

City Commission approves 2014-15 budget

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As with all City Commission meetings, this special meeting began with a public comment portion.

The first Pampa citizen asked about specific budget items and clarification on the funds allocated to these items. Director of financial services Robin Bailey answered each of these questions. Areas of concern included an expenditure summary of \$479,000 for other charges. Bailey explained that these funds are transfers for other funds including the golf course (Hidden Hills) and Lovett Memorial Library. This community member also asked about \$222,000 in the budget for contractual services. Bailey said that these funds are for communication, postage, advertising, etc.

After the public comment portion of the meeting came to a close, the Commissioners got down to the agenda items.

First up was the second reading of the city's operating budget for the 2014-2015 fiscal year. This budget will raise less revenue from property taxes than last year's budget by an amount of \$21,524. This budget was approved unanimously on second and final reading.

Next, the Commissioners looked to approve the proposed tax rate on first reading. This tax rate will effectively be raised from last year's by 1.83 percent and will raise taxes on the average home to approximately \$315.54. The tax rate is what makes the budget balanced.

When it came time to vote on this tax rate, Commissioner John Studebaker was the only one to oppose the motion.

The last item on the agenda was in regards to renewing the water conservation plan. City Manager Richard Morris said that this is something that is required every five years. This agenda item was approved on second and final reading unanimously.

Monday's City Commission meeting was held after the press deadline, and a summary of that meeting can be found in Wednesday's edition of The Pampa News.

St. Matthew's to hold animal blessing Saturday

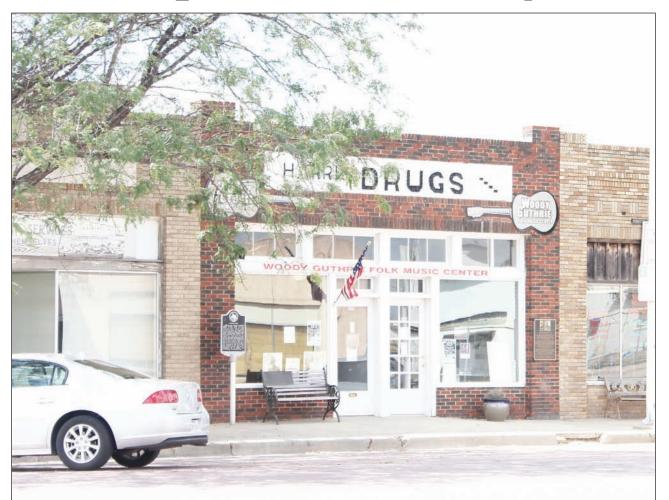


By JOHN LEE jclee@thepampanews.com

Pet owners in Pampa will have an opportunity to do a special blessing for their furry companions as St. Matthews will be hold their animal blessing for the community at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 4.

The blessing of pets and animals stems back to the 13th century and is conducted in remembrance of St. Francis of Assisi's love for all creatures. "It is meant to remind us of the beauty of all creation," Reverend Mark Lang, vocational priest for St. Matthew's said. "But it is also meant for us to remember the companionship from pets and service from the farm animals."

Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center presents 'Woody Sed'



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County Commission to meet Wednesday

STAFF REPORT

The Gray County Commissioners will meet Wednesday morning to discuss and consider taking action on the following agenda items:

• Pay bills and salaries as approved by the County Auditor.

• Consider line item transfers.

• Consider the fiscal year 2015 retirement rate.

• Consider funding request from Hoover Fire Department.

• Consider request from County Clerk to spend records manage and archive funds.

• Consider tax bids per letter from the tax assessor-collector dated Sept. 15, 2014.

• Consider continuing contract with Conmed Healthcare Management for medical services for inmates at the Gray County Jail.

• Consider declaring some county property surplus.

• Consider motor grader purchase for Precinct 2 through Buy Board.

• Consider motor grader purchase for Precinct 4 through Buy Board.

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STAFF REPORT

The Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center has a number of events coming up this weekend.

Friday, Oct. 3 there will be a jam session starting at about 5 p.m., going until about 10 p.m. at the music center. On Saturday, Oct. 4, there will be an open house and open mic from noon until 5 p.m.

All are welcome and encouraged to come visit and check out the Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center at 320 S. Cuyler.

Saturday evening at 7 p.m., the center will host the show "Woody Sed" at M.K. Brown Auditorium in the Heritage Room. Tickets will be \$10 at the door. There will also be items for sale at the show, including hats, shirts and tote bags.

Sunday morning at 9 a.m., for those who wish to attend, there will be a breakfast at Dixie Cafe. IndividuPhoto by Lindsey Tomaschik

The Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center is located at 320 S. Cuyler. For more information on these and other upcoming events, call 806-665-0883.

als in attendance will be responsible for paying for their own meals. This is a nice chance to visit and close out the weekend.

For more information on these and other events, call the Woody Guthrie Fold Music Center at 806-665-0883 or visit www.woodyguthriepampatx.com.

About 'Woody Sed'

"Woody Sed" is a new play about the life and times of Woody Guthrie and the songs he sang about them. This play was born out of the sheer astonishment. "Woody Sed" is loaded with songs both well known and obscure, and each song is framed in a theatrical context.

"Woody Sed" is a 90-minute show with a minimalist set as it is, in essence, a memory play. It is illuminated with a full lighting design. "Woody Sed" has also been presented in shorter versions and thrives in venues both formal and casual.

Featuring 19 songs, "Woody Sed" offers a cascade of 25 colorful characters, all bundled up in a true to life tale. Woody was a prolific and provocative writer, the father of the 1960's folk revival and, according to Billy Bragg, the first 'alternative' musician. All you can write is what you see.

Well, Woody Guthrie saw it and wrote about it – from the dust bowl of Oklahoma to the towers of New York City and from Hobo Jungles to the Merchant Marine.

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Lang said there will be individual blessings for about 8:40 a.m. all animals and a hope for them to live in God's will. the love a cat and dog



mal blessings Wednesday and Thursday at St. Matthew's Day School at

"We can learn a lot from "In the blessings there can give to people," Lang will be a hope for good said.

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Consider the fiscal year 2014 Chapter 59 Asset Forfeiture Report by Sheriff's Office.

• Consider the Sheriff's Forfeiture Fund Proposed floater Budget for fiscal year 2015.

• Consider continuing membership in National Association of Counties.

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"Woody Sed" takes you there charting Guthrie's rise to fame and his struggle to escape a harsh and predestined fate. It is both pioneer, while simultanethe biography of a seminal American musician and an epic drama of Greek proportions. Woody wrote it and sang it as he saw it and "Woody Sed" reflects that people together and breaks by telling the story in his own words.

"Woody Sed" was featured earlier this year at Vancouver's International PUSH Festival and is currently booking dates for the were written. fall of 2014.

"Woody Sed" is adaptable to Music Festivals and dry list of the problems that Events. Each song in the show has a short scene or speech attached, gleaned from Woody's own writing and from first-hand accounts of events in his life. It is focused on songs and stories. Any version it all and told these stories of the show can be done through his music. That informally in a lo-fi fashion, without technical support. "Woody Sed" is built with an intermission but it has been performed in one tunity to hear Woody speak act at both 75 minutes and 60 minutes long. "Woody Sed" has the flexibility to be abridged and excerpts have been presented at various events. It is also

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"Woody Sed" encourages sing-alongs and gives context to Woody's classic and timely songs. It's an opportunity to rekindle the flame in older fans by profiling Woody, a folk music ously introducing a new generation to a great creative force in songwriting history. Like Woody's music, "Woody Sed" brings down barriers. You don't have to look very far to see that songs like "Do Re Mi" and "Ain't Got No Home" are as resonant with audiences today as the day they

The issues that Woody addressed read like a launour societies face today: corporate abuses, the rights of workers, environmental disaster, corrupt politics, inequality, racism, fascism, abusive bankers and migrant workers. Woody saw was his great gift, and that's why his songs live on.

'Woody Sed" offers the modern audience an opporabout his experiences in his own words, creating a deep layer of appreciation for Woody's music.

Songs of "Woody Sed"

Here is a list of the songs in the current version of the show:

- Woody's Songs
- 1. Reuben James
- 2. Ramblin' Round
- 3. I ain't got no home
- 4. Union Maid
- 5. Howdido
- 6. Do Re Mi
- 7. Bound for Glory

8. So Long, It's been good to know you

9. Why oh why?

10. Ain't gonna be treated this way

11. This land is your Land

12. Woody and Lefty Lou theme

Older Songs/ Influences: Woody's Unpublished Songs

Goodnight 1. Irene (Leadbelly)

2. California Stars (Mermaid Avenue)

3. California Blues (Jimmy Rogers)

- 4. I ain't dead
- 5. Rye Whiskey
- Call Keith Taylor, hm. 874-6. Greenback Dollar

7. A picture from life's other side

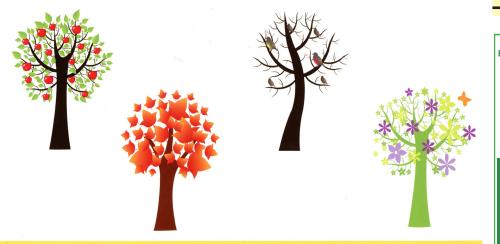
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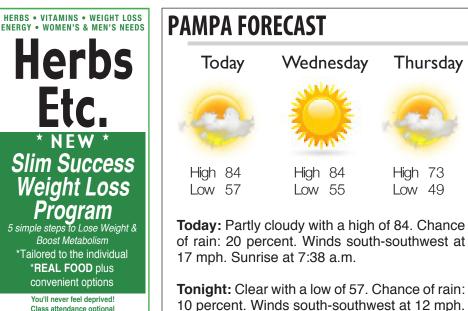
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Wednesday: Sunny with a high of 84. Winds west at 13 mph. Sunrise at 7:39 a.m.

Wednesday night: Clear with a low of 55. Chance of rain: 20 percent. Winds west at 15 mph. Sunset at 7:28 p.m.

Thursday: Partly cloudy and windy with a high of 73. Chance of rain: 20 percent. Winds northnorthwest at 24 mph. Sunrise at 7:40 a.m.

Thursday night: Clear with a low of 49. Winds south-southwest at 14 mph. Sunset at 7:26 p.m.

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DPS trooper seizes \$276,000 in methamphetamine

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Safety (DPS) conducted a traffic stop Sunday on Interstate 40, yielding almost eight pounds of methamphetamine valued at more than \$276,000.

At approximately 4:04 2007 Saturn Ion traveling eastbound on I-40, for The driver of the Ion Queen, Ark.

was identified as David Vega Morales, 31, of De AMARILLO - The Tex- Queen, Ark. During the as Department of Public traffic stop, the trooper discovered seven bundles of methamphetamine in the vehicle.

Vega-Morales placed under arrest for possession of a controlled substance more than 400 p.m., a DPS trooper con- grams, a first-degree felducted a traffic stop on a ony, and booked into the Carson County Jail. The illegal drugs were allegeda traffic violation, near ly being transported from Groom in Carson County. Bakersfield, Calif., to De

was

Tyrrell

ley Funeral Directors. Jean was born at home in Ellis County near Woodward, Okla. on Sept. 8, 1931 to Columbus and Hazel Treat. She grew up on a farm in Oklahoma and attended Ivanhoe Country School and then graduated from Laverne High School in Laverne, Okla. Jean's parents were active in their local Methodist church, and she and her siblings were musicians at various churches in the area. Jean played the accordion.

Jean met Leo Tyrrell in 1950, and they married in December of that year. They moved around often as Leo worked in bridge construction and for Boeing Aircraft. They moved to Pampa in 1957, and Leo started with the

Pampa Fire Department.

Jean was very busy with five children but made time for activities in the First Church of the Nazarene and Bible Church of Pampa. She did bring her accordion out of retirement and played for child evangelism groups and at nursing homes. Jean will be remembered as a positive person who was dealt many physical hardships, but she never complained, and she always thought of others before herself.

The family would like to express their thanks to Deborah Ferrell of Interim Hospice and to their neighbors, Dan and Brenda Morrison, for their loving care and assistance

Survivors include her husband, Leo Tyrrell, of the home; a son, Gary Tyrrell and wife Sherry of Pampa; four daughters, Mona Milam and husband Bob of Midland, Kathy Harvey and husband Craig of Woodward, Okla., Jo Karbo and husband Kent and Terri Cree and husband Kevin, all of Pampa; eight grandchildren, Mandy Archibald, Tyler Milam, Kacey Hulin, Kiaran Beck, Travis Harvey, Logan Karbo, Landon Karbo and Chase Cree and two great-grandchildren, Rylee and Reagan Archibald. Jean was preceded in death by her parents, a sister, Thelma Overton, a brother, Bud Treat and a grandson, Justin Harvey.

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Airlines look for an edge in weatherradar systems

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display on a new weather- radar could also reduce radar system, the pilots maintenance spending. saw a way to navigate between the storms on the Dallas-bound flight this basic characteristics of a spring.

the weather radar said was safe to go through," Will, who is also American's director of advanced Erik Eliel, a pilot for a technologies, recounted major airline who also recently. "We didn't have trains other pilots on raa single ripple, and we dar. But he worries that flew straight through to airlines might think all Dallas."

the airline a costly refu- lots to understand danger-New Orleans. The mak- of radar. ers of the advanced radar systems promise to do awareness, some of the the same for other air- stuff that the modern-day lines — along with spar- radars do is incredible,' ing passengers from gut- Eliel says. "They are not a churning turbulence and panacea. You still require

reducing lengthy delays. training on some things." The system on Will's Rockwell and Honeyplane was made by Rock- well are working on rewell Collins Inc. and just finements that will better hit the market in Febru- predict ice at high altiary. Rival Honeywell In- tudes, which can damage ternational Inc. also has engines and cause a loss a new on-board radar system designed to give pilots a better idea of the turbulence, so pilots rely weather ahead. its MultiScan ThreatTrack companies are working radar system is the first on algorithms to predict to detect not just severe it. turbulence but also more is safe to fly through, although not comfortable for passengers. Other feaand make a flight choppy or dangerous. Track. The system is now off from Philadelphia. on about 40 planes at eign carriers. Honeywell's warn of potential hail and panoramic 3-D images the cost of each system. of storms between the ground and 60,000 feet, of the storm. installed on 66 of Southwest's newest Boeing 737 jets and will be on future deliveries. Southwest has no immediate plans to retrofit its roughly 600 older out what the weather is planes — it would cost like over the Amazon," upward of \$200,000 per 10b

DALLAS (AP) — As of daily operations for their plane climbed away Southwest Airlines, says from Belize City, Ameri- the new system improves can Airlines pilot Brian the safety margin, helps Will and his co-pilot were pilots provide a smoother ready to detour several ride for passengers, and hundred miles to avoid saves on fuel. Flying into a wall of bad weather in a hailstorm can leave a plane's aluminum skin Then, looking at the badly dimpled, so better

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in power. Radar can't "see" so-called clear-air on reports from other Rockwell Collins says planes to avoid it, but the

Obituaries Lavena Mae "Jean" Tyrrell

Lavena Mae "Jean" Tyrrell, 83, of Pampa, went to be with her Lord and Savior on Sunday, Sept. 28, 2014, in Pampa.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 30, 2014, in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with Rev. Norman Rushing, pastor of Central Baptist Church, officiating. Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. Tuesday at Fargo Cemetery in Fargo, Okla. with Rev. Shannon Davis, pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Woodward, Okla., officiating. Arrangements are by Carmichael-What-

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Borger man arrested for assault

STAFF REPORT

• Cozy Crain, 37, Borger, was arrested Sunday by bodily injury to a family render — forgery. member.

• Sheila Grays Evans, 50, partment for theft of prop- substance — less than one pias pro fine — expired in the roadway.

erty, possession of drug gram. paraphernalia.

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· Laura Katherine Pulse, rest or detention. 26, Pampa, was arrested

• Maurilio Lopez, 25, nault, 20, Pampa, was arrested Saturday by PPD the Department of Public by the Gray County Sher- for two charges of assault Safety for assault to cause iff's Office for bond sur- to cause bodily injury to a Borger, was arrested Saturfamily member, evading ar- day by GCSO for posses-

· Bobby Dillon Pierce, Pampa, was arrested Friday Saturday by PPD for pos- 23, Pampa, was arrested Paso, was arrested Sunday by the Pampa Police De- session of a controlled Saturday by GCSO for ca-

registration, expired motor · Lyndell Quaid Chen- vehicle inspection, failure to maintain car insurance, failure to appear.

• Jo Ann Garcia, 37, sion of drug paraphernalia.

• Justin Hughey, 20, El by GCSO for a pedestrian

Death toll from GM ignition switches now at 23

23 people have died and 16 hasn't placed any limit on the car seat in a 2005 Cobalt drivpeople have been seriously injured in crashes involving General Motors cars with defective ignition switches.

Attorney Kenneth Feinberg, who was hired by GM dated the totals in an Internet posting Monday.

Feinberg says he has received 153 death claims since from 21 last week. Sixteen of the 714 injury claimants have also received compensation offers. GM has acknowledged that it knew about faulty ignition switches in Chevrolet Cobalts and other small cars for more than a decade. Yet it didn't recall them until February of this year. The switches can slip out of the "on" position, which causes the cars to stall, knocks out power steering and turns off the air bags. Feinberg, who previously handled payments to victims of the 9/11 terrorist attacks and the BP oil spill, began accepting claims Aug. 1 and has set a deadline of Dec.

DETROIT (AP) — At least 31. He has said that GM the time, was strapped into a amount of money that can en by his great-grandmother, be spent on settlements. GM has set aside \$400 million for compensation, but says that could grow to \$600 million.

Also Monday, the family of to compensate victims, up- a 7-year-old New Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, boy who was But when she tried to maneuinjured in a crash caused by a faulty switch, accepted a settlement offer from Feinberg. August. Of those, 23 have Attorney Robert Hilliard said assisted steering, according to been deemed eligible for in a statement that the fam- the lawsuit. "This defective compensation payments, up ily of Trenton Buzard, who is condition directly resulted in undisclosed offer.

Esther Mathews.

As Mathews drove near Knox, Pa., northeast of Pittsburgh, she tried to avoid another car that she perceived was approaching in her lane. ver out of trouble, the Cobalt's faulty ignition switch caused the car to stall and lose powernow 7 years old, agreed to the a loss of power exactly at the time and place where Esther The settlement stems from Mathews most needed these impact," the lawsuit stated. The right front of the Co-





captain and the manager Amazon.'

Last year, 11 passengers moderate bumpiness that and 13 crew members on U.S. airlines were injured during turbulence, according to government tures warn pilots of storm figures. This May, four cells that could rise from passengers and two flight below and blow outward attendants were injured when an Orlando-bound US Airways jet hit severe American was the first turbulence for just a few customer for Threat- seconds shortly after take-

The stakes are big for

American and several for- Honeywell and Rockwell. The world's passenger and ver- cargo airlines are expectsion is called IntuVue. ed to need about 65,000 A waffle-like receiver is new planes over the next in the plane's nose cone. two decades, according to Pilots see a cockpit dis- Boeing and Airbus, and play that uses icons to each will need some type of weather-radar system. lightning up to 370 miles The companies and airaway. They can call up lines declined to disclose

Honeywell took four years and hundreds of eliminating the need for flights on a 1952-built pilots to manually aim the Convair 580 to develop radar at smaller sections its system. Rockwell took about six years, and a The system has been team of six engineers and a meteorologist flew into storms all over the world on a plane leased from a real estate investor.

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an April 2, 2009 crash in essential functions to avoid which Trenton suffered spi- this collision and/or lessen the nal injuries that left him paralyzed from the chest down. According to his family's balt struck the other vehicle, lawsuit against GM, Trenton, killing Mathews and severely who was almost 2 years old at injuring Trenton.

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Prairie Plains Perspective For Pampa, will it be a fall of discontent?

What pray tell is going on in our fair burg these following weeks? How can I find out information I need to know? Like, when does our city commission meet? Gotta know about things like taxes, whether they're going up (alas, they never go down...) or remaining the same as last year's? If I've youngsters at home, how can I make sure whether or not they're up on their immunizations? What's the school district doing these days, after all, it's my taxes there as well? Same for our county government, better keep up with them too. Well of course, where's my Pampa News? The paper's Community Calendar will tell me such.

In what seems like 'The never-ending story,' for the past several days I've set on my boney tush in

quite a few City Commission meetings, and from what I just read on the front page weekend edition of the Pampa News, I'll be doing the same yet again. Another City Commission meeting was set for yesterday. Our City Commission considered adopting on second and final reading the new tax rate for the 2014-2015 fiscal year. If you're reading my perspective today, this latest tax rate and budget business should be old news to you. I hope you were there, for after all, the main topic was how the city, starting Oct. 1 for the following year, will spend your hard-earned money.

All over town there's quite the talk concerning our City Commission and managerial government. Tough times, taxes and elected officials make for

good grassroots dialogue. Such should be the case, but in order for any grassroots movement to get off to a good start, apathy's ugly head must first disappear. You might be saying "Geez, is he still riding that old horse?" Indeed I am, for if anything I've noticed since returning to Pampa way back in 2003, it has been the amount of citizens who opt out of the democratic process, then when caught unaware, feign self righteous indignation.

Another factor driving Pampa's air of discontent is the time of day which the City Commission meets. Due to the fact most folks are still working at 4 p.m., many have asked if Commission meetings could be held later in the evening so they would not have to take off early from work.

Commissioner Robert Dixon brought up a good point by explaining City Commission's in the past, attempting to accommodate citizens' time constraints have held evening sessions at various localities across the city, only to be attended by very few citizens. My old horse is in loping mode.

The core mission of The Pampa News is to keep citizens abreast of local news and events. You want to know what's going on locally, read the paper, which for the matter brings me to an important point (with none whatsoever A.D.D. inspired digression) why attendance at City Commission meetings is a responsibility of every Pampa citizen taxpayer.

Tuesday, Nov. 4 is election day. Using all my digits as I type this essay,

that's 37 days from today. For Texas and the nation November the fourth will be one of our most important of election days. I pray that includes long lines waiting to use voting booths here in Pampa. During the month of October, Pampa's City Commission will meet two times. Those two sessions will be an excellent opportunity for any and all concerned citizens to inquire of our mayor and Commissioners their questions regarding the 51 amendments to the City of Pampa Charter that are adorning the ballot that important Election Day, in particular amendment number 12.

Go visit our county election administrator on the fourth floor of the Gray County Courthouse. Ask her for a copy of the

is no excuse not knowing what your local elected officials are doing, especially so when it involves your hard earned money.

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

ATM fees keep climbing, survey says

cent over the past year.

The average fee for using \$4.35 per transaction, ac-Monday by Bankrate.com. the firm said. That figure includes \$2.77

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LOS ANGELES (AP) — that banks charge non- have been increasing as cial analyst at Bankrate. age at \$3.75. The penalty for using an customers and \$1.58 that lenders adjust to federal with your bank rose 5 per- own customers for using an outside ATM.

Overdraft fees also an out-of-network ATM surged, rising on average climbed to a new high of over the past 12 months to \$32.74. That's the 16th cording to a survey released consecutive record high,

Checking account fees

ATM that is not affiliated banks levy against their banking laws and regulations enacted after the 2008 financial crisis. Among the changes: limits on when banks can charge overdraft fees on ATM and debit card transactions and a reduction in the fees that banks charge merchants for each customer who uses credit or debit cards for their pur-

> chases Lenders have responded by hiking overdraft and ATM fees, as well as increasing how much money customers must maintain in the bank to avoid checking account fees.

"I expect fees to continue increasing in years to come, but at a modest pace consistent with what we saw this year, just as was the case prior to the onset

com.

Using another bank's ATM will usually lead to two fees. One is charged by your lender; the other is charged by the owner of the ATM. That's the fee that's risen most consistently and at a faster rate, McBride said.

All told, the average fee for using an out-of-network ATM has vaulted 23 percent over the past five years. It has notched a new high for eight years in a row, according to Bankrate.

The firm surveyed the 10 25 large U.S. markets.

for users of ATMs outside strings checking accounts. their bank's network at Greg McBride, chief finan- cinnati had the lowest aver- often waive it if the ac-

highest average overdraft fee at \$35.80. San Francisco had the lowest at year. The average monthly \$26.74.

The largest U.S. banks est checking account fell 5 all offered free checking with no strings attached until 2009, when the share of all noninterest checking accounts that were free peaked at 76 percent, according to Bankrate. It's now at 38 percent; that's unchanged from last year and only slightly lower than 39 percent in 2012.

Even so, consumers largest banks and thrifts in looking for checking accounts without monthly The average ATM fees fees have plenty of opvary across the markets in tions. Many credit unions, Bankrate's survey. Phoenix smaller community banks had the highest average fee and online banks offer no-

Many banks that do of these regulations," said \$4.96 per transaction. Cin- charge a monthly fee will

countholder has their pay-Philadelphia had the check deposited directly into the account.

Not all bank fees rose this service fee for a noninterpercent to \$5.26 over the past 12 months, Bankrate said.

Despite the increased fees, there are ways savvy bank customers can avoid them altogether.

Use your bank's website to find fee-free ATMs or, if available, get cash back at the register when using a debit card to shop.

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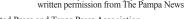
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After dropping for seven shift in the policies and ministration for Children,

straight years, the number practices of state and Youth and Families. of U.S. children in foster county child welfare The average length of goals of a multifaceted

Boosting the number of adoptions is one of the

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according to new federal ened stays in foster care, reduced by more than 10 figures released Monday.

and Human Services tallied 402,378 children in being removed from home the foster care system as in the first place. of September 30, 2013, care in 2002, and the num- and many are still reduc-

so more children avoided months.

524,000 children in foster variation among states adoption.

care rose slightly last year, agencies. Many short- stay in foster care has been bill that won final conexpedited adoptions and percent since 2002, ac-The annual report from expanded preventive sup- cording to the report. The

Of the children in foster care a year ago, 52 per-"While we have seen cent were boys. Twentyup from about 397,000 a these national numbers two percent were Hispan- ing adoptions out of fosyear earlier, but still down hold steady over the past ic, 24 percent black and ter care. Among its other dramatically from a de- few years, it's important 42 percent white; 101,840 cade earlier. The peak was to note that there is great of them were available for require state child welfare

ber had dropped steadily ing their foster care pop- cal year, 50,608 children care — allowing them to

gressional approval on Sept. 18.

Titled the Preventthe Department of Health port for troubled families mean stay is now 21.8 ing Sex Trafficking and Strengthening Families Act, it seeks to improve the system of offering incentives to states for facilitatprovisions, the bill would agencies to promote "nor-During the 2013 fis- malcy" for youth in foster since 2005. ulations," said JooYeun were adopted from foster more easily participate in the long-term drop re-sulted primarily from a missioner of HHS's Ad- 2012.

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Getting legislative permission to do business

The Texas Tribune

When upstart competitors challenge established businesses, they often call on state lawmakers for help, creating the fight card for the next legislative session.

This season's innovators and usurpers bring their claims of a helpful new order, starting new technologies, storming entrenched industries and disrupting business as usual. Theirs is often a circle-of-life narrative where old ways are set aside.

The practitioners of the old ways do not like these upstarts and their stories. They do not like to be called dinosaurs. Many of the "inefficiencies" the new kids propose to fix are, to the established companies, essential elements of their avocations.

Take auto companies for example. Tesla Motors, the newest carmaker on the block, wants to sell cars in Texas but does not have franchised dealerships here as is required by state law. Tesla has storefronts in Houston and Austin, but cannot talk about pricing, offer test drives or refer customers to Tesla stores in other states.

Here's another one: Companies like Uber and Lyft are trying to get a piece of the taxi business, allowing customers to hail a driver with a cellphone app and drivers to find customers the same way. Taxis are regulated, and the new jitneys are in many cases operating outside the regulations. When lawmakers gather in January, the companies will tell them that the state needs to be more

protect existing companies from competition.

Not all disrupters are small fry. The retailing giant Wal-Mart is massing a lobby invasion force to attack some of the most powerful protection laws on the books: the post-Prohibition regulations on who can sell liquor, where and to whom. In Texas, that is the business of privately owned package stores; everybody from Wal-Mart to mom-and-pop groceries would like to get into the market dominated by companies like Twin Liquors and Spec's.

Others also want in; the Texas Package Stores Association is fighting to enforce a one-year residency requirement for companies that want to sell liquor under existing

This is a not a one-sided argument. Taxi companies have to serve entire cities and not just the parts where people are most likely to have smartphones and large amounts of disposable income. The liquor laws were written to help regulate what amounts to a legal drug business that was once dominated by criminals.

The start-ups and interlopers use the word "cartels" a lot in the challenges as a way of saying the state should not be protecting existing businesses and to try to align themselves with customers who, they say, would benefit from the competition.

Companies love to invoke customers' rights, especially if they think there is money to be made. And they often have to get the laws changed to break into markets. Not long ago, cable TV providers in Texas had to battle for

accommodating to newcomers by removing laws that exclusive city franchises, agreeing to serve all areas of a city and, in return, winning protection from competition for the term of their agreements. Cable service more open to competition now, and upstarts big and small continue to horn in on the information markets.

Tesla recently chose Nevada over Texas as the site for a new battery plant to build that essential piece of its electric cars. Texas' sales restrictions probably did not help, but the company might have had more short-term lever age with the Legislature if it had invested in the state.

Wal-Mart is already here, as are the package stores Teslas can be found on Texas highways in spite of the barriers to sales. The cabs and the livery cars are already here, too, and those promise to be the kind of businessto-business fights that make lobbyists cheer even as they make lawmakers and regulators sweat.

Lawmakers get a lot of attention when they battle over state budgets, social issues, schools and ethics. But wrangling over economic issues — telecommunications, electric utilities, the state's civil justice laws, interstate and intrastate shipping and such - is often at center stage when the Legislature meets. The issues get highpriced lobbyists hired, justify campaign contributions in otherwise nonpolitical businesses, and link "reform" campaigns that seem to pop up simultaneously in many states at once — like, say, selling electric cars and giving people rides.



Jury selection begins in penalty retrial of Arias

PHOENIX (AP) not be impartial were dismissed Monday in the penalty retrial of convicted murderer Jodi Arias, as zona case that became a it out of their minds. tabloid TV sensation.

jurors reported to the courtmore to come if an impartial panel cannot be found among the first group. A previous jury deadlocked on punishment.

Jury selection began as a sister of victim Travis and claimed it was self-Alexander sat in the courtroom

the media at one point and the head. smiled just before jurors started arriving.

More than 20 people were excused within the



first 20 minutes of ques-About two dozen potential tioning after saying they premeditated murder car- nude photos, bloody crimejurors who said they could had followed the case and ried out in a jealous rage would not be able to make a decision based only on information presented at trial. Some said they had seen prosecutors again seek a so much coverage of the

The retrial, expected to About 300 prospective last until mid-December, house in Phoenix, with this time after the judge ruled that no video footage can be broadcast until after

the verdict. Arias acknowledged killing Alexander in 2008 at for release after 25 years. his suburban Phoenix home defense. He suffered nearly 30 knife wounds, had his Arias, 34, glanced back at throat slit and was shot in

Prosecutors argued it was tween Arias and the victim, when Alexander wanted to end their affair.

Arias, a former waitress, was found guilty last year. The murder conviction will death sentence in the Ari- trial that they couldn't put stand as lawyers spar once again over whether she should die for the crime.

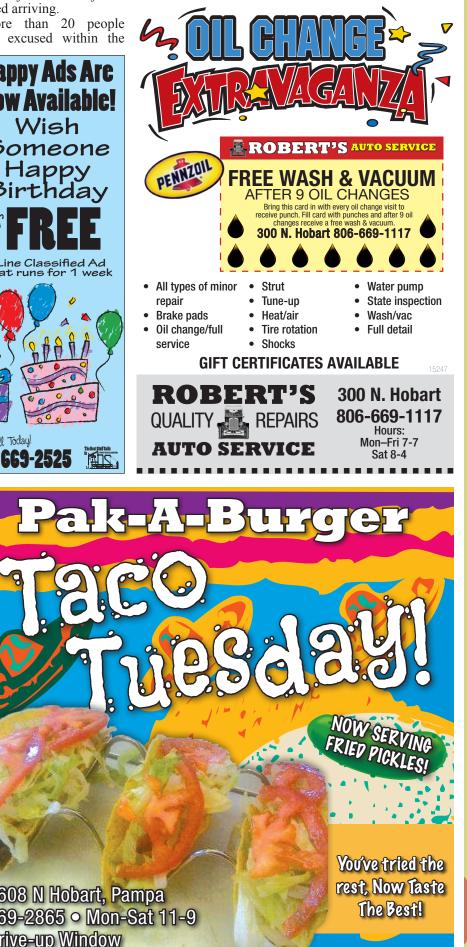
will not be televised live reach a unanimous decision, the death penalty will be removed as an option and a judge will sentence Arias to spend her life behind bars or to be eligible

> Arias' five-month trial began in January 2013 and was broadcast live, providing endless cable TV and tabloid fodder, including a recorded phone sex call be

scene pictures and a defendant who described her life story in intimate detail over 18 days on the witness stand.

Alexander's family sat in the front row of the courtroom throughout the trial, looking often sobbing, If the new jury fails to away from horrific photographs, and wincing as Arias described the victim as an abusive boyfriend who wanted nothing but sex.

It was a far cry from the man Alexander presented himself to be publicly — a devout Mormon in search of his soul mate.





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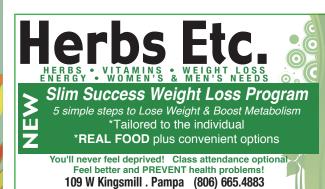
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They did. They do. Clooney/Alamuddin wedding No. 2

venue for 323 weddings tried to clear their way. of foreign couples this crowds and paparazzi.

Amal Alamuddin said colored, Venice's City Hall on the navy ribbon. Grand Canal, greeted by

by Hollywood celebrity gally recognized must take say, "I gotta go." place on a site designated by the city administration.

VENICE, Italy (AP) — ens of boats with photogra- amuddin on the cheek. The romantic canaled city phers, as has been the case of Venice has been the all weekend. Police boats Grand Canal and under just so she can hear the

Clooney, 53, looked crowded year. Only one has drawn dapper in a gray suit and well-wishers civil wedding ceremony in brimmed hat accented by a

hundreds of well-wishers Clooney drew his wife's had left. who waited hours for a attention to the crowds on vate ceremony attended Clooney then ushered Al- wedding in well-appointury hotel. They followed ing from the surrounding tel. up with a required civil buildings and pointing in-

The newlyweds arrived Rome Mayor Walter Velat the pre-Renaissance troni, who performed both identified herself only as Ca' Farsetti in Clooney's ceremonies. Veltroni sent Luisa, said she leaves her Frieder said, before stepregular water taxi, called the couple off, hugging window overlooking the ping outside into a shower "Amore," trailed by doz- Clooney and kissing Al- Cavalli Palazzo, where of confetti.

the arched Rialto Bridge, parade of newlyweds bewith more screaming matching tie, while the "George, George," before George Clooney and bride, 36, wore a cream- disappearing up a one-way short-sleeved canal. Clooney's water "I do" for a second time jacket with palazzo pants taxi driver, who has ferried Monday, celebrating a and a matching wide- the actor around on his frequent trips to Venice, was later seen at the airport and As they exited the boat, indicated that the couple

One of the world's most glimpse of the newlyweds. the opposite shore, and romantic cities, Venice The couple tied the knot they stopped briefly to draws couples from around two days earlier in a pri- take in the scene and wave. the world for a fairy tale amuddin inside, looking up ed official wedding halls change vows before the friends and family in a lux- at city employees watch- overlooking the Grand Ho-

According to official procedure, which to be le- side with his thumb as if to statistics for this year, 323 non-Italian couples were couple enjoyed the added They emerged about 20 married in Venice's historminutes later with former ic center through Monday. A city employee, who

most ceremonies They continued up the place, open in the summer ing congratulated by loved ones.

"There are so many beautiful brides. Every 10 or 15 minutes, they come out and people throw confetti or rose petals," Luisa said, standing with a group of co-workers who came outside to see Clooney and his bride arrive. "Once there was even a Scotsman in a kilt. Often we find champagne bottles and glasses here in the morning.

The last couple to ex-Hollywood star and his new bride arrived was Stefanie Eddinger and Gerald Frieder, from Vienna. The energy from the crowd outside awaiting the celebrity newlyweds.

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Dempsey in honor of his in Lewiston, announced the in Sunday's cycling events. passed away in March.

Maine mother.

Aimee Arsenault, man- closing ceremonies and add- walking or running. ple helped raise more than ager of special events and ed that it's still growing. \$1.1 million for cancer care development at the Patrick and support at the sixth an- Dempsey Center for Cancer Anatomy" actor and Maine lowing the experience of his nual Dempsey Challenge, Hope and Healing at Cen- native, was one of the rough- 77-year-old mother's battles organized by actor Patrick tral Maine Medical Center ly 1,000 people who took part with ovarian cancer. She

fundraising total at Sunday's Others raised money by

Dempsey, the

The actor founded the "Grey's Dempsey Challenge fol-



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School board meetings

The Pampa Independent School District board meets at 5:45 p.m. on the fourth Monday of each month at the new administration building on North Hobart Street.

Immunization clinic 3 times a month

The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) hosts an immunization clinic in Pampa three times a month. The clinics are held from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. and from 1 to 3 p.m. on the first three Wednesdays of each month. The first 10 people in line for the morning and first 10 in the afternoon will always receive shots. However, if there are more than 10, they still may be able to accommodate the patients, or ask them to come back at another time. For more information, call 665-4752 or 806-874-3211. The clinic is located at 736 S. Cuyler St.

PAWS meets first Tuesdays

Society meets the first Citizens Tuesday of each month at 500 W. Francis St. For more the Pampa Animal Shelter, 811 S. Hobart St. The meetings are at 6:30 p.m. and are **Jam sessions** open to the public.

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

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

County Commission meetings

The Gray Commission meets at 9 a.m. on the first and 15th of each month. If the date falls on a Saturday, the meeting will be held on Friday. If the date falls on a Sunday, the meeting with be held on Monday. The meetings are held on the second Courthouse. TOT Republican

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Women's Club meets plays country music. For at noon on the third more information, call Wednesday of every Della at 806-663-1136.

Pampa Animal Welfare month at the Pampa Senior Center, information call 806-669-1990

every Friday night

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

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Lady Harvesters stun Dalhart on the road to win first district game 3-2

BY JOHN LEE jclee@thepampanews.com

DALHART — The Pampa Lady Harvesters volleyball team opened district play on Saturday on the road at Dalhart taking on the Lady Wolves. The Lady Harvesters took the Lady Wolves to five sets and overcame a slow start to win the match 3-2 (20-25, 25-16, 25-22, 25-18 and 15-13) and they advance to 15-13 on the season.

"It's hard when you're going into someone else's gym on a Saturday," head volleyball coach Brooke Sanford. "It's kind of a hornets' nest when you're in district play. We just kept fighting and never gave up. That shows a lot of character from our kids."

The Lady Wolves got out to a quick start against the Lady Harvesters in the first set taking the 3-0 lead until senior Madison Brown hit a kill to put the Lady Harvesters on the board. Junior Brittney Gonzalez hit consecutive points to tie the game at 3-3.

The teams traded points several times until the Lady Wolves edged the Lady Harvesters 6-4. Seniors Caragan Niccum and Taylor Eubank led the Lady Harvesters on a 6-2 run which gave them the 10-8 lead.

The Lady Wolves went on a strong 13-4 run which gave them the 21-14 lead, until senior Allison Noble got a kill to end the run at 21-15. The Lady Harvesters were able to pull within four during a 5-3 run, but the Lady Wolves won the set at 25-20.

The Lady Harvesters started strong in the second set on an 12-4 run behind kills from Eubank, senior Kirstin Hood, Niccum and Noble. The Lady Wolves fought to get back in the set and pulled within five until Noble and Eubank blocked a serve to stop the Lady Wolves and hold the lead at 13-7.

The Lady Harvesters and Lady Wolves battled back-and-forth with Niccum, Brown and Gonzalez all contributing for the Lady Harvesters as they kept their lead at 21-15.

From there, the Lady Harvesters went on a 4-1 run with senior McKinley Hancox serving the ball as Pampa took the second set 25-16.

The Lady Wolves went on a 6-0 run to start the second set until Gonzalez disrupted the run and put the Lady Harvesters on the board. The Lady Wolves tried running away with a commanding 11-4 lead.

The Lady Harvesters wouldn't quit, however, as they went on an 7-4 run with points from Eubank, Hood and Gonzalez. The teams traded points several times and eventually the Lady Harvester pulled within three at 19-16.

The Lady Wolves advanced to a 23-17 lead but Eubank and Brown continued to get kills and pulled within three again. But the Lady Wolves were too much for the Lady Harvesters at 25-22. the match at 2-2, scored the first point of the set after a kill from Eubank. The



Photo courtesv of Butch Noble

The Pampa Lady Harvesters volleyball team is now 1-0 in District and 15-13 on the season. Catch them in action tonight at 7 p.m. against San Jacinto.

9-4 run which included points from No- ing at 8-8. Gonzalez scored a point to ble and Eubank and set the Lady Har- keep it tied at 9-9 apiece and a kill from vesters with a 13-7 lead. Brown, Gonzales and Eubank continued to dominate lead. for the Lady Harvesters as they went on another 9-6 run as Noble gave the Lady Harvesters the 22-13 lead. Gonzalez the Lady Harvesters the 14-13 lead and had two of the final three points for the a hit from the Lady Wolves going out Lady Harvesters as they forced a fifth set with the 25-18 win.

The final set started similar to the match. first and third with the Lady Wolves jumping out to an 2-0 lead but Brown ford said. "We have to fix some things The Lady Harvesters, hoping to tie put Pampa on the board and stopped the that we messed up and we just got to Lady Wolves from extending their lead.

The teams traded points but it was the Lady Harvesters on a Harvesters with three straight kills ty- House to take on San Jacinto.

Brown gave the Lady Harvesters the

The Lady Wolves kept tying the series and Eubank scored a kill to give of bounds gave the Lady Harvesters the 15-13 win for the set and 3-2 win for

"We just got to keep winning," Sankeep winning."

The Lady Harvesters return to acteams traded points until Brown started Noble who tied the game for the Lady tion tonight at 7 p.m. in McNeely Field



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NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell met with Texas coach Charlie Strong on Sunday to talk about the core values Strong uses to run his program.

"We discussed setting standards, and taking a stand on who we are as football leaders," NFL executive vice president Troy Vincent told The Associated Press on Sunday. "Charlie Strong is doing that. It is a difficult process changing culture, not for the light-hearted. But, as we know at the NFL, it is a process that must be endured with the goals of high standards, excellence and accountability.

The NFL is re-evaluating its personal conduct policy after Goodell admitted mishandling the disciplinary process for former Ravens running back Ray Rice, who struck his then-fiancee in a casino elevator.

Strong has dismissed nine players during his first year rate on these issues going forward."

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as Texas coach

"Coach Strong is setting a precedent on leadership by not compromising on high standards and the value of football," Vincent said. "He provided us valuable insight on how he establishes standards, gets buy-in from his student athletes and holds them accountable.

'Coach Strong has taken a firm stance on violence against women and stressing core values as a prerequisite to playing on his team. He believes that winning starts with life principles and is building his program based on core values. We believe this is a model that should be emulated across the country in both amateur and professional football.'

Vincent, a former star NFL player and president of the players' union, said the meeting "provided valuable insight on how the NFL and college programs can collabo-

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College Football Recap: Week 5

It was a pretty ho-hum week for college football fans in Week 5 if you are one that likes the under-

> dogs. In the Top 25 Poll only one ranked team lost. That team was

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Carolina.

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Missouri Tigers 21-20. Missouri scored the go ahead touchdown with 1:36 left on the clock.

North Carolina State fired off a hot start against No. 1 Florida State and took at 24-7 lead early in the game. However, Florida State came back, with a little luck, and ended up winning the game 56-41.

Arkanasas had hopes of upsetting No. 6 Texas A&M but blew a 14-point lead late in the fourth quarter and eventually lost the game 35-28 in overtime.

Ole Miss was struggling for the first half with Memphis as it was just 7-3 until the Rebels reeled off 17 points in the fourth quarter to win the game 24-3.

Tennessee jumped out to a 10-0 lead on No. 12 Georgia but in the end came up short 35-32.

In a very odd statistical game then-No. 15 Arizona State lost to No. 11 UCLA 62-27. The Sun Devils lost the game despite winning every statistical category but one. You guessed it, they lost the turnover battle 4-0. Not many teams can win ball games if they are turning the ball over at a high rate and this is a prime example.

Those were all of the close upsets or lack of upsets. Now let's change gears and talk about the Big 12. TCU had a slow start against SMU but won the game 56-0. Texas and Kansas was like a pillow fight but the Longhorns eventually took over due to the lack of Kansas offense and won the game 23-0. Kansas State had no issues with UTEP 58-28.

Baylor controlled Iowa State 49-28. And the Thursday game Oklahoma State took care of Texas Tech by the score of 45-35.

Now let's preview some of the matchups for next week. Texas Tech travels to No. 23 Kansas State. No. 21 Oklahoma then-No. State hosts Iowa State.

No. 7 Baylor travels to Texas. No. 4 Oklahoma travels to No. 25 TCU. Kansas travels to West Virginia. The Jayhawks also fired head coach Charlie Weis over the weekend.

Those were all the Big 12 matchups and there are also a lot of top-25 showdowns. No. 14 Stanford will take their talents to South Bend for a game against No. 9 Notre Dame. No. 19 Nebraska heads to No. 10 Michigan State. No. 15 LSU travels to No. 5 Auburn.

No. 6 Texas A&M faces No. 12 Mississippi State in Starkville. No. 3 Alabama will face No. 11 Ole Miss in Oxford.

With all of those great matchups there are bound to be more upsets this week. It may be too early to call it Upset Saturday but from one college football fan to another, you won't want to miss the games this weekend.

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Cowboys rock Saints behind Romo, Murray

ARLINGTON — Jerry straight 100-yard games. Jones watched what he called the best effort he's game streak of fumbling seen in 25 years as owner in the first quarter as the of the Dallas Cowboys in Cowboys won the turnthe first half, and that was before Tony Romo had the longest scramble of 149 yards, pushing his his career and DeMarco NFL-leading total to 534. Murray finished off yet another 100-yard game.

New Orleans, the team that he didn't turn the that handed Jason Garrett his worst loss in four years as Dallas coach last ing about getting some season.

"I had that long ride those yards." home last year, and it's not fun," Jones said passes to Josh Hill and after the Cowboys beat Jimmy Graham early in the Saints 38-17 Sunday the fourth quarter to get night for their first 3-1 the Saints (1-3) to 31-17 start under Garrett. "I've before the Cowboys got a lot of friends there regained control. and have been New Orleans friendly all my life, but that's a long ride when you have a night like I had in New Orleans a year ago.'

Drew Brees and the Saints with seven touchdowns scoreless in the first half and no picks in his previafter giving up an NFL- ous two games against record 40 first downs in the Cowboys, both wins. a 49-17 blowout loss in New Orleans last year.

Romo threw touchdown including two to Terrance at this game, the entire Williams, and Murray game, we got beat. We scored twice while join- got beat in every facet ing Emmitt Smith as the of it." only Dallas running backs to start a season with four

Murray broke a threeover battle 3-0.

He had 24 carries for

"DeMarco is inspirational," Jones said. "Glad All the fun came against to see him have a game ball over. About the time New Orleans was thinklife, he'd go out and make

Brees had touchdown

The former Texas high school star threw for 340 yards, but had just 84 yards with an interception while Dallas was building a 24-0 halftime lead The Cowboys kept after he had 838 yards

"We had our chances in the second half," Brees three said. "But at the end of passes, the day when you look

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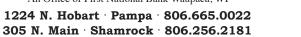
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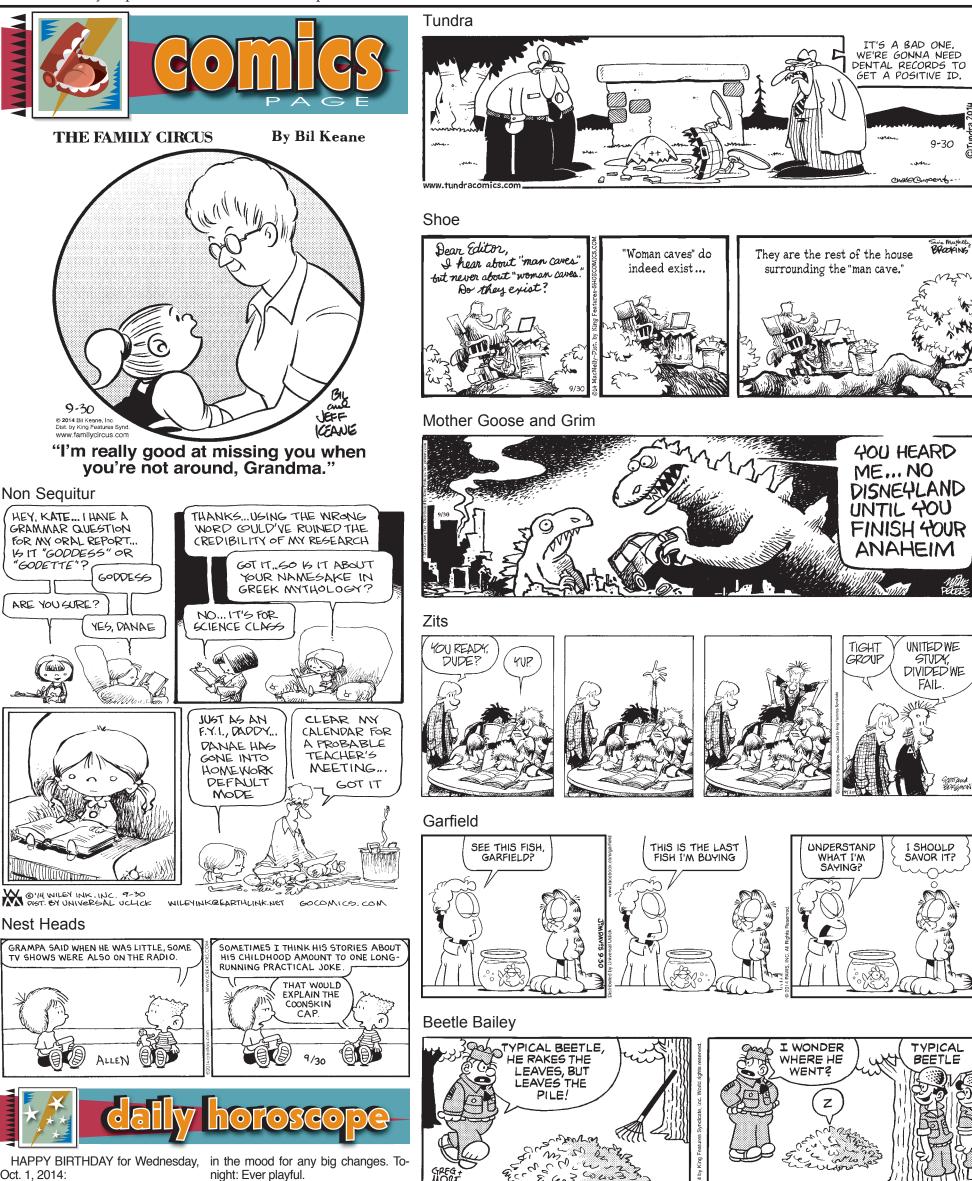
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The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIEŠ (March 21-April 19)

 $\star \star \star \star$ Take one of the whimsical ideas you have been toying with and start manifesting it. You could experience the gamut of emotions, from being misunderstood to feeling a sense of true mental mutuality. Pressure is likely to build. Tonight: Out till the wee hours.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

 $\star \star \star \star \star$ You might wake up with some strange new ideas. You'll want to test them out on a friend first. Be honest with yourself about whether this person is just a part of your fan club or is really being open with you. Tonight: You could be taken aback by a sudden insight.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

and understand what needs to happen in order to make a situation work. This person could have very different needs from your own. Recognize the balance, and know that you will need to give far more than you might expect. Tonight: In deep conversation.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

 $\star \star \star \star$ You could be thinking about what needs to be done, but you might decide to let someone else do it. Actually, your decision would be using your energy well, as you would be helping this person out; he or she needs to be more dominant. Tonight: Let others make the first move.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

 $\star \star \star \star$ You could be livelier than you have been in a while. Confusion will mark a discussion. It would be helpful to recognize whether you are heading in the wrong direction. You might need to backtrack, but you also might not be

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

 $\star \star \star \star \star$ Your creativity will emerge. You can deal with any uproar better than your friends can. Recognize that your resourcefulness is needed. You might need to clarify your choices in order to avoid making a mistake. Others could have difficulty manifesting their ideas. Tonight: In the moment.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★ Stay close to home to avoid making a mistake. How you feel could be very different from your norm. Make it a point not to worry so much. Your creativity and emotional resonance will emerge, which will draw others toward you. Tonight: Just make it easy.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★★ You'll smile and work through a problem by asking questions and having a talk. You are more centered than you have been, so you won't have a problem with a runaway imagination. You'll find ways of harnessing your ideas and making them work. Tonight: Visit with others.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Be aware of the costs of pursuing what appeals to you. You might want to hold off for now or do some price comparisons. You will learn a lot about those around you from their reactions. Tonight: Acknowledge what needs to happen in order to get past the present situation.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

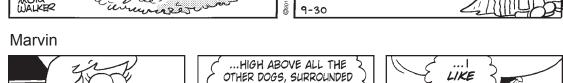
★★★★ You'll wake up feeling on top **** Defer to someone else, of your game. You might decide to explore what would suit your long-term plans best. You could discover that your thoughts are quickly changing. Give yourself the space to play with different ideas. Tonight: The world is your ovster.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★ You might feel as if you need to get some space in order to make the appropriate decision that will serve you best. Sometimes saying little and reflecting is a far more powerful process when it comes to making a positive decision. Tonight: Get some extra sleep you will need it.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★★ Stay focused on what you need rather than on what someone else wants. You will discover that there is a midpoint where both of you could feel content with the situation in question. Be aware of a tendency to go overboard. Tonight: Let the good times begin.

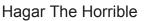


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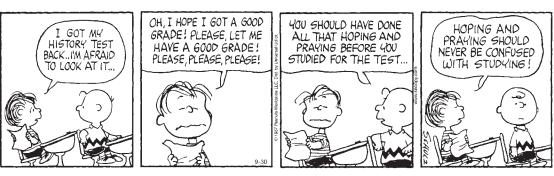
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Above left, Allison Noble (6) strikes the ball across the net. Above middle, Brittney Gonzalez (5) prepares to make a dig in Pampa's first set of the match. Above right, Caragan Niccum (8) attempts a soft send across the net. Below left, Genevieve Zavala makes a serve in the first set Saturday. Kirstin Hood (4) makes a dig and sets the ball for the next player. Bottom, the Lady Harvesters regroup during a timeout in the first set of the match Saturday.

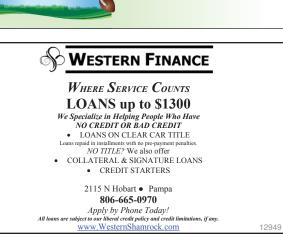


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Above left, Colton Thompson runs with the ball after one of his three interceptions in the game Friday. Francisco Salazar and Ryan Lee look for Tulia players to help lead the way for Thompson. Above center, Jayson Thomas makes a move to evade a Hornet defender. Raul Cortez is running towards to play in hopes to find a Tulia player to block. Above right, Brendon Woelfle tries to juke defenders after a catch in Friday night's game. Below left, Alec McClendon reaches up to snag the ball out of the air for a catch. Below right Zack Gates is in position and ready to make the catch. Far bottom, four Pampa Harvesters combine to get into the backfield and block a Tulia punt in the third quarter. Pampa won the game 31-7 and is 2-3 on the year.





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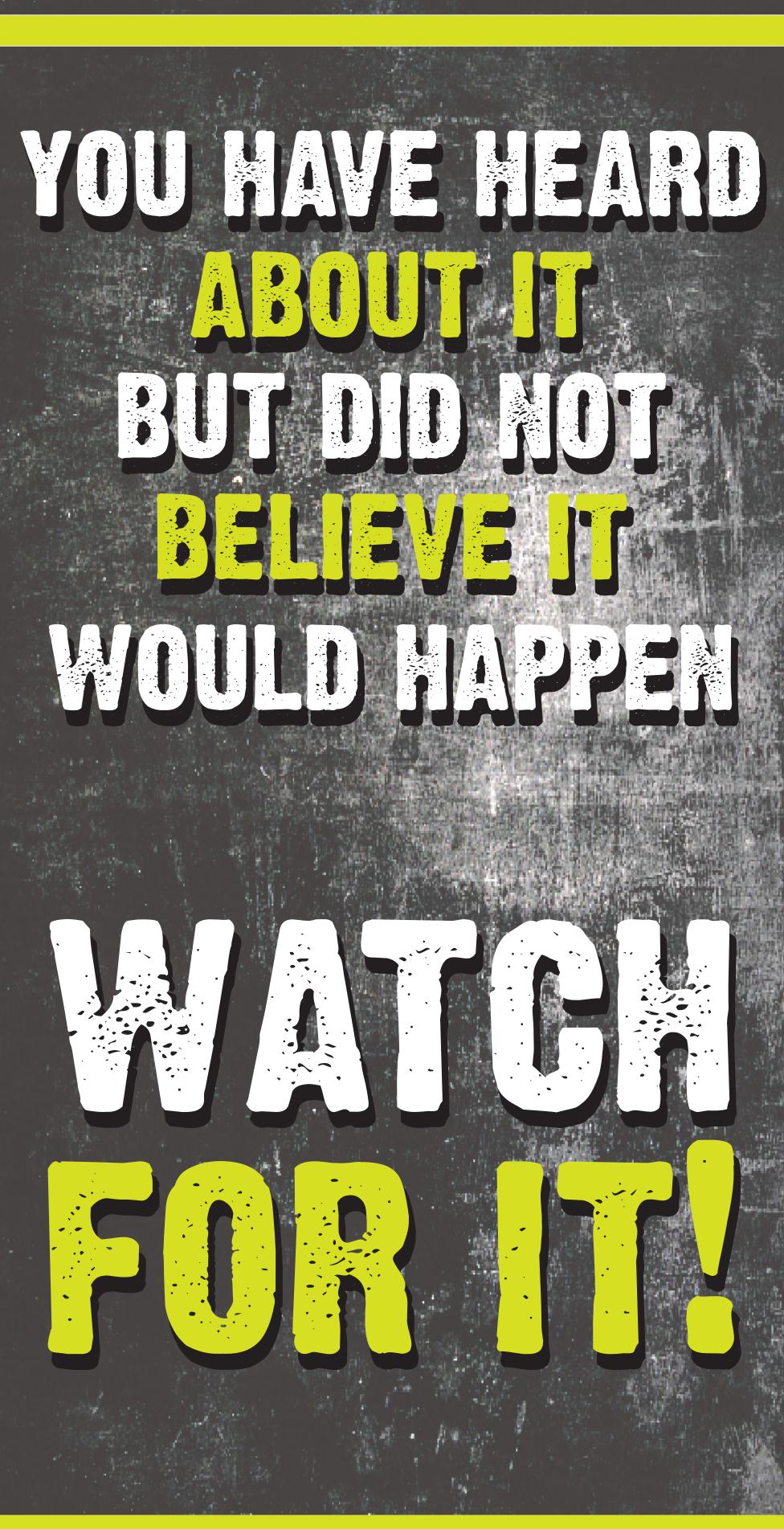
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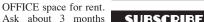
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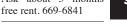


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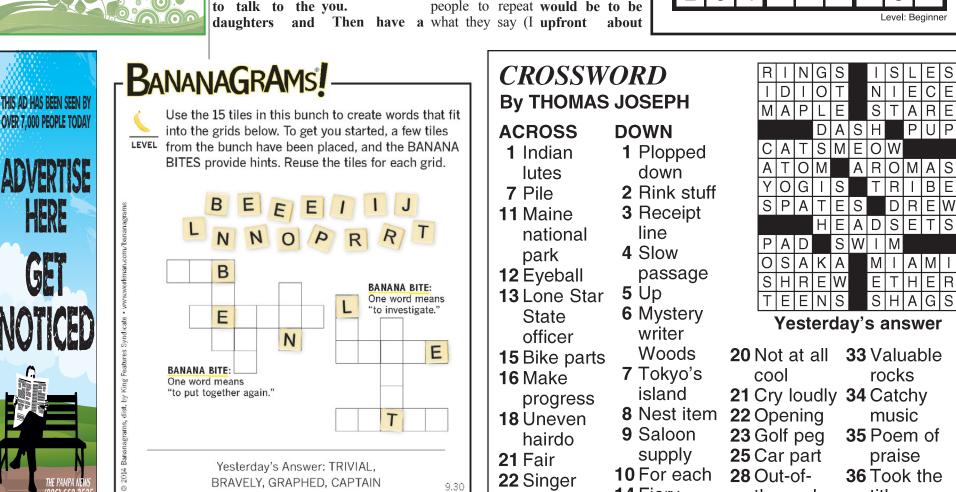
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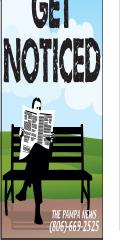
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