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Today at a glance

Pampa job fair coming to Clarendon College

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Texas Workforce Solutions is putting together a job fair for job-seekers in the Pampa area. The second annual Pampa Job Fair will be held at Clarendon College's Pampa campus from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Thursday, April 23. TWS started the job fair last year when they had roughly 26 employers and 100 job-seekers attend.

Phillip Flores, business services representative for TWS, said they have already had several businesses sign up for this month's job fair including PanTex, West Texas Electric, EnerGas, Pampa Regional Medical Center, Braum's, Army, Air Force, Creative Solutions and the United States Department of Agriculture.

Flores added that the number one goal of the job fair is to fill the job vacancies in the area.

"We want to put people to work," Flores said. "Gray County has a low unemployment rate at less than five percent. This makes it harder for job-seekers to find employers, so this job fair will help.'

Flores added that job candidates don't need to come dressed in a suit and tie, but dressed appropriate for the job they are seeking.

Not only will the job fair have employers looking to tell job-seekers about their business, but there will also be two free sessions explaining how to build a resume and prepare for a job interview

Flores said this is to help those who may not have been in the job market for a while or are over-qualified for their current position.

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Pampa Fire Log



John Lee talks about GoT return in this week's TFFF.



Special Olympics Golf Tournament Saturday The tournament is a fundraiser for Pampa **Special Olympics. By ZACHARY GREEN** zgreen@thepampanews.com The Ninth Annual Cindy Cooper Special Olympics Golf Scramble will be held this Saturday, April 11 at Hidden Hills golf course. The event is named for Cindy Cooper who was head of delegation for the Pampa Special Olympics for many years and loved by everyone. Cindy passed away 10 years ago from cancer and this fundraiser held in her honor gives back to the special athletes completing in golf, bowling, basketball and track. The scramble begins at 9 a.m.

The entry fee is \$200 per team or \$50 per person. This price includes a cart, green fees and lunch.

Prizes will be awarded in each flight. A drawing for lots of prizes will be held at the end of the scramble.

Submitted photo

Above, golfers from left are Tom Lindsey, Roy Don Stephens, Amy Hammer, Bill Hammer and Jerry Stephens. They were the winning team at last years tournament. This year's tournament is set for Saturday at Hidden Hills.

"Pampa Special Olympics is very excited about the upcoming ninth Annual Cindy Cooper Golf Scramble. Cindy



Harvester baseball falls to **Bushland**





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Submitted photo From left, Jessica Mann, Debbie Cantrell, Debbie McDonald, Mayor Brad Pingel and Holly Knox hold the Mayor's proclaimation in front of the Pampa Police Department Tuesday.

SUBMITTED

WHEREAS, service to others is a hallmark of the American character, and central to how we meet our challenges; and

WHEREAS, local leaders are increasingly turning to national service and volunteerism as a cost-effective strategy to meet city needs; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants address the most pressing challenges facing our cities and counties, from educating students for the jobs of the 21st century and supporting veterans and military families

to providing health services and helping communities recover from natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, national service expands economic opportunity by creating more sustainable, resilient communities and providing education, career skills, and leadership abilities for those who serve; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps serve in more than 60,000 locations across the country and more than 3.200 locations in the State of Texas, bolstering

SERVICE cont. on page 2



Xtra Auto Center joins Chamber of Commerce



Photo by Lindsey Tomaschik

Xtra Auto Center, located at 807 W. Foster, had its Goldcoating on Tuesday. The business celebrated six years in the Pampa community on April 1 and owner Jeff Stevens is excited to continue to serve Pampa and the surrounding area. Pictured are Benny and Kerrick Horton, Pat Montoya, Alan Eubank, ReDonn Woods, Duane Harp, Sheila Webb, Charles Henry, Paulette Hinkle, Susan Winborne, Scott Hahn, Johnny Lopez, Johnny Burritt, owner Jeff Stevens, Loyd Waters, Lynn Allison, Roy Morriss, Heather Wheeley, Kay West, Keith Demetriades, Darrell Sehorn, Richard Morris and Ken Rheams.



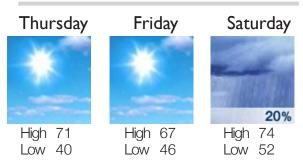








PAMPA FORECAST



Today: Sunny, with a high near 71. North northwest wind 10 to 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph. Sunrise at 7:20 a.m.

Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 40. North wind 10 to 15 mph becoming east after midnight. Sunset at 8:12 p.m.

Friday: Sunny, with a high near 67. East northeast wind 10 to 15 mph. Sunrise at 7:19 a.m.

Friday night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 46. South southeast wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph. Sunset at 8:13 p.m.

Saturday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny, with a high near 74. South wind 10 to 15 mph. Sunrise at 7:17 a.m.

Saturday night: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 52. South wind 15 to 20 mph. Sunset at 8:14 p.m.

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BIRTHDAY

TOMORROW!

roofing in the Panhandle 25 years

STAFF REPORT a medical call. No calls The Pampa Fire Depart-April 4 April 6 ment responded to these • At 10:56 a.m., to the 900

calls for the following dates. One unit with three personnel responded to each call, unless otherwise indicated.

April 3

• At 3:37 p.m., to the 2200 on a medical call. block of Christy on a medical call.

• At 8:50 p.m., to the 1200 block of Duncan on a medical call. • At 9:02 p.m., to the 2100

block of Coffee on a medical call.

• At 9:52 p.m., to the 1500 block of Hamilton on



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the civic, neighborhood, and faith-based organizations that are so vital to our economic and social well-being; and

WHEREAS, national service participants increase the impact of the organizations they serve with, both through their direct service and by recruiting and managing millions of additional volun-

Golf

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Cooper was a great Pampa Special Olympic supporter, coach and friend. This golf scramble really helps support the athletes of Pampa who participate in Special Olympics. It is our only fundraiser of the year," Pampa Special Olympic school coordinator Shannon Loter said. "It allows our athletes to participate in golf, bowling, basketball and track. It allows our athletes to go to area and state events as well as helping with the purchase of uniforms and wind suits. We are hoping for nice weather so the golfers can come out for a great tournament for a great cause... Pampa Special Olympics!!!" Last year's event had 84 Shannon Loter."

block of South Snyder on a medical call.

• At 1:35 p.m., one unit and four personnel to the 200 block of North Russell

medical assist.

• At 6:32 p.m., to the 2100 • At 5:46 p.m., to 18th block of North Hobart on a and Faulkner on a motormotor-vehicle accident with two patients transported to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

April 5

teers; and

WHEREAS, national service represents a unique public-private partnership that invests in community solutions and leverages nonfederal resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on taxpayer dollars; and

WHEREAS, national service participants demonstrate commitment, dedication, and patriotism by making an intensive commitment to service, a commitment that remains with them in their future endeavors; and

golfers and it raised \$12,000 for Pampa Special Olympics.

"The Cindy Cooper Memorial Golf Tournament began in 2006. The money raised supports the Special Olympic Athletics and allows them to participate in basketball, bowling, golf and track. It also funds trips taken and warm-ups, uni-forms and equipment," Bill and Kathy Hammer said. "This is a fun tournament. In the first three years, Ronnie Loter, Jerry Stephens, Roy Don Stephens and Bill Hammer always played together as a team. Ronnie passed away in 2008 and since then Jerry, Roy Don and Bill have continued to play every year. A memorial in Ronnie's memory is given each year by these three golfing friends and also Ronnie's niece



BIG YARD Sale, Fri., Sat.

LIVING ESTATE Auction of Wilton Harvey, Grove St., in McLean, TX., Sat. Apr. 11th, 10am. Top O Texas Auctioneers, Ed Brooks, TX Lic. #13630.

• At 12 a.m., to the 1100

Pampa Fire Department call log — April 3-7

block of Willow on a medical call • At 1 p.m., to the 800

block of West 25th on a medical assist.

• At 5:04 p.m., one unit • At 4 p.m., to the 2200 and four personnel to the block of North Russell on a 400 block of Short Street on a public service.

vehicle accident. Motorcycle versus vehicle, one patient with a minor injury to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

poration for National and Community Service shares a priority with local leaders nationwide to engage citizens, improve lives, and strengthen communities; and is joining with the National Association of Counties, the National League of Cities, the United States Conference of Mayors and local leaders across the country to recognize the impact of service on and caused the Seal of the the Day of Recognition for City of Pampa to be affixed National Service on April 7, this 23rd day of March, 2015. 2015.

NOW THEREFORE, I,

Kathy did not want to forget mentioning how great the food is.

"It is always donated by Shelley and Shane Dyer and they make certain the hamburgers and trimmings are always perfect and the cookies are enjoyed by everyone," Kathy Hammer said.

Hidden Hills Golf Course is excited to host the tournament once again this year.

"Right now we have 18 teams signed up. We are trying to get between 21-22," golf professional at Hidden is a slight chance, 20 percent, Hills Golf Course David Teichmann said. "This is one of our best tournaments of the year. We are looking forward to it. They've been good friends and we've done this tournament for a long time."

Teichmann went on to say that Hidden Hills and Special Olympics have paired up to raise money for Pampa nior High, 669-4900.

Jobs

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"Sometimes the problem

a job fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Borger Community Center located at 1301 W. Roosevelt.

Today in Borger there is

then.

April 7

• At 2:11 p.m., five units and nine personnel to Gray County Road E and Loop 171 on a motor-vehicle accident. One vehicle rollover, one extricated from the vehicle and transported to an Amarillo hospital.

• At 2:58 p.m., one unit and four personnel to the 100 block of West 30th to a motor-vehicle accident. One transported to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

April 8

• At 3:19 a.m., to the 1000 block of South Varnon on a medical call.

WHEREAS, the Cor- Brad Pingel, Mayor of the City of Pampa, do hereby proclaim April 7, 2015 as "National Service Recognition Day" and encourage residents to recognize the positive impact of national service in our city, to thank those who serve; and to find ways to give back to their communities.

> IN WITNESS HEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand Brad Pingel, Mayor

Special Olympics.

"This is their major fundraiser and we're honored to host it for them," Teichmann said. "We also host a tournament in September or October for the entire Panhandle's Special Olympians to come compete at. The city donates a partial day for the benefit of and for the Special Olympians."

It looks like they will get their wish of good weather with highs expected to be about 75 on Saturday. There of rain with winds 10-15 mph. It should be an exciting

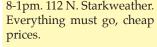
time. For more information and

to sign up call Hidden Hills golf course 669-5866. If you want to donate to Special Olympics, but are unable to make the tournament contact Shannon Loter at Pampa Ju-

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isn't that they are unemployed," Flores said. "Sometimes it's that they are underemployed and making less money than what they are qualified to make. Other times it may be people who hasn't page which updates twice been unemployed in 10 years a week with job postings at so they don't know the recent techniques in resume-building or interviewing."

until April 23 for Pampa's job tions, call 806-372-5521 fair, there are a couple of other or visit www.wspanhandle. job fairs between now and

On April 14, there is a job fair in Amarillo from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Amarillo Civic Center located at 401 S. Buchanan.

TWS also has a Facebook www.facebook.com/Pampa-JobPop.

For more information For those who cannot wait on Texas Workforce Solucom.



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For more info about these pets or for any other questions, call 806-669-5775.

OBITUARIES

Roy Harper

Roy Harper, 67, of Skellytown, died April 7, 2015, in Skellvtown.

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Fu-



Roy Harper

neral Directors of Pampa. Mr. Harper was born Dec. 1, 1947, in Paducah. As a young boy, his family moved to Pampa where he attended school, and graduated from Pampa High School in 1966. In high school, he was a gifted athlete, playing varsity football and baseball. He was awarded both football and baseball scholarships to Northwestern Oklahoma State University in Alva, Okla. During

college and a short time afterwards,

he was a National Guardsman. After college, Roy moved to Dallas where he worked for CIT Finance, and later for Chase Bank in Dallas and Oklahoma City. After his retirement, he moved back to the Pampa and Skellytown area. In his spare time, he enjoyed golfing and entering cook-off competitions. He was a Baptist.

Roy was preceded in death by his parents, and a brother, Charles Harper.

Survivors include a son, Cody Harper Blume of Galveston; two brothers, Gary Harper of Skellytown and Freddie Harper and wife Becky of Canadian; a sister, Alice Harris and husband J.T. of Pleasanton; and numerous nieces and nephews.

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.carmichaelwhatley.com.

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, contact Beth Kean at 800-274-4673

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

Community Calendar

City Commission meetings

Pampa City The 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. Free estate planning

The

Gray

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.

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Club meets at noon on the

third Wednesday of every

month at the Pampa Senior

500 W. Francis St. For

more information call

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,

Meredith House pres-

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-

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.

Monday night

Monday night dance

665-5668.

club

The

PPQG

Thursdays

500 W. Francis St.

call 806-664-0824.

ents live music

Jam sessions every

Texas

Women's

Center,

TOT Republican

Women's Club

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Top

Citizens

806-669-1990.

Friday night

workshop coming to Pampa

CLA Estate Services is hosting a free Estate Workshop Planning Tuesday, March 31 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at The Plaza Restaurant located at 1201 N. Hobart St. in Pampa. The workshop will provide valuable information for seniors on securing one's estate and retirement planning. Guests will receive a workbook and gain useful information on: pros and cons of wills and trusts; how to avoid probate; long term health care concerns; and tax reduction planning. Please call 1-866-252-8721 to RSVP. School board meetings The Pampa Independent School District board meets at 5:45 p.m. on the fourth Monday of each

Hobart Street. **Immunization clinic** three times a month

month at the new adminis-

tration building on North

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 at 6:30 p.m. and member- April 1, April 2, April 8, Shelter, 811 S. Hobart St. The meetings are at 6:30 ters of all ages. Dues are April 22. 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

County **Plains** Commission meets at 9

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 chapter in Pampa. This a CASA Volunteer. The CASA office is located in the Brown Alliance for Children at 315 N. Ballard Street in Pampa.

appointed by a Judge to tion projects for quails. represent the Best Interest of children who have been removed from their homes due to abuse and neglect. Volunteers are crucial for quail to increase the to positive outcomes for animal's population and children in the foster care system.

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

Citizens for a Better The Woody Guthrie Pampa Meetings Folk Music Center has a

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.

the City Commission cal address, the admission meetings, then grab a bite to eat and meet at the office conference room ber and/or email address (1925B North Hobart) to for the public. get acquainted and visit before starting.

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

April 2015 DSHS Immunization Clinic

2015 The April Meets fourth Department of State Health Services Immunization Panhandle Piecemakers Clinic Schedule has been Quilt Guild meets the announced. All six clinics fourth Thursday of each will be at 121 S. Gillespie month, January through from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. October, at the Pampa and 1 to 3:30 p.m. Each Senior Citizens Center at time-frame is for the first 10 clients. The meetings are held

The clinics will be on ship is open to adult quil- April 15, April 21 and

case of extenuating circumstances.

Quails Forever meetings

Quails Forever is a new club meets on the first Tuesday of every month in the main building of Clarendon College Pampa Center. The group focuses CASA volunteers are on habitat and conserva-The goal is to get community members and volunteers interested in creating conservation habitat areas furthermore to improve the environment.

Gospel Pickin' and Grinnin'

First United Methodist Church, located at 201 E. Foster, holds their weekly Gospel Pickin' and Grinnin' at 6 p.m. every Friday. Everyone is welcome to come out and bring their instruments or their voice. For more information on this weekly event, call Jerry Lister at 806-676-0711 or the church at 86-665-7411.

Editor's note: Email submissions to jclee@thepampanews.com. Submissions should be 100 words or less and written in the third person. Please include the title of the event, Group members attend the date and time, physicost or whether it is a free event and a contact num-



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.

\$15 annually. Meetings

consist of a short busi- McLean from 10:30 a.m. ness 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

There is one available in to 2:30 p.m. on April 14 at the Lovett Library located at 302 N. Main.

All times are subject to change or cancellation in

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AT&T paying \$25M to settle US action over data breaches

WASHINGTON (AP) — AT&T is paying \$25 million in a settlement with federal regulators over data breaches at call centers in Mexico, Colombia and the Philippines that compromised customer data for some 280,000 U.S. customer accounts.

The Federal Communications Commission announced the agreement Wednesday with the second-largest U.S. wireless carrier. It was the agency's largest privacy and data-security enforcement action to date.

The breaches occurred from Nov. 4, 2013 to April 21, 2014, at a call center in Mexico, from Feb. 14 to July 14, 2014 in Colombia and from May 20 to December 2014 in the Philippines, the FCC said.

Most customers

Spanish-speaking U.S. resi- improve its privacy and datadents.

Call center employees were paid by third parties to obtain customer information such as names and full or partial Social Security numbers. The ourselves and our vendors to information was used to submit online requests for cellular unlock codes for stolen cellphones, the agency said.

The call centers were operated by contractors of Dallasbased AT&T.

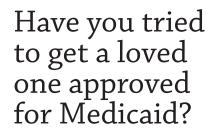
tomers whose accounts were compromised and pay for credit monitoring services for customers affected by the mation." breaches in Colombia and the Philippines. AT&T previously paid for credit monitoring services for customers affected by the breach in Mexico.

were quired under the settlement to cording to the FCC.

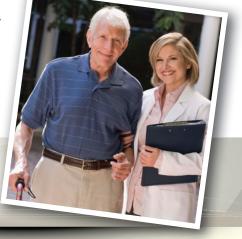
security practices by appointing a senior compliance manager and taking other steps.

"Protecting customer privacy is critical to us. We hold a high standard," AT&T said in a statement. "Unfortunately, a few of our vendors did not meet that standard and we are terminating vendor sites as appropriate. We've changed our policies and AT&T will notify all cus- strengthened our operations. And we have, or are, reaching out to affected customers to provide additional infor-

The third parties who obtained the customers' personal data appear to have trafficked in stolen cellphones or secondary-market phones The company also is re- they wanted to unlock, ac-



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if purchased beforehand, can qualify.

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For more details, call or come by.



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A right to discriminate

Bake me a cake, or go to jail! Sadly, that is the new

message from "inclusive" America. If you don't want to cater, photograph, preside

JOHN STOSSEL

sell flowers to or otherwise participate in a gay wedding, you will be punished. If you don't want your business to pay for a kind of birth control that you consider murder, you will pay fines until your business is bankrupt.

over, sell

pizza at,

Personally, I think both birth control and homosexuality are just fine, and gay marriage is as valid as straight marriage. But forcing everyone to act as if they think that way is just wrong. We have moved from "inclusion" to totalitarianism.

The list of people you must treat carefully keeps

business with my own money, I ought to be allowed to serve only libertarians, people who wear blue shirts, whatever. It's my business!

My customers have choices. If I am racist or anti-gay, the free market will punish me. Enough people would boycott my business that I would probably lose money quickly.

It would actually be useful to see which businesses refuse to serve one group or another. Tolerance is revealed by how people behave when they are free. American law fosters the illusion that everyone is unbiased, while their real feelings remain hidden, making them harder to boycott, shame or debate.

Punishment from the market is enough. The heavy hand of law is not needed here.

However, given America's history, I accept that there are a few exceptions. In the South, people banned from a lunch counter had few other choices. The Civil Rights Act's intrusion into private behavior was probably necessary to counter the damage done by Jim Crow laws. But today such coercion is no longer needed. Even in the difficult days of Reconstruction, after the Civil War, business began to bring together whites and blacks who might not always have liked each other but who wanted the best deals. It took several years for racists to get Jim Crow passed so they could put a stop to that erosion of the old racist ways. Government helped keep racism going for several more decades. Individuals should be allowed to discriminate. I discriminate all the time. I favor people over others when I choose my friends, jobs, hobbies, clubs, religion, etc. So do you. Elizabeth Taylor married nine times. Had she married again, should the EEOC have ordered her to marry someone from an ethnic minority? A homophobic baker shouldn't stop a samesex couple from getting married. Likewise, a gay couple shouldn't force a baker to make them a wedding cake. No one should ever force anyone to bake them a cake.



'Game of Thrones' returns on Sunday.

HBO sure knows how to make fans stick to a show. "Game of Thrones" airs annually and for 10 episodes. This is probably a good



thing for fans who would much rather see the ending in the thick books over seeing it on-screen. But whether the show or the books

finish first, fans of the George R.R. Martin epic will be glued to their TVs come 8 p.m. Sunday

evening.

So what are we to expect from the fifth season? (Don't worry, I won't delve into any spoilers.)

Well let's start extremely north first. The oldest remaining son of Ned and Catelyn Stark has just finished his journey to find the three-eyed raven. After losing his psychic friend Jojen, he was able to get into a cave and talk to the three-eyed raven, who then turned into an old man sitting in what looks like the roots of a tree.

Bran's storyline is completely caught up with the books at this point, and rumors are swirling that he won't even be in this season of "Game of Thrones."

Back at the wall, after witnessing the love of his life, Ygritte, die while storming the wall with the wildings, Jon Snow, with the help of Stannis Baratheon and his army, has finished the battle with the

wildling army.

Now we will get to see how it works out with Stannis and the men of the Night's Watch.

Meanwhile, Snow's youngest half-sister, Arya, has taken a boat to Braavos. This season will likely follow her around quite a bit as she was a huge storyline across the last two books ("A Feast for Crows" and "A Dance With Dragons").

Arya's older sister, Sansa (now Alayne while at the Eyrie), has taken on a very dark persona and is playing secret at the Eyrie. Don't forget that the man who help Sansa escape King's Landing as a suspect of Joffery's murder, Petyr "Littlefinger" Baelish, just killed Lysa Arryn and is looking to take the Eyrie for himself.

Another contested property, Winterfell, is currently occupied by the Bolton's, Roose and his son Ramsay. Ramsay, of course, is the psychopath torturing (both physically and psychologically) Theon "Reek" Greyjoy. Theon's sister Yara tried to save Theon, but he is so psychologically battered that he believes he belongs with Ramsay as his servant. The Greyjoy storyline as well as Winterfell's should be a great pair to develop this season.

Also on a boat to Braavos is the outlaw of the Lannister family, Tyrion. Tyrion, fresh off killing his father, Tywin (a death that made me sad oddly enough), got on a ship with the Spider, Varys. Varys

being on the boat was not in the books so I am extremely interested to see where this storyline goes.

Now on to the rest of America's favorite family. Cersei is going to spend much of this season dealing with Margaery Tyrell and her marriage, now on her third, to Tommen Baratheon. Tommen is about the age Joffery was in the first season of "Game of Thrones." In the book he is much younger, only 11 or 12 years old, I believe.

Cersei's plotting against the young queen is going to be fun to watch. Jamie, who helped Tyrion escape, will spend much of this season going to different kingdoms, if it holds true to the books, that is. Don't forget, the Lannister twins will be mourning the loss of their father now.

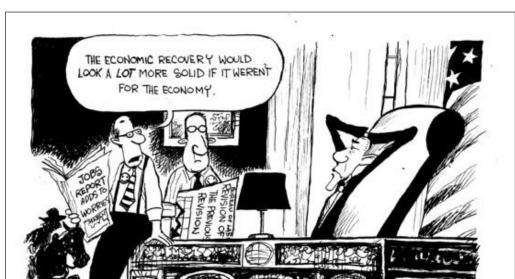
With the Red Viper, Prince Oberyn Martell, now dead, his girlfriend Ellaria Sand will be fleeing to her native city of Dorne, which is where Myrcella (Cersei's daughter) is and we will meet the Sand Sisters, also called the Sandsnakes.

Last but not least, let's not forget about the second-most popular character of the show, Daenerys Targaryen. She is in Mereen still figuring out how to rule her kingdom. She has chained up her dragons with one escaping, exiled her closest advisor Jorah Mormont and her kingdom is split down the middle on whether to love her or kill her.

If this season goes through the end of "A Dance With Dragons" through the book, this will be one of Daenerys' most exciting seasons

"Game of Thrones" will air on HBO at 8 p.m. on Sunday.

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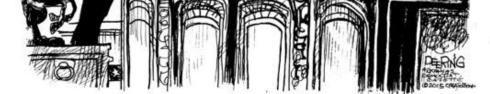
Why force someone who disapproves of your actions to bake you a cake? Lots of other bakers would love the business. This debate has moved from inclusion to demanding that everyone adopt your values.

In a free country, bigots should have the right to be bigots. Americans should also have freedom of association.

American lawyers talk about special protection for religious freedom, and in the Hobby Lobby case the Supreme Court said you could escape onerous parts of Obamacare by paying lawyers a fortune and convincing judges that you are a closely held corporation with religious objections. But why must you be religious to practice what you believe? This should be about individual freedom.

Of course, government must not discriminate. The worst of American racism and homophobia slavery, segregation enforced by Jim Crow laws, bans on interracial marriage, anti-sodomy laws, etc. - was government-enforced discrimination. That was wrong, and it was right for the federal government to intervene.

But private actions are different. If I start a John Stossel is host of "Stossel" on Fox News and author of "No They Can't! Why Government Fails, but Individuals Succeed." For other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit www.creators. com.

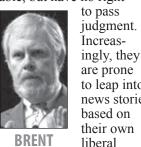


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Yawning over the Left's pizza bullies

The Old Media loathes the New Media as unreliable, but have no right



are prone to leap into news stories based on their own liberal

social media BOZELL networks.

Look no further than the new Indiana religious freedom law. They could not get enough of those angry tweets from Hillary Clinton and public-policy geniuses like Miley Cyrus.

Based on Twitter, they touted a "growing outrage" from coast to coast and obsessed over Indiana's "bigotry" for days. Conservative social media also reacted forcefully to the Hoosier contretemps, but apparently it's too much to expect "objective" journalists to notice much of that.

Take Memories Pizza in Walkerton, Ind., a town a few miles southwest of South Bend. Alyssa Marino, a pushy TV reporter from ABC 57, showed up to ask how they would treat a couple seeking catering for a same-sex

wedding.

Crystal O'Connor replied, "If a gay couple came in and wanted us to provide pizzas for their wedding, we would have to say no. We are a Christian establishment.'

Mistake. Business owners are out of line living their Christian faith. The angry left went berserk. Tweets like this one followed: "Who's going to Walkerton, IN to burn down #memoriespizza w me?"

Christians are now living in fear in this country.

Owner Kevin O'Connor shut his pizza parlor down until further notice after his family began receiving threatening phone calls and social media posts. Leftists flooded the store's Yelp page with negative reviews trying to destroy his business. Homoerotic photos were posted to embarrass them.

A blogger on the radical Daily Kos boasted: "The hand of justice in the age of social media has never been swifter."

Now reverse the proposition. If a gay restaurateur in Indiana (or anywhere) had to close due to Internet vitriol caused by his defense of his gay lifestyle, the news media would go nuts.

That didn't happen with these Christians.

What happened next demonstrates the depth of conservative/libertarian feeling about this liberal hooliganism. Lawrence B. Jones and Dana Loesch's radio show set up a Go-FundMe account to help the O'Connors survive the controversy and immediately raised a fortune more than \$840,000 out of sympathy and solidarity with the O'Connors.

So while the national media couldn't stop reporting on Indiana as an entire state full of troglodytes, numerous outlets never mentioned the Walkerton pizza hubbub. The New York Times? Nothing. USA Today, the paper that reports from all 50 states every weekday? Nothing. National Public Radio? Zip. NBC News? Zilch.

ABC News' Gio Benitez reported on the story on the night of April 1, but didn't note ABC was responsible for it — and he mangled the actual point. "Police say one pizza shop in Walkerton (was) inundated by threats after admitting publicly it would deny service to some

same-sex couples." That's not what she said. He even ran the Crystal O'Connor clip after he misinterpreted it.

Indeed, the O'Connors have been very public in their statements that no one has ever been turned away. But there's a world of difference between that and catering an activity they consider immoral. ABC knows this.

Benitez didn't repeat the error the next day on "Good Morning America," but ABC never came around to the overwhelming GoFundMe protest response. CBS briefly touched on the story on "CBS This Morning," but also ignored the fundraiser.

Journalists believe they are a force for unbridled goodness — unless, of course, their crusading ends up with people closing their restaurant down because of fear of violence. It's too bad ABC won't ever shine a light on the rage their own "enterprise journalism" caused.

L. Brent Bozell III is the president of the Media Research Center. Tim Graham is director of media analysis at the Media Research Center and executive editor of the blog NewsBusters. org

Church Calendar

Hi-Land Christian Church

Wednesday nights, Pastor Mike 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 ad- high school. vanced 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 at 7 p.m. 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. McLean Cowboy Church 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 dren's ministry are nurs of God is committed ery through fifth grade. 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.

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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 chil-

dren's ministry are nurs-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

Church Southside reaching out to Pampa in of Christ is located at all areas of the township 11923 W. McCullough

The church extends an open invitation to all to Our worship will be a come and worship where reflection of our multi- the gospel, "God's Word," is always taught and preached. Regular worship services are: Sunday mornand songs of the church. ing Bible study, 9:30 Outreach will have as to 10:30 a.m.; morning its goal to produce new worship begins at 10:45 believers who in turn a.m. to noon; Wednesday night Bible study is from 5 to 6 p.m.

lingual services, and we have our children bibles." and adult Worship On and adult Worship On (WOW) Sublett 10 a.m. and Sundays and classes from 5:30-6:30 Wednesdays at 7 p.m. followed by a light meal. Mary Ellen and Harvester We have an awesome youth program that is and trying to grow for sixth

> They meet from 6:30 evenings.

All of our classes are open to anyone who Bible Classes start at would like to attend and 9:30 a.m. with Sunday learn more about God. Morning Worship at This is followed by our choir practice at 7:30 if Evening you would like to join

> We also offer a Twenties & Thirties, TNT, a Ellen and group for young adults, Church that meets on Sunday

The clothing room If your church would like to be added to this list or are host-We will need the name, address, phone number and any Keith Feerer is the other information about the



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★★★ Check on the quality of your work during the day, as you won't want to make any errors. Later, others will look at your work and note the excellence with which it is produced. You will land well because of your meticulous attention to detail. Tonight: Out till the wee hours.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★ You'll have time to iron out any issues you have with a close associate or family member. The topic might be quite serious. Perhaps the two of you don't see eye to eye. As a result of your conversation, you will make better choices. Tonight: Do some much-needed research.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

**** Consider making a different decision regarding a relationship. Perhaps you are ready for a stronger partnership, or you could be interested in making an important investment that could affect the relationship. Verify first that you are financially ready. Tonight: Togetherness.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★ Dive into your work, and get as much done as possible. Your efficiency will be tested, as others seek you out to pitch in with their projects. Be willing to rearrange your schedule, if need be, or ask someone to fill in for you. Make calls later in the afternoon. Tonight: Meet friends.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

**** Reach out to someone at a distance. This person always surprises you with his or her ever-changing attitudes and perspective. Someone you admire might not be in a good mood. You would be wise to steer clear. Tonight: Don't push yourself too hard.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

**** You might be irritated with a partner. Keep your distance until you both are in a better mood. Time is your ally. It appears that you have a lot to complete and will need some uninterrupted time. Come

ed. Ionight: Party time!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★ You might want to return some calls before you schedule meetings or make other plans. However, it is likely that someone else already has made plans without telling you. You have a lot of ground to cover, and a lot of people are seeking you out. Tonight: Take off.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) **** You could be over-

whelmed by everything you must complete. Understand how much pressure you have on you right now. Be more forthright about establishing your limits, and you will find others to be very receptive. Tonight: Catch up on a friend's news.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) **** Use the daylight

hours to the max, when you'll have much more under control. You will see a substantial difference in others' responses as a result. You have the ability to convince others of the rightness of your thoughts, but still listen to suggestions. Tonight: Pay bills.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★ You can afford to play it low-key today. You will be missed, but at this point, you might need some extra time to deal with a child or loved one. The Moon moves into your sign later today, which will bring a smile to your face. Tonight: Go for what you want.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★ Expect to hear a lot of feedback from friends and associates, especially after a meeting. Everyone seems to want to put in his or her two cents. You could be overwhelmed by a close friend's gesture. Pull back, if need be -- he or she will understand. Tonight: Not to be found.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

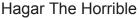
★★★ Others notice your appearance and attitude. What occurs will be a direct reflection of the energy you put out. A friend might go out of his or her way to please you. You might be uncomfortable with what you hear. Postpone a personal matter until later. Tonight: Out late.



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DIMMITT – Sorghum silage can provide an alternative to corn silage, but not all sorghum silages are equal, according to two Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service specialists.

Dr. Ellen Jordan, AgriLife Extension dairy specialist in Dallas, and Dr. Ted McCollum, beef cattle specialist in Amarillo, recently spoke at a sorghum educational meeting in Dimmitt.

value of all the different types.

"What you are going to do with it will determine the sorghum silage you choose," he said. "For steers eating an 80-90 percent silage diet, you might pick the BMRs; but if it is a dry dairy cow that needs to be fed, you can grow the lower quality photoperiod sensitive forage sorghum.

"If I'm looking for energy value in my forage, I'm going to ational meeting in Dimmitt. McCollum said forages have go to a BMR," McCollum said. "Pick a variety based on the denutritional and functional roles sired fiber, tonnage, quality and starch. Use fiber quality as the primary criteria.' A concern in feeding wholeplant forage sorghum silage is the low starch digestibility of the kernels, which are often too hard and unprocessed, he said. 'So if you want to ensure better starch availability in the sorghum silage, get out into the field and cut it early," he said. "If you can't process the grain head, you need to harvest early. And then leave it in the (silage) pit for as long as possible, because time, moisture and kernel softness are your best aids." McCollum said the key to using sorghum silage instead of corn silage is to replace the corn silage on a fiber basis and not dry matter basis.

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Research seeks early detection of wheat streak mosaic virus

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AMARILLO – As spring growth of wheat begins, Texas A&M AgriLife Research studies indicate now might be the time to determine possible wheat streak mosaic virus infection and future management of the crop.

During the past three years, the AgriLife Research plant pathology and crop physiology programs in Amarillo have concentrated studies on the occurrence of wheat streak mosaic disease ter-use efficiency. The disease is caused by a virus transmitted by the wheat curl mite. Knowing that major productivity losses can occur to both grain and forage yields in wheat with this virus, the research studies are trying to determine if the infection can be predicted at the early stages, and at what stages the infection is most damaging. Both of these projects were partially funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Ogallala Aquifer Program and reported upon at the program's recent annual conference in Manhattan, Kansas. A study by Dr. Qingwu Xue, AgriLife Research plant physiologist, titled "Physiological responses of hard red winter wheat to infection by wheat streak mosaic virus" will appear in Phytopathology, a periodical journal published by American Phytopathological Society.

several different aphid species, and Russian aphids and greenbugs have been widespread this year, and they do cause discrete spots of yellowing wheat. At times these symptoms can easily be confused with wheat streak, even by a trained observer, Rush said.

wheat and trying to determine what is causing sick plants, he said uniformly yellowing leaves research for several years and in a definite pattern, such as yel- include weather data to see how stripes or spots, is probably the temperature over the years and how it impacts a crop's wa- not due to a mite-vectored virus disease such as wheat streak. But streaks of green and yellow and little yellow flecks on individual leaves, a mosaic pattern, probably indicates its presence, Rush said. Wheat streak often starts at the edges of fields and symptoms spread across the field over time. "It is important to know the difference between aphid damage and wheat streak because with aphids you can always spray to knock down populations to a manageable level, while with wheat streak, there is little a grower can do after symptoms begin to appear," he said. "By that time, the virus has already infected the plants and depending on how widespread the disease is in the field, the only thing the farmer can do is decide on whether or not to keep irrigating.' If symptoms are widespread across a field in early April, yield potential is very low and additional inputs are questionable, the researchers said. If symptoms don't begin to show up until early or mid-May, yields will still be reduced compared to a healthy, non-diseased crop, but it won't be a total loss. The disease causes root reduction, which significantly impedes soil water uptake, leaving growers uncertain as to when they should continue irrigating or stop and graze the wheat out, Workneh said. "In order to answer that question, we are currently trying to determine if we can predict the disease early," he said. "The good thing about this disease is it is progressive over time, and in many cases begins on the edges and progresses into the field. This will help us assess the disease at different severity stages, which could be related to yield

Workneh said the results so far are promising.

We believe we will be able to tell growers that either the disease occurrence is severe and the field may not yield very well or the disease occurrence is not that severe, enabling them to make early decisions on management When a producer is looking at options including the need for irrigation," he said.

'But we need to continue the

in beef and dairy diets. Functionally, roughages are necessary to stimulate rumination which promotes feed breakdown and also reduces acidosis.

Sorghum provides an alternative, especially in areas where rainfall is short, Jordan said, allowing for sustained production in drought conditions and for delayed planting if necessary. It also utilizes water more efficiently than corn and has high biomass yields.

"One limitation to sorghum silage fed to cattle is the digestibility is generally less than that of corn, because corn has less lignin and more grain," she said. "This can result in less fiber digestion, a lower dry matter intake and less milk produced in dairy cattle.'

However, brown midrib, or BMR, genotypes of sorghum on average contain less lignin and do offer a higher digestibility, McCollum said, but the BMR genotype alone is not a guarantee of better quality.

Producers have several options where selection of sorghum type is concerned, and it is dependent on animal use, he said.

Sorghum-sudangrass hybrids have coarser stems and broader leaves than true sudangrass. They are higher yielders than sudangrass, with better regrowth for grazing or multiple harvests. The BMR forage sorghums are lower in lignin content in the leaves and stalks, and the quality, on average, is better than conventional sorghums.

Photoperiod sensitive sorghums are very tall and remain in the vegetative state until day length is less than 12 hours and 20 minutes, which provides more flexibility in managing harvest of the crop. But, McCollum said, they are slow to dry down ternative to corn. It allows susand have to be swathed. They also tend to have the lower feed

Important management steps to sorghum silage quality are:

Harvest early, soft-dough stage at the latest.

Target dry matter at 32-36 percent.

Swath if necessary to obtain the correct moisture.

- Chop at about one-half inch. Make sure the storage site is sloped to divert any water.

Jordan said BMR sorghum silage has been shown to support levels of production in mid-lactating dairy cows. It must be harvested and ensiled properly and producers should use inoculants per manufacturer's directions to improve dry matter preservation and bunk life.

She said sorghum silage should be able to be used for dry cow and heifer rations, although the research projects haven't been done. And more research is also needed on early lactation cows.

"If processed using steam flaking, sorghum and corn grain can be equal in starch value," Jordan said. "Sorghum can be an altained production in drought."

Dr. Charlie Rush, AgriLife Research plant pathologist, and his team, including Dr. Fekede Workneh, senior r

esearch scientist in plant disease epidemiology, initiated a study to investigate whether the progressive nature of the disease could be exploited and early infections used to predict future impact on grain yield and plant biomass.

As temperatures warm during the next few weeks, symptoms of wheat streak will become more obvious, so growers should be on the lookout, Rush said.

"It is difficult to tell for sure in the field whether a particular symptom is caused by wheat streak or something else, and the only way to know for sure is to take the sample into the plant diagnostic lab and have it tested." he said.

Barley yellow dwarf, a viruscaused disease transmitted by and forage biomass." affects the data," Workneh said. "It is a good start, but we need to continue the research."

Xue said his studies concentrated on the timing of the virus infestation and how that affected yield

'We mechanically infested the wheat plants with the virus at different stages of the wheat," Xue said. "We inoculated it with the virus at the three-leaf, four-leaf, five-leaf, jointing and booting stages. Then we looked at the physiological responses of wheat plants.

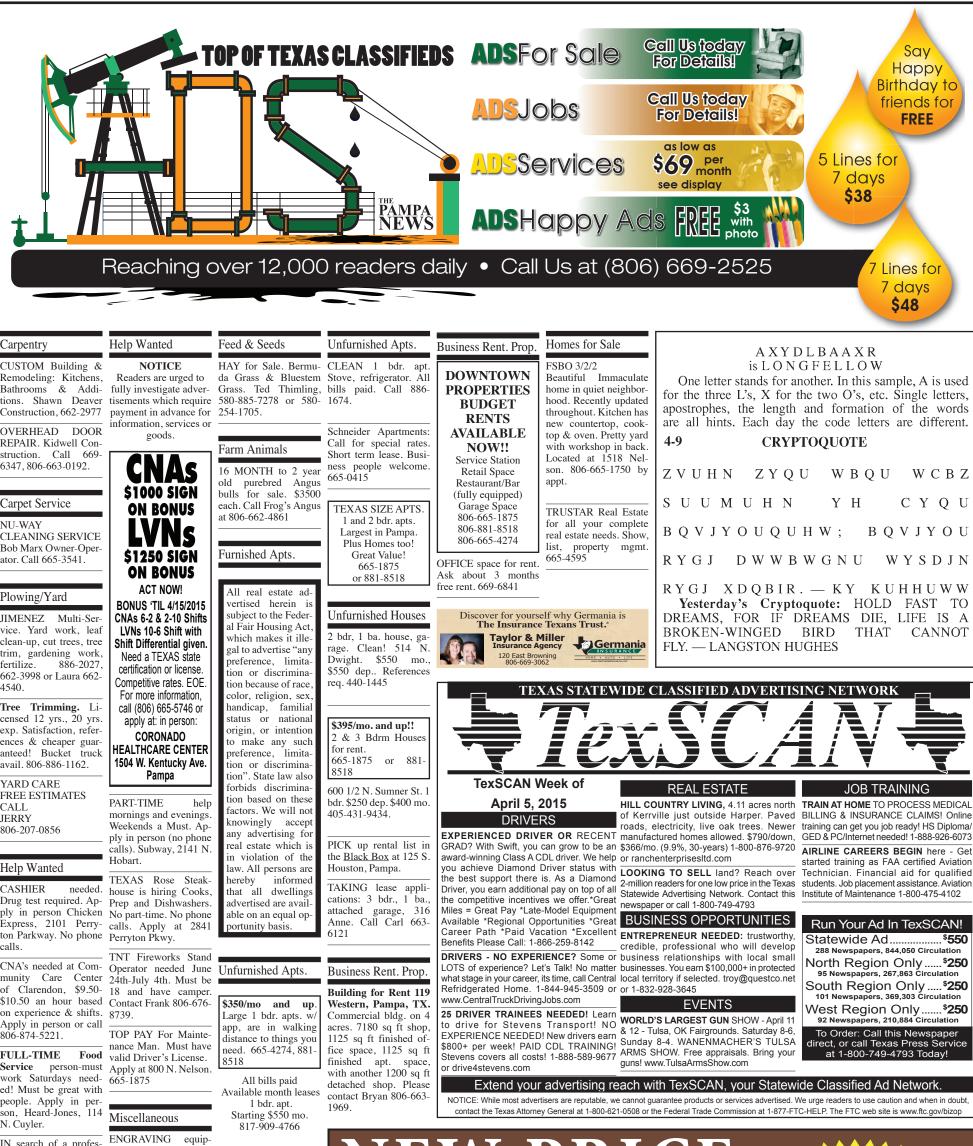
"What we found in our two greenhouse studies is the grain and forage yields can be reduced tremendously when the virus infects the plants at an early stage – the three-leaf to five-leaf stages," he said. "If you irrigate wheat, then it might not be worth it when the field is infested early."

Xue said the wheat yields can still be affected if the infestation comes at jointing stage, so spring infestations also can reduce grain vield

Early wheat streak mosaic virus spread on the greenhouseinoculated plants resulted in a significant reduction in shoot biomass, root dry weight, tillers, water-use efficiency and yield. The infection did not affect rooting depth but reduced the number of nodal roots, he said.

While the research in both programs will continue, AgriLife Research offers an early disease detection system for producers through a Listserv and website, http://bit.ly/1sVKFfA.

Producers can subscribe and will be notified of the name of the county, types of pathogen found and the discovery date. Additionally, samples of diseased wheat can be submitted to the Plant Diagnostics Lab at the Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center, 6500 Amarillo Blvd. West in Amarillo for testing



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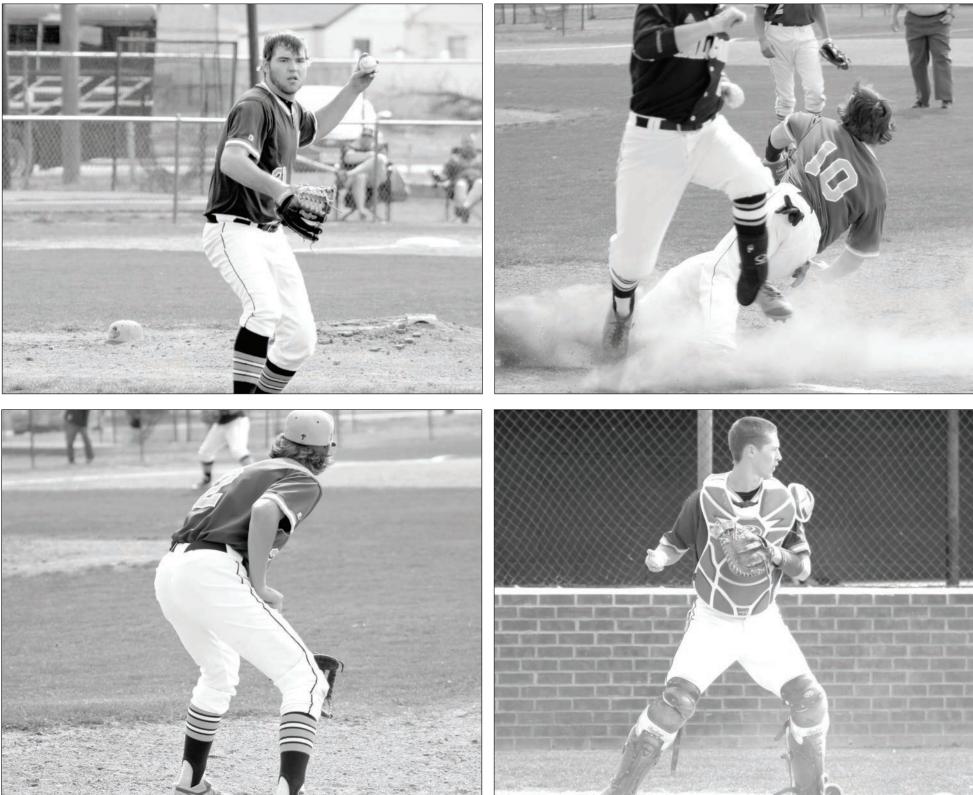
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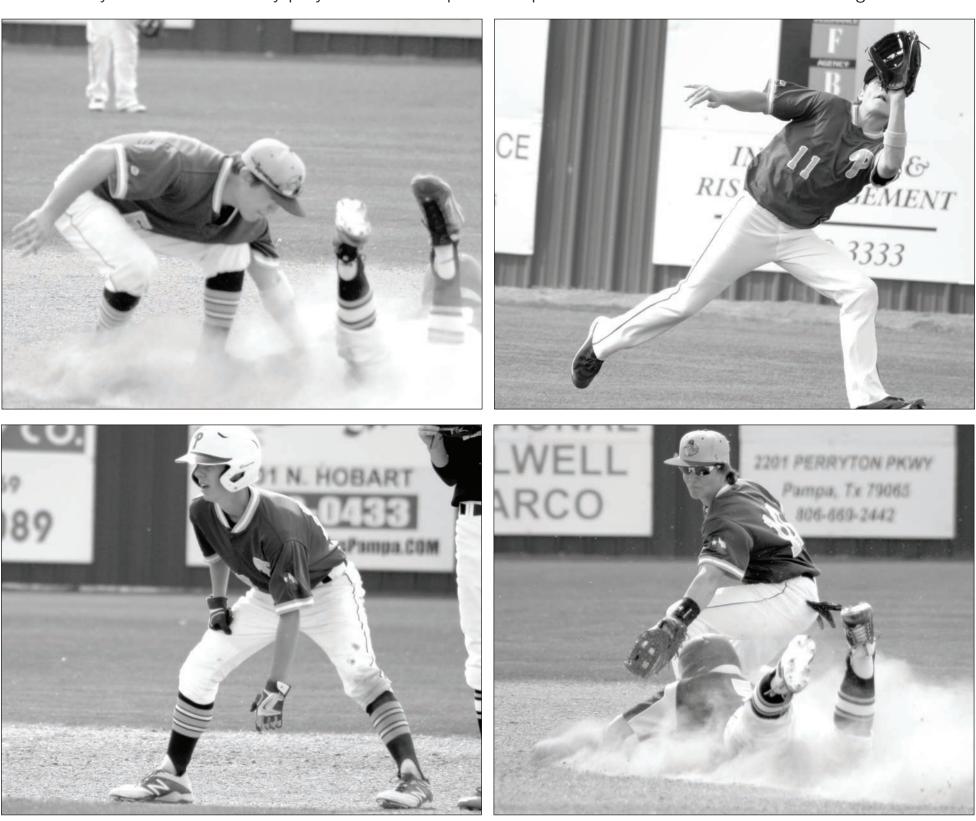
PAMPASports

PAMPA HARVESTERS LOST 3-2 AGAINST BUSHLAND TUESDAY



Photos by Zachary Green

Top left, Brody Gaines lost his hat but still got the out by throwing to first base. Top right, Brendon Woelfle goes all out at first base trying to record an out. Above left, Nathan Furgason holds a runner on at first and waits for a possible pick off attempt throw. Above right, Ty Hooper keeps the runners from advancing. Below left, Cade Engle puts the tag on a runner trying to steal. Below right, Rhett Harden goes all out for a catch in the outfield. Bottom left, Braden Keown is at second base and looks to get a good lead off the pitcher. Bottom right, Brendon Woelfle puts the tag on a runner trying to steal second base. Pampa lost the game 3-2 and left the tying run on second and the winning run at the plate. They will host Optimist Day and Senior Day on Saturday at noon when they play Dalhart. Pampa will hope to record its first district win that game.



PAMPASports

Harvesters' hits can't find holes in 3-2 loss to Bushland; Now 0-3 in District

By ZACHARY GREEN zgreen@thepampanews.com

The Pampa Harvesters (0-3, 6-8-1) hosted the Bushland Falcons on Tuesday night. Senior Brody Gaines started the game for Pampa on the mound.

"He (Gaines) did a good job. He kept us in the game. It's a 3-1 ballgame, that's all you can ask from your starter. He did a good job. The run support will come and we'll get over that hump and we'll get going," head coach Kaleb Snelgrooes said.

Gaines struck the first batter out. The next one hit a triple to center. That was followed by a single and a ground out. Bushland was able to get one run out of the inning.

The Pampa offense couldn't get anything going in the first with two quick strikeouts. Junior Cade Engle then hit a single to first, but it was followed by a fly out to the second baseman to end the inning.

After one, Bushland led 1-0.

Bushland had a double in the top of the second but the unner was picked off at second to end the inning.

Pampa went down in 1-2-3 order in their half of the second. All three at-bats were strikeouts.

After two, Bushland led 1-0.

Bushland got a couple runners on in the third, but again they were thrown out trying to steal a base.

After six of the first seven batters struck out for Pampa, senior Braden Keown hit a single to center in the third. Senior Ty Hooper followed up with a single to left. Both runners advanced to second and third on an error. A fly out and a line out left the two runners on base as the in-

ning ended.

After three, Bushland led 1-0.

Bushland once again got two runners on base, but the Harvester defense stood tall to prevent any added runs.

Junior Rhett Harden walked to get the first runner on base in the fourth. Junior Nathan Furgason smashed a double to center with two outs in the inning to score Harden. Pampa had tied the game.

After four, Pampa and Bushland were tied at one apiece. Bushland went down in 1-2-3 order for the first time in the fifth inning.

Pampa in the bottom of the fifth but his courtesy runner, senior Zack Gates, never came home to score.

After five, the game stood tied 1-1.

Bushland added two runs in the top of the sixth. The first batter reached base after getting hit by a pitch. A double drove him in. The double was followed by two singles to score another run.

with a fly out, ground out and strikeout.

After six, Bushland led 3-1.

Junior Zach Hill came in to pitch for the Harvesters in the seventh. Two quick outs were recorded before Hill walked two batters. He struck out the next batter to end the inning.

The bottom of the seventh was the last call for Pampa as they needed to score two runs to keep the game going. Two quick outs were recorded with a strikeout and a fly out.

Junior Jordan Green then doubled to left and junior Colton Thompson came in to run for him. Keown then singled to left. Keown made it to second and Thompson scored on a bad throw. The game ended with the winning run at the plate and tying run on second base.

Final: Bushland 3, Pampa 2.

Brody Gaines pitched six innings, allowed eight hits, three runs, two were earned, struck out three and walked one. Zach Hill pitched one inning, allowed no hits, no runs, two walks and struck out one.

Ty Hooper went 1-3. Cade Engle went 1-3. Rhett Hard-Hooper was hit by pitch to get a runner on base for en went 0-2 with a walk and a run scored. Nathan Furgason went 1-3 with a double. Colton Thompson went 0-2 with a run scored. Braden Keown went 2-3. Jordan Green went 1-1 with a double.

> Pampa struck out nine times in the game and left five runners on base. Pampa has scored just four runs in their three district games so far.

'Right now, if we didn't have any bad luck we wouldn't Pampa went down in 1-2-3 order quickly in the sixth have any luck at all. Our kids are putting the ball in play. Just right at people," Snelgrooes said. "The ball Brendon hit, if it goes a foot either way, it's a double, and we're running for days. Cade hit a ball hard. Adam hit a ball hard. Right now the baseball gods just aren't shining on us and getting those balls in. But we'll get it out and be just fine.

Pampa will now host Dalhart on Optimist Day and Senior Day on Saturday at noon. The Optimist Club athletes get to walk on the field with the Harvesters during pregame introductions.



Photos by Zachary Green

Above left, Zack Gates gets ready to take off from second base. Above right, Cade Engle lays down a tag on a Falcon. Below left, Zach Hill deals a pitch in the game on Tuesday. Below right, Jordan Green slides safely into second with a double. Pampa lost the game 3-2. They face Dalhart at noon Saturday.





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Directly from the Dugout

Sluggish season opener for Texas.

By ZACHARY GREEN zgreen@thepampanews.com

Editor's Note: This article was written on Wednesday afternoon so it does not include results from Wednesday night or Thursday afternoon's games.

I expected the season opener to be a little rough as Texas faced Sonny Gray for the first time and the Rangers struggle against pitchers they are seeing for the first time.

It was downright ugly. The Rangers were only about to muster one hit in the seventh inning. Gray almost no-hit the Rangers on opening day.

Gray would have been just the second pitcher in MLB history to throw a no-hitter on opening day.

The previous? Cleveland Indian Bob Feller tossed one on opening day in 1940.

Ryan Rua was the batter to get the lone Texas hit and break up the no-hitter. Texas left three men on base and went 0-1 with runners in scoring position.

Yovanni Gallardo's Texas debut was one to forget. He went four innings, allowed four runs and six hits and only struck out five. He also walked one batter.

Anthony Bass had two innings of shutout relief and struck out three batters

Phil Klein gave up three more runs in just one inning of work.

Roman Mendez allowed a run in the final inning of work.

That was all she wrote for Texas on Monday night's season opener.

Tuesday's game went a little better with the Rangers winning 3-1.

Texas scored one in the third and two in the fifth, while the Athletics only scored one run in the sixth.

Colby Lewis picked up the win with his six innings of work. He allowed three hits, one run, two walks and struck out four. Keone Kela picked up a hold for pitching one inning of shutout ball. Shawn Tolleson also got a hold for one inning of shutout work. Neftali Feliz came in for the ninth and got his first save of the season in his first attempt by pitching one inning of shutout ball. Leonys Martin went 2-5 with a run scored. Elvis Andrus went 2-4 with a run scored. Andrus committed his second error in as many nights also Tuesday. Not a good sign

on the defensive end for Andrus.

Prince Fielder went 2-3 with two RBIs. Beltre remained hitless

on the year so far. Shin-Soo Choo went 1-4

with a double. Mitch Moreland went

The Rangers left seven men on base and went 2-8 with runners in scoring position.

So yes, they got the win but they also left a lot of runs on the board.

So now let's preview this weekend's series with the Houston Astros.

Sunday's game is the only one that features both starters that have already pitched this year. Friday and Saturday's stats will be career stats of each pitcher, with the exception of Gallardo.

On Friday, Derek Holland (51-38, 4.23 ERA) faces Collin McHugh (11-17, 4.19 ERA).

Houston struggles against Holland as they hit for just .235 against him. In his lone start of 2014 against the Astros, Holland pitched seven innings and allowed just two runs. I predict a Rangers vic-

tory in the home opener. Texas 5,

Prediction: Houston 3.

Saturday, Yovanni Gal-lardo (0-1, 9.00 ERA) faces Roberto Hernandez (67-93, 4.60 ERA).

The Astros hit for .290 on Gallardo. The Rangers hit for .339 on Hernandez. I expect a shoot-out, but also hope Gallardo calms

down after his first start. I am going to be optimistic and go with the Rangers.

Prediction: Texas 10, Houston 7.

Colby Lewis (1-0, 1.50 ERA) faces Dallas Keuchel (1-0, 0.00 ERA) on Sunday.

Lewis has a 0.87 ERA against the Astros in the past three years combined. He has only allowed two runs in 20 and two-thirds innings of work. Keuchel has a career ERA of 4.12 versus the Rangers but he is a much improved pitcher of late.



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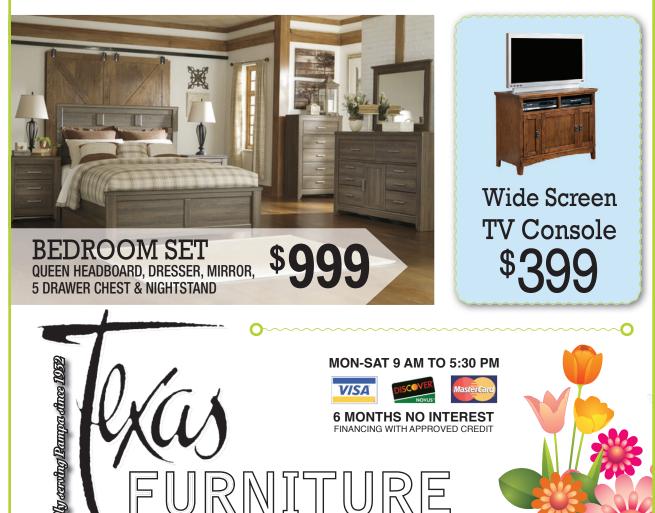
I expect a low scoring battle in this one.

Prediction: Astros 2, Rangers 1.

The Rangers will host the Angels after the Astros. If we come back next week and the Rangers have a record above .500 it will be a huge win as their first ten games are against division opponents.

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