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Local infants battle cystic fibrosis



By JOHN LEE
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Most of the time when you hear an infant cough it is quickly attributed to a cold, the flu or even RSV. But in the case of Neriah Jerni Madewell, a seven-month-old from Pampa, it is something much worse.

Cystic fibrosis is a genetic disease that causes mucus in the body to become thick and sticky. The mucus in the lungs for most people are thin, but Neriah's is thicker, which makes it difficult for her to breathe. CF also affects the eccrine and apocrine glands.

To remedy Neriah's lungs, her parents, Linda and Adam, administer breathing treatments every night before bed. They also administer three to five chest physiotherapies, which are a clapping methods in the lung areas of the chest and back. The therapies are supposed to help break down the mucus.

Some patients are given a vest which the pa-

tient wears and it vibrates to break down the mucus.

CF is not contagious and most cases are diagnosed at birth. In Neriah's case it was when she was two-and-a-half weeks old after the State diagnosed her in NiCu.

It is a genetic disease which can occur when both parents have the gene to pass it on.

If both parents have the gene, there is a 25 percent chance their children will have CF. If they don't get CF, they have a 50 percent chance to be a carrier. They also have a 25 percent chance of not getting the gene at all.

If only one parent has it, the child will not have cystic fibrosis, but has a 50 percent chance they are a carrier.

Some CF patients have a Mitarium Ileum which gets too thick in the small intestine which causes patients to have surgery. This wasn't the case for Neriah except her doctor did insist on doing the surgery for preventative measure.

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Running to bring water to those in need



By JOHN LEE
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Daren Wendell is running across the United States, but he set a unique challenge for himself. He is running 100 marathons in 100 days to raise \$100,000.

"On Jan. 1, we started on Santa Monica pier and I have been running a marathon a day, so today (Wednesday) marks day No. 42," Wendell said. "The goal is to run 100 marathons in 100 days to raise \$100,000 to help serve 2,500 people with clean water in Ethiopia."

Wendell has been passionate about the water crisis for a long time now, and even co-founded an organization called Activewater. They are now the athletic division of Lifewater International.

"I've traveled all around the world and seen the need that people have," Wendell said. "So if I can use the gifts that I have as a platform to help those in need it's worth it. So that's what this is about, using my gifts to worship, and help bring water to people who need it."

Wendell averages 29 miles a day, he gets up around 6:30 a.m., his crew stays five to 10 miles ahead of him so he can refresh himself when needed, then he finishes around 2:30 p.m. and goes to bed around 7 p.m.

"We're on schedule and we are on day No. 41," Wendell said.

Wendell plans to finish on April 1 in Times Square, N.Y.

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PPD's Crime of the Week

STAFF REPORT

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

During the late hours of Saturday, Jan. 31, 2015, an unknown male subject forced his way into the drive-thru window of Harvester Donuts located at 508 North Hobart. After gaining entry into the store, the suspect stole one of the cash registers and two bank bags containing an undisclosed amount of cash. The Pampa Police Department is investigating this crime and needs your help in identifying the person responsible.

If you have any information regarding this crime, or know the identity of the person(s) responsible, call Crime Stoppers at 806-669-2222, visit www.pgstips.com, or text "pampa", along with your tip, to 274637.

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Salute The Uniform thanks La Cueva for Sgt. Houston Gass benefit dinner



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More than a 100 people visited Salute The Uniform, Inc.'s benefit dinner for Sgt. Houston Gass held recently at La Cueva Restaurant in Pampa. Attendees enjoyed Texas fried catfish, hush puppies and calf fries specially made by STU director Vickie Goheen, who organized the event, along with La Cueva owner Rachel Resendiz.

"We knew there would be a number of large events to support Houston, which are extremely important to help relieve the financial strain of his medical bills that are far from over," said Goheen. "But we wanted a smaller, hometown event, so people understand that every little bit helps, and every person can contribute in their own way. Twice the anticipated number came, and others made donations. Just this little event provided the Gass family more than a thousand dollars to help with their bills."

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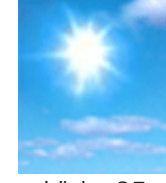
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Friday: Sunny, high near 59. West wind 10-20 mph. Gusts to 30 mph. Sunrise: 7:34 a.m.

Friday night: Mostly clear, low around 33. north northeast wind around 10 mph. Sunset: 6:24 p.m.

Saturday: Sunny, high 65. West southwest wind 5-15 mph. Gusts to 20 mph. Sunrise: 7:33 a.m.

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Sgt. Gass attended the Monday evening City Council meeting, where he expressed appreciation for support of the council and community, and particularly his assisting fellow officers and first-responders. Jessica Gass, his wife, concurred, saying before the meeting: "We are so blessed. We never anticipated this outpouring of support and love from the community. It leaves me speechless with appreciation."

Part of Salute the Uniform's mission is to raise awareness of and appreciation for the significant danger police and first-responders face every day:

Pampa Police Detective

Brian Massey explained that Pampa Police report about 170 domestic disputes visits a year, "but we certainly understand many visits by officers resolve without reports. And unfortunately, every one carries risk of the danger that Sgt. Gass and officers with him faced — as does every traffic stop."

Tralee Crisis Center Director Dee Dee Laramore advised that almost 200 domestic violence cases annually seek Tralee's help, involving nearly 400 women and children. "Domestic violence, unfortunately, is an epidemic that typically endangers the weakest in society: children and mothers who must protect their children while defending themselves. We know that there are many more home violence situations than those who

come to us, and most of our cases do not overlap with Pampa Police or County Sheriffs, so we know that these numbers are far greater."

Blue lights now adorn many homes in Pampa and the region to remind that Police and other uniformed first-responders face these risks every day in protecting the public, and to provide the

community's silent wishes to accompany the many public prayers of thanks and for their safety.

Salute the Uniform thanks La Cueva Restaurant and sponsors Brandon's Flowers, Granny's Home Cooking Restaurant and Kerry Parsley for their support of Sgt. Gass.

MOVING DAY



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OBITUARIES

Tom Parker

Tom Parker, 61, of Humble, died Feb. 10, 2015 in Humble.

Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, 2015, at First United Methodist Church, with Dale West, lay minister, and Rev. Dr. Ran Loy, pastor, officiating. Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Parker was born May 14, 1953 in Pampa, and was a 1971 graduate of Pampa High School. He was a veteran of the U. S. Navy, serving during peace time. Tom had been a resident of the Houston area since 1985. He married Paula Hicks on Feb. 14, 1988, in Houston. He was a manager of the pipe freezing operations of Enerpipe LTD, Freeze Technology International for over 30 years. Tom was a member of the Amigos Motorcycle Club.

Tom loved life and had a special place in his heart for his grandkids, times at the lake and ranch with family, and his motorcycles. He will be sorely missed.

Tom was preceded in death by his mother, Adney Parker, who died Jan. 14, 2015.



Tom Parker

Survivors include his wife, Paula Parker of the home; a son, Heath Parker and wife Christy of Pampa; two daughters, Danielle McDaniel and husband Brent, and Jennifer Rainey and husband Steve, all of Houston; his father, John Parker of Amarillo; a sister, Rebecca Greenhouse and husband Dale of Pampa; two brothers, Eddy Parker and wife Patty of Amarillo, and Dudley Parker and wife Janice of Canyon; and seven grandchildren, Bryce, Kade and Jancey Parker, all of Pampa, Taylor and Brooklyn McDaniel, and Lilly and Madilyn Rainey, all of Houston; and former in-laws, Elmer and P. J. Wilson of Pampa.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of the Southwest, 6600 Killgore Drive, Suite 110, Amarillo, Texas 79106, or Vitas Healthcare, 3131 Eastside, Suite 200, Houston, Texas 77098.

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follow in Memory Gardens Cemetery, with military honors courtesy of the U.S. Navy. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Reeb was born May 11, 1931, in Floydada. He was a 1949 graduate of Borger High School. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, serving during the Korean War. Billy married Enola Matt on Jan. 3, 1954, in Eunice, La. She preceded him in death on April 30, 1985. He had been a resident of Pampa since 1955, moving from Port Arthur. He worked as a bulk plant foreman for Halliburton, retiring after 23 years of service.

Billy was preceded in death by his parents, Herman and Veda Rape; by a sister, Linda Hilton, and a grandson-in-law, Shane Kennedy.

Survivors include his daughter, Brenda Cook and husband Johnnie of Pampa; two sons, James Reeb of Pampa, and Jon Ellis of Harper, Kan.; two granddaughters, Tasha Killinger and husband Patrick, and Laci Kennedy, all of Pampa, and two great grandsons, Gage Kennedy and Brenden Killinger, both of Pampa.

Sign the online guest register at www.carmichael-whitley.com.



Billy Reeb

Billy Reeb

Billy Reeb, 83 of Pampa, died Feb. 10, 2015, in Amarillo.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 13, 2015, at Memory Gardens Mausoleum, with Rev. Dallas Stringer, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will

FOR the RECORD

Pampa man arrested for burglary

STAFF REPORT

• Kole Steven Miller, 18, Pampa, was arrested Tuesday by the Gray County Sheriff's Office for burglary of a building.

• Caleb Jordan Dalton, 17, Pampa, was arrested Tuesday by the Pampa Police Department for bur-

glary of a building.

• April Joe McCown Green, 26, Pampa, was arrested Tuesday by GCSO for violation of probation — possession of marijuana — less than two ounces.

• Rodolfo Ramirez, Jr., 18, Pampa, was arrested

Tuesday by the Department of Public Safety for possession of a controlled substance — less than one gram, theft of property — between \$500 and \$1,500, driving while license is invalid.

• James Lopez, Jr., 20,

Pampa, was sentenced Tuesday for burglary of a vehicle.

• Jonas Scott Sandoval, 34, Pampa, was arrested Tuesday by PPD for assault to cause bodily injury to a family member, interfering with an emergency call.

Middle school students given 'Fifty Shades of Grey' puzzles

MONESSEN, Pa. (AP) — Parents in a Pennsylvania school district are turning 50 shades of red over word search puzzles given to middle school students based on an erotic novel and movie.

The students in Monessen were given puzzles based on "Fifty Shades of Grey" that contained terms including "spanking," "submissive," "leather cuffs" and "bondage." Other words on the list were more explicit.

Parent James Carter complained about it at Tuesday night's school board meeting, saying he tried to question the school's principal and dean of students, but they refused to talk when he insisted on recording their conversation.

"I wanted to record the conversation because a lot of parents had questions about it, and I was denied that," Carter told the board. Monessen district officials said at the meeting that they couldn't discuss the issue because they just learned about it Monday. Superintendent Leanne Spazak said the circumstances of the puzzle are under investigation.

One school board member who didn't attend the meeting told WTAE-TV that the puzzle was a big mistake.

"It was a huge but unintentional error and collected from the five students involved as soon as it was realized," Roberta Bergstedt wrote in an email. "Unfortunately one copy was taken by a student who then posted it on social media."

The movie opens in theaters Friday. It's based on a best-selling book by E L James about a college student and her torrid affair with a 27-year-old billionaire with a penchant for bondage, discipline, sadism and masochism.



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Bad Aces	2-4	2-4
Good Volley Ms. Molly	2-4	2-4
Big Red	2-4	2-4
Domino's	0-6	0-6

Recreational		
	Conference	Overall
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	Overall
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Tales from the Final Frontier

■ 'The Walking Dead' returns in lackluster fashion.

"The Walking Dead" returned this past weekend for their mid-season premiere after a long hiatus and a tragic end in the winter.

The episode begins with newcomer Noah coming on board and telling the group that his old home is walled in and could potentially be a safe haven.



JOHN LEE

So Rick, Noah, Tyreese, Michonne and Glenn travel to his old home to scope it out.

The town is in shambles and has been overrun. It appears to have already been aggressively searched over for food or other supplies.

So now, Noah not only doesn't get to reunite with his family, but now we know this won't be a safe haven. The group splits in half with Rick, Michonne and Glenn searching one house and Tyreese and Noah in the

other. Tyreese and Noah end up at Noah's home.

Noah finds his mother, now a walker and dead, while Tyreese goes into another room and sees one of Noah's younger siblings, now a walker but "unconscious."

Tyreese is looking at the pictures in a moment for viewers to gather some sympathy for the newcomer on the show, and while he is not looking, he gets attacked and bit on his arm by a walker, another member of Noah's family.

The other three, at another house, are just talking through the events of Beth's death and Eugene's lie about having a cure and going to Washington, D.C. The group talks it over and decides to go to D.C. Besides, Eugene may have been lying about having a cure, but maybe he was onto something in saying go to D.C.

Meanwhile Tyreese starts to hallucinate from the virus and is seeing

visions of tons of characters, good and bad, that have passed on from the show. Characters like the governor, Beth, the Terminus he let live, Bob, Mika and Lizzie.

Then Rick and the group have to amputate his arm in hopes of saving him.

They put him in the car and start to try to get him back to their rendezvous, and he starts hallucinating again, but this time characters, including Beth, tell him that "It's okay." Then he dies.

His death seemed pointless. It was interesting to a degree seeing him hallucinate and see these other characters good or bad that he felt like he did wrong, but what did it accomplish?

On another note, you have Glenn, Michonne and Rick, two of the three stronger members, in one party and then newcomer Noah and Tyreese, who can't kill a fly, in another party. In what universe does it make sense to send Tyreese and Noah as one group?

But the show has now lost one of the last people who are not fitting into the post-apocalyptic world and still doesn't want to hurt people.

What did you think of the premiere? If I am giving it a rating, it's a 5/10.

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Spontaneous order

Most of life happens without a central planner. Yet people think we need one.

Suppose you'd never seen a skating rink, and I told you that I want to lay down some ice and charge people



JOHN STOSSEL

money to strap sharp blades on their feet. They will zip around on the ice — young and old, skilled and unskilled. My only rule: Go counter-clockwise.

Hillary Clinton would say the rink needs regulation. She calls herself "a government junkie." Government junkies like government plans. Hillary'd probably demand that my rink have an official who tells skaters when to zoom left or right, when to slow down.

I actually tried that while doing a TV special on "Spontaneous Order." I brought a megaphone to a skating rink and bossed people around. Some skaters fell. No one thought I'd made skating safer or better.

That's because no "planner" knows the wishes and skills of individual skaters better than skaters themselves.

Most decision making works much the same way: Leave people free to make their own choices, and a spontaneous order arises — buyers and sellers adjust to changing prices; inventors invent; families raise kids; musicians create jazz.

Yet control freaks have criticized such spontaneity for at least 2400 years. Plato warned that music should be simple so that it does not stir up passion. In the 1920s, Ladies Home Journal complained that jazz would lead "to a breaking away from all rules." We're lucky America didn't have a U.S. Dept. of Music at the time.

On my TV show, one government-lover said decisions must be made "by technocrats ... who have this expertise."

But no central planner has enough expertise to direct the skaters on the ice. (I tried an expert, too. I got an Olympic skater to direct people. She was no better.)

Central planning creates the kind of inefficiency that brought down the Soviet Union. While Americans shopped in malls full of goods, Russians waited in long lines. Today in the U.S., innovation tends to occur in the freest sectors of the economy, while sectors most closely affiliated with government stagnate. Because LASIK eye surgery is largely funded by customers, it's improving by leaps and bounds. Government-subsidized hospitals, by contrast, can barely share equipment without running into a thicket of regulations controlling collaboration.

Eighty years ago, it took workers only 15 months to build the Empire State Building. But this century, using vastly superior construction equipment, building the new World Trade Center took 10 times as long. Eighty years ago, some trains ran faster than 100 miles per hour, but now even the "high-speed" Acela train averages only 90 miles per hour because government safety rules demand that American trains be heavier.

Venture capitalist Peter Thiel says the current state of regulation should frighten us: "You would not be able to get a polio vaccine ... approved today." He's right. The first batch of Salk vaccine gave polio to 40,000 people. If that happened today, the FDA would immediately stop the research. Salk's vaccine would not have had a chance to save thousands of lives and prevent so much misery.

Thiel funded startups such as Facebook, PayPal, LinkedIn and Yelp. It's no coincidence that such wonderful innovation happened in cities far from Washington, DC. By the time regulators woke up, good things had already happened. But now the central planners want control over the Internet. Today, in response, Internet companies spend more on lobbying than Wall Street or defense contractors.

Today's innovators take for granted that there's only a short window of opportunity before regulators swoop in and ruin everything by dictating a single, centrally planned formula by which innovation may proceed.

That may not bother CEO's who get in on the ground floor — their way of doing things becomes the template everyone else must use. But everyone else suffers. Bye-bye, innovation. But innovation was once what America was about.

John Stossel is host of "Stossel" on Fox News and author of "No They Can't! Why Government Fails, but Individuals Succeed."



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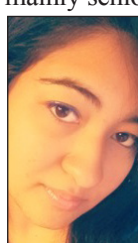
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Senioritis vs. procrastination

■ Pampa High School senior explains some pitfalls and offers advice.

There comes a time in the school year where students, mainly seniors at this time, tend to not care about homework or if they even graduate. This time is usually when the term "Senioritis" comes into play.



TIANNI COSTLEY

Senioritis is when Seniors come to realize that the end of the year is coming closer which means graduation is closer. Once Seniors realize that fact, they tend to not want to work as hard as they had been. The question is, Why? Is it just procrastination? For the people who don't know what procrastination is, procrastination is the action of delaying or postponing something such as homework or projects. The difference between senioritis and procrastination, however, is that procrastination can happen during any year and is an actual problem in life. Procrastination is the hardest thing to cure. Even though people know the difference between the two, sometimes they go hand in hand and can cause problems. Once senioritis strikes, it's hard to get out of that funk and buckle down and start working again.

Procrastination is a serious thing and I'm going to tell you some tips on how to fix your outlook on homework and stress. Sometimes the reason for procrastination is that we're scared that if we do it, we'll fail. Why put in effort if you're

going to fail, right? I have this thought a lot. The way to beat it though, is to take that chance. If you succeed, how great would it be? You'd feel like you actually did something awesome and you're capable of doing more things. Beat back that fear and start succeeding.

Sometimes the procrastination comes because we feel like the project is too complex and it overwhelms us and we don't even want to start on it. At times, I'll look at a project and say, "You want me to do THAT?! I'll never get this done!" Then I'll stop doing it and watch TV or play a video game. That's not how you should get stuff done. There's a difference between taking a break and "Just five more minutes. Wait, didn't I say that five minutes ago? Oh, well." The way to handle this problem is to break the project down into sections. It won't seem that complex if you put your effort into the different sections. Take your time doing each one. Also try to remember another complex project and how you either succeed or failed and try to do better.

There comes a time when we go through a rebellious stage. Remember when you used to tell your parents you didn't want to or you did bad stuff behind their back? You probably might still do this stuff and you look at projects with the same rebellious outlook. You don't have to do it is what you think and soon you forget about it. Try to think of ways to reward yourself when you get something done. I don't mean, "Hey,

I did one problem which means I deserve to get a 30 minute break". No, that's not what I mean. You have to give your all and try to make the reward as big as how long you actually did work.

Now there are some people who procrastinate because they have no motivation. I mean, who REALLY wants to do that 10-page essay, right? Even thinking about doing it makes me shudder. The way to fix this is just like the rebellious stage above. However, you have to think about why it's so important. If it's not important to you, then you won't have the motivation to do it and then it's kind of pointless. You should have a mindset like this: "If I don't do the essay, I will be failing and then I'll have even more work to do to make up for that failing grade. Besides, if I get it done now, I can have more time to do what I want to do instead of stressing for weeks about it." Remember to reward yourself for doing your work and think about why it's important.

Are you prone to distractions or distracting people? Sometimes it's hard to focus on what needs to get done when your favorite TV show is on or your phone keeps ringing. It's hard to let go of all the technology but you have to learn to ignore everything around you. That's easier said than done. One way to eliminate all distractions might be to turn it off. You can turn off the TV and phone for 30 minutes. I'm sure that you won't miss anything too important.

Find a quiet place and take a break when it gets to be too much. Fatigue might also make you not want to work. It's proven that if you're sleepy, you're less focused.

Sometimes you'll look at a project and want to do it perfectly and you have the project all planned out and in your head, but when you start to do it, you start to think that it won't be good enough or perfect enough. I've looked at a project and I have all these ideas and plans, but when I think about doing it, I feel like it'll look like crap and I get discouraged. The thing you have to think about, however, is that if you don't practice on getting better, you'll never get better. Sometimes you'll have projects you fail at but think of those as drafts until you get good enough. You'll figure out what you need to do by your failures. So don't give up.

The thing is, though, if you really try, you can start to work again. Think about this summer and how fun it'll be and how we're going to graduate, but also think about how depressing it'll be that just because you didn't want to do work, now you have failing classes and your GPA dropped even more than you thought it would. There's a time for everything and giving up now is not the time. Take these tips and cure procrastination. If you have senioritis, it's understandable, but also take these tips and try to work a little bit harder. Graduation is just around the corner. Let's do our best until then.

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CF

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Most CF patients have a life expectancy to their middle 30s.

Some patients with CF develop physical deformities. Linda said this isn't the case for Neriah, she has heard of it happening in their teen to adult years of life. This will not, however, affect how Neriah develops in terms of her motor skills.

With such a rare disease, Neriah and her family has to travel to Cook's Children's Hospital in Fort Worth to meet with a group of pediatricians to keep Neriah on track. This group of doctors includes a pulmonologist, dietitian, respiratory therapists and a social worker.

Part of Neriah's diet includes eating 2,000 calories a day including a 24-calorie formula. There is oil added to her vegetables and she gets man-made enzymes before every meal.

These enzymes break up carbohydrates, proteins, fats and they help to absorb nutrients so she can gain weight.

Linda said she is doing very well considering her situation.

"At 15 pounds (after starting at five), everyone is ecstatic at the weight she is gaining," Linda said.

She also has to take on milliliter on vitamins A, D, E and K.

Some patients of CF sweat more than

most people causing them to lose salt. To remedy this, Neriah has to take half a teaspoon of salt daily.

Linda said while the struggle to deal with this disease has been tough on her and her family, leaning on her husband and their faith gets her by.

"We rely on Christ and each other (Adam and I) to find strength four our daughter," Linda said. "We want her to get her strength from Christ and from us as well."

Unfortunately Neriah is not the only one who has to suffer with CF in the area.

Tristan Charter

Tristan is seven months old. His mom, Morgan, had the following to say about Tristan.

"He is a happy and very active smiling baby all the time," Morgan said.

"Behind that sweet smile we fight daily to breathe, we do continuous treatments and chest percussion and take enzymes before every meal to allow him to gain weight due to poor pancreatic function.

"Our fight happens day in and day out but we do it to keep him healthy and to help him breathe easier.. We stay strong in hopes of a cure one day and the continuous research that the CF Foundation does for kids like Tristan and others with cystic fibrosis!"

Aubrey Pearson

Aubrey is the daughter of Garrett and Andrea Pearson. Andrea is from Pampa but her and Garrett currently live in Bon-



ham. Aubrey's grandparents Bobby and Sherri Burkhalter, aunt Melissa Burkhalter, aunt and uncle Ryan and Heather McCarley along with cousins Lanna, Avery and Carson McCarley all live in Pampa.

Aubrey is 13 months old and was born Jan. 16, 2014 and diagnosed with CF on Feb. 12, 2014.

Andrea is very proud of the support she has received in dealing with CF.

"If it wasn't for our friends and family who are very supportive we would not have the strength we have to get through



each day," Andrea said.

"Also, a verse that I refer to is Hebrews 11:1 which states "Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain on what we do not see."

Great Strides Walk

There will be a Great Strides Walk in Amarillo on Oct. 10 at 9 a.m. There is no fee to walk as it is all donation-based that goes straight to the foundation to help with research which goes to finding a cure for cystic fibrosis.

Running

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Wendell was taking Interstate 40 until Amarillo when he started using U.S. Highway 60 and took State Highway 152 Wednesday. Hotels aren't a concern as they just need someplace to plug the trailer into and they are good.

While the recent warm weather has been

nice for Wendell, Wednesday's weather was a challenge for him.

"Day's like today (Wednesday) when we are expecting rain and 35 mph wind gusts," Wendell said. "So the challenging days are the bad-weather days."

As far as terrain is concerned, Wendell doesn't have any concerns until Pennsylvania.

"I was going over the mountains in Albuquerque and it snowed and windy like it's going to be today, it just makes for a long day," Wendell said. "I will be going

through the Appalachian Mountains when I hit Pennsylvania, but from now until then it'll kind of be rolling hills. I already went through the hard stuff in Arizona, there's not a lot of roads in Arizona and New Mexico, so I ran through a lot of deserts, two tracks or cow-trails."

As far as interaction with people, runners sometimes get heckled by drivers but Wendell said most have been accepting.

"Runners take up part of the road and cars either like you or they don't like you, you get angry honks or sometimes you get

happy waves," Wendell said. "We were in the front page of the Amarillo Globe-News, that day was awesome cause we had police officers saying 'Hi,' ran by the fire department and they read the paper and said 'Hi.' But then there are days when people don't know what you're doing and you're kind of on the side of the road but for the most part people get over. I just have to be real defensive when I run."

Wendell and his crew has raised \$68,000 of his \$100,000 goal, and he is barely on day No. 43 of his run.

Clarendon College Livestock judges earn top 10 placing

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The Clarendon College Livestock Judging team placed tenth at the Fort Worth Stock Show this past Friday.

Fifty-five teams competed in the Junior Intercollegiate judging contest.

The team consisted of Austin Adams, Lane Harington, Kobie Jordan, John Pigg and Shannon Reeves.

This team placed 3rd in cattle (only 2 points away from the first place team), 6th in horse, 10th in swine and 5th in reasons.

The Fort Worth contest is the

only contest where the teams judge horses and as a result the CC team had a bit of a crash course in preparation.

Despite their limited experience in this division, Shannon Reeves managed to score a 49 (out of 50) in his horse reasons.

In the Charolais heifers, Austin Adams scored a 49 and Lane Harington scored a 50 point set.

Judging individually were Haley Kinney, Jessica Humphrey, Kaci Drummond and Courtney Wingate. Kacy Drummond placed 21st out of the 104 individual contestants.

Austin Elementary incident Tuesday

STAFF REPORT

Austin Elementary posted to their Facebook the following information to let parents know why emergency vehicles were at the school at dismissal time.

"The purpose of this post is to inform parents about an incident that occurred Tuesday at Austin elementary school.

A staff member was injured around 3:20 p.m. To be cautious and in the interest of

safety for our staff we called 911. The emergency response teams arrived at dismissal time.

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PAMPA Sports

Lady Harvesters edge Bushland 60-56 to secure District Runner Up spot

By JOHN LEE

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BUSHLAND — After finishing fourth in District just a year ago, the Pampa Lady Harvesters (15-15, 5-3) have secured the second spot in District 1-4A after edging the Bushland Lady Falcons (4-4) 60-56.

“We have had a mind set of a gold ball. In practice we talk about it all the time and they understand it. As the year has been progressing, we’re not just talking about a gold ball,” head coach Kim Chaffin said.

“Yea, nobody has won one, but we know we are better than just one. In our postseason, we need to understand that we are a good team. Anybody that we come into contact with we need to respect but not fear.”

The Lady Harvesters got on the board first after senior Taylor Eubank went 1-2 from the free throw line and gave the Lady Harvesters the 1-0 lead. Bushland hit a bucket, but senior Raven Neal-Landers hit a jump shot to give Pampa the 3-1 lead.

The teams traded scores until seniors Keisha Daniels and Rayna Wall lead a 5-0 run to give the Lady Harvesters a four-point 10-6 lead. Bushland went on a 6-0 run to end the quarter with the 12-10 lead.

Wall had a three in the quarter, Eubank had one point off the free throw, Neal-Landers had basket and Daniels had four points in the quarter.

Bushland started the second quarter with a three to make it a five-point game. Daniels hit another jump shot to pull within three at 15-12.

Following a Bushland three, Pampa answered with a bucket from Eubank and another Wall trey to pull within one at 18-17. Pampa was able to do this with some great defensive play from Daniels.

“She’s (Keisha Daniels) a pivotal point for us. She hasn’t gotten as many minutes

as she would have liked to early, but she and I had a talk about her specific roles. Once we had that, she has just fulfilled that,” Chaffin said.

“She came out and played defense on one of their big kids, it was just amazing. I am so proud of her, she was pulling down rebounds and being strong all the time, that’s what we need from her.”

Bushland kept their 3-game alive but Pampa kept fighting with a buckets from Eubank and a trey from sophomore Elise Kennedy to tie the game at 24 all entering halftime.

In the quarter, Wall had three points, Eubank had six points, Kennedy had three points and Daniels had two points.

Coming out of halftime, Eubank went a perfect 2-2 from the line, to give Pampa the 26-24 lead. Bushland answered and was able to take the lead back from Pampa. The teams traded scores until a Daniels bucket tied the game at 31 all. Pampa outscored



Bushland 7-2 lead by another perfect 2-2 trip to the free throw line by Eubank. Bushland had a trip themselves, and then Eubank went 1-2 from the line herself. Wall and senior Ty’Randa Johnson each had buckets to close out the quarter for the Lady Harvesters as they led 38-33.

In the quarter Wall, Johnson, Daniels and senior Madison Brown each had a bucket. Eubank had six points, all from the charity stripe.

While they were in double bonus, the free throw game continued to work for Pampa as Eubank went 2-2 from the line to extend the lead to 40-33. After a Bushland free throw, Brown added to the lead with a bucket of her own. Daniels had a bucket and Brown went 1-2 from the stripe all while Bushland fought to stay in the game with Pampa leading 45-43. In two separate trips to the free throw line following a Bushland three, Eubank went 2-2 each time to extend the lead to 49-43 for Pampa.

Brown hit a bucket trying to extend the

lead to eight points but a Bushland three kept it a five-point game.

Wall and Johnson each had trips to the charity stripe and went 1-2 and 2-2 respectively to make it an eight-point game 54-46. Despite being outscored 10-6 in the waning moments, Pampa outlasted Bushland to clinch the second spot in District 1-4A. Final: Pampa 60, Bushland 56.

Wall had four points in the quarter, Johnson had two (both from the line), Brown had five, Eubank had nine (all from the line) and Daniels had two points.

Taylor Eubank led the Lady Harvesters in scoring going 16-22 from the line and en route to scoring 22 total points, Rayna Wall had 12 points with two threes and went 2-6 from the stripe, Johnson went a perfect 2-2 from the line with four points, Brown had seven points and went 1-2 from the free throw line, Raven Neal-Landers had two points, Elise Kennedy had a basket for three points and Keisha Daniels had 10 points.

As a team, the Lady Harvesters shot 21-32 from the charity stripe, good for 65 percent, which is critical in a four-point win.

“Bushland’s a good team and they play good defense, they push the ball and they shoot the 3s well,” Chaffin said. “I told them it’s going to come down to whether or not we make our free throws and they went out and made them. So, kudos.”

As for the playoffs, Chaffin said it doesn’t matter who they play, they will be ready.

“We are not going to know until possibly later but that doesn’t matter because we have all of them on film,” Chaffin said. “I am going to do my homework and make sure we are prepared for any one of the three.”

Stay tuned to The Pampa News and our Facebook page for updates on when, who and where the Lady Harvesters will be playing their opening round playoff game.



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Above, Keshia Daniels shoots a jumper in Tuesday’s game. She had 10 points. With story, Taylor Eubank makes one of her crucial 16 free throws. Eubank finished with 22 points.

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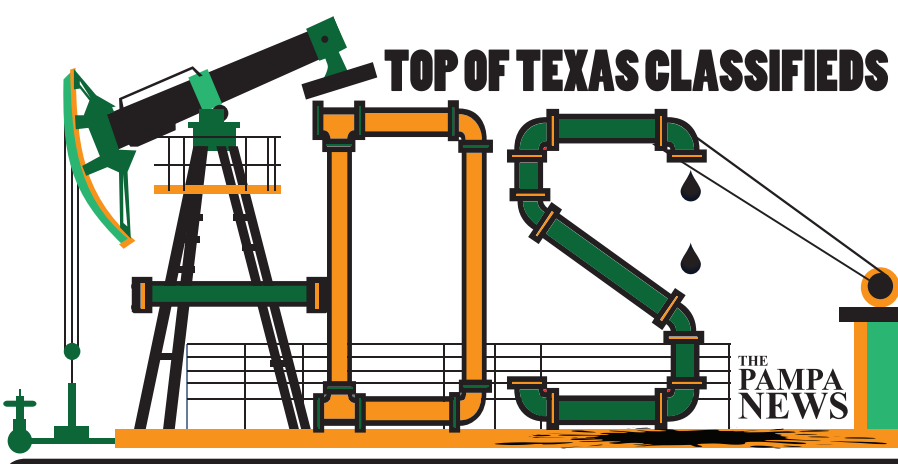
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PAMPASports

Hustlin' Harvesters fall to district-best Bushland 47-40 on Tuesday

■ Pampa can still finish third in district with a win at Dalhart Friday night.

BY JOHN LEE

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BUSHLAND — The Pampa Harvesters (21-5, 3-4) traveled to Bushland on Tuesday evening to take on the Falcons, who are undefeated in district play.

"I felt our energy and our effort was great. Our focus on the defensive glass is what cost us the game tonight. We ran a different defense that has two guys low instead of three guys low, which did a great job of forcing the guys off of the perimeter, but it did a bad job of helping us get the defensive glass and get those rebounds," head coach Matt Embry said.

"It's one of those situations that people are happy to play them to seven but I feel like that's a game we should've and could have won. We gotta hit that defensive glass and hit some shots. But I couldn't be more proud of the guys' fight. They really wanted it and they didn't quit."

It was a very slow start offensively for both teams as a grand total 12 points were scored in the first quarter. Bushland got on the board first three minutes into the game with a three-pointer. But junior Bryson Burrell answered with a trey of his own after a Pampa timeout. Burrell also went a perfect 2-2 from the line to tie the game at 5-5. Bushland hit a basket to finish the quarter with the lead 7-5.

For the lack of scoring in the first quarter, the teams made up for it in the second quarter. Bushland opened it up with a basket before senior Johnathan Stevens hit a basket to answer and keep it a two-point game at 9-7. The teams traded blows until Bushland went on a 9-0 run to take the commanding 21-12 lead. Junior Cade Engle hit a basket to close out the quarter at 21-14.

Engle had a three-pointer and a pair of baskets good for seven points and Johnathan Stevens had a basket.

Bushland picked up where they left off, scoring

four unanswered off of a trey and a free throw. Senior Jett Gibson hit a basket but only for Bushland to score five more. Junior Shanoaha Bridges hit a basket and converted on a free throw to pull within 13 at 32-19. Following a basket from sophomore Brendon Woelfle, Bridges converted a traditional three-point play to finish the 6-0 run from Pampa and pull within eight at 32-24.

Bridges had seven points in the quarter and Gibson and Woelfle each had two.

Bushland went 1-2 on a pair of trips to the charity stripe to start the third quarter extending their lead to 33-25. Stevens had a basket to pull within six at 33-27. Bushland went on a 4-0 run before Pampa answered with four straight points of their own from a Bridges basket and Bridges going 2-2 from the stripe to stay within six at 37-31.

The teams traded free throws and baskets until an Engle trey pulled the Harvesters within four at 42-38. Stevens kept it interesting in the waning moments of the game with a basket to stay within four, but it wasn't enough as Bushland was able to stay undefeated in district play. Final: Pampa 40, Bushland 47.

"Sometimes that happens in basketball, you draw it up to get those high percentage looks but sometimes they just won't fall down," Embry said.

"That's know fault to the kids, they want their shots to fall they want to win, but the shots just didn't fall."

Engle and Bridges had five points in the quarter, Stevens had four points in the quarter and Gibson had two.

Cade Engle and Shanoaha Bridges were the leading scorers for Pampa at 12 points apiece. Engle had two treys for 12 points, Bridges went 6-11 from the stripe en route to scoring 12 points, Johnathan Stevens six points, Bryson Burrell had a trey and went 2-4 from the line for five points, Jett Gibson had four points and Brendon Woelfle had two

points. As a team Pampa went 8-15 from the line, good for 73 percent.

The Pampa Harvesters return to action on Friday in Dalhart as they take on the Golden Wolves. The Harvesters are guaranteed a playoff spot, but a win in Dalhart can help the Harvester's case for third in District 1-4A.

"There's motivation needed, they know what's at stake we've got to avoid that four seed and beating Dalhart is part of that, we are going to get back on the drawing board, get ourselves ready for Dalhart and go get them," Embry said.

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Answer to yesterday's

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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips



DEAR ABBY: My husband, "Mason," and I have been married for 10 years. We have a beautiful 7-year-old daughter and have just found out we are having another girl. The day we learned her gender, Mason dropped a bomb on me. He said he's not in love with me anymore, and it has been eating at him for a while. He said he was too scared to tell me sooner.

He won't talk to anyone and doesn't seem to want to fix it. We both came from broken homes and had always agreed not to do that to our kids. But I can't act like everything is normal under the same roof.

He says he'll stay at his brother's place at night after our daughter goes to sleep. He's at work before she's up for school anyway. We agreed that if she wakes up at night and calls out for him, I should tell her he got "called in to work." Please give me some advice. — **BROKEN IN NEVADA**

DEAR BROKEN: By the age of 7, your daughter is old enough to recognize tension between her parents. She is also aware enough to comprehend that her father is no longer living there if he's spending his nights elsewhere, particularly if he intends to carry on this charade for any length of time.

You say your husband "won't talk to anyone," but he owes YOU some straight answers. If he hasn't been in love with you "for a while," he shouldn't have fathered a second child with you.

Would his feelings be different if the baby you're carrying was a boy? Could there be another woman involved? Your husband owes it to you and those children to act responsibly and at least try to save his marriage. Running away is not the answer.

vice is to talk to a lawyer and take your cues from her or him about protecting yourself and your children financially. Doing so does not mean you "must" file divorce papers, but you will have someone who isn't emotionally involved looking out for your interests.

DEAR ABBY: What should a single, straight woman do if she is attracted to and interested in a man she is "pretty sure" is gay? What should she do in the same situation if he is openly gay? Should she ignore her feelings? Tell him? — **ATTRACTED TO HIM IN WASHINGTON**

DEAR ATTRACTED: If the woman tells her gay friend how she feels, he may be flattered, or it may make him uncomfortable. That's the risk she takes. As to whether she should ignore her feelings, if she wants a romantic partner who can reciprocate her physical attraction, she will have to concentrate on finding someone who is straight. Trust me on that.

DEAR ABBY: A friend

of mine, "Fran," died nine years ago. Prior to her death, I had little interaction with her husband, "Dexter." As a matter of fact, when I met Fran, she was divorced, but she and Dexter re-united.

Dexter and I are now in love and are planning to marry. He is 66 and I am 61. A lot of people feel it is wrong for us to be together. Your thoughts, please? — **GOING FOR HAPPINESS IN SOUTH CAROLINA**

DEAR GOING: "A lot of people" are unhappy in their lives and judgmental. They sometimes poke their noses into matters that are none of their business. If you and Dexter want to be happy, avoid the naysayers as if they have a virus — because the kind of ill will they spread is contagious.

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS 44 Physics topic

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25 In the style of

26 Rebel general

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30 Ignore the limit

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33 Brood watcher

34 One with drive

38 Fail to follow suit

41 Plot unit

42 Muse of astronomy

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44 Physics topic

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Yesterday's answer

19 Presidential nickname

20 Dandling spot

21 Parrot snack

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