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Kathy Boone hired as new Chamber administrative assistant

By JOHN LEE

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Kathy Boone started at the Pampa Chamber of Commerce on Jan. 26.

She has lived in nearby Miami since 2000 after living her whole life in Oologah, Okla. She has three daughters and six grand-

daughters. She worked at the Gray County

Appraisal District for 10 years before work-"I thought I wanted to stay home but it got too boring," Boone said. "A friend of mine told me they were looking for somebody so

As administrative assistant at the Chamber Boone is looking forward to learning

I came in and talked Kerrick (Horton) and

Mac (Smith)."

more about the community.

"Just helping out with people who move into Pampa and don't know who to contact for their needs," Boone said. "(I like) getting to meet people and know people."

Boone said working with new Chamber director, Pat Montoya, has been a learning experience for both.

"It's been great, he's learning with me too," Boone said. "I guess that's a good thing cause we can learn together. He can decide how he wants stuff instead of having things one way and then learning another way. It's good that we are learning at the same time so he can already know how he wants it. We can make sure it's done the

BOONE cont. on page 2



Photo by John Lee Kathy Boone started at the Chamber Jan. 26.

Meet new Chamber of Commerce director, Pat Montoya



Pat Montoya has been in Pampa since 1988. After working in Pampa for 27 years, Montoya has big plans for the Pampa Chamber of Commerce.

BY JOHN LEE jclee@thepampanews.com

Pat Montoya started at the Pampa

Chamber of Commerce on Feb. 2. Although he is new to his position, he is not new to Pampa and the community.

"I moved to Pampa in 1988 and moved my family here in 1989," Montoya said. "My wife, Carmela, is a first grade bilingual teacher at Wilson Elementary. I have two daughters who graduated from Pampa High School, Julie Chavarria and Patty Knipp, who both live in Amarillo. I have an older daughter, Sirena Vanetti, who lives in Casper, Wyo., with her family.'

Montoya retired from Williams Energy in 2000, he then worked at Hidden Hills for 12 years. Then he worked at W & W Fiberglass as a dispatcher until taking the job at the Chamber.

For those who may know Montoya from the Tri-State Seniors Golf Tournament, he plans to continue as tournament secretary.

"One of the reasons why I enjoy this job is because I enjoy visiting with the people of Pampa," Montoya said. "Another reason is because I felt it was time that I gave back to the community. I like living in Pampa because I grew up in a small town, Texline, Texas, much like Pampa where the people were just as friendly.'

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One suspect arrested in **CEFCO** robbery

STAFF REPORT

The Gray County Sheriff's Office has arrested one in relations to Saturday's CEFCO

Mark Hunnicutt, 49, of Wellington, was arrested Monday by GCSO for

Hunnicutt allegedly strongarmed robbed the CEFCO on Saturday afternoon. He is booked into Gray County Sheriff's Office for

robbery, a second degree felony punishable by two to 20 years in prison and up to a \$10,000 fine and \$25,000 Hunnicutt

VFW Post 1657 holds meeting

By LINDSEY TOMASCHIK LKTomaschik@thepampanews. com

VFW Post 1657 held a meet-

ing on Tuesday night.

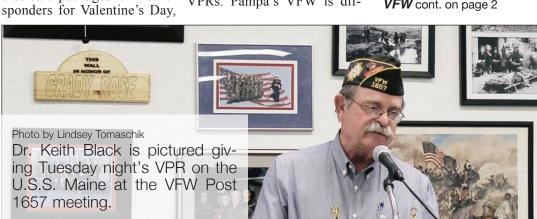
This year, members gathered care-packages for first rethroughout the week.

The meeting started off with a VPR, which is a vet-VPRs. Pampa's VFW is dif-

and the boxes were distributed ferent in that they like to have more than this to educate the public.

Navy veteran Dr. Keith eran's public report. Each Black delivered Tuesday eveyear, VFWs around the nation ning's VPR, which was about are required to deliver three the U.S.S. Maine, which was

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Mark









Pat

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Montoya's goal as Chamber director is to see the Chamber grow to be one of the top Chamber of Commerces in the Panhandle.

In order to do this, Montoya said he is going to personally see each member and visit the local businesses. He wants to be available wherever he is needed for

When asked about what his favorite thing is about Pampa, Montoya said joyfully: "In what aspect?" Mon-

toya said. "I enjoy the golfing, the eating and I enjoy visiting with people."

Montoya is very happy with the people around him at the Chamber. "I think we have a good

Chamber Board," Montoya

the better of the commu- istrative assistant) Kathy Boone coming on board we'll learn together."

Montoya would like everyone to come out and check out the Chamber of Commerce banquet, which is for the Citizen of the Year and the Business of the Year, on Saturday, Feb. 28, 2015. This year Karl Rove will be the keynote speaker at the banquet. Tickets and tables are still available and you can purchase them at the Chamber or from any

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the first U.S. Navy ship to be named after the state of Maine. It mysteriously exploded in 1898 killing more than 250 occupants.

After the VPR was completed, three quilts of valor were given out hug the veteran. to veterans in attendance. All three were army vet-

Chancellor, R.J. Howell and John Tripplehorn.

quilts is special because around the room, and veteran recipient. It's a

all the way around the cir- S. Cuyler.

After the quilt makes it the VFW, located at 105

Boone

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right way."

As for Pampa, Boone

loves it. "It's just big enough,

it's not too big," Boone "I've always lived in re-

ally small towns. In Okla-

it's not too big I would never want to live in Amarillo."

at the Chamber is to make everything a smooth transition regardless of the

Her plans for working

"I just want a smoother transition for when people come in," Boone said.

"I want to make it to when they come in I know exactly how to help them. Just want to make it easier for them."

homa, I lived in a really

small town and moved to Miami and that's a really small town. But like I say,

PAMPA FORECAST



Low 37

High 62



Saturday

High 69 Low 28

High 42 Low 33

Sunday

Today: Mostly sunny, high near 62. West wind 10-15 mph. Sunrise at 7:34 a.m.

Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 37. North wind 5-10 mph. Sunset at 6:24 p.m.

Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 69. WSW wind 10-15 mph. Sunrise at 7:33 a.m.

Saturday night: Mostly clear, with a low around 28. SE wind 10-15 mph. Sunset at 6:25 p.m.

Sunday: Partly sunny, with a high near 42. ENE wind 10-15 mph. Sunrise at 7:32 a.m.

Sunday night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 33. South wind around 15 mph, gusts to 20 mph. Sunset at 6:26 p.m.

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Donna Lynn Speck Holland

Donna Lynn Speck Holland, born Jan. 5, 1938, went home to her savior Feb. 9, 2015.

Donna was proceeded in death by her parents AD



Donna Lynn Speck Holland

Holland.

and Oma Lee Speck and Willam B. Holland, the father to her children. Left to cherish her memory are her children, Rev. John Mark Holland (Liz), David William Holland, Kevin Wayne Holland (Selina), Lynda Lee Bliss and Candise Ann Russell (Paul); her grandchildren Christian, Micaela and Mallory Holland, Carlton and Kristalyn Holland, Chad and Jacob Bliss and Savannah Lynn Russell.

A Memorial service was held Feb. 12, 2015 at St. James Epis-

copal Church and was officiated by Rev. John Mark

Church Calendar

Hi-Land Christian Church

Wednesday nights, Pastor Mike Sublett teaches 2 special advanced classes at Hi-Land Christian

From 7 - 8 p.m. The Judges and Kings of Israel (broken people, faithful God); from 8-9 p.m. 1-2 Corinthians (Jesus and His messy people).

Pastor Sublett said, "Both classes are advanced in that they have a weekly reading assignment and weekly handout pages that will supply each student with a significant notebook for continued study.

I will also be recording each class so that everyone can have the audio in case they want to review something later.'

The classes are open to anyone interested in learning more about their Bible.

Child care will be provided for anyone who is attending either class.

Cornerstone Baptist Church

Cornerstone Baptist Team KID (Kids in Discipleship) meets Wednesdays at 6:30 until 8:00 pm at 2410 W. 23rd St. All children ages 4 thru 5th graders are invited to attend.

For more information call the church at 669-6509.

New Life Assembly of God

New Life Assembly of God is located at 1435 N. Sumner Street in Pampa. New pastor, Sergio Urrutia, said their mission is "New life Assembly of God is committed to fulfilling a four-fold mission.

Our primary reason for being is to evangelize the lost, worship God, disciple believer and to show compassion, to build a multi-ethnic body of believers.

New life commits to reaching out to Pampa in all areas of the township with special emphasis to our Latino brothers and sisters.

Our worship will be a reflection of our multi-ethnic mixture of disciples including Christian Latino music, contemporary music as well as the traditional

hymns and songs of the church. Outreach will have as its goal to produce new believers who in turn are able to witness effectively and make disciples who will in turn continue this cycle.

This will be effected through small group bible

studies, both Bi-lingual services, and bibles.' Sunday Services are 10 and at Sundays and Wednesdays at

Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ is located at 1342 Mary Ellen St. Corner of Mary Ellen

Right across from the high school.

Bible Classes start at 9:30 a.m. with Sunday Morning Worship at 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Evening Worship is at 5 p.m. and Ladies Bible Class Wednesday 10 a.m.

Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ also

offers Wednesday Bible Class at 7 p.m.

Keith Feerer is the Preacher and Zac Green is

Youth Minister.

For more information call 806-665-0031.

First United Methodist Church

Every Friday, First United Methodist Church will be holding Gospel Pic'n and Grinnin'.

The weekly event will be at 5:30 p.m. at Gathering Space in the church.

For more information call 806-669-7411.

McLean Cowboy Church

McLean Cowboy Church is a non-denominational spirit-filled Christian church. The pastor is Ronnie

Sunday worship is at 10:30 a.m. and children's ministry is Sunday at 10:30 a.m. and Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

The ages for the children's ministry are nursery through fifth grade.

The church is located at the intersection of state Highway 273 and Interstate 40 in McLean.

For more information, call 806-779-0260.

Southside Church of Christ

Southside Church of Christ is located at 11923 W.

McCullough Ave. in Pampa. The church extends an open invitation to all to come and worship where the gospel, "God's Word," is always taught and preached.

Regular worship services are: Sunday morning Bible study, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.; morning worship begins at 10:45 a.m. to noon; Wednesday night Bible study is from 5 to 6 p.m.

If your church would like to be added to this list or are hosting a special event let us know! Email jclee@thepampanews.com give us a call 669-2525. We will need the name, address, phone number and any other information about the event.



Community Calendar

City Commission meet-

The Pampa 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 with 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 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

Monday night dance

Monday 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 meet-

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 assisted-living facility at will be open from 6-7 p.m. 812 W. 25th Ave., has a on the third Tuesday of band performing at 6:30 every month for persons p.m. every Tuesday and interested in becoming Saturday night. Join them a CASA Volunteer. The for Western music, gospel CASA office is located and the classics. For more in the Brown Alliance for information, call 806-665- 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 sys-

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.

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Study sees even bigger longer droughts for much of US West

are coming — and they're outcome, Cook said.
bound to last for decades.

The regions Cook leads

in more than 1,000 years are likely to come to the Southwest and Central Plains after 2050 and stick around because of global warming, according to a new study in the journal Science Advances on Thursday.

"Nearly every year is going to be dry toward the end of the 21st century compared to what we think of as normal conditions now," said study lead author Benjamin Cook, a NASA atmospheric scientist. "We're going to have to think about a much drier future in western North America."

There's more than an 80 percent chance that much of the central and western United States will have a 35-year-or-longer "megadrought" later this century, said study co-author Toby Ault of Cornell University, adding that "water in the Southwest is going to become more precious than it already is.'

Megadroughts last for decades instead of just a few years. The 1930s Dust Bowl went on for more than 35 years, Ault said.

The study is based on

droughts in California, the dioxide and complex simu- ana. Southwest and the Midwest lations run by 17 different

Looking back in records droughts in the Southwest

Calif. current increasing rate of souri, western Arkansas, (AP) — As bad as recent rising emissions of carbon and northwestern Louisi-

have been, scientists say computer models, which trapped in tree ring and oth-far worse "megadroughts" generally agreed on the er data, there were mega-The regions Cook looked and Central Plains in the "Unprecedented drought at include California, Ne- 1100s and 1200s that lasted conditions" — the worst vada, Utah, Colorado, New several decades, but these Mexico, Arizona, northern will be worse, Cook said. Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Those were natural and not Nebraska, South Dakota, caused by climate change, most of Iowa, southern unlike those forecast for the Minnesota, western Mis- future, Cook said.

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Tips, Tricks and Advice

This spring sprinkle cinnamon in your flowerbeds to deter ants and the neighborhood cats. (You should wear gloves when applying it, in large amounts cinnamon can irritate the skin. Also keep in mind it's not a good idea to apply on windy days.)

Tricks

Being a parent of two teenage for



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waiting at doctor appointments, and even longer practices that each parent sits through. Instead of rushing around house grabbing things, now I just keep a large carry all shoulder bag in my car ready for emergencies.

Every mother should

have a bag with things such as hand wipes, sanitizer, coloring books, bottled water, crayons and prepackaged snacks that have long expiration dates in the trunk. It should also have a first aid kit with an extra box of band aids, a tube antibiotic ointment, sunblock, and bug repellent. You can also find first aid ice packs in the pharmacy section of most stores that can just be used without ever freezing. Another important thing to have in the emergency mom bag is an extra pre-charged battery pack for your phone.

Advice

Anytime someone brings you a dish of food that requires the dish to be returned. It's always a good rule of thumb to return the dish with something in it in return. Weather its homemade cookie mix, a cute set of oven mitts, a lovely set of recipe cards or even a new set of wooden spatulas tied with some nice

A mixed papal blessing

When the Gallup poll last asked, Pope Francis was rated favorably by



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76 percent of Americans (including 78 percent of Protestants and 73 percent of those with no

affiliation) and unfavorably by only 9 percent, a better than 8-1 favorable rating. These are numbers that almost any political candidate would die for.

religious

Politicians, being human, enjoy being seen in the company of popular heroes, which may explain why the Republican speaker of the House, John Boehner, with full support from leaders of both parties on Capitol Hill, invited the Holy Father to address a joint meeting of Congress. On Sept. 24, when Francis becomes the first pope to address Congress, you can be sure that every pol in shoe leather, liberal or conservative, will be enthusiastically applauding while angling for a personal photo op with the charismatic pontiff.

But there is a problem: Pope Francis insists on speaking the uncomfortable truth to the powerful and the pompous, both clerical and secular. Democrats cheered the

pope's criticisms of "trickledown theories," which have "never been confirmed by the facts." He said, "We can no longer trust in the ... invisible hand of the market." When the pope stated that climate change is "mostly" man-made and denounced "the globalization of indifference" in the mistreatment of immigrants, Dems were confident he was on their side.

Until, that is, Pope Francis indicted the "throwaway culture" that reduces people to "mere cogs in a machine" and "treats them as items of consumption to be exploited." He said, "Whenever a human life no longer proves useful for that machine, it is discarded with few qualms, as in the case of the terminally ill, the elderly who are abandoned and uncared for, and children who are killed in the womb." Most liberals would agree that this pope makes great sense on the economy but that he knows nothing about sex, whereas the majority of conservatives would give him high marks on sexual morality but find him hopelessly naive on economics.

John Carr of the Initiative on Catholic Social Thought and Public Life at Georgetown University, who is an in-

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Bereavement and Healing Texting kills

Funeral Directors are strong people. They work day after day with families in crisis, blocking the emotional and psychological



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impact of these crisis' from affecting their own struggles in life. Every once in a while, however, a particular family will reach into the depths of your soul and rip your heart in two.

I served a family today, that broke through that barrier.

As I entered the cemetery, I was surprised at a cluster of children's graves. I saw the decedent's grandmother walk up to the cluster and drop to her knees. Surrounded by these tiny graves, she reached out and tenderly touched each one as she bellowed sobs of despair.

I was burying her grandson today. He was her fifth grandchild being buried within this cluster of tiny

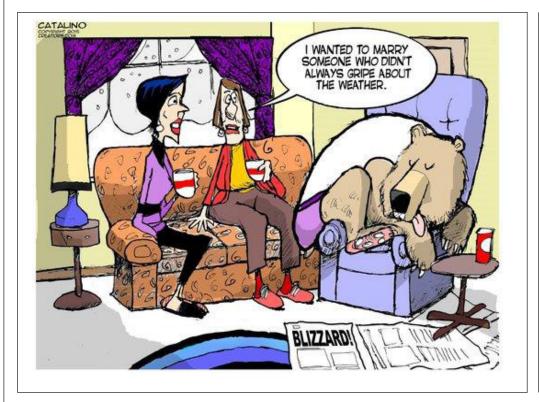
As the Pastor offered words of comfort, tears streamed down my face. I could not quell the anguish within my heart for this suffering grandmother and her family. Each of her grandchildren died from SIDS or cancer except for her grandson being buried today. This grandson was a little older than the others. He was old enough to drive, and while driving, decided to text. This sole decision prematurely robbed him, his parents and his grandmother of his life, his future and their happiness. Even worse, his accident caused the death of the man in the car he hit. I don't know how this grandmoth-

er will ever recover from burying five grandchildren in one year. I don't know how anyone recovers from so much loss. My prayers plead for her comfort and recovery.

As I directed this tragic funeral today, I inwardly contemplated, "Is there any text so important that you would trade your life for it?" I could not think of one. Texts are more of a convenient method of communication rather than a necessary one. Please consider the consequences and never text while driving. Although you may decide there is a text worth trading your life for, you are putting other innocent drivers at risk who may not be ready to die for your text message.

Funeral Directors are strong people. Every once in awhile however, a particular tragedy reaches into the depth of your soul and rips your heart in two. Today was such a day for me.

My name is Tracy Renee Lee. I am a funeral director, author and professional speaker. I write books and weekly bereavement articles related to understanding and coping with grief. I am the American Funeral Director of the Year Runner-Up and recipient of the BBB's Integrity Award. I deliver powerful messages and motivate audiences toward positive recovery. It is my life's work to comfort the bereaved and help them live on. Please follow my blog at http://pushin-up-daisies.blogspot.com/, follow me on Twitter @PushnUpDaisies and visit my website for additional encouragement, information or booking speeches at www.QueenCityFuneralHome.com.



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Obama publicly insults Christians

inserted a jarring note in his speech to the an-



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nual Prayer Breakfast by insulting Christians with an inappropriate reference to the Crusades and charging

that people "committed terrible deeds in the name

of Christ.' He ignited a firestorm by comparing the ISIS outrages to medieval history of a thousand years ago. By drawing such simplistic analogies, it sounded like he was trying to excuse or whitewash the recent acts of Islamic terrorism, including the beheading and

incinerating of hostages. Obama didn't acknowledge that it was Muslim aggression that prompted the first Crusade. There would not have been any motivation for the Crusades if Muslims had not been attacking Christian pilgrims who were traveling to the Holy Land for peaceful prayer and worship.

Obama's insults to Christians weren't any slip of the tongue. His aides confirmed that his words were deliberately chosen. Deputy press secretary

Eric Schultz said that Americans "need to be honest with ourselves." The problem with Obama is that he needs to be honest with the fact that Islam

President Barack Obama is at war with us, and he just won't admit it.

"Lest we get on our high horse and think this is unique to some other place, remember that during the Crusades and the Inquisition, people committed terrible deeds in the name of Christ. In our home country, slavery and Jim Crow all too often was justified in the name of Christ.'

The Crusades were 800 to 900 years ago; the Inquisition was 500 to 600 years ago; and slavery in the United States ended 150 years ago. Even Jim Crow, which means not letting blacks and whites eat at the same lunch counter, ended 50 years ago.

Former Virginia Gov. Jim Gilmore called Obama's remarks "the most offensive I've ever heard a president make." Gilmore charged that Obama "has offended every believing Christian in the United States."

In the first week of February, the Islamic State released a video showing a Jordanian pilot being burned alive in a steel cage. The next day, the United Nations issued a report describing horrific details of the Islamic State's "mass executions of boys, as well as reports of beheadings, crucifixions of children and burying children alive."

And the next day after that, President Obama publicly and deliberately criticized the "terrible deeds" committed "in the name of Christ." Quite a week, wasn't it?

ture us how to react to Islamic atrocities. He urged us to get off "our high horse" and "remember that during the Crusades and the Inquisition, people committed terrible deeds in the name of Christ" and "justified" slavery and Jim Crow "in the name of Christ.

It makes no sense to try to downplay the horrific act of burning someone alive in a steel cage by analogizing it to other conduct that Americans rejected long ago. But that's how he is trying to excuse, or at least minimize, ISIS atrocities.

According to Bernard Lewis, a reliable historian of Islam, the Crusades were an attempt to recover territories that had been taken from the Christians by the Muslims. The crusaders risked their lives to save Christian people and regain Christian lands that the Muslims had stolen.

The Spanish Inquisition killed a couple of thousand people in the aftermath of a war to drive out Muslim invaders 500 years ago. That's fewer than the number put to death by Muslim killers today in only a few months.

Speaking on the Fox News Channel last week, the African-American Bishop E. W. Jackson called out the president: "Sir, you just gave them a gigantic propaganda tool. They called us Crusaders,

and you've just confirmed it. ... He's basically justi-Obama presumed to lec- fied exactly what Osama bin Laden was saying.

Continuing, Bishop Jackson said: "Mr. President, we're not on our 'high horse.' What we are on is high alert, and the American people would like for once to know that you're willing to defend Christianity and defend America instead of defending Islam."

Bishop Jackson, who served in the Marine Corps and earned a law degree from Harvard Law School before entering the ministry, concluded that "this president does everything he possibly can to defend Islam and does almost nothing to defend the honor of this country. And yes, once again he's giving them exactly what they want. And they're laughing at us, because they see it as a sign of weakness."

Christianity is not the problem today, and Jim Crow's not around anymore. Islamic Jihad, and its political manifestation in Sharia law, is the present-day threat to individual and civil liberties all over the world.

Phyllis Schlafly is a lawyer, conservative political analyst and author of two new books just published last year: "Who Killed the American Family" (WND) and the 50th Anniversary edition of "A Choice Not An Echo" (Regnery), available at eagleforum.org, amazon, and usual sources. She can be contacted by e-mail at phyllis@eaglefo-

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AAA discounts and rewards program can help you find Valentine's Day gift

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COPPELL — With Valentine's Day around the corner, AAA Texas reminds members of ways to save money on gifts for their special someone this February. Through AAA's Discounts & Rewards program members who visit and shop with AAA partners can save money on jewelry, books, clothing, hotels and travel. Memas flowers and chocolates

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Ansley recognized as Texas A&M Regents Fellow

SUBMITTED BY TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION STATION COLLEGE – Dr. Jim Ansley, a Texas A&M AgriLife Research rangeland ecologist at Vernon, has been named a Re-

gents Fellow by the Texas

A&M University System

Board of Regents. The board established the Regents Fellow Service Awards in 1998 to recognize exceptional service by professionals in the seven

Texas A&M University System agencies. The presentation was

made during a Regents Professor and Fellow Service Awards banquet at College Station on Feb. 11. Ansley, also a professor

in the Texas A&M department of ecosystem science and management, has reputation as a vegetation ecologist, based on his extensive research experience

grasslands dominated by woody plants such as mesquite and juniper, accord- cides and prescribed fire, ing to his nomination.

has been to generate in- quite seeds and the potenformation that provides a better understanding of the function of these plant yield products from rangelands and restore degraded continued.

degree at Hastings College in Nebraska, his master's at Utah State University and sity of Wyoming, Ansley is years Ansley has conducted recognized as an expert in a respected research proplant ecophysiology and the way managing natuestablished a worldwide ral resources affects plant production and ecological communities.

conducts research

woody plants with herbiwoody plant water use, His research emphasis wildlife predation of mestial of rangeland shrubs and trees for bioenergy.

Ansley also directs nucommunities and to de- merous graduate students velop management strate- at Texas A&M and teaches gies that can sustainably biology at Vernon College. He has won six awards for technical articles or posters rangelands, the nomination and is associate editor of the Rangeland Ecology and Earning his bachelor's Management Journal.

Dr. John Sweeten, AgriLife Research center director for both Amarillo and Verhis doctorate at the Univer- non, said for more than 20 gram that addresses problems related to agricultural sustainability.

His research is defined

in semiarid rangelands and on shrub and grass com- by addressing complex petition, management of ecological interactions in a structured scientific method approach that yields innovative and insightful results, which are relevant to the scientific community as well as society in general, Sweeten said.

> "Dr. Ansley's work demonstrates he cares deeply about proper management and sustainability of our rangelands," Sweeten said. "Jim is willing to present his results and his understanding of the issues to his peers in the scientific arena, agricultural businesses, local clubs and groups, undergraduate students from other universities, and students ranging from kindergarten to high school. He is an advocate for sustainable ecosystem science and management."



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Area Support Groups

The following is a list of support groups that meet regularly each week in Pampa. Information for each meeting is submitted to The Pampa News office and may not be completely updated or accurate. Please notify the newsroom if a change is necessary.

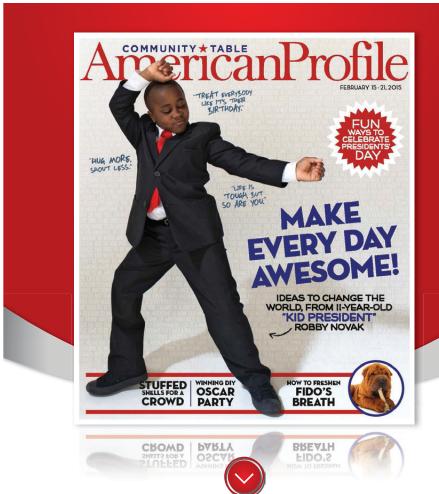
The Pampa News welcomes all submitted materials for area support groups. Please include the meeting time, date and location and, if applicable, provide a contact number for each group.

- Victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, meet at 6 p.m., Thursdays, 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,

thowsare@thepampanews.com

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
- 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.





- 11-year-old Kid President shares ideas to make every day awesome
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GYMNASTICS OF PAMPA AT LUBBOCK WINTER CLASSIC TUMBLING AND TRAMPOLINE



Submitted photos

Gymnastics of Pampa team members recently competed in the Lubbock Winter Classic Tumbling and Trampoline Meet against other teams from Lubbock, Amarillo, Pampa, Midland, New Mexico, Stratford, and Canyon.

The team competed well and had multiple gold medal performances.

Over half of the Pampa gymnasts were competing in their first USA Gymnastics sanctioned competition.

Above, level two Tumbling in Lubbock meet - 1st place-Heiley Guerra, 3rd place-Marley Pate, 4th place-Addison Appier, 5th place tie-Preslie Segura and Jolie Groomer. Right, 1st place-Ashley Perry, 3rd place-Macy Robinson on Level 3 Double Mini Trampoline. Results are as follows:

Ashley Perry - 9 and 10 year old Division - 1st place tie, Level 3 Tumbling, 1st place, Level 3 Double Mini Trampoline, 2nd place, Level 4 Trampoline.

Emma Perry - 7 and 8 year old Div. - 1st place, Level 3 Tumbling, 3rd place, Level 2 Trampoline, 6th place, Level 3 Double

Macy Robinson - 9 and 10 year olds - 1st place, Level 3 Tumbling, 3rd place, Level 3 Double Mini, 7th place, Level 2 Tram-

Savannah Sellers - 11 and 12 year olds -1st place, Level 3 Double Mini, 5th place, Level 3 Tumbling, 5th place, Level 4 Trampoline.

place, Level 1 Double Mini, 2nd place, Level 1 Trampoline, 8th place, Level 2

Heiley Guerra - 7 and 8 year olds - 1st place, Level 2 Tumbling, 7th place, Level 2 Trampoline, 7th place, Level 2 Double

Lilye Ogle - 7 and 8 year olds - 1st place, Level 3 Double Mini, 7th place, Level 3 Tumbling, 10th place, Level 3 Trampoline.

Kloie Bravo - 11 and 12 year olds - 2nd place, Level 3 Tumbling, 3rd place, Level 2 Trampoline, 3rd place, Level 3 Double Alex Arnzen - 7 and 8 year olds - 2nd

place, Level 2 Tumbling, 3rd place, Level 2 Trampoline, 3rd place, Level 2 Double Ashley Albus - 11 and 12 year olds -2nd place, Level 4 Trampoline, 3rd place,

Level 4 Double Mini, 9th place, Level 4 Tumbling. Macie Whittington - 11 and 12 year olds - 2nd place, Level 4 Double Mini, 4th place, Level 4 Trampoline, 4th place,

Level 4 Tumbling. Carsyn Hunt - 7 and 8 year olds - 3rd place, Level 2 Trampoline, 4th place, Level 3 Tumbling, 4th place, Level 3 Double

Marley Pate - 7 and 8 year olds - 3rd place, Level 2 Tumbling, 4th place, Level 2 Double Mini, 5th place, Level 2 Tram-

Katie Smith - 9 and 10 year olds - 3rd place, Level 4 Trampoline, 5th place, Lev-Naomi Marker - 7 and 8 year olds - 1st el 4 Tumbling, 7th place, Level 5 Double



Jolie Groomer - 7 and 8 year olds - 3rd place, Level 2 Double Mini, 5th place, Level 2 Trampoline, 5th place tie, Level 2

Quin Billingsley - 7 and 8 year olds -3rd place, Level 3 Double Mini, 8th place, Level 3 Tumbling, 9th place, Level 3

Addison Appier - 7 and 8 year olds - 4th place, Level 2 Tumbling, 4th place, Level 2 Trampoline, 5th place, Level 2 Double

Cassie Stubblefield - 9 and 10 year olds 4th place, Level 3 Tumbling, 6th place, Level 2 Trampoline, 6th place, Level 3 Double Mini.

Jordan Demetriades - 13 and 14 year olds - 4th place, Level 5 Trampoline, 5th place, Level 4 Tumbling, 9th place, Level Double Mini.

Preslie Segura - 7 and 8 year olds - 4th Demetriades and Christa Perry.

place, Level 3 Double Mini, 4th place. Level 2 Trampoline, 5th place tie, Level 2 Tumbling.

Skyler Sellers - 7 and 8 year olds - 5th place, Level 3 Double Mini, 5th place, Level 4 Trampoline, 7th place, Level 3

Natalie Monds - 9 and 10 year olds - 5th place, Level 5 Tumbling, 8th place, Level 5 Double Mini, 10th place, Level 5 Tram-

Bentley Brooks - 7 and 8 year olds - 6th place, Level 2 Trampoline, 9th place, Level 2 Double Mini, 12 place, Level 2 Tum-

Peyton Demetriaes - 11 and 12 year olds - 7th place, Level 5 Double Mini, 8th place, Level 5 Tumbling, 10th place, Level 5 Trampoline.

The gymnasts train at Gymnastics of Pampa under coaches Kristi Petty, Christie

From the Press Box

At All-Star break, NBA playoff field really taking shape.

What an odd NBA season we have seen. The Golden State Warriors and Atlanta Hawks lead the Western and Eastern Conferences, respectively.

Outside of Andrew Bogut and Stephen Curry, can you name any other player on the Warriors roster?

Let's look at the Hawks. Their starting

five are Paul Millsap, Kyle Korver, Al Horford, DeMarre Carroll and Jeff Teague.

The interesting debate about the Hawks are whether or not their winning continue into the playoffs.

Here are the rest of the standings:

In the East: 1. Atlanta Hawks, 2. Toronto

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Raptors, 3. Chicago Bulls, 4. Cleveland Cavaliers, 5. Washington Warriors, 6. Milwaukee Bucks, 7. Charolette Hornets, 8. Miami Heat.

In the West: 1. Golden State Warriors, 2. Memphis Grizzlies, 3. Portland Trail Blazers, 4. Houston Rockets, 5. Dallas Maver-

icks, 6. L.A. Clippers, 7. San Antonio Spurs, 8. Phoenix

Oklahoma City Thunder and New Orleans Pelicans are half a game and a game and half back respectively.

The Cavaliers were supposed to be the nation's sweetheart team because of LeBron James' great coming home story and they started the season off real slow.

Despite remembering how the Heat started slow when James joined them several years ago, many were ready to hit the panic but-

Now the Cavs are 12 games above .500 and 9-1 in their last 10. The team is gelling well with James at 25.8 points per game,

Kevin Love at 10 boards a game and Kyrie Irving complimenting James at 21.8 points per game. The stock on this team is going up and they are getting hot at the right time.

Oklahoma City started slow too, but for different reasons than the Cavaliers. 2012-13 MVP Kevin Durant and All-Star Russell Westbrook both started the season injured. Then Durant got hurt again around January. The Thunder are a buzzer-beater away from being undefeated in the month of February, however, and with two months left of basketball to be played, could easily make a push for the playoffs.

When I first looked at the standings Thursday, I was a little shocked to San Antonio in the seventh seed. But outside of Golden State and Memphis, seeds No. 3-5 all have 36 wins and the Spurs have 34 With Blake Griffin being hurt for the Clippers, I expect the Spurs to take the six seed and the Thunder to move up into one of the last two spots.

What's your take on the playoff picture?

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sightful observer of the Roman Catholic Church, offers a most interesting assessment of the Holy Father: "I would say that Pope Francis' first miracle is getting political leaders in the U.S. to talk about poverty." Carr is right. Forty-five years ago, poverty and poor people were still very much at the center of

our national policy debates. But in recent years, nearly all the rhetorical — and political — attention has been fixed, safely, on the middle class. Pope Francis, by his example and his popularity, has managed to change our public dialogue. Not only is Barack Obama speaking more openly about inequality and the poor but so, too, are Republicans, including, but not limited to, Jeb Bush, Mitt Romney and Marco Rubio.

Pope Francis belongs to

no political party. He is not a partisan. What this good man teaches is that the human race is a family, that we must look out for one another — care for one another — and that humans are not created to serve the economy but rather the economy is created to serve humankind. Now that's really a new politics.

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Thunderheads introduce team's newest member

AMARILLO — What does a baseball mitt and the Amarillo ThunderHeads have in common?

They both have Webs.

The ThunderHeads announced Wednesday morning the team's freshly redesigned website is online, complete with the 2015 season schedule.

best to get it published now."

"We have been busy since the end of for access to team information from our Amarillo fans show off their Thunder- or online at GoThunderheads.com

November redesigning and updating the fans has been nothing short of amazing. old site, incorporating the new name, lo- There has been such a demand for Thungos and colors," said Director of Media derHeads schedules and merchandise in and Creative, Michael J. Stevens. "It is recent weeks - which we are in the prostill a work in progress, but we thought it cess of ordering – we felt obligated to give the fans something tangible to access Executive VP and General Manager now." Tucker adds her staff is working Stephanie Tucker added the decision was with sports printers and merchandise com-

Heads pride.

The new website address is www.gothunderheads.com.

The team will begin welcoming players and holding tryouts in early May.

The season home opener is scheduled for May 26, 2015 against the St. Paul Saints.

For additional information, contact the fan-driven. "The feedback and demand panies to offer a variety of items to help ThunderHeads offices via 806-242-1776

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Aquarius and a Moon in Sagittarius if born before 1:22 p.m. (PST). Afterward, the Moon will be in Capri-

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Saturday, Feb. 14, 2015:

This year you often might find yourself spending beyond your means. If you learn to release your frustrations and anger in an appropriate manner, you will have more control over your finances. If you are single, you will have quite a few potential suitors. Someone who enters your life before October could be significant. Enjoy the process of getting to know each other. If you are attached, your significant other will be a good teammate in helping you address habits that you would like to eliminate. Together you will create a stronger foundation. CAP-RICORN makes an excellent heal-

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★ You have the ability to deal with hassles easily in the morning, whereas others might have more of a problem. Pressure builds, which could force you to take responsibility for a work-related matter. Be careful about holding in anger. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★ Use the morning to get closthough you might feel tense about an important upcoming interaction, schedule some time for this person. Openings like this do not happen often. A friend could be unusually aggressive. Tonight: Be entertained. GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★ The onslaught of people around you could set you back. Rethink your priorities, and then decide who and what you want to deal with. Someone whom you would like to have a quality conversation and a fun time with would be the best choice. Tonight: Teamwork counts. CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ You might not be as easygoing as you would like to be. Someone's controlling attitude could be the source of some frustration. Try to see the big picture, and you'll see some of your anger dissolve. Address your feelings accordingly. Tonight: The only answer is "yes.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ You'll have the intention of being more spontaneous with a loved one. Make sure that this thought is your primary focus. Keep

A baby born today has a Sun in in mind that this person might have made other plans and/or won't be as free as he or she would like. Tonight: Make it an early night.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Take your time getting up. You will need all the energy you can muster up in the afternoon. A friend could be difficult, and you might not have any other choice but to deal with his or her moodiness in a calm manner. Tonight: Make the most of the moment.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*** You might be recuperating from someone else's unpredictability. Take a nap so that you have the energy to cover a lot of ground. Don't hesitate to proceed as you would like. You might want to invite a friend over later. Tonight: Make a special dinner.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

*** Though you might hold your tongue in the morning, you'll be telling it like it is by the afternoon. Your outgoing personality will emerge when dealing with a new friend. Know that this person could be quite challenging. Tonight: Get to know a loved one better.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) *** Move quickly on any matter that is important to you. Understand where someone else is coming from, but know that you might not be on the same page. A family situation or matter involving your home could cost you more than you realize. Tonight: At a fun happening.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) *** You might need to run er to a partner or loved one. Even errands and get as much accomplished as possible before meeting a friend for a late lunch and maybe a movie. You could be irritated by a situation that keeps replaying in your mind. Consider taking a walk to clear your head. Tonight: As you

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★ You might decide to find a few friends and throw a spontaneous party. Be careful, as you could run into someone who tends to irritate you. Try not to go overboard as you attempt to suppress your anger. Tonight: Where the crowds are.

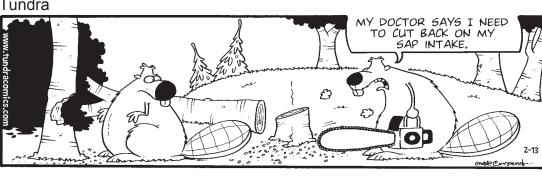
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ You might not realize how short your fuse can be. You might want to tell someone off, but it would be wiser to keep your feelings to yourself. You'll need to clear up this issue; otherwise, you will see quite a few explosive situations arise. Tonight: Hook up with your friends.

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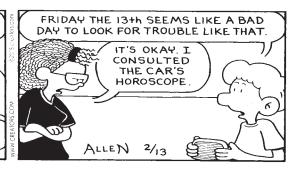
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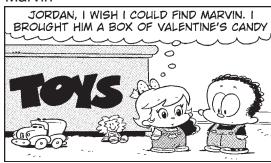


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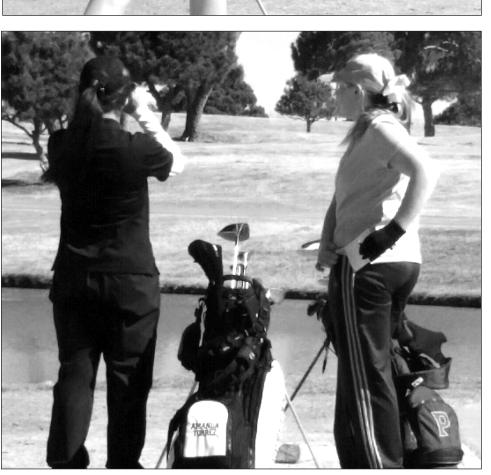


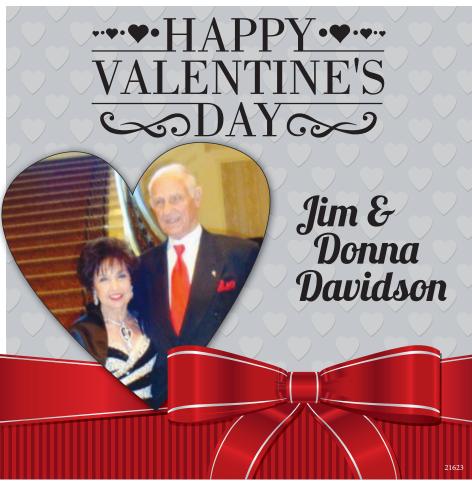


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Table 1

The Pampa girls golf season started last weekend. Gracie Little shot a 113 and 95. Sarah Gordzelik shot a 116 and 110. Alli Hampton shot a 119 and 113. Adeline Little shot a 141 and 133. As a team they shot 489 and 451. Head coach Brian Poynor said, "For the first tournament I think we did a good job. We came out the first day and played a little tight and nervous, but by the second day we really started hitting it well," Poynor said. "I challenged the girls to improve on their score the second round and each one improved several strokes. I was very proud of the way the girls fought back." Gracie Little also talked about how she is excited that the season has kicked off again. "Yes, I am thrilled to be back on the golf course. I feel like as a team we competed well and did our best," Little said. "Individually, I want to improve on my short game. A good short game is the key to success in golf."







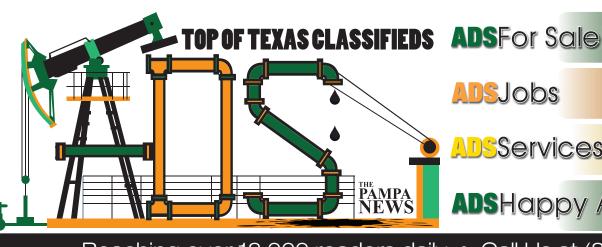








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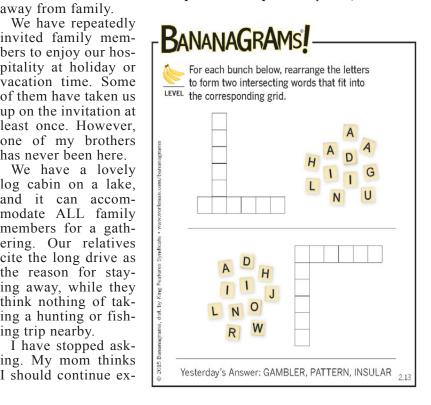
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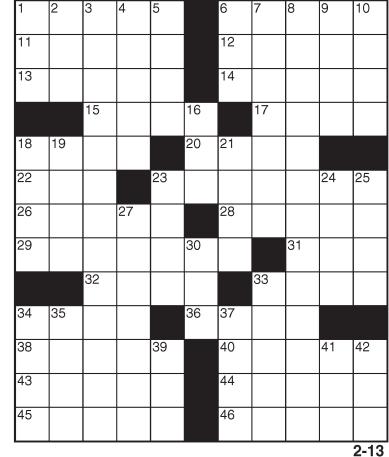
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