

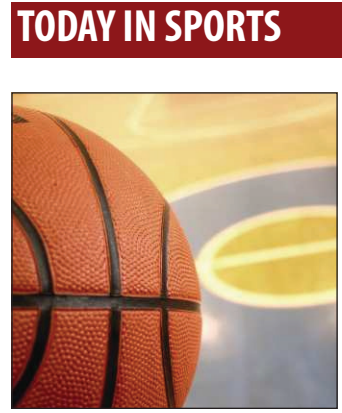
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## Clarendon College announces President's List

**STAFF REPORT**  
 Clarendon College released their President's List this week. The list included 22 students from the Pampa area. Here are the students: Xenia Leann Andis, Mario Armenta, Lizeth Avalos, Billye J. Baldwin, Faith Bohl, Samantha Jewel Carter, Jesus A. Chavez, Sklar Don Estes, Crystal Lewis, Elizabeth McLatchy, Margarita Mier, Steven Ray Mitchell, Brodie Shawn Peters, Iriscel Quezada, Brenda Kay Reed, Abigail Salazar, Andrew Manuel Santacruz, Jesus Manuel Santacruz, Kendall Snead, Woodie G. Sons, Rachel D. Swires and Irvin Rivas Granillo.  
 The Pampa News would like to congratulate all the students on their accomplishment.



## Hound helps family escape fire



Above, from left, James, Mason and Tamara Cates with their dogs, from left, Celest and Adriana. The Cates were rescued from a fire when Celest alerted a sleeping Tamara of the ongoing blaze in the living room. Below, their old home 321 N. Wells, was a complete loss in last Sunday's fire.



**BY JOHN LEE**  
 jlee@thepampanews.com  
 They say, "Your dog may only be a part of your life, but for him, you are his whole life."  
 The Cates' family was reminded of that last Sunday when one of their dog's, Celest, single-handedly warned her family of impending danger in the house.  
 Tamara Cates and her eight-month old infant, Mason, were at home Sunday morning just after 11 a.m. Tamara's husband, James, had just went to work at his job waiting tables at Texas Rose.  
 "Mason had been up all night having problems teething the night before," Tamara said. "So just the time he had went to work, Mason and I crashed out."  
 Tamara had suddenly heard a commotion in the hallway. Celest had knocked down the gate the Cates use

## Gray County Grand Jury indictments

**STAFF REPORT**  
 The Gray County Grand Jury met on Dec. 16 and handed down the following indictments:  
 • Stanley Branch, manufacturing or delivering a controlled substance, namely, methamphetamine — between four and 20 grams, tampering with or fabricating physical evidence with intent to impair, two charges of possession of a controlled substance, namely, cocaine — at least four grams, possession of marijuana — between four ounces and five pounds, two charges of possession of a controlled substance, namely, methamphetamine — at least four grams.  
 • Jeremy Lee Courtney, two charges of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, to-wit, a vehicle.  
 • Rose Linda DeLeon, possession of a controlled substance, namely, cocaine — less than one gram.  
 • Aaron Lee Estep, burglary of a building, burglary of a habitation.

## Stadewide gas price average drops 14 cents

**SUBMITTED BY AAA TEXAS**  
 IRVING – Holiday cheer has come early for the motoring public, with the average gasoline price for retail at its lowest in more than five years. Today's statewide average price for unleaded is \$2.26 according to AAA Texas. That price is 14 cents less than one week ago and less than one year ago. Of the major metropolitan areas that we survey in the Lone



## 52nd Children's Shopping Tour serves 351 family members

The 52nd Children's Shopping Tour took place Saturday, Dec. 13, with 70 children participating, according to Sandra McKinney from the Texas Health and Human Services Commission, who was in charge of registration. "We served 351 family members this year," McKinney said, "including the children who went on the tour."  
 McKinney said that about 150 volunteers helped with the project. The children did not buy presents for themselves, but instead bought for their family members. Whitney Davis of the Pampa Optimists Club said that 861 presents were wrapped after the children returned to the Optimist Gym for a wrapping party after purchasing their gifts at Walmart. Kevin Davis headed a group of Optimists who furnished a hamburger luncheon to the children and volunteers after they were through with wrapping. He estimated 275 hamburgers were served.  
 The children heard a couple of Christmas stories after lunch. They heard a talk by Dr. Ran Loy of the First United Methodist Church about "The Reason for the Season." After a visit from Santa Claus, the children had an opportunity to receive a New Testament in English or Spanish from members of The Gideon Society. "We handed out 75 Bibles this year," said Dr. Mark W. Ford, Jr., who led the Gideons.  
 "We ran about half an hour later than usual this year," said Jil Arias of the Pampa Downtown Kiwanis Club, who served as General Chair. The children did not seem to mind as smiles and excitement filled the air as the volunteers took them to their homes.  
 "Brad Pingel, of The Pampa Noon Lions Club, was in charge of contacting families without telephones and Spanish speaking families to remind them of the tour," Arias said. "As a result of the Lions' good work, we had only one child who did not participate."  
 "I want to send a special thanks to Twilla Thomas, Melodie Dosch and Rene Johnson of Altrusa," Arias said. "They revised a brochure about the project. The brochure is in English and Spanish and describes the project. A copy was given to each group of volunteers and will be sent to each contributor."  
 Other organizations involved include The Salvation Army, Tralee Crisis Center, Pampa United Way, Pampa Chamber of Commerce, Texas Department of Public Safety, First Presbyterian Church, First Baptist Church, Grace Baptist Church, Pampa Chamber of Commerce Gold Coats, Pampa High School Cheerleaders, PHS Baseball team, PHS Boys Soccer team, PHS Girls Soccer team, Astra Club, Miami Area Youth Organization, P.H.S. Student Council, Pampa Junior High School, National Junior Honor Society, P.H.S. Harvester Football Team, P.H.S. Harvester Baseball Team, Students Against Drunk Driving, PHS National Honor Society, Roberts County Sheriff's Office, Miami Independent School District and the Aldersgate Sunday School Class from the First United Methodist Church.

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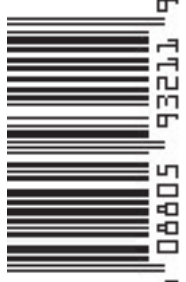
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## PAMPA FORECAST

Today	Sunday	Monday
		
High 55 Low 34	High 56 Low 37	High 56 Low 33

**Today:** Partly cloudy, high around 55. Winds S 10-15 mph. Sunrise: 7:50 a.m.

**Tonight:** Partly cloudy, low 34. Winds S 10-15 mph. Sunset: 5:35 p.m.

**Sunday:** Some clouds in the morning will give way to mainly sunny skies for the afternoon. High 56. Winds SSW at 10-15 mph. Sunrise: 7:50 a.m.

**Sunday night:** A few clouds. Low 37. Winds SW at 10-15 mph. Sunset: 5:35 p.m.

**Monday:** Intervals of clouds and sunshine. High 55. Winds NNW at 10-20 mph. Sunrise: 7:51 a.m.

**Monday night:** Showers in the evening, then cloudy overnight. Low 33. Winds NNW at 10-20 mph. Chance of rain 40 percent. Sunset: 5:36 p.m.

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## DPS PLAYS SANTA FOR LUBBOCK STATE SUPPORTED LIVING CENTER BY DELIVERING MORE THAN 150 PRESENTS



Submitted by DPS

The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) played Santa for the Lubbock State Supported Living Center recently, as they delivered more than 150 presents to the residents who live there. Around 2 p.m. Thursday, a convoy of DPS patrol cars, led by a black and white Hummer, delivered boxes and bags packed with Christmas presents to the center. DPS plans to partner with the center again next year.

## Fire

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to keep the dogs out of their bedroom. Celest then started jumping on Tamara, waking her up. "She gets in there and starts jumping around on me and woke me up," Tamara said. "I turned and looked at her and said, 'OUT!' But she wouldn't leave the bedroom. So I got up and grab her collar to take her to the living room and I get in there and the door is engulfed in flames." The living room had caught on fire. So Tamara grabbed Mason and took him to a bedroom in the back of the house to get him away from the smoke. She went and grabbed

some clothes from her bedroom and quickly scurried out of the house, but she forgot something. "I got about halfway across the neighborhood and realized I left the dog in the house with the door shut," Tamara said. "So I handed my son over to my cousin who met me halfway through the neighbor's yard and told him to take him to Jennifer, inside and out of the cold and the smoke and went to the back door and let the dog out." Celest, a cowdog, Rottweiler and Great Pyrenees mix, had to be retrieved from the garage of the house. Tamara said Celest was scared, of course, after facing a house under fire. Unfortunately the Cates' fish was a loss of life in

the fire, but somehow their hognose snake did survive the duration of the blaze. James is incredibly grateful to have Celest around as she saved his wife and son. "The fire marshal said if the fire had gotten to the couches before she (Celest) had woke up she would have succumbed to smoke inhalation and my wife and son wouldn't have woke up," James said. "She literally saved their lives." The Cates are staying with family, two houses down from their old, burned down home. The house is a complete loss. The Cates lost a number of things in the fire, including jackets, a play pen, bassinet, toys and even one of James' pay-

checks. The fire was an electric fire caused by a short in one of the outlets in the wall. But the Cates are actively in search of a new home. They were even going to check out a place Thursday afternoon. "We've got a few other numbers of people to call who may have properties," James said. "The Red Cross was here before the fire was even completely out, they made a huge difference for us and gathered a lot of the funds to replace the stuff we lost in the living room like some of Mason's stuff." With all that may have been lost in the fire, Celest made sure to save the most important thing to her and the Cates family, their lives.

## Gas

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at the pump has fallen nearly 25 percent since the start of the year, and if the global price of crude continues to register new multiyear lows, these lower prices are likely to persist. Barring any unexpected spikes in global prices, or declines in domestic production, the price at the pump should remain relatively low approaching the New Year and into 2015. AAA Texas forecasts 8.1 million Texans will travel 50 miles or more away from home during the Year-End holidays, the highest growth rate for the holiday since 2009 and the highest travel volume for the holiday period on record. Of those traveling, 7.5 mil-

lion will travel by automobile and will certainly benefit from the lower pump prices. "Sluggish global oil demand combined with abundant supply in the market continues to be the reasons why we've seen prices move lower week after week," said AAA Texas/New Mexico Representative Doug Shupe. "For the millions of Texans expected to drive to holiday destinations next week these lower gas prices will leave them with more money to spend on travel, shopping and recreation during the holiday season." To help members and non-members identify quality auto repair shops

that can assist in the maintenance and repair of their vehicles, AAA offers the Approved Auto Repair program as a free public service. AAA-approved repair facilities meet and maintain high professional standards for training, equipment, cleanliness and customer service. Motorists can look for the Approved Auto Repair sign at local auto repair facilities, or search for a nearby AAA-approved shop online at AAA.com/Repair. AAA Texas branch offices throughout the state can be found by visiting www.AAA.com. Follow AAA Texas on Twitter: @AAATexas and Facebook: www.facebook.com/AAATexas.

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# Hemphill County Grand Jury indictments

## STAFF REPORT

The Hemphill County Grand Jury met on Dec. 11 and handed down the following indictments:

- Ryan Paul Nowak, possession of a prohibited substance, namely, methamphetamine, in a correctional facility.
- Irving Alfonso Castaneda, forgery of a financial instrument.
- Jose Omas Cisneros, forgery of a financial instrument.

# Pampa Fire Department call log — Dec. 17-19

## STAFF REPORT

The Pampa Fire Department responded to these calls for the following dates. One unit with three personnel responded to each call, unless otherwise indicated.

- Dec. 17**
- At 12:41 p.m., to Perryton Parkway and 23rd on a motor-vehicle accident. One patient was transported to Pampa Regional Medical Center.
  - At 2:39 p.m., to the 100 block of Village Drive on a medical assist.
- Dec. 18**
- At 2:43 p.m. to a medical call in the 1900 block of Dwight.
  - At 6:58 p.m., to a medical call in the 600 block of East Scott.
  - At 10:30 p.m., to a carbon monoxide investigation in the 2400 block of Beech.
- Dec. 19**
- At 6:56 a.m., to a false alarm in the 1400 block of South Barnes.
  - At 7:18 a.m., to a medical call in the 1400 block of West Somerville.

# For the record

## Pampa man arrested for DWI

### STAFF REPORT

• Gerald Dale Chennault, 47, Pampa, was arrested Friday by the Pampa Police Department for driving

while intoxicated.

• Ronald Scott Davis, 56, Pampa, was sentenced Thursday for his third or more driving while intoxicated offense.

ated offense.

• David Robert Gutierrez, 23, Pampa, was sentenced Thursday for causing injury to a child or elderly person.

• Timothy James Adcock, 32, Pampa, was arrested Friday by PPD for capias pro fine — theft less than \$50.

## POYC BASKETBALL CHAMPIONS



Submitted photo  
The first and second grade champions of the Pampa Optimist Club Basketball league. The team had a record of 11-0-1. Pictured are front row, from left, Addisyn Hayden, McKayla Winkler and Aryelle Rios. Back row, coach Marc Garza, Aubrie Garza, Brianna Cloud, Braelynn Rios and coach Ryan Cloud.

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# Oil's slide shakes up the junk-bond market

NEW YORK (AP) — Oil's slump didn't just hit the stock market, it's shaken up the junk-bond market, too.

High-yield bonds are on track for their worst drop in a year and a half after investors dumped risky securities issued by energy companies. Those bonds make up about 13 percent of the category.

The Barclays U.S. high-yield corporate bond index, a benchmark for the securities, has dropped 2.5 percent this month, after a 1.4 percent drop in November. If the index were to end December at that level, it would mark the biggest two-month slump since June 2013.

By comparison, a broader Barclays index tracking the entire bond market, which includes corporate bonds with better credit ratings and Treasuries, is largely unchanged over the same period.

Junk bonds pay higher interest rates than U.S. government bonds and other kinds of corporate debt because they are considered at greater risk of defaulting on their debt. That's because the companies that sell them generally have high amounts of debt in comparison to their income.

The debt has been a favorite for investors who wanted higher levels of income. For energy companies trying to rapidly expand during the U.S. oil and gas boom, the junk-bond market had offered a way to bankroll their operations, even if they had weak credit.

Investors are now worried that a near 50-percent fall in oil prices will make it harder, if not impossible, for these companies to generate enough earnings to repay their debts. The market, which had an extremely low rate of defaults when oil traded around \$100 a barrel earlier this year, is now looking much riskier with prices below \$60.

It's not just energy company bonds that are falling. The slump in those bonds has made investors re-evaluate their other holdings of other high-yield bonds.

"You are starting to see energy and energy-related companies that have really re-priced

in the last month, and that has weighed down on the market," said James Keenan, head of Americas credit at BlackRock. In the past week, you've seen "more pressure on other parts of the market."

The market for risky debt was already on shaky ground this summer. With the Federal Reserve keeping its benchmark interest rate close to zero for more than six years, investors had been hunting for higher rates.

As bond prices rose, yields fell. In the case of junk bonds, the average yield fell from nearly 22 percent in November 2008, two months after the collapse of Lehman Brothers, to a record low of 5.7 percent this summer.

The robust demand for the bonds pushed yields down to record lows this summer. Investors started to become nervous that the risks of owning these securities was starting to outweigh the benefits.

Popular exchange-traded funds which invest in high-yield bonds are reflecting the slump. iShares' High

Yield Corporate Bond ETF has dropped 1.3 percent this month, according to FactSet prices. State Street's comparable ETF is down 2.1 percent in the same period.

The sell-off should serve as a "wake-up call" for investors who had been buying the securities for the income while ignoring the risks, said Colleen Martin, a senior Research Analyst, Fixed Income, at the Schwab Center for Financial Research.

"This is a reminder that it is a very risky asset class that is prone to very severe selloffs," Martin said.

The high-yield sell-off this month has been so severe that about one third of high-yield energy bonds are now trading at "distressed" levels, according to Martin Fridson, Chief Investment Officer at Lehmann Livian Fridson Advisors LLC. That means that investors are demanding these companies pay them a yield that is at least 10 percent higher than the yield on a relatively safe U.S. Treasury as compensation for the risk.



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## Bouncin' Around Ginger and Midnight Christmas

Many years ago (ok, not that many!) when I was a child, my mother used to tell me stories about her childhood on her grandparents' farm in Iowa. The stories, which she made up as she went along, revolved around two children, Ardy and Bill (Mom and my Uncle Bill), the two farm cats, Ginger and Midnight, and various other characters. I told those stories to our daughter, and later to our grandchildren. So, gather your little ones around you, and read them this story, my gift to you this Christmas.

Christmas was coming! The snow already lay deep on the ground and Ginger's and Midnight's fur had grown noticeably thicker. The cats had spent the night in the barn on their farm, nuzzled up against old Barney the horse, and they were not aware there had been an ice storm during the night. So, early in the morning as they raced out the barn door toward the house, their soft little foot pads touched solid ice, and they slid and tumbled like orange and black balls of fur toward the house. They were grateful that Ardy came to the door and let them in without having to wait too long. Grandma Miller soon put a bowl of warm milk on the floor, and the cats

wasted no time polishing that off. Not willing to tangle with the ice again, both cats spent most of the day inside, getting under foot.

The annual Christmas Pageant would soon be held at the little schoolhouse where Ardy was in fourth grade and Bill was in second. Grandma was busy helping the children put together their costumes. Bill was going to be a shepherd and Ardy had been chosen to play Mary. While Grandma sewed pieces of old quilts together for bill's costume, the children frosted and decorated the Christmas cookies that Grandma had baked. Every now and then a cookie crumb or a glob of frosting would fall to the floor and there always seemed to be a cat there to lick it up.

Midnight, always curious, wondered out loud (in cat talk) "What do you suppose Grandma is doing with all that stuff? Could there be one of Midnight's favorite toys, a ball of yarn, around?"

Ginger reminded him, "Remember what happened last time you got into Grandma's sewing? You ended up tangled in a ball of yarn with a needle in your paw!"

Midnight, ignoring Ginger's warning, proceeded to nose his way into the piles and scraps of cloth while Ginger went back to the kitchen hoping for more treats.

Later that evening, Ginger searched everywhere for Midnight.

"Where could that cat be?" She wondered. She carefully left half of their supper for Midnight, then padded upstairs in search of her mate. Grandma, Grandpa, and the children had left earlier for the school.

Meanwhile, at the school, the Christmas pageant had begun. Shepherds were marveling at the big silvery paper star hung above the stage; angels were climbing the platform behind the cardboard stable, and Ardy and the young boy who was Joseph had just knelt beside the cloth-filled manger where the Baby Jesus (Ardy's favorite doll) had been placed.

Just as Joseph declared in his 10-year-old voice, "Behold the Christ Child!" Ardy reached in to hold up the baby... and found herself lifting a very puzzled black cat! The audience howled with laughter, Ardy looked horrified, an angel lost its wings which fell over the manger, and Midnight, still not quite sure where he was, just looked wide-eyed at all the people. Fortunately, he didn't run, and Ardy bundled him back up in the cloths. Obeying some instinct, Midnight stayed hidden; in fact, he didn't even come out an hour later after the family came home! He knew Ginger was going to give him a talking-to, and besides, his warm bundle felt so good...

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## Remember what Christmas is all about

If you haven't realized it yet, Christmas is next week. As a kid, the week leading up to Christmas seemed the longest ever. As an adult it seems like Halloween was just yesterday. I have only one or two

items left and I will be finished with my shopping. This is a personal record for me as I am usually the one shopping on the Dec. 24.

The editorial staff always types in the Santa Letters for our special section before we forward them on to Santa. Everyone should read these sweet letters the children have written. Some are very funny, while others are so sweet asking Santa how Rudolph is this year and that there will be cookies and milk waiting on him when he arrives. Then there are a few that will give you a glimpse as to how things might be going at home. Some ask for simple items that most of us take for granted while others ask for their family to get along and not fight. It is letters like this that remind you how

blessed you are and that happiness should never be taken for granted.

It is heart-breaking to think there is someone lonely or going without food during a time when so many of us have so much. If you know who they are, you can help but for some they hide it so well that you would never guess they were unhappy or in need. This is the time of year we need to be more sensitive to others. Some could just use a smile or know that someone appreciates them.

So, maybe offer a thank you to the person wrapping your Christmas gift at the local retail store, volunteer at one of our local charities, smile and say hello at the Walmart greeter instead of just walking by or give the bell ringers an extra twenty. You never know what someone else is going through, but if we can try and be kinder to everyone we see it might just make a difference in their day.

Merry Christmas to you and your family, may you be truly happy and blessed this holiday season

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## Wise Warren and crazy Cruz

Sen. Ted Cruz and Sen. Elizabeth Warren are polar opposites, a Tea Party conservative and an Occupy Wall Street socialist. Then there are the similarities: Both were elected in 2012, both have

Harvard on their resume and both are mentioned as presidential material. But the media's read of the two demonstrates an unquestionable slant.

Both senators have shaken up the Senate over heavy spending and regulation. When Warren does it, she's promoted as a profile in courage, standing up for fairness. When Cruz does it, he's a selfish brat causing meltdowns.

On the Dec. 11 "NBC Nightly News," congressional reporter Kelly

O'Donnell professed amazement that Team Obama would let bankers erode regulations on their financial dealings. "A last-minute addition that surprised many Democrats, who are angry not only at Republicans but their own president, too." House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi was angry, and "the liberal wing's newest star, Sen. Elizabeth Warren, was pushing back, too." Warren was shown proclaiming, "This is not about partisanship. This is about fairness." You could almost hear the trumpets.

Rewind to Ted Cruz's 21-hour speech against Obamacare. On Sept. 24, 2013, NBC anchor Brian Williams announced "critics have called him crazy, irresponsible, even dangerous, but others find him courageous."

The same Kelly O'Donnell saw it just as

## The day of my eBay hack attack

On Dec. 2, I got an email from eBay stating that someone had used my account fraudulently. This hacker did me the favor of selling 10 Sony Smart-Watches that pair up to a smartphone via Bluetooth for the

low, low price of \$65 each. What the hacker neglected to do was to link up those sales to my PayPal account. He got the money. I got charged a seller's fee of \$6.50 per watch.

The suggested retail on these puppies is around \$200 and the second cheapest price I could find anywhere on the Internet was \$119. It was a great deal. If only the watches were real. Before the Dec. 2 email, I did get an email from eBay congratulating me on my successful sale, although it's been at least 12 years since I posted anything for sale on the site. The last time I can remember buying something was in 2008. My first thought was that it was a "spoof email," an email that looks official but is sent by a spammer to lure you into a trap.

Unlike the spam emails that ask you to help the sender transfer \$1 million American dollars from an

account in Ethiopia to First Federal Savings & Trust in Black Oak, Ark. — replete with spelling and grammar errors — spoof emails look very real.

I got one the other day that looked like it came from my bank, Wells Fargo. It had the logo, copyrights and language that sounded real and official. The spoof email claimed that my online account was locked because someone had repeatedly attempted to log in to my account and failed with each attempt.

As you may have already guessed, there was a link for me to click to reset my account by entering the correct username and password. No thanks. I went to my bank's home page and logged on without any problems.

I figured the Nov. 29 email from eBay also was a spoof email, so I didn't click the link that took me to the details on the sale. Instead, I went to the eBay homepage to log in. Problem was, I had forgotten my password. As it turns out, I had changed it in 2011 for whatever reason and did not save it anywhere. I gave up trying to log in figuring I had nothing to worry about.

I suspect the reason the hacker picked me was because my account was in a semi-dormant state. Someone who logs on 10 times a day would quickly notice something out of the

ordinary.

The Dec. 2 email, which confirmed to me that what I thought was a spoof was actually real, advised me to create a new password for both my eBay account and the associated email account. I did as advised.

But that action didn't stop the email messages coming in from the buyers who had been duped. Rightly so, they were asking when they would get their watches. Most wanted a tracking number so they could follow the progress of the item in shipment.

One buyer stated he needed the watch by Saturday because he planned to pass it along as a gift. I'm guessing that he bought it on a Monday or Tuesday. The hacker's fraudulent post stated the watches would be shipped by "economy free shipping." To me, "economy free shipping" means two weeks or longer from the date of purchase. Sorry, pal. You wouldn't have gotten your watch in time for the party even if the transaction was real.

To be sure that eBay would take the steps to block the fraudulent sale, I called customer service. While it seemed the procedures described in the email were never taken, the customer service representative, a very helpful and intelligent woman with an Indian accent, quickly acknowl-

edged my account had been hacked and put the wheels in motion to take the seller charges off my account and take the listing down from their site. She assured me that I was not responsible for any of the sales.

After getting off the phone, I proceeded to respond to the buyers. A few had already lodged a claim against me that could escalate to eBay's collection process if I were the one actually responsible for the post. I stated that I had never posted anything for sale on eBay, my account had been hacked and they needed to contact eBay for resolution. I even included an excerpt from the eBay email about the fraudulent use of my account that included a document number.

I was quite surprised by their reactions, even by the ones who mentioned they already had been contacted by eBay about the fraud. Most seemed to think that I was still responsible for refunding their money. Others asked if I could act as an intermediary between them on eBay to get their money back. No way, Jose. You can spend 20 minutes on the phone with eBay customer service like I did.

Hmm. Just to be sure no money would be deducted from my account, I canceled my debit card, which links PayPal to my bank ac-

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# Cruz

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those critics: crazy, irresponsible, even dangerous. “Forty-two-year-old Ted Cruz, in the Senate just eight months, held up all of Congress’s work to make his point.” He was going to damage the Republicans: “Cruz fires up the conservative party base, but also frustrated some Republicans, who worry that his personal aspirations could risk damage to the Republican Party brand.”

William Jacobson at the blog Legal Insurrection found another example in The Hill newspaper, reflecting the Capitol’s own tilt like a funhouse mirror. His examples were less than 24 hours apart. Warren drew the Dec. 12 headline “Warren makes her mark,” and on Dec. 13, the headline was “Cruz center of Senate meltdown.” The articles even had the same author, a hack named Alexander Bolton.

Bolton began by promoting Warren: “Sen. Elizabeth Warren’s crusade against the \$1.1 trillion spending bill backed by the White House firmly establishes the Massachusetts populist as a powerful player in Washington.” He found a professor from Massachusetts to proclaim she demonstrated a better feel for her party’s base than the Senate leadership had. “It could also reverberate in the 2016 presidential race, which liberal Democrats are dying for Warren to enter as a rival to former Secretary of

State Hillary Clinton.” The very next day, the same reporter started in a wholly different way: “Sen. Ted Cruz, the firebrand conservative freshman from Texas, has blown up the Senate leadership’s plans to have a peaceful weekend by forcing round-the-clock votes on President Obama’s nominees and the \$1.1 trillion omnibus.” Bolton brought in an unnamed senior Senate Democratic aide to decry the “extreme pettiness on the part of Republicans.”

Bolton also bashed Cruz in his Warren puff piece: “The episode vaulted him into the national spotlight and made him popular with many conservatives. But many of his colleagues were furious over what they saw as politically selfish behavior.” Reporters couldn’t find a Democratic leader who is furious over Warren’s so-called selfish behavior when she stands on her leftist principles on big banks?

All this provides a precise GPS location for our liberal media. To them, Ted Cruz is a dangerous extremist, but Warren is their heroine — compassionate, professorial and politically and economically correct. Anyone who expects objectivity from the press is badly out of touch.

Look for this pattern throughout the 2016 campaign.

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# eBay

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count. A new debit card is in the mail.

I also closed my PayPal account, which took a couple of days because they needed to be certain there were no pending charges.

I do feel bad for the buyers who got duped, but I know sooner or later they will get their money back. The customer service rep wouldn’t explain to me how that process works. But then, my issue was canceling the seller fees and the transaction itself, and that has been done. Refunding the buyers is out of my hands.

I hate to feel just a little bit smug, but there were several red flags that all these buyers missed before they clicked the “pay” button. Maybe they neglected to read “eBay for Dummies.”

The most obvious was the price of the watch. Sixty-five bucks for a new watch worth \$200? If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

Here are the other red flags that any of the buyers could have seen if they were looking.

Though I have been an eBay member since 2001, I have made only 33 transactions in my entire life, the last in 2008. I have zero feedback from other mem-

bers in the past 12 months.

So after six years of dormancy on the site I pop up out of nowhere to sell 10 Sony watches? If I’m a casual user at best — buying the occasional hard-to-find CD or a pair of used monitor speakers — where would I get a hold of 10 shiny and new digital watches? That would suggest I’m a professional seller and not some guy selling a 30-year-old Schwinn beach cruiser collecting dust at the back of the garage. And, if I am a professional seller, why didn’t I have other items for sale? When I checked sellers of similar products, most had tens of thousands of transactions listed on their accounts with massive inventories of products for sale — not just one.

Unlike those unwary buyers, I suppose as a journalist I tend to look at things a bit like a cop or a lawyer — always looking for the loophole or anything that “just ain’t quite right.” And from past experience working in the music business, where people are trying to pull the wool over your eyes all the time, I have what we call in the profession “Bozo radar.”

Speaking of circus clowns, the old adage frequently attributed to P.T. Barnum, cofounder of Barnum & Bailey Circus, comes to mind: “There’s a sucker born every minute.”

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# Insurance Insight

## Observations from open enrollment

Since the beginning of the open enrollment season on November 15th, we’ve seen changes in just about every way imaginable from this time last year. From tax credits to premiums to networks



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to websites, this year’s season looks to be more promising — for some.

Let’s take a look at tax credits. As many people know, the President mentioned premiums would be decreasing by \$2,500 per family due to the Affordable Care Act. While that may be true for individuals that qualify for tax credits (about 10 percent of the population), that’s not the entire story. A tax credit is a government term for a premium discount. Basically, if you qualify, it lowers your burden when paying the monthly premium. Looking deeper into the numbers, you begin to see why premiums have increased up to 75 percent in one particular case.

The origin of the tax credit began as a way to usher formerly uninsured individuals and families into the health insurance markets, effectively lowering the uninsured rate in America. That has been a positive step forward. However, we are only one year into this program. Thus, we have yet to see the effects of the premium tax credits on the overall fiscal budget. What might that look like in a few years?

To give you a good idea of how the tax credit program works, let’s look at the numbers. If I added up our agencies entire book of business that has received a tax credit through the

federal marketplace, we would reach an estimated total of about 350 policies. The average tax credit received by our members comes out to \$511 per policy. When my wife multiplied those numbers, we account for \$178,000 per month in premium tax credits. Annually, that equals slightly more than \$2.1 million. That seems like a relatively small number when discussing a federally-funded system. However, considering that our brokerage accounts for approximately 0.000035 percent of all policies written up to this point might begin to peak your interest. Going a step further, we resolve that 10,000,000 policies receiving an average tax credit of \$511 per month equates to roughly \$5.1 billion each month in federal funds being siphoned to insurance companies across the nation. Spread out over twelve months, we reach a total of \$61 billion. At the end of this 2015, roughly \$61 billion worth of tax credits will have been paid. In order to offset this cost, the Affordable Care Act mandates individuals that do not purchase insurance, unless exempted, must pay a fine.

Moreover, employers with greater than 50 employees must also pay a fine for failing to offer minimum essential coverage to employees. The 2014 total of all revenue generated from the individual mandate, as well as, the employer mandate? \$0. Zero dollars. The employer mandate was delayed one year until 2015. The individual mandate does not begin to accrue funds until taxes are filed in April 2015. This means that we are going to go 18 months or more without gener-

ating a single dollar to help fund the tax credits given to 10,000,000 different families.

While the individual mandate requires individuals and families to purchase health insurance, the government has provided 14 methods for said individuals and families to file a “hardship exemption”. The last method you ask? “If you experienced another hardship in obtaining health insurance.” How about high premiums? How about a website that didn’t work? How about doctors not accepting plans? There are myriad occurrences that could have “prevented” an individual from securing health insurance in 2014. Based on this, I doubt the individual mandate really puts any sort of dent into the aforementioned \$61,000,000,000 of “debt” from the tax credits.

Now, I’m a proponent of the tax credit program. However, I am not a fan of the Economics

of it. There has to be a revenue generator put in place that actually works. The authors of the law may have graduated with a Bachelor’s degree in Economics from Yale, a Master’s degree in Public Policy from Princeton, and a Law degree from Harvard. That does not mean that an Economics degree from Texas Tech has any less common sense.

The numbers speak for themselves, and unfortunately, I don’t see how we will be able to fund this foundational aspect of the law without you-know-what’s going up.

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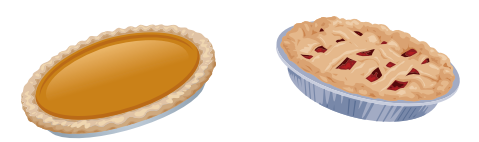
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**sunday horoscope**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Sunday, Dec. 21, 2014:

This year you often go from being adventurous to conservative. Others might be taken aback by this sudden change. If you are single, strap on your seat belt as you climb on the roller coaster of love. It is very likely that you will meet someone who gives you a case of the butterflies. Take your time before making a commitment. If you are attached, your significant other runs with the moment and enjoys your changeability. Plan a very special vacation together, and you will nurture this tie. **CAPRICORN** frequently rains on your parade. **The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have:** 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ You'll give that extra oomph to whatever you do right now. You'll approach much of what you do with a fresh perspective and renewed enthusiasm. Use the daylight hours to finish up any holiday errands. Make time to visit a friend. Tonight: Till the wee hours.

This Week: Give up being so responsible.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ A loved one might be set on monopolizing your plans. The real issue will be figuring out how to let this person down gently. Only you can answer that question. Look at your schedule in the next few weeks to see if you have any free time. Tonight: Try some unusu-

al cuisine.

This Week: Concerns about someone at a distance could mar the next few days.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Others seem to jump right in and join you, whether you want the company or not. You will turn this situation into a positive experience with your gregarious personality. Surprises seem to mark your friendships. Tonight: Focus on a loved one.

This Week: Make time for a loved one before the festivities begin.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Clear out as much as you can during the daylight hours. Whether you are dropping off cookies at a friend's house or vice versa, you will feel a sense of accomplishment. Catching up on news might bring some surprises. Tonight: Let the party go on.

This Week: Let others have their way.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ A child or loved one could invite you to join him or her on an adventure. You might not be able to hold yourself

back. This trip will be fun, as long as you can chill out and go with the flow. You might be amused by a friend's ideas. Tonight: Know when to call it a night.

This Week: Push hard to get through all of your work and errands by Tuesday.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★ Accept a slower pace in the morning. You'll need to keep up with the increasingly demanding pace of the next few days. If you don't have an opening for some personal time, make one. You cannot continue as you have been. Tonight: Find some mistletoe!

This Week: Open yourself up to a fun encounter.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Make calls, run errands and clear out as much as you can. Join a friend for a late brunch if possible. This person seems to be more unpredictable than usual, but his or her energy will make you feel alive. Tonight: Put the finishing touches on making your home festive.

This Week: Tap into your inner child.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★ Indulge yourself a little as you finish up your holiday errands. Your shopping might involve buying yourself something each time you buy someone else a gift. Keep your receipts! Nervous energy could be what's fueling you. Tonight: Get together with friends for dinner.

This Week: Touch base with loved ones.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Though you might prefer it to be different, others are likely to take their cues from you. Detach, and just let it be. Your interest could turn elsewhere by midafternoon. You will have an opportunity to run out and finish some holiday errands. Phew! Tonight: Order in.

This Week: You enjoy nearly every moment of the next few days.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Use the daylight hours for any key matter that you need to take care of. You can vanish for only so long without getting too much flak from others. By late

afternoon, you could find that your family demands your presence. Tonight: Get into the mood of the moment.

This Week: Take advantage of the moment.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Whether or not you say "yes" to an invitation, you will be surrounded by friends. You won't be able to resist the appeal of a fun get-together. The unexpected plays an unusual role in your day. By now, you are used to this ongoing roller-coaster ride. Tonight: Out late.

This Week: Go over last-minute details, and try to maintain your budget.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★ You naturally seem to shoulder a lot of responsibilities. It could take you a long time to clear out what you must do today, but eventually you will get where you want to be. Throw yourself into the holiday festivities. It's time to visit with your friends. Tonight: In the limelight.

This Week: Your expectations could cause you a problem.



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# Lifestyles

## Create an energy-efficient home for the holidays

### METRO CREATIVE

'Tis the season to be festive, and that usually means stringing up hundreds of twinkling lights to create a welcoming glow on dark winter nights. Some people view the holiday season as their chance to go all out with regard to decorating their homes with an abundance of lights, inflatable lawn ornaments and maybe even some mechanical figures.

While these decorations certainly may be symbols of the season, it's easy to forget just how much energy and resources they consume. A typical strand of lights uses around 300 watts of electricity. Multiply those figures by the dozens of strings of lights people use and it's easy to see how quickly energy usage can add up.

In addition to lights, lit candles, animated dolls, wreaths, trees, and scores of imported ornaments contribute to the energy

consumption per household. Even so, environmentally conscious individuals need not skip the holiday décor and entertaining. Fortunately, there are various ways to be energy efficient with holiday décor this season.

- Switch to LED lights. LED lights consume a fraction of the energy traditional incandescent bulbs do. While a standard string of 50 lights consumes 300 watts, LED sets only consume four watts. This not only saves energy, but also considerable amounts of money over the course of the holiday season.

- Use fiber-optic decorations. Fiber optic items are lit by one light. The illumination carries through the fiber optic cables to the entire decoration.

- Use a power strip and timer. Plug decorations into a power strip (be sure to follow the recommended power load for safety) and hook everything up to

a timer so lights are not on when no one can see them.

- Check light strands. Always inspect lights for frayed wires and any damage. Frayed lights are less efficient and pose a considerable safety risk.

- Enhance decorations. Use mirrors and reflective ornaments to give the appearance of more lights without actually adding more.

- Turn off ambient lighting. Christmas tree lights or the lights framing a picture window should be sufficient to light up a room. Keep lamps and overhead lighting off while the tree is lit to save money and energy.

- Lower the thermostat. When entertaining, turn the thermostat down a few degrees. Having extra people in your home will raise the temperature. Similarly, heat generated by the oven and other cooking appliances can warm up a home. Don't waste energy

by keeping the heat turned on high.

- Invest in rechargeable batteries. According to Energy Quest, 40 percent of all batteries are purchased during the holiday season. To power those many gifts and devices, use rechargeable batteries which can be used again and again.

- Change your cooking practices. Smaller appliances use less energy. Put those toaster ovens, slow cookers and electric fryers to good use. Only use the oven if you are cooking a large meal.

- Wait until the dishwasher is full. Pack in the dishes from holiday meals, and only run the dishwasher when it is full.

- Reuse items whenever possible. Many items around the house can be put to good use as decorations, holiday servers or gifts. Take inventory of what you have before you go out and purchase new decorations.

### Weekly Menus

#### Pampa Independent School District

MONDAY, December 22 through FRIDAY, December 26 - CLOSED HOLIDAY

#### Pampa Meals on Wheels

MONDAY, December 22  
Chicken Alfredo, bread sticks, green beans, apricots  
TUESDAY, December 23  
Chicken nuggets, cheese potatoes, peas/carrots, pineapple  
WEDNESDAY, December 24  
B.b.q. meatballs, potato salad, baked beans, peaches  
THURSDAY, December 25th through FRIDAY  
December 26 - CLOSED HOLIDAY.

#### Pampa Senior Citizens Center

MONDAY, December 22  
Chicken fried steak or chicken broccoli/noodle/casserole mashed potatoes, succotash, beets, Northern beans, slaw, tossed salad, Jell-O, peaches & cream cake, chocolate pie, fruit cup, hot roll, cornbread  
TUESDAY, December 23  
Baked turkey with dressing & giblet gravy, candied yams, Italian green beans, mashed potatoes, Jell-O salad or tossed salad, pineapple upside down cake, cherry cobbler, fruit cup, cranberry sauce, deviled eggs, stuffed celery, olive/cheese/pickle skewers, hot roll. (the desserts can be specified regular or diet) The cut-off time for ordering take-outs by phone will be 8:00AM. So please call in a day or two early.  
WEDNESDAY, December 24 through FRIDAY  
December 26 - CLOSED HOLIDAY.

### NEW ARRIVALS

#### Daxton Lynn Miramontes

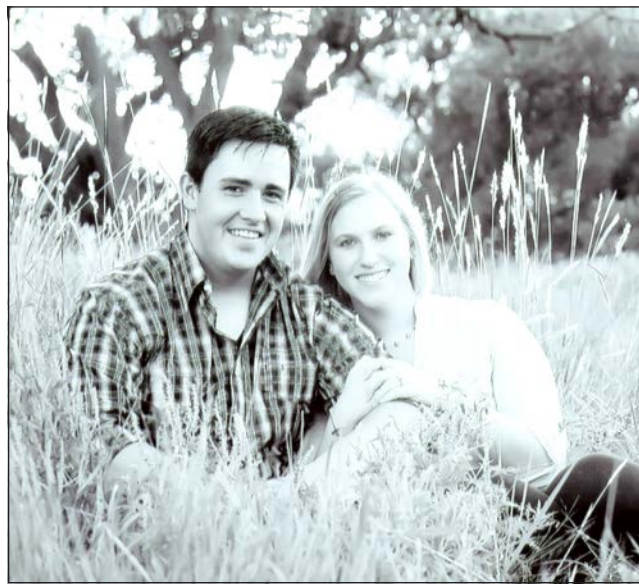


Leslie McDowell and Daven Miramontes of Pampa would like to announce the arrival of a son Daxton Lynn Miramontes, on October 28, 2014. He was born in Borger, TX and weighed 6 pounds, 9 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Also welcoming Daxton are his grandparents Amy and Danny McDowell and Cristina and Robbie Bryan all of Pampa. His great grandparents are Launa and Buddy Patton of Pampa and Bernice and Bill Bryan of Fritch.

### ENGAGEMENTS

#### Alex Curry and Haley Staschke



Alton and Judy Curry of Pampa, are happy to announce the engagement of their son Alex to Haley Staschke of Jacksonville, FL. Haley is the daughter of Mark and Sherry Staschke.

The wedding will be in Jacksonville, FL. at the Argyle Church of Christ with Keith Feerer of the Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ of Pampa officiating.

Alex graduated from Frank Phillips College with an Associates degree in Instrumentation and Electrical Technology. He is employed with Cabot Corporation in Pampa.

Haley is a graduate of the Sanford Brown Institute with an Associates degree in Dental Hygiene. She is employed at David and Associates in Jacksonville, FL. After the wedding, the couple will reside in Pampa.

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## Holiday music releases on the horizon

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Traditions vary from family to family, but many families share a love of holiday songs and carols at this time of year. Many notable performers have lent their voices to timeless classics or created entirely new songs that have gone on to become perennial favorites. Every year new singers showcase their talents with Christmas releases, and 2014 is no different. Holiday albums available this year include country artists' collaborations, a carol collection from a singer-songwriter and a surprise swing-jazz release from an actor and voiceover artist.

- Grammy-winning vocalist Michael W. Smith teams up with a bevy of country music greats on his "Michael W. Smith & Friends: The Spirit of Christmas." Popular artists Lady Antebellum, Jennifer Nettles, Little Big Town, and even U2's Bono appear on this album, which features an orchestral flavor. The album is Smith's fourth holiday release.

- Those looking for another Christmas album to freshen up their collections can look to "Sings Christmas Carols" from Mark Koselek. The singer-songwriter and frontman for the band Sun Kil Moon lends his baritone and guitar chops to several classic Christmas carols, including "Oh Come All Ye Faithful" and "The First Noel."

- Seth MacFarlane may have Oscar and Grammy nominations to his name, but soon he will have a Christmas album to his credit as well. MacFarlane recorded "Holiday for Swing" during the holiday season last year. The release follows MacFarlane's critically acclaimed musical debut, "Music Is Better Than Words." The actor collaborates with Norah Jones, Sarah Bareilles and others on the tracks, which have a jazz-blues feel.

In case you happened to miss the release of the variety of Christmas albums last year, choose among "I Wanna Go Surfin' With Santa," by the Hollyberries; "Horror Xmas," from The Misfits; "Snow Globe," by Erasure; or "On This Winter's Night," from Lady Antebellum.

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# Community Calendar

## City Commission meetings

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

## School board meetings

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

## Immunization clinic three times a month

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

## PAWS meets first Tuesdays

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

There is a desperate need for more members. PAWS members are needed to work at the shelter from 3 to 5:30 p.m. each day and to work adoption days or take animals to the vets when needed, but mostly people are needed to love and work with the animals where they will be more adoptable.

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

## County Commission meetings

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

## TOT Republican Women's Club

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

## Jam sessions every Friday night

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

## Meredith House presents live music

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

## Monday night dance club

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

## PPQG Meets fourth Thursdays

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

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

## First United Methodist Church

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

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

For more information call 806-669-7411.

## Pampa Post VFW meetings

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

## CASA of the High Plains

CASA of the High Plains will be open from 6-7 p.m. on the third Tuesday of every month for persons interested in becoming a CASA Volunteer. The CASA office is located in the Brown Alliance for Children at 315 N. Ballard Street in Pampa.

CASA volunteers are appointed by a Judge to represent the Best Interest of children who have been removed from their homes due to abuse and neglect. Volunteers are crucial to positive outcomes for children in the foster care system.

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

## Church of the Nazarene

The community is invited to our Christmas Eve service at 6 Pm. There will be Christmas carols, reading of the Christmas story from the Bible, and candle lighting to go with the program. Come experience "Why Jesus came" at 500 N. West St. For more info please call 669-3144. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. God Bless one and all.

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

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# Church Calendar

## Hi-Land Christian Church

Beginning Wednesday night, Sept. 3, Pastor Mike Sublett will be teaching two special advanced classes at Hi-Land Christian Church. From 7 - 8pm The Judges and Kings of Israel (broken people, faithful God); from 8-9pm 1-2 Corinthians (Jesus and His messy people).

Pastor Sublett said, "Both classes are advanced in that they have a weekly reading assignment and weekly handout pages that will supply each student with a significant notebook for continued study. I will also be recording each class so that everyone can have the audio in case they want to review something later."

The classes are open to anyone interested in learning more about their Bible. Child care will be provided for anyone who is attending either class.

## Cornerstone Baptist Church

Cornerstone Baptist Team KID (Kids in Discipleship) meets Wednesdays at 6:30 until 8:00 pm at 2410 W. 23rd St. All children ages 4 thru 5th graders are invited to attend. For more information call the church at 669-6509.

## New Life Assembly of God

New Life Assembly of God is located at 1435 N. Sumner

Street in Pampa. New pastor, Sergio Urrutia, said their mission is "New life Assembly of God is committed to fulfilling a four-fold mission. Our primary reason for being is to evangelize the lost, worship God, disciple believer and to show compassion, to build a multi-ethnic body of believers.

New life commits to reaching out to Pampa in all areas of the township with special emphasis to our Latino brothers and sisters. Our worship will be a reflection of our multi-ethnic mixture of disciples including Christian Latino music, contemporary music as well as the traditional hymns and songs of the church. Outreach will have as its goal to produce new believers who in turn are able to witness effectively and make disciples who will in turn continue this cycle. This will be effected through small group bible studies, both Bilingual services, and bibles."

Services are Sunday at 10 a.m. and Sundays and Wednesdays at 7 p.m. **Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ**

Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ is located at 1342 Mary Ellen St. Corner of Mary Ellen and Harvester. Right across from the high school.

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

Sunday Evening Worship is at 5 p.m. and Ladies Bible Class Wednesday 10 a.m. Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ also offers Wednesday Bible Class at 7 p.m.

Keith Feerer is the Preacher and Zac Green is Youth Minister.

For more information call

806-665-0031.

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For more information call 806-669-7411.

## McLean Cowboy Church

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

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

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

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

For more information, call 806-779-0260.

## Southside Church of Christ

Southside Church of Christ is located at 11923 W. McCullough Ave. in Pampa. The church extends an open invitation to all to come and worship where the gospel, "God's Word," is always taught and preached.

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

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

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# Some oldsters still need Social Security Credits

**TOM MARGENAU**  
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There are more than a few people pushing retirement age who still do not have enough Social Security credits to qualify for retirement benefits. They almost always fall into one of two categories. They are either people who spent their career in one of the few government jobs out there still not covered by Social Security. Or they are homemakers who spent much of their lives out of the paid labor force while staying home to raise a family. Today's emails come from folks like them.

Q: I am 60 years old and recently retired following a career with the federal government. I get a civil service pension and not Social Security. I only have about 20 quarters of Social Security coverage, all of which I earned in high school and college before I started working for the government. Do you think it would be worth it to get a job and start paying into Social Security again? How much do you think I would get if I did that?

A: I'll answer your second question first. Assuming you get a job and earn the extra credits, you need to just barely cross over the 40 credit threshold required to qualify for Social Security retirement benefits, my educated guess is you'd end up with about a \$100 per month Social Security check. Obviously, that's not much,

but then again, a hundred bucks per month is better than zero bucks per month. Having said that, you will have to decide if it's worth it to find a job and pay all the taxes you'd have to pay to earn those extra 20 credits you need. To help you do the math, you should know that you will get one credit for each \$1,220 you earn — but you can't earn more than four credits per year. In other words, if you are working simply to earn Social Security credits, you could find work and then quit your job once you've made \$4,880 in a year. Of course, you'd have to repeat that process annually for the next five years. Good luck finding an employer who will let you do that!

Q: I have worked all my life and will get a good Social Security pension when I retire in a few years. My wife, who is the same age (we're both 60) hasn't worked since we had our first child about 35 years ago. The last time we checked, she had 30 Social Security quarters. Do you think it would be wise to have her work for a few years to so she can get her own Social Security?

A: First of all, I must

point out that it should be your wife, and not you or me, who decides if she wants to work or not to earn the Social Security credits she needs. But since you asked, I'll give her, and you, some food for thought.

I've answered questions like yours many times in past columns. And that answer has always been "No," at least from a Social Security perspective. If your wife worked for a few years and earned the ten extra credits she would need to qualify for Social Security, she would end up with a very small monthly check. But she would always get more on your account anyway.

For example, let's say you are going to get \$2,000 per month from Social Security. That means your wife would qualify for \$1,000 in spousal benefits while you are alive and \$2,000 in widow's benefits after you die. (To keep my math simple, I'm just assuming you and your wife are at least "full retirement age", or 66 years old, when you apply for Social Security.) If your wife had her own small retirement check, let's say \$100 per month, she'd still get the same total benefits from Social Security. They would just come out of two different pots. She would get \$100 in retirement benefits from her pot and \$900 in wife's benefits from your pot. And she'd get \$100

from her pot and \$1,900 in widow's benefits from your pot after you die.

So the fact that she has her own Social Security benefit makes no difference in the amount of money she ends up with from Social Security. But with everyone talking about "maximizing" his or her Social Security benefits today, there is another twist to this story I never mentioned in past columns on this issue.

If your wife does earn her own Social Security benefit, you would be able to employ the "file and restrict" strategy when you reach age 66. In other words, after she files for her small benefit, you could claim half of it in husband's benefits on her account and get those monthly checks until age 70, when you could switch to 132 percent of your own retirement account. Then, at that point, your spouse could switch to wife's benefits and get half of your age 66 rate. (She wouldn't share in your delayed retirement bonus until after you die.)

Personally, I don't think it would be worth it to encourage your wife to work for about three years (that's how long she'd have to work to become "insured" for her own Social Security) just to employ that so-called maximizing strategy. But I know some financial planners would think it's a good idea, which is why I mentioned it.

Q: My 69-year-old mother, who lives with us, has never

worked at a job that pays money in her life. She is a widow, but she gets no widow's Social Security because my father was the kind of guy who spent his life running one semi-legitimate business after another, somehow usually avoided paying income taxes and always avoided paying Social Security taxes. Now I own my own business (totally legitimate) and I'm wondering if I should put my mother on the payroll so that she will eventually get some Social Security?

A: Why bother? Even

if you did that, your mom would be 79 before she would qualify for her first Social Security check. Have you ever checked to see if she qualifies for Supplemental Security Income? She would get SSI if her income is less than about \$750 per month (it sounds like her income now is zero) and if her assets are less than \$2,000.

*If you have a Social Security question, Tom Margenau has the answer. Contact him at [thomas.margenau@comcast.net](mailto:thomas.margenau@comcast.net).*

## The Discovery Center hosts holiday events

**SUBMITTED BY DHDC**

**AMARILLO**— The Don Harrington Discovery Center (DHDC) will host two entertaining family events in the month of December. First, the Laser Light Show Spectacular will take place Dec. 18 – Dec. 23 to celebrate the Christmas holiday. On Dec. 31, the DHDC will host its annual Noon Year's Eve.

Break out your fan T-shirts and come see laser light rock shows featuring some of your favorite artists in the DHDC Space Theater. On December 18th the Discovery Center will show Laser U2 in the 9 pm time slot followed by Laser Pink Floyd: Dark Side of the Moon at 10 pm. Guests will be amazed by colorful, detailed laser graphics set to the favorite tunes by each band. Although the most digitally advanced planetarium in the Tri-State area will be warm and protected by the cold December elements, the DHDC will also be serving up Hot Cocoa for only \$1 each, plus bottled water for guests.

Friday December 19th and Saturday December 20th will take the rock shows a step further. These Club 21 Rock Shows will provide 2 drink tickets per 21 and over guest that will award a selection of beer, wine or sodas. Friday night's feature is Laser Led Zeppelin and Saturday night will be an encore of Pink Floyd: Dark Side of the Moon.

The Discovery Center is most known for being a family-friendly museum and will not disappoint during the Laser Light show Spectacular. December 21st – December 23rd families will have the opportunity to celebrate the season with 12 different show times featuring Winter Holiday: A Laser Adventure to get you in the Christmas Spirit, followed each evening by a Laser Beatles Rock Show for all ages.

Schedule of shows and admission prices are as follows:

• Thursday, Dec. 18: 9 pm- U2, 10 pm- Pink Floyd: Dark Side of the

Moon. Members \$5 per person, Non-Members \$6 per person. \$1 Hot cocoa available.

• Friday, Dec. 19, 10:30 pm- Led Zeppelin. Members \$12, Non-Members \$14. Must be 21 and over. Each guest will receive 2 drink tickets good for beer, wine or sodas.

• Saturday, Dec. 20, 10:30 pm- Pink Floyd: Dark Side of the Moon. Members \$12, Non-Members \$14. Must be 21 and over. Each guest will receive 2 drink tickets good for beer, wine or sodas.

• Dec. 21st-23rd: 7 pm, 8 pm, and 9 pm- Winter Holiday: A Laser Adventure. 10 pm- Beatles. Members \$5, Non-Members \$6. Complimentary cookies and \$1 Hot Cocoa and water available.

To conclude a festive holiday and amazing year, the Discovery Center will host its annual Noon Year's Eve family celebration to ring in 2015! Join the DHDC in counting down the New Year with cool science experiments, fascinating demonstrations, and a giant balloon drop! Admission

for Noon Year's Eve is \$2 for Members, and \$2 plus regular admission for Non-Members.

For more information

about these events visit [dhdc.org](http://dhdc.org) or call Sarah Silva, Marketing Coordinator at 806-355-9547 ext. 110 or email at [ssilva@dhdc.org](mailto:ssilva@dhdc.org).

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Right, top, Some of the 2nd grade singers from Austin Elementary. From left, Devin Mahorney, Brynlei Ellis, Drake Wolf, Jennah McDonough and Shyan Horst. Top middle, Daxton Dallas, Emma Gass and Cambree Dyer enjoy singing at the Austin Elementary 2nd Grade singing. Middle bottom, from left, Mckinley Daniels, Braxton Taylor and Miale Osborn during Austin's 2nd grade singing program. Bottom, from left, Brenden Killinger (back), Priscilla Hernandez, Kennedy Woods and Braxton Taylor.



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# AT THE CLUB



Above photo by John Lee/ Bottom photo by ReDonn Woods  
 Above, Jeff Boyd of National Oilwell-Varco spoke at the Rotary Club about the state of oil in this region of the country. Below, Jaycee Devoll, the Lions Club December sweetheart, pinned by Lion Todd Alvey.



## Texas number and rate of work-related injuries and illnesses requiring days off work decreased in 2013

**SUBMITTED BY TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE**  
 AUSTIN — According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses, private industry employers in Texas reported 51,890 cases involving days away from work and an incidence rate of 66.6 injuries and illnesses per 10,000 full-time equivalent employees in 2013. These are decreases from 53,290 cases and a rate of 70.1 in 2012. The Texas rate is below the national rate of 99.9.

Number of nonfatal occupational injuries and illnesses involving days away from work: 2012- 53,290, 2013- 51,890

Incidence rate of nonfatal occupational injuries and illnesses involving days away from work per 10,000 full-time employees: 2012-70.1, 2013- 66.6

Median days away from work: 2012- 7, 2013- 8

The median days away from work, a key measure of severity of injuries and illnesses, for private sector employers in Texas was 8 in 2013. (Table A)

The Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation (DWC) released previous communications in 2014 reporting on 2013 data from the BLS occupational safety and health statistical series. On Sept. 11, 2014, the DWC issued the first news release, which covered work-related fatalities from the 2013 Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries. On December 4, 2014, the DWC reported that there were 198,843 nonfatal injuries and illnesses in the private sector in Texas in 2013. The data is based on the Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses with a sample of approximately 10,000 Texas employers. This news release is a companion report to the Dec. 4, 2014 news release. It covers the circumstances of the injuries and illnesses as well as the characteristics of the employees reported in the 51,890 cases that involved days away from work.

The survey is conducted by BLS in cooperation with the DWC, which collects survey data in order to assist employers, safety professionals, and policymakers in identifying occupational safety and health issues in the state.

The DWC Workplace Safety program area provides various safety and health services to help reduce injuries and illnesses in the workplace through accident and illness prevention. Services include free safety and health consultations on Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) regulations; regional and onsite safety training; free safety and health publications; free safety training DVD loans; and the Safety Violations Hotline.

For more information on these services, visit the TDI website at <http://www.tdi.texas.gov/wc/safety/index.html> or call 800-687-7080. In addition, employers that carry workers' compensation insurance in Texas can obtain accident prevention services from their insurance companies at no additional charge.

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Staff photos  
 The Pampa Junior High All-Region Band, Pampa High School All-Region Band advancing to area, PHS All-Region Choir and All-Region Band were all recognized during PISD's Spotlight on Excellence portion of Tuesday's school board meeting. Some students were unable to attend the meeting. Top, the Pampa Junior High All-Region Band pictured with board member Dr. Jay Johnson are Julia Allen, Thomas Almanza, Morgan Beller, Craig Cline, Jessie Coleman, Brendon Courtney, Stacy Cox, Brittany Cuevas, Regina Davis, Danyel Deleon, Cidnie Goodson, Jordan Littlefield, Tyler Luster, Jastein McGahen, Raymond Mendoza, Nahum Nunez, Carlee Parks, Rylee Parks, Brian Perry, Mackenzie Rivera, Nancy Tello-Rutiaga, Marcus Ryan, Rogelio Servin, Reid Smith, Trevor Smith, Nathan Sprinkle, Brett Woelfle, Klayton Wolsey and Jackson Young. The High School All-Region band advancing to area pictured above with Board present Lee Porter are Joshua Archibold, Jenna Bonner, Mackenzie Dull, Adrian Lopez, Christian Peneranda, Christopher Smith, Gregory Smith, David Soria and Austin Young. Below, the PHS All-Region Choir are Emilee Frost, Tara Goldsmith, Alexander Karson, Kyra Moyer, Shattner Reeve, Dakota Roberson, Christopher Smith, Gregory Smith, Isabel Urrutia and Rayna Wall. Bottom, the PHS All-Region Band pictured with board member David Teichmann are JR Mares and Ashlee Vernon.

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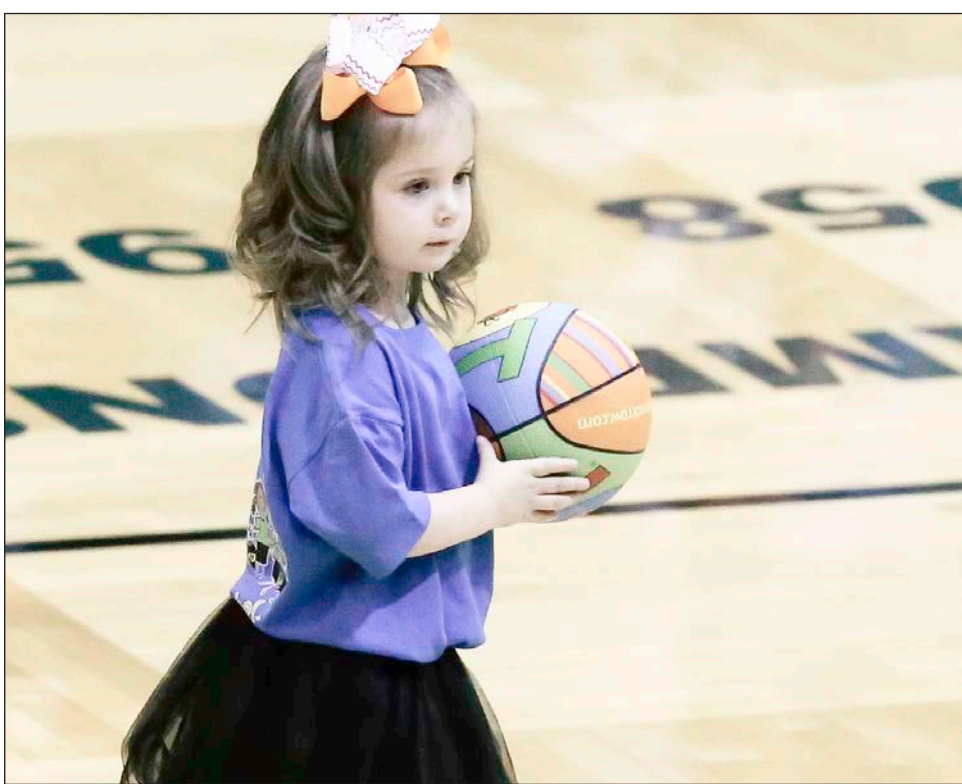
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## TEAMS OF TOMORROW HALFTIME PERFORMANCE TUESDAY



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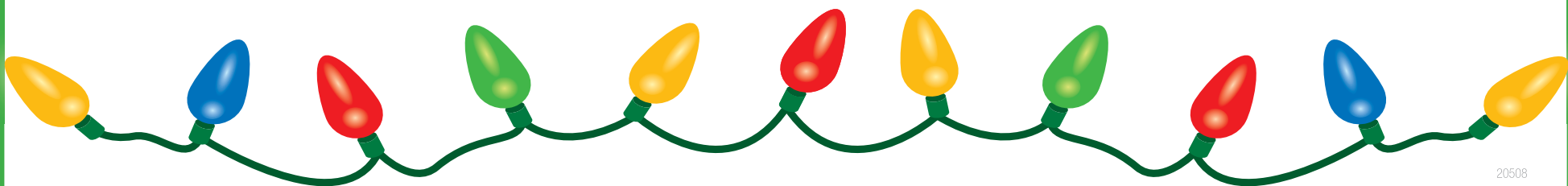
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## Watch the Pros - Monday

### College Football Bowls

BYU v. Memphis.....ESPN 1 p.m.

### NFL Football

Denver Broncos at Cincinnati Bengals.....ESPN 7:15 p.m.

### College Basketball

George Washington v. Ohio.....ESPNU 1:30 p.m.  
 Colorado v. DePaul.....ESPNU 3:30 p.m.  
 Kansas at Temple.....ESPN 6 p.m.  
 Southern at Baylor.....FSSW 7 p.m.  
 Colgate at Syracuse.....ESPNU 6 p.m.  
 Tennessee Martin at Butler.....FS1 6 p.m.  
 Chicago State at Southern Ill. Edwardsville.....FCSC 7 p.m.  
 Wisconsin at California.....ESPN2 8 p.m.  
 Wisconsin Milwaukee at Arkansas.....ESPNU 8 p.m.  
 Miami v. Providence.....FS1 8 p.m.  
 Loyola Marymount at Wichita State.....ESPNU 10 p.m.  
 UC Riverside at San Diego State.....FCS 10 p.m.

### Soccer

Chelsea at Stoke.....NBCS 1:55 p.m.

### Women's College Basketball

Abilene Christian at Kansas State.....FCSP 7 p.m.

## From the Press Box

### ■ Padres, Dodgers make big moves while Rockies twiddle their thumbs.

Before I get started, I want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and safe travels during the holiday.



**JOHN LEE**

Also, I wanted to give a shout-out to the Pampa Harvester's baseball team. last weekend I took part in the Optimist Club's Children's Shopping Tour. It was a very rewarding experience that I enjoyed being a part of. While I was there, members of the baseball team along with coaches Kaleb Snelgrooves and Aaron Manous were chaperoning children on the Tour.

It's awesome to see the Harvesters show great character on and off the diamond.

Sticking to baseball, as my colleague Zac alluded to earlier in

the week, the Major League Baseball winter meetings are going on. This is usually a time for fans to get a little optimistic as their favorite team may be doing some wheeling and dealing.

After all, look at the Padres, they have acquired heavy hitters like Matt Kemp, Justin Upton, Wil Myers and Derek Norris.

So what have my beloved Colorado Rockies been up to? They acquired a right-handed pitcher Austin House from the A's, who hasn't even started a MLB game. They signed Daneil Descalso (.182 Average in 2013), a second basemen formerly of the St. Louis Cardinals.

The Rockies also acquired Jairo Diaz, another prospect, from the Angels.

Michael Cuddyer, the Rockies outfielder who was an All-Star in 2013, signed with the New York Mets in November. Other de-

partures are Josh Rutledge, Juan Nicasio and Rob Scahill.

Even more troubling is the fact that the Rockies All-Star tandem, Carlos Gonzales and Troy Tulowitzki, are unhappy in Colorado and could also be dealt during the Winter.

A report came out Friday that the Rockies and Mets are in talks of a deal for Tulowitzki, so we'll have to keep an eye on that.

The Rockies are set to enter 2015 with this rotation, Jorge De La Rosa, Jhoulys Chacin, Jordan Lyles, Tyler Matzek and Eddie Butler.

It looks as though the Rockies may be set to be in the bottom of the NL West again.

How has your team done in winter meetings?

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## Rays, Padres, Nats complete 11-player trade involving Myers

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — The Rays, Padres and Nationals finalized an 11-player trade Friday that sent 2013 AL Rookie of the Year Wil Myers from Tampa Bay to San Diego and outfielder Steven Souza Jr. from Washington to the Rays.

The deal was announced two days after the Rays agreed to part with Myers in a move that team president Matt Silverman says will make Tampa Bay "more competitive for 2015 and beyond."

Tampa Bay acquired five players. Catcher Rene Rivera, pitcher Burch Smith and minor league first baseman Jake Bauers come over from the Padres, and Souza and minor league pitcher Travis Ott from the Nationals.

Myers, catcher Ryan Hanigan and minor league pitchers Jose Castillo and Gerardo Reyes were dealt to San Diego. Washington received minor league pitcher Joe Ross and a player to be named from the Padres.

"Trading Wil Myers was not an easy decision, but we are very excited about the talent coming back our way, and this deal has potential to improve our team on both sides of the ball," Silverman said.

Myers, then Kansas City's top prospect, was acquired by Tampa Bay in a trade that

sent pitchers James Shields and Wade Davis to the Royals two years ago. He hit .293 with 13 homers and 53 RBIs in 88 games on the way to being selected AL Rookie of the Year, then struggled in 2014 when a broken right wrist limited him to playing 87 games and batting .222 with six homers and 35 RBIs.

To clear room on the 40-man roster for Rivera, Smith and Souza, the Rays designated right-hander Brandon Gomes for assignment.

Souza, 25, spent most of last season at Triple-A Syracuse, where he hit .350 with 18 homers, 75 RBIs and 26 stolen bases.

Rivera, 31, batted .252 with 11 homers and 44 RBIs while making a career-high 85 starts at catcher for the Padres in 2014.

Smith is a 24-year-old right-hander who was 15-11 with a 3.71 ERA in 48 appearances over parts of four minor league seasons. He spent 2014 with Triple-A El Paso, where he made two April starts before missing the remainder of the year with a forearm injury.

Bauers, a 19-year-old prospect, hit .296 with eight homers and 64 RBIs in his first full pro season with Class-A Fort Wayne.

Ott, also 19, split time between Class A Auburn and Hagerstown last season, going 1-4 with a 3.993 ERA over 13 starts.



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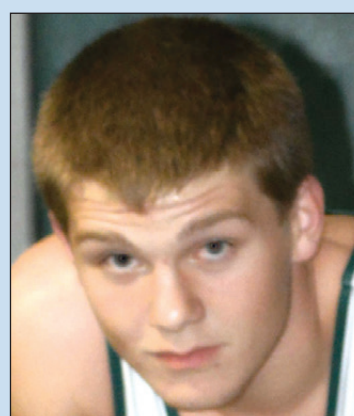
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### College Football Bowls

La-Lafayette v. Nevada.....ESPN 10 a.m.  
 Utah State v. UTEP.....ESPN 1:20 p.m.  
 Utah v. Colorado State.....KVII 2:30 p.m.  
 Western Michigan v. Air Force.....ESPN 4:45 p.m.  
 South Alabama v. Bowling Green.....ESPN 8:15 p.m.

### NFL Football

Philadelphia Eagles at Washington Redskins.....NFL 3 p.m.  
 San Diego Chargers at SF 49ers.....KFDA/NFL 7:25 p.m.

### College Football FCS Playoffs

Illinois State at New Hampshire.....ESPNU 1 p.m.  
 CSU Pueblo v. Minn. State Mankato.....ESPN2 3 p.m.

### College Basketball

SMU at Michigan.....ESPN2 11 a.m.  
 Virginia Commonwealth at Cincinnati.....ESPN 11 a.m.  
 Louisville at Western Kentucky.....FS1 11 a.m.  
 Syracuse at Villanova.....KCIT 12 p.m.  
 North Carolina v. Ohio State.....KFDA 12 p.m.  
 Missouri v. Illinois.....ESPN2 1 p.m.  
 Butler v. Indiana.....FS1 1:30 p.m.  
 UCLA v. Kentucky.....KFDA 2:15 p.m.  
 Texas Southern at Michigan State.....ESPNU 4 p.m.  
 Wake Forest v. Florida.....FS1 4 p.m.  
 Texas A&M v. Kansas State.....ESPNU 6 p.m.  
 Wisc. Milwaukee at S. Ill. Edwardsville.....FCSC 6:30 p.m.  
 Iona at George Mason.....NBCS 6 p.m.  
 Oklahoma v. Washington.....ESPNU 8 p.m.  
 North Carolina State v. West Virginia.....ESPN2 8:30 p.m.  
 Stanford at BYU.....ESPN 10 p.m.  
 Utah at UNLV.....ESPN2 10:30 p.m.

### Women's College Basketball

Grambling State at Kansas State.....FCSC 1 p.m.

### Women's Volleyball

NCAA Championship.....ESPN2 6:30 p.m.

### Texas HS State Football Championships

5A Division 1: Aledo v. Temple.....FSSW 12 p.m.  
 6A Division 2: Cedar Hill v. Katy.....FSSW 4 p.m.  
 6A Division 1: Allen v. Hou. Cypress Ranch.....FSSW 8 p.m.

### Soccer

Crystal at Manchester City.....NBCS 6:40 a.m.  
 Manchester United at Aston Villa.....NBCS 8:55 a.m.  
 Cruz Azul v. Auckland City.....FS2 10:30 a.m.  
 San Lorenzo at Real Madrid.....FS2 1:30 p.m.

### Fighting/Boxing

UFC Fight Night Prelims from Brazil.....FS1 7 p.m.  
 Machida v. Dollaway.....FS1 9 p.m.

### Horse Racing

Asahi Hai Futurity.....TVG 11:30 p.m.

\*Game times and channels are subject to change.\*

## Watch the Pros - Sunday

### College Basketball

Harvard at Virginia.....ESPNU 11 a.m.  
 Creighton at North Texas.....FSSW 1 p.m.  
 Maryland at Oklahoma State.....ESPNU 1 p.m.  
 Vermont at St. Louis.....FCSC 1 p.m.  
 USC at Boston College.....ESPNU 3 p.m.  
 Seton Hall at Georgia.....ESPNU 5 p.m.

### Women's College Basketball

Kentucky at Duke.....ESPN2 2 p.m.  
 Ball State at Western Kentucky.....FCSA 2 p.m.  
 UCLA v. Connecticut.....ESPN2 4 p.m.

### NFL Football

Detroit Lions at Chicago Bears.....KCIT 12 p.m.  
 Baltimore Ravens at Houston Texans.....KFDA 12 p.m.  
 Indianapolis Colts at Dallas Cowboys.....KFDA 3:25 p.m.  
 Seattle Seahawks at Ariz. Cardinals.....KAMR 7:20 p.m.

### Youth Football

FBU Youth National Championship.....NBCS 2:30 p.m.

### Soccer

Sunderland at Newcastle.....NBCS 7:25 a.m.  
 Arsenal at Liverpool.....NBCS 9:55 a.m.

### NHL Hockey

Dallas Stars at Edmonton Oilers.....FSSW 5 p.m.

## NFL Tibreakers and scenarios take center stage

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Seattle (10-4) at Arizona (11-3)

While Arizona is in, the defending Super Bowl champs, who are beginning to look like the 2013 version on defense, have several ways of earning a playoff berth Sunday. The easiest is by winning and having either the Eagles, Lions or Packers lose.

Indianapolis (10-4) at Dallas (10-4)

Indy isn't likely to get a first-round playoff bye, but the Colts would like to cut down on the giveaways — 28, most in the AFC, including 14 lost fumbles — before heading into January.

The Cowboys would love to have the comfort zone, slight as it is, that Indy holds. Dallas takes the NFC East with a win and a Philadelphia loss, and gets at least a wild card by winning and seeing the Packers and Lions lose.

Philadelphia (9-5) at Washington (3-11), Saturday

Consecutive defeats to Seattle and Dallas have put the Eagles in a precarious spot. They could win out and not advance at 11-5.

For now, the Eagles must clean up their act when they have the ball.

Denver (11-3) at Cincinnati (9-4-1)

Cincinnati takes the AFC North with a victory and losses by Pittsburgh and Baltimore, making that midseason tie with Carolina helpful. A win even if the Steelers and Ravens do the same secures a wild-card spot for the Bengals.

It won't be easy given the opponent and how much Denver is playing for. The Broncos must win out and see New England stumble, or else the top seed in the AFC belongs to the Patriots.

Kansas City (8-6) at Pittsburgh (9-5)

For all their ups and downs, the Steelers will make the postseason with a victory.

The Chiefs will forever rue their loss to Oakland if they fall short of the playoffs. They can take down the Steelers and Chargers and still not get in.

Detroit (10-4) at Chicago (5-9)

While many were looking at the Packers as a team to beat in the NFC, already handing them the North crown, the Lions have been in the background. Yet a Detroit win and Packers loss on Sunday would give the division to the Lions.

Green Bay (10-4) at Tampa Bay (2-12)

The Packers need to start showing more on the road; unless they sweep this one and their home game with the Lions, they won't have home-field advantage in the NFC. They might not get it anyway.

Atlanta (5-9) at New Orleans (6-8)

If either team wins its final two, it gets the division title — and a home playoff game. The Saints could save themselves, their fans and the NFL itself some embarrassment by doing that and winding up at 8-8. Even so, some team with a winning record will be left out in the NFC.

Cleveland (7-7) at Carolina (5-8-1)

If Carolina wins out and New Orleans loses one of its remaining two games, the

Panthers take the division.

San Diego (8-6) at San Francisco (7-7)

The Chargers almost certainly must win out to get into the postseason, and they have won three straight from the Niners. San Francisco won't be in the playoffs, let alone make another NFC title game after three straight trips under Jim Harbaugh.

Buffalo (8-6) at Oakland (2-12)

Even though ending their league-high 14-season playoff drought is unlikely, the Bills are formidable. Their defense is ranked fifth and has really come on in recent weeks. The pass rush, led by Mario Williams (13 sacks), has been fearsome.

Oakland is in position to earn the top overall draft pick by losing out. But the Raiders have endangered that with wins in two of their past four games.

New England (11-3) at New York Jets (3-11)

The Patriots can secure AFC home-field advantage with a win and a Denver loss. Considering that New England is 7-0 at home, which

would be huge.

New York is playing out the string, but a win over its biggest rival might actually get owner Woody Johnson thinking about keeping Rex Ryan and bringing in some skilled players rather than canning the coach.

Well, maybe not.

Minnesota (6-8) at Miami (7-7)

Miami hasn't officially been eliminated from the postseason chase, but its chances are virtually nonexistent. Beating the Vikings, who haven't won in Miami since 1976, is a must.

New York Giants (5-9) at St. Louis (6-8)

The only game other than Thursday's that has no postseason implications.

Thanks to rookie Odell Beckham Jr.'s receiving heroics — the guy is a highlight film all by himself — the Giants actually are entertaining, if disappointing. They have won two straight after seven consecutive flops.

The Rams probably are the best NFL team with a losing record, whatever that is worth

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# daily horoscope

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Monday, Dec. 22, 2014:  
This year your creativity soars. You also seem to develop your intuitive ability. You seem to know which direction to go in situations that previously would have had you debating the pros and cons. The unexpected occurs with your domestic life. With so much going on, you'll want to simplify your life where you can. If you are single, someone you meet in your daily routine could come to mean a lot more to you. You are likely to meet a special person after spring 2015. If you are attached, the two of you often love to talk about the future. Together, you might opt to try out a different lifestyle. A fellow CAPRICORN will be less flexible than you are.  
**The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have:** 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult  
**ARIES** (March 21-April 19)  
★★★ You could be overly aware of your image and how a boss sees you. You might want to consider making an alteration. Weigh the pros and cons before you decide to go ahead. Listen carefully to your inner voice, then apply it appropriately. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.  
**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)  
★★★★ Detachment will help you see what would be best to do. You even might decide to take off and visit with someone at a distance. Be aware of your limits, especially when it comes to how much time you have. Tonight: Be willing to be adventurous.  
**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)  
★★★★ Deal with someone directly. You might feel as if this person wants you to head in a certain direction. Recognize the power of having a one-on-one discussion. You will be able to head in whichever direction you choose as a result. Tonight: Make it a duo.  
**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)  
★★★★ Defer to others whom you feel might know more than you do. By recognizing their expertise and demonstrating your openness, you will be seen as a team player. An older relative or friend could surprise you and force you to adjust your plans. Tonight: Accept an offer.  
**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)  
★★★★ You might venture into a new project only to feel as though you are stuck in quicksand. Brainstorm with a trusted friend to find a more solid approach. Someone could surprise you with a unique idea. Are you up for try-

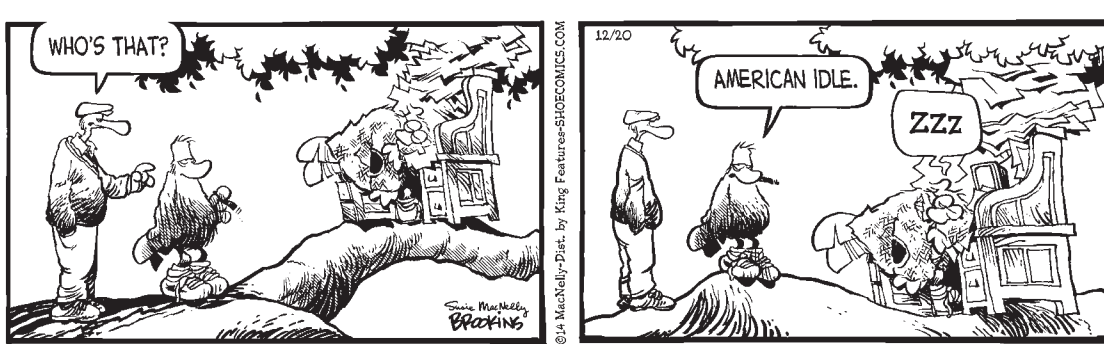
ing it out? Tonight: Weigh the pros and cons.  
**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)  
★★★★ Your creativity could take you down a new path where you feel more centered and energized. Be aware of the mixed signals you are sending. Someone seems to be misreading your intention because of your word choice. Be as clear as you can be. Tonight: With a loved one.  
**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)  
★★★★ You could have difficulty dealing with someone who is very unpredictable. Avoiding the person simply won't work. You can postpone this conversation for only so long. A new beginning will become a possibility once you have this talk. Tonight: Head home.  
**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)  
★★★★ You are likely to gain a broader perspective about how to approach a key person. Thanks to others' feedback, you will see the transformation that could be possible. You might want to make an adjustment to your schedule. Tonight: Squeeze in a favorite stressbuster.  
**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)  
★★★ Take care of what you value, as no one else will be able to do it in the same way. Your emotions could be on a roller-coaster ride because of an unexpected development. Maintain a sense of humor. Tonight: Catch up on some last-minute holiday details or shopping.  
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)  
★★★ Complete any last-minute shopping in the morning. You might need to run several other errands as well. You could find yourself walking into a surprise at home or dealing with a family member. Be willing to revise your plans. Tonight: Do what you want to do.  
**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)  
★★★ You will have a hectic pace to keep up with if you are going to get done what you must. Still, you might be surprised by the power of a cat nap. You'll find that you will be much more energized as a result. Visit a dear friend if you have time. Tonight: Get some extra R and R.  
**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)  
★★★★ Others might want to tap into your imagination when they are faced with last-minute holiday hassles. Your creativity is likely to come up with some unusual ideas that will work. Make a point of catching up with someone you care about. Tonight: Eggnog with friends.

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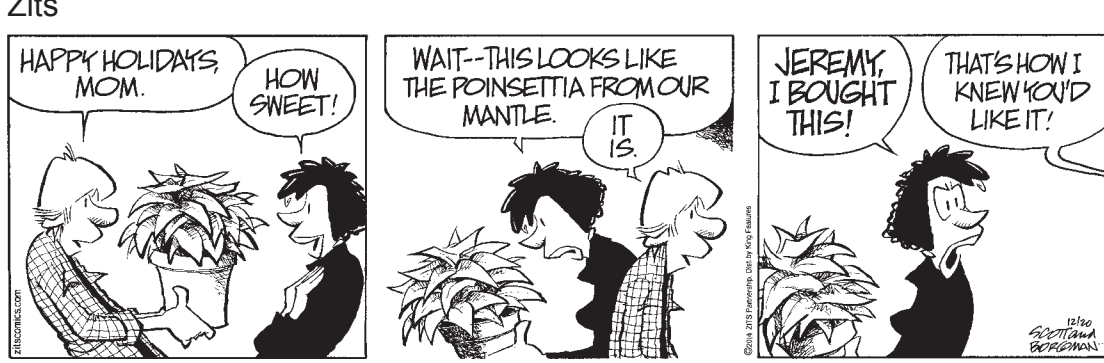


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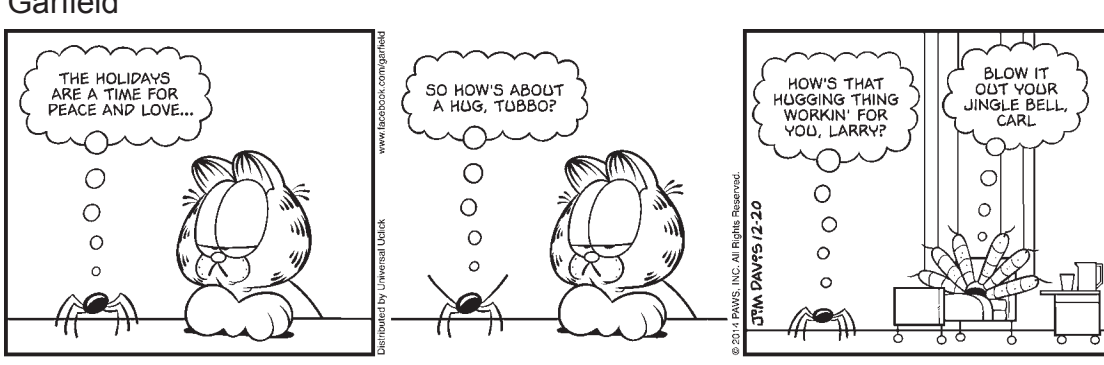
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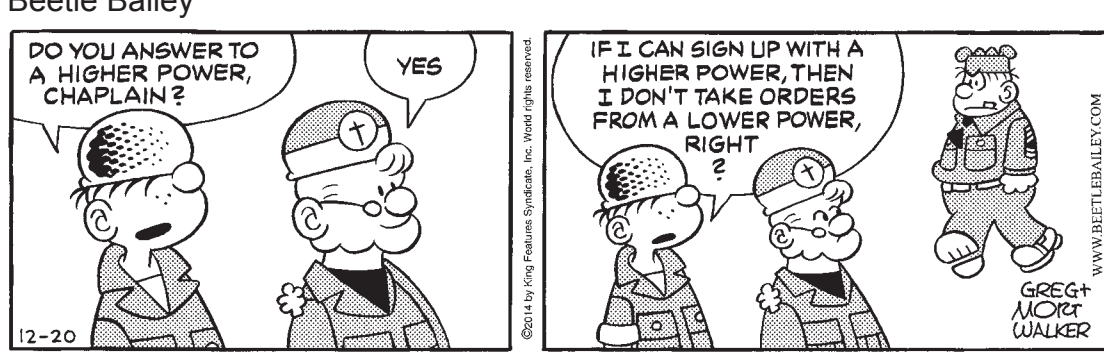
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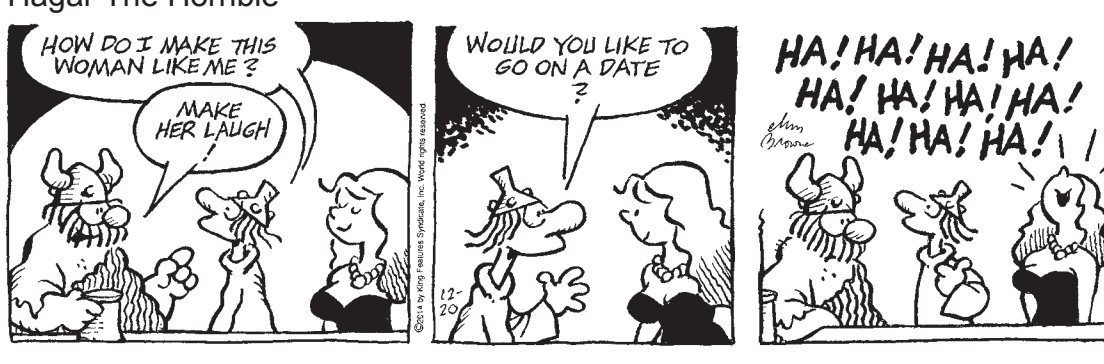
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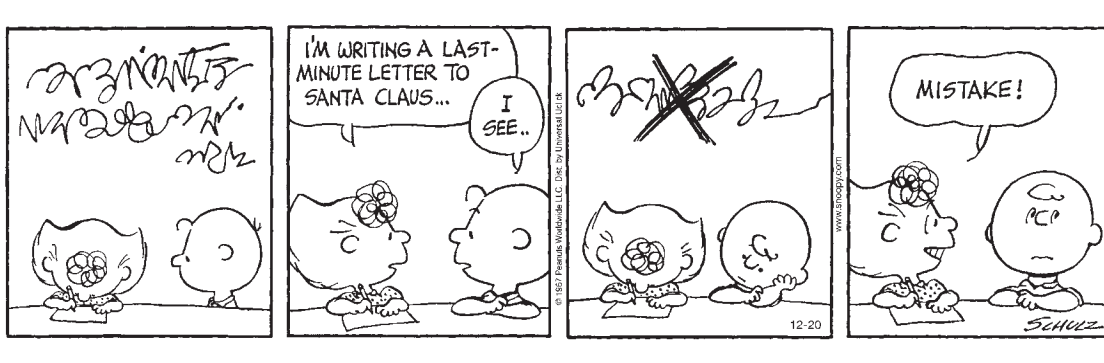
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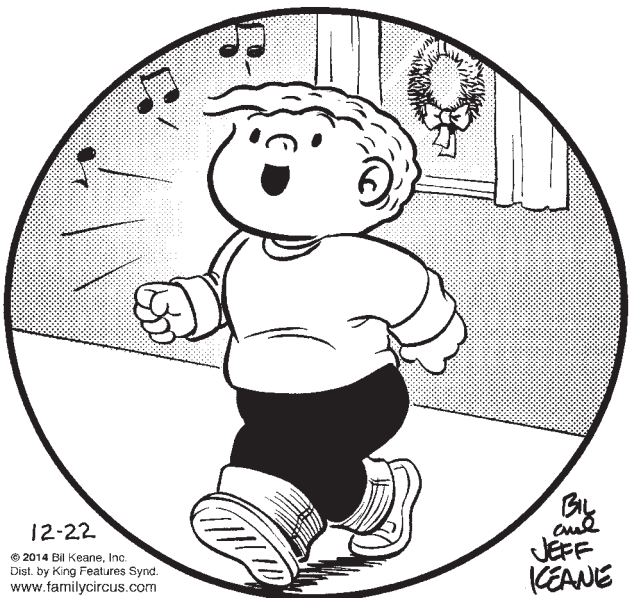
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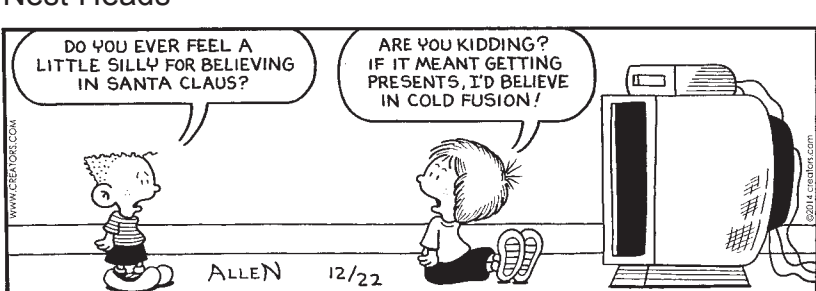
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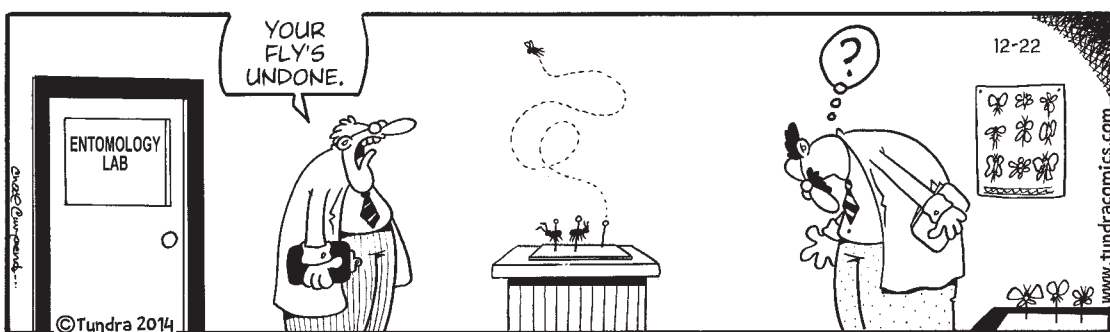
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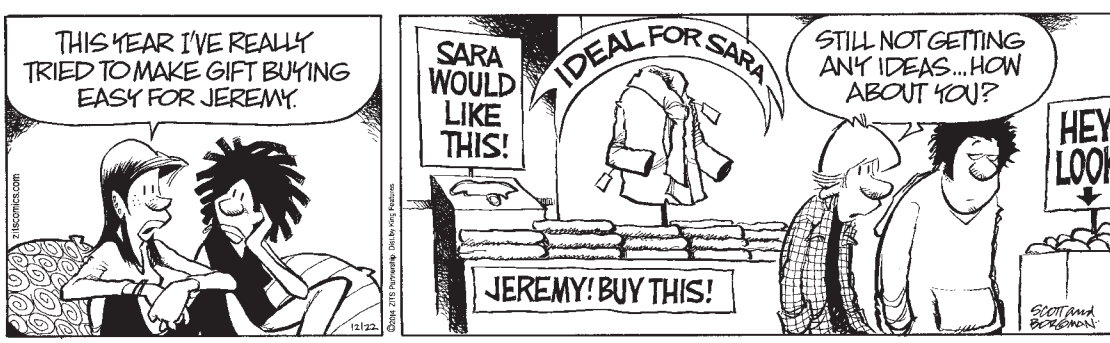
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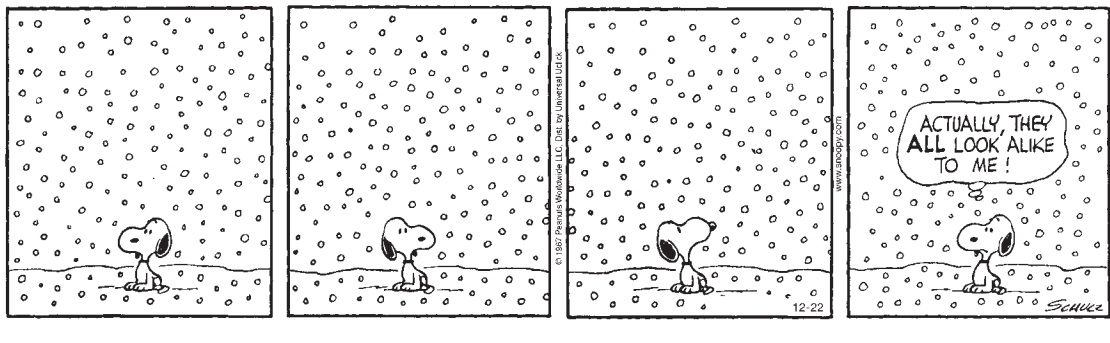
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# daily horoscope

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Tuesday, Dec. 23, 2014:  
This year you will note a considerable difference in your priorities. You no longer will sit on situations until you obtain the results you desire. You will keep your eye on the big picture. If some area of your life has not been working, you might want to consider letting it go. If you are single, you could act needier than you really are as you develop a distaste for being alone. You will meet someone who is likely to light up your life sometime around your next birthday. If you are attached, the two of you enjoy taking off together. Do it more often. **AQUARIUS** often provokes you. 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)  
★★★★ Take charge. Today might be the last day for a while that you'll have enough cooperation from others. You might note that you have not heard from someone at a distance. Pick up the phone and call him or her. Tonight: Check out the holiday lights in your neighborhood.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)  
★★★★ Start making calls to those at a distance to wish them a Merry Christmas. You might feel as if you have less resistance from a loved one than in the recent past. Initiate a one-on-one conversation in the next few days. Tonight: Found kissing under the mistletoe.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)  
★★★★ Deal with someone directly. You could be in a situation where you want to change some part of your life. Your creativity surges as you seek answers. You might be put off by a loved one who seems to be developing a stony attitude. Tonight: Where holiday music is played.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)  
★★★★ You could be changing your focus because of the impending arrival of Christmas, and perhaps also because of a slight difference in a loved one's attitude. One-on-one relating will be a bigger priority as the day goes on. Have a frank discussion. Tonight: Keep it jolly.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)  
★★★★ What has weighed you down in the past will no longer be a problem. On some level, you will feel as if you have been freed up. You also might notice a change in how you deal with others, and vice versa. Go along with

someone's offer. Tonight: The only response is "yes."

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)  
★★★ You might need to slow down some. Doing so will put you in a lighter mood, especially if you have a discussion about how to proceed in the next few days. Catch up with an older friend or relative before you get any busier. Tonight: Get into the swing of things.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)  
★★★★ You could be overwhelmed by a change of pace. Communication seems to take on a more intense quality than in the past. You could be concerned about other matters only to suddenly reverse gears and focus on visiting with family and friends. Tonight: All smiles.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)  
★★★★ Use the daytime hours to make calls, deliver presents and do whatever is a high priority. As the planets shift, you will be more jubilant and feel freer than you have in quite some time. You have reason to celebrate! Tonight: Take a deep breath, and feel the difference.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)  
★★★★ Clear out as much as you can tonight, because by tomorrow, you will feel as if you have had enough. Understand what is going on with a child or loved one. Also, note what is happening within your immediate circle of friends. A conflict might be present. Tonight: Holiday cheer!

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)  
★★★★ Use the daylight hours to the max. You will accomplish a lot more than you had thought possible and still have time to visit. Give up being so detailed at this point, and get into the swing of the moment. You will open up to change as a result. Tonight: Take a breather.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)  
★★★★ You'll race around with so much to do that you could feel overwhelmed and worn out. Decide on a cutoff point so you can relax and let go of having to run around. A friend is likely to reach out to you; he or she might be more depressed than you realize. Tonight: As you like it.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)  
★★★★ You know what you want to do -- just know that you'll have a limited number of hours to do it. Understand what is happening within a special relationship. You would be wise not to play into this person's present mood. Tonight: Get some extra R and R.



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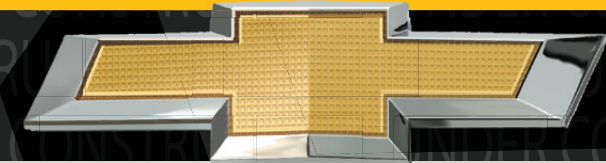
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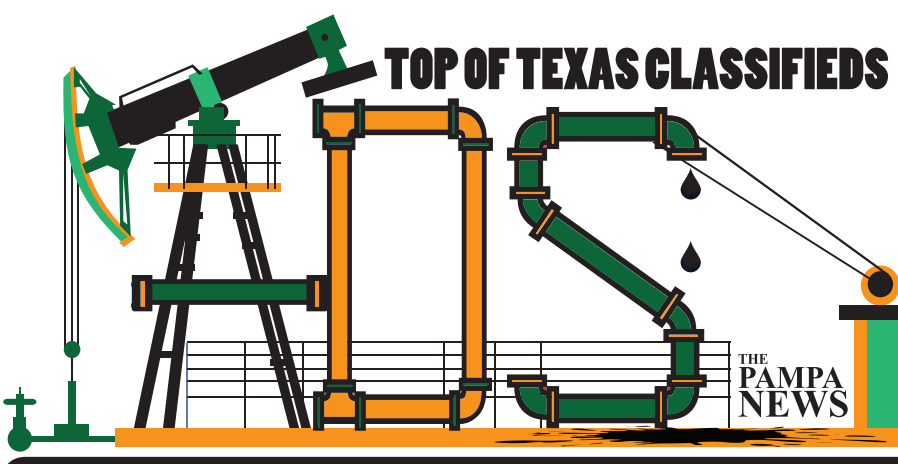
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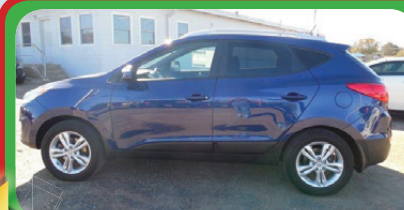
**2010 CHEVROLET IMPALA**  
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Chaumont	\$40,000	Residential Lots
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**12-20 CRYPTOQUOTE**  
 X Z D O D A V F C Z F D X O Y R N D  
 Q Y Z Z D A , E U D G Y Q X N V X I  
 N X Z M E C C B A L Y I E , R A X J K D  
 E C C B A G B E B A D . — Y N D P  
 U Y N D V  
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# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 15-year-old girl. For the past year I have been self-injuring. I take a sharp object and scrape the skin off until it bleeds. My mom saw the scars on my arm. I have 15 other ones, but she doesn't know about them.

I have to keep lying to her and it hurts. I want to stop, but I can't. How can I tell her I lied? I know she will be very upset. — STUCK IN UTAH

DEAR STUCK: Go to your mother, tell her that you need to talk to her about something important, but you are afraid she will be angry with you. Ask her to hear you out before she reacts. Then tell her everything you have told me and ask for her help. That's what mothers are for.

If necessary, show her your letter to me and my response because she needs to understand that when individuals self-injure, it is often to cope with serious depression — which is an illness — and it takes the help of a mental health professional to stop.

DEAR ABBY: My husband took up the guitar about 10 years ago. I thought it was a great idea at first and encouraged his interest. Within two years of his learning to play, I was expected to sit, listen to him and never interrupt a song.

Needless to say, his demands have not gone over well with me. This is his hobby, not mine. He plays well, but can't sing a note. When he does, he sounds like a cat in heat, and

he likes to perform like he's playing for a crowd.

My peace and quiet at home are gone. He says I don't support him. What is your take on this? — WANTS PEACE AND QUIET

DEAR WANTS: Your husband wants praise and validation, and you should give it to him in the area where it's deserved — for having mastered the guitar. However, because his singing needs tweaking, be honest and tactfully suggest he find a vocal coach to help him in that area. If he reacts defensively, be sure to mention that some of the finest singers in the world get coaching throughout their careers to avoid damaging their vocal cords.

PS. Perhaps you should encourage him to find other musicians to start a group. That way, he'll have an outlet for his talent and you'll be free (at last!).

DEAR ABBY: I am an eighth-grader in junior high, and there is a girl I really like. My problem is I'm afraid to tell her I love her.

I know she likes someone else and wants to go out with him, but I don't know if she likes me. When I'm home, I write her poems, and I want to drop them off at her locker, but I am scared to. We are in three classes together. Do you have any advice? — NERVOUS BOY

DEAR NERVOUS BOY: Yes. If you're smart, you'll wait until that girl is over her crush before declaring your feelings for her. The boy she has her eye on may or may not be interested in her. But as long as she's fixated on him, she won't be receptive to a romance with you, and it could be embarrassing if you say anything prematurely. (The same goes for anonymously dropping off your literary efforts at her locker.)

AXYDLBAAXR  
is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

12-22 CRYPTOQUOTE

R D L L U H L F F L A H L N Z Y  
I O Z R F O L C O A O R C  
Y Q Q S N Q S O Y R L A L C C S Y R D L S  
R D Y A O A O R C X Y F W L .

— H D Y S F L C E W E F L K B Y S A L S

Saturday's Cryptoquote: IN EVERY CONCEIVABLE MANNER, THE FAMILY IS LINK TO OUR PAST, BRIDGE TO OUR FUTURE. — ALEX HALEY

## BANANAGRAMS!

There is one letter, not counting S, that, when added to all of the seven-letter words below, can be used to form new eight-letter words. Find the letter that works, add it to each word, and then rearrange each set of letters to form a new word.

LEVEL

M E D I A N S  
I N W A R D S  
I N T A K E S  
S C O O P E R

COMMON LETTER

Yesterday's Answer: CANTEN, SMASHED, HERETIC 12-20

## BANANAGRAMS!

Use the 15 tiles in this bunch to create words that fit into the grids below. The BANANA BITES provide hints. Reuse the tiles in each grid.

LEVEL

R A R U R E D R  
S I R S U N P J

BANANA BITE: Word play  
BANANA BITE: Cat sound

Yesterday's Answer: COMPASS, BUCKEYE, BENEFIT 12-22

## SUDOKU

Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

6	7	4	8	9	1	3	2	5
2	3	9	5	7	4	6	1	8
8	5	1	6	3	2	4	7	9
7	4	3	2	6	8	9	5	1
9	6	2	1	5	7	8	3	4
5	1	8	9	4	3	7	6	2
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2		6					1	3
4		9		1				
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Level: Advanced

## SUDOKU

Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

6	8	2	9	5	3	4	7	1
7	9	4	1	2	6	5	8	3
3	5	1	4	7	8	9	2	6
9	2	7	5	8	1	3	6	4
1	4	5	6	3	2	8	9	7
8	6	3	7	9	4	2	1	5
2	7	6	8	4	5	1	3	9
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8						5	3	
	3			7	1	8		
								6

Level: Beginner

## CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Turn aside  
6 In the future  
11 Jimmy, e.g.  
12 Fosse forte  
13 Bakery come-on  
14 Map division  
15 Pole VIP  
17 May honoree  
18 Writer Follett  
19 Faces, slangily  
22 Reduce drastically  
23 Pitches  
24 Dorian Gray's creator  
25 Sweat-shirt variety  
27 Pricing word  
30 Did without  
31 Supporter's vote  
32 Hold  
33 Trio of myth  
35 Studio sign  
38 Walled Spanish city  
39 State game

40 New York's — Island  
41 Worry  
42 Shoelace problems

DOWN

1 1867 purchase  
2 Angle point  
3 Tennis great  
4 Do Gool-agong  
5 Spot for some  
6 Spots on TV  
7 Bowler, e.g.

8 Tooth layer  
9 Cast makeup  
10 Judges  
16 "Gunga Din" writer  
20 Divert  
21 Spot  
24 Impress greatly  
25 Rhyming greeting

26 Decora-tive  
27 "Serpico" star  
28 Grommet  
29 Puts another way  
30 Ninnies  
34 Stratford's river  
36 "Give — rest!"  
37 Go bad

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41						42			

12-20

## CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Christmas song  
6 Christmas Eve traveler  
11 "O come, let us — Him"  
12 Rose hazard  
13 Singer Summer  
14 Sprinted  
15 Region  
17 Lock opener  
18 Entries for 6-Across  
22 Impolite  
23 Acquit  
27 Hollywood deal maker  
29 Andrea — (ill-fated ship)  
30 Confer  
32 Piece of Christmas mail  
33 Glitters  
35 "Honest" president  
38 Eins und zwei  
39 Cowboy contest  
41 Uses shears  
45 Basketball star Patrick  
46 Wading bird  
47 Winter gliders  
48 Russian rulers

DOWN

1 Scoundrel  
2 Brouhaha  
3 Harry's friend  
4 Tree decorations  
5 Get smart  
6 Wandered  
7 Cry of insight  
8 Fit an arrow to a bow  
9 Christmas symbol  
10 Tennis star Roddick  
16 Twisty fish  
18 Zodiac animal  
19 Colossal  
20 Midmonth day

21 They're hung before  
24 Test type  
25 "Chestnuts roasting on an open —"  
26 Crazes  
28 Dominant ones  
31 Simple card game

34 Stopwatch button  
35 God of war  
36 "...like a — full of jelly"  
37 TV's Falco  
40 Wrap up  
42 Writer Levin  
43 For each  
44 Ave. intersec-tors

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S	T	N	I	C	K	M	O	M	
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# PampaSports

## The PAMPA Sports Briefs DUMAS BARREL RACES FROM LAST WEEKEND

**Girls Basketball**  
 JV/Varsity v Idalou.....4:30/6 p.m. - Jan. 2 - McNeely  
 Freshman v. Panhandle.....7:30 p.m. - Jan. 2 - McNeely

**Boys Basketball**  
 Varsity at Snyder Tournament.....Dec. 29-30  
 Freshmen boys at Perryton Tournament.....Jan. 1-3

**Soccer**  
 Girls scrimmage.....Jan. 2 - Dumas  
 Girls Alumni Scrimmage.....1 p.m. - Jan. 3 - Pampa

**Wrestling**  
 Boys at Tucumcari Tournament.....TODAY  
 Pampa Bash.....10 a.m. - Jan. 3 - Pampa  
 Boys/Girls v. River Road.....5 p.m. - Jan. 5 - Pampa

\*Game times and locations are subject to change. Please refer to the Pampa ISD Athletics Department website for an updated schedule. You can reach it by going to [www.pampaisd.net](http://www.pampaisd.net) and then clicking Athletics Department under the departments tab. \*



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**The Unopened Gift**

In this busy holiday season, we rush around buying gifts, and giving hints to each other about our Christmas wishes, all the while forgetting the ONE TRUE CHRISTMAS GIFT. Have you left that GIFT unopened?

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If you have already opened this GIFT, then you KNOW the TRUE JOY OF CHRISTMAS. If you have left this GIFT unopened, year after year, let this be the year that you accept, and open your heart to this GREAT GIFT, and you will have received the GREATEST of all Christmas gifts, THE REAL CHRISTMAS SPIRIT.

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