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## County Commission approves resolution supporting online voter registration

By JOHN LEE  
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The Gray County Commissioners Court met Monday morning on the second floor of the Gray County Courthouse. Among the items they discussed was a resolution which supported online voter registration.

During the meeting, the Commissioners heard a resolution from Karen Goodman, Gray County's election administrator, speaking about a statewide resolution to

support online voter registration.

Goodman said the resolution wouldn't affect her current voter turnout, but a lot of younger voters do look online to register. Her usual turnout from those registered comes from those who register with Texas Department of Public Safety and those who fill out the voter registration cards mailed to them.

The Commission supported the resolution, which simply means they support the bill as it goes through legislation.

During the public comment section, members of McLean ISD expressed a desire to use a building that Gray County owns in McLean for 4-H activities and livestock housing.

They said their 4-H program has grown from 16 students to 53 students in the short time agriculture teacher, Thomas Meek, has been there.

They said they are in desperate need of facilities and wanted the Commissioners to take into consideration working out a way for

the McLean 4-H to be able to use their facilities.

Judge Richard Peet said if the school district wanted to purchase the facilities the county by law has to allow for bids to be submitted to the court. Peet did say that the Commissioners did have a right to accept or reject any bid so even if McLean ISD wasn't the highest bidder, they could sell the facilities to the school district due to the nature of the purchaser.

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## Culberson-Stowers body shop still open amidst construction

By JOHN LEE  
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Photo by John Lee

Above, the men of Culbersons-Stowers Body Shop: from left, George Albear, Merkie Martinez, Curtis Newton, Terry Hull, Lupe Galaviz, Jessie Santacruz and, not pictured, Trace Leftwich. Right, Leftwich works on a truck currently in the service shop.

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Despite the construction, the Body Shop is still open under their normal business hours and is still doing all of the work that they normally do.

"We do collision repair, paint work, frame repair and all of the duties a typical body shop does," Terry Hull, body shop manager, said. "We handle the warranty concerns with Ford,

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## Pampa man, eight others, arrested in solicitation sting

STAFF REPORT

AMARILLO — On Sunday, the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) announced the arrests of nine suspects during a three-day, multi-agency operation in Amarillo to target sexual predators and possible human trafficking organizations.

**Robert Tidwell**

The investigation, led by DPS Criminal Investigations Division agents, was an online undercover effort to identify and apprehend sexual predators participating in the online solicitation of minors.

Robert James Tidwell, 21, of Pampa, was arrested for a third-degree felony for online solicitation of a minor.

Other agencies involved in the operation include Texas Highway Patrol, Amarillo Police Department, Randall

County Sheriff's Department, Potter County Sheriff's Department, West Texas A&M Police Department, Canyon Police Department, Homeland Security Investigations, United States Marshal Service, United States Attorney's Office Northern District of Texas—Amarillo and Randall County District Attorney's Office.

The other suspects arrested during the investigation and their related charges include:

Aaron Joe Davis, 38, of Amarillo. Assault on a public servant (first-degree felony), online solicitation of a minor (third-degree felony), evading arrest with a motor vehicle (state jail felony) and tamper with or fabricate evidence (third-degree felony); Jeffery Robert Abraham, 31, of Amarillo, Texas. Online solicitation of a minor (third-degree felony); Kolby Shelb Kemp, 21, of Amarillo, Texas. Online solicitation of a minor (third-

**STING** cont. on page 2

## Sgt. Houston Gass honored at Back to Badges Night for the Amarillo Bulls



Photo by Lindsey Tomaschik

Patrol sergeant officer Houston Gass and his family present at the Amarillo Bulls hockey game on Saturday night. The game recognized all first responders, and \$2 from every ticket sold went to officer Gass. Before the game started, Gass walked out on a red carpet and dropped a puck on the ice, and between the second and third periods of the game, he rode in the passenger seat of an Amarillo police patrol car and waved to those in the audience as it circled the ice. There was also a silent auction on a jersey and donation buckets passed around at the game. All proceeds from these were also given to officer Gass.

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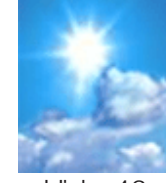
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## PAMPA FORECAST

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**Tonight:** Mostly clear, low around 35. South wind 5-10 mph. Sunset: 6:14 p.m.

**Wednesday:** Mostly sunny, high near 48. Breezy, with a west WSW wind 5-10 mph, becoming NNE 15-25 mph in the afternoon. Sunrise: 7:42 a.m.

**Wednesday night:** Mostly cloudy, with a low around 20. Blustery, with a NNE wind 15-25 mph. Sunset: 6:15 p.m.

**Thursday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 46. NNE wind around 5 mph. Sunrise: 7:41 a.m.

**Thursday night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 32. South wind 5-10 mph. Sunset: 6:16 p.m.

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## County

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Precinct 4 (which holds both the school district and the facilities in discussion), said the facilities do suit the needs of the McLean ISD 4-H. Haley added that if McLean ISD had to build facilities, when they could work something out with the County whether it be a purchase or lease agreement, that it would be a disservice to the taxpayers. Commissioner for Precinct 3, Neil Fulton, added his full support to McLean ISD's 4-H program.

Kent Satterwhite of the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority (CRMWA) gave the Commissioners a presentation about a plan should Lake Meredith not return to usable level.

Right now CRMWA is buying land rights from area landowners to build a pipeline that would run from Roberts County, have a stop at a water plant near Pampa and run close to State Highway 60 and end in Amarillo's well.

From there it will disperse to all the area communities.

The construction on this line will not start until 2020 at the earliest, and that's if Lake Meredith's levels do not go up.

Haley presented the rest of the Commissioners with a tax surplus item. The item, which is a former fuel station built in 1939, only to be acquired by the county in 1991. The county used the building up until 2013. Haley wants to remove the tanks and clean up the site. The commissioners agreed to marking it as surplus and is expected to have bids

ready by their first March meeting.

The Commissioners needed to find a new dentist to do work at/for the Gray County jail.

The approved Mike Peterson, of Amarillo, who is willing to come to GCSO or take patients.

He will bring his own equipment which insures that the County won't be responsible for dental equipment.

The Commissioners tabled the agenda item supporting Rural Texas as a valuable part of the State's Economy until they could find more information.

The Commissioners unanimously agreed to approve the following agenda items:

- Pay bills and salaries as approved by the County Auditor.
- Treasurer's report.
- Investment report.

• COBRA rates for health insurance. There was no change in the insurance rates.

• Upgrade with Cable One.

• 2014 Racial Profile Report from Sheriff's Office.

• 2014 Racial Profile Report from Constable Precincts 1 and 3.

• 2014 Civil Process Report from Constable Precincts 1 and 3.

• Tax bids per letter dated Jan. 20, from tax assessor-collector.

• Declaring some county property surplus and going out for bids.

• Request of Commissioner Precinct 3 to replace an employee.

• Renewal contract with TRANE.

• Road Crossing request by Atmos Energy at CR10 and Loop 171.

• Recognize employee's NIMS education.

## Shop

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The body shop employs seven people.

Hull said the challenging part of the body shop industry is the repair time.

"The cycle time and length of repair and parts availability makes it challenging," Hull said. "But every collision repair job is different in its own unique way."

But Hull and his staff takes pride in getting the vehicles back on the road.

Hull has been working at the body shop since August of 2006, but he has been in the industry since the late 1980s.

Hull said the industry has changed in more places than just the design of the vehicles.

"They've gotten more techni-

cal, more computerized with sensors and modules," Hull said. "They've started using aluminum in the structure of the vehicle and the windshield is part of the vehicle these days."

Hull said these changes make for a better repair because it's welded together with smaller pieces designed to collapse during a collision.

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Hull said his favorite vehicle to repair is the front-end of a GM Pickup because it's the fastest-flowing repair.


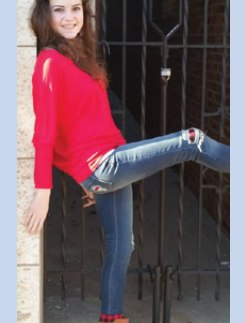
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## Sting

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degree felony); Mario Simental, 28, of Amarillo. Online solicitation of a minor (third-degree felony); Brad Eugene Sharber, 44, of Amarillo. Online solicitation of a minor

(third-degree felony); Daniel Lee Garcia, 38, of Amarillo. Online solicitation of a minor (third-degree felony); Charles Alexander Diaz, 20, of Amarillo. Online solicitation of a minor (third-degree felony) and Kyle Andrew Adair, 22, of Amarillo. Online solicitation of a minor (third-degree felony).



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# OBITUARIES

## Gary D. Brewer

Gary D. Brewer, 71, of Pampa, died Saturday, January 31, 2015, in Pampa.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2015, in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with Rev. Norman Rushing, pastor of Central Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Brewer was born on Sept. 5, 1943 in New Brunswick, Canada, and he was raised in Kingston, Ontario, Canada. As a young man, he played hockey and also played hockey as a senior adult in the "Old Timer's League." Gary worked as an auditor for an automobile company for many years. He was a member of the Anglican Church in Canada.

Gary moved to Pampa in 2005, and shortly thereafter, he married Jan McCarthy on Oct. 28, 2005 in Pampa. He attended Central Baptist Church.

Gary loved to play golf at Hidden Hills where he met his two best friends, John McGuire and Melvin Ball, and they played together whenever they could. Gary will be remembered as a very compassionate and charitable man who put others before himself, and he will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

Survivors include his wife, Jan Brewer, of the home; two sons, Harry Brewer and wife Alana of Kingston, Ontario and Terry McCarthy of Pampa; two daughters, Cherry McCarthy and Lori McCarthy, both of Pampa; two grandsons, Owen Brewer of Kingston, Ontario and Chase McCarthy of Pampa; a great granddaughter, Wynter McCarthy of Pampa, a great grandson, Cyrus McCarthy of Pampa, and by five brothers, Bob, Paul, Donnie, Richard, and Jimmy, all of Canada. Gary was preceded in death by his parents, Richard and Violet Brewer.

Memorials may be made to Central Baptist Church, 513 E. Francis, Pampa, TX 79065.

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



Gary D. Brewer



Eugene "Gene" Hinds

and husband Gary, Christa Pennington and husband Chris, Kelsi Hinds, and Jodi Estep, all of Pampa; two brothers, Larry Hinds and wife Trudi of Hooker, Okla. and Pody Hinds and wife Brenda of Pampa; nine grandchildren, and a great grandson. Gene was preceded in death by his parents, Manuel and Fannie Hinds, two brothers, Sonny Ricketts and Kenneth Hinds, his mother-in-law, Barbara Frei, and two sisters-in-law, Robin Fritts and Arla Yount.

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

## Kenneth V. Shipley

Kenneth V. Shipley, 75, of Pampa, died Sunday, Feb. 1, 2015, in Pampa.

There will be no services scheduled. Cremation and arrangements are by Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Shipley was born March 29, 1939 in Eunice, New Mexico. He was a 1957 graduate of Kellyville High School in Kellyville, Oklahoma. Kenneth served in the U. S. Army from 1957-1964. He married Mary Jo Corley on June 11, 1966 in Odessa. He was a resident of Arlington for 48 years before moving to Pampa on Oct. 28, 2014. Kenneth was a truck driver for Martin-Brower Corp. for 20 years and later worked for the Texas Rangers at the Ball Park at Arlington for eight years. He did volunteer work for special needs children in Arlington.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Jo Shipley, of the home; a son, Michael Shipley of Arlington; a sister, Judy Haynes of Pampa; and a grandson, Shawn Pilgrim and wife Liz of Arlington.

Memorials may be made to Pampa Special Olympics, P. O. Box 375, Pampa, TX 79066-0375.

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Kenneth V. Shipley



Alton M. Day Jr.

and Wade Day all of Amarillo; a step daughter, Shelli and husband James Hayes of Pampa; two sisters, Juanelle and husband Jan Aldridge of Elizabeth, Colo. and Linda and husband Bill Theis of Chicataw, Okla.; seven grandchildren, Deshane Day, Savannah Day, Cheyanne Day and London Day all of Amarillo, Nikki Marcum, B.J. Brittenham and Paige Brittenham all of Pampa, and five great-grandchildren, Haven Day, Nash Wilson, Jett Wilson, Easton Morgan and Xaiten Brittenham.

Alton was a very kind and loving man that will be greatly missed by many.

The family has entrusted Alton's cremation care to Winegeart & Eldringhoff Funeral Home of Pampa. A Celebration of Life service will be held at a later date. The family would like to give special thanks to Debby Douglas of Hospice Care and to the caring nurses of Pampa Regional Medical Center. The family will be receiving family and friends at 1801 Hamilton Street, Pampa.

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## Norma Lee Combs

Norma Lee Combs, 85, of Pampa, died Saturday, Jan. 31, 2015, in Pampa.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2015, in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with Rev. Jim Yates, chaplain of Interim Hospice, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Combs was born on June 26, 1929 in Carter, Okla. to Clarence and Zula Ann Hill. She was raised in White Deer and lived in Amarillo, Mesquite, and Mineral Wells before returning to Pampa in 1996. Norma married James Jackson Combs on Jan. 9, 1950 in Pampa. He preceded her in death in 2002. She was a member of Hobart Baptist Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Joy Combs, of Pampa; a son, James Combs, of Pampa; a brother, R. E. Hill and wife Mollie of Lamesa; a brother-in-law, Frank Holman and wife Bonnie of Lake Village; three grandchildren, Jason Hartwig of White Deer, Allison Combs of San Jose, Calif., and Tyler Hartwig of Grapevine; four great grandchildren, Hope Hartwig, Kaylee Hartwig, Mercedes Hartwig, and Micah Graham; and by numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins. Norma was also preceded in death by her parents, and by two brothers, Clifford Hill and Richard Hill.

Memorials may be made to a favorite charity.

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Norma Lee Combs

## Alton M. Day, Jr.

Alton M. Day, Jr., 69, went home to be with the Lord Friday, Jan. 30, 2015. A golden heart stopped beating and is at peace in paradise.

Alton was born on June 15, 1945, to Alton and Ersey Cawthon Day in Amarillo. He served in the US Navy and fought for his country in the Vietnam War and was a hero to many. He was employed by Jimmy Baggett doing construction and remodeling of homes. Not only was Jimmy his employer, but a very dear friend.

Alton is preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by his wife, Debbie Day of the home; three sons, Shane and wife Debbie Day, Shannon Day

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## Eugene "Gene" Hinds

Eugene "Gene" Hinds, 71, of Pampa, died Saturday, Jan. 31, 2015, in Pampa.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, 2015, at Fairview Cemetery with Rev. Kyle Ohsfeldt, pastor of Grace Baptist Church, officiating. Arrangements are by Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Hinds was born Aug. 17, 1943 in Phillips and was a 1961 graduate of Pampa High School. He served in the U. S. Army for four years and was honorably discharged as a Private First Class. He married Cindy Turner on Feb. 28, 1985 in Pampa. Gene worked for TxDOT as a maintenance supervisor for 25 years, retiring in 2004.

Survivors include his wife, Cindy Hinds, of the home; two sons, Jimmy Hall and wife Tabby of Pampa and Justin McPherson of Amarillo; four daughters, Jeena Jones

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**DENNIS PALMITIER**

It was one o'clock in the morning, I could not fall asleep. Happening way more often than I can count, I'm tossing and tumbling, pounding the pillow and constantly changing positions. You know, just trying to get comfortable enough to ease into sleep, I opted for one more flip flop from my right side to my left - and pulled a back muscle. Yep, sleep these nights is a coin toss of will I or won't I. Of course, after a sleepless night it's always good to answer the ringing phone and hear your son shout, "How are you old man?"

I'm now in my sixty fifth year and what I find quite disconcerting is AARP and their incessant reminders that I'm getting older, since my fiftieth birthday! I'll be damned if I sign up with that group.

Everywhere I go there is someone or something reminding me that I'm getting old! If it's not an ingrate son, it's my government sending me a huge tome telling me what I've to happily look forward to after my sixty-fifth.

Social Security and Medicare... my government looking (laughing) out for me, at my expense. Ack!

While trying to focus through the dilating drops (I hate that!) I hear from my optometrist, "I've good news and bad news". I know her daddy, his want for a good laugh, so I'm thinking this to be a joke and say as much. "No, I'm being serious" she replied. I asked her for the bad news first. "You're growing cataracts" she said. "Oh, what's the good news?" I asked. "By the

time they need to come out you'll be on Medicare." Optometrist humor... That was five years ago.

This past Thanksgiving I'm motoring down the highway, things are out of focus.

I'm constantly adjusting my glasses, but to no avail. Evening descends (it's a nine hour drive, legally) and other oncoming vehicles headlights are driving me crazy with glare.

All the while on holiday and the return trip the blurred vision and glare issues persist. Back in Pampa, first thing I do is make an appointment with an Amarillo ophthalmologist.

It was like a senior citizen assembly line in his office! Afterwards while attempting to focus through the dilating drops (I hate that!) I hear "Your cataracts need to come out. Until then, you'll want to be careful behind the wheel." I told him thanks for his public service announcement. Ophthalmologist humor...

The cold. Cold never used to bother me, even when I lived in South Texas where the locals gripe and groan if the day time temp gets down in the sixty's. Cold days meant 'sweater weather' to me, that was about all I wore and was quite comfortable in such. That was last year. Since the sixty-fifth descended upon me, cold has hurt! Throw our gentle Panhandle winds into the fray, cold is even more intense.

Yea, nothing better in the youth of my old age than being outdoors when the temperature and the wind are the same numbers! Groan.

It's always good first time awake while prone in bed in the morning to stretch your body.

When I was running 10K's and marathons I did so religiously - you just feel better facing the day. I don't run competitively anymore, I hardly walk these days...but I have kept up with the stretching thing,

until last month.

Prior to anything I'm lying abed one frosty January morn contemplating life when I decide to start stretching.

Man it felt great, from my shoulders down to my feet, oh wait, what the, ouch! My calf muscle suddenly cramped, then my right foot arch followed suit. I work the calf muscle free, but the arch isn't giving. Took four hours for that cramp to go away! Standing and walking I tell you was pure enjoyment!

It isn't just me. Breakfast club is a veritable shaking of sad sack heads listening to everyone's carping and complaining over their aches and pains and trips to their chiropractors and doctors. "Where's Billy?" "Getting his knee replaced." Where's Randy?" "Hip replacement." "Where have you been?" "Laid up with this bad back." "I won't be here next week." "Where you going?" "Having surgery on that ingrown big toe nail." "Who died this time?"

Nope, growing old isn't for the faint of heart. Things start to happen that are out of your control. That is the plan, but it doesn't mean I have to like it.

I've never forgotten reading about Frank Sinatra's death. In the headline article a Sinatra biographer offered his favorite quote from Old Blue Eyes. Asked how he was enjoying retirement, Sinatra shot back to the interviewer, "The golden years can kiss my ass!" I'm with you Mr. Sinatra, I'm with you.

*Pampa resident Dennis Palmitier is a regular, unpaid contributor to the opinion page on issues that affect Pampa and Gray County. His opinions and viewpoints do not reflect those of The Pampa News or The Pampa News' staff. 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 jlee@thepampanews.com.*

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### City Commission meetings

The Pampa City Commission meets at 5:30 p.m. the second and fourth Monday of each month. The meetings are held on the third floor of City Hall.

### School board meetings

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

### Immunization clinic three 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. The Department of State Health Services can be reached at 806-669-5323 and is located at 121 S. Gillespie St. in Pampa.

### PAWS meets first Tuesdays

Pampa Animal Welfare Society meets the first Tuesday of each month at the Pampa Animal Shelter, 811 S. Hobart St. The meetings are at 6:30 p.m. and are 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 County Commission meets at 9 a.m. on the first and 15th of each month. If the date falls on a Saturday, the meeting will be held on Friday. If the date falls on a Sunday, the meeting will be held on Monday. The meetings are held on the second floor of the Gray County Courthouse.

### TOT Republican Women's Club

Top O' Texas Republican Women's Club meets at noon on the third Wednesday of every month at the Pampa Senior Citizens Center, 500 W. Francis St. For more information call 806-669-1990.

### Jam sessions 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.

### Meredith House presents live music

Meredith House, an assisted-living facility at 812 W. 25th Ave., has a band performing at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday and Saturday night. Join them for Western music, gospel and the classics. For more information, call 806-665-5668.

### Monday night dance club

The Monday night dance club meets from 7 to 9 p.m., the second Monday of each month, in the Pampa Chamber of Commerce building on the corner of Ballard and Kingsmill. Admission is \$3.50. Cold drinks and coffee are offered. The club plays country music. For more information, call Della at 806-663-1136.

### PPQG Meets fourth Thursdays

Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild meets the fourth Thursday of each month, January through October, at the Pampa Senior Citizens Center at 500 W. Francis St.

The meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. and membership is open to adult quilters of all ages. Dues are \$15 annually. Meetings consist of a short business discussion followed by a program featuring quilting techniques. For more information, call 806-662-2909.

### Pampa Post VFW meetings

Pampa Post VFW, Men's Auxiliary, and Ladies Auxiliary meet the second and fourth Tuesday of every month. There is a social hour with meal at 6 p.m. and the meetings begin at 7 p.m. For questions, call Danny Martin at 806-662-4367.

### CASA of the High Plains

CASA of the High Plains will be open from 6-7 p.m.

on the third Tuesday of every month for persons interested in becoming a CASA Volunteer. The CASA office is located in the Brown Alliance for Children at 315 N. Ballard Street in Pampa.

CASA volunteers are appointed by a Judge to represent the Best Interest of children who have been removed from their homes due to abuse and neglect. Volunteers are crucial to positive outcomes for children in the foster care system.

You may contact CASA at 806-669-7638 for more information.

### Citizens for a Better Pampa Meetings

The Citizens for a Better Pampa meetings are scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 1925B North Hobart. The group is made up of individuals who want to work with our city commissioners and the city government/employees to help make Pampa a better place to live for all Pampa residents and visitors. All who have concerns, positive ideas, suggestions, and solutions for concerns are encouraged to attend these meetings.

Group members attend the City Commission meetings, then grab a bite to eat and meet at the office conference room (1925B North Hobart) to get acquainted and visit before starting.

For more information, please contact Dale or Phillis at (3 Par Ranch office), 806-665-0805.

*Editor's note: Email submissions to jcllee@thepampanews.com. Submissions should be 100 words or less and written in the third person. Please include the title of the event, the date and time, physical address, the admission cost or whether it is a free event and a contact number and/or email address for the public.*

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The Pampa News welcomes all submitted materials for area support groups. Please include the meeting time, date and location and, if applicable, provide a contact number for each group.

■ **Victims of domestic violence and sexual assault**, meet at 6 p.m., Thursdays, starting June 26 at the Tralee Crisis Center, 308 S. Cuyler St.

For more info, call the Center at 806-669-1131.

■ **Narcotics Anonymous — The Pampa Group** meets at 7:30 p.m., Tuesdays, and at 6 p.m., Saturdays, at 805 N. Gray St. **Narcotics Anonymous — Rufe Jordan Unit** also meets at 6 p.m., Mondays, and at 5:30 p.m., Wednesdays, at 1992 Hilton Road.

■ **Cancer Support** meets from 12-1 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month at Central Baptist Church. For more info, contact Beth Kean at 800-274-4673

■ **Alcoholics Anonymous** Open Door Club meets daily at noon and 8 p.m. at 910 W. Kentucky Ave. **Al-Anon** meets at noon on Mondays. For more information, call 665-9072.

■ **Alcoholics Anonymous** Primary Purpose meets daily at

noon and 8 p.m. at 112 W. Foster Ave.

■ **Alcoholics Anonymous** Keep It Simple meets Thursdays at 6 p.m. at the Methodist church in White Deer.

■ **Pampa Caregiver Support** meets at the Pampa Nursing Center on 1321 W. Kentucky Ave. at 6 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month. For more information call 806-669-2551.

■ **Accolade Home Care** sponsors a **Parkinson's Support Group** the second Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. The group meets at Accolade at 1313 N. Hobart St. They also have an **Alzheimer's support group**, which is held on the third Monday of each month at First United Methodist Church, located at 201 E. Foster, at noon. For more information, call Lindsey Presson at 806-665-9700 or 806-324-3230.

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## Aubrey Vanleson "Van" Miller

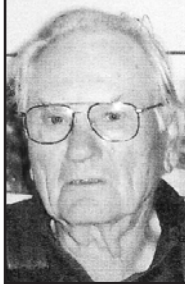
Aubrey Vanleson "Van" Miller, 86, died Friday, Jan. 30, 2015, in Lubbock. Graveside services with full military honors will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 6, 2015, at Texas Veterans Cemetery at Abilene. Arrangements are by Sanders Funeral Home.

He was born March 15, 1928, in Callisburg to James Andrew Miller and Mida Leona Fox Miller. He married Verna June Taylor on Aug. 2, 1949, in Lordsburg, N.M. He served 21 years in the U.S. Air Force and U.S. Army as a helicopter mechanic. He served during World War II, the Korean Conflict and two tours during the Vietnam War. After retiring from the military, he worked as a mechanic for Van Wyk Volkswagen in Tucson, Ariz. He returned to Callisburg in 1978 and worked for Weber Aircraft in Gainesville where he retired in 1993. He moved to Lefors in 2004 where he resided until entering a nursing home in July 2012.

He was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers, Granville Miller, J.O. Miller and Earl Miller; and two daughters, Mary Ellen Miller and Carol Willis.

Survivors include his wife, Verna of Lubbock/Lefors; four sons, Robert Miller; William Miller; Ronald Miller of Lefors; Ken Miller, and wife, Beth, of Lubbock/Lefors; 6 grandchildren, Jimmy Miller; Becky Young of Gainesville; Nicholas Miller, and wife, Ashley, of Lefors; Brittanie Glass of Thackerville, Okla.; Valerie Cossio, and husband, Jeremy, of Albuquerque, N.M.; and Gabriel Miller of College Station; and seven great-grandchildren.

Memorials can be made to the Garrison Institute on Aging Brain Bank Program, 3601 4th St., MS 9424, Lubbock, Texas 79430 or at [www.ttuhs.edu/aging](http://www.ttuhs.edu/aging).



Aubrey "Van" Miller

## Dorothy Evelyn Cowan

Dorothy Evelyn Cowan, 75, of Pampa, passed away Jan. 31, 2015, in Pampa.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4, 2015 at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel, with Rev. Byron Williamson, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will follow in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.



Dorothy Cowan

The second of three children, she was born Nov. 28, 1939, in Borger, to Leon and Virginia Lyles. As a teenager, she attended high school at Spring Creek and soon got a job at the Cretney Drug Store. While working there, she met a smooth-talking, hard-working pipeliner by the name of Sherman Cowan. They were soon married on Aug. 23, 1957, and remained in love even after Sherman's passing, just a few years after celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary together.

Together, the couple had three children, who in turn gave them seven grandchildren, who in turn continue to give them an ever-growing number of great grandchildren.

She leaves behind a legacy where she was in the hearts and attitudes of her family and friends, who are all more gracious, more stubborn, and more loving through the precious time they spent with her. She will be remembered as a strong-willed and loving woman committed to her faith, friends, and family. She will be dearly, dearly missed.

She is survived by one son, Tim Cowan and wife Amber; one daughter Mandy Cummings and husband Bob; seven grandchildren, Seth, Shey, Aaron, Hedie, Derrick, Claire and Boone; and numerous great grandchildren.

The family will receive friends from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2015, at Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Home.

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ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — Police say a woman selling drugs made a big mistake that landed her in jail — she mistakenly called an Albuquerque police detective.

KOB-TV reports that 30-year-old Renea Lucero was arrested last week when she called the detective at his department-issued cellphone and made the officer an unexpected offer.

Court documents say the detective knew Lucero from a prior criminal case. But the report says he didn't think Lucero realized who she had dialed.

The officer then set up a drug bust. The detective says Lucero pulled the heroin out of her bra during a sting.

Lucero was arrested on trafficking charges.

It was not known if she had an attorney.

**Monkey removed from San Antonio**

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SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A diaper-wearing monkey named Louie has been put into quarantine for 30 days after biting a San Antonio banker during an outing with his owner.

Officials with Animal Care Services in San Antonio say the owner faces fines of up to \$2,000 for having the year-old Macaque (muh-KAK'). San Antonio law bars primates within the city limits.

Agency officials say Louie was removed from a San Antonio home on Thursday. Officials say the exotic monkey was on a leash last week at a bank, but the owner allegedly allowed the animal to interact with the humans before the worker was bitten.

The owner has to pay for Louie's month of care and testing for rabies.

Further details on the bank employee weren't immediately available.

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## Junior High girls basketball results

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The "B" team played Borger for the first game and beat them by the largest margin this year, 20-8. Sheylah Arreola was the top scorer with eight points.

"This put us playing Dalhart for the Championship. We played as a team, hustled, and worked hard on defense but fell short, 20-15," head coach Jeanna May said.

Roscio Garcia was the top scorer

with seven points. The "B" team entered the tournament in fourth place and finished second, almost winning.

May says great job ladies!

The "A" team faced Dalhart for their first game. Dalhart came ready to play and made Pampa work hard for a 42-37 victory.

Madison Davis had a double double scoring 14 points and bringing down 10 rebounds.

"This win put us playing Bushland for the championship. Bushland started out fast and made almost every shot they took. Although we played

hard, we were just too tired to keep up," May said.

Pampa's "A" team fell short of the victory but placed second in the tournament.

Top performers were Madison Davis with eight points; Callin Burleson six points; Avery Hoganson five points; Bethany Roden five points and six steals; Kiarra Terrell four points; and Audrey Hopkins five points, seven rebounds and three steals.

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## EXTRA INNINGS

### Super Bowl 49 lives up to the hype.

Many NFL fans were very disappointed in last year's Super Bowl because it was over after the first quarter. This year's Super Bowl was hyped up to be a good matchup, with Vegas even calling the game a pick'em.

The game was defensive at the start with both teams failing to net any points in the first quarter.

New England struck first and Seattle's offense seemed like it wasn't going to get going. Finally, out of nowhere, Chris Matthews came to play for the Seahawks.

Seattle answered. Then New England scored with only 31 seconds to go before the half.

Guess what happened? Seattle went down the field and scored with two seconds to go before the half.

The game was tied 14 apiece heading into the locker room.

Seattle came out firing in the third quarter, but the Hawks were held to a field goal on their opening possession. (This



**ZACHARY GREEN**

would come back to haunt them).

Seattle did find the endzone and had a 24-14 lead early in the fourth quarter. Everyone knew a Tom Brady comeback was in the works and was just on pins and needles waiting for it.

The Patriots, led by Brady, came back to take a 28-24 lead with just 2:02 to go in the game. Russell Wilson had two minutes to get his Seahawks in the endzone.

Wilson hit Matthews again for a big play and before you knew it Seattle was in the redzone. But here is where the controversy occurred.

Seattle had second down and goal from the one-yard-line with 30 seconds left.

Wilson tried a slant pass over the middle and it was picked off by Malcolm Butler in the endzone.

A question that will be talked about across the world for the next six months is why did Seattle throw instead of handing it off to "Beast Mode" Marshawn Lynch?

How did you enjoy the season's finale? Let me know!

*Zachary Green is the sports editor of The Pampa News and youth minister at the Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ. He can be reached at zgreen@thepampanews.com or on Twitter: @okie-cowpoke14.*

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Florida at Vanderbilt.....	ESPN 8 p.m.
Virginia Tech at Syracuse.....	ESPNU 8 p.m.
Seton Hall at DePaul.....	FS1 8 p.m.
NHL Hockey	
Colorado Avalanche at Dallas Stars.....	FSSW 7:30 p.m.
Chicago Blackhawks at Minnesota Wild.....	NBCS 7 p.m.
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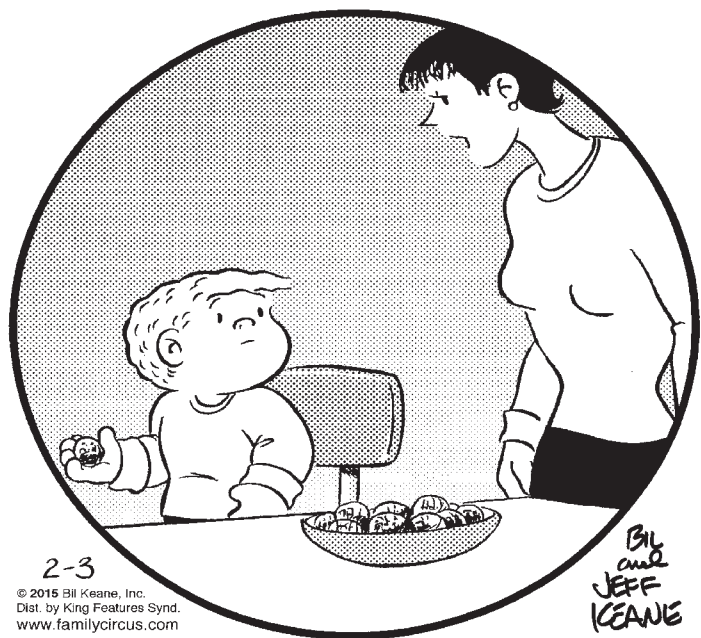


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**"I don't care what they look like, Brussels sprouts don't bounce."**

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# DAILY Horoscope

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Wednesday, Feb. 4, 2015:

This year you evolve to a new level of understanding with others. You often feel as if you stumble into one obstacle after another, but you will have the resources to pull yourself out of any potential quicksand. If you are single, you attract an unusual amount of friends. You will discover that at least one of them has the potential to become more. If you are attached, the two of you open up to many different ideas. You could quarrel more than usual if you are not careful. Honor your differences. LEO always has good ideas that are different from yours.

**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 will be coming off of an unusually busy period, where you felt as though you were going from one problematic area to another. Know that you don't have to push yourself so hard in the future. Be smart and relax. Tonight: Let off some steam.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ You could be in a position where you want to break away from it all. On some level, your reaction to pressure is part of what causes so many challenging situations. Try to assume a more laissez faire attitude, and you will be a lot happier. Tonight: Head home.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ You have a lot to say, and you are going to say it. The problem lies in the fact that no one is likely to really absorb the meaning behind your words. You might have to repeat yourself several times, which could make you feel extremely frustrated. Tonight: Hang out.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) ★★★★★ You are full of energy and fun; however, your finances could spiral out of control. Some form of indulgence is likely to rear its ugly head. You probably won't even think about what you are doing. Don't worry -- no one is perfect. Tonight: Your treat.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ You might be running on fumes, but you'll be enjoying every moment. It wouldn't hurt to stop and relish this period. If you have something of significance to do, do it. Just don't be surprised if you have to repeat the process again later. Tonight: Let your charisma speak.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ You might want to get away from your daily routine. Choose a relaxing activity that you enjoy. Consider taking a nap or going to a movie. It's important that you not exert too much physical effort to complete what you want done. Tonight: Get some extra R and R.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ Friends surround you, which will make it easy to enjoy yourself and get into the moment. You might be questioning what would best to do under the circumstances. Let go of any doubts you have, and you will feel a lot better. Tonight: Just don't be alone.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ Realize that you are in the limelight and your actions will be observed. Even if you believe otherwise, the truth will reveal itself soon enough. Do only what you must today. It would be wise not to start a new project. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ Reach out to someone at a distance who means a lot to you. Make time to catch up on this person's news. You might want to think carefully about some of what you are hearing. Why not make plans to see each other soon? Tonight: Let your imagination choose.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★★ An associate or loved one is likely to take charge. Kick back and enjoy a day off. Of course it will be hard to release your need for control, but if you don't, you could have a power play on your hands. Take some extra time to visit with a friend. Tonight: Togetherness works.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ Defer to others, and welcome a conversation. Your friendly, outgoing personality tends to melt barriers, which allows more give-and-take. Keep it easy and relaxed. It is important to have a few calm hours to yourself. Tonight: Go along with a loved one's idea.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★★ Pace yourself, and know that you have a lot to do. You could be overwhelmed by all the choices you have. Realize that this is not the kind of day that you'll want to make a decision. Instead, just take your time; the answer will come to you. Tonight: Go for a walk.

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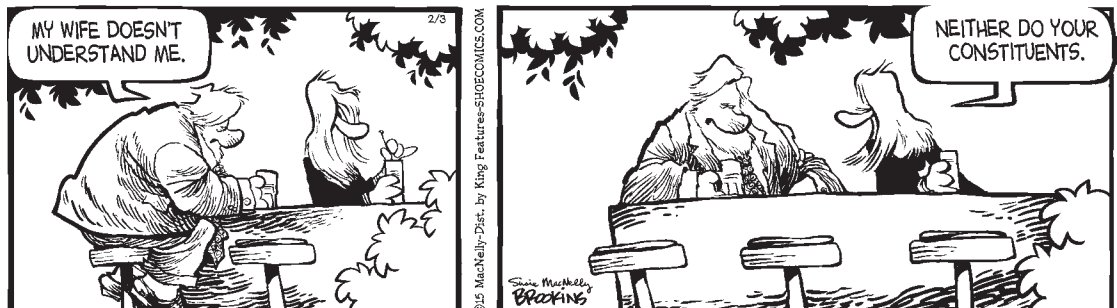
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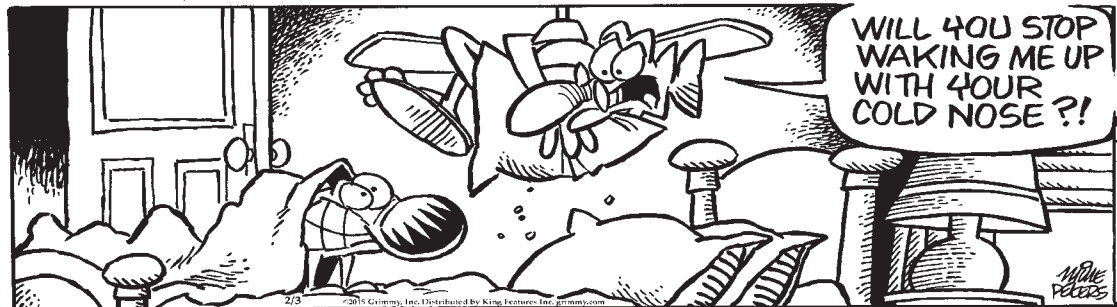
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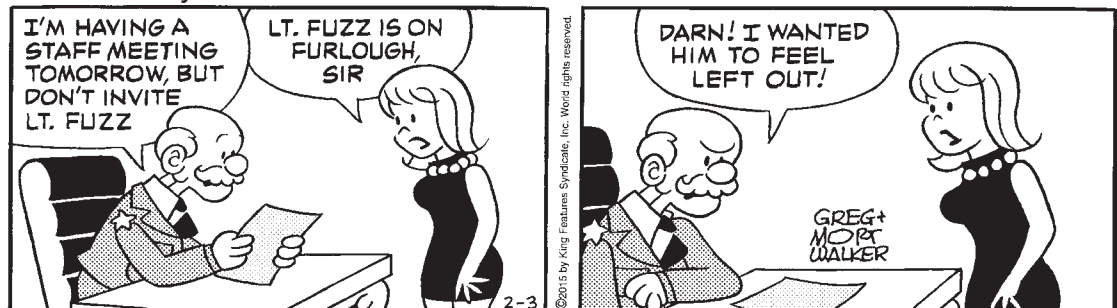
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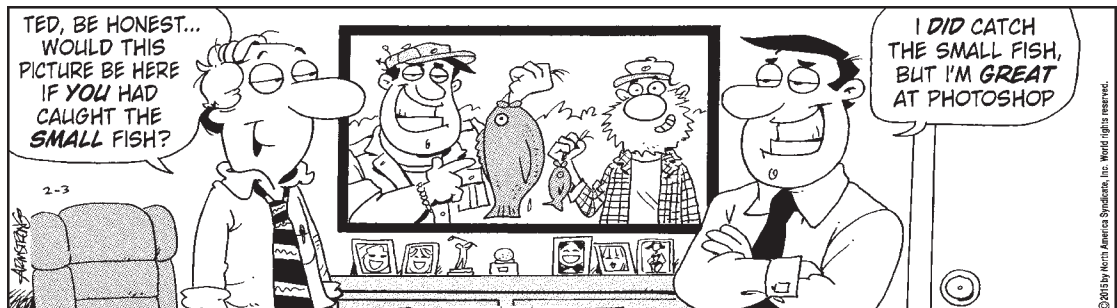
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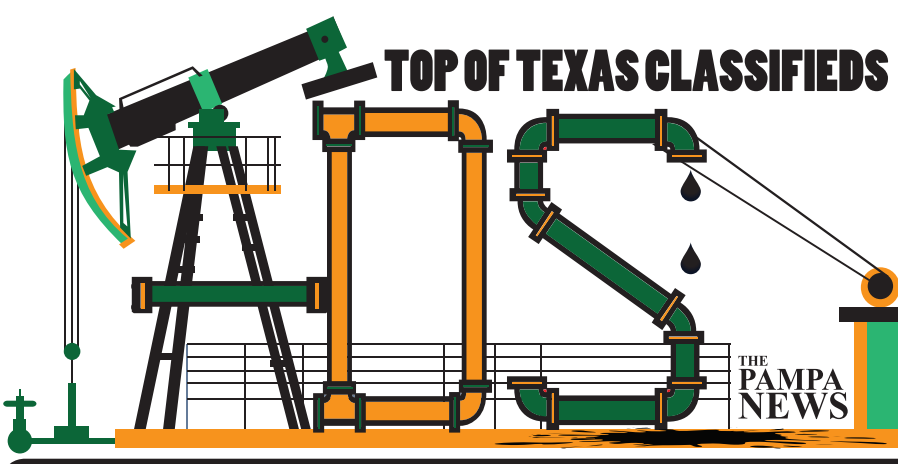


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DEAR ABBY: I'm a 42-year-old divorced woman with no children. My ex-husband has a son whose life I was a part of for 18 years. When people ask if I have kids, my reply is, "Yes, I have a stepson."

Why do people think it's OK to say things like, "That's not the same as having your own," or, "That doesn't count"? Then they usually go on to ask why I don't have children of my own. My response is a big fat lie. I say, "It just never happened." The truth is my ex didn't want any more children. What can I say to these people to let them know that they need to stop and think about what they say and ask, because their word choice in this circumstance is hurtful to the point of tears? — **STEPMOM IN CALIFORNIA**

**DEAR STEPMOM: A person who would downplay your role as a parent is rude, thoughtless and not worth your time. As to asking why someone is childless, I have addressed this subject in my column before. While many folks start conversations by asking whether someone has children, it can be a dangerous question.**

**I learned my lesson and stopped asking after having received an answer from one man that his son was doing life in prison as an accomplice to murder. Another man told me he had two children, a daughter and an estranged son who was also serving a long sentence — for selling narcotics. Neither person was happy to have been asked. After that, I stopped asking.**

**I see no reason why you shouldn't simply tell the truth about why you are child-free. Not having (or wanting) children is nothing to be ashamed of — it's a personal choice that an increasing number of couples have opted for without regret.**

DEAR ABBY: My boyfriend and I have been together for 18 months. Last night we were talking about doing more in the bedroom, and he told me that he is bisexual.

I have nothing against the LGBT community, but finding this out after so long shocked me. I'm worried now, and I can't seem to wrap my head around the fact that he has sex with guys. I just can't quite look at or think of him the same way. I really do love him and can still see a future with him. I just don't know how to handle this BIG news. Please, Abby, you're my only hope. — **LIZ IN TEXAS**

**DEAR LIZ: I would be curious about why your boyfriend waited so long to tell you. Because someone is bisexual does not mean the person is unfaithful and sleeping with both sexes at the same time. It simply means the person is attracted to members of both sexes. You need to have further discussion with your boyfriend regarding his attitude about his COMMITMENT TO YOU before deciding what to do about his "big" news.**

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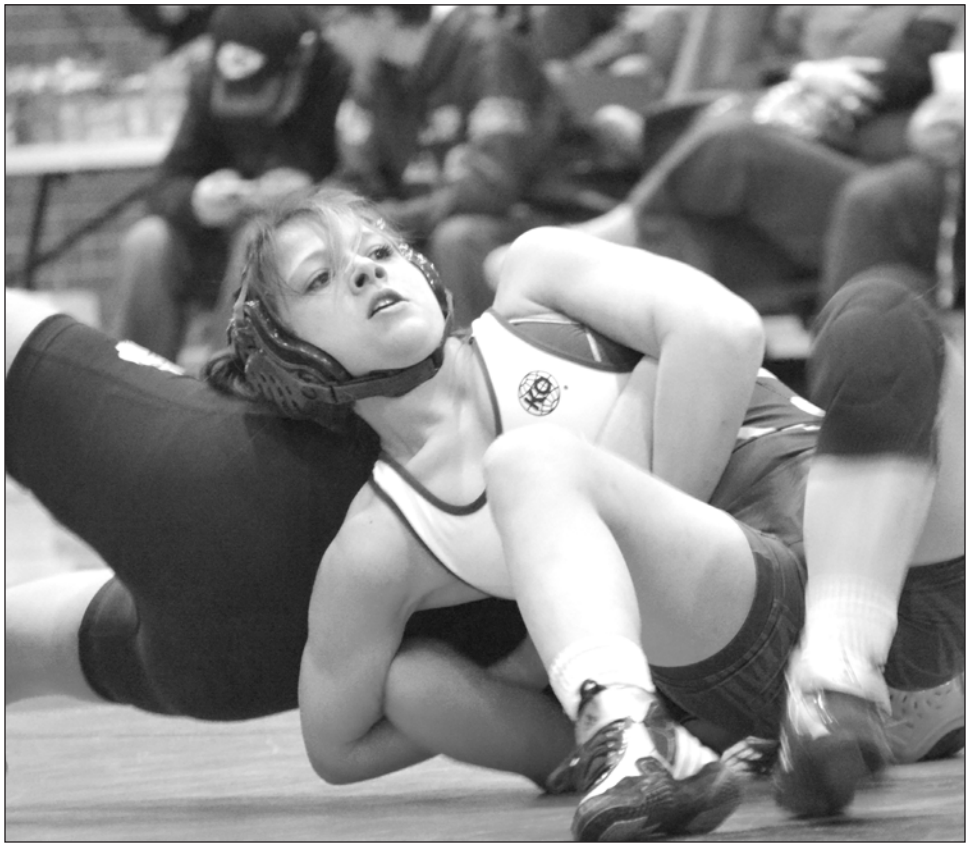
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## PAMPA WRESTLERS IN ACTION ON SENIOR NIGHT AGAINST BUSHLAND AND BORGER



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Above left, Alondra Zarate tries to pin her opponent. Above right, Austin Hernandez makes a move on his opponent. Below left, Cade Ferguson gets ready to slam his opponent to the ground. Below right, Cheyenne Williams tries to get out of a tricky situation. Second row below left, Cy Wood has control on his opponent. Second row below right, JT Belcourt has his opponent's leg and gets ready to make a move. Bottom left, Miranda Foreman has control over her opponent. Bottom right, Shiann Regalado tries to flip her opponent for a possible pin.



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