dissenting vote saying, "That was a wasted 107 minutes of my life."

Although "film noir" translates into "black film," roughly meaning "dark content and dark intentions," when I hear the term I think, "end's wrong," "tragic losers"

and "wasted evening." I can be miserable all on my own; I don't need the help of a movie to do that.

"Double Indemnity" was praised by critics and loved by audiences when released, and judging by my friends, it still is today. With a nod to the obvious skill and talent that went into it, I barely

give "Double Indemnity" three stars.

Please go to my blog and let me know what you think about "Double Indemnity."

*I'm an actor, writer and filmmaker. My name is Dan Harville but, my friends call me Spike. Please visit my blog www.MyFriendsCallMeSpike.com and follow me on Twitter @SpikeHarville*

## Review: Miley Cyrus' new album shows promise

(AP)—For all the antics that Miley Cyrus has demonstrated in the last few months — the wardrobe selections (or lack thereof), the outrageous quotes, the awkward twerking and the rest of her wild child behavior — she could easily grab attention if she did one thing: let her music speak for itself.

Cyrus' "Bangerz," her fourth album, is a collection that marks the 20-year-old's musical breakthrough. The former "Hannah Montana" star kicks off the 13-track set with "Adore You," a downbeat song about love. Other tracks that follow with that energy — "Wrecking Ball," "My Darlin'" and "Somewhere Else" — capture a more mature, nuanced side of Cyrus that we haven't seen much of — and that's a welcome change. When

she explores the different emotions of her character and doesn't play the caricature that she's become, you're able to appreciate Cyrus as an artist.

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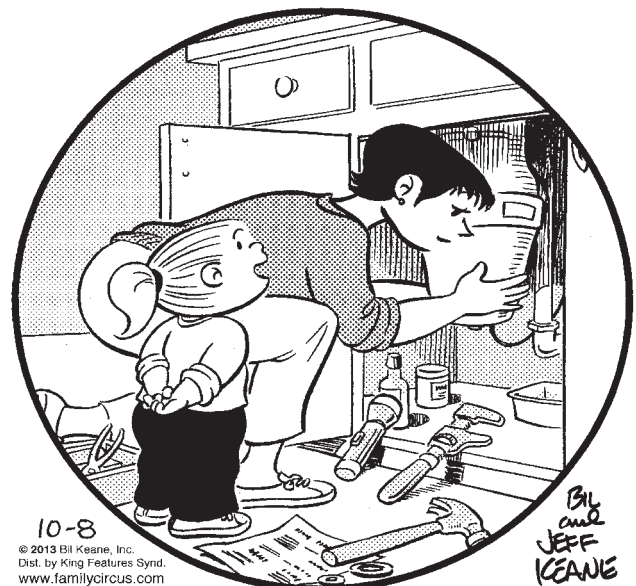
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## daily horoscope

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Wednesday, Oct. 9, 2013:  
This year a partner or close loved one can be very unpredictable. At first you might be annoyed, but later you could find these unexpected episodes to be exciting and even instrumental in preventing boredom. If you are single, you might not be able to stabilize a relationship in the way you would like to, as this element of surprise also affects your bonds this year. If you are attached, once you get used to your sweetie embracing more spontaneity, you could find your relationship to be quite fun. Be open to change. **SAGITTARIUS** ignites your imagination.  
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)  
★★★★ Make it a point to draw from nontraditional sources when brainstorming with others or when launching a new project. You will be amazed by the difference it makes and by what occurs when you tap into your imagination. Tonight: Go along with someone's offbeat plans.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)  
★★★★ Deal with others on an individual level, even if you are uncomfortable with the end results. Honor a change from within, and recognize when you need to back off and allow others to have more say. You know what is workable for you. Tonight: Share news with a favorite person.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)  
★★★★ You'll want to move on and head in a new direction, but you could be slammed by incoming calls, questions and people showing up at your door. Handle priorities first. Relax, and don't push so hard to follow through on what you want. Tonight: Where the action is.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)  
★★★★ You might wonder what it's best to do under the present circumstances. You could feel as if a key person has been deceptive or unstable because of his or her switching directions out of the blue. Keep your feelings to yourself. Tonight: Get some extra R and R.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)  
★★★★ You could be unusually energized and delighted by a suggestion that triggers your mind to come up with even more ideas. Someone you consider to be a trustworthy expert might be acting a bit flaky. Say little and observe more in the next few months. Tonight:

Time for midweek fun.  
**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)  
★★★★ Others often expect a lot from you, regardless of whether you are willing to give them what they want. You will step up to the plate because you know you can make a difference. Loved ones will support you in a venture. Tonight: Don't worry so much about your finances.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)  
★★★★ Realize what is happening between you and a relative or neighbor, as a new sense of compatibility seems to emerge. You will laugh, go with the moment and finally seem to work well together. Tonight: Get out and about, and take an overdue break from the workweek.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)  
★★★★ Being concerned about your funds makes sense, especially since you have little control over a work situation. Be smart, and avoid taking any unnecessary risks; your instincts will guide you. Listen to them, and you will be just fine. Tonight: Fun does not need to break the bank.

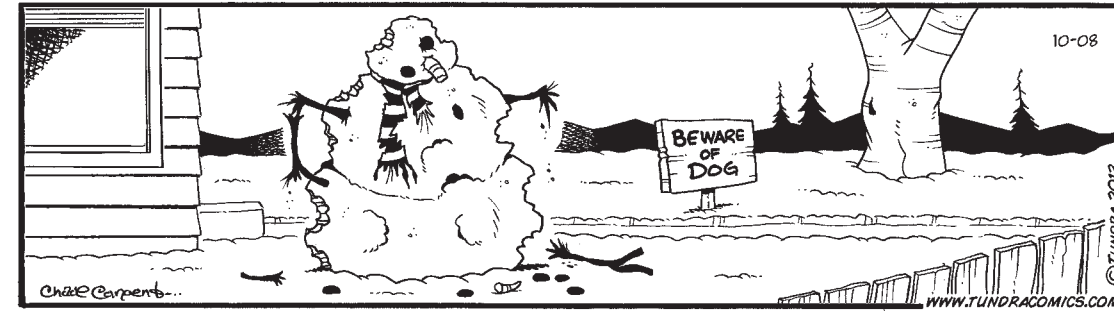
**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)  
★★★★ A surprise from a child or new friend will encourage you to put on your thinking cap in order to make the right decisions. Trust your sixth sense, and you will know which direction to head in. Open up and share more of your feelings. Tonight: Whatever knocks your socks off.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)  
★★★★ Remain sensitive to what is taking place in the moment, and you will understand what needs to happen. In order to accomplish what you want, prioritize your to-do list. It might be best to ignore other seemingly trivial matters. Tonight: Get some extra zzz's

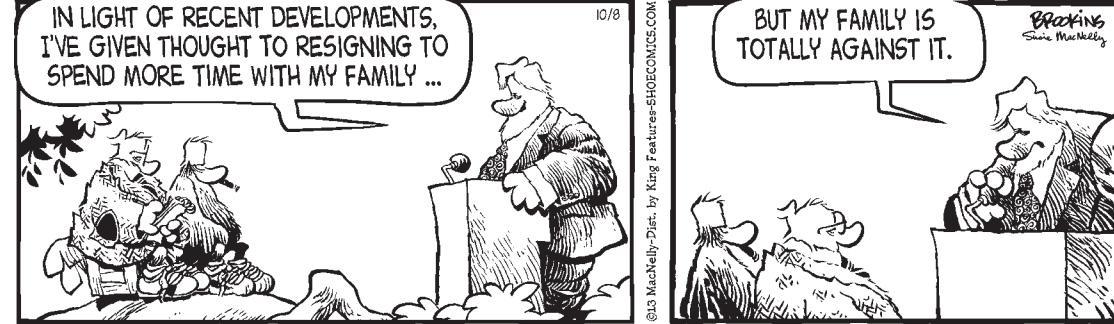
**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)  
★★★★ You might want to take off ASAP. If you can, make arrangements to do that -- you need a break! Ask a friend or loved one to join you. You are likely to find that getting away from your daily routine will restore your energy. Tonight: Only where you want to be.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)  
★★★★ You could be pushing yourself too hard. Understand what needs to happen with a boss or someone you look up to, but know that it might be nearly impossible to change his or her mind. Take your time with a situation, rather than jump right into it. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

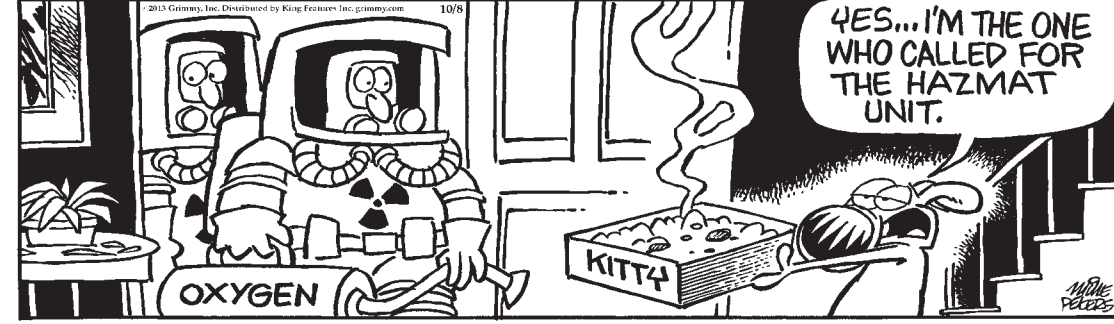
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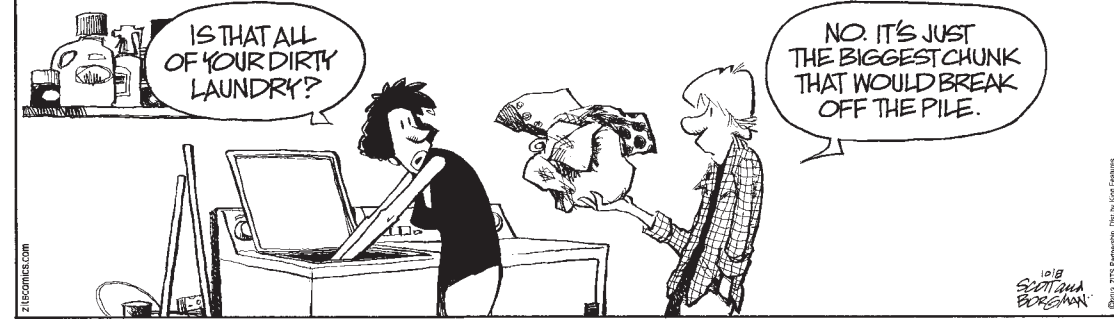
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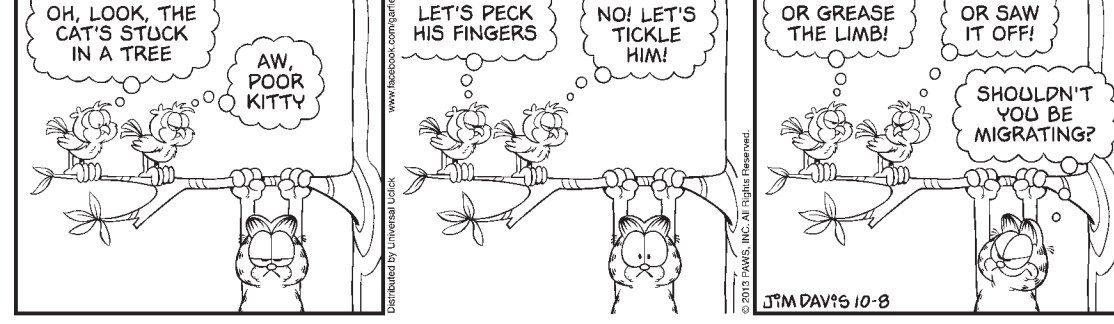
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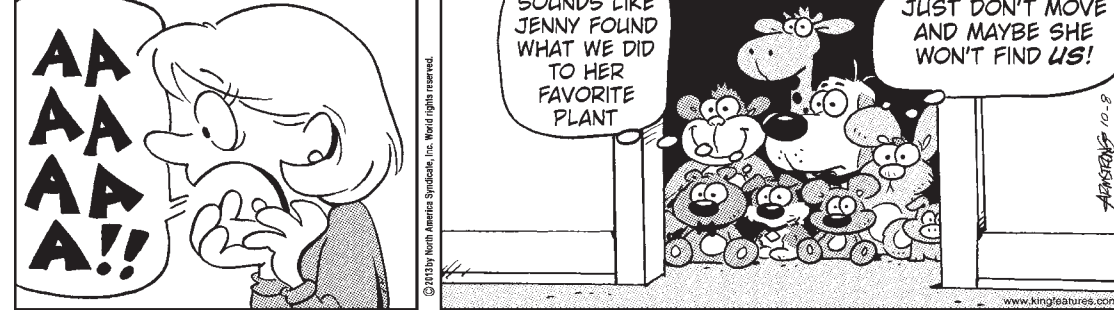
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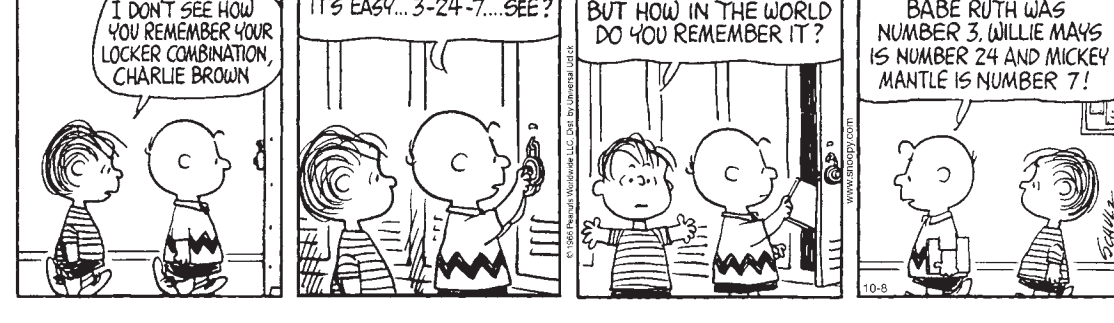
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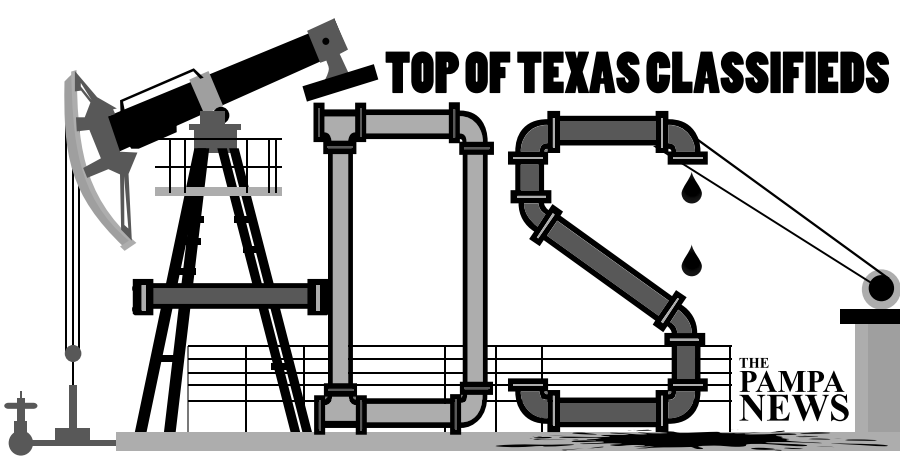


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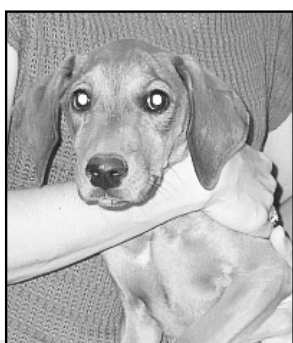
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# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

**DEAR ABBY:** My husband and I go out to dinner once a month with a couple we have known for years. "Joe" is an active conversationalist, while my husband is fairly quiet.

The problem is Joe addresses only me and stares at me throughout the meal. I think it's just a bad habit he has acquired. To no avail I have tried various seating arrangements to avoid the constant stare. It makes me very uncomfortable. I feel bad for my husband, who is totally ignored, but doesn't seem to care as long as the food is good!

How do I get Joe to include my husband in the conversation and rest his gaze elsewhere? I would never say anything to "Mrs. Joe" about it because I don't want to make her uncomfortable, too. I really want to continue the friendship and the socializing, but I'd like to feel more relaxed at the din-

ner table. Any suggestions? — **DISTRESSED DINER**

**DEAR DISTRESSED:** You are not helpless. The next time Joe directs his comments and questions only to you, toss the verbal ball to your husband and say, "Honey, what do YOU think about that?" It will give him an opening to enter the conversation.

As for the staring, Joe may not be aware of what he's doing. You could bring it to his attention by simply saying: "You keep looking at me, Joe. Do I have food in my teeth? Is my lipstick smeared?" Then haul out a compact and make a show of checking for yourself. It may help to curb his discomfiting habit.

**DEAR ABBY:** I'm single and have grown children. I know I am not going to live forever, and I want to make

sure I am not a burden to them even after death. I have a will and no bills beyond my house and normal living expenses. What else do I need to do to make sure everything is taken care of when I'm gone? — **PREPARING IN ADVANCE**

**DEAR PREPARING:** Do you have an advance directive for health care in case you become so ill before your death that you can't speak for yourself? Do you have at least one health care advocate who will ensure your wishes are carried out? Do you have a cemetery plot selected and paid for, so your children won't have to do it? How about money set aside for your funeral or memorial?

If the answer to each of these questions is yes, all you need to do is make certain your children are aware of it. If not, then get busy!

**DEAR ABBY:** I'm 14 and in the eighth grade. Some of my friends have problems with body odor. It makes it hard for me to be around them. They are all nice people, but some-

times I can't breathe when I'm near them.

Some of my other friends say I should tell them, but I'm not sure how without hurting their feelings. The odor ranges from breath to body. Abby, they are known throughout our school for being "the smelly ones." How do I tell them without offending them? — **BREATHLESS IN BEACHWOOD, OHIO**

**DEAR BREATHLESS:** I agree that telling people they have bad breath or body odor can be embarrassing. But to do so is not hurtful; in fact, it is doing the person a huge favor. The way to do it is **PRIVATELY**. This is important because your friends are probably not aware that they have a problem or have been causing one.

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AXYDLBAAXR  
is LONGFELLOW

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

**10-8 CRYPTOQUOTE**

Q J J T I O T Q A U V C  
H J A U R L X J A U S F U X P U V H U  
G V T U S F U X P U V H U H J A U R  
L X J A M G T I O T Q A U V C .  
— L X U T M X J J Z R

**Yesterday's Cryptoquote:** IT'S SAD WHEN SOMEONE YOU KNOW BECOMES SOMEONE YOU KNEW. — HENRY ROLLINS

## BANANAGRAMS!

For each of the words below, replace one letter with the tile after the plus sign. Then rearrange the letters to spell a type of shape.

**LEVEL**

PESTER + H  
NOTED + U  
OMEN + C  
LITHE + X

Yesterday's Answer: HABITUAL, SPACEMAN, ALACRITY, CONTAGIA

## BANANAGRAMS!

Use the 15 tiles in this bunch to create words that fit into the grids below. The BANANA BITES provide hints. Reuse the tiles for each grid.

A D N E T D A E  
B E E O Y E V E

**BANANA BITE:** One word is a kind of insect.

**BANANA BITE:** One word is a kind of shirt.

Yesterday's Answer: SPHERE, DONUT, CONE, HELIX

## SUDOKU

Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

9	8	5	7	1	6	2	4	3
7	4	2	3	8	9	1	5	6
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Level: Beginner

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Level: Beginner

## CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
- 40 Baseball card no.
  - 1 Plant part
  - 5 Like cupcakes
  - 9 First Lady before Michelle
  - 10 Thesaurus author
  - 12 Top floor
  - 13 Seeing red
  - 14 Painter's motion
  - 16 Wee bite
  - 17 Verve
  - 18 Tried hard
  - 21 Stimp's pal
  - 22 Fall guy
  - 23 "Keen!"
  - 24 Fra-grances
  - 26 Rented out
  - 29 Walked with purpose
  - 30 Capitol top
  - 31 Mine rock
  - 32 Flashing light
  - 34 Obama's veep
  - 37 Roused from slumber
  - 38 Chapel topper
  - 39 Tusk material
- DOWN**
- 1 Baby's toy
  - 2 Beat at the track
  - 3 Hunter in the stars
  - 4 Carpet fastener
  - 5 Writer Levin
  - 6 Swindle
  - 7 Seasonal drink
  - 8 Infer
  - 9 Focused beam
  - 11 Sort
  - 15 Fancy homes
  - 19 Young ones
  - 20 Aussie hopper
  - 22 Dispatch
  - 23 "The Matrix" hero
  - 24 Disrobes
  - 25 College unit
  - 26 Watch
  - 27 Glowing coals
  - 28 Miniature
  - 29 Weeps
  - 30 Took the wheel
  - 33 Ninny
  - 35 Memorable time
  - 36 Volleyball need

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**Saturday's answer**

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10-7

## CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
- 1 Sun-powered
  - 6 Get smart
  - 11 Nimble
  - 12 Snow house
  - 13 Marking for deletion
  - 15 Writer Follett
  - 16 Gear tooth
  - 17 Golf peg
  - 18 23-Across dial
  - 20 In the know
  - 23 AM/FM apparatus
  - 27 Tiny opening
  - 28 Sky-scraping
  - 29 Wendy's friend
  - 31 Panache
  - 32 Lathered up
  - 34 Toward the stern
  - 37 Pub drink
  - 38 Oxygen, for one
  - 41 Disgusting
  - 44 Worry
  - 45 "The same"
  - 46 Puts away
  - 47 Prying sort
- DOWN**
- 1 Fire
  - 2 Shrek, for one
  - 3 Simba, for one
  - 4 Green and Gore
  - 5 Save
  - 6 Hang around
  - 7 Mayo ingredient
  - 8 Heaps
  - 9 Dissolute fellow
  - 10 Jot down
  - 14 Charged particle
  - 18 Grove makeup
  - 19 Tattered
  - 20 Phone download
  - 21 Misery
  - 22 Museum focus
  - 24 Week part
  - 25 Under the weather
  - 26 Flamenco cry
  - 30 Sunday entrees
  - 31 Shells out
  - 33 Boxing legend
  - 34 A long time
  - 35 College brotherhood
  - 36 Dorothy's dog
  - 38 Attend
  - 39 Road sight
  - 40 Halt
  - 42 Carpenter's tool
  - 43 Collins base

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## PAMPA LADY HARVESTERS OUTLAST BORGER, NOW 3-0 IN DISTRICT 1-3A PLAY



Photos by Butch Noble

The Pampa Lady Harvesters took on rival Borger Lady Dawgs in volleyball action over the weekend. The Lady Harvesters won after falling behind 2-0 in consecutive sets. They Lady Harvesters won their last three sets to go undefeated in district play. The scores from the wins were 13-25, 17-25, 25-23, 25-18 and 15-11, Pampa in five sets. Above left, (6) Allison Noble and (7) Madison Joyce defend the net. Above right, (14) McKinley Hancox makes a serve. Below, (5) Britney Gonzales makes a serve. The Lady Harvesters take the courts tonight at McNeely Field House at 5 p.m. against Dalhart.



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### Schaub throws 3 INTs, Texans lose 34-3 to 49ers

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Matt Schaub and the Houston Texans have hit “rock bottom,” and coach Gary Kubiak believes the quarterback who helped put them there can bring them back.

At least for now. Schaub threw three interceptions, including one returned for a touchdown for the fourth straight game, and the San Francisco 49ers trounced the Texans 34-3 on Sunday night to hand Houston its third straight loss.

“It’s a broken record right now,” Kubiak said. “It looked the same. Hopefully, that’s rock bottom.”

The 49ers turned a prime-time showdown into an all-out pick party at The Stick. Tramaine Brock jumped in front of Schaub’s first pass of the night for an interception, running 18 yards for a touchdown just 90 seconds into the game to set the tone for San Francisco’s stellar defensive effort.

Things only got better for Brock and San Francisco, and worse for Houston’s beleaguered quarterback. Schaub was replaced by T.J. Yates in the fourth quarter, but Kubiak said Schaub would remain his starting quarterback.

“As a team, we need to get better and get better fast. And that’s myself included, most importantly,” Schaub said. “We’ve worked too hard, and I’ve worked too hard since I’ve walked in this building, for it to come to this right now. I’m better than I’m playing and our team’s better than we’re playing right now. We need to all correct it very fast.”

Schaub finished 19 of 35 for 173 yards passing and a sack. The horrendous showing came a week after a 23-20 overtime loss at home to Seattle when he threw an interception for a touchdown in the fourth quarter.



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