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Attorneys still waiting for Skinner transcripts

Once transcripts received defense team, AG's office have 21 days to submit findings back to court.

> BY TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE thowsare@thepampanews.com

The state Attorney General's Office and defense attorneys for Hank Skinner, the death-row inmate convicted for murdering Twila Busby and her two sons on New



Hank Skinner

trict Court.

Year's Eve in 1993, are still awaiting transcripts from Skinner's evidentiary hearing on Feb. 3 and 4. Skinner was not present

at the hearing, which was held at the Gray County Courthouse. Once those transcripts

are received by both the prosecution and defense, each side has 21 days to file their findings to Judge Steven Emmert of the 31st Dis-

Emmert will then review the advisories

from both sides and issue his own findings to the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals.

Skinner's attorneys say the best outcome for their client is this: If the judge determines that the same DNA test results reviewed by the court in February had been available at the time of his trial, it is reasonably probable that the jury would not have convicted Skinner.

Skinner's original attorney, Harold Comer of Pampa, did not seek DNA testing at the time of his original trial, partly out of his concern that the results would have implicated his client.

According to Skinner's attorneys, new

DNA test results support the inference that Busby's uncle, Robert Donnell, who made sexual advances to Busby on the night of the killings, committed the crimes and not Skinner.

The AG's office maintains that DNA and crime scene evidence overwhelmingly point to Skinner as the killer.

After the hearing, the media was told attorneys would likely be filing their findings in late February or March, but no explanation for the delay has been given to the local press by the district court.

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La Quinta issued building permit

■ Not known yet when construction will begin.

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There really will be a new hotel here soon. The City of Pampa has reviewed plans and issued a building permit for the La Quinta Inn & Suites that will be constructed on the south side

of United Supermarkets store.

The three-story hotel will be built on a 1.76acre lot that Amarillo businessman Paresh Patel purchased from Pampa Realty. The sale closed

City spokesman Donny Hooper said all builders are required to submit their building plans to the city for approval.

Hooper said the city reviews the plans to ensure that everything is in compliance with city codes, including the building's structure, fire safety, plumbing, electrical and how the utilities will tie into the city's infrastructure.

Hooper said he did not know when Patel plans to start construction. Patel did not immediately return a phone message or an email Monday from The Pampa News asking when construction will begin.

In a July interview with the newspaper, Patel said along with single rooms, the hotel will offer two-room suites and extended-stay suites.

Amenities will include an indoor swimming pool and jacuzzi, a conference room and hot breakfasts.

Patel said in July he is from Texas and had PERMIT cont. on page 2



North Hobart Street wmarks the location of the new La Quinta Inn & Suites.

PAMPA NEWS WINS 4 PRESS AWARDS



Photo by ReDonn Woods

From left, reporter Lindsey Tomaschik, sports editor John Lee, columnist Dennis Palmitier and editor Timothy P. Howsare.

STAFF REPORT

The Pampa News won four awards Saturday at the Panhandle Press Association's annual conference. The newspaper won first place for its website, first for serious column writing, third for sports writing and tied for third for fea-

The awards were given in Division II, which includes all member newspapers that are not weeklies.

Democratic candidate for governor, was Friday's luncheon speaker.

website provider on April 1, 2013, and since that date the editorial as any big-city newspaper website.

who is not on the newspaper staff ago.'

The conference was held in Du- but is a regular contributor. The mas and Sen. Wendy Davis, the other columns were written by editor Timothy P. Howsare.

All of the sports stories were writ-The Pampa News changed its ten by John Lee, and the features were written by Lee and Howsare.

'I am very proud of our staff and staff has worked diligently to keep all of our regular contributors,' the site as informative and timely Howsare said. "Without their hard work we could have never im-Three of the first-place columns proved the newspaper as much as were written by Dennis Palmitier, we have since I started 18 months

Request for commercial zoning to get 2nd reading

STAFF REPORT

The Pampa City Commission will meet at 4 p.m. Tuesday to consider final reading on rezoning a lot at 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.

After first reading was approved on March 25, Kephart told The Pampa News 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 brokered by Remax.

The lots are at the intersection of Sumner Avenue and Alcock Street, where the U-Top-it frozen yogurt and sandwich shop was formerly located. The store relocated last summer to

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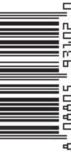




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Drew Carey makes 'The Price Is Right' his own

LOS ANGELES (AP) — There's so much noise during an episode of "The Price Is Right" that producers of the soap opera "The Bold and the Beautiful," which is taping nearby, need to be aware of the game show's schedule

so the rowdiness doesn't disrupt the filming of a love scene.

Drew Carey

It's a party in the hands of host Drew Carey, even as the concept hasn't changed through the years — make the best guess on how much that new car, entertainment center or trip to Paris costs and you just may win it. On Tuesday, the game show's 8,000th episode since its CBS debut in 1972 is scheduled to air. Nearly 70,000 people have "come on down."

The game has a blue collar sensibility that the Cleveland-bred Carey reflects. That car or patio set, just the chance someone will take it home, creates a palpable excitement.

'All through my 20s I was broke," Carey said backstage before a recent taping. "I didn't start making money until I was in my 30s doing stand-up. I really don't take money for granted. I have a lot of empathy for people on the show, that's what I mean."

Permit

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been looking at some secondary markets to build.

La Quinta's parent company, LQ Management LLC, is based in Dallas.

In other projects around town, Hooper said the city has not had any communications with either Bennigan's, which held a groundbreaking ceremony in May, or Toot'n Totum, which is planning to build a large convenience store on the site of the old Pepsi plant.

Toot'n Totum spokeswoman Melinda Batchelor said they do not have a start date yet for the new store, which will look like one of the newer Toot'n Totums in Amarillo. Last year Toot'n Totum purchased the Valero convenience store near Walmart. Although the Toot'n Totum logo appears here and there throughout that store, it has not yet been rebranded as a Toot'n Totum. Batchelor said the company is working its way across the Panhandle rebranding the stores it purchased last year from other companies.

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the Pampa Mall.

Commissioners also will consider a resolution to authorize the city's participation in the Panhandle Region (Texas State Planning Region 1) Regional Mutual Aid Agreement and designating the mayor to serve as the city's chief representative in all matters pertaining to the city's participa- degree of protection. tion in the agreement.

In the event of a largescale disaster, the City of Pampa could be faced with a situation that exceeds its capacity to effectively respond to the incident, thereby placing residents and their property at greater

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will be sponsoring. The Plaza will be catering.



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Toni McClendon, court reporter for the 31st District, was in court Monday and could not be reached for comment, an employee with the court said.

The district court has not returned several earlier phone messages left by this newspaper.

Meanwhile,

Skinner's case drags on year after year in the courts, raising the ire of citizens who believe Skinner should have been executed long ago.

County for his case is \$341,200. This includes the cost of the original 1995 trial, the 1996 appeal and DNA testing that was performed in 2001.

The total cost to Gray

Skinner has been incarcerated since March 31, 1995.

While a spokesman with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice could not say the cost per day of housing a death-row inmate, he said the average cost per inmate is around \$50.

Based on that number, taxpayers in Texas have spent about \$347,250 to house Skinner on death-

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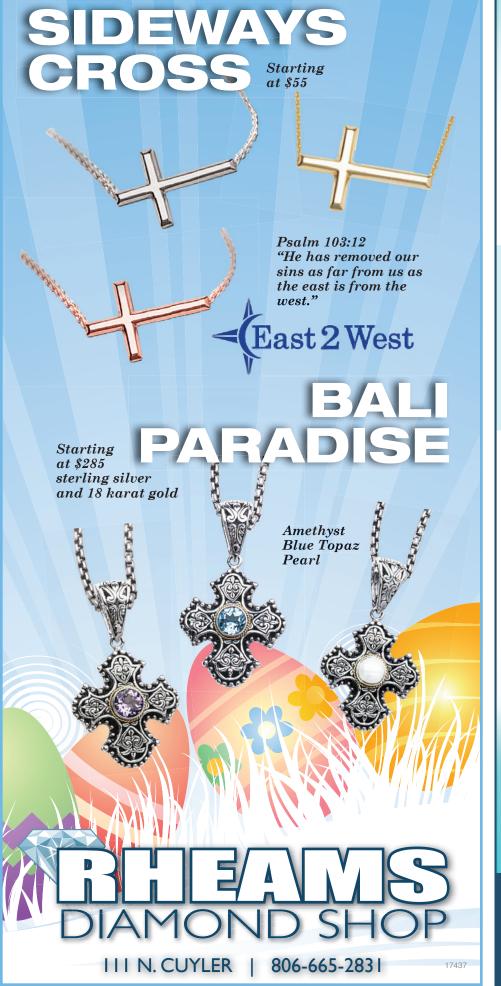
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Wednesday: Sunny with a high of 87. Winds southwest at 18 mph. Sunrise at 7:19 a.m.

Wednesday night: Mostly clear with a low of 51. Winds southwest at 14 mph. Sunset at 8:12

Thursday: Partly cloudy with a high of 82. Winds north at 16 mph. Sunrise at 7:18 a.m.

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Obituaries

Father Barnabas Radke

Father Barnabas Radke, a priest of the Diocese of Amarillo, passed away April 4 after a brief illness. He was 80



Father Barnabas Radke

Vigil will be said at 6 p.m. at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 2300 N. Hobart in Pampa. Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m., Wednesday, April 9, 2014 in St. Mary's Catholic Cathedral in Amarillo with Bishop Patrick Zurek as celebrant. Arrangements are by Schooler Funeral Home, 4100 South Georgia.

Robert Oliver Radke was born in Cleveland, Ohio on Feb. 7, 1934, raised a non-Catholic with a Lutheran emphasis. After completing high school, he decided to join the Navy in 1951. It was during his military ser-

vice that he met his Godfather, Edward Arnold. Shortly after that meeting, Radke joined the Catholic Church and was baptized on April 4, 1953 at St. Rita's Church in San Diego. He would receive the Sacrament of Confirmation less than a month later, on May 1, at St.

Joseph's Cathedral, also in San Diego.

After the completion of his military obligation, Radke felt the desire to become a priest and became fascinated with the Benedictines. In 1954, he was admitted to Immaculate Conception Diocesan Seminary in El Cajon, Calif. After additional discernment, Radke felt a deeper calling to religious life and was transferred and accepted as a postulant at the Congregation of the Sacred Heart in Great Barrington, Ill. It was in 1964 with this congregation that Radke received his habit and also the name of Barnabas.

His discernment led Radke to desire marriage and on Nov. 25, 1965, he and Patricia Kay Walsh were united in marriage. But the discernment to religious life was far

In 1987, Radke was approached by his pastor at Holy Angels Church in Globe, Ariz., who along with a number of religious women encouraged him to pursue a vocation as a Permanent Deacon. The encouragement became reality on June 11, 1989, when Radke was ordained a Deacon for the Diocese of Tucson by then-Bishop Manuel Duran Moreno. Deacon Radke's assignments in Arizona included stints at Holy Angels Church in Globe; St. Helen's Mission in Oracle; Blessed Sacrament Church in Mammouth; and, St. Francis de Sales Mission in Maricopa. He was also involved with Prison Ministry and Food Bank Ministry. He also served a term as President of the Deacon Council.

After 38 years of marriage, Patricia Radke passed away in 2003. Three years later, Deacon Radke moved to the Diocese of Amarillo, settling in Pampa to be closer to his family there. While in Pampa, he was assigned to St. Vincent de Paul Church and School. In 2007, following a period of discernment, then-Bishop John W. Yanta accepted Deacon Radke as a candidate for the priesthood for the Diocese of Amarillo. He entered Assumption Seminary in San Antonio in September 2007.

Deacon Radke was ordained to the priesthood for the Diocese of Amarillo on Feb. 21,2009 by Bishop Patrick J. Zurek at St. Laurence Cathedral (now St. Laurence Church), Amarillo. Shortly after his ordination, Father

Radke was assigned to Sacred Heart Church, White Deer. Subsequent assignments included St. Francis of Assisi Church, Amarillo. He was also involved in Hospital and Prison Ministries. At the time of his passing, Father Radke was parochial vicar at St. Hyacinth's Church, Amarillo; and, Immaculate Conception Church, Vega.

He was preceded in death by his bride, Patsy Radke, and his parents Alexander and Myrtle Radke.

Survivors include his daughters, Katherine Wariner and husband Jamie, and Suzanne Jones and husband Clint, his sons Alexander Radke and wife Elizabeth and Barnabas Radke. His sister Jeanie Reynolds of West Lake, OH; 11 grandchildren, Gregory, Jacob, Kylee, Robert, Myrannda, Dinah, Joseph, Joshua, Kelby, Zachary, and Clint Jr; and all his brother priests.

Family suggests memorials be made to the Diocese of Amarillo, Pastoral Center building fund, 1800 North Spring, Amarillo, Texas 79107.

Uola Mae Coffey Waldrop

Uola Mae Coffey Waldrop, 75, of Pampa, went home to our Heavenly Father on Friday, April 4, 2014 in McLean. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, April 10,



Uola Mae Waldrop

2014 at Canton Cemetery in Canton, Okla. with Rev. Lester Lowry, pastor of Evangel Assembly of God in Enid, Okla., officiating. Arrangements are by Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Di-Ms. Waldrop was born Oct. 16,

1938 in Canton, Okla. and had lived in Pampa since August of 2001. She worked as a medical records clerk in several hospitals and medical facilities in Oklahoma City, Enid, and Shawnee. She attended church regularly until her health failed. Uola en-

joyed cooking, baking bread, eating out at different kinds of restaurants, sewing and quilt making. She enjoyed the outdoors, especially bird watching, having picnics, and viewing wildflowers. She always looked forward to travel excursions with her four sisters every summer, and she loved spending time with all of her extended family. Survivors include three sons, James Waldrop, Leon

Waldrop and wife Amelia, and Duane Waldrop, all of Pampa; four sisters, Ethel Unger and husband Will of Cherokee Village, Arkansas, Karen Sue Wheeler and husband Eldon of Enid, Oklahoma, Sybil Gross and Gail Slusher and husband Paul, all of Oklahoma City; a brother, Lynn Coffey of Woodland, Alabama; five grandchildren, Dakotah Waldrop, Daniel Waldrop and wife Kayleen, Megan Waldrop, Miranda Waldrop, and Chelsea DeWitt and husband Michael, all of Pampa; three great grandchildren, Cheryl Ann Brooks, Crush O. V. Waldrop, and Lexi Michelle DeWitt, all of Pampa; and numerous nieces, nephews, uncles, aunts, and cousins. Uola was preceded in death by her parents, Oscar George and Johnnie Mae Coffey, and by a brother, Randall Coffey.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to American Diabetes Association, 8008 Slide Rd., Suite 12-A, Lubbock, TX 79424 or National Kidney Foundation, 801 S. Fillmore, Amarillo, TX 79101.

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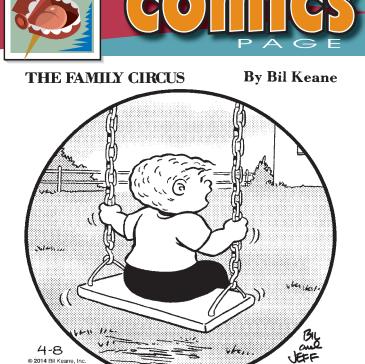
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, April 9, 2014:

This year you are unusually creative and intuitive. You find solutions quickly and without much worry. Others will notice this trait and come to you for help when they feel they have encountered one of life's knots. If you are single, the period after mid-July could draw in someone very important to your life history. You might note that this person is very different from other people you have dated in the past. If you are attached, you enjoy your home life together much more than you previously thought possible. Come summer, romantic fires add to the attraction between you. LEO can be quite charming.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ You have get-up-and-go. Somehow, you can't help but surprise others with your actions. Someone close to you could be quite competitive or difficult. Let go of the situation, and allow an important discussion to take place another time. Tonight: Time to

be naughty TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★ Stay focused on what you feel is important and must be handled right away. Do not lose focus on a domestic issue. You could be taken aback by what occurs if you ignore the matter at hand. Be more forthright with someone you care about. Tonight: At home.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Listen to a conversation on many levels. Look at facial expressions, consider the tone of voice and pay attention to what is not being said. You will see that there are many facets to what you are hearing. Be creative in a discussion. Tonight: If you are tired, head home.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ You could be financially

exhausted by a situation. Listen to news with an open mind, especially if it involves your finances. Understand more of what you expect from a child or new friend. You could be demanding a lot. Tonight: Be more playful.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ You will encounter a sudden surprise, and you'll discover who seems to be on a rampage. This errands on the way home.

person might be justified in his or her actions. Listen carefully. Tonight: Your smile warms up the moment.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ Know when to approach a situation differently. Others might reveal a lot, perhaps even more than you could imagine. If you question what you hear, people might become somewhat resistant. Be nonchalant, if you know what is good for you.

Tonight: Not to be found. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ A discussion with a friend will provide ample material for a new project or fun happening. You might not be as sure of yourself as you would like to be. Stay more in contact with a group of associates or friends than you have in the past. Tonight: Make the

most of the night. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★ You'll be more in touch with someone's feelings than you realize. Others will seem so emotional that you might think they are out of control. You could be suppressing some anger, and it is bound to come out at some

point. Tonight: A must appearance. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ You are more than willing to take risks in your present mood. Fortunately, you'll become more conservative when you take a hard look at financial implications. Sometimes you feel overwhelmed by the amount of responsibility that is placed on you.

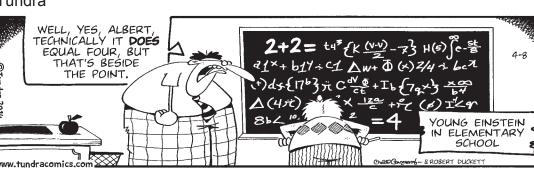
Tonight: Follow the music. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ You have done your share of the effort when it comes to relating to a specific person. No one would be surprised if you decided to throw your hands in the air in frustration. Everyone has his or her limits. Tonight: Have a conversation with a trusted friend.

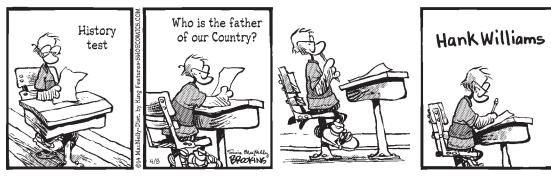
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ You might be more receptive to a friend than you have been in a while. Keep reaching out to someone at a distance, and make the most of the conversation. Others will seek you out, so much so that you could need to screen your calls. Tonight: Be merry. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ You might be surer of yourself and more content if you would let go of an issue that stands between you and a loved one. Be more in touch with a need to move in a new direction, everything that is involved with the but understand that you might not be situation. Be more open to someone ready to act just yet. Tonight: Run

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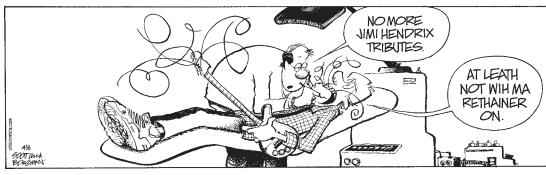
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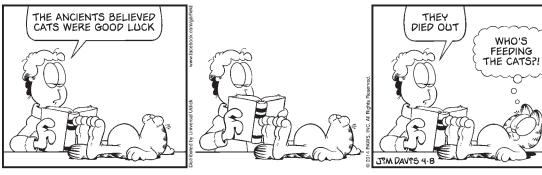
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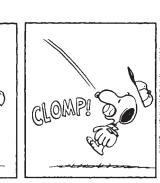
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Several arrested on alcohol, drug charges

STAFF REPORT

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- Aaron Lee Estep, 40, Pampa, was arrested Fria habitation, burglary of a
- Peter Joseph Garcia, 48, gram. Pampa, was arrested Friday by the Gray County Sherof a controlled substance, no driver's license, failure to maintain car insurance, appear, no valid driver's license, no seatbelt.
- Stanley Branch, 39, Pampa, was arrested Friday by GCSO for manu- pear.

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NEW YORK (AP) — gan in television in 1961 my eye on all of you," she Barbara Walters plans to and became the medium's said on Monday's show, make her final appearance best-known interviewer. with a glance at her fellow on "The View" on May 16, part of a daylong re-She announced last year that she will retire from tirement celebration that regular TV appearances. will include ABC News naming its New York volved behind the scenes er. headquarters after her.

as an executive producer at "The View," the day-Later that night, ABC will air a two-hour primetime talk show she intime special on her career. vented. Walters, who is 84, be-

panelists, as well as watch her longtime producer Bill Geddie "get older and Walters will remain in- balder — as I get blond-

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Lent Devotionals

BY MIKE SUBLETT

Scripture:

They came to a place called Golgotha in Aramaic (which means The Place of the Skull). Then they of-

fered Jesus wine to drink, there were nails there were thing I desire out-muscles hand. Everybody has two of hand to be just like Jesus' **Day 30** – Tuesday – a after tasting it, he refused to drink it. There they cru- mon." But it was one of the to take some time off with-Matthew cified him, along with the most important tools in the out ever asking Father God Mark 15:21- criminals-one on his right, box of implements used by first. That needs to stop. 32; Luke 23:26-43; John. the other on his left and Je- the Roman crucifixion desus in the middle. It was the tail. third hour when they crucified him. (The Gospels In- hammer was forged, blackterwoven, Zarley)

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When the head of the smiths had no idea what it were either used for building or fighting. No doubt many a blacksmith dreamed might be accomplished us-Maybe it would be used in the construction of some large coliseum, governmental facility, a palace for Caesar or a religious temple. And if it wasn't used for the construction of some fine facility, then maybe one of the Roman legionaries would carry it in his arsenal of weapons to defend Rome's honor, help expand her borders and crush her enemies. If so, then maybe this hammer would travel all over the world. The pleasant daydreams no doubt helped pass the hours.

were so common that every blacksmith stationed in Jerusalem could regularly hear the echo of hammers driving the nails through the bodies and into the crosses. Surely they sometimes wondered if the hammer they had made was the one being used for such an excruciating purpose. Some may even have been haunted by those thoughts.

crucifixions

However,

Are there possible Lenten lessons for me wrapped up in this hammer? I think so. willing hammer? When I like a million bucks. But am I there every time He reaches to use me? I wish I would be lying. I Sometimes I don't even return to

box. It is like I just choose

it. What I really need to face up to during Lent is that there have been times when I not only left God's toolwould be used for. Most box, but I let Satan use me to destroy, to hurt, to break. And when I did, it wasn't a piece of lumber or some about the great things that other building material that I injured. In those times it is ing the fruit of his labor. another person. God forbid. God, help me.

Prayer: Father God, I am so sorry for the times when You reached for me and I was missing. I'm sorry for the times I wasn't a willing God I hurt most over the times that I was destructive by allowing the tempter to use me to cause pain and injury to someone I was supposed to love, to serve, to lead to You. Please don't let those times be irreparable; those people be unreachable. Give me a second chance. And please keep me mindful of the importance of being Your willing tool and of living in Your toolbox. Amen.

Day 31 – Wednesday – a

Scripture: Matthew 27:32-44: Mark 15:21-32; Luke 23:26-43; John. 19:17-27

They came to a place called Golgotha in Aramaic (which means The Place of the Skull). Then they offered Jesus wine to drink, mixed with gall (myrrh); but after tasting it, he refused Am I God's hammer--His to drink it. There they crucified him, along with the am, He uses me and I feel criminals-one on his right, the other on his left and Jesus in the middle. It was the third hour when they cruci-I could say YES, but again fied him. (The Gospels In- hand throw a fit and refuse terwoven, Zarley)

His toolbox. Sometimes the er would say, "It was just a course not. So I want my

mixed with gall (myrrh); but hammers. It wasn't a costly my will to return to the tool- them." And on the surface hand. I want it to be helpful, that is true. In fact, most of the time people just take that priceless treasure completely for granted. That is until sacrificed Your hands for But that isn't the worst of it gets broken or injured in me. I know my debt in that some other way so that we cannot use it for our daily needs. Then all of a sudden appreciation fills every corner of our body. What was so unimportant now moves to the top of the list.

Even if the hand's deadly situation was considered, it was still only one of thousame affliction. As a heathen would have said, "So what's the big deal?"

I'll tell you what the big 27:32-44; and useful tool. But Lord hand that in the stable 19:17-27 reached out to touch his mom and dad for the first time. It is the same hand that at the age of twelve years held the scriptures as He exthe rabbis. That same hand touched the leper when he was healed, the little children as they sat in His lap, the blind man's eyes, the lame man as He healed him, and just a few hours earlier, it was the hand that touched Malchus' severed ear as He reattached it. The hand was person it was attached to – the Holy One of Israel.

So what's the lesson? If Jesus could give His hand for me, can't I give mine still true that when I surrender to Christ, I become the hands and feet of Jesus. So how cooperative is my hand with the needs of my body? question.

Did my hand say "no" when I stepped on that nail, or did it immediately help rescue my foot? Did my to help when I accidental-Devotional: An unbeliev- ly cut my other hand? Of

loving, and comforting and 100% cooperative.

Prayer: Lord Jesus, You regard, Lord. So I confess to You that I know my hands don't always do everything You want. But I don't want that any more. I want my hands to be like Yours. Please, lead me where the helpful calluses reside so that one day my hands can be accused of looking like sands and thousands of Yours. Right now they hands that had suffered the can't. But with Your help, one day they can. Amen.

Day 32 – Thursday - feet Scripture: Matthew Mark 15:21deal is. That is the same 32; Luke 23:26-43; John.

They came to a place called Golgotha in Aramaic (which means The Place of the Skull). Then they offered Jesus wine to drink, plained the words of God to mixed with gall (myrrh); but after tasting it, he refused to drink it. There they crucified him, along with the criminals-one on his right, the other on his left and Jesus in the middle. It was the third hour when they crucified him. (The Gospels Interwoven, Zarley)

Devotional: Most people a big deal because of the when asked to identify the ugliest part of the human body give the answer: feet. But God says, "And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is for Him? The old saying is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"(Romans 10:15). So are they ugly or beautiful?

If someone was rescuing I would say 100% without me from an approaching flood, I don't think I would be thinking about how ugly their feet were? But I do think that I would be thinking about how beautiful every part of them was and probably telling them too. Why? Because what they were doing for me would be so overshadowing that even their feet would be beauti-

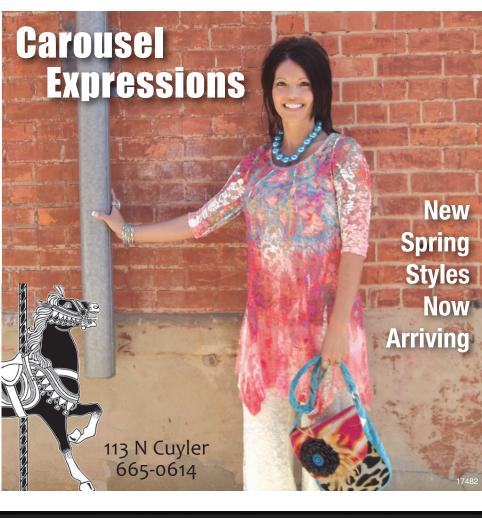
> His feet, the feet of the Man from Galilee. Those feet that had a twelve-inch spike driven through the top of each foot and into the wood beneath. They didn't nail His feet to kill Him. On the contrary, they nailed His feet so that when He couldn't breathe any longer, He would instinctively push Himself up onto those feet so that He could catch His breath. And once again He would experience renewed agony. All that for me. All that for me.

How much more so were

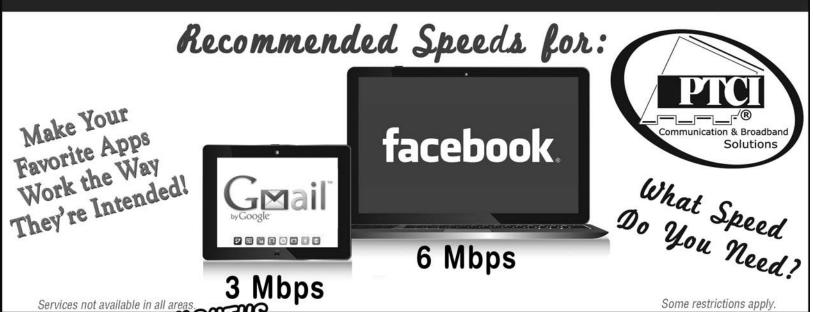
Jesus did rescue me. Oh, not from a flood of water, but from a raging flood of sin. There was a day when Jesus and I were strangers, even enemies. I was fighting for the opposing army and didn't even realize it. Worse yet, when I finally came to my senses, I couldn't get free. The harder I struggled to change sides by my own might, the more entangled I became in the sins of Satan's army like wicked vines wrapped around my feet. Finally I gave up and cried out to Jesus. Voilà! That was all He wanted all along.

I must confess that even now I sometimes find one of those evil vines wrapping itself around one of my feet, trying to ensnare me and draw me back into that mess where I once lived. But remembering His feet liberates me every time and puts me right back on track. I need to watch more closely for the wicked vines.

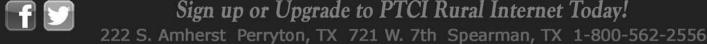
Prayer: Lord Jesus, I can't even imagine the degree of pain when that spike sliced its way through Your feet. On top of that, I can't imagine the level of pain You suffered each time Your body pushed up onto that nail in search of air. I'm sorry You had to do that for me. I'm glad You did, but so very sorry You had to. Don't let me forget those feet of Yours. Amen.



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road with Interstate 37 where a Dairy **PALMITIER** Queen sat beside the requisite gas station. I've

two reasons for my fondness for Dairy Queens. One, you motor any major or minor highway in Texas, sure as shootin' there will be a Dairy Queen. Second, you do such with young children in tow, DQ's come in real handy. It was 1978, while resting and refreshing at the DQ in Oakville, that I met Bob Krueger.

Many of you won't know or remember Bob Krueger. He holds the distinction of being Texas' last Democratic senator. He filled the seat of Lloyd Bentsen, appointed to such by Ann Richards after Bentsen resigned to run for the vice presidency. When I met Mr. Krueger, he was running for senator opposing the late John Tower, whom he would lose to by the narrowest (.03%) of margins. Mr. Krueger and I were the only Oakville DQ patrons at that particular hour of the day. Being people-friendly that I am, I struck up a conversation. Long story short, I wound up working for Mr. Krueger's senatorial campaign against Tower and remain friends with him to this very day.

Through Krueger in San Antonio that same year. I was blessed to shake the hand of one of my and many a Baby Boomer's heroes, former astronaut and senator from Ohio, John Glenn, a Democrat. I was doubly blessed along with my then wife to sit at the same table with Sen. Glenn to hear his views on why he wanted to be president of the United States. Fascinating, to say the least. The way political connections work, had Krueger won the senate seat and Glenn the presidency, another friend from Houston, attorney Bob Bennett, would have been appointed by Glenn as attorney general for the Southern District of Texas.

While married, living and working during the 1980s in San Antonio, one of my recreations was racquetball. My wife's cousin owned a racquetball and fitness center. When not worktraveling Texas and the nation, most of my lunch hours while home in San Antonio were spent playing racquetball. San Antonio laymen and professionals from all walks of life were members of the club, and a goodly portion of us competed in a league. My doubles partner was Henry Cisneros, then mayor of San Antonio and Democrat favorite son of Texas who would later become HUD Secretary for President Bill Clinton. Henry and I played racquetball together for five years before he left for the really big dance.

I'm roaring down the motorway between San

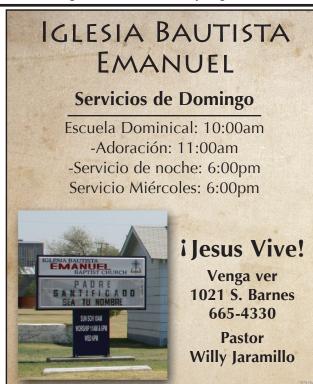
see doctors in that border city when my company car fritzes out and dies about a stone's throw out of Uvalde, Texas, Dressed in business suit, it's close to 100 degrees outside and I'm not enjoying one bit the flip side of no factory air-conditioning. I'm on the side of the road scratching my head over my predicament when a pickup truck pulls up behind me and stops. This rather widegirthed, Stetson-headed, cowboy-booted, khakiclothed gentleman steps out of his truck, approaches me and asks if I needed any help. Next thing I know, I'm sitting next to the now late Dolph Briscoe, exgovernor of Texas, whose family ranch was outside Uvalde. Gov. Briscoe deposited me at Uvalde's GM dealer and went back to whatever he was doing that day. Turns out by our conversing, through Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, Gov. Briscoe knew many a

Pampan. Why am I, a rock-ribbed conservative, going down this Who's Who of Democrats having crisscrossed my life's path? It's State Sen. Wendy Davis' fault. Certainly you recall "The Filibuster," where Sen. Davis brought the Texas Legislature to a standstill and by doing so was thrust into the national spotlight? Yeah, that State Sen. Davis. She's running for Texas governor on the thin-as-it-is Democratic side of things. I met Wendy Davis this past Friday at the Panhandle Press Association's an-

nual conference in Dumas, chatted briefly with her, asked her per her slant an education question, had my picture taken with her, posted it on my Facebook page, then proceeded to have all hell break loose over that picture. She is good looking... What?

To all my Democratic friends, it sounds like a Garth Brooks song, but I digress. I guess I was shocked over the response to my picture with Wendy Davis. There was some pretty good hate-filed wordage. Indeed, I am guilty of such when it comes to our president and certain members of Congress. I and many a friend, most of the nation, we are all part and parcel of the big problem and why things are the way they are in our Congress. Until it hit me square in the face, 'twas oblivious to such. I think it's high time some change takes place at the grass roots level, and that is to understand we have different slants and people aren't going to change those slants, that we should work together for a better America. Bob Krueger, John Glenn, Henry Cisneros, Dolph Briscoe certainly did so. Why can't we?

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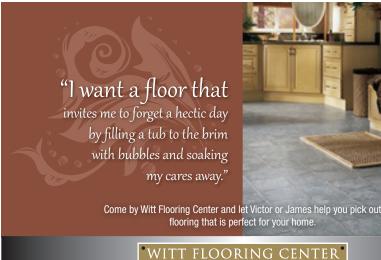
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work surrounding his time in office by shifting toward the landmark civil rights legislation Johnson signed into law. The LBJ Presidential Library at the University of Texas is hosting a three-day Civil Rights Summit this week to mark the 50th anniversary of the passage of the Civil Rights Act, which banned widespread discrimination against racial and ethnic minorities and against women. President Barack Obama is scheduled to give the keynote address on Thursday, and former presidents Jimmy Carter, Bill Clinton and George W. Bush also will speak during the week.

the streets back home.

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"I'm hopeful Lyndon Johnson gets recognition for the remarkable legislation he ushered in," library director Mark Updegrove said. "In 100 years, we will be studying the civil rights movement of the 1960s. That will be of far greater historical consequence than the war in Vietnam."

Lyndon Nugent, Johnson's only grandson, said

AUSTIN (AP) - Lyn- that while Johnson took redon Johnson's presidency sponsibility for the Vietnam has long been viewed in the War and the nation should shadow of the Vietnam War, learn from the experience, a conflict that saw American it'll become less relevant to soldiers die in jungles half a Americans as time passes. world away while anti-war But the civil rights legislation, he said, will continue demonstrators chanted in to guarantee equality and be Johnson's library is trying Johnson's lasting contributo change the focus of future

"Civil rights was the reason that LBJ got into politics to begin with, to help people," Nugent said. "What he was focused on, and what he always wanted his presidency to be about, was trying to make America a better place for everybody."

The summit will both look back at the civil rights movement and address issues still lingering in the U.S. and globally. Panel discussions will feature political and civil rights leaders and academics discussing topics from immigration and gay marriage to the role of sports in the civil rights movement.

Among those scheduled to participate are San Antonio Mayor Julian Castro, former congressman and United Nations ambassador Andrew Young and Bernice A. King, the youngest daughter of civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr., and chief executive of The King Center in Atlanta.

The library also has a "Cornerstones of Civil Rights" exhibit that features the original Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Voting Rights Act of 1965, both signed by Johnson, and a copy of the 1863 Emancipation Proclamation signed by President Abraham Lincoln that declared all slaves in Confederate states free.

Updegrove said having Obama, the nation's first African-American president, visit the civil rights summit speaks to the success of Johnson's initiatives, particularly the Voting Rights Act, which protected the voting rights of millions of minorities across the country.

"You have in (Obama) one who likely would not have ascended to the nation's highest office if not for the civil rights legislation Lyndon Johnson put forth," Updegrove said.



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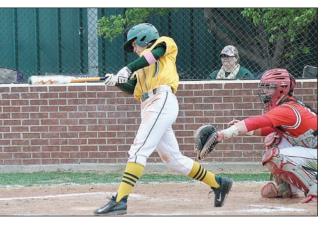
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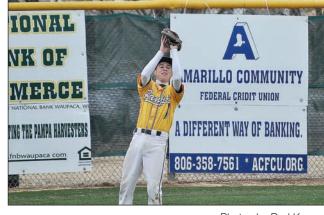
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Pampa Harvesters only muster four hits in 9-2 loss to Perryton





Left, Braden Keown bats while at the plate during the game Saturday. Right, Brandon Stokes plays left field.

BY JOHN LEE

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The Pampa Harvesters' varsity baseball team fell to the Perryton Rangers 9-1 Saturday afternoon to fall to 6-12-1 and 1-3 in District 1-3A play.

"Perryton is picked to win the district for a reason. They went 4-0 in the first half and we went 1-3," head coach Kaleb Snelgrooes said.

have some injuries right now and we have some kids with heavy hearts because of some deaths in their family. When you have stuff like that you realize baseball is secondary. But credit to them. Perryton did a good job of keeping us off-balance and hitting the ball."

Despite the Rangers making contact for eight hits in the contest, the Harvesters saw some very impressive fielding on multiple occasions from juniors Jacob Nelson and Braden Keown.

"Our guys are always going to play hard, they are

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never going to quit and that's but not before Hunt reached 3/4. Ryan Powell went a credit to their attitude and their commitment," Snelgrooes said. "They're never going to quit and make evit's a game of inches and today we came up a little bit short."

The Harvesters' two runs innings. The first after freshman Brendon Woelfle was walked. Junior Ryan Pow-"They did a good job. We ell singled to center field on a hard ground ball, which a walk and four strikeouts. put Woelfle on third. While bat, Woelfle scored stealing home after Powell was more Cade Engle went routine plays.' caught trying to steal second

> The run scored in the second came after Hunt and junior Ty Hooper were walked. Sophomore Adam Zuniga reached first base on a fielder's choice while Hooper was tagged out leaving Hunt and Zuniga as the runners on the corner bases. Nelson reached first base on a fielder's choice, which was to tag Zuniga out at second,

> > Photo by John Lee

home making it a 9-2 ball 1/4. Jacob Nelson had an game.

"We didn't hit the ball ery play that they can. But total," Snelgrooes said. "We had reached base on an error here or a walk there. But we didn't have the big hits like they did today. You've got came in the first and sixth to put together three, four or five hits to score.'

Ryan Powell pitched five innings, had six hits, five runs, one earned run,

Brendon Woelfle and scored and a walk. Sopho-

RBI.

The Harvesters return to (enough), we had four hits action today at River Road outside of Amarillo.

"We've got a big game against River Road because they beat us the first time and now we've got to go to their place and it's going to be a tough game," Snelgrooes said.

"We want to go in there and get a win. We are short on pitching so that's going to be difficult. But we senior Ethan Hunt's was at Ethan Hunt each had a run have got to put the ball in play more and make those



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Sunday: Darvish returns as Rangers beat Rays 3-0

PETERSBURG, March 16. Fla. (AP) — Yu Darvish showed no rust after miss- unusual," Darvish said

weeks.



Darvish

and Texas Rangers avoided

Rays 3-0 on Sunday. "He was in control of ager Ron Washington of them," pitches. He was throwing

beating the Tampa Bay

"I didn't feel anything ing three through an interpreter.

Darvish got his 500th Darvish career strikeout, coming in 401 2-3 innings, by seven hits fanning David DeJesus over seven and Wil Myers in the first. innings in According to the Rangers, his season it is the fewest innings debut, El- for a starter to reach 500 strikeouts in major league history.

Andrus put the Rangers the up 2-0 with his homer off Joel Peralta (0-1) in the a three-game sweep by eighth. Donnie Murphy made it 3-0 on an RBI infield during the ninth.

"He's going to get five the game," Rangers man- a year, and today was one Washington said. "He was using his said of Andrus' homer. "It was huge. We needed it. strikes. And that's what Today, he drove the bus.'

Neal Cotts replaced Darvish (1-0) struck out Alexi Ogando for the six and walked one. Side- Rangers with two on and was his first outing since and struck out Matt Joyce a spring training game on on a 3-2 pitch. Joakim So-

ria pitched the ninth for leadoff double. his first save.

struck out six in seven Joe Maddon said. shutout innings for the

"Unfortunately for us, he was really on," Cobb said of Darvish.

Only one runner reached second against Cobb.

"He didn't give up any pitches," Andrus said. "I thought he was paintout there. He was doing the same thing for us."

Tampa Bay had runners on second and third with one out in the fifth, but failed to score when Myers hit an infield pop fly and Ben Zobrist flew out.

Darvish got three consecutive outs after allowing Evan Longoria's double to lead off the sixth. lined by neck stiffness, it two outs in the eighth, He also worked out of a jam during the seventh after Ryan Hanigan hit a

"We just did not get the Alex Cobb scattered knocks when we needed three hits, walked one and it," Tampa Bay manager

The Rays were hitless in 10 at-bats with runners in scoring position against Darvish, and 0 for 11 overall.

"As usual, you've got a team over there that fights forever," Washington said. "They put themselves in some good posiing the whole game. I'm tions to score some runs, really glad that we had Yu but Yu made the pitches when he had to.'

Sunday's Games

Cincinnati 2, N.Y. Mets 1 San Diego 4, Miami 2 Washington 2, Atlanta 1 Milwaukee 4, Boston 0 Pittsburgh 2, St. Louis 1 Chicago Cubs 8, Philadelphia 3 Arizona 5, Colorado 3 L.A. Dodgers 6, San Francisco 2 Minnesota 10, Cleveland 7 N.Y. Yankees 6, Toronto 4 Baltimore 3, Detroit 1 Milwaukee 4, Boston 0 Texas 3, Tampa Bay 0 Chicago White Sox 5, Kansas City 1 Houston 7, L.A. Angels 4 Oakland 6, Seattle 3

EXTRA INNINGS

Some surprises after one week in the MLB.

It is still very early in the long MLB season but there have been some surprises thus far. These should be taken with a grain of salt at the time being, but they are trends to keep track of and see if they should continue.

The Seattle Mariners are in first place in the AL West! I think the Mariners can compete for the West, however, I do not think they will be able to win it

The Los Angeles Angels are in last place in the AL West. With all of the talent that is on that team, it is a surprise the past few years they have missed the playoffs and have started this year so poorly.

The Miami Marlins are in first in the NL East. Everyone's hot picks were Atlanta and Washington. I do not think the Marlins will keep the lead. The Braves and Nationals beat up on each other this past week, while the Marlins played lowly Colorado and San Diego.

The Houston Astros are not in last place overall in MLB. The lowly spot at the cellar belongs to the Arizona Diamondbacks. I don't think the Astros will be in the cellar all year like they have been in previous years. They have got some talent from their minor leaguers coming up as well as trades.

Another surprise to me was the Minnesota Twins winning the series over the Cleveland Indians. Not just winning it, but they pounded the Indians' pitching. The Indians were a team I thought could compete with the Tigers, Royals and White Sox for the AL Central, but after that start I am thinking they will be fighting to stay out of the cellar in that division.

The New York Yankees are 3-3. Now if you didn't look at their schedule you

would say, "so what?" But they opened with the Astros and Blue Jays, two teams that have been perennial bottom feeders. The Yankees only beat the Astros once! C.C. Sabathia, Michael Pineda and Huroki Kuroda were staples in the Yankees rotation last year and all of them are off to very rocky starts. Kuroda could be nearing the end of his career, while Pineda is young and should bounce back. Sabathia should also bounce back as he is nearing the end of his prime.

The top five teams in scoring runs thus far is surprising. Miami, San Fransisco, Colorado, Minnesota and Arizona top the league in runs scored.

Now if we look at the top five teams in NOT allowing runs, I am only surprised by one. Atlanta, Milwaukee (the surprise), Pittsburgh, Detroit and Oakland have the best pitching thus far. The Dodgers are a surprise at 21st in the league in this stat. They were expected to be one of the top pitching teams this year.

Some other, way-tooearly looks at some of the individual stats: Mark Trumbo leads the league with five home runs, Brandon Belt has four, Torri Hunter, Jose Bautista, Melky Cabrera and Alejandro De Aza all have three.

It will be a fun ride to watch as the season progresses. I know a lot of people are still watching college basketball and the NBA, but once the dog days of summer hit I hope you join me in watching the great sport that is MLB.

Zac Green is an avid Oklahoma State fan and youth minister at Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ. He can be reached at zac.green@sbcalobal.net.

Dale Earnhardt Jr. out of Texas Motor Speedway race after fiery wreck

Dale Earnhardt Jr. wound up was following Aric Almiwith his first last-place fin- rola down the frontstretch ish in seven seasons Mon- in the rain-delayed Sprint day after driving his car into the rain-saturated infield grass before it shot across there the way they have the track and slammed into these cars on the ground the wall in a fiery crash.

after climbing out of the I was that close to the grass, took the blame for the acci-said. "It tears a car up pretty Johnson also had an issue was going wrong."

FORT WORTH (AP) — dent that happened when he Cup race.

"You can't run through like that. Just a mistake on Earnhardt, who was OK my part. I just didn't know

good when you run through with a right-side tire. the grass.'

Jimmie and front left of his No. 48 the race. car from mud and debris

Kevin Harvick completed Johnson had only 28 laps before a blown damage on the windshield engine knocked him out of

'Something happened after the crash by his Hen- with the engine right afdrick Motorsports team- ter that restart," Harvick mate. Johnson was three said. "It's frustrating. I laps down by the time he don't know what else I got back in the race after can say. I didn't get any burning No. 88 Chevrolet, and made a mistake," he his team worked on the car. indication that anything

Patti Hudson

Correction

The cutline in Saturday's picture labeled "Special Olympics Scramble coming up" should have read, "The eighth annual Cindy Cooper Special Olympics Golf Scramble will be head Saturday, April 12."

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Sunday: Durant scores 38 but Suns beat Thunder 122-115

the 41st game in a row, make the playoffs and deal-Kevin Durant scored at ing a blow to Oklahoma least 25 points. Not even City's tenuous hold on the Michael Jordan ever did No. 2 spot in the West.

probably trade his 38 points for a win.

P.J. Tucker, who had to guard Durant most of Sunbeat the Thunder 122-115, giving the Suns a critical

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PHOENIX (AP) — For victory in their drive to

Goran Dragic scored 26 Even so, Durant would points, Gerald Green 24 and Eric Bledsoe 18 for the Suns, who shot a seasonbest 58.4 percent.

With Memphis' loss to day night, scored 11 of his San Antonio, the Suns are career-high 22 points in the a game ahead of the Grizfourth quarter and Phoenix zlies for the No. 8 spot in the West and a half-game behind No. 7 Dallas.

Durant's streak surpassed Jordan's 40 in a row of 25 or more and is the longest since Oscar Robertson did it for 46 straight games in 1963-64. Wilt Chamberlain did it in all 80 regular-season games in the 1961-62 season.

And Durant is totally unimpressed his streak.

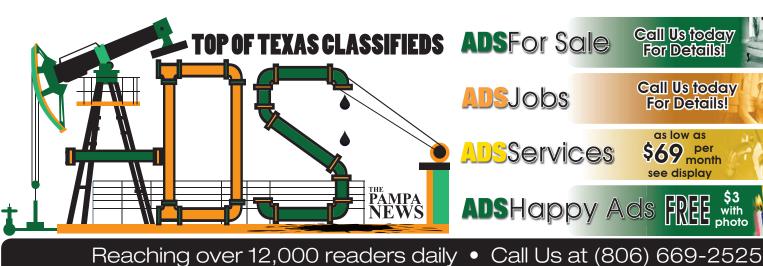
'I don't really care about it," he said. "I can't wait until it's over."

Russell Westbrook scored 33 for the Thunder, who lead the Los Angeles Clippers by a game for the West's No. 2 playoff spot. Oklahoma City took its

final lead, 112-111, on Durant's two free throws with 2:39 to play.

Phoenix scored the next 10, the first four by Markieff Morris and the last four on free throws by Bledsoe, to lead 121-112 with 20.7 seconds to play. Durant sank a 3-pointer with 12.9 seconds to go, the only Thunder field goal in the final 3:49.





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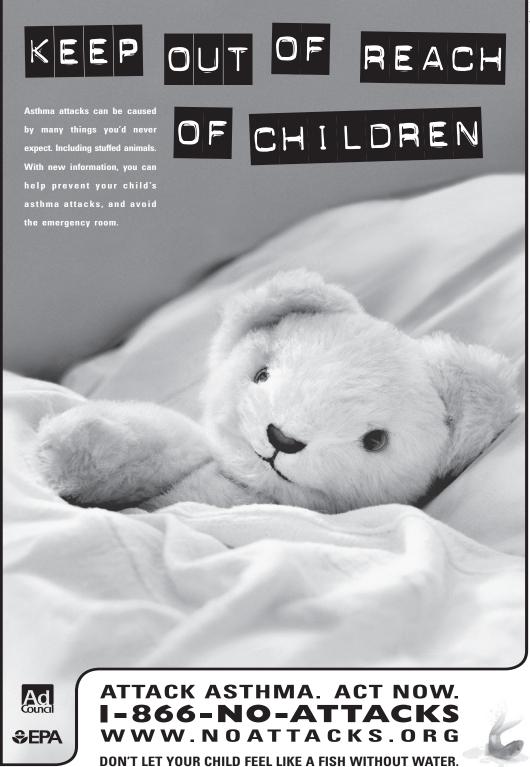


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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

committed suicide when I rooms? was a child. She was severely SHOPPER depressed, and although she worst happened.

"passed away" when I was they proceed to ask me how she died.

Abby, this is a personal family matter. I do not wish to reveal what really happened. I usually reply that she was very ill, but some nosy people persist in pressing information. How should respond without being LOYAL OHIO READER

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I'm not a prude, and I understand that most men change in private booths, shielded from view of strangers. Still, I am disturbed when I come out of the smaller booth and find women hanging around in

the dressing room. In many cases, I have heard women actually IN the booths with men who are getting dressed, giggling — or, even more annoying, shouting out orders about sizes, styles, etc. Men are not allowed in women's dressing rooms.

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DEAR ABBY: My mother belong in men's dressing sprays, expensive hair

DEAR SHOPPER: I sought professional help, the **don't know how long it has** a wig. It is natural-looking been between shopping and stylish, and I feel When conversing with trips for you, but your confident again. I get lots of acquaintances, the subject thinking is outdated. Today compliments on the cut and often turns to family, and **some stores have unisex** color. I will say that my mother dressing rooms, and men's and women's departments people ask who my stylist is, young. Most of the time employ both male and I'm not sure how to answer. female sales associates. It I have been referring them to is not unusual for couples a friend who is a stylist, but to shop together — and if I feel dishonest. However, something doesn't fit, for I don't want to reveal my the spouse to go and find secret. What would you do? something in the correct — UNDER THE RUG IN

While you may not be for more the only one who thinks RUG: Talk to the person women don't belong in who styles your wig for men's dressing rooms, you and explain that I believe you are in the you are receiving many

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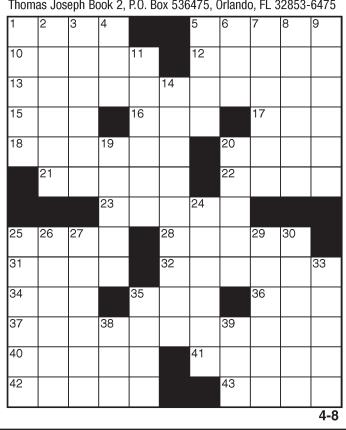
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Fourth Inning rally sparks run-rule victory

Lady Harvesters' softball wins fifth district game and downs Perryton 13-3.

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The Pampa Lady Harvesters' softball team is now 5-0 in district play after defeating the Perryton Rangerettes 13-3. The win also advances the Lady Harvesters to 22-6 on the

The Lady Harvesters were trailing 3-0 at the bottom of the third until senior Jessie Dixon was walked with the bases loaded, senior

Kylie Kreider reached first Kreider scored on an error, base on a fielder's choice, but a pop-up fly-out retired who was brought in to run but senior Mattie Eldridge the side at 4-3. was tagged out at home for the first out of the half in- down top of the fourth, se-

After a three-up, three-After sophomore Shiann things for the Lady Har-Regalado was struck out vesters in the bottom of the swinging, it was sophomore fourth with a line drive sin-Cameron Schaub's time at gle to left field. O'Brien hit bat. Schaub hit a single to a double to left field, bringright field on a line drive ing home Wichert (5-3). hit, bringing home sopho- Following a double to cenmore Kassie Jerome and J. ter field by senior Bailey Dixon which tied the game Dixon, O'Brien scored (6at three runs a piece and 3). Jerome singled to right circle, Wichert hit a single

O'Brien to score. Junior put Kreider at third base, field, but it was enough for senior Mattie Eldridge, bases for B. Dixon, to score

> J. Dixon doubled to left nior Bailey Wichert started field, which brought home Jerome (8-3). The scoring lulled for a moment, until sophomore Brittney Gonzalez reached base on a hard ground ball, scoring Regalado after J. Dixon had scored on a passed ball (10-

Bringing the rotation full

scoring Gonzalez (11-3).

In the bottom of the fifth, with the bases loaded, Jeto J. Dixon, which was also RBIs and a walk. Kylie enough to bring Kreider home with the errors (13-3). The game was called due to run-rule after final run.

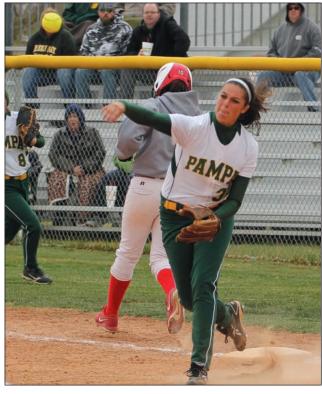
Brittney Gonzalez, Mattie Eldridge and Shiann three innings with one hit, in the game. Bailey Wichert went 3/4 with a run scored and an RBI. Alexa O'Brien went 1/3 with a run scored four strikeouts. and an RBI. Bailey Dixon two walks. Kassie Jerome Road.

went 2/4 with three runs scored and an RBI and Jessie Dixon went 2/3 with rome scored on a wild pitch three runs scored and two Kreider was 2/4 with a run scoed and Cameron Schaub was 1/2 with two RBIs and a walk. Brittney Gonzalez pitched

Regalado all scored a run three runs, an earned run and seven walks with three strikeouts. Alexa O'Brien pitched two innings with

The Lady Harvesters rewent 1/2 with an RBI and turn to action today at River

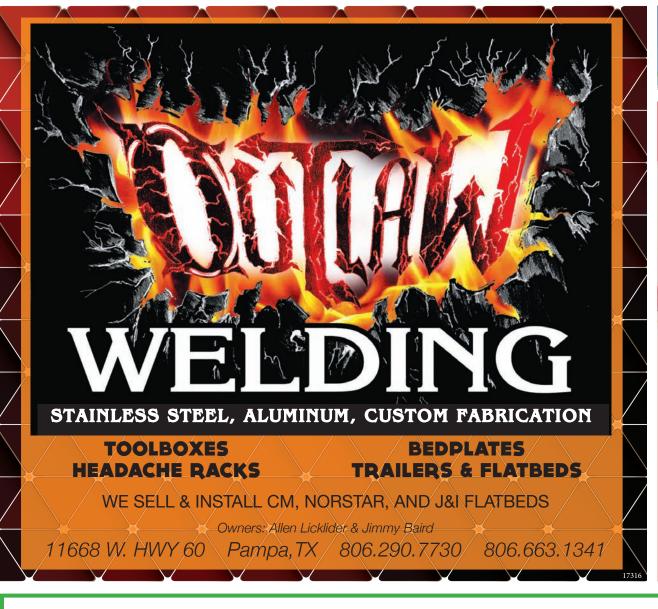






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Left, Mattie Eldridge trots onto home plate. Middle, Jessie Dixon, 32, throws the ball to tag another runner out. Right, Jazmyn Hair warms up during pre-game drills. The Lady Harvesters return to action today at River Road.





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