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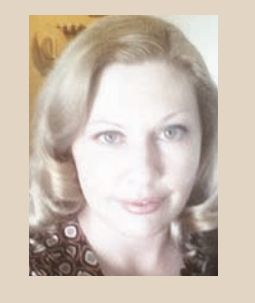
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What are constables?



Photo by John Lee

From left, Joe Montgomery and Gary McFall are Gray County's two constables. They are certified peace officers whose jurisdiction is anywhere in the county. They tend to stay on the civil side of the law versus the criminal.

BY JOHN LEE
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Driving through Gray County and the city of Pampa you normally see two different kinds of law enforcement, Gray County Sheriff's Office and Pampa Police Department.

A little more unknown to the public are constables. Contrary to popular belief, constables were the first law enforcement agency in Texas.

"Constables are certified peace officers just like any other peace officer in the State of Texas," constable Joe Montgomery said. "We're

the only elected officials in law enforcement that has qualifications to run. We are elected in the precinct that we serve."

Gray County has two elected constables. Montgomery is for precinct two and Gary McFall is elected for precincts one and three.

"In order to run for constable you either have to be a peace officer or a retired peace officer," Montgomery said. "Or you have to have an associate's degree and then you have 270 days after you get elected to get certified. No other law enforcement has that."

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Snow today

BY ZACHARY GREEN
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By the time you are reading this we very well could have picked up some snow already.

Before I get into the forecast, I want to remind readers that we always accept reader submitted photos.

Please email them to zgreen@thepampanews.com or post them on our Facebook page. Your submissions could end up in Saturday or Tuesday's paper. Please include the names of any persons or animals in the photo as well as their **SNOW** cont. on page 3

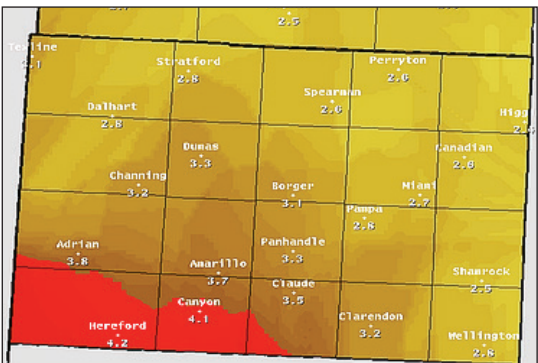


Photo courtesy of NWS Amarillo

As of 2 p.m. Thursday, Pampa was projected to get 2.8 inches of snowfall. The red indicates snowfall of over four inches, which Pampa could see depending on where the heavy band of snow develops.

GCSO responds to shooting Wednesday

STAFF REPORT

One person is in the hospital after suffering a gunshot wound after a fight Wednesday night.

At 11:01 p.m. on Wednesday evening, Gray County Sheriff's Office was called to the 300 block of Price Road for a fight in progress.

While in route to the call, deputies were advised that one of the subjects had been shot.

One person was transported to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo with a gunshot wound.

No names are available at this time as the incident is still under investigation.

Pampa United Way accepting new agency applications

STAFF REPORT



Pampa United way is giving applications for 501(C)3 non-profit organizations to be included in the budget allocations process April 21, 2015.

This will be for funding starting January 2016.

Organizations may pick up applications at 200 N. Ballard, Suite No. 105, or call 669-1001 for more information on the process.

Deadline for picking up the applications is Feb. 24 with all information due back by March 6. Those accepted into the budget allocations process will need to pick up another set of forms to be completed for the allocations process.

For more information call Pampa United Way at 806-669-1001.

March 2015 DSHS Immunization Clinic announced

STAFF REPORT

The March 2015 Department of State Health Services Immunization Clinic Schedule has been announced. All three clinics will be at 121 S. Gillespie from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m. Each time-frame is for the first 10 clients.

The clinics will be on March 4, March 11 and March 18.

All times are subject to change or cancellation in case of extenuating circumstances.

DPS urges Texans to prepare for arctic weather

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AMARILLO – The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) is urging Texans to prepare for an arctic cold front affecting parts of Texas through the weekend. Forecasts indicate the possibility of below freezing temperatures, light snow, sleet and freezing rain across a large portion of the state.

DPS offers the following tips for staying safe during this weather event:

- Avoid unnecessary travel if possible, monitor local weather broadcasts, and follow up-to-the-minute weather conditions at <http://www.weather.gov/>.
- Remember that ice forms first on bridges, overpasses and shady areas.
- On icy roads, drive slowly, increase distance needed for stopping, and avoid using cruise control.
- Watch for downed trees and power lines

across roads. If power is out, treat all intersections as four-way stops.

- Make sure your vehicle is properly maintained before any trip – check fluid and anti-freeze levels.
- Don't drink and drive and buckle up everyone in the vehicle.

For more information on road conditions statewide, check www.drivetexas.org or call 800-452-9292.

In addition, here is a list of emergency supplies drivers can keep in their vehicle:

- Blankets/sleeping bags, extra clothing, mittens, hat.
- Cell phone, radio, flashlight, extra batteries.
- First-aid kit and pocket knife.
- High-calorie nonperishable food, bottled water.
- Sack of sand or cat litter to provide traction for tires.

tion for tires.

- Windshield scraper, tool kit, booster cables, tow rope and shovel.

For additional information regarding winter weather preparedness, visit: <http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/dem/threatawareness/winterStormPlanning.htm>



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Today: Snow with a high near 16. South south-east wind 10 to 15 mph. Chance of precipitation is 80 percent. New snow accumulation of around two inches. Sunrise at 7:17 a.m.

Tonight: A 30 percent chance of snow. Cloudy, with a low around 14. South southeast wind 10 to 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph. Sunset at 6:38 p.m.

Saturday: A 30 percent chance of snow. Cloudy, with a high near 29. South wind 15 to 20 mph. Sunrise at 7:16 a.m.

Saturday night: Chance of snow and sleet. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 28. South wind 5 to 15 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent. Sunset at 6:39 p.m.

Sunday: Chance of snow and freezing drizzle. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 40. South wind 5 to 10 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent. Sunrise at 7:15 a.m.

Sunday night: A slight chance of freezing drizzle. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 24. North-east wind around 10 mph. Sunset at 6:39 p.m.

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Constables

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the county but they mainly stay on the civil side of law enforcement.

Montgomery serves a lot of truancy papers for the justice of the peace, which is when students miss more than the allowed amount of school and they have to answer to the justice of the peace. But that's not all Montgomery does.

"I run a lot of traffic, I serve warrants or any kind of civil papers," Montgomery. "I can enforce traffic laws. If the sheriff's office or PD needs back up they can call us, or they don't have to but we back them up anyway."

Montgomery gets paged out when Hoover Fire Department is called to help handle traffic for them. This allows for the sheriff's deputies to continue with other duties rather than being tied up monitoring traffic. Montgomery is also going to a constable leadership college and will graduate in Huntsville in May.

"If we ever have deputies or anything like that, it shows that I have

leadership in that," Montgomery said. "A county of our size may never have deputies, but it's there for me to have more education for my office. I believe in getting all of the education I can to help me perform my duties as constable."

Some counties in Texas, such as Dallas County, Terant County and Houston have as many as eight constables with more than 300 deputies.

"Our main jobs are to serve civil process through the JP court," McFall said. "We are also the bailiff of the JP courts."

Some smaller counties are starting to eliminate the constable position because they don't see a need for it, but McFall said their job is important.

"We are a very important position in the county because of the uniqueness of our jobs," McFall said.

Montgomery added that getting rid of the constable position isn't as easy as just vacating the position.

"In the old days up until a few years, probably 10 or maybe a little bit longer, the only way to get rid of the constables' office was to put it on the state ballot," Montgomery said. "The state voted to get rid of it for the county. If the constable has been dormant (meaning no one has run for

it and it isn't occupied) the County Commissioner's court can vote to get rid of it."

McFall said that it used to be if you had a justice of the peace you had a constable.

Both Montgomery and McFall are in their first term as constable.

Montgomery was an constable in Wheeler County for 17 years.

Both of them have been in law enforcement for roughly 25 years. They both also have a master peace officer certification and jailer licenses. But they both agree knowing all of the civil processes are a challenge.

The constables sometimes run into situations that they don't have the resources to do. For example, Montgomery said if they are serving an eviction notice and discover the house may have a methamphetamine lab in it, they will alert the police department or county because they don't have the resources to address the issue.

Speaking of serving official papers, starting this week, law enforcement agencies are involved in the annual "Warrant Round-Up." Both Montgomery and McFall will be involved in the round-up.

PJHS bilingual program mentoring Wilson students

SUBMITTED

Research confirms what we know anecdotally or intuitively — that mentoring works. According to a 2013 study "The Role of Risk: Mentoring Experiences and Outcomes for Youth with Varying Risk Profiles," the findings determined that mentoring

• Promotes positive social attitudes and relationships.

• Findings also suggested gains in social acceptance, academic attitudes and grades.

The 7th grade ESL mentoring program at Pampa Junior High hopes to achieve the above goals. Ms. Vicki Teinert, Pampa Jr. High ESL teacher, is directing the efforts of her students in the areas of reading and writing as they prepare to mentor bilingual kindergarten student from Wilson Elementary School.

Ms. Navarrete's bilingual kindergarten classroom has been practicing phonemes and selecting books to share with their 7th grade junior high mentors.

This effort has already proven beneficial for mentors (7th graders ESL Students) and mentees (Bilingual Kinder students).

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OBITUARIES

Darlene David

Darlene David, 71, died Feb. 24, 2015, in Pampa. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 28, 2015, at Central Baptist Church, with Rev. Norman Rushing, pastor, officiating. Burial will follow in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. David was born Nov. 9, 1943 in Sacramento, Calif. She had been a lifelong resident of Pampa. She married Vincon David, Sr., on Sept. 9, 1970, in Pampa. He preceded her in death on July 26, 2005. Darlene was a member of Central Baptist Church. She was a loving mother who took care of many friends and family. For the past four years, she was a caretaker for Helen Hall.

Darlene was preceded in death by a son, Charlie David in 1984.

Survivors include five sons, Donald "Cooder" Coil, John Coil and wife Donna, and Shane Hagle, all of Pampa, Vincon "Buddy" David, Jr. and wife Dawn of De Beque, Colo., and Harold "Blue Boy" Hagle and wife Kathy of Pueblo, Colo.; two daughters, Donna "Red" Winkleblack and Monte Lackey of Pampa, and Julie David of Lubbock; a sister, Birdie Nunn of Skellytown; two brothers, Sonny Watkins and Dale Watkins, both of Mountainburg, Ark.; 19 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren; and her three dogs, Taz, Kacy and Little Dog.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, c/o Gerry Caylor, 2130 Charles, Pampa, Texas 79065.

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



Darlene David

William Neil

William Neil, 37, of Pampa, died Feb. 24, 2015, in Wheeler County.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 28, 2015, at Grace Baptist Church, with Pastor Kyle Ohsfeldt, officiating. Burial will follow in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Neil was born Jan. 20, 1978, in Fort Sill, Okla. As a young boy, his family moved to Pampa where he attended school and graduated from Pampa High School. He married Raemona Suit on March 2, 2012 in Virginia. William was a member of Grace Baptist Church. He worked for Parsley Roofing for 11 years, and then worked for Fenton Motor up until his death. William enjoyed the outdoors where he loved to fish and hunt. He will be remembered as a loving husband, father, son and brother, and will be greatly missed.

William was preceded in death by his grandparents, Joseph L. and Dot Dee Neil and Dub and Dolores Bowen.

Survivors include his wife, Raemona Neil of the home; a son, Clayton Forester of Mount Vernon, Mo.; a daughter, Alyssa Guthrie of Lexington, Ky.; his parents, Virgil and Dee Neil of Pampa; three sisters, Linda VanBuskirk and husband Mark, Renee Neil, and Dotdee Neil, all of Pampa; a brother J.R. Neil and wife Brandy of Panhandle; his maternal grandmother, Jane Lowe of League City; and a host nieces, nephews and cousins.

Memorials may be made to Grace Baptist Church, 824 S. Barnes, Pampa, Texas 79065, or Pampa Special Olympics, PO Box 375, Pampa, Texas 79066-0375.

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



William Neil

FOR the RECORD

Pampa man arrested for assault

STAFF REPORT

• Kelvin Marquise Jefferson, 23, Pampa, was arrested Wednesday by the Pampa Police Department for assault to cause bodily injury to a family member.

• Victoria Rodriguez, 25, Borger, was arrested Wednesday by the Gray County Sheriff's Office for *capias pro fine* — no driver's license.

• Aldo Cesar Olivo, 34, Canadian, was arrested Wednesday by the Department of Public Safety for driving while license is invalid with a previous conviction.

• Brandyn Shane Havercroft, 24, Pampa, was arrested Wednesday by GCSO for bond surrender — burglary of a habitation.

• Candice Jameson, 33, Pampa, was arrested Wednesday by GCSO for violation of probation — possession of a controlled substance — between four and 200 grams.

• Monica Lynn Chennault, 40, Pampa, was arrested Wednesday by the Constable for failure to appear, animal at large.

• Brayden Lee Trimble, 18, Pampa, was arrested Wednesday by GCSO for bond surrender — possession of marijuana — less than two ounces in a drug free zone.

• Megan Renae Ornelas, 28, Pampa, was indicted Wednesday for theft of property — \$1,500 and \$20,000.

Snow

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ages. If you want to, you can include who took the photo and what time it was taken, but that is not required.

The National Weather Service in Amarillo issued an area forecast discussion around lunchtime on Thursday explaining how they expect the system to develop.

In the discussion, they say the highest amounts are expected across the southern Panhandle. They expect a widespread snow of at least two inches across all of the Panhandles.

NWS says high resolution models are showing the potential for a heavy snow band to develop during the morning commute today and lasting until about noon. The location of where this band sets up is still uncertain at this point.

Areas that do get underneath this band could see higher snow totals approaching about six inches. They do expect it to occur somewhere in the southern Panhandle.

Pampa is under a Winter Weather Advisory until 6 p.m. this evening.

The wording of the advisory as of 2 p.m. Thursday said light to moderate snow can be expected across the central and eastern Texas Panhandle Thursday and Friday with locations between two and four inches. This advisory included the cities of Miami, Canadian, Pampa, Shamrock, Wheeler, Clarendon and Wellington. There are differently worded advisories out for other parts of the Panhandle.

NWS says snow will begin late Thursday and continue into Friday afternoon. They say roads and bridges will likely be snow packed and icy, thus resulting in hazardous travel conditions.

Here is the rest of your forecast for Pampa from the National Weather Service.

Today: Snow, mainly before noon. High near 16. Wind chill values between -8 and 2 above. South southeast wind 10 to 15 mph. Chance of precipitation is 80 percent. New snow accumulation of around 2 inches.

Tonight: A thirty percent chance of snow. Cloudy, with a low around 14. Wind chill values between -1 and 4 above. South southeast wind 10 to 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Things could get tricky this weekend into early next week with more of an ice/freezing rain/sleet mixed bag event.

It is too early to tell what will happen so stay tuned to our Facebook page for the latest.

We will constantly update our Facebook page throughout this event.

Stay tuned there for the latest on road conditions, closings and forecasts.

Don't forget to send us your pictures! One lucky winner could get theirs on the front page for Saturday's paper!

Information obtained from this article came from the National Weather Service in Amarillo. You can visit their website at srh.noaa.gov/ama.

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Silage trials show forage type and variety selection key to yield and quality

SUBMITTED

AMARILLO — Ongoing Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service sorghum silage trials have revealed forage type and variety are key considerations to optimizing both quantity and quality, according to two specialists.

Dr. Jourdan Bell, AgriLife Extension agronomist in Amarillo, said the 2014 trials in Potter County under center pivot irrigation evaluated 90 forage sorghum silage varieties for optimal yield and quality.

Bell said because silage is in high demand by both feedyards and dairies in the High Plains, she and Dr. Ted McCollum, AgriLife Extension beef cattle specialist in Amarillo, are taking a closer look at what makes a difference in production outcomes, especially on sorghum silage.

"In many areas with declining well capacities, sorghum silages are a great alternative to corn silage," Bell said. "Producers can achieve very good sorghum silage yields with about half the irrigation water requirement of corn silages."

But, she said, not all sorghum silage varieties are created alike. There is great variability in yield and quality between varieties, which is why the AgriLife Extension variety trials are used by many producers as they make their variety selections.

"Variety selection is really key to achieving optimum yield and quality," she said. "It is important to evaluate the different sorghums used

for forage and silage production. When we discuss types, there are forage sorghums, sudangrasses and sorghum-sudangrasses."

In these different types, Bell explained, there are normal or conventional varieties, brown midrib varieties that have decreased lignin and increased digestibility, and several different maturity classes, including photoperiod-sensitive varieties.

The initiation of reproduction by the photoperiod-sensitive varieties is regulated by day length, McCollum said. Reproductive activity will not begin until day length is less than 12.3 to 12.5 hours. In the High Plains, this is about mid-September. As a result, these varieties will not flower until mid-October, if weather permits.

Bell said the 2014 trials included 44 non-brown midrib varieties and 46 brown midrib varieties. Of the entries, 15 were photoperiod sensitive. She said varietal selection showed up during the trials as the key to achieving optimum yield and quality.

"We saw a wide range in yields among the varieties," she said. "Our maximum yield was 39.8 tons per acre at 65 percent moisture, while the lowest yielding variety was 11.3 tons per acre at 65 percent moisture. The trial average was 21.7 tons per acre at 65 percent moisture. We had some very good yielding varieties."

However, Bell said, 2014 growing conditions significantly affected yields. While

8.5 inches of irrigation was applied, the plots received 9.2 inches of in-season precipitation.

"In addition to very timely in-season precipitation that greatly enhanced crop production, we received 5.3 inches of precipitation in May and June prior to planting, which provided very good stored soil moisture," she said.

Bell said there were also significant differences in quality between varieties.

"We evaluated crude protein, acid detergent fiber, neutral detergent fiber, lignin, starch, neutral detergent fiber digestibility and relative feed quality," she said. "In general, the brown midrib varieties had the greatest digestibility and crude protein values, while the photoperiod-sensitive varieties tended to be lower quality and the others in between."

Bell said because the photoperiod-sensitive varieties remain in the vegetative stage of development longer, average yields were greater; however, lignin was greater and digestibility was lower, which is reflected in lower relative feed quality scores.

McCollum said in the 2014 trials, as in previous years, there was a great deal of overlap in quality among these different genetic types, "so comparing actual trial data for specific varieties is a better selection approach than simply using genetic type."

"Selection of a silage variety should first consider where the silage will be

placed in the nutritional management program of the end user," he said. "Some production systems need higher feed quality and yield may be a secondary consideration, while other systems may be less focused on feed quality and yield may be a greater consideration."

"One variety or type does not necessarily fit all, especially when we reframe the thought process and include the water needs and irrigation capabilities in the discussion rather than just focusing on the end use of the silage," McCollum said. "The diverse types and varieties give a producer and an end user the capability of fitting a variety to their capabilities and needs."

Harvest timing is also very important with regards to silage quality, Bell said. The ideal harvest time optimizes both quantity and quality of the forage, but with silage, "we also must consider harvest moisture, which affects the packing of the silage and silage quality."

In this trial, all varieties were harvested at or near the soft dough stage.

"Harvest timing is critical if an end user is relying on grain production in the silage crop," McCollum said. "If harvest is delayed beyond soft dough, digestibility of the starch in the sorghum berries declines severely. It is best to err on the early side of harvest rather than the late side."

Complete results of the forage trials will be available at <http://varietytesting.tamu.edu>.

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Bereavement and Healing Obstructive funeral practitioner

Have you ever been shopping somewhere and suddenly realized that the sales clerk was manipulating you?



TRACY LEE

Imagine a 28-year-old woman, who has recently been rejected by her fiancé for a younger woman. She enters a cosmetic store for a lipstick and leaves with a bag containing a \$2,400 two-ounce bottle of cream designed to rejuvenate her skin back to wrinkle and age spot freedom. I am sure a 28-year-old woman does not have any wrinkles or age spots to speak of, but in such a vulnerable state, she might trust someone whom she thinks has greater knowledge about her needs. How do you think that sales clerk knew just how to sell her that ridiculous bottle of cream?

My husband tells me it is body language, and interrogation, disguised as empathy. The 28-year-old woman probably told the sales clerk about her recent heartbreak, and the sales clerk, needing to make sales goals, used that information to her advantage. It is all hypothetical, but if you've ever left a store and wondered how you ended up with the things in your bag, you understand my point.

Recently I assisted a client who had lost a loved one. My client had contacted a different funeral home and rather than cremating his loved one as requested, he was being forced into a burial. My client contacted me and asked that I take over his case. I immediately contacted the funeral home housing his loved one for their charges, and informed them I would be the funeral director providing his requested services.

That was the moment I realized my client had been unfairly treated and that now, as his advocate, I was going to have to assert myself on his behalf. Not only was he being forced into a burial, he was being charged for unnecessary services for which he did not ask. It also appeared that this first funeral home had consorted with another funeral home in town to block his wishes. These two very powerful funeral homes made it impossible to carry out my clients wishes, and I was forced to remove my client's loved one across the nearby state line. Nevertheless, my client's wishes were fulfilled; his loved one was cremated and inurned in a timely, dignified and appropriate manner.

My client's experience raises the question, what does one do when one has been blatantly mistreated or manipulated by a funeral practitioner?

My client did as he should have; he removed himself and his loved one from the manipulating funeral home and sought one willing to accomplish his legal wishes. The unbelievable stress and anguish my client suffered at the hands of this funeral home is unforgivable. I believe it will prolong and complicate his grief recovery experience for many years.

Upon the accomplishment of my client's wishes, he asked me what he should do to ensure that others do not suffer, as did he. I told him that he did the best thing when he switched funeral homes. That action should have stopped the abuse. Unfortunately, the first funeral home was vindictive and interfered in every step of the process possible. In this situation, my client behaved reasonably and contacted his attorney. Again, his actions were appropriate. My client wanted to run an article in the local newspaper, naming the funeral homes that obstructed his wishes and exposing their activities. I suggested he consult with his attorney first. Revenge was not his goal, protecting others from such misery was what he wanted to accomplish.

My final suggestion to him was to register a complaint with the state's Funeral Service Commission. Such a

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Tips, Tricks and Advice

Tips: This time of year doesn't mean you should forgo sunblock. The harmful UV rays are always upon us. Sunblock should become part of your beauty regimen and go on prior to moisturizer. Help preserve that outer beauty with a few drops every morning. Keep in mind it should also be reapplied in the afternoons. Sunblock only lasts so many hours,



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so keep an extra bottle in your car or purse. Tricks: The winter storms are still rolling in for another month hounding us with snow. The next time you have to shovel the sidewalks or driveways, try spraying your snow shovel with cooking spray to keep the snow from piling up. Advice: The winter months mean spending a lot of times indoors. Now would be a perfect opportunity to organize or write down all those family recipes that everyone loves. Don't wait until it's too late and lose part of your history.

The war on drugs, San Francisco-style

I can't tell you how many times I've had out-of-towners tell me they think San Francisco is a breathtakingly beautiful city — so why is it that City Hall hasn't done more about baseball pitchers chewing tobacco at city ballparks? No, wait. I can tell you. I've never heard that. I have heard countless complaints from tourists and locals about homeless people sprawled on sidewalks, the stink of the city and the creepiness of walking downtown while navigating around urine puddles, feces and used hypodermic needles.

Given those very real assaults on the city's quality of life, Supervisor Mark Farrell's plan to introduce an ordinance banning the use of chewing tobacco at every ballpark in a town comes across as a veritable trivial pursuit.

Farrell admits that his proposed ban is groundbreaking, as tobacco chewers pose no health risk to others. Smoking foes have cited the health threat of secondhand smoke to justify smoking bans — but secondhand saliva?

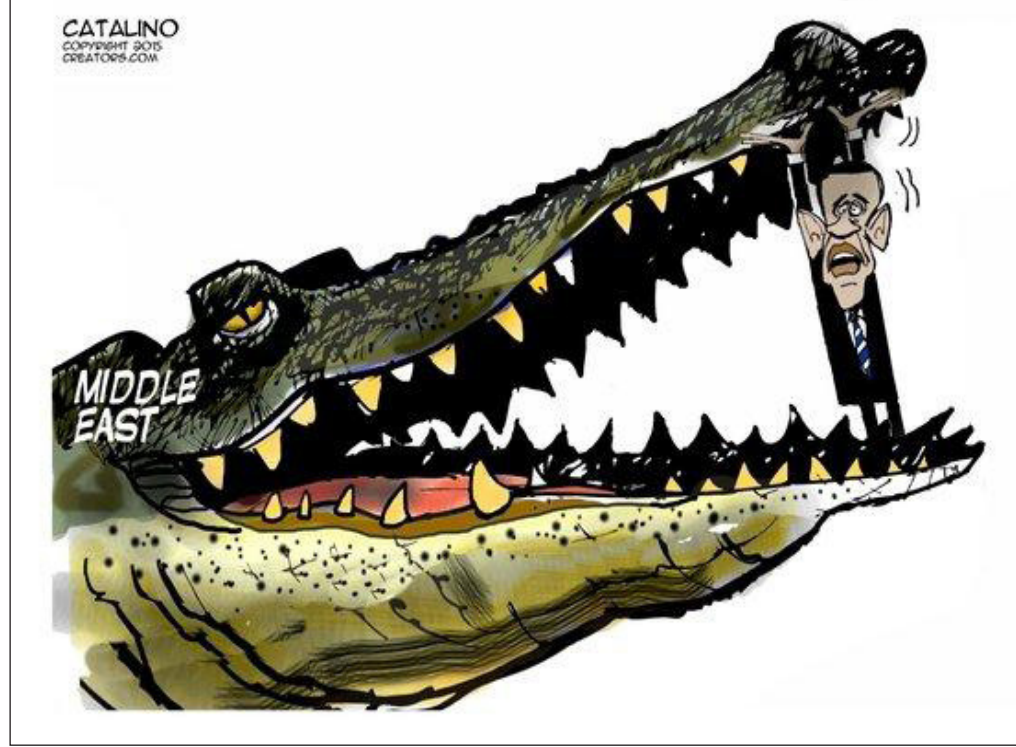
A Farrell policy paper reports 3.3 percent of San Francisco high schoolers said they used smokeless tobacco in 2013. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says tobacco-chewing athletes make smokeless tobacco look attractive to kids. Farrell knows it. He chewed tobacco while playing baseball

in college. There's a national campaign, "Knock Tobacco Out of the Park," with some baseball industry support. The minor leagues already ban smokeless tobacco, and since 2011, the major leagues have prohibited players from using said products during TV interviews and club appearances.

San Francisco has laws to ban behavior that is hazardous to public health and (unlike smokeless tobacco) degrades quality of life for others. If city constabularies cannot keep up with the demand of enforcing laws against public urination, camping in public spaces and shooting up illegal drugs, surely the supes should spare them from having to clamp down on chaw-chomping players.

Farrell's ordinance qualifies as a nanny state law because a) like other City Hall busybody schemes, it targets a small group of people who do something politically unpopular, as in chew tobacco or drink too much soda, and b) unlike drug injectors and public defecators, practitioners tend to be law-abiding. In other words, Farrell and California Assemblyman Tony Thurmond, who has a state bill to ban smokeless tobacco at ballparks, are picking on easy, law-abiding targets who cannot count on the powerful homeless lobby to safeguard their interests.

Governments should not use their heavy hand to outlaw behavior simply because elected officials can get away with it. Farrell says ballplayers



"It hit a nerve"

"It hit a nerve," Rudy Giuliani observed about his widely reported insight that



PHYLLIS SCHLAFLY

President Obama does not love America. Amid the uproar from the liberal media that anyone would dare question a liberal's patriotism, the former mayor of New York City is not backing away from his candid comment, telling the New York Times that "I said exactly what I wanted to say. I conveyed exactly the message that I wanted to convey."

Giuliani's on-target comments hit the same nerve that has produced an uproar over the new Advanced Placement U.S. History Framework, which is teaching 500,000 of our brightest college-bound high school seniors to be ashamed instead of proud of our country. A half-dozen states have introduced legislation demanding changes in the APUSH Framework, which minimizes the American Revolution, the Founding Fathers and the exceptional greatness of our country, in order to give disproportionate emphasis to the grievances of minorities.

The former mayor observed that Obama criticizes our country "much more often than other American presidents," both Republican and Democrat. He added that Obama "was educated by people who were critics

of the U.S. And he has not been able to overcome those influences."

"From the time he was 9 years old, he was influenced by Frank Marshall Davis, who was a communist," Giuliani pointed out. As a young "community organizer," Obama was influenced by the radical socialist Saul Alinsky, who was also the subject of Hillary Rodham's 92-page senior thesis at Wellesley College.

Giuliani continued: "He spent 17 years in the church of Jeremiah Wright, and this is the guy who said 'God damn America, not God bless America.'"

Giuliani has, in fact, been making many comments like these, without much media attention. But this time the comment was made in the presence of a leading presidential candidate, Scott Walker, who refused to criticize Giuliani's remark despite pressure to do so.

"The mayor can speak for himself," Walker told a reporter who demanded to know if Walker agrees with the mayor that Obama does not love America. "You should ask the president what he thinks about America."

Another prospective presidential candidate, Gov. Bobby Jindal of Louisiana, reportedly telephoned Giuliani to congratulate him for his comments. Publicly, Jindal said, "The gist of what Mayor Giuliani said ... is true," adding, "If you are looking for someone to condemn the mayor, look elsewhere."

Jindal also stood by his own remarks that criticized "non-assimilation" by immigrants to our country. He described as "dangerous" the "people who want to come to our country but not adopt our values," including our English language, adding that "it is absolutely correct to insist on assimilation" by immigrants to America.

Responses by other Republican presidential candidates to Giuliani's insight have been less impressive. Jeb Bush and Rand Paul were quick to run from Giuliani's remarks by insisting they would not question Obama's "motives," while Marco Rubio and Lindsey Graham both said they have "no doubt" that President Obama loves America. And 2012 presidential nominee Mitt Romney's chief foreign policy adviser, Dan Senor, told CNBC that it is "insane" to question "whether or not Barack Obama loves America."

While running for president in 2008, Obama criticized Americans in rural Pennsylvania and in small towns in the Midwest by saying that "they get bitter, they cling to guns or religion or antipathy toward people who aren't like them or anti-immigrant sentiment or anti-trade sentiment as a way to explain their frustrations." That offensive comment was not long after Michelle Obama declared, "Let me tell you something. For the first time in my adult lifetime, I'm proud of my country."

Obama refers to our nation as "this" country, as though it is some other country and not "our" country, as when he said, "There's a long history in this country of African-Americans and Latinos being stopped disproportionately by the police, and that's a fact." Obama once told a European audience that "there have been times where America has shown arrogance."

When Obama has expressed admiration for our country, it is often in a backhanded manner. "I realize that America's critics will be quick to point out that at times we too have failed to live up to our ideals; that America has plenty of problems within its own borders. This is true," Obama declared to the United Nations General Assembly last year.

By contrast, Mayor Giuliani said, "with all our flaws, we're the most exceptional country in the world. I'm looking for a presidential candidate who can express that, do that and carry it out."

"I want a president who is not embarrassed to say America is the strongest power on earth," the mayor continued. "And I want our enemies to be afraid of our president."

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who chew tobacco set a bad example. Does City Hall really want to sic law enforcement on citizens for setting a bad example? Where does that end? San Francisco pioneered smoking bans, yet marijuana smoke seems to get

a pass — even when it stokes secondhand smoke. I smell it often as I walk near the city's many medical marijuana dispensaries, which prompted me to call a onetime marijuana advocate to get his thoughts. He agreed that no kind of secondhand smoke is good for people. And he has no love for tobacco; he blamed smoking for his mother's death. But there are times

when it seems the Bay Area is replacing Washington's heavy-handed war on drugs with a local but likewise over-the-top war on tobacco.

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charge would open a review of the actions of the funeral homes involved, and cause the obstructive funeral homes to evaluate their motivations and adjust their actions in the future.

decent people. I do not know why these funeral homes found it necessary to behave badly. My client was a polite, well-mannered man who had lost someone very dear to him. All he asked was help and understanding to accomplish a dignified service for his decedent. I believe he deserved that. I believe everyone deserves that.

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 www.QueenCityFuneralHome.com. follow me on Twitter @PushnUpDaisies and visit my website for additional encouragement, information or booking speeches at www.QueenCityFuneralHome.com.

Automakers hire rocket firm to probe air bag problems

DETROIT (AP) — The auto industry, fed up with slow progress toward finding out why some air bags explode with too much force, has hired a Virginia rocket science company to investigate the matter.

than in the past, Kelly said.

The cause. The company has known about the problems since at least 2004. Takata uses ammonium nitrate to create a small explosion that quickly inflates its air bags. But government investigators say the chemical can burn faster than designed if exposed to prolonged airborne moisture. That can cause it to blow apart a metal canister meant to contain the explosion. Automakers, Takata and the government all want to find out just how much humidity and time it takes to cause the problem, both of which are unknown.

Orbital ATK has the ability to quickly simulate the impact of humidity on the propellant over long periods of time, which is key to finding out the cause, Kelly said in an interview. The company will test air bag inflators that were taken from cars that have been repaired under recalls.

“The Orbital team has a tremendous amount of experience in being able to test that and being able to look at burn rates on a large scale,” he said.

Long-term stability of air bag propellant is important because cars are staying on the road for 10 or 15 years, much longer

He wouldn't estimate how long it might take to find a cause. “We don't want to prejudge that process. It is much more important for us to get the answer right than to get the answer back,” Kelly said.

Orbital ATK will share data with Takata and government safety investigators. Once a cause is found, it will be disclosed to all stakeholders and the public, Kelly said.

The automakers, led by Toyota, include BMW, Fiat Chrysler, Ford, General Motors, Honda, Mazda, Mitsubishi, Nissan and Subaru. Several said privately they hired Orbital to speed up the investigation.

In a statement, Takata said welcomes Orbital and Kelly and will work with them and NHTSA on the investigation. The company said it has been in contact with automakers and will support their investigation by sharing results of its own testing.

Takata is being fined \$14,000 per day by NHTSA for allegedly failing to cooperate in the government's probe of the problem, an accusation that Takata denies. Fines began Feb. 20 and have grown to \$98,000 so far.

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.

Kean at 800-274-4673

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.

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

■ **Alcoholics Anonymous** Primary Purpose meets daily at noon and 8 p.m. at 112 W. Foster Ave.

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

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

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

■ **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, contact Beth

LEGAL NOTICE

The Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District, in compliance with Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code, will receive public comment on proposed amendments to the District Management Plan, at a special meeting of the Board of Directors on **Friday, March 13, 2015, at 1:30 p.m. in the Panhandle Groundwater District Windmill Room, 201 W. Third Street, White Deer, Texas.** The Texas Water Code, §36.1072, requires each groundwater conservation district to adopt its management plan no less than every five years and to submit the plan to the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) for approval. The District's management plan was last approved by the TWDB on April 4, 2012 and these proposed amendments are non-substantive and non-required changes to the current management plan. A complete copy of the proposed Management Plan and proposed amendments are available on the District's website, www.pgcd.us or at the District office, 201 W. Third St., P.O. Box 637, White Deer, Texas 79097, 806-883-2501.

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There is no limit on the number of entries, but an individual cannot win in more than one category. All contest entries must be received in our office or be postmarked by 3 p.m. Wednesday, March 11, 2015. Photos will be posted on Facebook on Friday, March 13 to select the People's Choice award.

Kids can participate, too!
 There will be a separate category for young photographers. **Photos must have been taken by kids age 12 or under when the photo was taken** and will be judged separately. Photos must have been taken since January 1, 2014. Other contest rules also apply.
First Place - \$50

Entry Form

Please attach the following form to your photos. Photos submitted without this information will not be considered. Include a self-addressed stamped envelope if you wish your photos returned. Mail completed form and photos to Photography Contest, The Pampa News, 403 W. Atchison, Pampa, TX 79065.

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 Mailing Address _____
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 The names of people in the photo (if any) from left to right, front row to back row _____

 Description of photo _____

Submission by email: Send the form information with the photo(s) attached to jclee@thepampanews.com or message them to The Pampa News on Facebook. Photos should be sent in high resolution, .jpg format.

Contest rules—Each photo submitted to the contest must be taken by the person submitting it and must have been taken since Jan. 1, 2014. The photos cannot have appeared previously in any other publication or contest. The Pampa News will publish all the winners, and many of the other submissions in our annual Pride issue in March.

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Community Calendar

City Commission meetings

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

School board meetings

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

Immunization clinic three times a month

The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) hosts an immunization clinic in Pampa three times a month. The clinics are held from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. and from 1 to 3 p.m. on the first three Wednesdays of each month. The first 10 people in line for the morning and first 10 in the afternoon will always receive shots. However, if there are more than 10, they still may be able to accommodate the patients, or ask them to come back at another time. The Department of State Health Services can be reached at 806-669-5323 and is located at 121 S. Gillespie St. in Pampa.

PAWS meets first Tuesdays

Pampa Animal Welfare Society meets the first Tuesday of each month at the Pampa Animal Shelter, 811 S. Hobart St. The meetings are at 6:30 p.m. and are open to the public.

There is a desperate need for more members. PAWS members are needed to work at the shelter from 3 to 5:30 p.m. each day and to work adoption days or take animals to the vets when needed,

but mostly people are needed to love and work with the animals where they will be more adoptable.

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

County Commission meetings

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

TOT Republican Women's Club

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

Jam sessions every Friday night

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

Meredith House presents live music

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

Monday night dance club

The Monday night dance club meets

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

PPQG Meets fourth Thursdays

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

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

Pampa Post VFW meetings

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

CASA of the High Plains

CASA of the High Plains will be open from 5-6 p.m. on the third Tuesday of every month for persons interested in becoming a CASA Volunteer. The CASA office is located in the Brown Alliance for Children at 315 N. Ballard Street in Pampa.

CASA volunteers are appointed by a Judge to represent the Best Interest of

children who have been removed from their homes due to abuse and neglect. Volunteers are crucial to positive outcomes for children in the foster care system.

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

Citizens for a Better Pampa Meetings

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

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

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

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

Church Calendar

Hi-Land Christian Church

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

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."

Services are Sunday at 10 a.m. and

Sundays and Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

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 and Harvester.

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 Ferguson.

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 jcllee@thepampanews.com or give us a call 669-2525. We will need the name, address, phone number and any other information about the event.

US stock indexes drift lower as oil prices sink again

A deepening slide in crude oil prices weighed on energy stocks, tipping U.S. financial markets mostly lower in afternoon trading Thursday. Chevron and Exxon Mobil were among the biggest decliners in the Dow Jones industrial average, which eased back from its latest all-time high. Investors also were weighing mixed corporate earnings and U.S. economic data.

KEEPING SCORE: The Dow Jones industrial average fell 14 points, or 0.1 percent, to 18,210 as of 2:13 p.m. Eastern. The Standard & Poor's 500 index was down three points, or 0.2 percent, to 2,110. The Nasdaq composite gained 13 points, or 0.3 percent, to 4,980.

ENERGY: Benchmark U.S. crude oil fell \$2.39 to \$48.60 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. It rose \$1.71 on Wednesday to \$50.99 after the U.S. Energy Department reported diesel and gasoline inventories fell more than expected, indicating a pickup in demand.

OIL FALLOUT: Several oil drilling companies fell sharply. Newfield Exploration fell \$2.54, or 7.1 percent, to \$33.46. EnSCO slid \$1.91, or 7.2 percent, to \$24.67. Noble shed \$1.14, or 6.4 percent, to \$16.69. Chevron lost \$1.42, or 1.3 percent, to \$107.15, while Exxon Mobil shed \$1.10, or 1.2 percent, to \$88.50.

SECTOR WATCH: Six of the 10 sectors in the S&P 500 moved lower, with energy stocks declining 2 percent, the biggest drop in the index. The sector is now down 1.4

percent this year. Technology stocks led the gainers. It's up 3.9 percent this year.

NO RELIEF: Sears Holdings fell 5.9 percent after the company reported its fourth straight year of falling profit and revenue. The stock slid \$2.25 to \$35.65.

ROUGH QUARTERS: Shares in vehicle components company LKQ, theme park operator SeaWorld Entertainment and stun gun maker Taser International slumped after the companies' latest quarterly results fell short of Wall Street's expectations. LKQ fell \$3.30, or 11.8 percent, to \$24.56. SeaWorld slid \$1.30, or 6.4 percent, to \$19.05. Taser fell \$4, or 14.8 percent, to \$23.05.

IN THE CLOUD: Salesforce.com gained 14.4 percent after the cloud software company reported a boost in quarterly revenue. The stock climbed \$8.71 to \$69.12.

HEALTHY RESULTS: Cyberonics surged 14.3 percent on news the medical technology company's fiscal third-quarter earnings exceeded financial analysts' forecasts. The stock added \$8.66 to \$69.03.

THE ECONOMY: The Commerce Department reported that orders for long-lasting manufactured goods rose 2.8 percent in January, the biggest increase since July. Meanwhile, the Labor Department said prices paid by consumers, excluding food and energy, rose 0.2 percent last month. Over the past year, those "core" prices have risen just 1.6 percent, below the 2 percent the Federal Reserve considers optimal for a

healthy economy.

THE QUOTE: Investors were mostly focused on the consumer prices report, a measure of inflation. That's because rising inflation makes it more likely that the Fed will move sooner to raise its key interest rate.

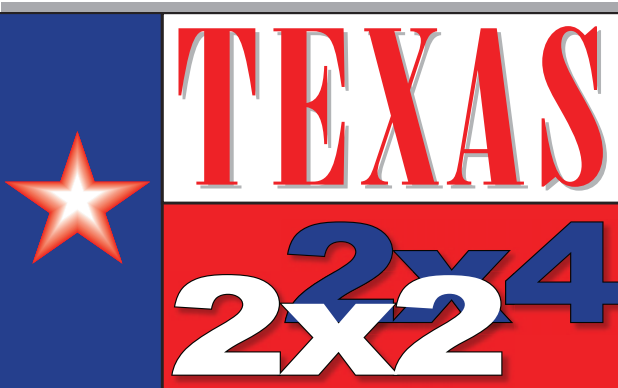
"It's definitely a mixed report," said Randy Frederick, a managing director of trading and derivatives with the Schwab Center for Financial Research. "The market is in this zone where it doesn't know whether to cheer bad news because that means rates will stay low or good news because it means the economy is getting better."

UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS: Weekly applications for unemployment benefits rose last week to a seasonally adjusted 313,000, the most in six weeks. That total is still consistent with steady hiring. Applications are a proxy for layoffs.

EUROPEAN ACTION: Germany's DAX rose 1 percent, while France's CAC 40 gained 0.6 percent. Britain's FTSE 100 rose 0.2 percent. A survey of consumer sentiment in the 19-country eurozone showed consumer optimism in Germany climbed to its highest since 2001.

BONDS: U.S. government bond prices fell. The yield on the 10-year Treasury note edged up to 2 percent from 1.97 percent late Wednesday.

METALS: Precious and industrial metals futures ended higher. Gold rose \$8.60 to \$1,210.10 an ounce, silver rose 15 cents to \$16.58 an ounce and copper rose five cents to \$2.71 a pound.



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Elisabeth Moss leaves 'Mad Men' for 'challenging' Broadway

NEW YORK (AP) — The cocktail of choice for Elisabeth Moss these days is very post-“Mad Men.”

“It’s close to 5:30, isn’t it?” she asks a waitress at a chic bar in the theater district one recent afternoon.

“I’ll do a vodka ginger ale, please. A little light on the vodka.”

No Don Draper-style whiskey sours or martinis for Moss, who has left her beloved character Peggy Olson to play the title character in “The Heidi Chronicles” on Broadway.

Today’s drink is as much a pick-me-up as a way to unwind after a long day of rehearsal. Moss, whose features and personality are softer and lighter in person than the buttoned-up Peggy, admits she’s only recently found out what she’s signed up for.

“It’s physically far more challenging than I thought it was, mentally far more challenging. I don’t know why I didn’t realize that,” Moss said.

“I’m like, ‘Wow. Ballsy move, Moss. You really took on something bigger than you’ve done before. But that’s what I want to do.’”

The play is a series of sketches stretching over 24 years from the late 1960s to 1989 that playwright Wendy Wasserstein uses to trace Heidi Holland’s changing ideas about herself, about men and about other women.

Moss, 32, had known of the play, which won a 1989 Pulitzer and a Tony for best play, but she hadn’t read or seen it. The mix of comedy and drama instantly attracted her: “It’s my favorite thing to do — to do both in one thing.”

She’s a stage veteran, having made her Broadway debut in “Speed-the-Plow” with Jeremy Piven in 2008 and most recently starring with Keira Knightley in Lillian Hellman’s “The Children’s Hour” in London in 2011.

She and Tony Award nominee Bryce Pinkham, who stars in the play as Heidi’s best friend, have bonded over Broadway shows and genuinely like each other. It helps that Pinkham has been impressed by his co-star’s on-stage skills.

“The thing about Elisabeth is she’s really one of those actors that, when you watch her, you kind of get a little angry,” he said with a laugh.

“It’s sort of like watching somebody paint with watercolors. It’s like, ‘How are you doing that?’ and ‘How do you know how to do that?’ and ‘How did you know it was going to look like that when you finished it?’ And yet somehow it feels effortless and peaceful the way she does it.”

TV viewers fell in love with Moss’ Peggy aboard “Mad Men,” watching her go from lowly secretary to copywriter to advertising star. But the actress said she had no idea where creator Matthew Weiner was taking her.

“That fact of becoming a strong moral compass and

becoming someone who had a voice and telling that story of feminism in the workplace — I had no idea,” she said.

The end of “Mad Men” — the last few episodes air in April — has been looming for some time, but Moss said she was still pretty emotional by the last day of filming.

“It sounds so silly because obviously you never want to equate the ending of a show with something that’s actually dramatic and emotional — like life. But we’d known each other for nine years and the only thing I can equate it to is how you might have felt when leaving four years of college,” she said.

“You have to say goodbye properly, and I think that we did say goodbye properly. I felt like when I left that night, I felt ready to move on. I felt I had done whatever I needed to do to move on.”

Moss and her two cats have relocated permanently to New York, and she’s been on a tear watching as many Broadway shows as possible before her own nights are busy onstage.

She’s seen “If/Then,” “The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time” and “A Delicate Balance.” She also rushed to see Tony Award winner Jessie Mueller in the Carole King musical “Beautiful” for a specific reason.

“I wanted to see someone who was good on Broadway,” said Moss, with a laugh. “Like, ‘That’s what’s good. Try to do something like that.’”

Vandalism in Arizona shows the Internet’s vulnerability

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. (AP) — Computers, cellphones and landlines in Arizona were knocked out of service for hours, ATMs stopped working, 911 systems were disrupted and businesses were unable to process credit card transactions — all because vandals sliced through a fiber-optic Internet cable buried under the rocky desert.

The Internet outage did more than underscore just how dependent modern society has become on high technology. It raised questions about the vulnerability of the nation’s Internet infrastructure.

Alex Juarez, a spokesman for Internet service provider CenturyLink, said the problem was first reported around noon Wednesday, and customer complaints immediately began to pour in from the northern edges of Phoenix to cities like Flagstaff, Prescott and Sedona. Service began coming back within a few hours and was reported fully restored by about 3 a.m. Thursday.

CenturyLink blamed vandalism, and police are investigating.

The CenturyLink-owned cable — actually, a set of cables bundled together in a black jacket a few inches in diameter — was buried several feet under the rocky soil in a dry wash, about a quarter-mile from the nearest houses and a couple of miles from an outlet mall. Vehicles can navigate the area easily, but foot traffic there is rare, Phoenix police spokesman

Officer James Holmes said.

“It’s almost as if someone had to know it was there,” Holmes said.

Police believe the vandals were looking for copper wire — which can fetch high price as scrap — but didn’t find any after completely cutting through the cable, probably with power tools, Holmes said.

“Your average house saw and wire cutters wouldn’t do it,” Holmes said. He said the damage was estimated at \$6,000.

As the outage spread, CenturyLink technicians began the long, tedious process of inspecting the line mile by mile. They eventually located the severed cable and spliced it back together.

CenturyLink gave no estimate on how many people were affected, but the outage was widespread because other cellphone, TV and Internet providers used the cable, too, under leasing arrangements with the company.

Mark Goldstein, secretary for the Arizona Telecommunications and Information Council, said such networks ideally should have built-in redundancies that can allow data transmissions to be diverted to another different line if a cable cut or damaged. But that was not the case here.

The challenge in Arizona, he said, is that large swaths of the outage area are a mishmash of federal lands that all have complicated ownership issue.

“You can’t just like go through the mountains and bury fiber. Part of the

problems have to do with landownership in Arizona. So much land is Bureau of Land Management, the National Park Service or tribal,” Goldstein said.

The details of the vandalism came to light on the same day the Federal Communications Commission in Washington voted to impose stricter regulation over Internet service providers like Comcast, Verizon, AT&T, Sprint and T-Mobile.

The plan, which puts the Internet in the same regulatory camp as the telephone, requires Internet service providers to act in the “public interest” and bans business practices that are “unjust or unreasonable.”

Police investigating the vandalism in Arizona asked local residents to come forward if they saw anyone walking or driving in the area around the time service went out. Any charges resulting would not be limited to vandalism, Holmes said.

“It’s endangerment,” Holmes said. “When you think about that, if someone has an emergency and the only means they have of contacting or getting assistance is through their cellphone, that’s just not a good thing.”

During the outage, Flagstaff’s 69,000 residents struggled to go about their daily business.

Zak Holland, who works at a computer store at Northern Arizona University, said distraught students were nearly in tears when he said nothing could be done to re-

store their Internet connection.

“It just goes to show how dependent we are on the Internet when it disappears,” he said.

Many students told Holland they needed to get online to finish school assignments. University spokesman Tom Bauer said it was up to individual professors to decide how to handle late assignments.

Kate Hance and Jessie Hutchison stopped at a Wells Fargo ATM to get cash because an ice cream shop couldn’t take credit cards without a data connection. They left empty-handed because the outage also put cash machines out of service.

“It’s moderately annoying, but it’s not going to ruin my day,” Hutchison said.

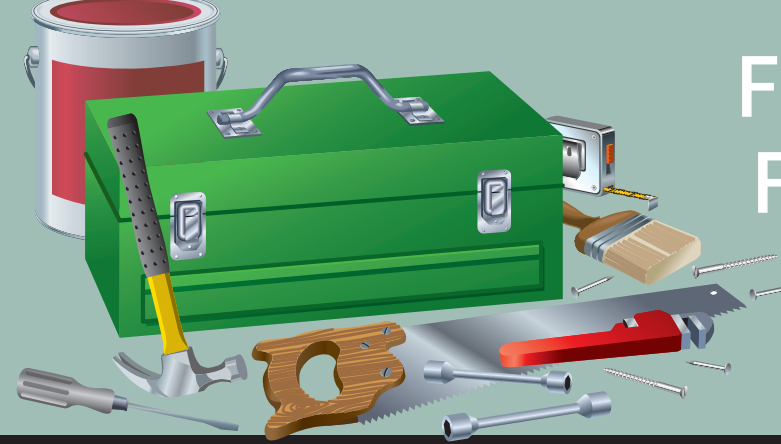
At Flagstaff City Hall, employees were unable make or receive calls at their desks. The city relied on the Arizona Department of Public Safety for help in dispatching police and firefighters.

In Prescott Valley, about 75 miles north of Phoenix, authorities said 911 service was being supplemented with hand-held radios and alternate phone numbers.

Yavapai County spokesman Dwight D’Evelyn said authorities couldn’t get access to law enforcement databases either.

Weather reports from the region weren’t able to reach anyone. During evening newscasts, Phoenix TV stations showed blank spaces on their weather maps where local temperatures would normally appear.

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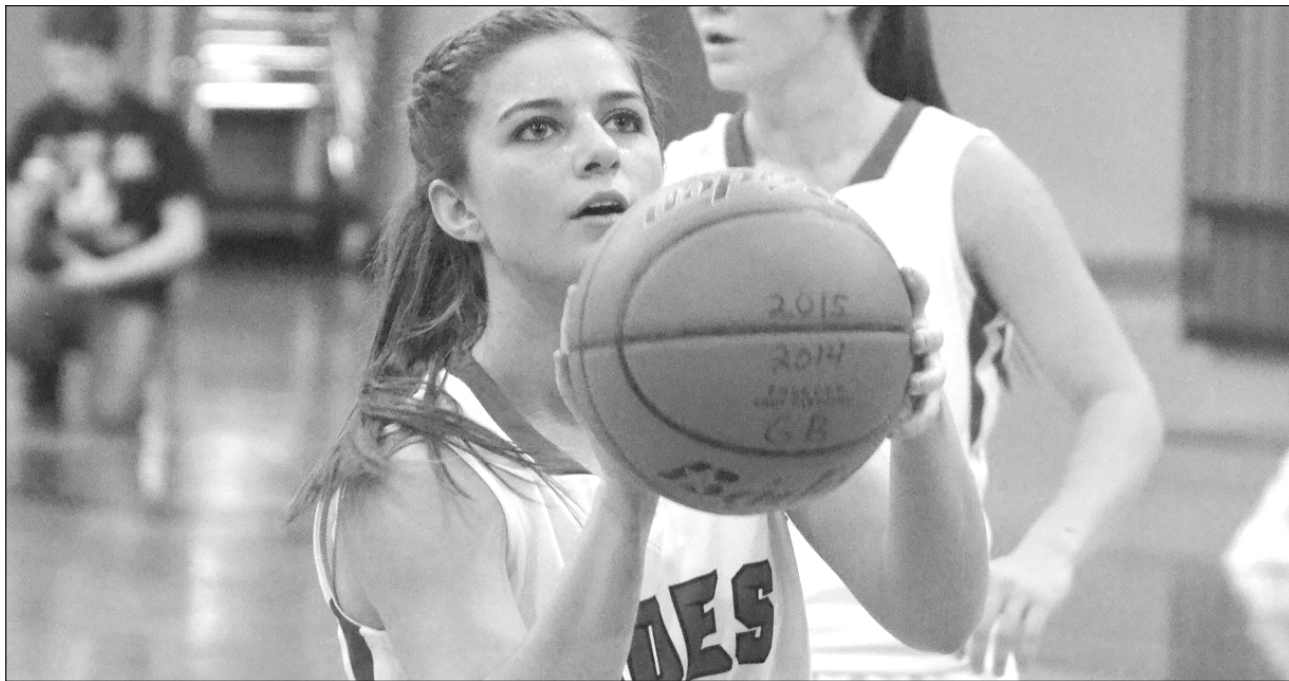
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Photos courtesy of Kane Barrow
 Top left, Skylar Freeman shoots a jumper. Top right and middle photo, Jaden Freeman shoots a jumper and attempts a free throw. Above, Merit Mitchell puts up a layup. Congratulations to the White Deer Does on a great season. Best of luck to the seniors Courtney Barrow, Cassidy Crutchfield and Karlee Vigil in their future endeavors.

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Top left, Cassidy Crutchfield fights to win the tip. Top right, Merit Mitchell drives past a defender. Left, Angela Parsley tries to look for a teammate to escape a trap. Bottom left, head coach Rex Beck gives some coaching instruction during the game. White Deer lost 48-38. It was 10-10 after the first. White Deer trailed by six at the break at 27-21. After three quarters, White Deer trailed by three, 34-31. Jaden Freeman had 17 points. Merit Mitchell had six points. Cassidy Crutchfield had seven points. Chancie King had two points. Angela Parsley had six points. Congratulations on a great season Does!

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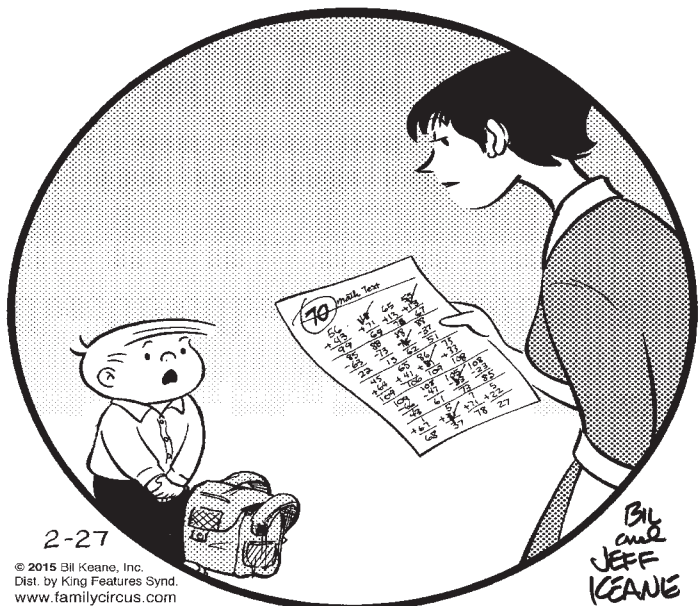
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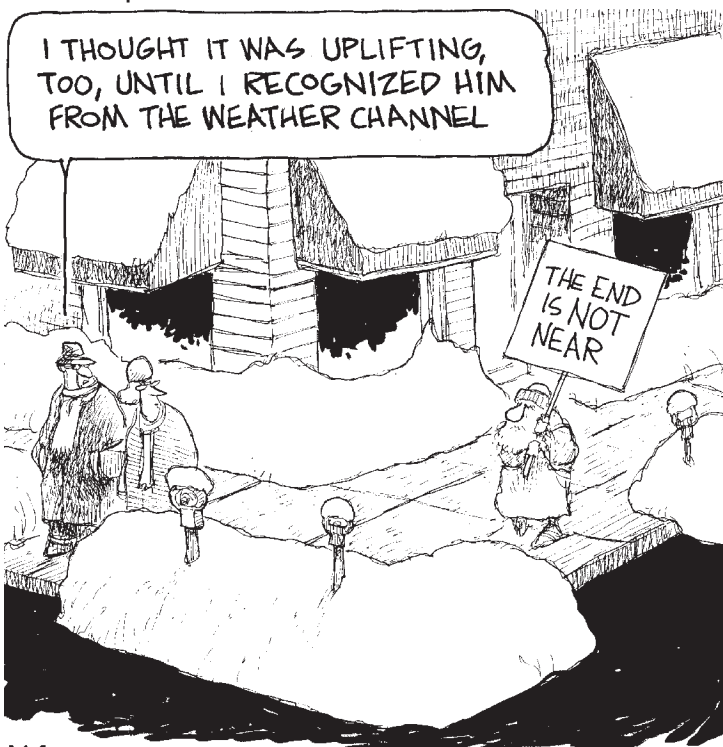
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DAILY Horoscope

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ You could break past an obvious restriction that might result in an outright rebellion. Think through a decision with care, and know what is going on behind the scenes. Try to avoid being so reactive. Consider both sides of the argument. Tonight: Entertain from home.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ You could be overwhelmed by an unexpected insight that compromises your integrity. A new opportunity is likely to take you down an unusual path. Consider both sides of an argument and work with the information at hand to find a solution. Tonight: Hang out.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ You could be pushing yourself very hard in order to achieve certain results. Remember that you are human, and you might need to take some hours away from a tense situation to recharge your batteries. Incoming news is likely to shock you. Tonight: Make it your treat.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ How you see a situation could change dramatically. Remain calm when dealing with a loved one who is quite rebellious. You might not be sure which is the best way through this period. A partner will make a suggestion worth following. Tonight: Just be yourself.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★ News comes in from afar that might surprise you. You might need to distance yourself and work through a key matter that is affecting your personal life. Keep your opinions to yourself for now, and keep your own counsel. You have a

lot to discuss. Tonight: Keep it mellow.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Zero in on what you want. How you handle a personal matter might change because of your awareness of what could happen if you update your approach. A partner is likely to do the unexpected. Maintain a sense of humor. Tonight: Be where people are.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★ You might not be able to get the privacy you desire, but you will make the impression you want. Outside factors play a strong role in what happens today. Your sense of humor will turn a situation around, but not in the way you think. Tonight: All eyes turn to you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Your sense of humor will emerge when you reach out to someone at a distance. This person might pretend to be unavailable, but it will be apparent that he or she is playing a game. Have a long-overdue conversation. Tonight: Weigh an offer before you say "yes."

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Use caution with spending, and don't just assume that you know the costs of a treat or special event. Otherwise, you could be quite surprised. Double-check important details. A child or loved one could be most distracting. Tonight: Avoid a disagreement with a controlling person.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Weigh the pros and cons of a situation. You might not be ready to move forward on a personal matter. Listen to someone else's thoughts, as this person could have an unusual but effective solution. You might be more controlling than you realize. Tonight: Be direct.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★ You might consider vanishing when you discover how difficult a situation really is. You could feel as if someone is enjoying disrupting your plans. Be careful when dealing with this person. Consider avoiding others completely, and go to a movie. Tonight: Continue the theme.

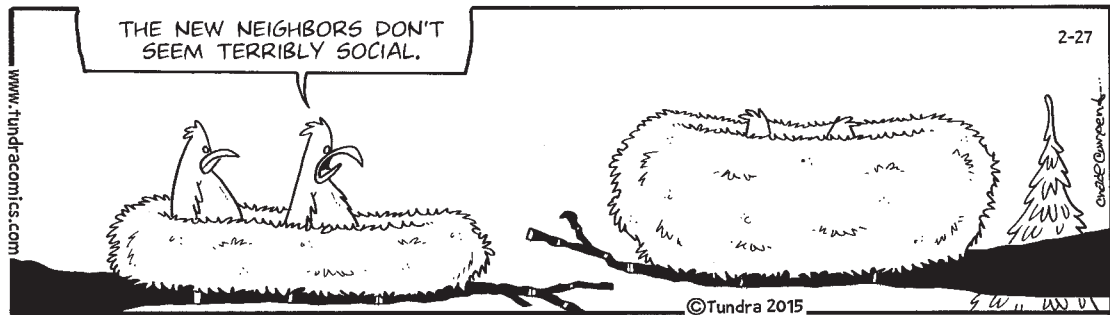
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ You could be surprised by what is happening behind the scenes. You might not be as sure of yourself in a controlling situation as you would like to be. Know what is possible here. Tap into your creativity, and you will find the best approach for you. Tonight: Choose a stressbuster.

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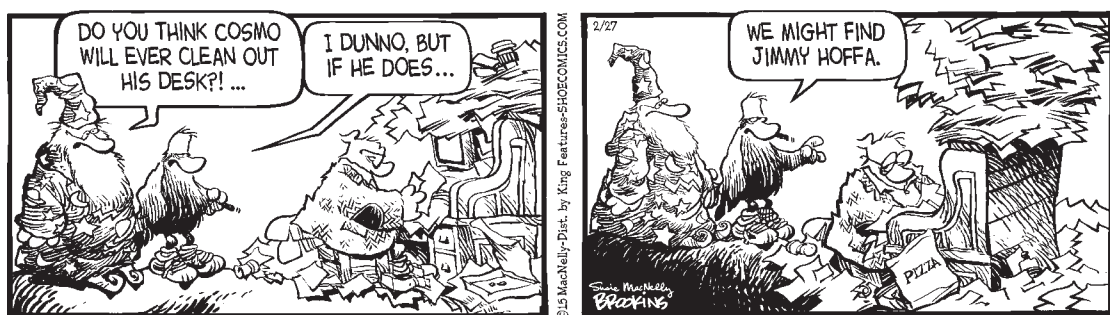
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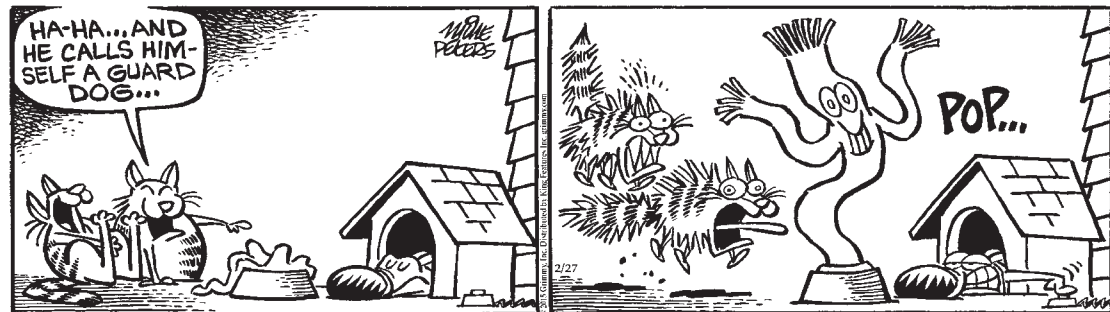
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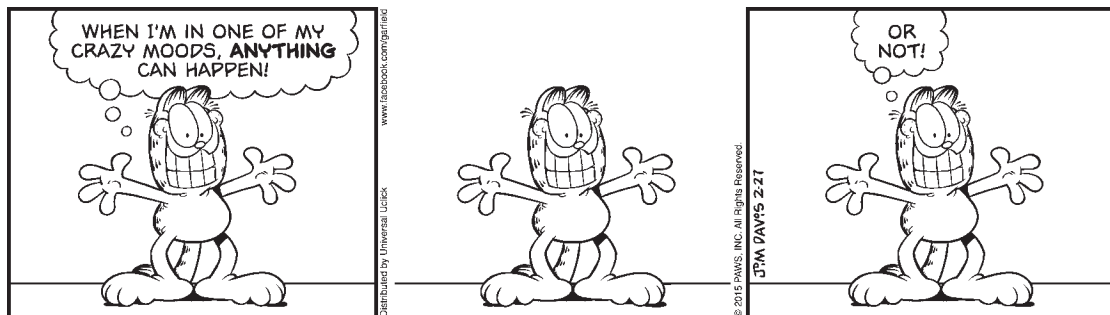
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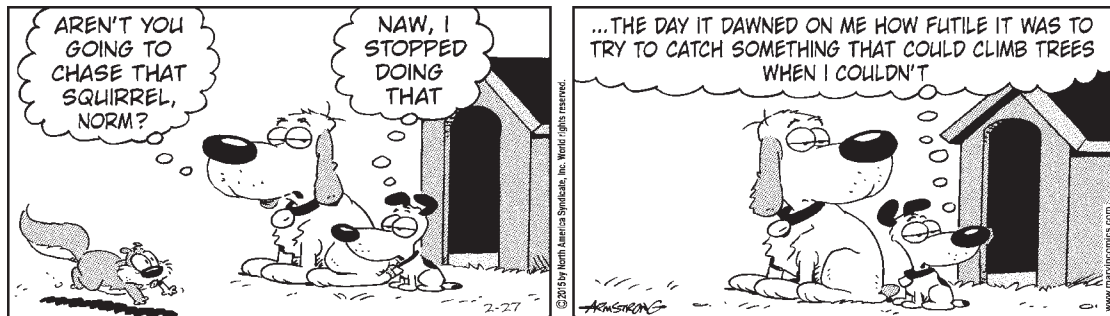
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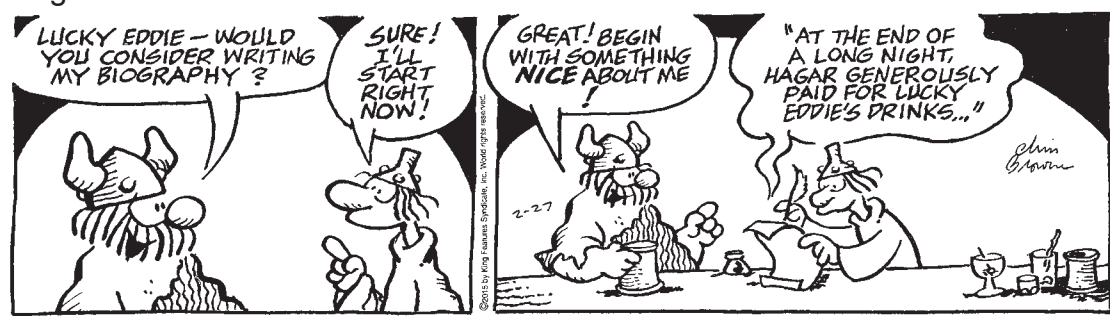
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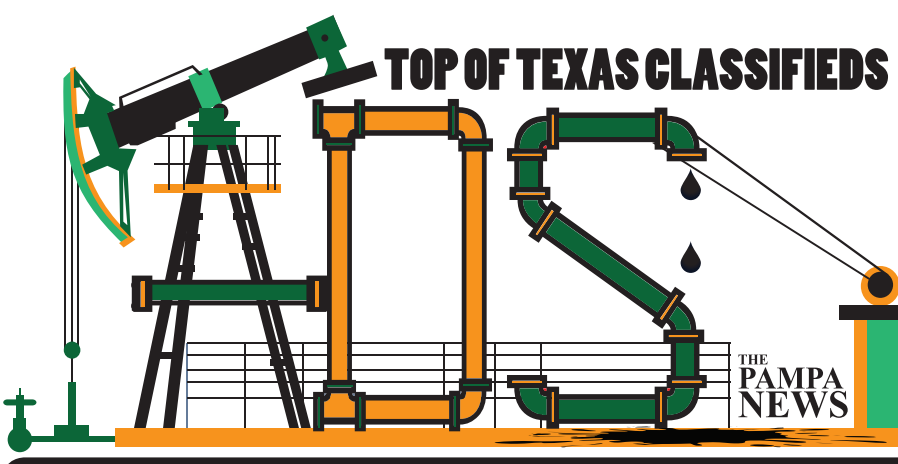


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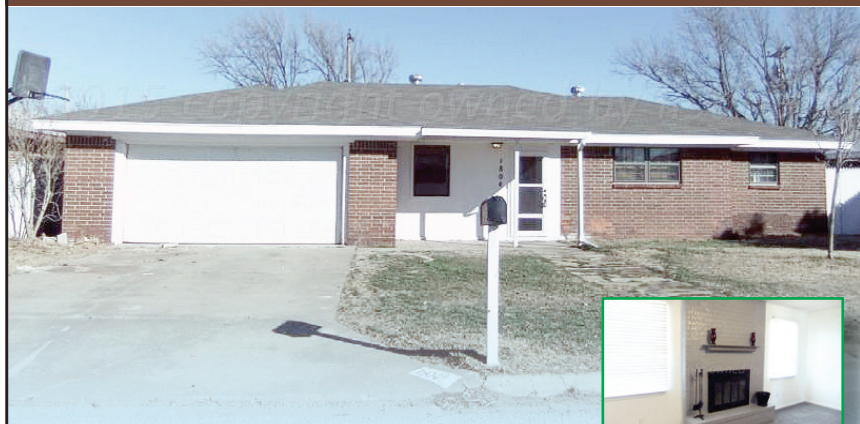
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Entry is \$200 per team. A complete set of rules and regulations is available at our offices, 801 South Polk in Amarillo or by fax/email. Concession stands will be open all three days of the tournament. Single-day and weekend passes will be sold at the stadium. For additional information, contact Nate Davis, 806-242-1PRO (1776) or nate@806prosports.com.

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Miami Heat at New Orleans Pelicans.....ESPN 7 p.m.
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Colorado Avalanche at Dallas Stars.....FSSW 7:30 p.m.
- Auto Racing**
Sprint Cup Qualifying.....FS1 4:30 p.m.
- Golf**
Honda Classic.....GOLF 1 p.m.
- Soccer**
Under 17 Cuba v. United States.....FS2 5 p.m.

Golf Tips of the Week

You've seen the headline offering an area of improvement and everything will be fine. Well, in this last weekend's golf at Riviera, the play down the stretch highlighted how every part of your game is important. Sergio Garcia was clear. Then, under pressure, two poor tee shots and he finishes one shot back. Dustin Johnson was a mas-

ter from the tee, on the other hand. He was huge and accurate. But he took 6 to get down from inside 70 yards and he was in a play-off. Others bemoaned lost chances on the green. Every golfer has their strength. Garcia's is his short game. Johnson is a wizard off the tee. What's yours? Now, if you practice, the question is how much time is dedicated to your strength vs your weakness? And when did you have

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Level: Advanced



Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I am engaged to "Tony," whom I have known since first grade. We live with his mother under the same roof, but in separate rooms. Tony is perfect in every way except one: He's a restless sleeper. Sometimes he wakes up shouting. He has fallen down the stairs and woken up in different rooms. He talks in his sleep as well. I thought I could live with it, but a month ago things changed. I came home late and he was sleeping downstairs. I think he thought I was an intruder. He woke up and ran at me. He started trying to hit me and was shouting. I was screaming and crying, "Honey!" over and over to wake him up. He says he would never hurt me, but when he ran at me, it was clear he didn't recognize me. For a week after that, I slept with a barricade against my door. Now I'm terrified of him when he's asleep. I know it's only a matter of time before we move out on our own and will be sleeping in the same room, or trying. How can I get over this fear or help him to sleep more soundly? — COVERING IN CALIFORNIA

A group of 10 friends, all retirees from the same large organization. We meet for lunch every few weeks and enjoy talking amongst ourselves about people we knew and situations that took place in our old jobs. A supervisor many of us had work issues with is about to retire. We are concerned that it's only a matter of time until she approaches us and wants to join our lunch group. We have thought about saying it's "loose-knit" and "we have no formal time or place," but that's not exactly true, and we're sure she wouldn't be deterred by that. I wish I had the nerve to tell her the group is for us rank-and-file employees — no supervisors allowed. Because we may run into her from time to time once she is retired, we want to be gracious but assertive about our refusal to have her join us. Advice? — GROUP MEMBER IN THE SOUTH

DEAR GROUP MEMBER: If the woman approaches you (keep in mind that your worries may not materialize and you may not be asked), remember she's no longer your supervisor and can no longer affect your life in any way. If she asks if she can join you, you should tell her no. And if she asks why, explain it to her exactly as you explained it to me. It's the truth. (As we sow, so shall we reap.) DEAR ABBY: Does a male in his own home, walking around bare-chested, have to put a shirt on when someone is going to enter the home from the outside? — DAVE IN FLORIDA DEAR DAVE: If there is any question that the person entering your home might be offended, out of consideration, you should cover up. A close friend or family member might not mind, but it's better to err on the side of caution.

BANANAGRAMS!

Rearrange the letters of each word below and place them in the blanks so that, together with the two letters that have already been placed, they form a new word.

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Yesterday's Answer:

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CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
- 41 Like some
 - 1 Tops
 - 5 "M*A*S*H" star
 - 9 City on the Missouri
 - 11 Bounds
 - 13 Comes to
 - 14 Game piece
 - 15 Freud topic
 - 16 Couple
 - 18 Calls it a career
 - 20 Assam export
 - 21 Nasser's successor
 - 22 Put in order
 - 23 Delight
 - 24 Dict. entry
 - 25 Life stories
 - 27 Singer Nick
 - 29 "That's revolting!"
 - 30 Lets up
 - 32 Annual El Paso event
 - 34 Snooze
 - 35 Studio stand
 - 36 Speculate
 - 38 Sleep sound
 - 39 Shilling change
 - 40 Colony members
- DOWN**
- 1 Degrade
 - 2 Sights
 - 3 She plays Ana in "Fifty Shades of Grey"
 - 4 Yonder yacht
 - 5 Choir singers
 - 6 Some July babies
 - 7 She plays Jane in "The Twilight Saga"
 - 8 Early primates
 - 10 Off the path
 - 12 Furtive one
 - 17 Dripping
 - 19 Altar vows
 - 22 Painter Magritte
 - 24 Whipped cream helping
 - 25 Tour carriers
 - 26 Scaly pet
 - 27 Sukkoth celebrant
 - 28 Position
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 - 33 Ernie's pal
 - 37 Pod item

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PAMPA Sports

Boys golf at Plainview Invitational

STAFF REPORT

The Pampa boys golf team headed to Plainview over the weekend for a tournament. They placed 17th. In the two-day event, Pampa shot 383 and 369 for a total of 752. Bryce Parker shot an 84 and 77 for a total of 161. Kade Parker shot an 86 and 93 for a total of 179.

Dylan Childress shot a 105 and 99 for a total of 204. Kade Hood shot a 110 and 100 for a total of 210. Ryan Roden shot a 108 and 109 for a total of 217. The boys golf team will be back in action March 6-7 in Borger.

From the Press Box

Winston leads in first post-Combine ESPN mock draft.

Now that we are between the NFL scouting combine and the pro days, it's time to start watching mock drafts. Of course naming who will be drafted by all 32 teams is like trying to hit all six lottery numbers, but it's still fun to watch.

I tend to follow ESPN's because they do a decent job with the first 10.

Here is how the Top 10 plays out in ESPN's NFL Draft insider Todd McShay's mock draft.

1. Tampa Bay Buccaneers — Jameis Winston, quarterback, Florida State - It is clear as day that the Tampa Bay Buccaneers will draft a quarterback. Many have touted Winston as the best quarterback in the last decade not named Andrew Luck. It'll be interesting to see if the Bucs can keep him from getting in any trouble.

2. Tennessee Titans — Leonard Williams, defensive end, USC - The Titans have several needs to address. McShay believes Williams is the best player in the draft. Williams would provide some pass-rush to a defense who has none (can you name one defensive player in their front seven?). But I honestly think they could trade down in the draft since they hold the queen's ransom with the No. 2 overall pick.

3. Jacksonville Jaguars — Dante Fowler Jr., defensive end, Florida - They have their quarterback in Blake Bortles. Now let's get the defensive anchor and draft a pass-rusher to chase Andrew Luck around. They could also go offense here and grab a wide receiver, but that defense needs a lot of help.

4. Oakland Raiders — Kevin White, wide receiver, West Virginia - Similar to the Jags, the Raiders drafted their quarterback last year and got a stud in Derek Carr. They also drafted a defensive pass-rusher in Khalil Mack who helps. So now they need to score some points and they will be able to by drafting White, if the Jags don't go offense.

5. Washington Redskins — Randy Gregory, defensive end, Nebraska - The Redskins are pretty set on offense, assuming RGIII stays healthy and can be productive, but now they need to fix that atrocious defense. Defensive end is the popular position in this draft so why not continue the trend.

6. New York Jets — Marcus Mariota, quarterback, Oregon - McShay has Mariota slipping to the Jets. My only issue with this is teams that tend to have a

terrible quarterback culture (Jets, Browns and Titans) do not do well unless they are a can't miss. I don't think Mariota is a can't miss, I think he is a project that needs to go to a team where the pieces are around him and he can maybe sit on the bench.

7. Chicago Bears — Danny Shelton, defensive tackle, Washington - The Bears have a horrible defense, which is strange to say considering their history. But when you give opposing quarterbacks like Matthew Stafford and Aaron Rodgers too many possessions, as Jay Cutler does, you need to beef up the defense.

8. Atlanta Falcons — Shane Ray, defensive end, Missouri - The Atlanta Falcons went several weeks into the season last year without getting a sack. They need a pass rusher to begin the Dan Quinn era in Atlanta. After that they should bolster the offensive line more.

9. New York Giants — Brandon Scherff, offensive line, Iowa - If Eli Manning doesn't have time to throw, he makes bad decisions. Give him a line and get the run game going, he is dangerous. Just ask the Dallas Cowboys, who bullied the Giants around this year.

10. St. Louis Rams — Amari Cooper, wide receiver, Alabama - While Cooper didn't do much to improve his stock at the combine, with Mariota and Winston off the board they need to look elsewhere to improve that offense. Draft Cooper then maybe look in the second round for a quarterback.

Locally McShay has the Dallas Cowboys drafting Wisconsin running back Melvin Gordon in the first round with the No. 27 overall pick. I see them going defense personally or maybe even another lineman. But it also depends on what they can do with wide receiver Dez Bryant. They may be looking wide receiver.

The Houston Texans pick at No. 16 and McShay has them taking an offensive lineman. It would help to keep whoever is playing quarterback upright as they went through several quarterbacks last year.

Then in Denver at No. 28 McShay has them taking a defensive tackle. I could see them taking a lineman as well as the Broncos have had an aging line for the last couple years. But with the loss of Terrance Knighton to free agency, there will be a gaping hole on the defensive line.

What do you think your team will do in the draft?

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TCU wins 3rd Big 12 home game in row

FORT WORTH (AP) — Kenrich Williams and TCU are finally starting to feel right at home in the Big 12.

Williams scored 10 points and grabbed 16 rebounds as TCU won its third consecutive Big 12 home game, beating Texas Tech 71-54 on Wednesday night.

"There's nothing like winning. The last few games, we've really come out and played hard," Williams said. "It's almost over, Big 12 is almost over, we've got to start winning games."

The Horned Frogs (17-11, 4-11 Big 12), in their third season in the league, completed their first regular-season series sweep of a Big 12 opponent.

"They're playing with a lot more confidence," Texas Tech coach Tubby Smith said.

Williams scored six points in the first 4½ minutes of the game to push TCU to an 8-2 lead.

The Horned Frogs never trailed, and the game was tied only once — for less than two

minutes at 8-8, before Trey Zeigler had a steal that turned into a breakaway dunk.

"We've come a long ways," coach Trent Johnson said.

Kyan Anderson had 17 points and six assists for the Horned Frogs.

Zeigler finished with 15 points and Amric Fields had 10 off the bench.

Zach Smith and Keenan Evans, both freshmen, each had 10 points for the Red Raiders (12-17, 2-14), who shot 34 percent (17 of 50) while losing their sixth game in a row.

TCU won 62-42 in Lubbock on Jan. 17, still the only Big 12 road win for the Frogs since joining the league.

The Horned Frogs lost all 18 Big 12 games a season ago, after a 2-16 conference debut in 2013 with wins over Kansas and Oklahoma.

After consecutive home wins over then-No. 21 Oklahoma State (70-55) and Kansas State (69-55), TCU lost 81-72 at No. 8 Kansas on Saturday.

TCU started the season

by winning all 13 of its non-conference games. The Frogs then opened 1-10 in conference play, including two overtime losses and a stretch of six consecutive games against ranked teams.

"Honestly, I just think we're playing better," Johnson said. "We went through a stretch there ... caught (teams) at a tough time. It speaks volumes with how these guys stayed the course now. Because I know a lot of people around the outside were saying 'Oh, here we go.' But these kids, they were resilient."

Home away from home

TCU is playing its home games off campus this season in Wilkerson-Greines Activity Center, the arena used by the Fort Worth Independent School District.

Daniel Meyer Coliseum on the TCU campus is undergoing a \$59 million total renovation.

The Frogs have only one more game there, the regular-season finale March 7 against No. 12 Iowa State.