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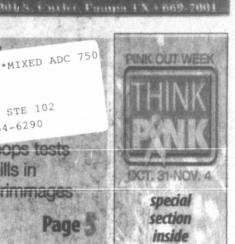
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### First Music and a Meal event tomorrow

**ARNIE AURELLANO** editor@thepampanews.com

Pampa Meals on Wheels will be hosting its first 2011 Music and a Meal fundraiser from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. tomorrow at the Pampa Meals on Wheels Warehouse Cafe on the corner of Gillespie and Foster.

The Pampa MOW will host three such fundraisers this year, tomorrow's lunch and two more

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is \$6 and includes the meal and entertainment.

"It is our fifth annual Music and a Meal (series)," said Jeanne Autry, director of Pampa MOW. "We have someone come in and play some wonderful music to go along with a delicious meal, all for a very low price."

There is a twin bill set for tomorrow's lunch, with music coming from the Happy Harmonica Band

on Nov. 8 and 15. Admission and the Corn Cob Coalition, Autry said. The menu includes Polish sausage, brisket, potato salad, coleslaw, pinto beans and apricot cobbler.

Entertainment has yet to be announced for the upcoming two lunches. The Nov. 8 menu includes chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, dinner rolls, salad and chocolate cake. Nov. 15 diners will be treated to roast with pota-

toes, carrots, onions, salad, dinner rolls and white cake with strawberries and whipped cream.
The Nov 15 event will also be accompanied by a bake sale.

Autry said. Everyone always has a wonderful time," she added. "(The proceeds go) to help pay for the meals that some of our patrons can't pay for. We fluctuate from 135 to 150 per day that MEAL cont. on page 6

# NOT JUST FOR KIDS



## GCSO, PPD to undergo new training

MOLLIE BRYANT mbryant@thepampanews.com

This coming week, the Gray County Sheriff's Office and Pampa Police Department will attend joint training on legislative updates from the last season.

"It's a mandated training to

C. Rushing



K. Rushing

keep (officers) aware of laws," said Lieutenant Cary Rushing of the Gray County Sheriff's Office, who will instruct the course. "On daily things, very little has changed."

Pampa Police Chief Kelly Rushing said that attending the training session in conjunction with the Sheriff's Office saves money for both law enforce-

ment departments. The removal of night speed limits is one of the highlights of the law changes, which include updates that affect laws regarding hit and runs, funeral disruption and continuing education for police chiefs.

## NRCS announces 2012 cost share programs for farmers

THE PAMPA NEWS

During times of dry weather and severe drought, conservation is critical. Farmers and ranchers need to manage their resources very carefully in these conditions by implementing rotational grazing, improving irrigation efficiency, reducing tillage operations, installing terraces and waterways, improving residue management, or by keeping their land in grass rather than breaking it out for crop production.

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) offers technical assistance as well as cost share programs to help achieve those goals. The cost share programs available for 2012 are the Environmental Quality Incentives

Program (EQIP), Agricultural Water Enhancement Program (AWEP), and the Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (WHIP).

Each program offers assistance for eligible participants to install or implement structural and management practices on eligible agricultural land. Persons who are engaged in livestock or agricultural production are eligible to participate in these programs.

Common EQIP practices include livestock water development (wells, pipelines, pumps, tubs), fencing, and brush management. EQIP also offers an incentive on expired CRP land. Eligible pro-

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#### PAMPA FORECAST

Today



Tuesday



Low 46

High 77 Low 44

High 48 Low 32

Today: Sunny, with a high near 72. Wind chill values between 31 and 41 early. Breezy, with a southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 46. Breezy, with a south wind around 15 mph. with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Tuesday: Sunny, with a high near 77. Windy, with a south southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

Tuesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 44. Windy, with a south wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Wednesday: A 20 percent chance of rain. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 48. Windy, with a north northwest wind 15 to 20 mph increasing to between 25 and 30 mph. Winds could gust as high as 40 mph.

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### **COMMUNITY** calendar

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· First United Methodist Church's "Trunk or Treat," 6 p.m.-7 p.m., church park-

ing lot. For more info, call 669-7411 Central Baptist Church's "Harvest Fest," 6 p.m.-7:30 p.m., For more info call

• First Baptist Church's "Harvest Festival," 6 p.m-8 p.m., M.K. Brown Auditorium. For more info call 669-1155.

- Trinity Fellowship's "Harvest Fest," 6 p.m.-8 p.m., For more info call 665-3255 · Briarwood Full Gospel Church's "Fall Festival," 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m., Family Life Center, 1800 W. Harvester Avenue.

Tuesday, Nov. 1

-Pampa ISD Home Town Heroes Health Fair, 4 p.m.- 6 p.m. M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium.

Wednesday, Nov. 2

-Pampa Rotary Club meets, noon at the M.K Brown Room of the Chamber office.

Thursday, Nov. 3

 Friends of NRA organizational meeting, 7 p.m. in the Holiday Inn Express meeting room

·Lions Club meets, noon at the First United Methodist Church

Friday, Nov. 4 -Last day of early voting, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Gray County Courthouse, non-jury

•Pampa Kiwanis Club meets, noon in the basement of the First Methodist Church.

Monday, Nov. 7

•Heritage Art Club meets, 9:30 a.m. at the Pampa Senior Citizens building. Tuesday, Nov. 8

•Election day, polls open 7 a.m.-7 p.m.

•Pampa Fire Dept. hiring process info meeting, 7 p.m. at the fire station at 203 W. Foster. For more info call 669-5800.

Wednesday, Nov. 9 •Pampa Rotary Club meets, noon at the M.K Brown Room of the Chamber

Thursday, Nov. 10

Friday, Nov. 11

·Lions Club meets, noon at the First United Methodist Church.

Pampa Kiwanis Club meets, noon in the basement of the First Methodist

Monday, Nov. 14 through Friday, Dec. 2

"Country Christmas: Shop Pampa and Win!" For info call 669-3241.

Wednesday, Nov. 16

-Pampa Rotary Club meets, noon at the M.K Brown Room of the Chamber

Thursday, Nov. 17

Lions Club meets, noon at the First United Methodist Church.

Friday, Nov. 18 -Pampa Kiwanis Club meets, noon in the basement of the First Methodist

Church. Wednesday, Nov. 23

Pampa Rotary Club meets, noon at the M.K Brown Room of the Chamber

Thursday, Nov. 24 THANKSGIVING DAY

Friday, Nov. 25

·Pampa Kiwanis Club meets, noon in the basement of the First Methodist Church.

Wednesday, Nov. 30

 Pampa Rotary Club meets, noon at the M.K Brown Room of the Chamber office.

Thursday, Dec. 1

Lions Club meets, noon at the First United Methodist Church.

Friday, Dec. 2

•Pampa Kiwanis Club meets, noon in the basement of the First Methodist

Saturday, Dec. 3

Wednesday, Dec. 7

-Pampa Chamber of Commerce "Country Christmas" parade, 2 p.m. Altrusa's "Soup with Mrs. Claus," Knights of Columbus hall.

-Pampa Rotary Club meets, noon at the M.K Brown Room of the Chamber

Saturday, Dec. 10

Optimist Club's "Christmas Shopping Tour."

If your nonprofit or community organization has an upcoming meeting or event, submit it to The Pampa News Community Calendar at least one week in advance by e-mailing to rpribble@thepampanews.com. Submissions should include only the date, time, location and contact number for the event. The Pampa News reserves the right to edit or reject any submission. Items will be considered for the calendar solely at the discretion of the newspaper.

## Perry: I can handle Obama in debate

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rick Perry on Sunday sought to reassure GOP primary voters concerned about his wobbly presidential debate performances, saying he would draw sharp distinctions with the Democratic incumbent in televised showdowns next year.

"I'm not worried a bit that I'll be able to stand on the stage with Barack Obama and draw a very bright line," Perry said.

The Texas governor, driving for front-runner status as the most viable conservative in the wide-open field, offered up samples of the scathing rhetoric he uses against the president, from the economy to war policy and personal credibility.

Perry also defended his voluntary flat-tax proposal and the notion that it could bring in trillions of dollars less in revenue than the current tax code.

"There's nothing wrong with lower revenue," he said. "I don't want more revenue in Washington D ( I want more revenue in the private sector job creators' hands.' The tough talk came as Perry manages the fallout from

his debate performances and all of the GOP candidates fight to lead the pack in Iowa just two months before the first voting of 2012 begins there.

There is no clear leader in that contest. A Des Moines Register poll on Saturday showed former Godfather's Pizza CEO Herman Cain at the head of the pack, with the support of 23 percent of respondents. Ex-Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney was next with 22 percent.

Perry, who rated just 7 percent in that survey, has taken

a particularly steep fall since announcing his candidacy

in August, struggling through parts of five debates and

dogged especially by Romney. How, he was asked on "Fox News Sunday," would he perform against the erudite Obama in a general election next year?

What counts, Perry said, is how a candidate would govern

"We got a great debater, a smooth politician in the

White House right now, that's not working really good for America," Perry said. Perry plans to attend four of the debates now scheduled

in November as well as a December one. "With as many debates as we got coming up, I may end up being a pretty good debater before it's all been said and done," he said.

On Iraq and Afghanistan, Perry accused Obama of pursuing an "aimless foreign policy" by making big decisions without adequately considering the advice of his commanders. He said the president has endangered Americans on the ground by announcing that U.S. troops would leave Iraq by year's end.

"He has lost his standing from the standpoint of being a commander in chief who has any idea about what's going on in those theaters," Perry said.

On the leading domestic issue, Perry said the president has "taken an experiment with the American economy and turned it into an absolute Frankenstein experience

Cain piled on the president, too. "A responsible commander in chief" would have done more to seek out the counsel of the military's ground commanders before agreeing to pull all troops out of Iraq, Cain said. Doing that leaves a "power vacuum," he added.

"It also leaves it unclear as to how we are going to deal with other nations," Cain said on CBS' "Face the Nation.'

The U.S. deadline to pull troops out by the end of 2011 was originally set by President George W. Bush. Obama decided to move ahead with the plan after Washington and Baghdad couldn't agree on the conditions for keeping a small contingent of U.S. troops behind to train Iraqi forces.

For his part, the president has mostly stayed out of the GOP nomination fight. "I'm going to wait until everyone is voted off the island," he told "Tonight Show" host Jay Leno earlier in

### **Programs**

acre to keep their expired CRP acreage in grass.

Grazing must be implemented on the offered acreage and stubble height must be maintained as outlined in the program. For cropland, EQIP offers financial assistance for installing terraces, diversions, and waterways. On eligible cropland acres, a No-till/Strip-till program can be implemented. No-till/ Strip-till offers an incentive of \$25/ ac to reduce tillage operations and increase crop residue. Another

option available is planting cropland to grass (native or introduced).

AWEP practices in Gray County include converting existing pivots to a more efficient use of water, replacing pivots at least 20 years old, and irrigation pipelines. Eligible participants must have irrigated the offered acres two out of the last five years. WHIP focuses on enhancing wildlife habitat by offering practices such as prescribed grazing, brush management, and fencing.

EQIP, AWEP, and WHIP are con-

cont. from page 1 tinuous sign-up programs and NRCS' accepts applications year round. Right now, the initial funding period for 2012 applications should be in

mid-December. Funding levels are not certain but should be comparable

to previous years. Interested participants can visit the NRCS office located in the USDA Service Center at 12125 E Frederic (County Annex on Hwy. '60) in Pampa for more information, or call 806-665-1751 ext. 3 with any ques-

### oituaries

Dorothy Mattie Giles, 81

Dorothy Mattie Giles, 81, died October 27, 2011,

Services are at Highland Tuesday Baptist Church with pastor Paul Nachtigall and Johnny Funderburg, pastor of First Baptist Church officiating. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetry under il directon of Carmichael-whatley Funeral Giles Directors.



Mrs. Giles was born March 18, 1930, in Merkel. She married Billie Giles on November 16, 1946, in Lordsburg, N.M. She had been a resident of Pampa since 2005, moving from Snyder. She was a homemaker and

Survivors include her husband, Billie Giles of the home; two sons, Bill Giles and wife Roxanne of Pampa, and Marvin Giles and wife Christan of Dallas; four daughters, Rita Jackson and husband Keith and Marcellene Reich and husband Jim, all of Fort Worth, Janice Floyd of Ennis, and Sue Miller and husband Danof Sandwich, Wisc.; 10 grandchildren, seven greatgrandchildren, and one great-great-granddaughter. She was preceded in death by two brothers and three

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### Perry to attend at least 5 debates

WASHINGTON (AP) - Rick Perry plans to participate in at least five more presidential primary debates, his campaign said Saturday, dismissing speculation that the Texas governor's lackluster performances so far would lead him to skip future Republican debates.

Perry, who has struggled through parts of his first five debates, will attend all of the events currently scheduled in November as well as a December debate, his spokesman, Ray Sullivan, told The Associated Press.

The decision comes after questions over whether Perry would bypass some debates to concentrate on other types of campaigning. He has always conceded he is not a strong debater, and has often avoided the sparring matches in his past campaigns.

But he's not giving up.

"Shoot, I may get to be a good debater before this is all over," Perry joked during a campaign stop in New Hampshire on Friday.

Perry had already committed to a Nov. 9 debate in Michigan. Added to the calendar are debates in South Carolina on Nov. 12; Washington, D.C., on Nov. 15; and Arizona on Dec. 1. He'll also attend an Iowa forum hosted by The Family Leader, a socially conservative group, on Nov. 19.

Sullivan said the campaign will make decisions about future debates on a case-by-case basis.

Perry rival Mitt Romney, the former Massachusetts governor, hasn't committed to any debates beyond the Nov. 9 event in Michigan. Romney's campaign didn't immediately say whether he, too, would commit to further debates.

### Man fires gun in church

RICHARDSON (AP) - Police say a 22-year-old man fired a gun inside a church to break up a fight.

No one was injured. The Dallas Morning News reported that a group of people had gathered at Solomon's Porch on Friday night when some others arrived around 10 p. m. Richardson police spokesman Kevin Perlich said the groups began fighting and one man who had been at the church pulled out a gun and fired several times into

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Officers arrested the man, who was charged with discharging a weapon in a public place, a Class B mis-

Perlich, who said the man had no intention of shooting anyone, called the gunfire "effective, but it was a

#### Group tries to save smokestack

EL PASO (AP) — A group of El Paso residents is working to save the city's iconic 826-foot Asarco smelter smokestack from demolition.

The 45-year-old smokestack that towers over El Paso's west side was scheduled to fall in the spring, but the contractor in charge of the demolition agreed to a one-year delay to allow the group time to raise money for its preservation.

Contractor Roberto Puga said the organization, led by Gary Sapp and Robert Ardovino, must raise money to preserve the stack and a neighboring 610-foot concrete chimney.

"We came to an agreement that if they can show me there's a real groundswell of support to keep it up, then I'm willing to give them a one-year moratorium," Puga told the El Paso Times.

### Congressman's widow dies

AUSTIN (AP) - Beryl Pickle, widow of longtime Texas congressman Jake Pickle, has died.

Weed-Corley-Fish Funeral Home in Austin said that Pickle died Thursday. She was 93.

Pickle was born in Rusk and grew up in Jacksonville. She attended Lon Morris College.

She and Jake Pickle, whose first wife died in 1952, were married in 1960. Three years later, he won a seat in Congress. The congressman, who served in Washington for 31 years, died in 2005

Longtime aide Paul Hilgers told the Austin American-Statesman that Beryl Pickle had a keen sense of humor and kept her husband grounded.

Stepdaughter Peggy Pickle says she came to politics reluctantly, "but once she got into it, she came to enjoy it." Services will be Thursday at First United Methodist Church in Austin.

#### Pregnant woman hit by car

SAN MARCOS (AP) - Police say a 22-year-old pregnant woman who was struck by a hit-and-run driver while walking home from work gave birth to a girl before she died.

San Marcos police say Diann Ford was returning from her job at Long John Silver's late Tuesday when she was hit. Ford, who was 37 weeks pregnant, was taken to an Austin hospital that night, the San Antonio Express-News reported.

She gave birth by cesarean section Wednesday, and the girl was taken to the hospital's pediatric intensive care unit. Ford died Thursday.

Her boss Kris Jaccard said Ford was excited about her future as a mother. Jaccard said Ford knew she was having a girl and had picked out a name.

Police were trying to find the driver of the car.

#### Suspect in 1981 murder caught

BILLINGS, Mont. (AP) A 63-year-old man charged in a fatal shooting outside a Houston-area lounge in 1981 has been arrested in a small town in northwestern Montana.

The U.S. Marshals Service says David Gonzales was arrested without incident in Plains on Friday. He was wanted on a \$100,000 homicide warrant stemming from a Sept. 5, 1981, killing and was living under the alias Mercelina Martinez-Merez

Marshals from a Houston-based task force contacted their counterparts in Montana on Thursday to let them know they had developed information that Gonzales may be in Plains. It wasn't immediately clear how long he had been living in the area.

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### Social Security and the self-employed

TOM MARGENAU Creator's Syndicate

Q: In a recent column, you wrote about mandatory Social Security coverage for almost everyone since 1935. But my parents were both optometrists. And I remember my dad was proud of the fact that he wasn't forced into Social Security from the beginning. I believe he was finally required to "join" Social Security sometime in the 1960s. And believe me, he wasn't happy about that! Can you discuss this sometime in the future?

A: In the column in question, I explained why certain groups of employees, such as some state and local government workers, are not covered by Social Security. But I didn't discuss the issue of self-employed people. Thanks for bringing that oversight to my atten-

When the Social Security law passed in 1935, it was set up for the nation's workers (people who worked for wages) because almost none of them had any kind of pension plan at work. The original law did not include self-employed people. They were excluded primarily for administrative reasons: Congress felt that obtaining reports of earnings (the foundation of the Social Security record-keeping system) and collecting "payroll" taxes from people without an employer would be too difficult.

But by 1954, Social Security planners had figured out how to deal with those issues, so Congress mandated Social Security coverage for all self-employed people except lawyers and medical professionals. The lobbies representing these groups fought to stay out of the system because, according to historical documents, their members felt it would lower their standing with their clients to be included in a program they considered one step above welfare.

In 1956, that argument no longer carried water, and Congress mandated Social Security coverage for all self-employed people, including lawyers. But doctors Social Security and you

apparently still had some political clout and were excluded. I've seen letters written at the time from the American Medical Association to various members of Congress decrying their "socialist agenda" for trying to force Social Security on doctors, dentists, and other medical professionals. As you said, your dad was proud of the fact that he didn't have to be in Social Security. I'm sure he was typical of the conservative business people who made up those professions.

But the '60s were not a good time to be a conservative in this country. And in 1965, a liberal Congress finally made doctors the last major self-employed group to be part of Social Security. I'll bet your parents were dragged kicking and screaming into the program!

Q: I've filed for Social Security disability benefits five times. I've had five separate hearings — three of them before the same judge and my claims still get denied, even though my condition continues to worsen. Do you have any advice for me?

A: My advice would be to accept the inevitable, give up filing for disability benefits, and channel those energies into looking for a

If you had filed for Social Security disability benefits once and been turned down, I would have told you to file an appeal, or perhaps start a whole new claim. If you had been turned down twice, I would have suggested you seek help from a lawyer who specializes in Social Security disability cases. (You'll find then listed in the Yellow Pages of any phone directory or by simply doing a Google search.)

But if you've filed five separate claims for Social Security disabil-

ity benefits; been turned down five times; taken each of those claims all the way through the appeals process to hearings before a judge; and had all five appeals rejected, then I think it's about time you realize your impairment obvious-

ly does not meet the legal definition of a disability for Social Security

Q: I have a big problem with my official name in Social Security records. I was born with one name, but very quickly started using a nickname as my first name, and it is that nickname that appeared on my original Social Security card. Then, I married and changed name on my card to my married name, using my real first name. Then, my first husband died, and I started using my maiden name with the nickname again, but I never changed my name on Social Security records. (I have never worked since my first husband died.)

Now I've remarried and am back to using my real first name with my new husband's last name. I am so worried that all of this name confusion will mess up my ability to get Social Security benefits when I turn 62 next year. What can I do?

A: You can relax. Name issues similar to yours are very common. Your situation is unique to you, of course, but the Social Security Administration deals with problems like yours every day. So it's no big deal. You probably don't have to do anything until you actually file for Social Security — and then, all you have to do is explain to them what you told me in your

But if you're going to lose sleep over this, you can go down to your Social Security office at your leisure, bring along some proof of your current name, and fill out a simple one-page form that will change your name in official Social Security records.

If you have a Social Security question, Tom Margenau has the answer. Contact him at thomas.margenau@comcast.net.

### Texas cranking out new jobs

DR. ALI ANARI Research Economist, TX A&M

COLLEGE STATION -Texas was responsible for 19.4 percent of the total jobs created nationwide from September 2010 to September 2011, according to the Real Estate Center's latest Monthly Review of the Texas Economy <a href="http://">http://</a>

Texas gained 248,700 nonfarm jobs during the period, an annual growth rate of 2.4 percent compared with 1.1 percent for the United States.

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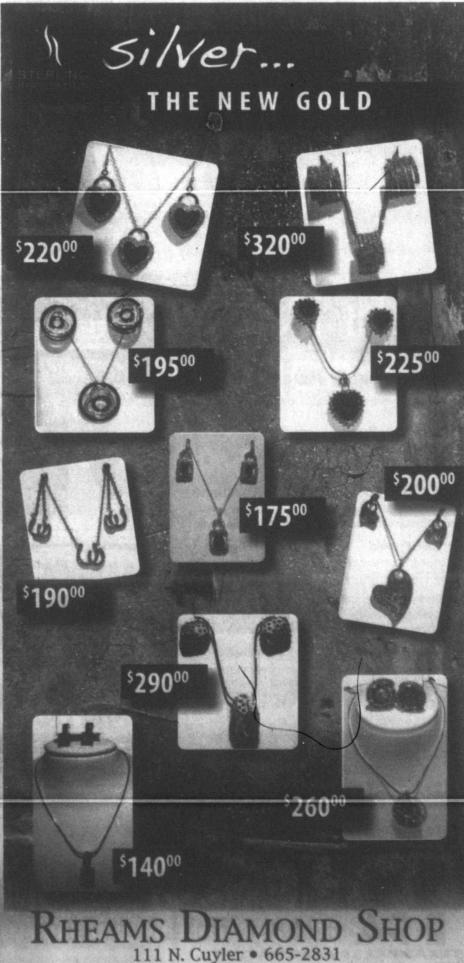
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### Today in History

Today is Monday, Oct. 31, the 304th day of 2011. There are 61 days left in the year. This is Halloween.

Today's Highlights in History:

On Oct. 31, 1941, the Navy destroyer USS Reuben James was torpedoed by a German U-boat off Iceland with the loss of some 100 lives, even though the United States had not yet entered World War II. Work was completed on the Mount Rushmore National Memorial in South Dakota, begun in 1927.

On this date:

In 1517, Martin Luther posted the 95 Theses on the door of the Wittenberg Palace church, marking the start of the Protestant Reformation in Germany. In 1864, Nevada became the 36th state.

In 1926, magician Harry Houdini died in Detroit of gangrene and peritonitis resulting from a ruptured appendix

In 1961, the body of Josef Stalin was removed from Lenin's Tomb as part of the Soviet Union's "de-Stalinization" drive. In 1968, President Lyndon B. Johnson ordered a

halt to all U.S. bombing of North Vietnam, saying he hoped for fruitful peace negotiations. In 1984, Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi

was assassinated by two Sikh security guards. In 1991, theatrical producer Joseph Papp died in

New York at age 70. In 1994, a Chicago-bound American Eagle ATR-72 crashed in northern Indiana, killing all 68

people aboard. In 1996, a Brazilian Fokker-100 jetliner crashed in Sao Paulo, killing all 96 people on board and

three on the ground. In 1999, EgyptAir Flight 990, bound from New York to Cairo, crashed off the Massachusetts coast, killing all 217 people aboard.

Ten years ago: New York hospital worker Kathy T. Nguyen died of inhalation anthrax, the fourth person to perish in a spreading wave of

Five years ago: Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki ordered the lifting of joint U.S.-Iraqi military checkpoints around the Shiite militant stronghold of Sadr City and other parts of Baghdad.

One year ago: A former teenage al-Qaida fighter, Omar Khadr, was sentenced by a military judge at Guantanamo to eight more years in custody under the terms of a plea agreement unsealed after a military sentencing jury said he should serve 40 years for war crimes.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Lee Grant is 84. Movie critic Andrew Sarris is 83. Former astronaut Michael Collins is 81. Former CBS anchorman Dan Rather is 80. Folk singer Tom Paxton is 74. Actor Ron Rifkin is 72. Actress Sally Kirkland is 70. Actor David Ogden Stiers is 69. Actor Stephen Rea is 65. Actress Deidre Hall is 63. Talk show host Jane Pauley is 61. Actor Brian Stokes Mitchell is 54. Movie director Peter Jackson is 50. Rock musician Larry Mullen is 50. Actor Dermot Mulroney is 48. Actor Rob Schneider is 47. Country singer Darryl Worley is 47. Rap performer Vanilla Ice (aka Rob Van Winkle) is 43. Rock singer Linn Berggren (Ace of Base) is 41. Actress Piper Perabo is 35. Actor Brian Hallisay is 33. Actor Eddie Kaye Thomas is 31. Actor Scott Clifton is 27. Actresssinger Willow Smith is 11.

Thought for Today: "Success is a public affair. Failure is a private funeral." - Rosalind Russell, American actress (1911-1976).



### Speaking up for that other one percent

Lauded by the Washington press corps for his "courage" and "honesty" in confronting federal deficits and the national debt, Rep. Paul Rvan, R-Wis., wrote a budget that almost sank the Republican Party -- and may still damage its prospects -- because he proposed to dismantle Medicare. Yet his party still relies upon Ryan to speak on behalf of its most important constituency, now known in America and across the world as "the 1 percent."

Addressing the right-wing Heritage Foundation on Wednesday, Ryan sought to discredit Elizabeth Warren -- the Massachusetts Democratic senatorial candidate. Harvard faculty member, creator of the Consumer Finance Protection Agency and enemy No. 1 of Wall Street cheaters -- for daring to utter an obvious truth.

While praising the creativity and industriousness of entrepreneurs, Warren recently pointed out that business cannot thrive without functional government providing police and fire protection, safe and efficient transportation, educated workers and myriad other public services.

Paying for those services is a responsibility that must be broadly shared, she said, and the rich who have benefited most from government in so many ways should now pay their fair share of its budgets and debts.

"You built a factory out there?

Good for you," she explained in videotaped remarks that lit up the Internet not long ago. "But I want to be clear. You moved your goods to market on the roads the rest of us paid for. You hired workers the rest of us paid to educate. You were safe in your factory because of police forces and fire forces that the rest of us paid for. You didn't have to worry that marauding bands

would come and seize everything at your factory -- and hire someone to protect against this -- because of the work the rest of us did."

"Now look, you built a factory and it turned into something terrific, or a great idea. God bless -- keep a big hunk of it. But part of the underlying social contract is, you take a hunk of that and pay forward for the next kid who comes along."

That simple, plainly factual statement obviously rankled Ryan, a philosophical acolyte of the extreme libertarianism of the late Ayn Rand, whose spirit he channeled in excoriating Warren for supposedly elevating government over "the individual, the family, the entrepreneur," which he called "completely, inherently backwards."

Nothing that Warren actually said indicates the primacy of government over the individual and the family, or even the private sector — and Ryan is certainly intelligent enough to understand what she meant. Did he misinterpret her words intentionally? The telltale evidence lies in his own remarks about government's role in society.

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free enterprise system," he told the Heritage audience. But Ryan's own budget, with its enormous tax cuts for the wealthy and its required cuts in spending, would cripple government's capacity to provide those services.

Under a Ryan budget, infrastructure and education would not only continue to languish but starve. Healso nodded toward "our safety net" system," calling it "necessary, I believe, to help people who can't themselves, to help people who are: down on their luck get back onto: their feet," without acknowledgingthat his budget would decimate thatsystem entirely, depriving seniors of the benefits that have raised millionsfrom poverty over the past halfcentury.

The gist of Ryan's speech was to scold President Obama for allegedly promoting "class warfare" and CONASON cont. on page 6



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# Sports

# Lady Harvesters test skills against Miami, Shamrock

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For the first time in the 2011-12 season, the Pampa Lady Harvesters got to see how they match up against someone other than themselves when they scrimmaged the Miami Lady Warriors and the

Shamrock Lady Irish. Head coach Gene Valentine said it took a little bit to get used to playing, adding the team picked it up towards the end of the scrimmage.

"We started to understand what we are trying to accomplish," Valentine said. "We go from

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four to 13 (points in a scrimmage). It was a good learning experience for all of them."

**Valentine** 

Sophomore Hayley Burnett said they played well on defense but needed to improve offensively.

"We have worked hard on defense," Burnett said. "We need to move the ball faster on offense."

Pampa had four eight-minute scrimmages against each team. In the first contest, Pampa outscored Miami 7-6. The Lady Harvesters tied the Lady Irish 2-2. In the second scrimmage with the Lady Warriors, the Lady Harvesters scored four and allowed six. Senior Lindsey Brown scored two points. Senior Delaney Clendening grabbed a rebound and junior Hannah Baker scored two points and grabbed a rebound.

The Lady Harvesters were plagued by turnovers in the second scrimmage with Shamrock which led to easy baskets for the Lady Irish. Pampa was outscored 12-6. Junior Taylor Morgan, Clendening and Burnett scored Pampa's points. Morgan said the team struggled with its plays.

"We know how to run our plays," Morgan said. "We just didn't think at times."

Valentine said his team was getting shots but wasn't taking its time.

"We were so rushing the shot," Valentine said. "It was like, 'I got it, I got to take it quick.' We weren't shooting in any kind of rhythm."

The Lady Warriors outscored Pampa 6-2. Burnett scored Pampa's points. Clendening grabbed a rebound. In the third game against the Lady Irish, Morgan and Clendening helped Pampa score the first four points of the scrimmage. Brown recorded a steal. Shamrock closed the scrimmage, scoring the last five points.

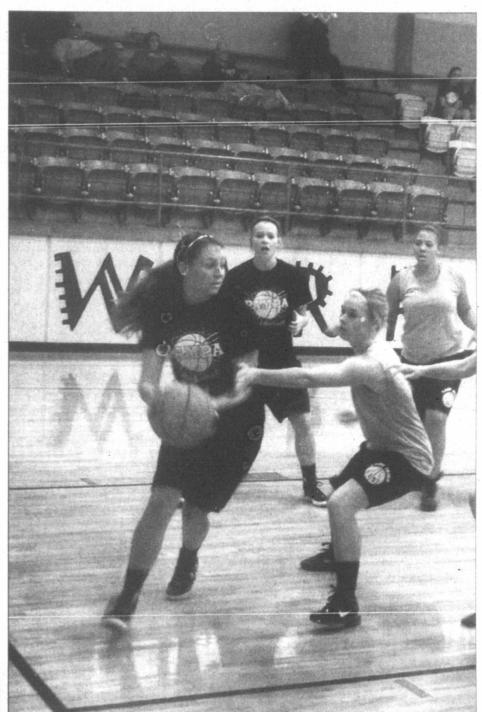
In the final scrimmage with the Lady Warriors, the Lady Harvesters tied 4-4. Burnett scored all of Pampa's points and stole the ball. The Lady Harvesters finished the day outscoring Shamrock 13-6. Brown scored four points and stole the ball twice. Clendening hit a three and scored five in the scrimmage. She also grabbed three rebounds and recorded one steal.

The Lady Irish and the Lady Warriors are both Class 1A playoff teams from last season. Burnett said it was good to test their skills against caliber opponents.

"It shows what we can improve on offense and defense," Burnett said.

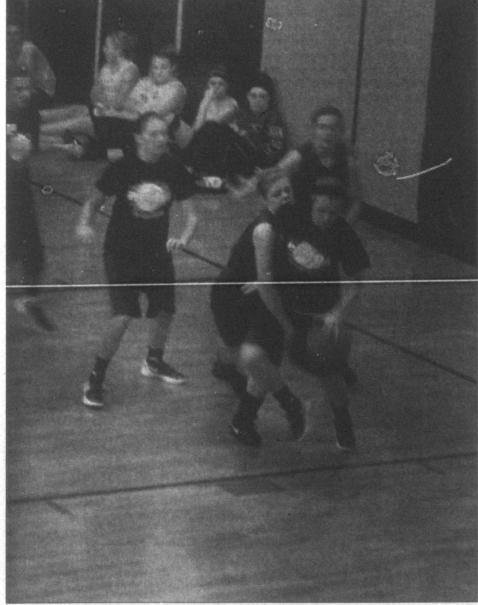
Pampa scrimmages at Borger 10 a.m. Saturday. Valentine said his team has to work on adjusting to the defense.

"In basketball, there is certain things the defense is doing to you and you have to adjust," Valentine said. "Get them to understand that and do it on the floor by themselves without me coaching them through it."



staff photo by Andrew Glover

**Senior Elizabeth Terry** looks for someone to pass to after securing an offensive rebound. Pampa improved offensively later in the scrimmage against Miami and Shamrock



staff photo by Andrew Glover

Senior Delaney Clendening secures a rebound against Miami. The Lady Harvesters scrimmaged Miami and Shamrock Saturday in Miami.

## Lefors takes care of Higgins

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After playing two straight games against playoff contenders, the No. 10 Lefors Pirates finally got a break when they faced the Higgins Coyotes. That didn't mean the Pirates took the game lightly as they won 60-0 at halftime.

Head coach Joey Czubinski said his team came in to take care of business.
"They played hard," Czubinski said.

'We played faster and quicker."

Junior Colten Helfer was strong in the running game with 92 yards and two touchdowns. Senior Seth Scully passed for 51 yards and thew four touchdowns. On defense, Scully and senior Dennis Sprouse each grabbed interceptions.

Czubinski said he was proud as his defense held the Coyotes to negative nine yards rushing.



Czubinski

are hoping to rest on that."

The Pirates (7-2, 0-1) visit the

The Pirates (7-2, 0-1) visit the Darrouzett Longhorns (3-4, 0-1) 7:30 p.m. Friday. The winner will make the playoffs.

"That's remark-

able," Czubinski said.

"We were rotating

in a lot of guys. We

Czubinski said his team will have to deal with a grade conditions but will be focused. "We have to go all the way up there," Czubinski said. "It's going to be tight quarters. We will have to deal with the cold and frost...This is why we went through two-a-days, dealt with the heat and lifted weights. If we win, it will be worth it. If we lose, then it's back to the drawing board."





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### Regents invest in firm tied to ex-UT leader

AUSTIN (AP) — University of Texas System regents invested \$10 million in a private company with close ties to the system's former chancellor, his son and associates of Gov. Rick Perry, the Austin American-Statesman reported in Sunday's edition.

The regents voted unanimously at a public meeting Aug. 25 to take a 22.5 percent stake in Austin-based MyEdu Corp. The vote came after a brief discussion with no debate or public comment, the American-

Statesman reported.

Senior UT System staff members and the regents did not disclose publicly — and apparently some did not know — that former Chancellor William Cunningham is a MyEdu investor and that his son, John, is a co-founder of the company and senior vice president of information architecture. The company's chairman and CEO is Michael Crosno, who served on Perry's re-election finance committee last year.

Regents Chairman Gene Powell and system Chancellor Francisco Cigarroa said they were unaware of Cunningham's involvement, but that they were not obligated to disclose it. Powell, who co-chaired Perry's re-election finance committee, and Cigarroa also said they did not know of Crosno's and Pearson's ties to Perry.

"Nor was it pertinent to this agreement," Cigarroa told the newspaper. "We felt comfortable with exactly how this agreement went forward."

William Cunningham, who also is a former president of the University of Texas at Austin, said he is not a major shareholder in MyEdu and was unaware of UT's investment until it was publicly announced.

Cigarroa said the deal was cleared by the system's attorneys. Perry spokesman Josh Havens said the governor's office had no involvement in the deal.

John Cunningham, a Texas A&M graduate, started the online service as Pick-A-Prof in 2000 with a partner. The site was one where students could rate and exchange information about their teachers.

Crosno said he started MyEdu in 2009 by buying Pick-A-Prof. He said he saw the company had a great future as an independent clearinghouse where students and parents could plan better and lower costs by avoiding dropped courses.

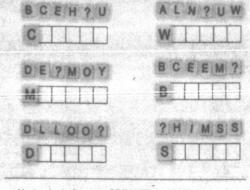
"There's one way to save money in college: Take the right, exact number of courses to get a college degree and do it in the least amount of time," Crosno told the American-Statesman.

The University of Texas at Austin and other universities offer tools on their websites to help students with schedules and career planning. They also post summaries of student evaluations of faculty members.

Crosno said MyEdu collects that information and presents it in one place "in a form that students accept."

## -BANANAGRAMS!

Each set of letters below is arranged alphabetically, and the ? is in the correct alphabetical position. LEVEL Figure out what letter the ? represents and rearrange the letters to spell a six-letter word. For example, in A?ENTV the 2 could be an A, B, C, D or E. Here it represents a D, which can be combined with the other letters to spell ADVENT. The first letter is placed to get you started.



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the meals.'

Autry said that the Music and a Meal program has enjoyed steady participation since it first began five years ago.

"We've had success with it," Autry said. "Everyone enjoys it.

We have a lot that want to come as soon as it starts and they don't want to leave until one o'clock when it's over, because the music is good and the fellowship is good. The community has really gotten behind us on it. It's a fun time.

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### **Jobs**

The state's private sector added 281,400 jobs, an annual growth rate of 3.3 percent compared with 1.7 percent for the nation's private sector.

Texas' seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased to 8.5 percent in September 2011 from 8.2

in September 2010. The nation's rate decreased from 9.6 to 9.1 percent. All industries except

the information industry and the state's government sector had more jobs in September 2011 than in September 2010. The state's mining and log-

ging industry ranked first in job creation, followed by construction and the professional and business services industry.

All Texas metro areas except Abilene, Wichita Falls and Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood had more jobs in September 2011 than in September 2010. Victoria ranked first in job creation, followed by Corpus Christi, Laredo, Odessa and College Station-Bryan.

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The state's actual unemployment rate in September 2011 was 8.4 percent. Midland had the lowest rate followed by Amarillo, Odessa, College Station-Bryan and Lubbock.

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### Conason

for incivility toward his political opponents. (Such complaints might be taken more seriously from a politician who had spoken up at some point against the racially divisive birther propaganda in his own party.) Understandably, Ryan isn't eager to discuss the issues of wealth and income distribution, preferring to focus on 'upward mobility."

But between Ryan and Warren, who is the better exemplar of the American

Dream? Ryan is a figure from the privileged class he defends, scion of a Midwestern construction empire created two generations ago that enabled him to pursue an expensive education and a political career without worrying about the cost. Growing up middle-class in Oklahoma City, Warren had to struggle for her own advancement from the age of 12, after her father's heart attack and medical bills almost ruined her family.

cont. from page 1 She has worked all her life,

starting as a waitress, and put herself through law school.

Before Ryan delivers another lecture on the fatal concert of liberalism," he ought to examine his own silly conceit: that he and others like him represent the hardworking majority, when he was merely born at the top.

Joe Conason is a nationally syndicated columnist

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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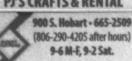
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## 'Occupy' confrontation in Austin leads to 38 Sunday arrests

AUSTIN (AP) - A pair of predawn confrontations between Austin police and Occupy Austin protesters led to 38 arrests Sunday.

Most were charged with criminal trespass, Police Chief Art Acevedo said. No injuries were reported.

The first confrontation came about 12:30 a.m. Sunday when officers moved to enforce a new rule banning food tables in the City Hall plaza between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. Some protesters surrounded the tables with arms linked.

Protesters had been advised of the food table ban on Friday, Assistant City Manager Michael McDonald told the Austin American-Statesman.

"We want to facilitate their activities," he said of the Occupy Austin protesters, "but we can't allow this to be a permanent campsite."

Some protesters found the ban arbitrary. "On a night where there are hundreds of drunks driving around town, they have all these resources here to take down three food tables," protester Dave Cortez told the newspaper.

"We were ready to work and negotiate and accommodate the city," he said. "Instead, they decided to bring a bunch of police to remove some food tables, so all that went out the window.

Another incident came about 2 a.m., when more than 50 police officers moved to clear an amphitheater on the plaza for a regular power-washing.

Most of the protesters remained peaceful and stayed out of the way of the cleaning, but some wouldn't move and were arrested when confronting officers.

"We're proud of how Austin has handled this occupation," McDonald said. "Has it been perfect? No, it hasn't. It's very difficult because it's very emotional.'

The "Occupy" movement, which began six weeks ago in lower Manhattan to decry corporate influence in government and wealth inequality, has spread to cities large and small across the country and around the world. Demonstrators have spent weeks camped out in parks, wearing at the patience of city officials — even those who have expressed some level of support for their cause.

parks surrounded by office buildings despite policies outlawing camping, but Mayor Sam Adams warned demonstrators last week that he would not allow them to take over any more parks. Late Saturday, hundreds of protesters gathered in another park -Jamison Square in the wealthy Pearl District — and defied a midnight

About 30 people who had decided to risk arrest sat on the ground as other protesters walked around them and chanted "Whose Park? Our Park!" and "Make No Arrests."

When police moved in around 2 a.m., all but the sitting protesters backed off. An Associated Press photographer said most of those protesters went limp and were carried or dragged away by police. There was no violence during the arrests, which took about 90 minutes.

The protesters — all appearing to be in their 20s and 30s with many wearing Halloween-style face paint were handcuffed and taken away in police vans. "We are the 99 percent," one arrestee continued to chant.

Police said the arrests were made on charges that included criminal trespassing, interfering with a police officer and disorderly conduct.

Protesters in California, Georgia and Colorado also have been arrested over the last several days.

In Tennessee, Republican Gov. Bill Haslam's administration sent state troopers to haul away Occupy Nashville protesters Thursday and Friday for violating a park curfew, but none were jailed. A local official, Night Court Magistrate Tom Nelson, refused to sign off on the arrest warrants, saying state officials have no authority to set the curfew.

On Saturday night, protesters prepared for a third night of arrests but were greeted by only a single trooper on patrol who made no move against them. Safety Department spokeswoman Jennifer Donnals would not say whether the troopers plan to continue the arrests, saying only, "The curfew remains in effect and we urge the protesters to adhere to it."

New York's Democratic Gov. Andrew Cuomo has been similarly In Portland, Ore., police have thwarted by local officials in Albany,

allowed protesters to sleep in two where Occupy protesters have pitched tents in a city park across the street from the Capitol.

Cuomo reportedly asked Albany Mayor Jerry Jennings last weekend to begin enforcing the park's 11 p.m. curfew. Jennings declined; he told the New York Post, "My counsel said we'd be opening ourselves up to civil liability if we forced them out."

In lower Manhattan, police have not attempted to evict people who have been camped out in Zuccotti Park since Sept. 17, but they recently took away the demonstrators' generators and fuel, saying they were a safety hazard.

In a letter to the fire department, attorneys associated with the New York chapter of the National Lawyer Guild said the seizures were only a pretext for "freezing out" the activists. A nor'easter buried parts of the Northeast in up to 2 feet of snow Saturday. There was far less snow

than that in New York, but it quickly

turned to a miserably cold and wet

slush. At least a few protesters left.

Nick Thommen, a 6-foot-4 former Marine who served in Iraq and wartorn regions of Africa, gave fellow protesters lessons on how to endure the rough conditions.

"I'm fine here — we trained for months in Norway," he said. But he said less experienced protesters could easily get hypothermia or frostbite.

"I went around waking people up and telling them they have to move - do jumping jacks, or anything," he

Though far from the nor'easter, Des Moines, Iowa, also was getting uncomfortable for protesters, with overnight temperatures dipping into the low 30s. Protesters in Stewart Square have bundled up in coats, hats and gloves, and some have surrounded their tents in layers of cardboard, hay bales and trash bags filled with leaves.

"I'm equipped to be out here however cold it gets, whether it's 20 degrees above or 20 below," protester Bill Lewis said.









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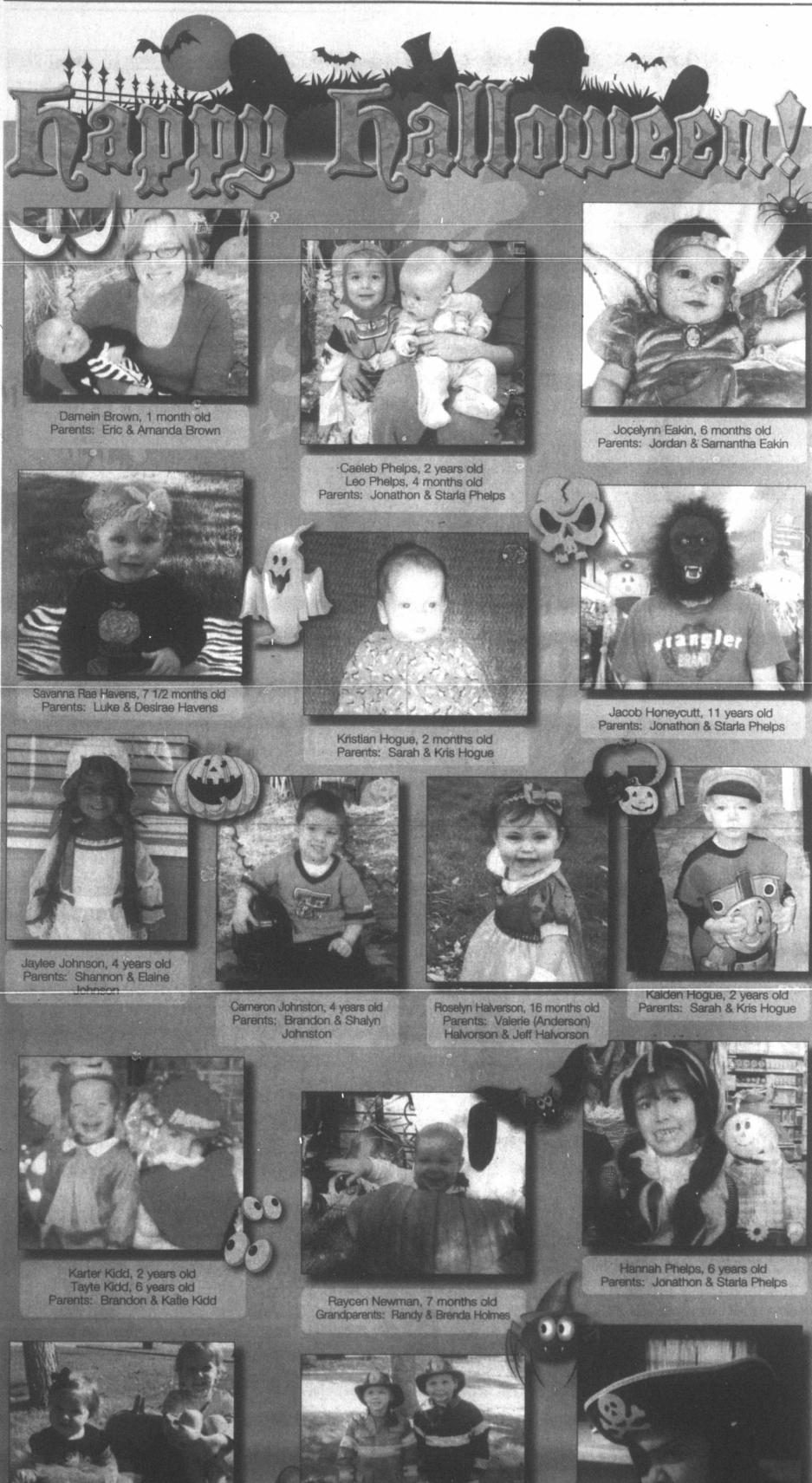
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#### **Nest Heads**







HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, Oct. 31, 2011

This year you seem to say the right words at the right time. You experience greater ease with life and people. You might indulge more yet still be able to discipline yourself. A natural talent becomes more evolved and apparent. If you are single, you enter a year in which you attract many potential suitors. Choose with care. If you are attached, frequently indulge your sweetie. Hang out with CAPRICORN

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)

\*\*\* A sense of responsibility emanates through your day. You could be focused on a money matter involving another person or simply how to distribute the Halloween candy. A sense of letting go marks

later today. Tonight: Keep it light. TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

\*\*\*\* Keep reaching out for someone at a distance. You could be disturbed by everything that you are seeing and feeling. Worry less about others. You can always opt to go solo, if need be. What you feel might not be communicated in your words.

Tonight: Put on music first. **GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** 

\*\*\* Deal with money and work issues. Instead of negligence or a power play, would it not be better to achieve a cohesive attitude and a game plan? Act on what you sults. Tonight: Togetherness is the theme.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) \*\*\* Those who know you past your

defensive Crab attacks recognize how very nurturing and caring you are. However, you don't need to be the lead player every time. You could be much happier letting someone else assume the responsibility he or she the people around you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

\*\* You are really into a project and determined to get as much done as possible. Still, you are likely to discover how easily you could be distracted. Remain fo-the first step in making your desires hapcused and stay on top of communication. If you are longing to go off and do something personal, do. You might be too distracted anyway. Tonight: Go for something relax-

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

\*\*\* Nearly everyone around you is focused and in Monday mode. Your mind might be aware that it is Monday, but your imagination goes haywire. You have some very fun thoughts and ideas. Maybe you can indulge and leave your routine behind early in the day. Tonight: Lighten up.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

\*\*\* Stay centered and remember your priorities. Whether your mind goes on overdrive or you are inundated with calls and requests, it seems close to impossible to complete a project. You will want to move a project to the back burner for a short period. Tonight: Head home.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ You have a lot to say, and considering the way you express yourself, you will be noticed. Use your gift of communication to make waves and be heard. From that point on a discussion becomes possible. Don't allow a sense of depression to get to you. Tonight: Enjoying the haunted quality of the night.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

\*\* Be aware of what you have to offer. Don't diminish yourself through comparison. Sometimes all of us want to play a low-key role, and you are no exception. Be aware of how hard you are pushing someone close. Try for understanding. Tonight: Treat time.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

\*\*\*\* Understand where you are discover to be so. You will like the end re- coming from, then act. If you can sort out your personal agenda from your actions, you would be better off. Don't roll into action too quickly. Indulge a special person in your life. Make a call and plan a get-together. Tonight: Beam in what you want.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

\*\*\* Back off for now and say little. Still, a friend or associate could give you a has coveted for a long time. Tonight: Enjoy nudge or two to let you know that he or she understands what you are up to. Make sure you connect with a boss or someone you really care about. Tonight: Vanish if you can.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\*\*\* Knowing what you want is pen. You don't really need agreement from others, but their sup ort will only please you. Bring others together, whether it is with Halloween cookies at the office or some other idea. Tonight: Where the fun is.

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Make sure your costume props are flexible.

Costume props can hurt you badly if you fall. Make sure swords, knives, etc. are made of flexible plastic or rubber.

Make sure the eye holes in your mask are wide enough. Make sure your mask fits properly and the eye holes allow you to see fully.

Don't wear a mask that is too loose; it can slip and block your vision. Even better, paint your face instead of wearing a mask.

### **Streets:**

in the dark.

jazz up your costume by attaching some retroreflective tape and stickers.

Make sure you are trick-or-treating in a group.

Don't go it alone while trick-or-treating. Kids, if you're under age 13, make sure you go with an adult. Older kids should always go with buddies.

Make sure you cross streets at crosswalks or intersections.

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