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# Federal shutdown not to affect PISD's Head Start

District's nutrition program, however, could feel the fiscal pinch.

> By TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE thowsare@thepampanews.com

Little by little, the trickle-down effect of the federal government's partial shutdown is hitting Americans where they live and work as government-operated facilities like Pantex are being shuttered and death benefits to the families of military service members killed overseas are being withheld from survivors.

Recently, news came out that Head figure out how they will keep the lights Start, the government-financed program that provides meals, medical screenings and preschool training for nearly a million children from low-income families, has been facing severe shortages because of the stalemate over federal funding in Washington. Programs serving about 7,200 children were awaiting grants that would normally have been issued Oct. 1.

In the Pampa Independent School District, 216 preschoolers are enrolled in Head Start at Lamar Elementary School.

While many Head Start programs across America may be scrambling to on, the shutdown should not affect PISD's program because its grant-funding cycle started on July 1.
"We have access to draw down those

funds through June 30 (2014)," Karla Weatherly from Region 16 Education Service Center wrote in an email to PISD and other districts in her region. "So we should not notice any change

for our program except we may not be able to contact our program specialist, Paul McSpadden in Dallas, who is not working until this is resolved."

Weatherly said only programs whose funding starts Oct. 1 will have an issue.

The district's federally supported nutrition program, however, which provides free or reduced-cost lunches and/ or breakfasts to 2,100 students may take a hit if the federal budget conundrum is not soon resolved.

Funding for the nutrition program comes for the U.S. Department of Agriculture and is dispersed by the Texas Department of Agriculture.

'We have been told there will be enough money for September 2013 and through most of October," said Debbie Middleton, director of PISD's Child Nutrition Department and Custodian

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### LITTLE SCHOOL ON THE PRAIRIE









Photos by Timothy P. Howsare

Clockwise from top left, Marianne Hebard, fifth- and sixth-grade teacher, works with fifth graders on their advanced reading. In the background sixth graders work on the computers. Superintendent Bryan Hanna explains the recent renovation to the school's original building, which was constructed in the 1920s. The carpeting and the drop ceiling were torn out and the hardwood floor and ornate metal ceiling were restored to their original splendor. Hanna stands in front of the old building, which is now a wing on the new structure that opened in 2000. Hanna is greeted (or pestered) by the friendly female boxer that lives down the road and is owned by one of the district's board members. First and second graders learn together in one classroom with the same teacher.

■ Grandview-Hopkins Elementary offers small classrooms with advanced technologies.

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You will never see Grandview-Hopkins Indepen-

dent School District mentioned in the sports pages of The Pampa News or any other newspaper. But that doesn't bother school superintendent Bry-

an Hanna, because the entire district consists of only one elementary school with 46 students. You're not

gonna find any kids big enough to play varsity. The school with roots dating back to the 1920s is located 16 miles south of Pampa off State Highway 70. You will know you are getting close when you see a tall grain elevator on the right. After making the right turn onto State Highway 293, you will pass by a few cow pastures and hay fields before reaching

Just because the school's location is about as rural as it can get, don't assume it lags behind larger schools in what it provides for its students.

'When people come to visit they are very surprised by what they see, especially since we are out in the middle of no where," Hanna said.

Hanna explained that the district's tax base per pu-

pil places it in a Chapter 41 or wealthy status.

"About 85 percent of our assessments come from gas and oil," he said. "We are a 'Robin Hood district' and give money back to the state." The school has only four classrooms with first and

second grade combined, third and fourth combined, fifth and sixth combined into single classrooms with the same teacher. Kindergarten has its own classroom. When Hanna started as superintendent five years

ago, the kindergarten kids were in the same room with the first and second graders. Hanna, however, was not favorable to that set up.

Hanna said he likes to limit the grade sizes to seven students each, but occasionally will accept as many

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### **BMX** across Texas

Former Pampan rides 300 miles from Decatur to Pampa to honor his late father.

BY TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE

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Former Pampa resident Mickey Miller II and his father, also named Mickey, shared a love for bicycles, especially BMX bikes.

The elder Mickey, who died in 2010, road a bicycle pretty much everywhere he went, Miller said.

"For years and years my dad lived in Austin and didn't have a car," Miller said. "He pulled everything with a trailer."

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Mickey Miller II taking a roadside break during his 300-mile cycling trip from Decatur to Pampa.

## Act of kindness impacts homeless

By LINDSEY TOMASCHIK

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Quintana

Yvette Quintana was intrigued when she found out that a friend in Amarillo, Amy Lewis, started collecting and donating clothes, food, and pet necessities for homeless folks in the area. Lewis, who runs a pet organization, started off collecting items for animals and said that many of the people she helps say that their pets give meaning to their **ACT** cont. on page 2



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### REACHING FOR THE GOAL



Photo by Timothy P. Howsare Brad Morse, left, 2013 campaign chair for the Pampa United Way, announced during a "check in" lunch Thursday the Pampa chapter has raised \$102,500 so far. The campaign is now within 31 percent of its goal of \$337,000. "I am happy with that amount for the first check in," Morse said. With Morse is Loyd Waters, United Way president. The United Way has a "haunted run" scheduled for Oct. 29. Runners and walkers can sign up by downloading a form from The Pampa News website. The United Way is looking for volunteers to help with the event. If you've always wanted to dress up as a ghost, vampire or zombie and scare people, now is your

### Act

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Since starting out, Lewis has expanded her donations to clothes and nonperishable foods. It all started off with a random donation of about five or six big bags of clothes, and it has become routine.

Upon hearing about what Lewis was doing to help these people, Quintana decided to lend a hand and has been collecting clothing and nonperishables. Within the first two weeks of collecting items, Quintana was

able to donate more than 30 to help out. large bags of clothes to those status to her Facebook page. The first trip, Quintana had enough donated items to fill a large enclosed trailer.

"It just feels good to be able more joy than treating myself," Quintana said when asked why she started collecting and donating items. Jordan Unit and said that on the streets easier. many of the items she has collected are from coworkappreciative of the generous imru\_qt@yahoo.com. people of Pampa for wanting

Quintana plans to conliving on the streets in the tinue to make trips and take area after posting a single donated items through the winter. She would like to start taking items in order to better prepare those living on the streets for the colder weather starting to head our to do for others. It brings me way. Along with clothes, Quintana encourages those interested in donating items to consider giving blankets and pillows or any other She is a prison guard at the items that would make life

If you are interested in donating items or helping out ers. She was shocked at the with collecting and donatoverwhelming response she ing, call Quintana at 806got from one post, and she is 440-3740 or email her at

### **PISD**

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Services.

Federal funds for the latter part of this month are still undetermined, and, beginning Nov. 1 there will be no money at all unless the budget issue is resolved, Middleton said.

Middleton said district officials later this month will discuss a plan of action for the nutrition program if Congress does not vote on a budget.

"I hope they come to a resolution soon," she said.







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### **BMX**

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Miller now lives in Dallas where he works as an archaeologist.

Recently, Miller made a 300-mile trek on a BMX bike from Decatur, a city near Dallas, to Pampa. He stayed with his grandmother in Pampa, Faye Dean. His aunt, Linda Clemmons, from Lefors, contacted The Pampa News about her nephew's bold BMX journey. Miller's uncle Billy Joe Green was a longtime Pampa News employee.

One of Miller's buddies from Dallas, Ray Lozano, followed him with a truck.

"I did it to honor my fa- an issue for him. ther," Miller said. "Bicycling was a lifelong passion for us 133 mile ride the first day and there is no time that I feel and I can average 17 mph or closer to him than when I almost that for shorter rides," ride. I've contemplated it for years and finally things fell into place for me to be able to do it this year."

chance. For more information, call Jana Gregory at 806-669-1001.

He continued: "It was an experience of a lifetime and and proper frame geometry I wouldn't trade it for anything. We ride these kind of bikes (BMX) because they're safer, more of a challenge for early '80s to mid '90s are long distances and we like better for this type of riding to do some tricks along the way!"

Both Miller and late father like to "surf," which is stand- Harry Leary Turbos." ing on the pedals and striking a cool "surfer dude" pose.

fer the advantage of greater Additionally, he makes pre-

"I averaged 15 mph for the he said. "That being said, the BMX bike has to be set up correctly to make it efficient for this type of riding. I have 120 psi tires, proper gearing which make this much more feasible.

"The BMX bikes from the ride, but may do the same due to frame geometry. The bikes that I rode on this ride are both 1984 Diamond Back

Miller is a degreed archaeologist who works on cul-Though road bikes of- tural resource management. speed, Miller said that's not historic weapon replicas such

as bows, arrows and spears for universities, museums and individuals.

"My start in my archaeological interest began with my first bone and rock collection at my grandmother's house (Jessie Carlile) at the Kingsmill Camp outside of Pampa," he said. Miller said Thursday he

has no immediate plans for

another mega-distance BMX

ride again someday, pulling a trailer instead of having someone follow him. His first long-distance ride was in 1984 when he and two

other bikers rode 500 miles. Miller's BMX expedition from Decatur to Pampa can be followed on Twitter at #MickeysBMXRide.





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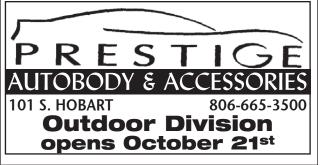
Saturday: Sunny with a high of 72. Winds northeast at 15 mph. Sunrise at 7:48 a.m.

Saturday night: Mostly clear with a low of 48. Winds east at 9 mph. Sunset at 7:12 p.m.

Sunday: Isolated thunderstorms with a high of 71. Chance of rain: 30 percent. Winds southsoutheast at 13 mph. Sunrise at 7:49 a.m.

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### **Obituaries**

### Jim Hanks

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

Memorial services will be at 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 13, 2013, at Trinity Fellowship in Pampa, with his brother, Melford Hanks, officiating. Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley 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 of 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.

The body will lie in state from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Home.

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# States joining forces to scrub voter rolls

SEATTLE (AP) — More potential fraud, there's no the purge of possible non-cate registrants. than half of states are now working in broad alliances lions of problematic regisregistered in multiple states

Poll managers are looking for more states to get involved and say the efforts are necessary because systems are unable to keep up with a society where people frequently move from one state to another. While many of the registration problems are innocent, some election leaders fear the current disorder within the system is inviting trou-"It creates an environ-

secretary of state in Colorado. "It's a precursor to

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doubt about it.'

Half of all states have to scrub voter rolls of mil- now joined a consortium Democrats and voter ad- remove the voters. anchored by the state of vocacy groups had raised trations, identifying people Kansas, compiling their concerns about those ef- gram, states submit their voter registration lists at and tens of thousands of the end of every year to dead voters who linger on assess for matches. That program has grown rapidly since beginning in 2005 in Midwestern states.

Meanwhile, seven states outdated voter registration are coordinating on another project that makes those assessments more frequently - while also checking for deceased voters.

The efforts are already finding massive numbers of outdated or problematic registrations. This year, the Kansas project identified some 5 million potenment where there could be tial duplicate registrations more problems," said Scott across 22 states and also voted in multiple states, according to officials. The newer project — known as the Electronic Registra-identified hundreds of

thousands of other registrawho were dead.

tified more than a dozen ers. people who voted in Kan-Kansas Republican Secredouble-voting.

Both data-matching prior to the 2012 election, procedures. when Republicans pre-

citizens from rolls and the and counties then work to passage of voter ID laws. verify the information and forts, questioning whether they would prevent legiti- driver's license informamate voters from casting a tion to a data center in Wis-

"The states that are on an agreement between four board are all very much the Social Security Death working as a partnership,' said Scott Gilles, Nevada's deputy secretary of elec- employee of the ERIC tions under Democratic program — funded by fees Secretary of State Ross paid by the member states with advanced algorithms Miller. Nevada has been one of the early participants in the ERIC program and also recently joined the Kansas project.

Wendy Weiser, who monthe Brennan Center for Justice at New York University's School of Law, cautioned that election leaders Gessler, the Republican identified some people who need to be careful to ensure multiple times in one state. that eligible voters are not getting removed. For one, she said there

can be high error rates tion Information Center since different people share names and birthdates. Kobach estimated that the more powerful identifications that need updating, Kansas program produced tion algorithms. including 23,000 people an error rate of maybe a The larger system iden- be many thousands of vot-

sas and another state, said need to be careful about what they do with potential tary of State Kris Kobach, duplicates. She said votand those identifications ers should be notified and could lead to prosecution. provided time to correct er-He said the expansion of rors. If there's no response, the checks and awareness the voter should be placed of the program will hope- on inactive status for two

programs are bipartisan. the matching programs leaders to make sure every That's different than just said those are the standard

Under the Kansas prodominantly led efforts they gram, officials produce commitment to access and portrayed as issues of elec-reports identifying people a commitment to accuration integrity, including who appear to be dupli- cy," Wyman said.

Under the ERIC pro-

voter registration lists and

The program also uses Index and national changeof-address records. An runs reports from all that data that states can use.

In addition to deceased people, ERIC reports from this summer identified 93,000 people who are regitors voting rights issues at istered in one state but appear to now live — and are possibly registered — elsewhere, and 14,000 people who appear to be registered

> Washington state officials said they had already being examining the national death index for people to remove. But they said the ERIC system has

The ERIC program parfew percent, which would ticipants also see other potential. By expanding the available data, states Weiser added that states are able to identify large portions of the population that appear to be eligible to vote but are not registered. The states have been sending information to those potential voters with registration details.

Washington state Secrefully deter others from federal elections, Weiser tary of State Kim Wyman, a Republican, said that fits Some of the leaders in with the duties of election eligible voter has the opportunity to participate.

"We really do have a



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# The \$3.5M question

"I don't think \$3.5 million is a heck of a lot of money," Justice An-



**SUSAN ESTRICH** 

tonin Scalia opined during arguments before the Supreme Court about whether there should be limits

on how much money individuals can give to candidates for federal office.

Current law limits the total amount an individual can give to candidates and party committees to \$123,200; of that amount, a maximum of \$48,600 (\$2,600 per candidate) can go directly to those running for federal office.

Shaun McCutcheon brought suit arguing that under the First Amendment he should be allowed to give more — and depending on which side you believe, more might be as much as \$3.5 million per two-

And even though billions get spent in campaigns, that is still a lot of money.

Congress imposed limits on campaign contributions back in 1974, in the wake of Watergate.

The Supreme Court upheld most of those limits on the grounds that allowing unlimited contributions could lead to corruption.

And it most certainly can. As anyone who has held a senior position in a campaign knows, big donations buy influence.

The candidate may or may not switch his position because a big donor asks, but they'll certainly get an audience.

When I was running campaigns, I kept a list of the big donors in my top drawer. I took their calls. I listened.

As Justice Elena Kagan put it, big donors get "a very, very special place at the table.

But here's the problem. In principle, I believe candidates should

not be for sale.

In principle, I believe Congress has a compelling interest in at least trying to limit the corrupting influence of

money in politics. In practice, every campaign is in the loophole business, and thanks to the current Supreme Court, and especially its 2010 decision in Citizens United, which lifted all limits on what corporations and

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> unions can spend, that business has gotten both bigger and easier. In the last cycle, sophisticated donors were able to set up special committees that allowed for unlimited spending — without even disclosing publicly who was behind the spending. While some of these committees, in theory, operated independently of the candidate's campaign, that's a joke, as well.

You don't have to be a rocket scientist to figure out how to help a candidate you support, and, believe me, candidates know about and are grateful for such help.

The saddest part of Tuesday's argument before the court was not that a majority of justices appeared skeptical of the limits, or even that if these aggregate limits are thrown out, the limits on contributing to an individual campaign (the \$2,600 limit) may be the next to go.

No, the saddest part was that absent fundamental change in the constitutional framework — that is, limits on everyone, including all the supposed grassroots and/or independent committees may not matter.

My friend and law partner Kathleen Sullivan has argued for years in favor of disclosure of contributions and spending, rather than trying to impose other limits.

And for years, I've responded that of course disclosure should be required (under the latest loophole, even that has been avoided), but contributor lists are at most a one-day story, and disclosure alone is a license for corruption.

So, my argument went, even ineffective, partial and loopholeridden limitations are better than no limitations at all.

I continue to hope that is true.

But if inadequate regulation is still better than none at all, the fact is that it is not much better.

However the court rules, the political arms race, as journalist Elizabeth Drew described it years ago, is spiraling out of control, and I'm not sure anyone knows how to stop it, at least absent fundamental changes in the court.

To find out more about Susan Estrich and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate website at www.creators.com

# Obama disobeys the law of the land

The Democrats are chanting that Republicans must fully fund Obamacare because it is the law of the land, passed



**PHYLLIS** 

**SCHLAFLY** 

by Congress, signed by the president and upheld by the Supreme Court. Therefore, they say, it must be obeyed and can't be altered by Republicans who want to defund it.

That argument is both wrong and hypocritical. Any federal law can be changed, repealed, amended or defunded by our legislative

branch of government, Congress. The Republican House wants to deal with the controversial huge "continuing resolution" bill in separate pieces, giving the OK to worthwhile federal

spending purposes while leaving others (like Obamacare) without funds. Obama refuses to negotiate and demands a "clean" (blank-check) bill; his position is all or nothing-at-all. Actually, the Supreme Court deci-

sion did not give a "clean" upholding of Obamacare. The Court effectively rewrote the law by allowing states to opt out of Medicaid expansion, and other pieces of Obamacare are still being litigated in federal courts, such as the mandate that employer-required insurance must include objectionable abortifacient drugs.

Obama's hypocrisy about the issue of considering Obamacare in pieces is obvious from the many times he has unilaterally messed with other matters that are clearly the law of the land. He has frequently refused to enforce other laws of the land he doesn't like, and he pretends to legislate laws that Congress declined to pass.

Welfare reform is truly the law of the land; it was passed by Congress in 1996 and signed by President Clinton to "end welfare as we know it". But in violation of the law's explicit language, Obama unilaterally carved out (in effect, repealed) the "work" (or training for work) requirement for persons receiving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).

Obama has even picked pieces out of Obamacare. He gave a one-year deferral of its insurance employer mandate to large employers, and he exempted Congress and government staff from the requirement on individuals to buy compulsory insurance or pay a significant penalty.

Obama's Secretary of Education, Arne Duncan, admits that a federal law of the land prohibits the federal government from interfering with or dictating public school curriculum. But Obama used carrot-and-stick tactics to bribe or threaten a majority of states to adopt Common Core, and Duncan pretends it is OK for the feds to require states to be aligned with federally approved Common Core standards and Common Core tests, which will effectively dictate school curriculum.

The Constitution makes an undiluted grant of power to Congress "to regulate commerce with foreign nations." Obama is trying to co-opt that power for himself by demanding that Congress pass "Fast Track," an enormous unconstitutional shift that would give Obama the authority to write our trade

treaties in secret and then let Congress vote on them under rules that limit Congress's power to debate or amend them, all within in a short preset time period.

All these foreign trade treaties are encrusted with promises about how they will create U.S. jobs.

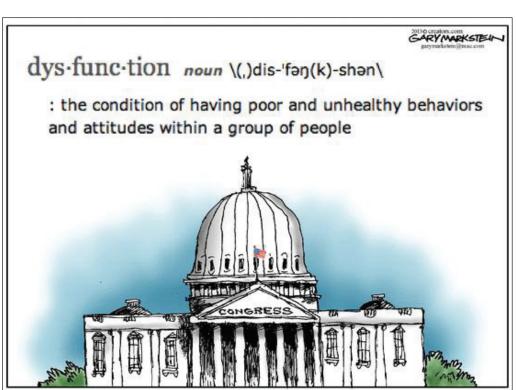
Those are all lies; every single month since Congress accepted the Korea trade agreement in March 2012, our exports to Korea have declined, and the agreement has already cost us 40,000 U.S. jobs. The Constitution starts with the pow-

erful words, "All legislative powers" are vested in Congress, consisting of a Senate and House. Paying no attention to the Constitution, Obama has done his own legislating. Congress declined to pass the Dream

Act, but Obama is legislating it anyway through regulations. In defiance of the law of the land, Obama has allowed millions of aliens to stay and work illegally in the United States.

Congress declined to pass Cap and Trade, but Obama is legislating it anyway through regulations. His regulations are designed to bankrupt coal plants, skyrocket our electricity costs so we can't "keep our homes on 72 degrees," and spend our tax dollars to subsidize inefficient, costly solar and wind energy.

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## Why Wendy Davis won't be governor of Texas

The governorship of Texas is getting like the governorship of New York



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and California: a venue for spotting political trends and up-andcoming national leaders. Which helps explain all

the media oooh-la-la-ing over Wendy Davis' bid to become the next Rick Perry — colored blue instead of red.

Could Texas, under the witching spell of a future Davis administration, turn from gun-toting, businessloving, Bible-quoting conservatism to cuddly, hand-in-someone-else'spocket liberalism?

Well, since you ask no. First, It would take a real — not just a suppositious — Gov. Davis to initiate, far less effect, such a notable change. I'm afraid, boys, that ain't going to happen this go-round. State Sen. Davis, who filibustered her way into liberal media hearts everywhere, trying to block an abortion bill she pronounced too stringent, enjoys slightly better odds of winning the governorship of Texas than might be accorded an armadillo lumbering across an interstate highway during rush hour.

Either Atty. Gen. Greg Abbott or former Texas Workforce Commission Chairman Tom Pauken - both are vying for the Republican gubernatorial nomination — will beat Sen. Davis with minimal trouble. She's a liberal in a conservative state, identified — thanks to the filibuster that made her a candidate — with the cause of keeping abortion restrictions as loose as possible.

Running for the right to run Colorado or Missouri or Rhode Island, Sen. Davis would find the odds against her far less burdensome.

Naturally in any such race, she would face strong competition from the numerous Democrats already implanted there. In Texas — not so much. No other Texas Democrat new style, as distinguished from Democrats of the old Preston Smith-John Connally order, 40 to 50 years ago — appears to covet the job or the effort to obtain it, anyway.

Not even Texas' stultifying liberal press corps appears to give Davis much of a chance — preferring to talk of the coming of the kingdom, when white conservatives (the rascals, the rednecks!) find themselves outnumbered by angry black and Hispanic Democrats. While we wait to see how that plays out, we might consider some of the reasons Sen. Davis is setting herself up for political vacation time.

The largest of those reasons is the state's independent streak — a trait as old as Texas. Texans do not, by and large, take to being instructed as to their obligations to The Larger Good. They prefer figuring out those obligations themselves. They don't disdain governmental help to those in need of it; unlike New Yorkers and Californians, they acknowledge limits — moral as well as economic — to a state's assigning itself the role of permanent caregiver. Unwilling to play such a role, Texas keeps taxation as low as feasible — the better to encourage work and investment.

Sen. Davis would surmount these philosophical roadblocks ... how? Through inflicting Texans with higher taxes and stricter regulations? Could she really bring off such a feat in such a state? The lady aims, apparently, to urge bigger and bigger bucks for Texas' just so-so system of public education: without explaining thus far what she intends to buy with such extra cash as the legislature might grant in new taxes.

Liberalism in the early 21st century defines the

as from too little caring on the part of stingy, unfeeling taxpayers. Liberals want to shake the public money tree, on which they assume cash grows with hardly any help from those who labor with minds and hands In the Age of Obama, talk of redistributing wealth — from selected haves to collective have-

problems of the world as

stemming from too little

tax-payer money, as well

nots — is everywhere. Not at least on account of Obamacare, a redistribution scheme as subtly complex and generoussounding as any, short of the guillotine. Into this feverish milieu comes Wendy Davis, with more ambition than understanding of the processes by which freedom generates work, and work generates prosperity.

The lady is no dummy, having risen from trailer park to this, her present eminence. The political vacation for which she has set herself up may improve her thinking, and her prospects, for the future.

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## House GOP leaders seek short-term debt extension

Boehner told Republican lawmakers Thursday he will give President Barack Obama a proposal extending the government's ability to borrow money through Nov. 22 — but only if he agrees to negotiate over ending the partial government shutdown and a longer-term increase in the debt ceiling.

"It gets us down the road a little bit so they can continue to talk," Rep. Tim Griffin, R-Ark., said after Boehner presented the plan to a closed-door meeting of House Republicans.

Though the GOP proposal could avert an unprecedented federal default that the Obama administration has warned could occur as early as Oct. 17, it would not necessarily bring a quick end to the 10-day partial federal shutdown. Obama has insisted that Congress reopen the government without condition.

said Obama would be willing to negotiate over the budget "once Republicans in Congress act to remove the threat of default and end this harmful government shutdown."

budget battle with Obama.

House Speaker John Fla., said the plan was for approach would have on aren't buying these arguthe House to approve the our economy and financial ments. bill on Friday.

Details of the plan were spoke only on condition of anonymity.

Obama has said he would sign a short-term extension, but not if it contained other language that he opposes, and wants Congress to send him a bill unconditionally ending the partial government shutdown as well. Republicans have said they want deficit reduction and cuts in government programs, including Obama's 2010 health care law, to be included.

Earlier Thursday, Treasury Secretary Jacob Lew warned the Senate Finance Committee that failure to renew the government's ability to borrow money "could be deeply damaging" to financial markets and threaten Americans' jobs and savings. It would A White House official also leave the government unsure of when it could make payments ranging reimbursements to doctors,

> "The United

markets."

confirmed by Griffin and chicken over increasing the they don't get to ignore it." described by aides who debt limit — required so Treasury can borrow more money to pay the government's bills in full and on time — already has sent the stock market south, spiked the interest rate for onemonth Treasury bills and prompted Fidelity Investments, the nation's largest manager of money market mutual funds, to sell federal debt that comes due around the time the nation could hit its borrowing limit.

At the Finance committee hearing, Lew met a buzzsaw of incredulity from Republicans, who said the bigger problem was the soaring costs of benefit programs like Social Security and Medicare and the longterm budget deficits the country faces. Many expressed doubt about Lew's description of the consequences of default.

The senior Republican on the panel, Sen. Orrin from food aid to Medicare Hatch of Utah, accused the Obama administration of "an apparent effort to States whip up uncertainty in the

Rep. Vern Buchanan, R- revocable damage such an erupt. Wyoming families "is not up for debate" and would prefer a long-term

Replied Lew, "After they The game of Washington run up their credit card.

Lew also rejected GOP suggestions that in the event federal borrowing authority expires, the government could use the dwindling cash it has to make payments to debt holders and other high priority needs. He said federal payment systems are not designed to prioritize and said he didn't believe such an approach was technically possible.

"I think prioritization is just a default by another name," Lew said.

He also fended off attempts by the top Republican on the committee, Sen. Orrin Hatch of Utah, and other GOP senators to learn how long a debt limit extension the president would

"Our view is this economy would benefit from more certainty and less brinksmanship. So longer the period of time is, the better for the economy," said Lew, who also repeated Obama's willingness to accept a short-term extension for now.

would not happen.

"We need to reopen the government and pay the nation's bills, no strings attached," said Baucus.

Wednesday featured lots of activity but no progress toward ending the budget and debt limit impasses.

Obama had House Dem-House, while Republican conservatives heard a pitch from the House Budget Committee chairman, Rep. Paul Ryan, R-Wis., on his plan to extend the U.S. borrowing cap for four to six weeks while jump-starting talks on a broader budget deal that could replace cuts to defense and domestic agency budgets with cuts to benefit programs like Medicare and reforms to the loophole-cluttered tax

Curbs to "Obamacare" were not mentioned.

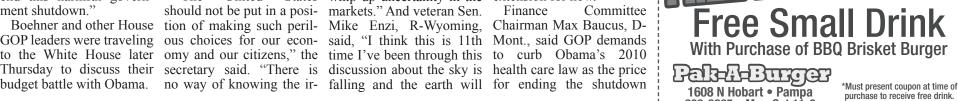
At the White House, Obama told House Democratic loyalists that he still the shutdown.

increase in the nation's \$16.7 trillion borrowing cap but said he's willing to sign a short-term increase to "give Boehner some time to deal with the tea party wing of his party," said Rep. Peter Welch, D-Vt.

midday meeting Wednesday between the ocrats over to the White two top House Republicans and Democrats, meanwhile, yielded no progress.

Obama also invited the entire House GOP to the White House on Thursday but Boehner opted to send a smaller squadron of about 20 mostly senior members

The frustrating standoff in Washington is weighing down each side's poll numbers, but Republicans are taking the worst drubbing. A Gallup poll put the approval rating for the Republican Party at a record-low 28 percent. Polls have consistently said the Republicans deserve the greater share of blame for



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## Former Detroit mayor braces for long sentence

to court Thursday to face what is likely to be one of the longer sentences in recent cases of public cordozen convictions that range from bribery to extortion to tax crimes.

While the city's finances foundered, Kilpatrick was shaking down contractors, ensuring that a pal got millions in city work and turning a nonprofit fund to help struggling Detroiters into a personal slush fund, according to evidence at his five-month trial.

sentence doesn't exceed 15 years.

"He created a 'pay-toplay' system for the provision of city goods and Judge Nancy Edmunds to services, which compromised vast swaths of city government, including the water and sewer system, the convention center, the pension system, casino developments and recreation centers," prosecutors said in a court filing last week. "City government essentially became up for grabs for the right price.'

Kilpatrick, 43, quit office in 2008 because of a different scandal involving sexually explicit text messages and an extramarital affair.

He was forced out while the auto industry was nearing collapse and Detroit's unstable finances were deteriorating even more. The city now is run by a state-appointed emer-

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Former Detroit Mayor Orr, who took Detroit into patrick for the 2006 Super yers made a point that's Kwame Kilpatrick returns Chapter 9 bankruptcy last Bowl and 2005 baseball commonly argued in cases summer as a last-ditch ef- All-Star Game in Detroit, of high-profile criminals: fort to fix billions of dol- as well as 75 new downlars in debt. "Kilpatrick is not the

ruption, the result of two main culprit of the city's barrage of critical, hos- destitute and disgraced," historic bankruptcy, which tile and deprecating comis the result of larger social and economic forces began within about two at work for decades. But years after he took office his corrupt administration has served to obscure nuexacerbated the crisis," prosecutors said.

> Defense attorneys called it a "cheap shot," noting tration," defense attorneys Kilpatrick has been out of said. office for five years.

They want U.S. District or holidays.

town businesses.

"The almost constant mentary in the media that merous and significant accomplishments of Kilpatrick and his adminis-

Agents who pored over "The government's at- bank accounts and credtempt to roll the city of it cards said Kilpatrick Federal prosecutors are Detroit's 2013 bankruptcy spent \$840,000 beyond recommending Kilpatrick filing into the ... case over- his salary during his time serve at least 28 years in simplifies the complex as mayor. His trial attorprison, while defense at- problems that Detroit has ney, James Thomas, tried torneys are hoping the faced for more than five to portray the money as decades," Harold Gure- generous gifts from politiwitz and Margaret Raben cal supporters who opened their wallets for birthdays

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gency manager, Kevyn give some credit to Kil- memo, Kilpatrick's law-Our client already has suffered deeply.

Kilpatrick is "infamous, the attorneys said.

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He turned out to be

"The second year I was

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### **School**

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as eight.

Only a handful of the district's students actually live within its geographic boundaries. Most are bussed in from nearby burgs such as Pampa, Skellytown and White Deer.

The school has two buses – a long one and a short

The long one is driven by a retired postal worker who like teaching older elemen-lesson is finished. lives in Pampa. He parks tary kids, but it's different the bus at his house and picks his Pampa students up behind First Baptist Church.

by a teacher aide who lives in Skellytown. She, too, parks the bus at her house.

Hanna said the small classrooms with lots of one-on-one with the instructors appeals to paris a waiting list to get into the school.

"I do some radio advertising for enrollment in head projector. August but like to cap the

enrollment at 50 students," so teachers can stream vid- school, which opened in he said.

A picture of students and staff at Grandview School during the 1930s.

After finishing sixth grade, most students move their respective communities, he said.

Fifth and sixth grade head projectors. teacher Maranne He-Grandview-Hopkins seven years.

"I love it here," said Hebard, who has taught for 20 ink on the board. years, mostly in her home state of California.

she's taught at. being with one big family. The kids are very respect-

care of the younger ones holding their hands when by the classroom teachers. we go on field trips." ents. Consequently, there a "smart board," which generally can be described as a super high-tech com-

The smart boards are each

bined blackboard and over-

eos or call up web pages on the big screen.

on to junior high schools in book page for view underneath a projector, just like in the old days of the over-

Or, they can write on the bard has been teaching at smart boards with "virtual for markers" that can write in whatever color is chosen

Of course, there are "vir-Hebard didn't think she'd boards after a particular

Hanna said later this year Grandview-Hopkins a second T1 line will be from the California schools added to increase bandwidth, which sometimes "The kids are really nice lags if more than one class-The short bus is driven here," she said. "It's like room is streaming content marked with holes, were at once.

The school does have ful and the older kids take P.E., art and music, but those subjects are taught

Once a month a nurse All four classrooms have visits to make sure medical records are up to date and once a month a librarian visits to make sure evschool's small library.

The new wing of the workers.

with soundproof walls so that is now Grandview-Teachers can place a other students in the build- Hopkins. ing won't hear the noise.

> tached to the original thought he might be workschool, which was built in ing at the smallest district second smallest district in the 1920s. From the exte- in the state. rior, the old and new blend seamlessly.

On the inside, however, but don't leave a speck of the old wing stands out as a bit special.

Photos of students from tual erasers" to clean up the each class year hang on the walls, and the carpeting was ripped out during a recent renovation and the old hardwood was refinished to its original beauty.

The drop ceilings, which Hanna said were pocktorn down and the original ornamental metal painted to a soft white.

Grandview-Hopkins was once two school districts that merged in the 1973-74 school year.

Hopkins School was located in Bowers City and was supported by Phillips erything is in order at the 66 to provide instruction to the children of its oil field

Grandview School was 2000, has a spacious gym located in the same place wrong here I got a call from the

When Hanna first came state asking for enroll-The new building is at- to Grandview-Hopkins, he ment numbers," he said.

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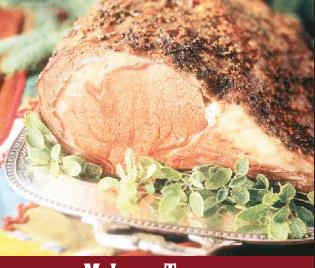
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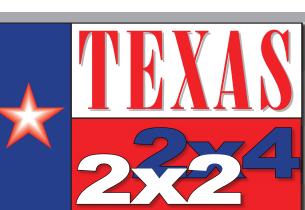
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### Harvesters open district with hopes of putting down Perryton resurgence

Rangers coming off first win of season over Lubbock.

By JOHN LEE

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The San Francisco 49ers represent the NFC in the Super Bowl last season off of a strong run-game and dual-threat quarterback. Tonight in Perryton, the Pampa Harvesters will be facing the Perryton Rangers (1-5), who thumped the Lubbock Westerners (1-4) last Friday 49-19.

After a loss to the Canadian Wildcats (5-1), Pampa Harvesters (0-6) head coach Heath Parker alluded to the fact that Perryton "has a passing attack that showcases the run." The numbers back up that claim

Golf Tips of the Week

Dustin Johnson is barely 190 pounds, yet is one of

the longest drivers on Tour. Longer, in fact,

than many Profession-

als who are 20 or more

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on Tour, yet how many

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faster through impact as your hands and forearms

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ated with speed.

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holes, your core and leg muscles become tired,

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for the Rangers.

weapon in Jake Whittenburg, who has 120 carries 254 yards and three touchdowns. The other two receivers, Garret Good and Ragan Watson, have 31 catches for 467 yards and six touchdowns, and 23 catches for 401 yards and three touchdowns respec-

Quarterback Justin Ventura has the weapons and Perryton has been in every game, but has one win to show for it.

Now the story for the

They have an offensive fair to say that their 0-6 re-ryton scored 20 points in cord represents the quality the fourth quarter versus of a team that is the Pampa Lubbock High. The offor 854 yards and eight Harvesters. They have had fense of the Harvesters touchdowns. He has also one of the most brutal non- has come alive lately, with reeled in 23 catches for district schedules seen by a Harvesters averaging alteam in the area. The combined records of their opponents are 24-9.

> from Vernon and Canyon, the Harvesters were in the score most of their points backs. late in the games.

This could be an issue 7:30 in Perryton.

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Harvesters. It would be un- for the Harvesters as Permost five yards a carry against Canadian, opening up the pass game.

Finishing games has If the Harvesters are seemingly been the is- going to win at Perryton, sue for the Harvesters. In they have to shut down the each of their losses, aside run game and then be able to run against the Rangers.

The Rangers defense game well into the third was stingy last week, quarter, but conditioning only giving up 113 yards kicked in and teams would to four different running

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The Harvester offense has been successful on the ground lately. They will look to continue that trend

against Perryton tonight.



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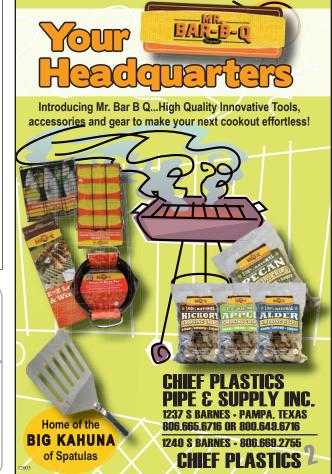
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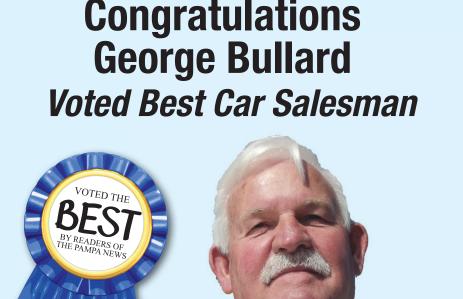






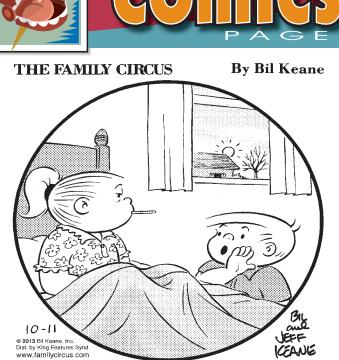
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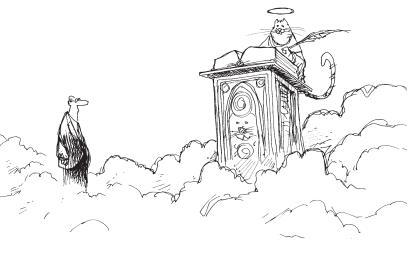
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playful. ARIES (March 21-April 19)

needs. AQUARIUS always wants to be

★★★ Your mood suits the day. Give into a little extra R and R with friends and loved ones. You might want to go off to a ballgame with friends, or get into a fun group hobby. Go along with the idea that the more people the merrier. Tonight: The party could go on till the wee hours.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★ You might not be able to wipe the slate clean, so try to build off of an existing situation. An older person or family member won't lose sight of his or her grievances. All you can offer this person is your optimism for a brighter future. Tonight: On center stage, wherever vou are.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ What was OK yesterday might not feel like plans you would like to pursue today. Take the risk and revamp your schedule. Take off to a favorite spot out of town, and invite a friend or loved one along to join you. Tonight: Remember, you are not in any hurry to head home.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Know that you have alternatives. You just need to decide which one is most appealing. A partner or new friend might catch your eye. Be willing to revive a longtime friendship. Just by doing something different, the flames could spark once again. Tonight: Share news with a friend.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

situation forward, given time and enthusiasm. Others will respond, yet they could be unusually demanding. Greet them with a smile, and know that everything will be OK. Tonight: Only where there are people. Watch a spon-

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★ You could be determined to from your vocabulary. You also dis- complete a personal or family-involved project. If you feel you must, do it quickly, as this pursuit might be stopping you from really enjoying yourself. Reach out to friends and loved ones for some extra help. Tonight: Use your high energy well.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★★ You might see more than what meets the eye in events that occur today, especially involving someone you cherish. You will be hard-pressed not to break out in a huge smile. Your response could be awkward in the present situation. Relax. Tonight: Enjoy what is happening.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★ You could feel inordinately pressured to make an appearance, but you really would rather slow down and enjoy yourself at home. You enjoy your privacy. Make several calls to someone at a distance, and set up a time to visit in the near future. Tonight: Go for something different.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Your optimism will emerge in a personal conversation. You simply enjoy being around your pals and hanging out. Make plans together to meet up and go out for munchies. You probably have a lot of news to catch up on. Tonight: Hang out at a favorite spot.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Calls and invitations come in left and right. Your popularity remains high, which allows you to follow through on multiple sets of plans. A loved one or dear friend makes no bones about letting you know how he or she feels about you. Tonight: Be aware of your budget.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

**★★★★** You have something planned that could be a high priority. Others might wish you would handle it quickly, as they want you to join them. You will receive many delightful invitations, but you have something else in mind. Tonight: Live in the moment, and enjoy it to the fullest!

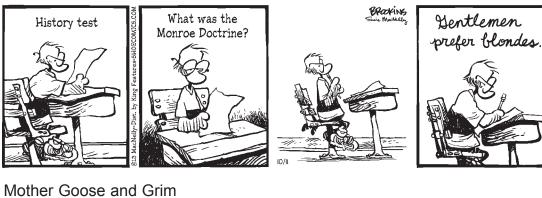
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★★★★ You could be taken aback by \*\*\* You'll be able to move a an option that surprises you to no end. You might want to stay in your present groove for a good part of the day. A loved one might play into this scenario. Make plans that ultimately suit you. Tonight: Shh! You don't need to tell everyone everything!

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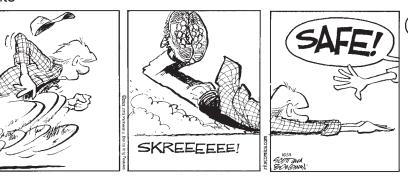


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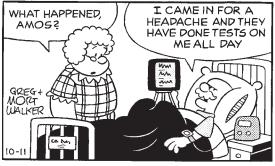
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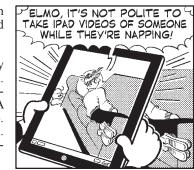
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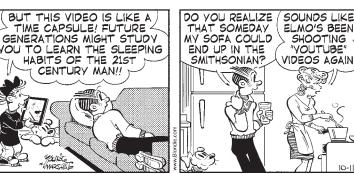


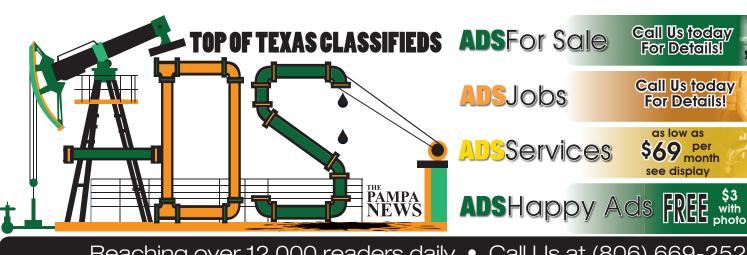




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acquired two teenage stepand sports.

never taught any! They use their utensils like shop fork and knife together to transfer huge bites from a bread knife to cut a pantable to get their faces as near the plate as possible, while leaning on the table with one or both elbows. They don't know where to place cutlery when setting the table, and have their napkins in their lap only if a restaurant server discreetly places it there.

concern about their uncouth manners. I'm worried that when they eventually go out into the world, they'll be perceived as having no class when they are actually nice young men. Their ignorance of table manners could cost them relationships, jobs and promotions. What to — SAN ANTONIO do? STEPDAD

**DEAR STEPDAD:** Your wife may have felt she was teaching her sons more important lessons than table manners; things like character and responsibility. However, you have a point. People DO make negative judgments about people who have poor table manners — and it could be detrimental to them in the fu-

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DEAR ABBY: I am alhave family get-togethers several times a year, it plate to mouth. They use seems like they make a point to leave me out of cake as if it were a tough pictures. My mom and sisrecently, and my brothers and cousin are attractive people. It seems like "fat one" out of the photo, and it hurts my feelings.

into town and made copies of two excellent pictures of my mom and sister and Their mother shows no posted them online. Again, I was not included. What known as Jeanne Phillips, should I do? I am depressive anyway, and these obvious oversights are upset-**TENNESSEE** 

**DEAR LEFT OUT:** CA 90069. Talk with your mother

them, this must not seem what you suspect is hapto show it off. (There are ways to pose family members in photographs so their weight isn't apparent.) As to the visittools, lifting food using most 30, and when we ing cousin, there may be such a marked change in their appearance that he/ she thought it was worth posting on the Internet.

A problem with desteak. They slouch over the ter lost quite a bit of weight pression is that quietly brooding solves nothing, and it often causes people to overeat. Because your they're trying to keep the depression is chronic, please consider discussing it with your health Recently, a cousin came care provider because interventions are available.

> Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Write Dear Abby at www. ting me. — LEFT OUT IN DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles,

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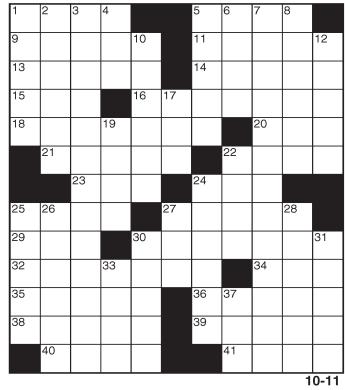
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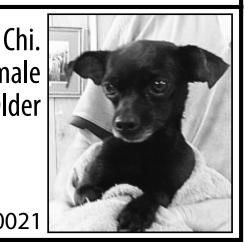
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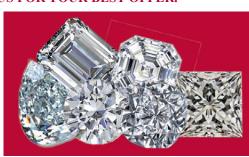


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