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Pampa reflects on 9/11
A decade later, the city looks back



George Keely of Culberson Stowers raises a flag to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the September 11, 2001 attacks. ▶

[Editor's Note: For the 10th anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks, we asked people all over the Pampa community for their thoughts, reactions and reflections on what happened that fateful, tragic day. The following are the statements we received from you, the people of Pampa.]

Mayor Brad Pingel:
"I was at work here at the funeral home, and we were watching the news. I saw all the news media on it and my wife was at home, and I remember her calling me. She told us to watch the news to see what all was going on, and she was scared to death as all the dif-

ferent attacks was taking place. Who knew who was next? It was definitely a scary time."
"Immediately, I just think of all those that were affected. I make sure I know where my family is at. That's definitely a fear of an attack happening on a closer level, but as you're sitting there watching, you just think, 'Golly, there's a lot of moms and dads that are affected.'"

George Keely:
"September 11, I was in high school, in class, early that morning. I didn't hear anything about the first plane at all. I didn't hear anything
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Prayer for Sept. 11 on Sunday
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Pampa's local Ministerial Alliance will be following up Saturday's Bible Read-a-thon with another faith-based ceremony to commemorate the 10th anniversary of 9/11, this time with a community prayer event on Sunday morning.

The event, which will take place at 7:30 a.m. on Kingsmill between City Hall and the County Courthouse, will consist of a prayer gathering to remember the fallen and honor the first responders of Gray County, along with the singing of "God Bless America."

The Ministerial Alliance felt that the Sept. 11 anniversary was a good time to hold another event to bring Pampa together in prayer, said Paul Nachtigall of Highland Baptist Church.

"It's just something that some of us felt really needed to be done," Nachtigall said. "It's just a time of prayer, basically, to remember the families and those that were impacted so directly by 9/11, and to pray for those families impacted by our call to war. With the Bible reading on Saturday, we thought it was a good idea to focus on the word of God one day. Then, with many of the churches in Pampa doing something special for 9/11 later in the day, we just thought an
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Community Concert season begins Thurs.

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Pampa's Community Concert season will kick off this week when Nashville country singer/songwriter Billy Dean comes to Pampa at 7:30 on Thursday.

Glennette Goode, treasurer of the Pampa Community Concert Association, said that Dean is just the first of a lineup of talented musicians who will make their way through Pampa this season.

"We're very excited about who we have coming,"
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Construction begins on heliport at PRMC

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It has been a long time coming, but construction of the Pampa Regional Medical Center's heliport began earlier this week.

Construction crews from Rod Bowers Construction began work on the facility Wednesday morning.

Joe Anstey of the Genesis Clinic eagerly awaits the project's completion.

"We're all excited to see it come to fruition," he said. A plan for the heliport has been under way for a
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GREEN MEANS GO



staff photo by Ryan Frazier
The Pampa Harvesters stampede onto Harvester Field before their home opener against Randall on Friday. Unfortunately, the Harvesters couldn't treat the crowd to a victory, falling to the Raiders 63-21. More in **SPORTS**, page 1B.




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Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 54. North northwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Sunday: Sunny, with a high near 90. Northwest wind around 5 mph.

Sunday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 59. Calm wind becoming south between 5 and 10 mph.

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Romney, Perry clash on Social Security

WASHINGTON (AP) — A growing divide over Social Security splits the two leading contenders for the Republican presidential nomination, and the differences between Texas Gov. Rick Perry and former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney foreshadow a tricky political dance with older voters.

Romney has seized on what he perceives as Perry's vulnerability on a program that seniors hold dear, Democrats venerate as sacrosanct and Perry has labeled a "Ponzi scheme."

That sets up a battle for older voters in Iowa, retirees in Florida and the Sun Belt, and Baby Boomers everywhere worried about their own recession-scarred retirement plans.

"If we nominate someone who the Democrats could correctly characterize as being against Social Security, we would be obliterated as a party," Romney said on Sean Hannity's radio program Thursday.

Perry is unyielding. At a Friday fundraiser in California, Perry stood by his criticism of Social Security and his position that the program is best left to states to administer — a non-starter for many, including some Republicans.

"For people who are on Social Security now, like my folks, and people who are approaching Social Security, like me, it's going to be there," he said.

But, he said, he didn't know at what point age-eligibility will have to be raised because the funds simply aren't there.

"Anybody that's for the status quo with Social Security today is involved with a monstrous lie to our kids, and it's not right," he said earlier this week during a debate.

An aging population has put a heavy burden on the Social Security Trust Fund: too few workers are paying for the benefits of a growing number of retirees. In 1950, there were 16 workers paying into the fund for each recipient. Last year, that ratio fell to three workers for every recipient. Left unaddressed, cuts in benefits would be forced in 2037.

But any talk of cutting benefits comes with political risk. "Governor Perry's immediate challenge is to knock down the hanging perception being driven that he wants to get rid of Social Security," said Rich Killion, a Republican strategist who worked on Romney's 2008 presidential

bid and advised former Minnesota Gov. Tim Pawlenty's bid this year.

The Romney-Perry spat comes as the contest for the Republican nomination begins to flare. With three formal debates and a handful of forums this month, the campaign to challenge President Barack Obama has taken on urgency as voters return from their summer vacations and start to pay attention to politics.

Since Perry joined the race last month, Romney has seen his lead fade, driving him to focus his aggressive criticism on Perry instead of looking ahead to a general campaign against Obama.

"The governor says look, states ought to be able to opt out of Social Security. Our nominee has to be someone who isn't committed to abolishing Social Security, but who is committed to saving Social Security," Romney said, sharing the stage with his rival.

An AP-GfK poll in May found that 70 percent of Americans consider Social Security deeply important to their financial security in retirement. Just 6 percent said it was "not at all" important.

Yet the public is split on the likelihood Social Security will be there for them: 35 percent say it is extremely or very likely to provide income their entire retirement, 30 percent somewhat likely and 35 percent not too or not at all likely.

It's that uncertainty that both campaigns hope to tap.

"I know Florida certainly has an interest in Social Security given the large number of seniors we have here," said John Thrasher, a Republican state senator and former state GOP chairman who backs Romney.

"It's not whether it's a Ponzi scheme or not. These are retired people who are pretty intelligent. They want Social Security to be maintained. And they understand there are problems that need to be fixed. There is an opportunity to fix Social Security so it's a continued benefit for people who are getting it now and those who will get it in the future."

Romney now trails Perry by double digits in the polls and Social Security alone isn't going to help him regain his lead, his advisers acknowledge. But his team plans to make it the opening volley against Perry, Texas' longest serving governor and one who has never lost an election.

Obituaries

Norman "Woody" Woodward, 46

FORSYTH COUNTY, Ga. — Norman "Woody" Woodward, 46, passed away peacefully on Aug. 31, 2011 after a courageous two-year battle.

Woody was a native Texan, born and raised in Pampa until serving in the U.S. Army.

After moving to Georgia, Woody served as a law enforcement officer for 22 years, 17 of which were with the Forsyth County Sheriff's Office. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge as well as the Fraternal Order of Police.

During his tenure at the Forsyth County Sheriff's Office, he was officer of the year three times, made investigator of the year and headed the community relations unit in its early stages.

He was the husband of Cindy Stewart Woodward, who faithfully loved and supported him during their 18-year marriage and throughout his illness. His beloved daughters are Abby, age 16, at Forsyth Central High School, and Katie, age 13, at Lakeside Middle School.

He is also survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Joshua and Becky Jones and grandsons Mason and Nathaniel of LaPlace, La.; stepfather Richard Dismuke of Pampa; sister Wanda Gardner of Pampa; brothers Vernon and Wayne Woodward of Pampa; parents-in-law Jonah and Judy Davis of Marietta; brothers and sisters-in-law Kurt and Stacy Howlin of Atlanta, Paul and Kelly Stewart of Sugar Hill, Scott and Suzanne Carswell of Tiburon, Calif., Gregg Andrews and Stephanie Davis of Alpharetta; and numerous nieces and nephews.

His family and friends have been forever impacted by his bravery and dignity while combating his illness. He loved his family, friends, country, and colleagues and felt the greatest debt of gratitude to his caregivers for their compassion during his illness.

A celebration of his life was held Saturday, Sept. 3 at First Redeemer Church in Cumming. Burial followed at Arlington Memorial Park in Atlanta.

In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate donations in Woody's honor to the Woodward Family Fund, P.O. Box 3351, Cumming, GA 30028, or to the American Heart Association.

Byars Funeral Home and Cremation Services is in charge of arrangements.
Sign the online guestbook at forsythnews.com.

Randel Deen Hill, 50

PONCA CITY, Okla. — Randel Deen Hill, 50, of Ponca City, Oklahoma, passed away on September 6, 2011. He was born on October 29, 1960, in Shattuck, Oklahoma to Ldeen and Gloria (Critchlow) Hill.

The family of Elza Lee Hargus would like to sincerely thank Dr. Kamnani and his office staff for their tireless efforts and compassionate care throughout the years. Dr. Kamnani was not only Elza's physician but was a good friend too. We will be indebted to you always.

Also, thanks to everyone for your cards and prayers.

Vera, Larry, and Mike Hargus

Randel grew to adulthood in Laverne with two elementary grades in Pampa, Texas, graduating from Laverne in 1979. Along with friends, family farms, and Grandparents, he enjoyed FFA, Golf, and everything with wheels.

Randel and Debra Hill welcomed daughter, Erika Jean Hill to the family in 1984.

In 2006 Randel and Janet Dunster, along with Tyler and Wade, were blessed with the birth of Carly Marie Hill.

Randel became a Grandfather in 2010 with the birth of Erika's and Anthony's son, Jace Aiden Ruiz.

Randel was preceded in death by his father, Ldeen Hill; grandparents, Gilbert and Opal Hill, Ernest Critchlow, and Mary Critchlow Best; Uncles Loren Hill, Everett and Raymond Critchlow, and Casey Bruce.

Surviving Randel are Janet, Tyler and Wade Dunster; daughters, Erika Jean Hill and Anthony Ruiz, Carly Marie Hill; grandson, Jace Aiden Ruiz; mother, Gloria Hill; sister, Linda Schwinn, brother-in-law, Lyman Schwinn; nephews, Kyle, Jeanne, and Jaxson Taylor and Kalon Taylor; cousins, Kelton and Gina Hill, Kenyon Hill, Mike Bruce, Debra Bruce; aunt, Goldie Bruce.

Graveside services will be held at the Lipscomb Cemetery, Lipscomb, Texas at 2:00 PM Saturday September 10, 2011 with Pastor Wes Peterman officiating. Arrangements were made by the Myatt-Laverne Funeral Home.

Condolences may be offered at www.schillingfhg.com.

Gabriel John "Gabe" Griego, Sr., 64

Gabriel John "Gabe" Griego, Sr., 64, died on Wednesday, Sept. 7, 2011 in Amarillo.

The services are 11 a.m. Saturday, September 10, 2011, at St. Vincent dePaul Catholic Church, with Rev. Joseph Ravi, associate pastor, officiating.

Burial is at Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

He was born August 27, 1947 in Clayton, New Mexico. As a young boy, his family moved to Dalhart where he attended school. Mr. Griego served in the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam War. After his time in the service, he returned to Dalhart where he married Jeanette Cordova on August 24, 1968. Later he moved to Guymon where he worked for the Swift plant for several years. Eventually he would move to Pampa in 1975 working for Ford's Auto body for 5 years, before working for UPS for 26 years when he retired. He was a member of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church. His passion was drag racing. Above all he was a loving and supportive husband, father, and grandfather. He was preceded in death by 1 brother: Paul Griego; 2 sisters: Georgia Portillos and Delia Mireles; and his parents; Pablo and Fedalina Griego.

He is survived by wife Jeanette Griego of the home; a daughter, Annette Griego of Pampa; a son, Gabriel John Griego Jr., and wife DeDe of Plainview; four grandsons, Zane Michael Griego, Kyle Lee Griego, Trae Donovan Griego, and Dice Alan Griego; a granddaughter, Calie Elizabeth Griego; a great granddaughter: Cadence Griego and 1 great grandson: Zaiden Griego; three brothers, Lee Griego and wife Mary Louise of Carlsbad, NM, John Griego and wife Dora of Dalhart, and Alfonso Griego and wife Bernice of Tampa, Fla.; and two sisters, Mary Gaona and husband Albert and Angie Marez, all of Tampa, Fla.

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Reflections

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Fire victims to be remembered

LONGVIEW (AP) — A memorial service has been set for two of the four people killed in a series of wildfires this week in Texas.

Valerie McBride and her 18-month-old daughter K'loe Jane will be remembered during a private service Saturday at a funeral home in Longview.

The 20-year-old mother and her daughter were killed on Sunday when a fire swept through the East Texas mobile home park they lived in near Gladewater, located about 115 miles east of Dallas.

McBride and her daughter were taking a nap when the blaze erupted.

A fire in and around Bastrop near Austin has also killed two people. One of those two victims was identified Wednesday as 48-year-old Michael Troy Farr, who died at his home in Smithville.

Wildfire cost estimates \$1.2M

BASTROP (AP) — The most destructive wildfire on record in Texas has racked up a bill of at least \$1.2 million so far.

The Texas Forest Service cautioned Friday that the figure was an early estimate and certainly expected to climb. The wildfire in Bastrop County has burned about 35,000 acres and destroyed nearly 1,400 homes.

The early price tag includes firefighting costs but not damage caused by the catastrophic blaze. The wildfire began Sunday just outside Austin and is about 30 percent contained.

No single wildfire dating to the 1990s has destroyed as many homes. Yet the price so far is still well below other fires this year, including one last month around Possum Kingdom Lake in North Texas.

State officials estimate that blaze cost at least \$3.1 million.

US oil and gas rig count down

HOUSTON (AP) — The number of rigs actively exploring for oil and natural gas in the U.S. decreased by 10 this week to 1,958, led by a big drop in Texas.

Houston-based drilling product provider Baker Hughes Inc. reported Friday that 1,057 rigs were exploring for oil and 892 for natural gas.

Nine were listed as miscellaneous. A year ago this week, the rig count stood at 1,654.

Of the major oil- and gas-producing states, Texas lost 14 rigs, and Louisiana dropped two. New Mexico and Wyoming fell by one each.

Oklahoma gained eight rigs, while North Dakota and Colorado went up two apiece. Alaska and West Virginia each gained one.

Arkansas, California and Pennsylvania were unchanged.

Former sheriff to do time

SANTA FE, N.M. (AP) — Former Santa Fe County Sheriff Greg Solano has been sentenced to three months in jail for stealing items from the county and selling them on the Internet.

Prosecutors say Solano likely will serve only six weeks at the Santa Fe County jail. The sentence imposed Friday by a state District Judge allows Solano to cut the jail time in half with good behavior.

The 47-year-old Solano resigned in November and was arrested in January. He was charged with 251 counts of embezzlement and one count of fraud for allegedly selling more than \$73,000 worth of office equipment and bulletproof vests on eBay.

Solano pleaded guilty in July to five counts of felony fraud as part of deal to reduce his sentence. He's been ordered to pay about \$25,000 in restitution.

N.M. proposes license changes

SANTA FE, N.M. (AP) — A Democratic legislative leader proposes to tighten requirements for foreign nationals and illegal immigrants to get a New Mexico driver's license.

House Speaker Ben Lujan, D-Santa Fe, introduced a measure on Friday to establish a six-month state residency requirement for immigrants to get licenses. Fingerprints also would be required for immigrants applying for a license and their licenses must be renewed every two years. Currently, a license lasts either four or eight years.

The Senate approved a similar proposal earlier this year but it was rejected by the House, which backed Republican Gov. Susana Martinez's plan to stop granting licenses to illegal immigrants.

Plea for kidnapping case

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — A New Mexico man who police said tried to kidnap a six-year-old girl in Albuquerque but was thwarted by an illegal immigrant in a case that made national headlines has been ordered held on \$500,000 cash bail.

KRQE-TV reports that Philip Garcia pleaded not guilty Friday in State District Court to kidnapping and child abuse charges.

Police said the 29-year-old Garcia grabbed the girl as she walked home from a neighbor's house last month in a southwest Albuquerque mobile home park.

But neighbor 24-year-old Antonio Diaz Chacon said he saw it happened and chased Garcia's van until it crashed into a mesa.

Garcia fled on foot, and Diaz Chacon rescued the girl. His actions garnered him national attention and offers of gifts and money.

Garcia was later arrested.

Patrol vehicles disabled in bust

LOS EBANOS (AP) — Smugglers disabled four U.S. Border Patrol vehicles with homemade spikes as agents in South Texas chased them during a drug bust that netted more than 1,000 pounds of marijuana.

The agents were patrolling the U.S.-Mexico border near Los Ebanos, located about 25 miles west of McAllen, when they saw several people loading a truck with bundles near the Rio Grande on Thursday.

The agents gave chase and during the pursuit, the smugglers threw the homemade spikes from the window of their truck, disabling the Border Patrol vehicles.

The smugglers plunged their truck into the river and escaped into Mexico. The agents recovered the drugs, which have an estimated value of nearly \$900,000.

about the situation until I went home for lunch. I went home, and my mom worked nights, so she was usually in bed when I got home, and she was glued to the TV like one of those Garfields you see stuck to the windows in cars. As soon as I walked in, she said, 'Oh my God, son.' I asked what was wrong, and she said, 'Someone just crashed a plane into the World Trade Center.'"

"I was blown away and asked if it was an accident. As she was watching, I found out there was another plane that hit, and it wasn't long after the first. She told me about that, and I went back to school. The next thing I knew, everyone was talking about it. I don't quite remember if they let school out early or anything like that, but I remember seeing the images on TV and seeing the buildings on fire. It was just a big shocker to think that your nation that you know is the best and strongest nation there (is), and everyone was brought to their knees by these aircrafts. It's kind of a slap in the face... I was scared for the people, sad for families, especially people that had loved ones in the buildings and in the planes. I didn't feel scared, but I felt sad for all of the innocent people. I remember feeling more angry than anything. I hate to say it, but a lot of hatred. There was a short moment where I was so angry that I wanted to join the service, but I took a different route."

Steven White:

"We were getting ready to take our baby girl to the clinic for her 3 month checkup when we turned on the TV just in time to see the second jet hit, a moment that is forever embedded in my mind. I do not like our current president, but kudos to him for making the decision to raid the complex where the coward Bin Laden was hiding. May those killed in the September 11 attacks forever rest in peace."

Ellyn Marsh:

"I was at work and was watching the second plane come in. It took a bit for it to register that it was going to hit the second building and that it wasn't an accident. We just watched news coverage all day long."

Bobbi Gill:

"I was in my classroom waiting on my senior economics class to come in for the morning. I was pregnant with my second child and I really just remember being so scared of the uncertainty of what was going to happen and overwhelming grief for those

being directly impacted, either personal loss or loss of family, by it. It was just a ton of emotions."

Keldon Ellis:

"I couldn't believe the first tower went in the plane, and I wondered if it was terrorists or something. And sure enough, here comes another one. And then they started talking about the two. It upset the country. I thought someone was trying to wreck this country. I had confidence in the president that he would get it taken care of. I had confidence in the military then."

Dustin Miller:

"I was working for Dr. Walters. It was a surgery day and I remember scrambling to the TVs in shock of the first one and actually seeing the second plane hit the buildings, then seeing the buildings fall. I remember an indescribable feeling of fear about what was about to happen to all of us. I wanted my wife and kids home, just wanted us all together as soon as possible."

"That day changed forever how we live. Our kids do not even remember a day without war on terror. I think it definitely brought attention to our country that maybe we aren't invincible. Definitely brought out a new sense of patriotism in our country."

City Manager Richard Morris:

"I was actually here in the office, and we heard the first report, which was a small plane had hit one of the buildings in New York. Here in another office, we have a TV that's set up for weather, and we turned that on and were watching it. We actually saw them filming the other plane coming in and hitting the building."

"You just think, what's happening? My first thought, I think like a lot of others, was, is that going to happen in the other major cities, too? I think if they could have, they would have done that. A truly sad day, truly a sad, sad day for all of us."

Miranda Bailey:

"On the morning of Sept. 11, 2001, I was in my third year of teaching and I was taking my daily walk through the halls

of Pampa High School. I stopped in the mail room to pick up my stuff, then after swinging by the counselor's office, I saw the television was on.

"I stopped to watch, and Mrs. Bobbie West told me a plane had hit the towers and another was on its way to the White House. We were all standing there in shock. I scurried back to my classroom, turned on the TV and watched it with my students in horror all day long."

"I cried so much both that day and the next day, that finally my husband made me turn off the T.V. for the next few days. The emotional turmoil was just ... too much. One month later I had the opportunity to visit Washington, D.C. I remember sitting in my plane seat and looking around at who was in the plane — imagining what those passengers had gone through weeks before. It was eerie. The streets of D.C. were blocked off in many places and there were very few visitors. It was the landscape of a new capitol city in a new era. An unforgettable fall."

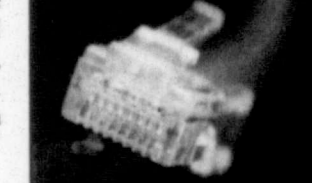
Jimmye Cole:

"I was in Dalhart, Tex. I was in my church office. I turned the radio on and heard that and it was just devastating. I had to sit down at the desk and try to get a feel. As I tried to understand that attack, there was that second plane, and then the one that crashed in Pennsylvania, the Pentagon. It just got worse and worse."

Don Hickman:

"It was my birthday, and I wanted to sleep in for work. I felt angry, disbelief, and knew it wasn't an accident."

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Bill Arrington:

"I was doing something, and my wife had it on, and she yelled, 'Come look at this,' and the planes hit the building on television."

"I felt just like I do for anybody. I have a lot of sympathy for (those affected). Just a great tragedy, horrible."

Buck Arrington:

"I was at the ranch, and my wife called me and said, 'Come here and look at this. They don't know what happened. All of the sudden the airplane flew into the building.' And while I was standing there watching TV, the second one hit."

"It's a terrible tragedy for someone to do that to America — tear up their buildings and kill all the people. I was in one of those buildings four years before that happened, at the very top. They were spectacular."

Deann Penland Pointer:

"I was in Liberal, Kan., at Seward County Community College in Microbiology class. I remember standing in the hall watching the news with the whole student body! Not a dry eye in the place. I could not shake the feeling that our Nation was on the way to changes that would leave epic marks in history."

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Viewpoints

Today in History

Today is Saturday, Sept. 10, the 253rd day of 2011. There are 112 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 10, 1813, an American naval force commanded by Oliver H. Perry defeated the British in the Battle of Lake Erie during the War of 1812.

On this date:

In 1608, John Smith was elected president of the Jamestown colony council in Virginia.

In 1846, Elias Howe received a patent for his sewing machine.

In 1919, New York City welcomed home Gen. John J. Pershing and 25,000 soldiers who'd served in the U.S. First Division during World War I.

In 1960, Hurricane Donna, a dangerous Category 4 storm eventually blamed for 364 deaths, struck the Florida Keys.

In 1961, a President Airlines DC-6B charter crashed after takeoff from Shannon, Ireland, killing all 83 people aboard. During the Italian Grand Prix, German driver Wolfgang von Trips lost control of his car and crashed into spectators, killing 14 of them as well as himself. (American Phil Hill won the race.)

In 1963, twenty black students entered Alabama public schools following a standoff between federal authorities and Gov. George C. Wallace.

In 1979, four Puerto Rican nationalists imprisoned for a 1954 attack on the U.S. House of Representatives and a 1950 attempt on the life of President Harry S. Truman were freed from prison after being granted clemency by President Jimmy Carter.

In 1987, Pope John Paul II arrived in Miami, where he was welcomed by President and Mrs. Reagan as he began a 10-day tour of the United States.

Ten years ago: A Marxist militant suicide bomber blew himself up in a popular Istanbul square, killing himself, two police officers and an Australian woman, Amanda Rigg.

Five years ago: On the eve of the anniversary of 9/11, President George W. Bush and his wife, Laura, placed wreaths at ground zero in New York. Daniel Smith, the 20-year-old son of Anna Nicole

One year ago: During a White House press conference, President Barack Obama blamed Republicans and election-year politics for thwarting his efforts to do more to spur a listless national economy.

Today's Birthdays: Golfer Arnold Palmer is 82. Actor Philip Baker Hall is 80. Actor Greg Mullavey is 72. Singer Danny Hutton (Three Dog Night) is 69. Singer Jose Feliciano is 66. Actor Tom Ligon is 66. Actress Judy Geeson is 63. Rock musician Joe Perry (Aerosmith) is 61. Actress Amy Irving is 58. Actress Kate Burton is 54. Movie director Chris Columbus is 53. Actor Colin Firth is 51. Rock singer-musician David Lowery (Cracker) is 51. Actor Sean O'Bryan is 48. Rock musician Robin Goodridge (Bush) is 46. Rock musician Stevie D. (Buckcherry) is 45. Actress Nina Repeta is 44. Movie director Guy Ritchie is 43. Contemporary Christian singer Sara Groves is 39. Actor Ryan Phillippe is 37. Rock musician Mikey Way (My Chemical Romance) is 31. Olympic bronze medal figure skater Timothy Goebel is 31. Rock musician Matthew Followill (Kings of Leon) is 27. Actress Hannah Hodson is 20.

Thought for Today: "If there is no knowledge, there is no understanding; if there is no understanding, there is no knowledge." — *The Talmud*

The enduring thing from 9/11? Enduring

I remember exactly where I was when the tragic events of September 11, 2001 first began to unfold.

I was a freshman at Wittenberg University in Ohio. I was asleep.

I was on the top bunk in my room in Ferncliff Hall, out like a light and more than a little hung over. I was at a party (with upperclassmen and everything) the night before, and suffice to say, had the alarm clock rang to wake me up for class, it would have met its end crashing against the door on the other side of the room a few seconds later.

But the alarm clock didn't ring. There was no class. I woke up to the voices of my roommate and another friend of ours, the two of them drowning out the sounds of a cable newscast with a slew of "Oh my Gods" and "Holy S%*#s."

The delivery may have been juvenile, but I think the sentiment fit.

At first, I thought they were watching a movie, the images of the Twin Towers cloaked in billowing black smoke nothing but CGI and Hollywood, too surreal — too unthinkable — to be actually happening. As I rubbed the sleep out of my eyes, though, the reality began to set in. This is *real*. This is *happening*. This is *going to change everything*.

The entire rest of that day was as hauntingly bizarre. All our classes were canceled, but no one was outside. Everyone around campus was glued to their TVs, their computers and any other outlet that could give us up-to-the-minute updates on what was happening in New York, at the Pentagon and near Shanksville, Pa.

A few people wondered aloud if we were safe, since Wright-Patterson, the largest Air Force base in the country, was just over 20 miles away and seemed like a logical target. Others speculated about when the forces at Wright-Pat would mobilize, and sure enough, we soon heard that choppy, echoing whir of spinning rotor blades, the helicopters casting shadows over us as they flew overhead. All the while, we just kept going without any real answers, an entire quad of college students just going through the motions of our day with this crazy, confused, sorrowful pallor painted over all of us.

My roommate's girlfriend, Amy,



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called him while we were on our way to lunch. Standing next to him, I could hear her voice over the phone; it sounded like she was crying, and I could picture the tears streaming down her flushed cheeks as she sobbed about when we'd go to war and how soon we'd all be drafted and sent off to who knows where. He didn't have any answers for her, just this vague, tepid reassurance that everything was going to be OK. I remember him looking at me as he said it, like he was asking me for backup. I shrugged, because honestly, I didn't know if he was right.

I guess that's what's most concretely vivid to me now, looking back at the whole thing: The uncertainty of it all. I was a kid, just arrived on campus barely a month before, freshly away from home and pushing off the dock to navigate the already murky waters of the rest of my life. Then 9/11 happened, and it multiplied the questions for me and all the rest of us. We'd been attacked on our own soil, and all of a sudden, that fog of reliable, invincible America was gone. What happens now? Are we truly safe? How does the country react? How does that affect me? Are we going to war? With who? Who would do this? Why? How does America bounce back from this? Will we all bounce back from this?

A lot of those questions were answered as the weeks and months wore on, some better than others. That last one, though, I got my answer to pretty quick.

Sept. 11, 2001, was a Tuesday. That next day, classes started back up, and everyone was back in their seats in the labs and the lecture halls. That Thursday, my friends and I played an intramural soccer game. On Friday, I had rehearsal for a play, and that weekend, a few of my buddies who were in a band played a show.

I remember just before all that stuff started, there was this quiet, collective pause. Everyone would

look at each other and nod, or smile, or bump fists or join hands or whatever, just a simple, quiet acknowledgment that we weren't going to let the terrible, terrible events of a few days prior keep us from forging ahead. We'd do it together, supporting each other and holding our heads high. We'd help each other deal with our anger or sadness or fear or depression or angst or whatever else you could throw at us. We'd heal. We'd rebuild, and we'll be stronger. We can overcome. We have to.

Maybe that was just the naivete of youth talking, or maybe it was just that we all wanted something else to think about. But I saw that happening everywhere, from the faces of the firemen and the doctors on the news to those long, quiet hugs before family gatherings to the first pitch of a baseball game on TV. It wasn't much and it was usually silent, but you could feel it. It was America telling each other that we're all in it together, and that this didn't end us, and that we can do this.

That's the thing that endures with me even now, ten years after the fact, without even having to think about it. How we all helped each other through it. How we all found the inner strength to carry on as one and show the world that such an evil, cowardly act would not mean the breaking of the American will. How we all bounced back together.

I've been thinking for a few days about that one moment, the one where my roommate looks at me while he's on the phone with his girlfriend. I wish now that I had the wherewithal to nod back, smile and put my hand on his shoulder. I still don't know if it's fair to say that everything would be "fine"; after all, so many lives were lost and countless more were changed that day. But here we still are, ten years later, coming together to pay tribute to those who gave the ultimate sacrifice then, and coming together to support one another as we look to tomorrow. Here we are, us Americans — we're still strong, we're still together, and no one, no matter the heinous deed they use to threaten to injure our spirit, can ever take that away.

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You can't go home again, just visit briefly

You Can't Go Home Again

Regular readers of this column know that one of my pet peeves is when people who grew up here come back for a brief visit, constantly bemoaning that "Pampa isn't what it used to be."

I have no quarrel with that sentiment—what is? What bugs me is that it is usually stated in an accusatory tone as if the speaker is charging those of us who live here currently—including those who never left and those who returned to make their living here—with letting them down.

Records are pretty clear that once we had a larger population, an active mall, a more vibrant downtown. Does that mean the town is "worse", now?

It's certainly not alone. Look at any town its size in a rural area and you will find the same. Heck, look at Amarillo. It has continued to grow in population—and prosper, but I remember when it had a thriving downtown retail business, and two very active malls.

(Yes, I am really that old. And if you think times haven't changed, consider this. In the heyday of Sunset Center, there was a "Kiddie Korner" in the mall where cartoons were shown constantly. Kids would be left there—without any adult supervision—while the parents shopped. I also remember the soda fountain at "Wooly's" where the waitress would bring you water in a paper cup sitting in a pewter holder. That is, the cup was sitting in the holder, not the waitress.)

But to get back to the point. A few weeks ago a friend came to visit. Among other things, we visited the Coney where she had a piece of pie and took a terrific picture which she later posted on Facebook.

In particular, I appreciated the quote by Sam Ewing she included with the photo. It expressed what I have wanted to say to all those prodigals who long

Chamber Music



JOE WEAVER

around

If you've driven down Ballard-Duncan the last few weeks, you have spotted some activity and changes at the "Putt-A-Round" miniature golf course. (Unless you are like my wife, who only notices things specifically pointed out to her—and then only some of the time!)

The Salvation Army is now managing that property with the intention of using it as a Boys and Girls Club—a place for kids to congregate in a good atmosphere. That's all we can say right now, but we will keep you posted.

Know any good lawyer jokes?

I met with a couple of legal professionals this week and it looks like I'll stay out of jail after all.

No, wait! I meant to say that we are working on putting together some "Lunch and Learn" events where specific legal topics—employment issues, contracts, etc—will be covered during the lunch hour. We will keep you posted on that as well.

(And I'm dying to say something like "There are no good lawyer jokes

because there aren't any good lawyers", but I'll restrain myself in light of the situation!)

Congrats...

...to Eric Byrne, recently hired by the Golden Spread Council of the Boy Scouts of America as Executive of the Adobe Walls district. He has been traveling the area recruiting leaders for Packs and Troops, and encouraging boys and parents to get involved in Boy Scouts. If you (or a boy you know) would like to get involved, call Eric at 806.584.8045

United we stand

Pampa United Way campaign is off and running. Lots of good is done by the local entities involved, so be generous when a campaign worker comes calling. And if one doesn't come calling, you can bring your contribution to the office (located in our building at 200 N Ballard) or send it to PO Box 2076.

What's in a name...

Dam it, it seems like whenever I collect a good name, I put it in a place far away from where I write my column. However, this week I met a man with a name I have never heard, though it is composed of two very common words.

I have heard of Littlefield, Brownfield, Smithfield, Greenfield, Wakefield, Oldfield, and just plain Field, but I have never heard of a Troublefield until this week.

David Troublefield is the new Minister of Education at First Baptist Church and we welcome him to Pampa. But I wonder what his ancestors did to warrant a name like that.

Joe Weaver is the Executive Director of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce.

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Enrollment for Texas Tuition Promise Fund open

AUSTIN — The annual enrollment period for the Texas Tuition Promise Fund, the state's prepaid college tuition program began Sept. 1 and runs through Feb. 29, 2012. For parents who are concerned about squeezing college savings into a tight family budget, the Texas Tuition Promise Fund may be the answer.

"This program helps ease parents' worries about rising college costs by letting them prepay all or part of their children's undergraduate tuition and required fees at Texas public colleges or universities at today's prices," said Texas Comptroller Susan Combs.

Families enrolled in the Texas Tuition Promise Fund purchase prepaid "units" that can later be used toward undergraduate tuition and required fees at schools ranging from Texas

public community colleges to four-year, in-state universities. Prices are based on 2011-12 academic year costs for the state's public colleges.

• Type I units, priced for tuition and required fees for the most expensive public four-year school in Texas, cost \$111.68 per unit.

• Type II units, based on the weighted average cost of tuition and required fees across all Texas public four-year schools, cost \$79.70 per unit.

• Type III units, priced at the weighted average cost of tuition and required fees across all Texas public two-year schools, cost \$20.54 each.

Under the plan, 100 units equal one academic year consisting of 30 semester hours of tuition and required fees at the Texas public school that most closely matches the pricing

base. Families can prepay for up to six years (600 Type I units or the equivalent amount of Type II and III units) of undergraduate tuition and required fees. The plan's payment

options include lump sum payments, installment payments that include 8 percent interest or a pay-as-you-go plan that allows parents to gradually add more units when the family budget

allows. Payments start as low as \$15 after an account is established by paying a one-time fee of \$25 and purchasing at least one unit. For more information about the prepaid col-

lege tuition program, including a college cost calculator, go to www.TexasTuitionPromiseFund.com or call (800) 445-GRAD (4723), Option 5.

Sunday in History

Today is Sunday, Sept. 11, the 254th day of 2011. There are 111 days left in the year. This is Patriot Day.

Today's Highlight in History:

Ten years ago, on Sept. 11, 2001, America saw its worst day of terrorism as 19 al-Qaida terrorists hijacked four passenger jetliners. Two smashed into New York's World Trade Center, causing the twin towers to fall; one jetliner plowed into the Pentagon; and the fourth was crashed into a field in western Pennsylvania. In all, nearly 3,000 people were killed.

On this date:

In 1777, during the American Revolution, forces under Gen. George Washington were defeated by the British in the Battle of Brandywine.

In 1814, an American fleet scored a decisive victory over the British in the Battle of Lake Champlain in the War of 1812.

In 1857, the Mountain Meadows Massacre took place in present-day southern Utah as a 120-member Arkansas immigrant party was slaughtered by Mormon militiamen aided by Paiute Indians.

In 1911, California State University, Fresno, was established as Fresno State Normal School.

In 1936, Boulder Dam (now Hoover Dam) began operation as President Franklin D. Roosevelt pressed a key in Washington to signal the startup of the dam's first hydroelectric generator.

In 1941, groundbreaking took place for the Pentagon, now headquarters of the U.S. Department of Defense. In a speech that drew accusations of anti-Semitism, Charles A. Lindbergh told an America First rally in Des Moines, Iowa, that "the British, the Jewish and the Roosevelt administration" were pushing the United States toward war.

In 1961, Hurricane Carla struck the coast of Texas as a Category 4 storm; Carla was blamed for 46 deaths in Texas, Louisiana, Kansas and Missouri.

In 1971, former Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev died at age 77.

In 1973, Chilean President Salvador Allende died in a violent military coup.

In 2003, actor John Ritter died six days before his 55th birthday at Providence St. Joseph Medical Center in Burbank, Calif. - the same hospital where he was born in 1948.

Five years ago: The nation paused to remember the victims of 9/11 on the fifth anniversary of the

terrorist attacks. In a prime-time address, President George W. Bush invoked the memory of the victims as he staunchly defended the war in Iraq, though he acknowledged that Saddam Hussein was not responsible for the 9/11 attacks.

One year ago: Speaking at the Pentagon, President Barack Obama appealed to the nation to honor the memory of the Sept. 11 victims by heaving to the values of diversity and tolerance. In New York, a morning ceremony of remembrance gave way to an afternoon of protests and counter-protests over a proposed Islamic center near ground zero. A gunman in rural eastern Kentucky killed five people before turning the shotgun on himself. Kim Clijsters won a second consecutive U.S. Open championship and third overall, easily beating Vera Zvonareva (zvahn-uh-RAY'-vuh) 6-2, 6-1. Actor Kevin McCarthy, 96, died in Hyannis, Mass.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Betsy Drake is 88. Sen. Daniel Akaka, D-Hawaii, is 87. Actor Earl Holliman is 83. Comedian Tom Dreesen is 72. Movie director Brian De Palma is 71. Rock singer-musician Jack Ely (The Kingsmen) is 68. Rock musician Mickey Hart (The Dead) is 68. Singer-musician Leo Kottke is 66. Actor Phillip Alford is 63. Actress Amy Madigan is 61. Rock singer-musician Tommy Shaw (Styx) is 58. Sports reporter Lesley Visser is 58. Actor Reed Birney is 57. Singer-songwriter Diane Warren is 55. Musician Jon Moss (Culture Club) is 54. Actor Scott Patterson is 53. Rock musician Mick Talbot (The Style Council) is 53. Actress Roxann Dawson is 53. Actor John Hawkes is 52. Actress Anne Ramsay is 51. Actress Virginia Madsen is 50. Actress Kristy McNichol is 49. Musician-composer Moby is 46. Business reporter Maria Bartiromo is 44. Singer Harry Connick Jr. is 44. Rock musician Bart Van Der Zeeuw is 43. Actress Taraji P. Henson is 41. Actress Laura Wright is 41. Rock musician Jeremy Popoff (Lit) is 40. Blogger Markos Moulitsas is 40. Singer Brad Fischetti (LFO) is 36. Rapper Mr. Black is 34. Rock musician Jon Buckland (Coldplay) is 34. Rapper Ludacris is 34. Rock singer Ben Lee is 33. Actor Ryan Slattery is 33. Actor Tyler Hoechlin (HEK'-lihn) is 24. Country singer Charles Kelley (Lady Antebellum) is 30.

Thought for Today: "A hero is no braver than an ordinary man, but he is braver five minutes longer." Ralph Waldo Emerson, American poet and essayist (1803-1882)

Polygamist sect leader's daughter sentenced

HOUSTON (AP) - A polygamist sect leader's daughter was sentenced to three years in prison after pleading guilty to a charge relating to the shotgun killings in Texas of an 8-year-old girl and three sect members who had left the church, U.S. Attorney Jose Angel Moreno said Thursday.

Jacqueline LeBaron, the daughter of Utah polygamist Ervil LeBaron, was originally indicted in 1992 but was a fugitive for almost 20 years before being arrested last year in Honduras. She had faced 14 counts, including murder, and could have faced life in prison.

But she pleaded guilty in June to conspiracy to obstruct religious beliefs as part of an agreement with prosecutors. LeBaron, 46, faced up to five years in prison but received a lesser sentence from U.S. District Court Judge Sim Lake, Moreno said in a news release.

Before entering her plea in June, she expressed remorse, telling Lake: "I'm very sorry this happened."

Jacqueline LeBaron was among six family members charged in the killings. Authorities say she and her family were following their sect's doctrine of blood atonement, in which defectors were killed. The U.S. attorney's office has said that Jacqueline LeBaron assisted her siblings in the plot by giving them travel money.

Moreno said LeBaron had admitted that in May 1988 that she followed the instructions of her brother and gave her sister \$500, telling her to go to Houston and prepare for the murders of the "Sons of Perdition."

Ervil LeBaron had created the Church of the First Born of the Lamb of God in the 1970s. He taught that anyone who left the church would be called the "Sons of Perdition" and should be killed, Moreno said.

Former sect members Duane Chynoweth, Mark Chynoweth and Ed Marston had left the church after Ervil LeBaron was convicted in Utah for murder. While in prison, Ervil LeBaron drew up a document stating that the three had become "Sons of Perdition" and ordered his remaining followers - mostly his wives and children - to kill them. Ervil LeBaron died in prison in 1981, but his orders were

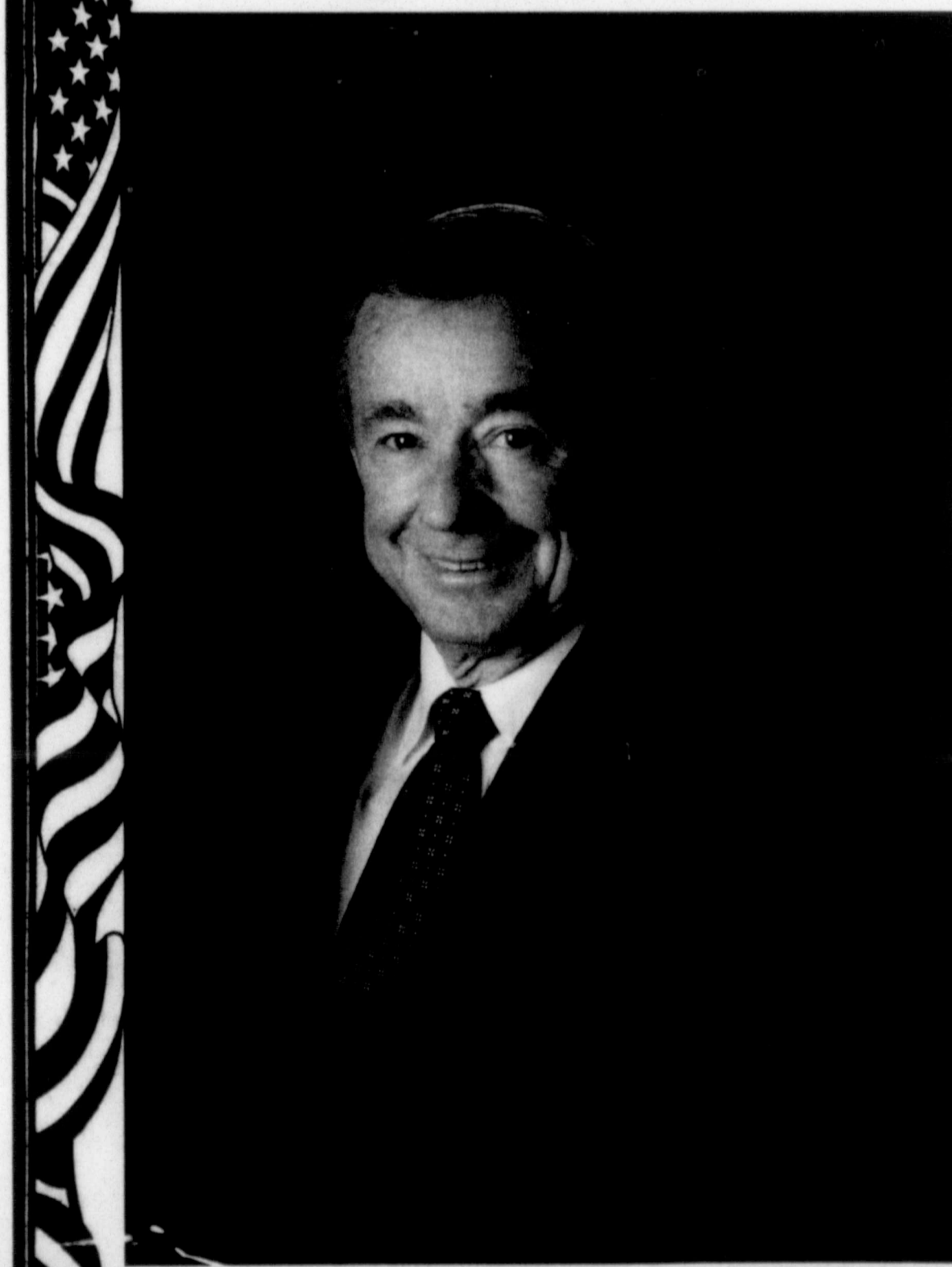
preached after his death.

In June 1988 in Houston, Mark Chynoweth was fatally shot three times by one of Jacqueline LeBaron's brothers. At another location in the city, two other siblings shot and killed Duane Chynoweth and his 8-year-old daughter Jenny. Authorities said the girl was killed because she witnessed her father's death.

At about the same time, Marston was shot at an appliance business in the Dallas suburb of Irving. He died of his injuries about four hours later. All the victims were shot in the head.

Jacqueline LeBaron is the last defendant to be convicted in this case. She was also ordered by the judge to pay \$134,000 in restitution to the victims.

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ACT test rescheduled

The Saturday, Sept. 10, 2011 administration of the ACT, scheduled to be given at Clarendon College, Clarendon, has been cancelled.

The rescheduled test date is Saturday, Sept. 17.

This change is only for those examinees registered at Clarendon College.

Prayer

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early morning prayer time would be good, too."

The event was championed, Nachtigall said, by Jimmie Cole of the Church of the Nazarene. Cole said that he wanted to hold the event to give Pampans another chance to commune with God during an appropriate time.

"I'm one of many who believe that prayer is vital," Cole said. "It's communication, not only to talk to the Lord, tell him our needs, tell him our troubles, praise him and worship him, but also to hear him tell us, 'I'm here for you. I'm rooting for you. I'm going to put protection around you. I'm going to cover you.'"

"It's communication on both sides. We're talking to him and we're hearing back from him so we know he's in control no matter what the economy is, no

matter what the politics of the government does, no matter the world affairs. We want to let people know that Christ is committed to them and that we're committed to Christ."

The event, Cole said, also serves to remind people of their strength through faith.

"We're doing this to bring attention and awareness to the fact that, even though the attacks came ten years ago, we believe it's the goal of the terrorist organizations around the world to strike fear and undermine America's Christian beliefs," he said. "We're doing this to say to the world and to Pampa that Christian faith is important. It's what our nation was founded on. We're not going to let their attempts at terror and fear to shake our faith in God."

Concert

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Goode said. "We have a broad range of artists who will be performing."

"There's Billy Dean, which will be a country music performance. We'll have the Chris Burton Jacome Flamenco Ensemble in October. We have Edgar Cruz, who has been here before. They call him a 'guitar extraordinaire,' and once you see him, you'll agree with that term. We also have a gentleman from Canada who'll have something we haven't really had before. He does this kind of R&B soul stuff. He has a really melodic voice. I'm really anxious for him. And we'll end with a John Denver tribute."

As for this Thursday's concert, Goode said that Dean's performance is one she particularly looks forward to.

"He's been songwriter of the year for the Academy of Country Music," Goode said. "He's won New Vocalist of the Year. He's won some BMI pop awards. He's been around a while, and he's still popular, still very melodic. I've been told by a lot of people who have watched him that he is a very comfortable

artist to listen to. He really makes the audience part of the group."

Dean, Goode said, is one of many artists who represent the Community Concert Association's effort to broaden the scope of musical acts it brings to Pampa.

"The Community Concert was originally primarily classical acts," she said. "We've tried to bring it into more current stuff, contemporary stuff that people like to listen to now. That's why you see the country music performers like Billy Dean coming in. We had Buddy Jewell last year. We're trying to expand our audience and give Pampa something else to do besides sit in front of their TVs."

Doors for Thursday's show open at 7 p.m. Tickets for the Community Concerts are \$40 per adult for the season (including five shows in Pampa, along with three in Borger and four in Plainview) or \$20 for each individual show. Tickets are available at the door at any of the concerts and at the Chamber of Commerce, as well as in the mail by sending payment to P.O. Box 1935.

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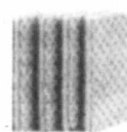
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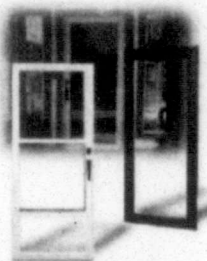
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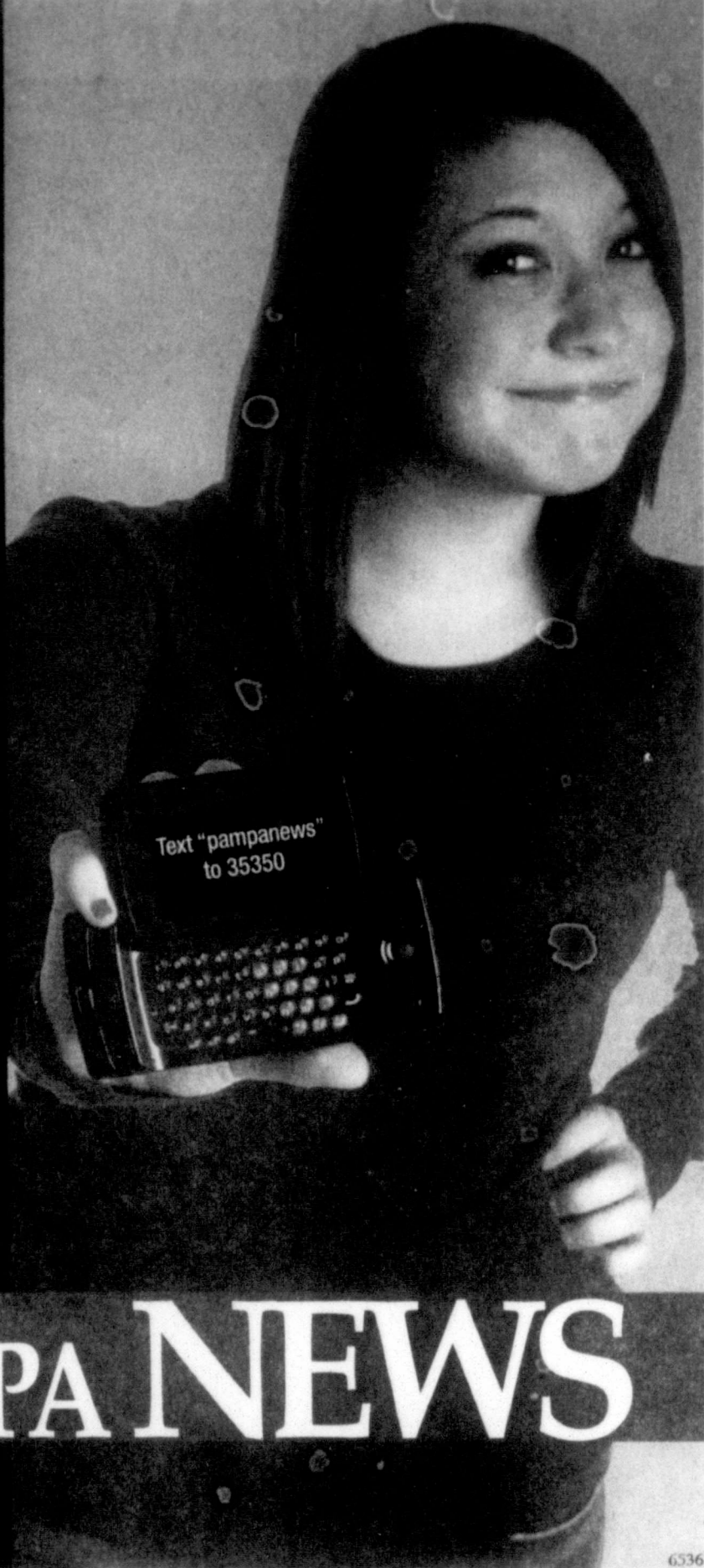
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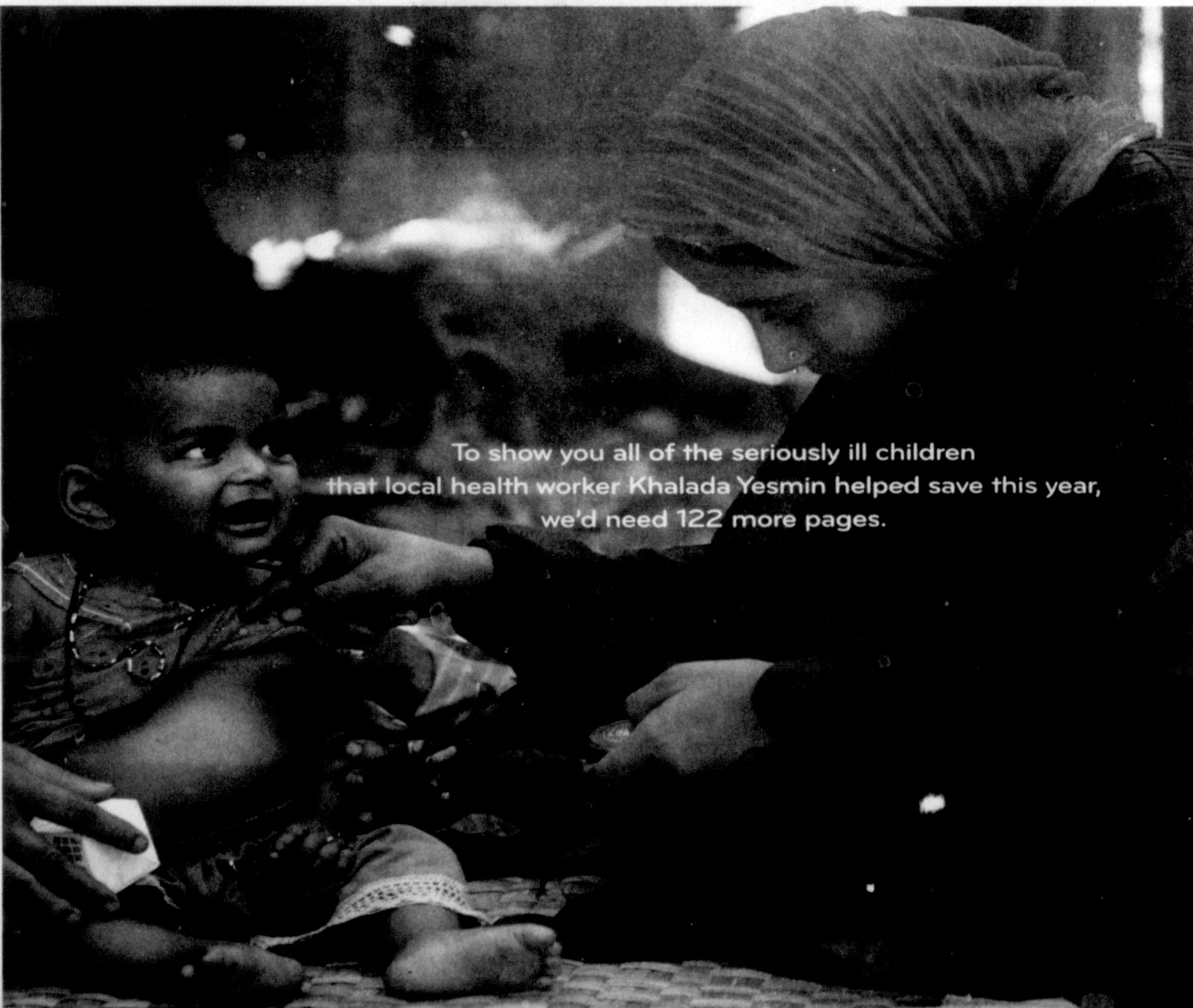
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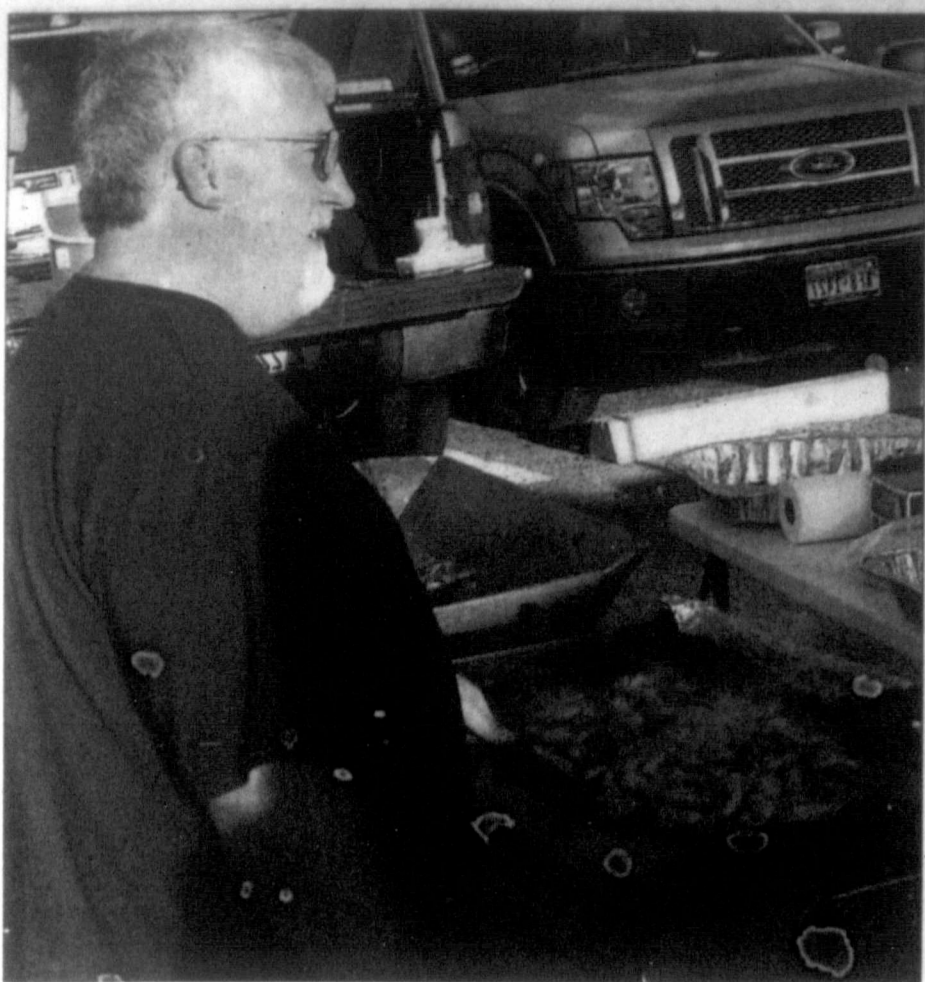
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Robert Dixon of the Softball Booster Club fries up the filling for one of the club's renowned "Fastpitch Fajitas" before the Pampa Harvesters' home-opening game against the Randall Raiders.

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Frustration for fire evacuees

BASTROP (AP) — Residents left homeless by a massive Central Texas wildfire turned their attention Friday to what they need to move forward, with some voicing frustration over a perceived delay in federal response even as early signs of recovery appeared in reopened neighborhoods.

Firefighters focused on extinguishing hotspots and had isolated remaining flames from the blaze that has burned for almost a week in and around the city of Bastrop, destroying nearly 1,400 homes and sweeping across about 45 square miles of rain-starved landscape.

"We believe the forward progress (of the fire) has been stopped, thank God for that," Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst told evacuated residents gathered at the fire command center.

Still, thousands of evacuees were prevented from returning to their homes for a sixth day because trees continued to burn underground, loose power lines hung from scorched poles and more than 800 firefighters were working tamp down the remainder

of the fire 25 miles east of Austin.

"It's just really frustrating," said Dee Redenius, 40, who came to the fire command center for answers. "You want to know if your house is there or if it's not ... They don't let you in, you know. You can't get assistance."

Dewhurst said the state is working with the Federal Emergency Management Agency and state emergency management personnel on specific fire declarations. FEMA spokeswoman Rachel Racusen said on Friday the agency "received the first request from the governor for individual aid to help Texas residents whose homes were damaged or destroyed in the fires, or who suffered other personal losses."

FEMA "will work with the White House to review this request as expeditiously as possible," she said.

Dewhurst also made a public plea for President Barack Obama to make a major disaster declaration that he said would remove red tape and give the state access to more resources.

"I have just signed another letter asking (Obama) again to make a major disaster declaration for the state of Texas. We need help yesterday ... Mr. President, we need a state-wide disaster declaration right away," Dewhurst said. A message left with the White House was not immediately returned, but Obama has said the requests for additional assistance would be quickly assessed.

Texas is in the midst of its worst wildfire outbreak in state history. A perilous mix of hot temperatures, strong winds and a historic drought spawned the Bastrop-area fire, the largest of the nearly 190 wildfires the state forest service says erupted this week, killing four people, destroying more than 1,700 homes and forcing

thousands to evacuate.

The Texas Forest Service said Friday that the Bastrop fire had racked up a bill of at least \$1.2 million so far. But the agency cautioned the figure was an early estimate and was expected to climb. The early price tag includes firefighting costs but not damage caused by the blaze.

A DC-10 jet originally meant to dump fire retardant on the Central Texas wildfires was diverted Friday to help firefighters with a stubborn 22,000-acre blaze straddling three rural counties northwest of Houston. The fire in Montgomery, Grimes and Waller counties forced some people in the area to leave their homes, but was not threatening any towns or cities, Texas Forest Service spokesman Ralph Collum said.

In Bastrop, tables set up at the entrance to a neighborhood reopened a day earlier filled up with donated clothing and toiletries, a first aid station was assembled and streets began to buzz with tree-trimming crews and building contractors.

Officials also announced that schools would reopen Monday. But Bastrop Independent School District superintendent Steve Murray said, "We anticipate the homeless student count in Bastrop ISD to triple, quadruple or even more."

To deal with that, school officials were developing plans to pick up students at hotels, shelters and other locations.

Monica Turner, 34, was growing more frustrated every day. She had seen photographs of her family's house in ashes.

"We have pictures, but pictures don't do any good when you need to have closure and you need to see it face to face," she said. "I need to have that closure so that I can go and move on."



staff photo by Mollie Bryant

Construction crews with Rod Bowers construction began work on Pampa Regional Medical Center's new heliport on Wednesday. Project manager Russ Howell estimated that work on the facility will be complete in about six months.

Heliport

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while grant funding from the Texas Department of Transportation and the Emergency Services Foundation finalized the deal.

"It's been a long two years. This project started after we started EMS. It will have living quarters and a place to house the \$4 million helicopter," said Anstey.

Russ Howell, project manager of Rod Bowers construction, estimates that construction of the 9,900 square foot heliport will be completed in about six months.

"It will have a hangar for the Lifestar helicopter, three ambulance bays, a kitchen, quarters for the crew and a second area above, with provisions for an elevator," said Howell.

The heliport will go into use after construction, with the possibility of future development of the structure's second floor.

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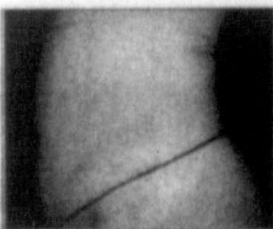
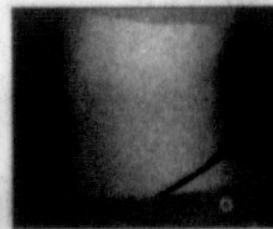
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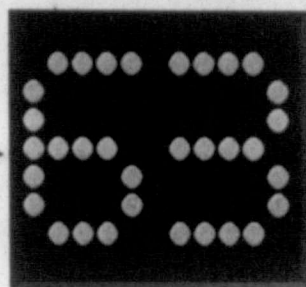
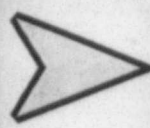
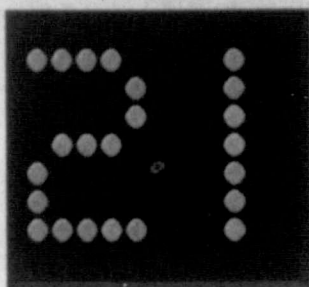
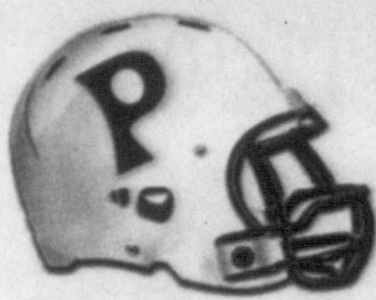
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RANDALL
Raiders

Four first half turnovers doom Harvesters vs. Raiders



Senior Latigo Collins drags his foot to keep it in the end zone for a touchdown. Collins scored two touchdowns, but the Harvesters lost 63-21.

ANDREW GLOVER
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Earlier in the week Pampa head coach Heath Parker said his team couldn't give the Randall Raiders anything easy if it was going to win. Unfortunately, the Pampa Harvesters turned the ball over four times leading to 28 points scored by Randall in a 63-21 loss Friday at Harvester Field.

Parker said Randall's defense was as good as advertised.

"I felt like Randall was going to be awfully good at the beginning of the game," Parker said. "They lived up to that expectation."

The Harvesters' first possession ended quickly as Reid Miller threw a pass behind the line of scrimmage that was recovered by Randall's Trey Ingram. The Raiders took advantage with Collin Bowen scoring on an eight-yard run.

Pampa was able to move the ball on their second possession, but the drive stalled at the Raiders 17. Senior kicker Colten Adams missed a 24-yard field goal giving Randall the ball at their own 20. The Raiders used some trickery as Logan Brittan flicked it back to Bowen, who then threw it to Tristen Woods, who was

wide open for a 66-yard touchdown.

The Harvesters weren't able to do anything on their next possession. However, Adams punted the ball 59 yards to the Raider 20. Still, that wouldn't stop the Raiders from adding to their lead. Bowen fumbled the snap, but got a pass off to Logan Brittan, who took it the rest of the way for a 79-yard touchdown.

The Raiders' defense put points on the board when Miller fumbled and Jordan Davis recovered and returned it for a 14-yard touchdown. The Harvesters trailed 28-0 after the first quarter.

Nathan Fuentes said Randall was fast but the offense made mistakes.

"They were fast but they were stoppable," Fuentes said.

The second quarter didn't get better for Pampa. The Raiders scored on their first possession of the quarter when Ty Stewart ran for a one-yard touchdown. Ryan Backus converted a fourth and three to keep the drive going. Randall's defense struck again when Austin Castillo picked off a pass and returned it for a 54-yard touchdown. The Raiders led 49-0 at halftime.

The Harvesters got on the board with 1:21 left in the third when Miller threw a 68-yard pass to

senior Latigo Collins. The two connected for another touchdown in the fourth from 14 yards out.

Parker said he told his team at halftime to come together in the second half and felt like it did.

"The two things I asked of the team was to love each other and care about the team and not themselves, to step up in their role and try as hard as they could in the second half. I think they did that."

The Harvesters (1-2) visit Wichita Falls Hirschi Friday. Collins said the team just needs to go back to work.

"We just got to come in Monday and practice hard for a week," Collins said.

GAME AT A GLANCE

Randall 63, Pampa 21

Records: Pampa 1-2, 0-0; Randall 3-0, 0-0;

It was over when: The Harvesters offense turned the ball over four times in the first half.

Game ball goes to: Colten Adams, Sr. Adams had two solid punts and was perfect on extra points.

Teams	1	2	3	4	F
Randall	21	28	7	7	63
Pampa	0	0	7	14	21

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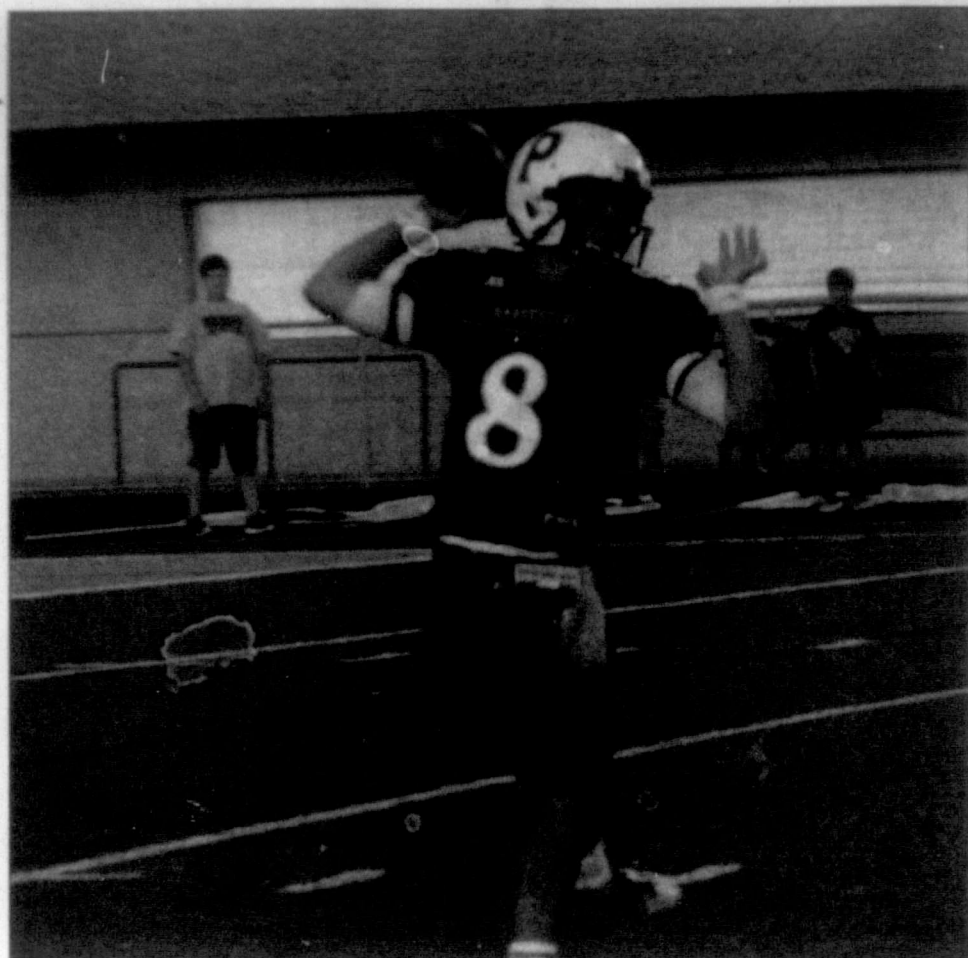
Sports

Pampa sports action in the week of September 5-9



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Senior Caitlin Sieck dives for the ball against Canyon Tuesday. The Lady Harvesters won in five games and beat a ranked team for the first time.



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Senior quarterback Reid Miller throws a pass against Randall in the first half. Miller threw for two touchdowns but also had two turnovers.

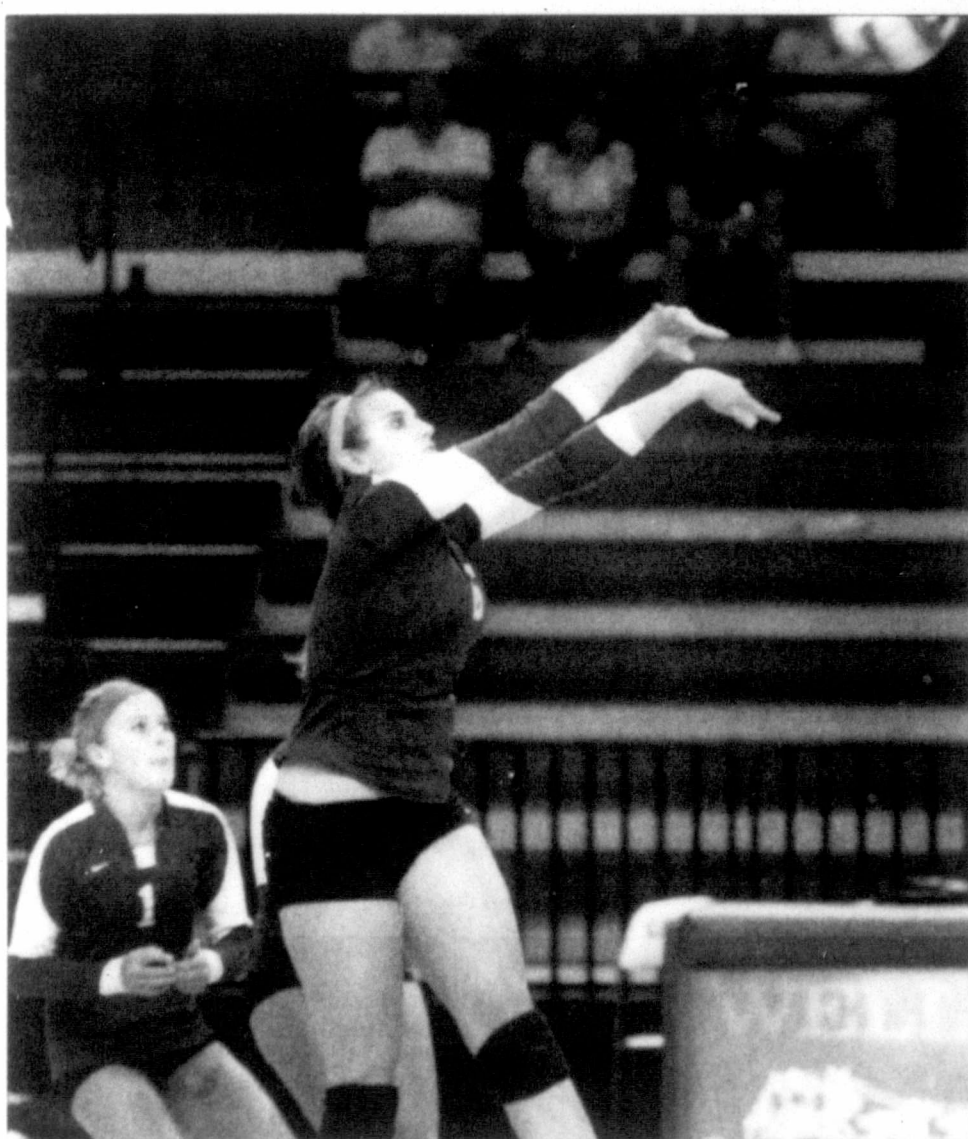


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Senior Stephanie Allen attempts to power a ball over the net against Canyon Tuesday in Canyon. The Lady Harvesters won their second straight.

this week in SPORTS:

SEP 12 Monday

- Late Night Scramble, Hidden Hills
- Tennis League, 7 & 8:30 p.m., Pampa Youth Center

SEP 13 Tuesday

- Pampa High School JV/Volleyball vs. Amarillo/Tascosa games start at 6 p.m., Amarillo
- PHS Tennis vs. Borger, 4 p.m., Borger
- PJHS Eighth Grade Football vs. Plainview, 5 p.m., Plainview
- PJHS Seventh Grade Football vs. Plainview, 5 p.m., Harvester Field
- Recreation Softball, games start at 7 p.m., Softball Complex

SEP 14 Wednesday

- Hidden Hills Senior Scramble, Hidden Hills

SEP 15 Thursday

- Pampa Tennis vs. Dumas, 4 p.m., PHS tennis courts
- Pampa Freshman Football vs. Tulia, Games 7:30 p.m., Tulia
- PJHS White Team Football vs. Gruver, games start at 5, Gruver
- Recreation Softball, games start at 7 p.m., Softball Complex

SEP 16 Friday

- Pampa Football vs. Wichita Falls Hirschi, 7:30 p.m., Wichita Falls Hirschi
- Lefors Football vs. Higgins 7:30 p.m. Lefors
- PHS Golf Hereford Invitational, Hereford

SEP 17 Saturday

- Pampa Tennis vs. Perryton, 9 a.m., Perryton
- PJHS Eighth Grade Volleyball Tournament, Borger
- PHS Golf Hereford Invitational, Hereford

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Sports

WEEKLY SCOREBOARD

Varsity Football

SCORES

FRIDAY

TEAM	1	2	3	4	Final
Randall	28	21	7	7	63
Pampa	0	0	7	14	21

Scoring Summary

First Quarter

R C. Bowen eight-yard run (Wilkerson kick) 9:50

R T. Woods 66-yard pass from C. Bowen (Wilkerson kick) 4:03

R L. Brittan 79-yard pass from C. Bowen (Wilkerson kick) 1:03

R J. Davis 14-yard fumble return (Wilkerson kick) 1:3

Second Quarter

R T. Stewart 1-yd run (Wilkerson kick) 5:29

R A. Castillo 54-yard interception (Wilkerson kick) 1:49

R L. Brittan five-yard pass from Bowen (Wilkerson kick) 24.3

Third Quarter

R Junell one-yard run (Wilkerson kick) 4:44

P L. Collins 68-yard pass from Miller (Adams kick) 1:21

Fourth Quarter

P L. Collins 14-yard pass from Miller (Adams kick) 9:14

R J. Juarez 26-yard run (Wilkerson kick) 4:40

P R. Miller 5-yard run (Adams kick) 13:0

Individual Statistics

RUSHING—Randall, T. Stewart 9-40, T. Junell 11-82, R. Backus 2-5, C. Bowen 5-50, S. Kastning 2-17, J.D. Allen 1-(minus 8), J. Juarez 10-63, A. Castillo 2-4, Pampa, F. Jackson 13-49, L. Collins 1-2, R. Miller 9-18, S. Smith 9-14.
PASSING—Randall, Bowen 7-9-0-177, Pampa Miller 14-25-1-248.
RECEIVING—Randall, S. Kastning 2-9, T. Woods 2-70, L. Brittan 3-88 Pampa, T. Woods 1-8, L. Collins 11-228, R. Smith 1-15, F. Jackson 2-2

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 Dalhart 44 Brownfield 6
 West Texas 40 White Deer 13

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STANDINGS

DISTRICT 1-3A

School	DW	DL	D%	W	L	%
Dalhart	0	0	.000	3	0	1.000
Pampa	0	0	.000	1	2	.333
Perryton	0	0	.000	1	2	.333
Borger	0	0	.000	1	2	.333

DISTRICT SIX-MAN DIVISION II-1

School	DW	DL	D%	W	L	%
Lefors	0	0	.000	2	0	1.000
Miami	0	0	.000	2	1	.667
Darrouzett	0	0	.000	1	2	0.333

DISTRICT SIX-MAN DIVISION I-1

School	DW	DL	D%	W	L	%
Follett	0	0	.000	2	1	.667
Valley	0	0	.000	2	1	.667
Hart	0	0	.000	1	1	.500
Kress	0	0	.000	1	1	.500
McLean	0	0	.000	0	3	.000

DISTRICT 1-1A DIVISION II

School	DW	DL	D%	W	L	%
Booker	0	0	.000	2	1	.667
Vega	0	0	.000	1	2	.333
Gruver	0	0	.000	1	2	.333
White Deer	0	0	.000	0	3	.000

DISTRICT 2-1A DIVISION II

School	DW	DL	D%	W	L	%
Claude	0	0	.000	3	0	1.000
Wellington	0	0	.000	3	0	1.000
Memphis	0	0	.000	1	2	.333
Shamrock	0	0	.000	1	2	.333
Wheeler	0	0	.000	0	3	.000

Junior Varsity Football

THURSDAY

Randall 54 Pampa 0

Freshman Football

THURSDAY

Randall 20 Pampa 14

Erick Kuehne-safety
 Kristian Vizcaino 1 yard TD run
 Tyler Hooper 1 yard TD run

Junior High Football

THURSDAY

Lefors 43 Darrouzett 12

Junior Varsity Volleyball

SATURDAY

Team	1	2
Pampa	12	20
Randall	25	25
Team	1	2
Pampa	22	12
Frenship	25	25
Team	1	2
Pampa	25	22
Perryton	10	25
Team	1	2
Pampa	25	25
River Road	12	19

TUESDAY

Team	1	2
Pampa	10	17
Canyon	25	25

Freshman Volleyball

SATURDAY

Team	1	2
Pampa	25	25
Lubbock	10	18
Team	1	2
Pampa	22	14
Canyon	25	25
Team	1	2
Pampa	21	25
Tascosa	25	23
Team	1	2
Pampa	15	5
Amarillo	25	25

Recreation Leagues

FALL SOFTBALL STANDINGS

MIXED D1	Conf.	Overall
Comac Well Service	0-0	3-1
Brock	0-0	2-2
GPCH	0-0	2-2
FBI	0-0	2-2
Outlaws	0-0	1-3
MIXED D2	Conf.	Overall

Devoll Investments	0-0	4-0
Hudson Tire Pros	0-0	2-2
Chief Plastics	0-0	1-3
NOV	0-0	1-3

SCORES

TUESDAY

GPCH 10 Comac Well Service 7
 FBI 19 Brock 3
 FBI 14 Outlaws 12
 Comac Well Service 11 Brock 4
 Outlaws 14 GPCH 13

THURSDAY

Devoll Investments 24 Chief Plastics 13
 Hudson Tire Pros 12 NOV 3
 Devoll Investments 5 NOV 2
 Hudson Tire Pros 16 Chief Plastics 10

Country Club

Top O' Texas Tournament

Championship Flight

First (277): Daniel Heuston
 Second (280): Shawn Reeves
 Third (283): Michael Pruitt
 Fourth (284): Scott Rundell
 Fifth (285): J.D. Dickerson, Joel Burleson

Presidents Flight

First (214): Aaron Simon
 Second (226): Tim Whipkey, Terry Hall
 Fourth (229): Ryan Zemanek, Max Simon
 Sixth (232): Dale McIlroy

Governor's Flight

First (230): Dr. Butch Buck
 Second (233): Kelly Everson
 Third (235): David McGill
 Fourth (237): Shane Bridwell, Joey Montoya

Sixth (243): Mike Hooper, Roy Don Stephens

Second Flight

First: Jack Curtis
 Second: Kenny Steward
 Third: Dale Sillivent, Kirk Kerbo
 Fourth: Kevin Walcher, Tim Brown

Third Flight

First: Jacob Mayfield
 Second: Terry Garner
 Third: Cullen Allen
 Fourth: Bill Bridges

Fourth Flight

First: Sam Steen
 Second: Bruce Norris
 Third: Lonny Fowler
 Fourth: Dano Saenz

Junior high football kickoff around Gray County

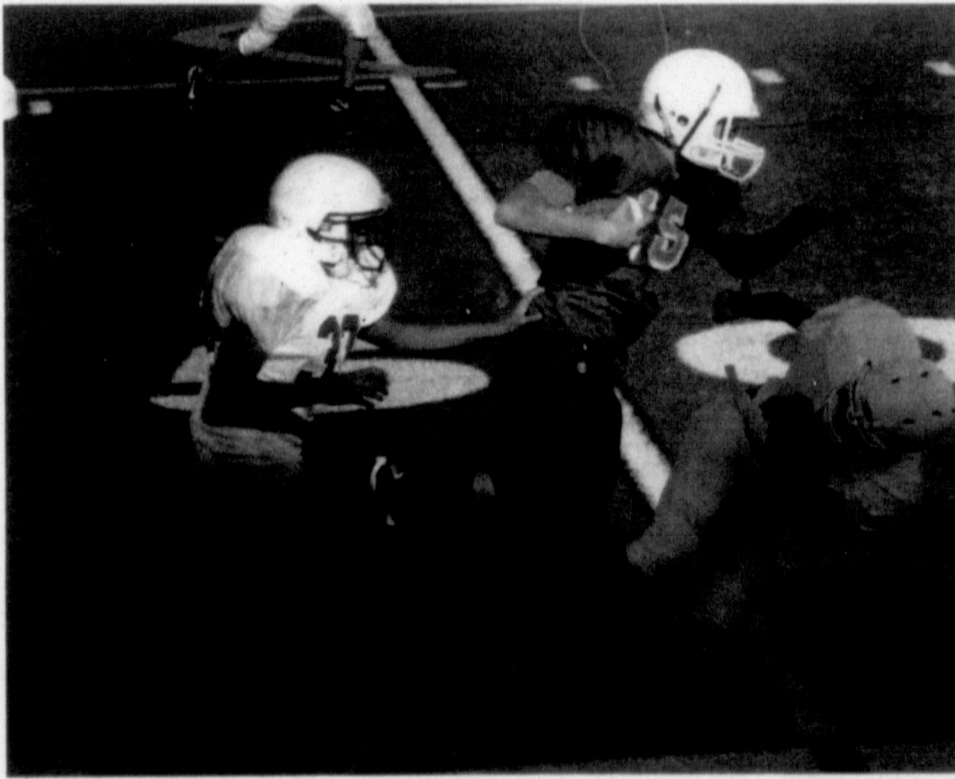


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Colton Thomas runs for 18 yards in a scrimmage against Dumas Tuesday at Harvester Field.



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Brantley Swires catches a one-yard touchdown pass in Lefors Junior High game at Darrouzett. The Bandits won 43-12.



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Travus Zeek runs for a touchdown against Darrouzett Thursday.



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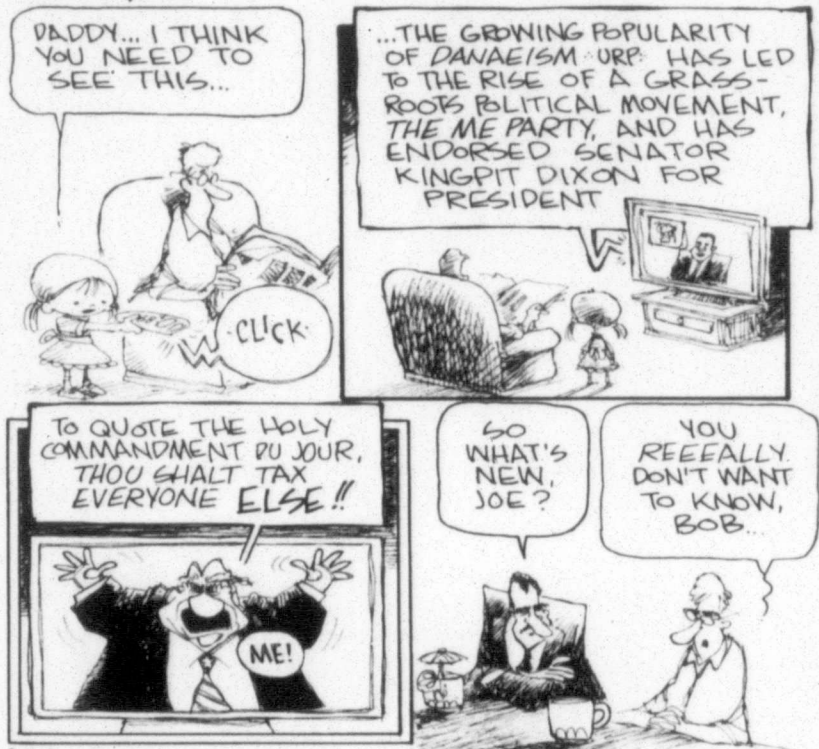


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Nest Heads



daily horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Saturday, Sept. 10, 2011:

This year, you will take the lead naturally. Others follow you instinctively. You need to follow through on what is important to you. When you feel confused, pull back and do nothing until a matter is resolved in your head. Don't make situations more confusing than need be. If you are single, you could meet someone quite different out of the blue. This friendship or relationship will help you see life through others' eyes. If you are attached, the two of you develop an even tighter bond by taking up a common hobby or interest. Go on romantic dates more often. PISCES can be quite challenging.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ Use the daylight hours to get together with a special friend or to follow through on long-coveted plans. A momentary misunderstanding can be corrected, but relax with what you hear. Tonight: Go for quiet.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★ Getting work completed takes time and caring. Sometimes you can get overwhelmed by everything that is going on. Check in on an older friend, loved one or relative. An offer appears that might be too good to say "no" to. Tonight: Let your hair down.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Your vision of possibilities will open up even more if you relax and get away from the tried-and-true. You'll gain deeper insight and a better perspective with a change of setting. Don't forget someone at a distance. Tonight: A must appearance.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Perhaps a discussion could be uncomfortable at first, even just the thought of it. Once you get going, you might find this interaction to be a lot easier than you'd anticipated. Make plans to visit a new place. Tonight: Follow the music.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Use a conversation to draw someone in, whether it is a loved one who has been distant or a brand-new person in your life. Either way, you won't experience a loss. Someone communicates just how deeply he or she feels. Tonight: Be

less gregarious. Focus on that one person.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★ You have much to accomplish, and you will. Your sense of being on overload could take over. You might want to re-think your obligations. Clear out a project or two. Make plans for later today. Tonight: Sort through all those invitations.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Allow greater creativity and give-and-take. Your imagination seems to have no limits. Sort through a confusing communication. Ask questions. Confirm what you think you are hearing. Tonight: If you are tired, call it an early evening.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Put your attention on family and/or domestic matters. Some of you might want to spend a few hours napping or lounging. Once you get going late afternoon, find, plan and live fun. Tonight: Allow frivolity in.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Others respond to your inquiries. Though there could be a difficult moment or two, relax. When you clear the air, take off with a loved one to a favorite outdoor spot, to a movie, or anywhere you can let your mind ramble. Tonight: Consider calling it an early night.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★ Be aware of how much you love to offer. Often, you sell yourself short or you allow insecurity to break through. Do what you need to do in order to make yourself feel good about you today. For some, that could be shopping. For others, it's getting a massage. Tonight: Others certainly notice the change in you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Use the daylight hours to the max. You have been willing to put more than your fair share of effort into a project. Know when to say "enough." Tap into your imagination and make plans you have been thinking of. Tonight: You could go overboard.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★ You might want to rest up and play it low-key right now. Your energy surges as the day greets the night. Suddenly, your personality takes over. Confirm plans. If your feelings are hurt, check in with that person. Odds are that he or she didn't mean to hurt you. Tonight: In your element. Make plans you like.

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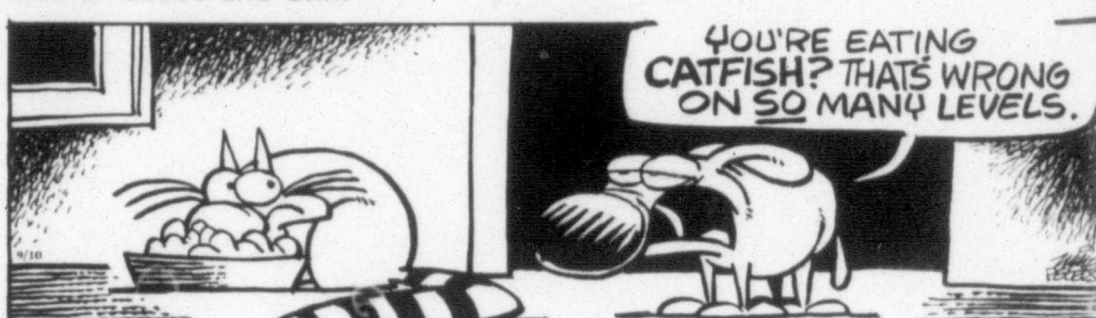
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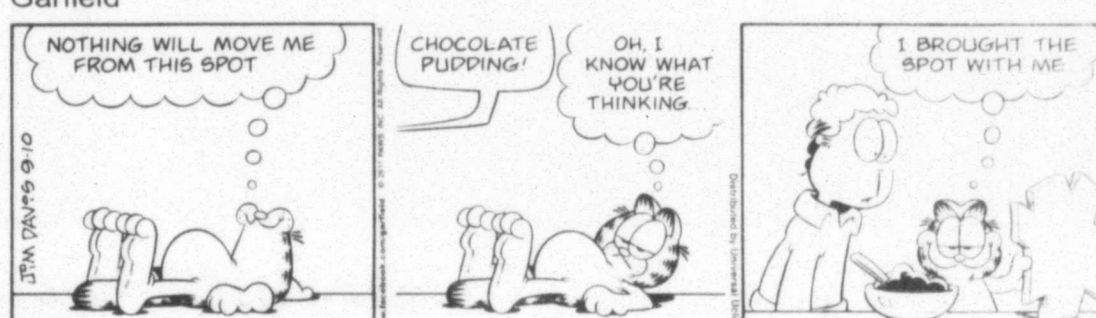
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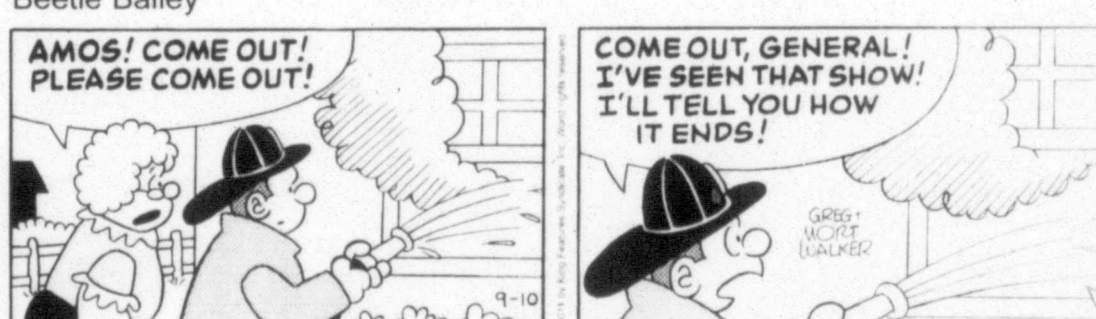
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Baylor returns tickets to Texas A&M

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — While Baylor is pushing an email campaign to preserve the Big 12 Conference and rivalry games in the state, Texas A&M said Friday that the Bears purchased only 830 tickets from a possible allotment of 3,850 for their Oct. 15 football game at Kyle Field.

Those figures were released by Texas A&M, whose departure from the Big 12 to a pending spot in the Southeastern Conference is on hold after Baylor and other schools refused to waive their right to sue over such a move.

Baylor said later Friday that it had requested 2,000 tickets for the game by July 1, the deadline set by the Big 12.

"Earlier this week, based on tremendous demand, Texas A&M asked for Baylor to return tickets it did not expect to sell, and we returned 750 tickets as a courtesy," Baylor spokesman Nick Joos said in a statement. "Many of our fans have indicated that they acquired tickets from third-party sources since the seat locations available are superior to the back corner end zone location provided to visiting teams at Kyle Field."

Texas A&M said that Idaho, with 264, was the only opposing team that will play at Kyle Field this year that purchased fewer tickets from the Aggies than Baylor, whose Waco campus is less than 100

miles away. Texas was the only team to keep its full allotment of 3,850 tickets available to all visiting teams. SMU took 1,988 tickets, followed by Kansas (1,750), Missouri (1,600) and Oklahoma State (1,428).

Texas A&M said those figures do not include bands and other complimentary seats.

Baylor said the tickets it kept included seats for its band and family members of players and staff.

Texas A&M was prepared this week to announce its entry into the SEC, but that league's unanimous approval of the Aggies becoming its 13th member came with the condition that all legal issues had to be cleared up.

Oklahoma State president Burns Hargis told The Associated Press on Friday that his school has "no intention of filing suit against the SEC or anybody else."

Hargis described the situation surrounding the Big 12 as very complicated.

"Honestly, I don't think anybody knows what's going to happen. I really don't," Hargis said. "I do think everybody would like the conference to stay together, but I don't think anybody knows because you've got 10 teams and everybody's got their own ideas about what's best for their institution. It would be impossible. I really think, for anybody to predict accurately what's

going to happen at this point."

Hargis said he tried to get Texas A&M to stay in the Big 12.

Oklahoma president David Boren said last week that multiple conferences have expressed interest in the Sooners and he expects a decision within a few weeks on what his school will do. That could be a move to the Pac-12 with Oklahoma State, which could have happened last year, or remaining in a revised Big 12 that would then likely look for a team to replace the departing Texas A&M.

On Baylor's main uni-

versity website is a link for the school's alumni and fans to "Rise Up For Texas Football." The page includes a letter saying that football is "the fabric of this great state" and asks if Texans will "stand by and watch hundred-year-old rivalries be cast aside as the state's largest universities align themselves with other states across the country."

There is even a suggested message to send to the presidents or chancellors of Texas, Texas A&M and Texas Tech with links to their email addresses included.

Schools discuss Big East as possibility

The Big East has had discussions with Baylor and Big 12 members Kansas, Kansas State, Iowa State and Missouri, a source with knowledge of the situation said.

With the Big 12 in flux, officials from schools across the country are talking to multiple conferences.

However, Baylor officials have made it clear that keeping the Big 12 intact is their sole priority.

Baylor is waiting on Oklahoma to make a decision on whether to stay in the Big 12 or move to the Pac-12. If Oklahoma stays, the Big 12 is expected to move forward with expansion plans. If the Sooners leave, the conference could be on the verge of falling apart.

If the Big 12 collapses, Baylor, Kansas, Kansas State, Iowa State and Missouri would be among the schools scrambling to find a new conference home. For Baylor, the Big East would likely be the best alternative since it has an automatic berth to the BCS.

The Big East has 16 schools that play basketball and eight that play Football Bowl Subdivision football. TCU, a member of the Mountain West Conference, will join the Big East next year.

However, the Big East could lose some of its current members if the SEC, ACC and Big Ten expand.

There was no word from the SEC on Thursday on when it would officially make Texas A&M its 13th member.

The conference's expansion plans were put on hold Wednesday when Baylor and other Big 12 schools didn't waive their legal rights to sue Texas A&M and the SEC.

BANANAGRAMS!

Change one letter in the top word to one of the letters that appears in the bottom word, then rearrange the tiles to form a new common word. Do the same with each new word until you arrive at the bottom word. For example, the path from BARK to PLUM is BARK, MARK, RAMP, RUMP, PLUM.

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Yesterday's Answer: PLEASED, TEARFUL, ALARMED

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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: My dad and I have been arguing over whether I should play soccer. I don't want to because I don't like the coach, the sport or having Dad yell at me for every little mistake I make. He says I'm good at the game and that I love it -- but I DON'T. How do I explain it's just not for me without disappointing him? I feel terrible because I have let him down. -- RATHER BE A CHEERLEADER

DEAR RATHER: Please don't feel that by not participating in soccer you're letting your father down. Frankly, he has let YOU down. When a parent becomes so emotionally involved with a child's sport activity that he yells, confuses his role as an enthusiastic and supportive parent with that of the coach, and takes the joy out of the sport for the kid, this is more often than not the result. If you enjoy cheerleading, go for it and don't feel guilty. If you have the vitality and athletic ability, you'll be a star.

DEAR ABBY: I dated "Albert" -- a wonderful, caring man -- for nine months until last week when I ended it because of a false promise. When we first started dating, he offered to fly me wherever he was due to be working. His job requires a lot of travel. It never happened.

Every year around this time he's back home in California to work the harvest at his ranch. We made plans for me to fly there to see him and meet the rest of his family.

A month ago I asked what was going on with the purchase of my plane ticket. I never got an answer, so I asked again two weeks later. Albert made some excuses and said it wasn't a good idea for him to pay for my flight there. After our break-up, he admitted his brother had convinced him it wasn't right for me to fly there at Albert's expense and, if I loved him I'd find a way to pay

for it myself.

I'm a single mom. Albert knows my financial status. By no means could I afford a trip at my expense. I feel Albert's family will always influence his decisions and this would affect our relationship. Was this a good reason to break up? -- STAYING PUT IN TEXAS

DEAR STAYING PUT: Please don't be so quick to blame Albert's family. He may have been "wonderful and caring," but he wasn't much of a man for not telling you that he had had a change of heart about introducing you to his family, because that's what really happened. As you said, he knows your financial status. And yes, this was a good reason to break it off because, from my point of view, you had no other choice.

DEAR ABBY: Just a quick question regarding airline flying etiquette. What would be the proper way to handle a situation where the flight attendant comes around to serve refreshments and the person next to you is napping? Would it be appropriate to give him a little nudge when the attendant gets to your row, or just order your own and let the person be skipped over? -- UP IN THE AIR IN MASSACHUSETTS

DEAR UP IN THE AIR: Sometimes it's better to let sleeping dogs lie, and this is one of them.

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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- Rector's charge
- 1972 Jack Lemmon film
- Take in
- Extreme diet
- Ethan's "Gattaca" costar
- Island dress
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- Usher's job
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Every animal deserves a home



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1 Public Notice
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS OF DESIGN BUILD FIRMS

The Board of Trustees of the Pampa ISD is requesting qualifications for design build services relating to the design, construction and installation of a 20kw wind turbine generator at Pampa Junior High School located at 4000 bad Cattle company road Pampa, Texas, by a qualified engineering and construction firm (Design-Builder). Statements of Qualifications will be accepted until 3:00 pm on Friday, September 16, 2011. Interested parties may request an information packet and questionnaire from Betty Meadows, Director of Purchasing, at (806)669-4700. Please enclose ten (10) copies of your completed response with the appropriate annotation. All responses are due no later than the deadline at the following address:
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ATTN: Betty Meadows, Director of Purchasing
321 W. Albert
Pampa, TX 79065
All response must be annotated with the fol-

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A-80 Sept. 7, 11, 14, 2011

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2541 Christine	\$129,500	3/1 75/2	2050 SF/GCAD
2720 Seminole	\$124,900	3/2/2	1416 SF/GCAD
1901 Fir	\$110,000	3/1 75/2	2102 SF/GCAD
2530 Mary Ellen	\$98,000	4/1 75/1	1684 SF/GCAD
1100 Russell	\$98,000	3/1 5/3	1288 SF/GCAD
1020 Mary Ellen	\$89,900	3/1 75	1811 SF/GCAD
2408 Christine	\$85,900	3/1 75/2	1514 SF/GCAD
822 N Frost	\$75,000	3/2/2	960 SF/GCAD
2126 Seminole	\$75,000	3/2/0	1284 SF/GCAD
1008 Somerville	\$55,000	5/2/0	2758 SF/GCAD
1308 Charles	\$65,900	3/1 75/1	1702 SF/GCAD
206 E 15th Ave	\$42,000	4/1/1	1196 SF/GCAD
1307 Charles	\$38,000	2/1/0	1132 SF/GCAD
TRAVIS SCHOOL DISTRICT		West and Northwest	
928 Crane	\$150,000	3/2/2	1617 SF/GCAD
916 Crane	\$150,000	3/2/2	1710 SF/GCAD
1040-1042 N Dwight	\$132,000	4/2/2	2932 SF/GCAD Duplex
2113 Lynn	\$129,500	4/2/2	2077 SF/GCAD
1005 1007 N Wells	\$121,000	5/2/2	2668 SF/GCAD Duplex
1004 Lynn	\$94,000	3/1 75/2	1753 SF/GCAD
977 Cinderella	\$85,000	4/1 75/2	1553 SF/GCAD
1948 Zimmers	\$75,000	3/1 5/1	1244 SF/GCAD
2112 Christy	\$69,900	3/1 75/1	1232 SF/GCAD
1008 W Buckler Ave	\$65,000	4/1 75/3	1712 SF/GCAD
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533 Powell	\$74,500	3/1/2	1372 SF/GCAD
612 Powell	\$55,000	3/1/0	1166 SF/GCAD
614 Magnolia	\$40,000	3/1/1	1436 SF/GCAD
914 Twiford	\$40,000	2/1/0	872 SF/GCAD
732 Bradley	\$32,000	3/2/1	1253 SF/GCAD
1324 Starkweather	\$29,900	2/1/1	954 SF/GCAD
526 Wynne St	\$23,500	1/1/0	1100 SF/GCAD
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804 805 W Jackson Ave. WD	\$140,000	4/2/2	2536 SF/CCAD duplex
1610 Pecan, Panhandle	\$108,900	3/1 75/2	1777 SF/GCAD
600 W 3rd Ave. WD	\$67,500	3/1/1	1100 SF/CCAD
507 Ware Ave. Groom	\$47,500	3/1/1	1924 SF/CCAD
609 Gulf Lefors	\$37,000	2/1/1	898 SF/GCAD
COMMERCIAL PROPERTY & LAND			
10 Acres across hosp	\$6 SF	10 acres across from hospital	
120 S Gillespie	\$4,100/mo	Old SS Bldg for lease 7372 SF	
11756 Hwy 152	\$2,500,000	12 acres, 2 bldgs 25,000 SF each	
30th & Charles	\$1,999,404	50.9 acres of land N of Walmart	
Ranch west of Lefors	\$530,000	530 acres w/water well	
220 N Ballard	\$395,000	Lt Comm. 4 bath 27,797 SF	
500 W Harvester Av	\$350,000	Lots south of United	
748 S Price Rd	\$350,000	3 Ac + 14,400 warehouse offices	
302-302 W Foster	\$309,900	4 Retail Outlets 10,874 SF/GCAD	
117-121 Ballard	\$230,000	24,500 SF/GCAD	
1801 Alcock	\$185,000	Office Building, 3,100 SF/GCAD Café	
615 N Price	\$179,900	3/4 + 6,550 SF/GCAD 9 bays	
845 S Hobart/900 Wilks	\$175,000	4 Lots + 10' on north	
420 W Foster	\$165,000	Includes Bldg	
Harvester St	\$150,000	60 x 110 Bldg Lots	
1435 Alcock	\$135,000	2 Bldg, 3,200 SF/GCAD, 1,020 SF/GCAD	
1421 Hobart	\$105,000	Smoke House 1816 SF/GCAD	
523 W Foster	\$85,000	7,598 SF/GCAD	
301 & 305 W Foster	\$75,000	3,550 SF each	
23rd & Crescent Dr	\$65,000	Lot 4 Blk 1 North Crest Sec 1	
405 W Foster	\$65,000	2,000 SF/GCAD C/HVA	
220 E Francis	\$57,500	1/1 745 SF/GCAD Comm.	
401 W Foster	\$47,000	2,500 SF/GCAD w/basement & overhead doors	
Chaumont	\$35,000	Lots 1 & 2 Block 2	
609 Foster Ave. Lt. Comm	\$35,000	Beauty Shop 1,400 SF/GCAD	
Dogwood Ln	\$22,000	Lots 15-17 & 40' of 18	
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Fraser Annex #3	\$10,000	Lot 8, W45' Blk 71	
Holly Lot 10	\$10,000	Residential Lot 85' x 120'	
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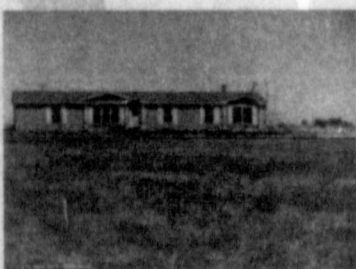
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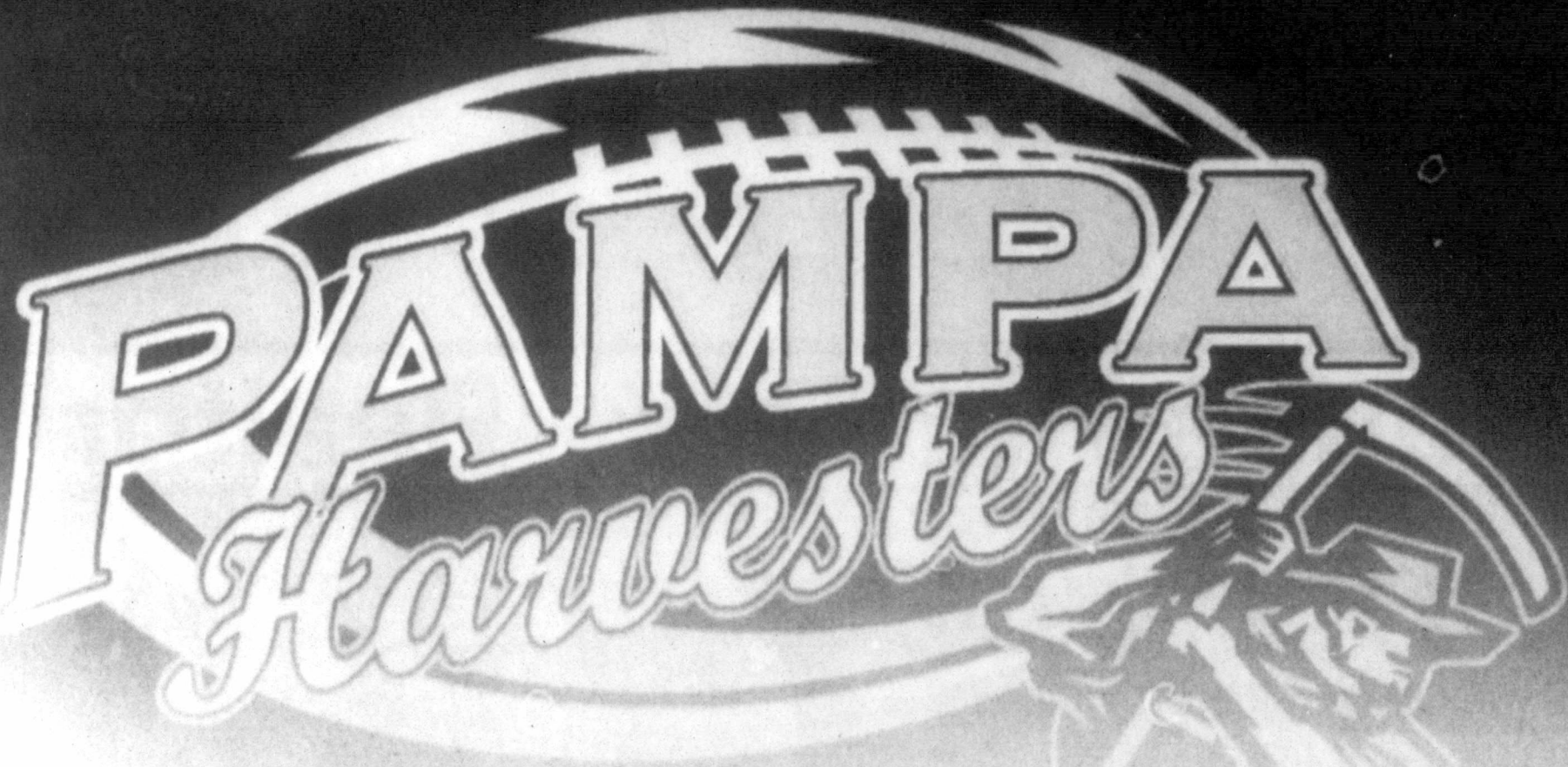
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Erika Silva and Terrell Harris

Silva, Harris to wed Oct. 8

Daniel and Cindy Silva, Rodney Harris all of Pampa and Tonya Young of Oklahoma City are proud to announce the engagement of their children, Erika Nicole Silva to Sharod Terrell Harris, both of Lubbock, TX. The wedding will be on October 8, 2011 at Central Baptist Church in Pampa, TX.

The future bride is a 2007 Pampa High school graduate. She received a bachelor

of arts degree in Human Development and Family studies at Texas Tech University in 2010 and is currently student teaching fifth grade in Lubbock, TX while pursuing a Masters in Education.

The groom is a 2006 Pampa High school graduate. He is currently completing a Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering at Texas Tech University and is currently employed with Texas Tech University.



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Donation - Clarendon College Pampa Center Dean Ray Jaramillo (above, left) accepts a \$1,000 donation from Tri-State Seniors Tournament secretary Roy Don Stephens. The Tri-State Seniors Golf Tournament donates \$1,000 every year.

Tiedt graduates

A Pampa student was among the summer graduates at Angelo State University.

Andrew R. Tiedt earned a master of science degree.

The Family of Linda Bridgeman

would like to thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers, good fellowship, food, flowers and other acts of kindness.

A special thank you to

Central Baptist Church for the wonderful dinner and to Rick Parnell and Brian Scott Taylor for the service that was

conducted.

The Families of
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BUNDLES OF JOY



Addison Kerrick Bagwell

Baby Addison joins Bagwell family May 9

Addison Kerrick Bagwell was born on 5:27 p.m. May 29, 2011 at BSA Amarillo hospital. She weighed 7 lbs., 7 ozs. and was 19 inches long.

Parents are Jason and Meredith Bagwell of Pampa.

Addison joins brothers, Jackson, Mason and Tristan in the home.

Grandparents are Benny and Kerrick Horton of Pampa and Paul and Beth Bagwell of Pampa.

Pampa couple named AACD delegates

Jimmy and Glennette Goode of Pampa have been elected as delegates to the 128th Annual American Angus Association Convention of Delegates, Nov. 14 in Louisville, Kentucky, according to Bryce Schumann, ceo of the American Angus Association.

The Goodes, members of the American Angus Association with headquarters in Saint Joseph, MO, are among 332 Angus breeders who have been elected by fellow members in their state to serve as a representative at the annual meeting. Representing 43 states, District of Columbia and Canada, the delegates will participate in the business meeting and elect new officers and five directors to the American Angus

Association board.

The annual event is held in conjunction with the annual banquet and the Super Point Roll of Victory Angus show, November 12-15 during the North American

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The American Angus Association has nearly 30,000 active members and is the largest beef breed organization in the world.

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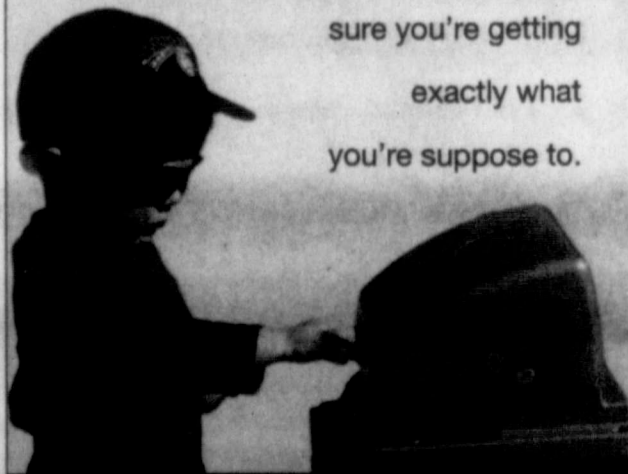
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TUESDAY, Sept. 13
Popcorn shrimp or mini twin cheeseburgers, blackeyed peas, spinach, fresh fruit. **Breakfast** - Doughnut, sausage patty.

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 14
Spaghetti or steak fingers, green beans, tossed salad, mixed fruit, garlic toast. **Breakfast** - Waffle sticks, syrup.

THURSDAY, Sept. 15
Egg rolls or pizza, corn, broccoli florets, applesauce, rice pilaf. **Breakfast** - Biscuit, sausage.

FRIDAY, Sept. 17
Chicken fajitas or hamburger, french fries, burger salad, bell peppers & onions, spiced apples, rice. **Breakfast** - Cereal, toast.

Pampa Meals on Wheels

MONDAY, Sept. 12
Barbeque meatballs, potatoe salad, baked beans, apricots

TUESDAY, Sept. 13
Roast/mashed potatoes, hominy casserole, zucchini/tomatoes, pineapple

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 14
Chicken nuggets, baked potatoes, peas/carrots, peaches

THURSDAY, Sept. 15
Shepherd's pie, corn, pickled beets, jello

FRIDAY, Sept. 16
Baked chicken, squash casserole, peas, applesauce

Pampa Senior Citizens Center

MONDAY, Sept. 12
Chicken fried steak or chicken breast/stuffing, mashed potatoes, green beans, beets, beans, slaw, tossed, jello, strawberry cake, cherry creme pie, fruit cup, hot roll or cornbread.

TUESDAY, Sept. 13
Baked tilapia/rice or hamburger steak, scalloped potatoes, fried squash, spinach, beans, slaw, tossed, jello, peanut butter cake, chocolate sundae cup, fruit cup, hot roll or cornbread.

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 14
Roast beef brisket/brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, peas, carrots, beans, slaw, tossed, jello, applesauce cake, coconut creme pie, fruit cup, hot roll or cornbread.

THURSDAY, Sept. 15
Chicken strips or corned beef and cabbage, tator tots, turnip greens, corn, black-eyed peas, slaw, tossed, jello, cinnamon rolls, butterscotch icebox pie, fruit cup, hot roll or cornbread.

FRIDAY, Sept. 16
Fried cod fish/hushpuppies or goulash, potato wedges, brussels sprouts, beans, slaw, tossed, jello, walnut brownies

Pampa Senior Citizens Center

MONDAY, Sept. 13
Smothered Pork Chops, creamed potatoes, green beans, glazed carrots, garden salad, roll and dessert.

Here's a wacky thought... Moving water from flood to drought

WASHINGTON (AP) - As the soggy East tries to dry out from flooding and Texas prays for rain that doesn't come, you might ask: Isn't there some way to ship all that water from here to there?

It's an idea that has tempted some, but reality gets in the way.

A Texas oilman once envisioned long pipelines carrying water to drought-stricken Texas cities, just one of several untested fantasies of moving water vast distances. Parched Las Vegas still wants to indirectly siphon off excess water from the overflowing Mississippi River. French engineers have simulated hauling an iceberg to barren Africa. There are even mega-trash bags to move heavy loads of water.

There's certainly plenty of rainwater available. Tropical Storm Lee dumped enough on the already saturated Mid-Atlantic, Northeast and Gulf Coast to bring 9.6 inches of rain across the entire state of Texas, according to calculations by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and The Associated Press.

"One man's flood control is another man's water supply," said Patricia Mulroy, general manager of the Southern Nevada Water Authority. "Doesn't it make you want to think about a larger distribution that helps both? That's the crazy part of this. It's a win-win. There's no loser."

But moving vast quantities of water is not simple or cheap, and thus not realistic, experts say. Mostly, it's too costly and political.

However, these dreamed-up concepts show that a quiet water crisis is getting more desperate.

"We will go to any lengths to avoid confronting the reality of water shortages," said University of Arizona law professor Robert Glennon, author of the book "Unquenchable."

"What all those zany ideas suggest are the traditional beliefs that we can control nature and there must be some oasis out there where we can go to, to import water."

But those are mirages, he said - tempting, but not realistic.

Mike Halpert, deputy director of the NOAA's Climate Prediction Center, knows the temptation. He's about to fly from Washington, which has had 7 inches since Monday, to Houston, which got about that amount of rain for the entire spring and summer. All that D.C. rain would be enough water for every person in Houston for 10 days.

He jested that he would love to carry

water in his suitcases. He said colleagues have been "joking that we'll send Texas our water. Will they send us their oil? But I don't think that's going to fly."

The trouble with water is "there's enough quantity but it is not always in the right places," said G. Tracy Mehan, who was chief water regulator for the U.S. Environmental Protection Administration during the George W. Bush Administration.

So how about moving it?

"The short answer ... is that it costs too much. It's not a technical problem," said Peter Gleick, president of the Pacific Studies Institute and a MacArthur genius grant recipient for his work on water.

Las Vegas' grand proposal is to take water from the mighty Mississippi in a series of smaller pipeline-like exchanges among states just west of the Mississippi to refill the overused Colorado River. There are no official cost estimates, but it likely would be in the hundreds of billions dollars. Texas oilman T. Boone Pickens abandoned his plans for a massive water pipeline stretching across Texas to just moving water around the Texas Panhandle.

Water weighs a lot - about 8.3 pounds per gallon - so moving massive amounts, often up mountains, costs a lot, Glennon said. Gleick notes that conservation and efficiency are cheaper.

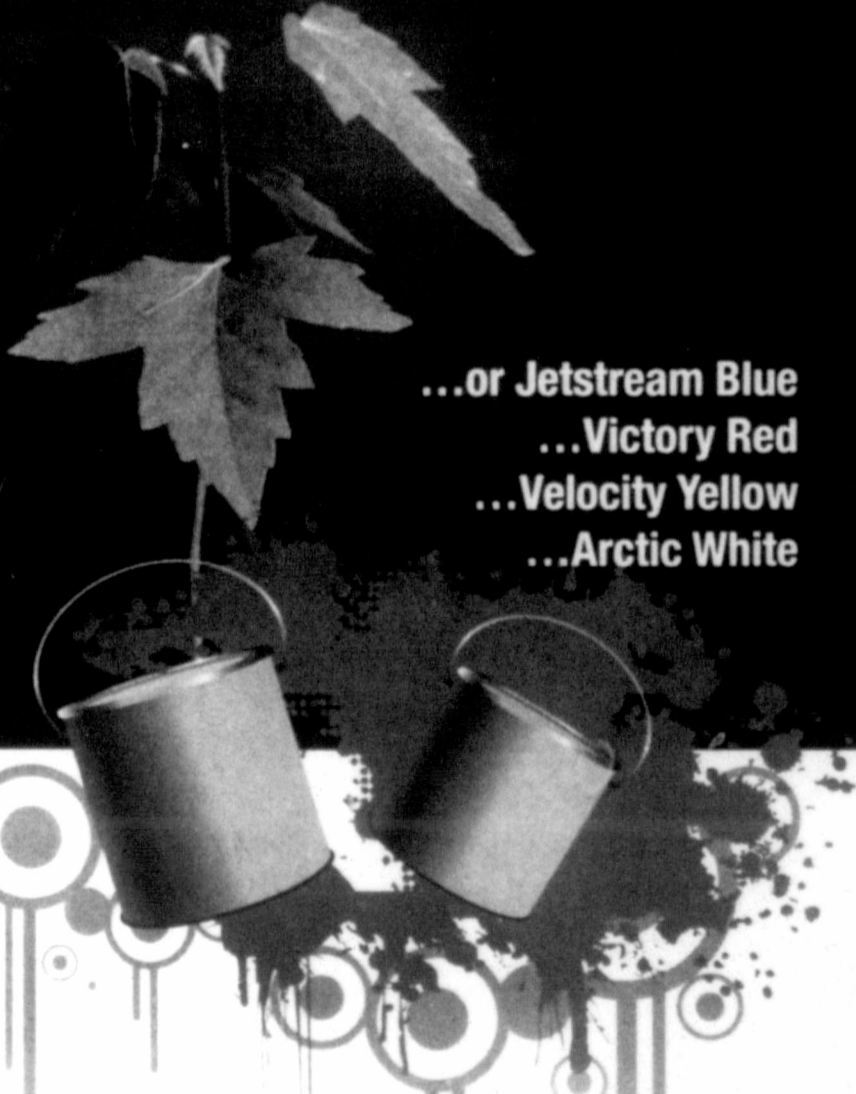
Building a pipeline to pump water from flooded areas is foolish because each year it is somewhere different that gets drenched, so you can't build something permanent based on a couple of years' unusual rainy weather, NOAA's Halpert said.

Politics is almost as big a barrier as price. Legal battles over water run rampant in U.S. history, especially out West. But now they have gone nationwide, along with shortages. North Carolina has sued South Carolina, Florida has sued Georgia and Alabama, and the Great Lakes states have banded together to fend off water diversions, Glennon said. The Great Lakes region has been in and out of court over water rights for about a century.

"People are concerned about water rights. Even in eastern water-rich states, you don't want to be giving it away," said Robert Holmes, who deals with the problem of too much water. He is the national flood hazard coordinator for the U.S. Geological Survey.

University of Colorado natural hazards professor Kathleen Tierney put it more bluntly: "As we say in Colorado, whiskey is for drinking, water is for fighting over."

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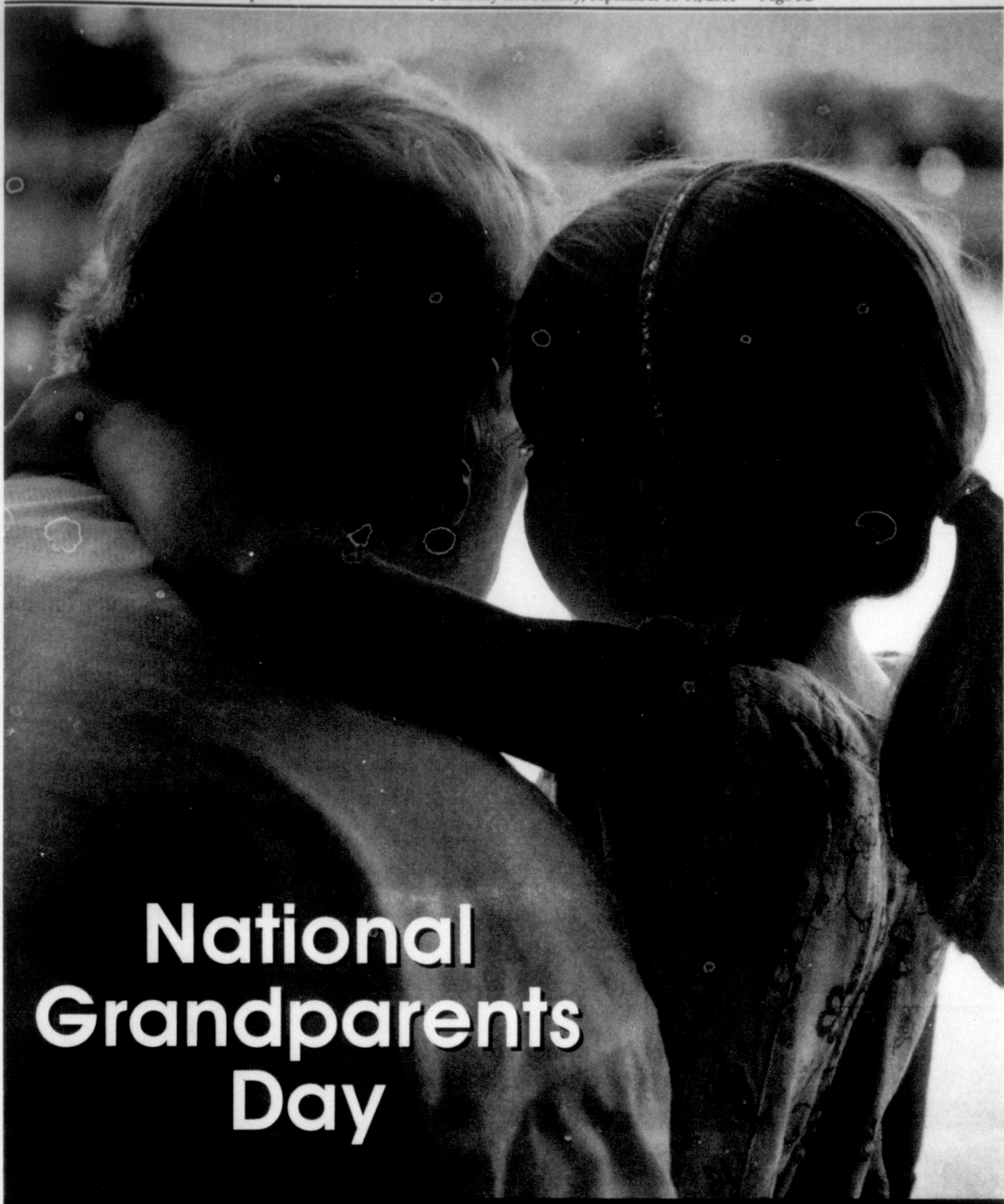
- 8:00 a.m.
- Woody Guthrie Center open for visiting and browsing.
 - Pickin' Tent, near RR tracks, open. Bring your instruments to play or come to enjoy the music, visit and get acquainted. Cold drinks available in Alice's Restaurant for 50 cents each.
- 9:00 a.m.
- Tour of Woody Guthrie Inn - Guided by Reed Echols, Owner
- 10:00 a.m.
- Happy Harmonica Band directed by Pat Stewart, Sheltered Workshop
- 12 Noon - Lunch on your own
- 2:00 p.m.
- Recognition of Woody Guthrie Family Members - Open mikes for memories and comments. Woody Guthrie Musicians playing for Guthries. Rick Scott singing "Woody Used to Live Here, Too" and other of his compositions.
- 6:30 p.m.
- Jam Session - Woody Guthrie Center, come to play or listen and enjoy

Saturday, September 17

- 9:00 a.m.
- Tour of Downtown Pampa Where Woody Walked (transportation provided).
 - Tour includes historic Schneider Hotel and "Million Dollar Row" of buildings, site of the First National Bank where Woody went to deposit the \$1.50 inheritance from his mother, passing the Railroad Tracks to return to the Harris Drug where Woody worked, currently the Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center.
- 10:00 a.m.
- Story Tellers of Woody's Life - Joe Weaver, Pat Stewart and Mike Sinks
- 12 Noon - Lunch on your own
- 2:00 p.m.
- Story Tellers Continue Remembering Woody - Singing Woody's Songs, Reading Woody's Words and Reading About Woody.
- 6:00 p.m.
- Heritage Room, M.K. Brown Civic Center, Dinner catered by The Plaza and Show On Stage.
 - Tickets \$20.00 per person, available from Board Members (Ken Wilson, Pat Stewart, Reed Echols, Thelma Bray, Michael Sinks, Rick Scott, Andy McLatchy and Lillith Brainard) or from the Pampa Chamber of Commerce.
- 7:00 p.m.
- Stage Production "Songs and Words of Woody Guthrie", portrayed by voices, background scenes and musicians to tell Woody's story.

Sunday, September 18

- 9:00 a.m.
- Farewell Breakfast, Dixie Café, 2537 Perryton Parkway



National Grandparents Day

The impetus for a National Grandparents Day originated with Marian McQuade, a housewife in Fayette County, West Virginia. Her primary motivation was to champion the cause of lonely elderly in nursing homes. She also hoped to persuade grandchildren to tap the wisdom and heritage their grandparents could provide. President Jimmy Carter, in 1978, proclaimed that National Grandparents Day would be celebrated every year on the first Sunday after Labor Day.

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Panhandle cotton crop forecast about half of normal

ROBERT BURNS
Texas AgriLife Extension Service

COLLEGE STATION — Cotton is a "mixed bag" in the Panhandle and South Plains, according to Texas AgriLife Extension Service personnel.

Most dryland cotton has failed, and in some areas, growers have given up on partially irrigated cotton as well. Also, there have been reports of odd plant development, most likely due to heat stress and lack of moisture.

"The cotton crop is suffering, for the most part, with lack of water when it was needed and is now showing up on boll set," reported Rick Auckerman, Texas AgriLife Extension Service agent for Deaf Smith County, west of Amarillo. "There are cotton fields that have open bolls and blooms on the same plants. The cotton plants that are short of water have shed what bolls that they cannot support and are trying to finish out what is left."

"The small amount of cotton that was left in the county under irrigation has been cut off from water as producers are tired of paying input costs with cotton prices continuing to decline," said Ryan Martin, AgriLife Extension agent for Motley County, southeast of Amarillo. "They are afraid that the profit margin may be too slim to make any money this year."

"Cotton producers are dealing with a new late-season pest," said Mark Brown, Lubbock County. "These are very small thrips that cause cupping followed by defoliation of leaves. It is more prevalent in moisture-stressed cotton."

"We're getting all sorts of things out there this year," said Mark Kelley, AgriLife Extension cotton specialist, Lubbock. "We're getting blooms and bolls opening on the same plant. The blooms Rick (Auckerman) was probably talking about are probably further out on the fruiting nodes."

Despite some odd plant development, the terminal part of the plant on most cotton has shut down, Kelley noted, and harvest is going to be a little early this year.

"We've got some that could kick off harvesting anytime now. I've seen some fields that have been defoliated," he said. "It's just a matter of that stuff drying down. So I expect to see harvesting begin within the next week or so."



"Also, seed counts are down, so bolls won't be as 'fluffy' as usual and quality may take a hit, he said.

Kelley said he's heard total crop projections of 2.5 million bales for the Panhandle and South Plains.

"I think that's kind of optimistic, myself," he said.

Last year, the region harvested 5.3 million bales, but that was a perfect year for cotton, Kelley said. A more average year would be about 4.4 million bales.

"But I don't know what an average year is anymore," he said.

More information on the current Texas drought and wildfire alerts can be found on the AgriLife Extension Agricultural Drought Task Force website at <http://agrilife.tamu.edu/drought/>.

AgriLife Extension district reporters compiled the following summaries:

PANHANDLE:

The region continued to be rainless, but had cooler temperatures. The cooler weather helped ease some of the stress on cattle. Soil-moisture levels were from very short to short, with most counties reporting very short. Cotton was reported in mostly fair to poor condition. For the most part, cotton was suffering from a lack of water during the time when moisture was needed for boll set. Insect activity was very light. Rangeland and pastures were in mostly very poor condition. Livestock producers continued to reduce herds and to wean calves early. Supplemental feeding of livestock was also ongoing, with hay needs increasing and supplies very short. Most hay fed was trucked in from out of the region.

ROLLING PLAINS:

Cooler weather arrived. After nearly 100 days of 100-plus temperatures, a cold front brought 50s in the mornings and 80s in the afternoons. Some

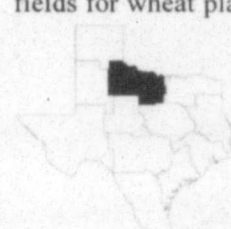


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Row-watered cotton was doing better than some center-pivot irrigated cotton in some areas of the Southern High Plains. Most cotton in the southern High Plains is sub-surface drip or center-pivot irrigated, according to Dr. Mark Kelley, Texas AgriLife Extension Service cotton specialist, Lubbock.

counties even reported a few showers, but most of the region remained dry, with the drought continuing and the wildfire danger high. Wildfires destroyed 6,500 acres, 40 structures and nine recreational vehicles this week in Palo Pinto County alone. Significant wildfire damage was also sustained in Wise County from recent fire, with 500 acres burned and several homes and out-buildings destroyed. A fire in Montague County burned 1,100 acres. Producers were still culling herds. Having enough water for livestock was an issue for many. Hay was being trucked in from all over the mid-western U.S. Remaining livestock were being given supplemental feed. The cotton crop was expected to be sparse. Even the fields under irrigation were not expected to produce much. Farmers needed moisture to prepare

fields for wheat planting.



SOUTH PLAINS:

Cooler temperatures brought relief from the region's hottest summer on record. Scattered light rain fell in some counties over the weekend, bringing highs down to the upper 60s to mid 70s and lows in the 50s. Drought and burn bans continued despite the cooler temperatures. Producers were preparing for an early harvest of what cotton remained. Several Bailey County producers were harvesting corn. Cattle were still being culled, shipped or moved to areas with more water since tanks were drying up and hay was costly and scarce.

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