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PUDDLES: A PLEASING SIGHT IN A DROUGHT



Photo by Timothy P. Howsare

Rolling Stones lead guitarist Keith Richards infamously once said that sunshine "bores him to death." On Wednesday, Panhandle residents got a break from the seemingly endless days of sunshine when the clouds finally opened and produced some much-needed rain. Currently, the area is nearly 2 inches behind in annual precipitation. By around 2 p.m., however, the sun was starting to play peekaboo through the clouds. Krissy Scotten, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Amarillo, said Pampans shouldn't get too hopeful that yesterday's sprinkles will have much impact on the drought. The precipitation was only about 2/10ths of an inch and there is no prediction of rain in upcoming days.

Commission approves zoning change



Photo by Timothy P. Howsare

A request to rezone a lot from residential to commercial was approved on first reading. The lot is contiguous with three others that are already zoned for commercial at the corner of Sumner Avenue and Alcock Street.

Accepts annual financial report.

By TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE thowsare@thepampanews.com

On Tuesday, the Pampa City Commission approved on first reading rezoning a lot on 312 N. Sumner Ave. from residential to commercial.

The owner of the lot, James Kephart, requested the zoning change to match the zoning for his three other commercial lots that were contiguous with the subject lot. Kephart had indicated to the city he wished to sell all four lots, and the city's planning and zoning commission recommended the commissioners approve the change.

Kephart said Wednesday that the lots are under contract and have already been sold.

He said he did not know who the buyer was and that the sale was

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ALL ABOARD THE NEW BUS

Submitted photo The PISD Board of Trustees on Monday approved the purchase of an activity bus that would be accessible by physically challenged students. While the district does have route buses that are handicapped-accessible, none of its three activity buses used to transport students to athletic or academic events can accommodate physically challenged students. The net price of the Bluebird bus is \$151,685. However, so that the new bus will look just like the other three activity busses it will get lettering and the school logo at a cost of \$1,600 and a two-tone paint job that will cost \$6,500. Those cosmetic additions along with the cost of other options such as a backup camera will bring the cost of the bus up to \$173,000. Pictured is a bus similar to the one the district will buy without the



Library to close for renovations

SUBMITTED

The Lovett Memorial Library will be closing its doors to the public temporarily for the purpose of renovation. The library will be closed from Saturday, March 29 until Sunday, April 20. No public access to the library will be available during the renovation, including story time.

The renovation is being made possible by a generous donation. The Lovett Library Foundation approved a donation to the City of Pampa to pay for the installation of new porcelain tile throughout the library, as well as repainting the

Library Director Misty Guy encourages patrons to come in by 8 p.m. on Friday, March 28th to get library materials that they might need during the closure. She says that e-books will still be available and that library staff will still be available by phone from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday and 9 a.m.-6 p.m. on weekends if patrons need assistance concerning e-books. The library website will still be functional during the remodel.

IRS tax forms will still be available in the foyer of the library during the closure or online at www.irs.gov.th

Lovett Memorial Library apologizes for any inconvenience this may cause but looks forward to the welcomed facility improvements.



File photo

Lovett Memorial will be closed for a renovation project starting March 29.

Home burglarized in this week's 'Crime of the Week'

STAFF REPORT

Pampa Gray County Crime Stoppers needs your help in solving this week's "Crime of the Week" for March 26.

On March 22, between 7:30 p.m. and 10 p.m., an unknown suspect or suspects burglarized a residence located at 7634 FM 1321 in McLean. Items taken during the burglary included a variety of handguns, shotguns, and rifles, along with some household items. The Gray County Sheriff's Office is investigating this crime, however no suspects have been identified at this time.

Crime Stoppers needs your help in identifying the person or persons involved in the "Crime of the Week.

If you have any information regarding this crime, or know the identity of those responsible, call Crime Stoppers at 806-669-2222, visit www.pgcstips.com or text "pampa" along with your tip to 274637. A cash reward of up to \$400 is being offered for information that leads to the arrest or filing of criminal charges against the individual or individuals responsible for this of-





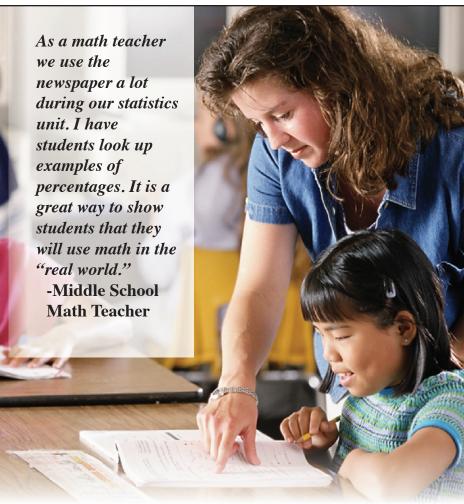


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DPS seizes coke, pot during I-40 traffic stop

SUBMITTED BY DPS

AMARILLO Texas Department of Public Safety conducted a traffic stop Tuesday on Interstate 40, yielding more than five pounds of cocaine valued at more than \$156,000 and 47 pounds of marijuana valued at more than \$208,000.

ducted a traffic stop on a Carson County. 2003 Fleetwood recreation-



At approximately 5:34 bound on I-40 for a traffic booked into the Carson p.m., a DPS trooper con-violation near Conway in

al vehicle traveling east- ational vehicle was identi- Calif., to Oklahoma City.

fied as Ignacio Hernandez, 60, of Fowler, Calif. During the traffic stop, the trooper discovered 47 bundles of marijuana and two bundles of cocaine in the floor of the recreational vehicle.

Hernandez was placed under arrest for possession of a controlled substance, a first-degree felony, and County Jail. The illegal drugs were allegedly being The driver of the recre-transported from Fontana,

Experts say NSA rules leave privacy vulnerable

President Barack Obama people overseas. can make good on his asing on "ordinary folks."

That promise is espe- Stanford

- Cyber security experts cating with U.S. citizens neering the NSA surveilare questioning whether living abroad and other lance program to learn

surance that U.S. intelli- are enormous loopholes," gence agencies aren't spy-said Jonathan Mayer, a cybersecurity fellow at with their capabilities, cially dubious, experts Center for International say, in instances where Security and Coopera-

STANFORD, Calif. (AP) Americans are communition, who is reverse engihow much collection — if "It's very clear there taken to extremes — is legally possible.

> "Their rules, combined University's cut against the classical protections built into our legal system.'

Zoning Continued From Page 1

brokered by Remax.

The lots are at the inter-

section of Sumner Avenue and Alcock Street, where throughout his presentathe U-Top-it frozen yogurt and sandwich shop was formerly located.

The store has relocated to the Pampa Mall, where cord keeping. it was the first to sign a

sure what the new owner has planned for the four building or adding on to the existing building.

The lots are in an area called the Broadmoor Ad-

city was presented its es. comprehensive annual Brown, Graham & CPA.

review of the city's fi- were requested. nances for the fiscal year The city accepted that ended Sept. 30.

The report covers ev- warded a copy to the 201 W. Kingsmill Ave.

erything from revenues, to expenses, to assessed property values to how the city's property tax rate overlaps with other tax- ing an ordinance approving agencies, such as the ing a negotiated settlecounty and school district. ment agreement between

Woods tion that the city's finances are in good shape and Energy Corp., West Divisaid the firm was pleased overall with the city's re-

Kephart said he isn't city needs to devote more attention.

Woods said his comlots, but he has had sev- pany randomly pulled 50 from Johnny E. Lighteral parties interested in credit card transactions foot Jr. for delinquent tax either building a parking on municipal credit cards lot, putting up another and found that several Block 37, Talley Addipersonal purchases were made.

In all instances, Woods said, the city was reimbursed by the employees Also on Tuesday, the for the personal purchas-

financial report, or au- also discovered there dit, by accounting firm were no receipts for some city purchases that were disbursements dated Feb-The presentation was made online, but the city given by Danny Woods, was able to produce the CPA, and was a detailed receipts after the receipts meets on the second and

156-page report and for- the third floor of City Hall,

newspaper.

In other business, the commission:

· Adopted on final readindicated the steering committee of cities served by Atmos West Texas and Atmos

 Adopted on final reading an ordinance amend-However, he did point ing Section 8, Area Reguout two areas in which the lations, Part 2 Lot Width and Part 6 Side Yard of Ordinance 690.

· Awarded an \$850 bid property located at Lot 1, tion, commonly known as 401 N. Roberta. Awarded a \$375 bid

from W.A. Poteet delinquent tax property located at Lots 18 and 19, Block Wilcox Addition, Woods said the firm commonly known as 732

 Approved the list of ruary 2014.

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Friday: Mostly cloudy with a high of 65. Winds north at 12 mph. Sunrise at 7:36 a.m.

Friday night: Clear with a low of 31. Winds northeast at 9 mph. Sunset at 8:02 p.m.

Saturday: Sunny with a high of 68. Winds northeast at 17 mph. Sunrise at 7:35 a.m.

Saturday night: Clear with a low of 43. Winds south at 15 mph. Sunset at 8:03 p.m.



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Obituaries

Kenneth Wayne Lowrie

Kenneth Wayne Lowrie, 49, died March 24, 2014 in

Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 29, 2014, at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel, with Pastor Paul Nachtigall of Highland Baptist Church officiating. Burial will follow in Wheeler Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Lowrie was born May 21, 1964 in Pampa to Robert and Geneva Eubanks Lowrie. He was a lifelong resident of Pampa, and was employed by Cabot Corporation for 25 years before his retirement. Family was very important to him. He enjoyed hunting and was a NASCAR fan.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia Lowrie of Pampa; a son, Derek Lowrie and fiancée Phoenix Keeter of Pampa; and three sisters, Susie Tyler and husband Glen of Denton, Peggy Ricketson of Dumas, and Carol Patterson and husband Beau of Frisco.

Sign the online guest register at www.carmichaelwhatley.com.

Margaret Elsie Washington

Margaret Elsie Washington, 87, died March 24, 2014 in Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

College athletes can now unionize

CHICAGO (AP) — In a it plans to appeal to labor au- CAPA. The United Steel-unning ruling that has the thorities in Washington, D.C. workers union has been footstunning ruling that has the potential to revolutionize college athletics, a federal agency said Wednesday that football players at Northwestern University can create the nation's first college athlete's union.

The decision by a regional director of the National Labor Relations Board means it agrees football players at the Big Ten school qualify as employees under federal law and therefore can legally unionize.

Based on the entire record in this case, I find that the Employer's football players who receive scholarships fall squarely within (federal labor law's) broad definition of 'employee," Peter Sung Ohr, the NLRB regional director, said in his 24-page decision.

An employee is generally regarded by law as someone who receives compensation for a service and is under the direct control of managers. Players argued that their scholarships are compensation and coaches are their managers.

The Evanston, Ill-based university argued college athletes, as students, don't fit in the same category as factory workers, truck drivers and other unionized workers. Immediately after the

Alan Cubbage, Northwestern's vice president for university relations, said in a statement that while the school respects "the NLRB process and the regional director's opinion, we disagree

The specific goals of the College Athletes Players Association, or CAPA, which would take the lead in organizing the players, include guaranteeing coverage of sports-related medical expenses for current and former players, ensuring better procedures to reduce head injuries and potentially letting players pursue commercial sponsorships.

But critics have argued that giving college athletes employee status and allowing them to unionize could hurt college sports in numerous ways, including by raising the prospects of strikes by disgruntled players or lockouts by athletic depart-

For now, the push is to schools, such as Northwestern, because the federal labor agency does not have jurisdiction over public universi-

Outgoing Wildcats quarruling, the school announced leading role in establishing debilitating head injuries.

ing the legal bills.

Colter, whose eligibility has been exhausted and who has entered the NFL draft, said nearly all of the 85 scholarship players on the Wildcats roster backed the union bid, though only he expressed his support publicly.

CAPA attorneys argued that college football is, for all practical purposes, a commercial enterprise that relies on players' labor to generate billions of dollars in profits. That, they contend, makes the relationship of schools to players one of employers to employees.

In its endeavor to have college football players be recognized as essential workers, CAPA likened scholarships to employment pay — too little pay from its point of view. Northwestern balked at that claim, describing scholarship as grants.

The NCAA has been under increasing scrutiny over its amateurism rules and is unionize athletes at private fighting a class-action federal lawsuit by former players seeking a cut of the billions of dollars earned from live broadcasts, memorabilia rates for college football sales and video games. Other lawsuits allege the NCAA terback Kain Colter took a failed to protect players from

Emmert has pushed for a \$2,000-per-player stipend to help athletes defray some of their expenses. Critics say that isn't nearly enough, considering players help bring in millions of dollars to their schools and conferences.

During the NLRB's five days of hearings in February, Wildcats coach Pat Fitzgerald took the stand for union opponents, and his testimony sometimes was at odds with Colter's.

Colter told the hearing that players' performance on the field was more important to Northwestern than their in-class performance, saying, "You fulfill the football requirement and, if you can, you fit in academics." Asked why Northwestern gave him a scholarship of \$75,000 a year, he responded: "To play football. To perform an athletic service.

But Fitzgerald said he tells players academics come first, saying, "We want them to be the best they can be ... to be a champion in life."

An attorney representing the university, Alex Barbour, noted Northwestern has one of the highest graduation players in the nation, around 97 percent. Barbour insisted, "Northwestern is not a foot-

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2 Pampa locals place in Houston Livestock Show

At the 2014 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo on March 19, two Pampa residents returned home winners. Cason Troxell and Paden Watson both placed at the event.

Newfound pink world lurks at solar system fringes

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Peering into the far reaches of the solar system, astronomers have spied a pink frozen world 7½ billion miles from the sun.

It's the second such object to be discovered in a relong considered a celestial wasteland.

Until now, the lone journal Nature. known resident in this part of the solar system was an oddball dwarf planet spotted in 2003 named Sedna after the mythological Inuit goddess who created the sea creatures of the Arctic.

latest discovery We can have confidence that there is a new population to explore," Yale University senior research scientist David Rabinowitz said in an email.

For years, astronomers hunted in vain for other Sednas in the little-studied fringes of the solar system.

The new object, 2012 VP113, was tracked using a new camera on a ground telescope in Chile by Scott Institution for Science in miles from the sun. Washington, D.C., and

team that found Sedna.

because of the object's ini-He was one of Sedna's tials. It measures about 280 gion of space beyond Pluto founders, but had no role miles across, or half the di- away seemed odd and poin the new find detailed ameter of Sedna. It's bonein Thursday's issue of the chilling cold with a temperdegrees Fahrenheit.

Unlike red and shiny Sedna, the newfound obfainter, which made it hard to detect.

By contrast, Earth is about 7,900 miles across Sheppard of the Carnegie and located 93 million team, but was not part of

Sedna and VP reside in Chad Trujillo of the Gem- what's known as the inner Sheppard and Trujillo esini Observatory in Hawaii. Oort cloud in the outer edge

shows "Sedna is not a freak. Trujillo was part of the of the solar system where some comets such as the Like Sedna, VP is also a sun-diving Comet ISON dwarf planet. It's jokingly are thought to originate. nicknamed "Biden" after ISON broke apart last year Vice President Joe Biden after brushing too close to the sun.

> "Finding Sedna so far tentially a fluke. But this one is beginning to make it look ature of around minus 430 like that might be a typical place for objects to be. Not at all what I would have guessed," Mike Brown, an ject is more pink and much astronomer at the California Institute of Technology,

said in an email. Brown, self-proclaimed "Pluto killer," led the Sedna the new discovery.

Far from being deserted, timate there are probably thousands of similar objects in the inner Oort cloud.



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No more Indiana Jones!

I read a report today that kind of disturbed me. Bradley Cooper (famous for "Silver Linings Playbook," "American



JOHN LEE

Hustle," "The Hangover" series and "The A-Team (2010)") is slated to take over the role of the legendary Indiana Jones in the reboot that's in the works. Wait a minute, In-

diana Jones is being remade?

Don't get me wrong, this is not an issue with Bradley Cooper. His body of work clearly shows that he can pick up a whip and have a fear of snakes with the best in the business. Maybe he will bring Jennifer Lawrence in as a love interest and the reboot will win an Oscar. Who knows?

But I don't think they should even reboot it

Indiana Jones is more than just some movie series you can plug someone else into and make it work. Harrison Ford, just as he did with Han Solo, was an actor in the right place, right time and right role. If

vou watched the 2008 film, "Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull," it didn't feel like an Indiana Jones movie simply because Ford is old. He's not the cunning, butt-kicking and comedic character who found the Lost Ark and fought the Nazis

with his father. When Ford took the role of Indiana Jones in "Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom," he had just finished the sequel Star Wars trilogy. So he kind of became Han Solo

Cooper with a whip.

Bradley

Indiana

Jones

He was smug, funny and the kind of action hero Sylvestor and Arnold could on dream of trying to be.

Harrison Ford was the right age to play Indiana Jones and was coming off a role that wasn't too far from

the character.

The idea of the reboot brings up another topic that I hope I am not in the minority in. I loved "The Hunger Games," I love "Game of Thrones" (obviously) and yes, every superhero movie has been a smash hit and been great. But I am tired of remakes.

Here is the list of nationwide releases. "300: Rise of an Empire," "Mr. Peabody and Sherman," "Need for Speed," "Tyler Perry's Single Moms Club," "Bad Words," "Divergent," "Muppets Most Wanted," "Noah," and "Sabotage." Three out of nine of those movies are original scripts and titles. Need for Speed is a stretch for a remake because it's based on a video game, but is it much different than the Fast and Furious series in your mind?

I hate to take a shallow approach to the rant, but what happened to the days when movies and TV series were original. Crime dramas have taken over network programming. Reality TV has taken over basic cable. If you want original series with an original concept you have to go to Netflix or premium cable like HBO and Starz. All of this is my personal opinion, of course, there is nothing wrong with watching "CSI," "Pawn Stars" or "Ancient Aliens."

What do you think of an Indiana Jones reboot? If you like it, is Bradley Cooper right for the role? Or should someone else take it?

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Bullies rule

We're told government protects us, but protectors quickly become bullies.

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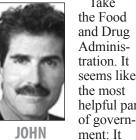
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testing to make sure greedy drug companies don't sell us dangerous stuff. The FDA's first big

success was stopping thalidomide, a drug that prevented the nausea of morning sickness. It was approved first in Europe, where some mothers who took it proceeded to give birth to children with no arms and legs. The FDA didn't dis-

cover the problems with thalidomide. It was just slow. The drug application was stuck in the FDA's bureaucracy. But being slow prevented birth defects in America.

It taught politicians and bureaucracy that slower is better.

Then the FDA grew, like a tumor.

Today, it takes up to 15 years to get a new drug approved. Though most devices and drugs never

What do Americans lose when regulators say

Usually, we never find out. We don't know what vaccines or painkillers are never developed because regulation discouraged companies from trying something new.

But here's one example where we do know what we lost:

Uterine prolapse is a common and nasty complication of childbearing. It causes urinary incontinence and terminates most couples' sex lives. Complicated surgery and clumsy devices didn't offer much help until device companies developed implants that often did.

However, since biology is unpredictable, some implants fail. In 2011, the FDA abruptly demanded "more studies."

The bullies' mandate unleashed a hornets' nest of tort lawyers. They advertised, "Did your device fail? Call, and we will get you money!" They soon piled up so many suits that device manufacturers' insurers canceled liability coverage. Device companies then withdrew devices from the market.

So now women suffering from uterine prolapse have fewer options. This is a price of bureaucratic "caution."

Reasonable people can debate whether the FDA assures product efficacy and safety. But the regulatory boot always presses toward delay. Innovators don't dare

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make a move without saying, "Regulator, may I please?"

In rare cases, when new devices are approved, there is a new obstacle: complex marketing restrictions. Say something about your product that the government doesn't like, and you may be fined. The Office of the Inspector General and federal and state prosecutors troll for rule violations, then sue and fine.

This harms patients. Most never know they were harmed, because we never know what we might have had.

There are only two ways to do things in life: voluntarily or by force. Government is force. Government bureaucrats, who spend their whole lives pushing the rest of us around, easily become bullies.

We need some government force. The worst places in the world are countries that don't have rule of law. Then people are afraid to build factories because mobs may steal what they make, or a dictator may take the whole factory. No one builds, so everyone stays

It's good America has rule of law. It's good we have a military to defend us from foreign attacks, police who keep the peace, courts that ensure contracts are honored, environmental rules that punish polluters.

But now our government goes way beyond that. It employs 22 million people. Not all have the power to impose force on the rest of us, but millions do. Some use it to bully us in big and petty ways.

Twenty-two million government workers delay the Keystone XL oil pipeline, raid poker games, force us to put ethanol in cars, prohibit drugs and medical devices that might make our lives better, take about half our money, and jail more citizens than even China and Russia do.

Like frightened kids in elementary school, we learn to accept this, to think it's natural. But it's not right that government forbids people in pain to make their own choices about what might help

Voluntary is better than force. Free is better than coerced. We're better off when government is small and people are left to do as they please, unbullied.

John Stossel is host of "Stossel" on the Fox Business Network. He's the author of "No They Can't: Why Government but Individuals Suc-



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Bereavement and Healing

Sharing your story helps ease sadness

Before I became a fufriend who lost her adult



LEE

son to cancer. I had been out of town working for quite some time, and when I returned to the intermountain west, in

the dead of winter, I met with her at a restaurant for hot cocoa. My friend was a highly respected and accomplished woman.

She had been the state president of a nationwide political organization and worked for very important

She was strong and very intelligent. I had worked beside my friend for many years and was very sad to learn that during my absence, she had lost her

Once we were seated,

we ordered our cocoa and neral director, I had a dear my dear friend began telling me about the death of her son. Her son resided in a coastal state and had returned home to live with his parents as he passed through the final year of his life. As she began telling me about his journey to death, she would naturally cry.

When she came to a particularly difficult moment, she would pause and look at me. I was just crying away without regard to other patrons in the restaurant.

During one pause, she reached out and took my hand in hers. After looking deep into my soul, she said something to me.

At the time, I thought it was a very important statement. It struck me deeply, and I pondered it for a long time. As a funeral director, I have often reflected back on this experience with my friend, and I have realized that she shared something profound with me. Throughout my days as a funeral director, I have shared this "Pearl of Wisdom" with many of my clients.

Her enlightening words were these: "Thank you for letting me tell you the story of my son's death. It seems that each time I tell someone about his death, it erases some of my sadness."

We sat at the restaurant and cried together as she finished telling the story of her son's death. I left with tear stained cheeks, and my friend left a little less devastated.

You see, that is what death does. It devastates us. When we experience the death of someone we love, we are devastated. If you learn only one thing from this article, if you cannot bear one more moment of the overwhelming sadness that accompanies significant

loss, listen and learn from the profound words of my

dear friend. Tell your story. Share it with everyone who will listen. Telling your story helps take your sadness

away. It helps you to realize and accept the death of your loved one. Once you have accomplished this necessary realization, you are free to recover, and you will learn how to live life without your loved one with you.

This is the greatest thing you can do for your grief recovery.

My name is Tracy Renee Lee. I am a funeral director, author and freelance writer. books, weekly articles and brief tips on understanding and coping with grief. It is my life's work to comfort the bereaved and help them live on. Please follow my blog at http://pushinup-daisies.blogspot.com/, follow me on Twitter @PushnUp-Daisies and visit my website for additional encouragement and information at www.QueenCity-

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an opportunity to tap your inner Van Gogh. Just order a drink, put on a smock and lighten up a bit as a friendly instructor takes you stepby-step through the brush strokes of a landscape, still life or skyline.

your spot ahead of time. The two-hour event, like more than a dozen others held weekly in Philadelphia, often sells out.

The experience known as social painting is seeing explosive growth in cities across the country as people seek to imbibe and relax while rediscovering their creative side.

a Twist, another paint-andsip business in the city. "They're like banging down the door to come in here and paint."

Not an artist? Join the couples on dates, co-ed group outings, bachelorette parties and the simply curipalette.

Yet something clearly resonates. Painting with a Twist opened its BYOB studio in Philadelphia's funky South Street area for a transportation comin October and already is looking for a second location downtown, Romaine said.

Louisiana-based painting parties, had 126 franchises nationwide as of last year — more than double its total in 2011, officials said.

And Paint Nite, which Paint Nite motto says. started with one event at a Boston bar in March 2012, the U.S. and Canada, cofounder Sean McGrail said.

and just started its first on screens all day."

PHILADELPHIA (AP) overseas operation in Syd-- The Fox and Hound pub ney, he said. Next up: Join downtown Philadelphia hannesburg and Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Paint Nite has also al-TVs, numerous beers on lowed artists like Andrea Vann, 26, to quit unrewarding day jobs and focus full time on their passion.

The business operates on Welcome to Paint Nite, a revenue-share model with its licensees, and the hosting pubs and restaurants get extra patrons out of the deal.

Vann, who served drinks in bars for years, now teaches her craft there and creates new artwork on the But be sure to reserve side. As one of two Philadelphia licensees, she also runs the financial end of her operation, which has included hiring help to keep up with demand.

"When I saw this job, I couldn't believe it because it seemed way too good to be true," Vann said.

On one recent night at Fox and Hound, Vann humorously walked a group "It's been crazy," said of 40 through the creation Laura Romaine, assistant of "Heavenly Stream," an manager of Painting with ethereal depiction of a forest in autumn.

First, she made the budding Renoirs pledge not to whine about how badly they paint or how they screwed up the size of the tree trunk. club. The crowds include And, she warned, don't even think about asking her to fix a "mistake."

There are no mistakes ous. Many can't remember at Paint Nite. Well, except their last encounter with a for the occasional brush in a beer glass, which often sits next to the plastic water cup used to rinse bristles.

> Allyson Meng, works in customer service pany, said she took the art excursion because she wanted to "step outside my boundaries."

'It was a challenge for company, which offers me, but I really did enjoy lessons as well as private it," Meng said. "I don't have an artistic bone in my body.

> Some said they came to shake up their night life to "drink creatively," as the

Yet Romaine suggested that perhaps participants has grown in two years to are attracted to the idea of 55,000 people attending doing something tactile, 1,100 events per month in making an object they can touch and take home.

"People don't do a lot of The company has been things with their hands anyadding 10 cities a month more," she said. "We're all

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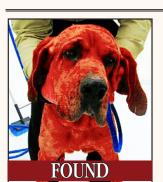


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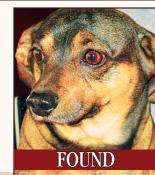
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March 28, 2014: This year you will be open to a changing situation that could affect your daily life. You feel more in touch with your creativity than you have in a while. Understand what is happening within your immediate circle. If you are single, use caution around any new person who enters your life. He or she could be emotionally unavailable. Unless you are, too, relating could become stressful at best. If you are attached, the two of you have a way of changing directions when you need to. No matter what age you are,

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3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★ Your intuition might cloud what normally would appear as a straightforward issue. You seem to be picking up the nuances of the situation. Understand what is happening around you, but try not to put yourself in any difficult situations. Tonight: Play it low-key.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ You will move forward with clarity and direction. You know what is doable under the present circumstances. You'll want to make a difference where it counts. Recognize what you can do to prevent an escalating, tense situation. Tonight: Meet up with friends.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

**** You could be exhausted by the neediness of someone who is close to you. Perhaps it is time for a mini-vacation or a weekend away. Take off as soon as you can -- you will feel the difference. Tonight: Recognize that you have an audience observing you.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Realize what a weekend away could do for you. You might want to mellow out to great music. Others simply might need to find themselves surrounded by nature. Break away from the status quo quickly in order to open a place for some relaxation. Tonight: Let stress fly away.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ You have strong ideas, especially when it comes to maximizing the good times. It appears as though someone close to you also has a great idea, perhaps for tonight. There is no reason to say anything negative; try it this person's right.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ You might feel as if you have lost control of a situation and want to regain it. Unfortunately, the best you can do at the moment is to let others do what they need to do. Be direct with a loved one, as you might not understand his or

her choices. Tonight: Be playful. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ An associate cares far more about a joint effort or project than you realize. This person might not understand what is happening within you, but you both could be developing strong feelings for each other. Stay aware. Tonight: Take a break with some friends.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ You'll have a better chance of discovering what is happening with a loved one by saying less and not being so stern or withdrawn. You could be taken aback by how much you care about this person. Feelings abound. Tonight: A conversation takes a swift turn.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★ Focus on your domestic life, know what you want and move past a difficult situation. Take it one day at a time and express more enthusiasm for a project than you have in the past. You could be working through a problem without really acknowledging it. Tonight: At home.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

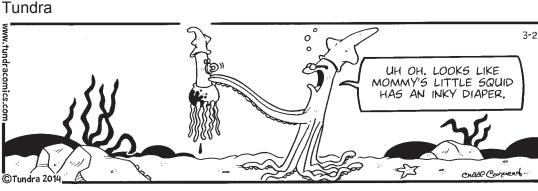
★★★★ You might consider taking some time off with a friend, close relative or neighbor. Others will seek you out for various reasons, but make a point of scheduling time with a person of importance. Your words will trigger others' imaginations. Tonight: Out and about.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ Your ability to move past

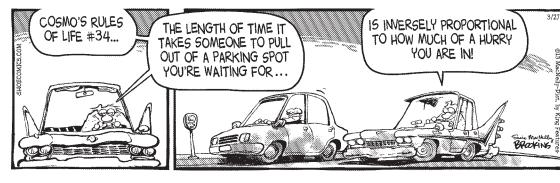
what others often resist might need to emerge with a money matter. You'll see this situation as being far more profitable than others do. You might choose not to explain what is going on, yet others still will grasp your enthusiasm. Tonight: Say 'ves.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ You could be taken aback by what is happening, as your imagination seems to come up with one creative idea after the other. Realize that you have a lot to accomplish. A child or loved one might become effusive in expressing his or her caring. Tonight: Start the weekend



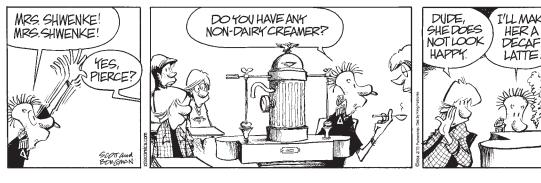
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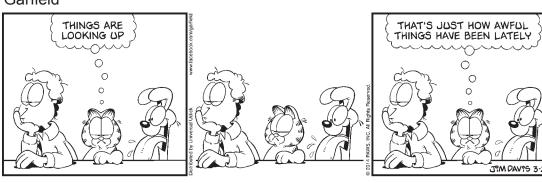
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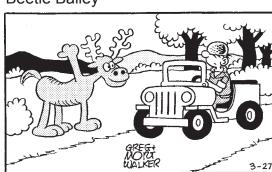
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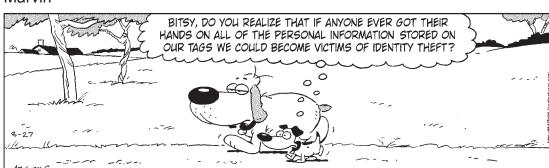


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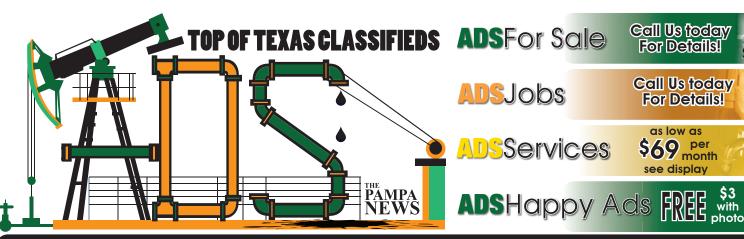




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The 11U Pampa Aces won the Global World Series Qualifier over the weekend with the 5-4 win over AAA Amarillo Rampage. The Aces finished the tournament 4-0. Pictured, from left, front row, Dylan Booth, Kyle Gordzelik, Kyler Cook, Isaiah Velasquez, Damian Anguiano and Kayden Johnson. Middle, Oscar Jimenez, Nolan Groomer, Joey Hill, Jack Studebaker and Christian Porter. Back row, Coaches Steve Groomer, John Studebaker and Bob Cook.

Cowboys file complaint against Jay Ratliff

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A week later, Ratliff's not playing for us under boys owner Jerry Jones The collective bar- said at the NFL owners

Hurting Rangers missing several expected pieces

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) delphia. The Texas Rangers are

already hurting significantly even before the start of a new

In a span of three days the week before opening day, the significant offseason moves Rangers scratched ace Yu Darvish from that scheduled start because of neck stiffness, and Prince Fielder from Detroit found out they would be without second baseman Jurickson Profar and catcher Geovany Soto for 10 to 12 weeks each because of injuries.

Sure, the Rangers know there are going to be injuries left on Fielder's contractduring the season.

"We just didn't expect it to be all at this point," general manager Jon Daniels said.

The Rangers, after missing the playoffs last year for the first time in four seasons, already knew they would be missing lefty starters Matt Harrison and Derek Holland to start the season.

At least Harrison, who had a mild setback early in camp after his back issues last season, should return within the first month. Holland could miss at least half the season because of left knee surgery after being tripped by his dog on stairs in his home in January.

The only three position players remaining from the Rangers' last World Series in 2011 also missed games this spring with lesser nagging is-

But shortstop Elvis Andrus, third baseman Adrian Beltre and designated hitter Mitch Moreland should all be in the lineup Monday against Phila-

After missing the playoffs for the first time in four years and scoring their fewest runs (730) in a full season since 1992, the Rangers' two most were to improve their offense. They got durable slugger

by trading Ian Kinsler, a move that cleared the way for Profar to be an everyday player. Free agent outfielder Shin-Soo Choo was signed to a sevenyear deal — the same time take over the leadoff spot.

Only Mike Trout (564) and two-time AL MVP Miguel Cabrera (562) reached base more the past two season than Choo (556) and Fielder (542), who has the longest active streak in the majors playing in 505 consecutive regularseason games — and 809 of 810 the past five years.

"I just want Prince to be Prince," said manager Ron Washington, starting his eighth season in Texas. "I just want him to do what he does, and let everyone else do what they do, and everything will work out.'

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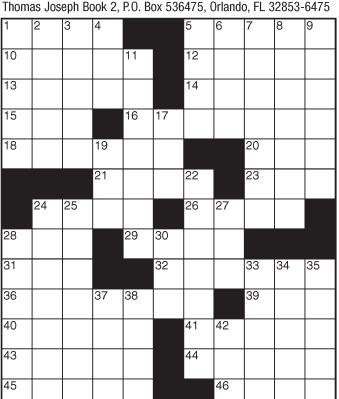
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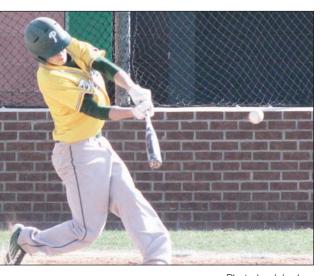
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Harvesters come back falls short as Dalhart hang on for 7-5 win



Ty Hooper (2/4) hits a single in the second inning. (Cade Engle, Ty Hooper,

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The Pampa Harvesters fell to 6-9-1 (1-2 District 1-3A) Tuesday after their plays.' comeback fell short with two on base at the bottom three-up, three-down at of the seventh.

our defense," head coach runs across the first two in-Kaleb Snelgrooes. "Credit to Dalhart, their guy pitched seven innings. We are short-handed with Brody (Gaines) being hurt and we don't know when he'll be back. We need some se- hit a single to center field an error on the next play. BASEBALL cont. on page 12 Photo by John Lee niors to step up. Those guys

just have to do a better job play by Dalhart, junior Jaon defense and make some

nings.

In the bottom of the second, trailing 5-0, the Har-

some good hits and we are Zuniga was walked to load the error, making it a twomaking some contact. We the bases. Despite a double run game 5-3. cob Nelson's hit went to score one run and put the The Harvesters went Harvesters on the board.

the bottom of the first as three-down. In the bottom started the fifth without "(We've got to work on) Dalhart rolled to score five of the third with two outs, sophomore Cade Engle hit his second home run in two games to left field, drawing vester bats came alive. Af- senior Ryan Powell hit a on an Engle fly ball that ter senior Ethan Hunt was single to right field, and was fielded erroneously. walked, junior Ty Hooper Hunt reached first base on

etc.) did a good job, had and sophomore Adam Powell was able to score on

It didn't stay a two-run game, however, as Dalhart scored two runs in the fourth, while the Harvest-Dalhart went three-up, ers went scoreless. Dalhart scoring, setting Pampa up for a comeback.

Freshman Brendon Woelfle doubled to right the Harvesters in 5-2. Then field, and was able to score



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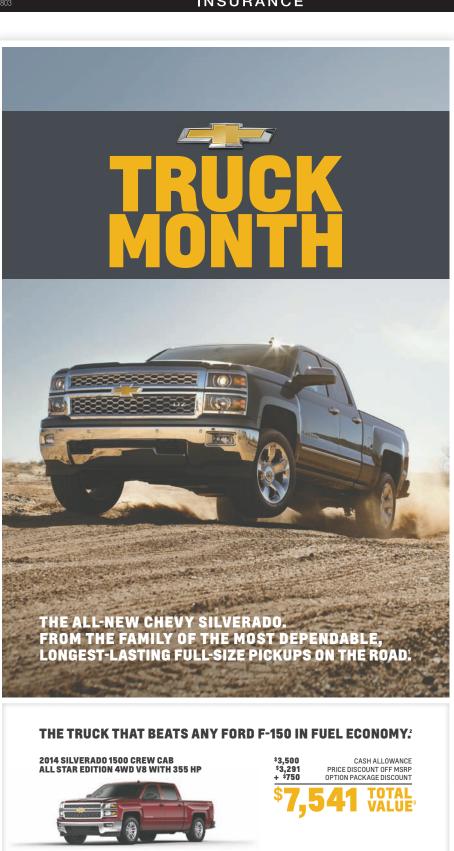
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The Lady Harvesters slid into first place before a questionable call in District 1-3A after their hard fought 1-0 victory over the Dalhart Lady Wolves. Alexa O'Brien pitched all seven innings and had 18 strikeouts with only two hits and two walks. Sophomore Kassie Jerome was put on base after being hit by a pitch and worked her way to third and scored on a wild pitch at home. The Lady Harvesters go on the road Friday going to Garden City, Kan.

Pampa HS track performs strong at Dalhart

STAFF REPORT

and Lady Harvesters traveled to Dalhart on Friday to participate in the Dalhart Classic. Here is how they nia Soria finished third (13 fared:

Cheyenne Williams Estrada placed second (43'1.5"). In the discus, Williams finished second (100'9") and Estrada finished fifth (122'11"). In the high jump, Taylor

Smith finished third (4'8") the long jump, Ty'Randa Johnson finished fourth (14'). In the triple jump, Madison Brown finished third (31'4") and Johnson finished sixth (31'0.75") for the Lady Harvesters. For the Harvesters, Brendan Ponce finished fifth (38'8.25") in the triple

On the pole vault, Alon-School record with her

eight-foot, six-inch jump. The Pampa Harvesters Brett Troxell finished third Hulsey won the event (48 (11'6") and Bryce Parker finished fourth (9'6").

In the 3,200-meter, Yeseminutes, six seconds).

In the 400-meter relay, placed first (37 feet, 5.5 Savanna Hulsey, Taylor inches) in the shot put for Eubank, Megan Brock the ladies while Isidro and Johnson finished first (53 seconds). For the Harvesters in the same event, Adrian Elam, Parker, Kody Maddox and Ponce also placed first (44.08 seconds)

In the 100-meter hurdles, for the Lady Harvesters. In Brittney Gonzalez won the event (12 seconds) and Zarate finished sixth (13 seconds).

In the 800-meter relay, Johnson, Keisha Daniels, Taylor Giles and Gonzalez won the event (1:50). Chance Douglas, Maddox, Elam and Ponce all finished second (1:31.3) for finish of 2:16.14. the Harvesters.

In the 400-meter run, dra Zarate finished sixth Eubank and Zarate finbut set a new Pampa High ished first (1:03) and fourth

In the 300-meter hurdles, seconds), while Giles and Brock finished third (49 seconds) and fifth (51 seconds) respectively.

Gonzalez also won the

100-meter dash (12.74 seconds) for the Lady Harvesters, while Maddox won (10.4 seconds) for the Harvesters and Parker finished fourth (11.46 seconds). In the 200-meter run,

Daniels placed second (27 seconds) for the ladies, and Ponce and Elam placed fourth (22.99 seconds) and sixth (23.53 seconds) respectively. the In

1.600-meter Yesenia Soria finished second (6:06) for the Lady Harvesters and Alex Marufo finished third (5:9.27) for the Harvesters Marufo also finished fifth in the 800-meter run with a

In the 1,600-meter relay, the Lady Harvesters won the event (4:22) with the team of Brock, Zarate, Giles and Eubank.

For the boys' junior varsity, Juan Perez finished sixth in both the 800-meter run (2:31.33) and the 1,600-meter run (5:53.33) Christian Tapia finished fifth (12:48.75) in the 3,200-meter run. Newt Dodd finished third (17.6 seconds) in the 110-meter hurdles. Dodd, Jayson Thomas, Kalvin Webb and Kambrin Scott finished fifth (1:44.27) in the 800-meter relay.

Scott won the high jump at 5'8". Perez finished fourth in the triple jump at 35'1.75". Raul Cortez finished second in the shot put at 36'9".

The track teams will be competing in Levelland on Friday, March 28.

Baseball

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With a new 7-4 ball game, Powell hit a sacrifice fly which brought Engle home and a 7-5 ball game. That ended the scoring for that inning and in the bottom of the seventh the Harvesters were faced with a tworun deficit. Woelfle reached second base on an error, and Powell singled to left field to put the game-tying run on. But a flyout forced the inning to end and the Harvesters comeback fell

Sophomore Nathan Furgason pitched two innings with three hits, two runs and three strikeouts. Adam Zuniga pitched two innings, for three hits, five runs, an earned run, two walks and two strikeouts. Ryan Powell pitched three innings, with three hits a walk and four strikeouts.

Brendon Woelfle went 1/4 with a hit and a run scored. Cade Engle went 2/4 with a hit and an RBI and his home run. Ryan Powell went 2/4 with two hits, a run scored and an RBÍ. Ethan Hunt had a run scored and a walk. Ty Hooper went 2/4. Jacob Nelson went 1/3.

The Harvesters return to action Friday in Woodward, Okla.



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