

Today's Weather

HIGH 58 LOW 36

Texas FURNITURE PROUDLY SERVING PAMPA SINCE 1932

1415 N. HOBART 806-665-1623 MON-SAT 9:00-5:30

Meets Clovis for title tonight. SEE PAGE 7



THE PAMPA

\*\*\*\*\* ALL FOR ADC 780 \*01 BV04227 12/31/14 SOUTHWEST MICRO PUBLISHING 2627 E YANDELL DR EL PASO TX 79903-3743

Friday, December 30, 2005

Volume 101 • No. 1455

50¢ Daily • Sunday \$1.25

THE FLOOR STORE NOW AVAILABLE Professional Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning System

CHILDERS BROTHERS INC. HOUSE LEVELING Uneven Floors Floor Bracing Cracks In Bricks

FRED BROWN TREE AND TURF It's time to apply PRE-EMERGENT to prevent dandelions & hen bit

THOMAS AUTOMOTIVE, INC Over 20 Years of Quality Service 665-4851 217 E. ATCHISON

One STOP Flooring PAMPA'S ONLY LOCALLY OWNED FLOORING CENTER WITH GUARANTEED LOWEST PRICE

The POWER OF STEAM RUG RATS Professional Carpet & Air Duct Cleaning FREE ESTIMATES

ALBRACHT CHIROPRACTIC OF PAMPA DR. JACK S. ALBRACHT PERSONAL & SPORTS INJURIES

BOB'S PLUMBING PAMPA, TEXAS 806-669-1940 CELL# 806-584-0809

DON STONE SIGNS & Designs 874-2594

Shutterbug Photography For all your photography needs www.myshutterbug.com

Dangerous weekend has troopers out in force

By DENNIS SPIES Editor

The Department of Public Safety has announced it will have all available troopers on Texas roads during the New Year's weekend.

Troopers will be especially watchful for speeders, seat belt violations, reckless drivers and drunken drivers through midnight on Sunday.

The DPS said that there were 423 arrests made for driving while intoxicated last New Year's, they also arrested 50 minors for driving under the influence.

"DPS troopers will be looking for people who are driving while intoxicated," said Col. Thomas A. Davis Jr., director of the DPS, "so it's a good idea to designate a driver at the beginning of the evening. That designated driver should not consume any alcohol. Otherwise, you may find yourself on the side of the road, participating in a field sobriety test."

New Year's Eve/Day is typically the worst drunken driving weekend of the year when an estimated 65 percent of all traffic deaths are alcohol related.

A recent poll conducted by online automotive company Autobyte (as part of its "Take the Pledge to Slow Down" safe driving campaign) points to a possible epidemic of drunken driving-related crashes and DUI infractions.

Fifty-six percent of those polled by Autobyte admitted that they've gotten behind the wheel after having too much to drink, while 62 percent report that they or someone they know has received a ticket/citation for drunken driving.

An alarming 52 percent said they

personally know someone who was either injured or killed by a drunken driver, while an additional 9 percent know someone who was involved in an accident caused by a drunken driver without sustaining injury.

Last New Year's, state troopers also issued 6,244 speeding tickets. In addition, they wrote 797 tickets for seat belt violations and 329 tickets for child safety seat violations.

The DPS suggests if you're looking for self-improvement ideas for

See WEEKEND, Page 3

DPS nabs Michigan man in pot bust on I-40

A man arrested Thursday near McLean is in the Gray County Jail in Panhandle, charged with possessing more than five pounds and less than 50 pounds of marijuana.

Department of Public Safety troopers stopped 2005 Buick on a traffic violation at 10:37 a.m. on Interstate 40.

They became suspicious of the driver and obtained consent to search the car.

During the search a DPS K-9 alerted on the vehicle and 25 pounds of marijuana was found in a box in the trunk.

The driver of the car, David Mark Kaniowski, 48, of Westland, Mich., was arrested and jailed.

The street value of the marijuana is estimated at \$14,625.

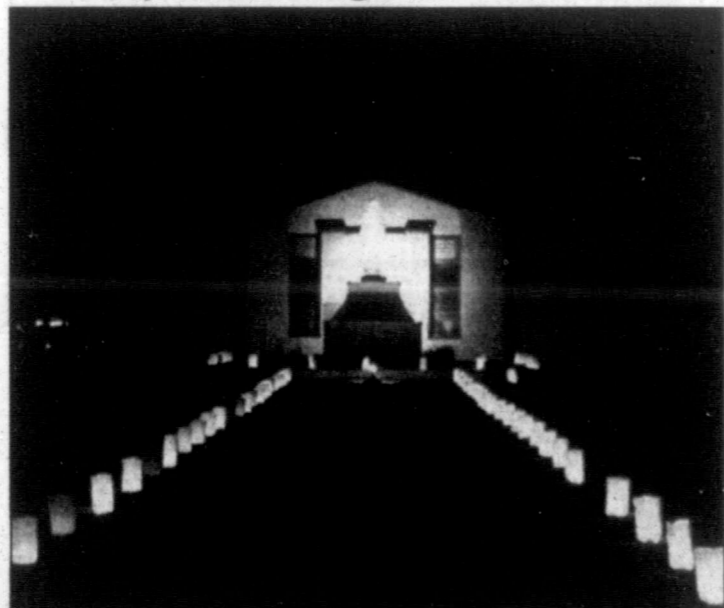
Troopers think the drug shipment originated in Phoenix, Ariz., and was headed to Detroit, Mich.

Holiday Inn work begins



A work crew prepares the ground before pouring the foundation for a new Holiday Inn Express, under construction north of Pampa Regional Medical Center on Highway 70. From left are Jesus Jimenez, Alberto Guerrero, Arturo Barrera and Ruben Becerril. The hotel's owners, Dipak and Sangita Patel of Amarillo, said in an April 9 interview that they plan to have the structure completed and ready for business in May. The Patels also own a Comfort Inn and a Country Inn and Suites in Amarillo.

Peaceful setting



Courtesy Photo

Memory Gardens recently held an annual Candle Light Service, a memorial to honor loved ones lost in 2005. As the families left the service they were treated to the cemetery lit up with luminary bags lining the roads and features. This tradition will continue in the future to be held in December.

2005: An interesting weather year

The National Weather Service in Amarillo has compiled a summary of notable weather records and events for the Texas and Oklahoma panhandles, and they say 2005 was an interesting year.

Although 2004 was the 9th wettest year on record, 2005 will likely go down as the 15th driest year on record. A rare May snowstorm occurred on May 2, which was one of the latest measurable snowfalls on record. The biggest snowstorm occurred in mid March when nearly a foot fell in Amarillo.

Widespread severe thunderstorms, six tornadoes, and flash flooding struck the Panhandle area on June 11, including the Amarillo area. There were a total of 15 tornadoes for the year, which was below the average of 21. The year ended slightly warmer than normal despite the fact that seven months recorded cooler than normal temperatures. In Amarillo there was only one day when the temperature met or surpassed 100 degrees and there was only one day when the temperature fell below zero.

End of Year Summary for 2005 (Records date back to 1892)



Highest Temperature = 102° on Sept. 6 Lowest Temperature = (-3°) on Dec. 7 Average High Temperature = 70.5° Average Low Temperature = 44.4° Average Temp = 57.5° / Normal is 56.9° (Tied for the 42nd warmest year on record) Total Precipitation (Through Dec. 28) = 15.01 inches (15th driest year on record) Normal Yearly Precipitation is 19.71 inches Total Snowfall for the Year = 22.4 inches Normal Yearly Snowfall is 15.6 inches

White Deer Land Museum New Year's Eve Party

Saturday, December 31, 2005 • MK Brown Heritage Room • 8:00 pm to Midnight

Silent Auction and Dance • Tickets \$35.00 per person

for more information call 669-8041 or 662-2727



## Obituaries

### F. Calvin Gee, 47

F. Calvin Gee, 47, a lifelong Pampa resident, died Dec. 28, 2005, at Houston. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Gee was born Sept. 21, 1958, at Pampa. He co-owned Gee's Plumbing and belonged to New Life Assembly of God Church.

Survivors include his mother, Della Gee of Pampa; two brothers, Burt Gee of

Princeville, Ill., and Buford Gee of Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.; and two sisters, Carla Price of Shamrock and Lynette Maciel of Pampa.

The family requests memorials be to New Life Assembly of God, 1435 N. Sumner, Pampa, TX 79065.

—Sign the on-line register book at [www.carmichael-whately.com](http://www.carmichael-whately.com).

## Gray County Weather

Today: Partly cloudy, with a high around 56. Wind chill values between 28 and 35 early. Northwind 5 to 10 mph becoming south.

Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 37. South-southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 63. Wind chill values between 29 and 34 early. Southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low near 42. Southwest wind between

15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

Sunday: Partly cloudy, with a high around 62. Windy, with a west wind between 20 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 36. Northwest wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

Monday: Mostly sunny, with a high around 63. Southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Monday Night: Mostly

clear, with a low around 36. Southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high around 60. Windy, with a west wind between 15 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

Tuesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low near 33.

Wednesday: Mostly sunny, with a high around 51.

Wednesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 31.

Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 64.

## CITY BRIEFS

The Pampa News is not responsible for the content of paid advertisement

**EARLY DEADLINES** for Classified ads and City Briefs for Mon. Jan. 2nd is Fri. Dec. 30th, 2 p.m., and classified ads for Tues., Jan. 3rd is Fri. Dec. 30th, 4 p.m.

**LIKE NEW** burgundy leather recliner, 665-8589.

**MCLEAN COUNTRY** Club-New Year's Eve Dance, Sat. Dec. 31st, 8-12 a.m., \$10 each. Deanna & the Western Swingsters. Public Welcome!

**NEW YEAR'S** Eve Dance at the M.K. Brown Auditorium with music by the Martini's. Silent auction, food, hats, horns and BYOB. Tickets \$35 per person. For tickets call 669-8041 or 662-2727 or any White Deer Land Museum board member.

**PEGGY'S PLACE** serving Breakfast Buffet Only, New Year's Eve 12 am-4 am. Open New Year's Day! Have a safe Holiday.

**HAPPY NEW** Year!, from Best Kept Secrets, open 10-2 pm. Sat., closed Mon.

**SANDS FABRICS** End of Year Clearance Sale, now thru Dec. 31st, 9:30-5:30 pm. Save 40% Off all fabric. The Scissor Sharpening man will be here, Fri. & Sat.

**VFW BLACKEYE** Pea Dinner, 105 S. Cuyler, Sun., New Years Day, 12 noon-3 pm.

## Emergency Services

### Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Fourteen traffic stops were made. A traffic complaint was received from the intersection of Cuyler Street and Highway 60.

Agency assistance was rendered in the 1000 block of Huff Road, the intersection of 16th and Fir streets and the 2300 block of Christine.

Found property was reported in the 100 block of North Dwight. A coin purse, roach clip, rolling papers and marijuana were found.

A welfare check was made at the intersection of 23rd and Duncan streets.

Violation of a city ordinance was reported in the 1100 block of Sandlewood and the 700 block of Bradley.

A silent/abusive 911 call was received from the 1100 block of Alcock.

A suspicious person call was received from the 1400 block of Duncan.

A prowler was reported in the 1000 block of Prairie Drive.

Three instances of criminal mischief were reported in the 2200 block of North Russell. In one report, an estimated \$200 damage was done to tires. Another report listed approximately \$75 damage to tires. The third report concerned an estimated \$160 damage to tires.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 2200 block of Charles. Damage estimated at \$200 was done to a windshield.

Criminal mischief was reported at GH Ranch Inc., and Minco Oil, 309 N. Frost. The incident involved mail tampering.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 2000 block of North Dwight. A metal tool box and slip joint pliers were taken, for an esti-

mated loss of \$150.

Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 1800 block of North Sumner. A ring, Gameboy, Ninja Turtle game, stereo, DVD player, PlayStation 2, Casio piano and men's clothes were taken. Estimated value of loss is \$770.

Theft was reported in the police department lobby. The incident occurred in the 1100 block of Varnon Drive. Three DVDs and 15 CDs were taken, for an estimated loss of \$390.

Theft was reported at Wal-Mart, 2801 Charles. Clothing valued at \$332.35 was taken.

A foot pursuit was reported in the 1100 block of Garland. An arrest was made for outstanding warrants and for evading arrest.

A narcotics violation was reported in the 500 block of North Starkweather.

Assault was reported in the 100 block of West 30th Avenue. Minor injuries were reported.

### Sheriff

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests today.

#### Thursday, Dec. 29

Heath Dylan Henley, 17, of Pampa turned himself in to Gray County Jail for evading arrest.

Roger Duane Black, 26, of Perkins, Okla., was arrested by GCSO for a Gray County charge of theft over \$10 and under \$500 by check, municipal charges of speeding and failure to appear, and bond surrenders on Hutchinson County charges of theft by check and assault.

David Mark Kaniowski, 48, of Westland, Mich., was arrested by Texas Department of Public Service for possession of over five pounds and under 50 pounds of marijuana.

Kacie Nichole Graham, 19, of Pampa was arrested in

the 2800 block of Charles by Pampa Police Department for theft over \$50 and under \$500.

Johnathan Paul Munn, 24, of Pampa was arrested in the 1100 block of North Starkweather for evading arrest, no insurance, failure to appear, and bond surrenders for possession of a controlled substance and criminal mischief.

#### Friday, Dec. 30

Ricky Lynn Marsh, 45, of Pampa was arrested in the 400 block of South Garland on a capias pro fine for no driver's license.

### Fire

Pampa Fire Department responded to the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

#### Thursday, Dec. 29

10:10 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 2700 block of Duncan on a medical assist.

1:28 p.m. — Two units and seven personnel responded to the 1500 block of West Kentucky on a lifting assist.

10:55 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to the 2100 block of Beech on a Dumpster fire.

### Ambulance

Guardian EMS ambulance reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

#### Thursday, Dec. 29

8:11 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center and transferred a patient to BSA in Amarillo.

8:19 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to PRMC and transferred a patient to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

9:41 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 800 block of East Campbell and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

10:16 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 2700 block of Duncan and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

11:20 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to PRMC and transferred a patient to BSA.

1 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to PRMC and transported a patient to a local nursing facility.

2:22 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to PRMC and transported a patient to a local nursing facility.

2:35 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to PRMC and transported a patient to the 2700 block of Duncan.

8:51 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 2100 block of Chestnut and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

9:23 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 800 block of West 25th and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

#### Friday, Dec. 30

3:22 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 2300 block of Christine and transported a patient to PRMC.

## Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Atchafalaya Grain of White Deer.

Wheat ..... 3.43  
Milo ..... 2.88  
Corn ..... 3.86

Soybeans ..... 4.85  
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y.

Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa.

OXY ..... 79.67 -0.09  
BP PLC ADR ..... 63.91 -0.29  
Cabot Corp ..... 36.23 +0.03  
Celanese ..... 19.07 -0.11  
Cabot Oil Gas ..... 44.48 -0.39  
Coca Cola ..... 40.53 -0.07  
VLO ..... 51.07 -0.53  
HAL ..... 61.66 +0.22  
TRI ..... 39.27 -0.27  
KMI ..... 91.13 -0.66  
XCEL ..... 18.40 -0.18  
Kerr McGee ..... 89.93 -0.27  
XOM ..... 56.13 -0.11  
Nat'l Oilwell ..... NA NA  
Limited ..... 22.68 +0.25  
Williams ..... 22.93 -0.09  
MCD ..... 34.28 +0.14  
Atmos ..... 25.98 -0.16  
Pioneer Nat ..... 50.86 -0.15  
JCP ..... 55.82 +0.38  
COP ..... 57.92 +0.22  
SLB ..... 97.11 +0.21  
Teneco ..... 19.60 -0.09  
CVX ..... 56.12 -0.35  
Wal-Mart ..... 47.26 -0.22  
OKE ..... 26.60 -0.09  
NS Grp ..... 41.91 -0.30  
New York Gold ..... 516.80  
Silver ..... 8.84  
West Texas Crude ..... 60.38

## OPEN NEW YEAR'S DAY AT NOON

# NEW YEAR'S DAY Sale & CLEARANCE

STOREWIDE SAVINGS UP TO

# 75% OFF

Valid Sunday, January 1, 2006

Extra **20% OFF** ANY SINGLE ORIGINAL, SALE OR CLEARANCE ITEM\*

\*Not valid on Doorbusters, Hot Buys, cosmetics, fragrances, services, gift certificates or prior purchases. Cannot be combined with any other discounts or coupons.

DUNLAPS

## INCREDIBLE STOREWIDE SAVINGS!

75% off all Christmas trim	60-75% off separates & coordinates
60% off men's & ladies' fall coats	60% off men's & ladies' sweaters
60% off ladies' warm robes	50-60% off all ladies' boots
50-75% off sheet sets	50% off entire stock of luggage

Coronado Center • 10-6 - Monday-Friday  
12-5 - Sunday

DUNLAPS

Selections vary by store. Not all departments available in all stores.

## Texas Plains Women's Center

2005 Was A Great Year:

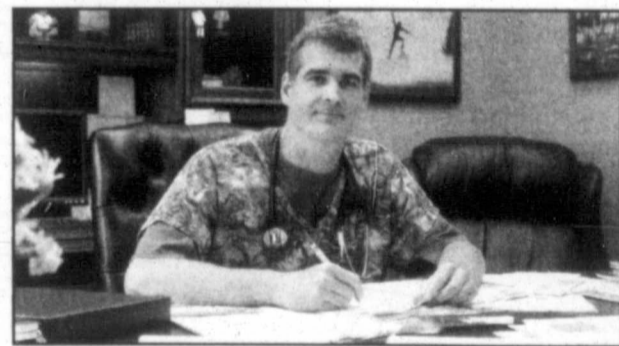
\*Over 250 babies delivered by Dr. Ellis

\*Expansion of our offices

\*A awesome staff

\*Living in a terrific community

\*Exciting new technologies for gynecologic surgeries



\* Coming Soon In 2006 \*

In-Office Sterilization With No Hospitalization!

Dr. J. Scott Ellis

3023 N. Perryton Parkway, Suite 205  
806-665-9900

## Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, Inc. Home Health Care

"Established 1988"

- SKILLED NURSING CARE
- HOME HEALTH AIDES
- PHYSICAL THERAPY
- ELDER WELLNESS PROGRAM
- CASE MANAGEMENT
- INTERNAL & IV INFUSION
- DIABETIC MANAGEMENT
- CARDIAC REHABILITATION
- WOUND CARE SPECIALIST
- MEDICARE-MEDICAIDE CERTIFIED



LICENSED BY THE TEXAS DEPT OF HEALTH

806-665-0356

916 N. CREST RD. SUITE 101 • PAMPA

806-273-2301

600 S. CEDAR • BORGER

806-358-9548

2920 UNIVEN • AMARILLO

806-256-5307

113 E. 3RD • SHAMROCK

806-874-1653

911 E. 2ND • CLARENDON



*Squirrelly character*



Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

A squirrel pauses in his climb up a tree in north Pampa recently and seems to pose for a photograph. Squirrels are common in Pampa and can be seen on lawns, in trees or racing across streets, where they sometimes run out of luck.

## Probe begins to find source of Bush's secret spy program

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Justice Department has opened an investigation into the leak of classified information about President Bush's secret domestic spying program, Justice officials said Friday.

The officials, who requested anonymity because of the sensitivity of the probe, said the inquiry will focus on disclosures to The New York Times about warrantless surveillance conducted by the National Security Agency since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

The Times revealed the existence of the program two weeks ago in a front-page story that acknowledged the news had been withheld from publication for a year, partly at the request of the administration and partly because the newspaper wanted more time to confirm various aspects of the program.

Catherine Mathis, a spokeswoman for The Times, said the paper will not comment on the investigation.

Revelation of the secret spying program unleashed a firestorm of criticism of the administration. Some critics accused the president of breaking the law by authorizing intercepts of conversations — without prior court approval or oversight — of people inside the United States and abroad who had suspected ties to al-Qaida or its affiliates.

The surveillance program, which Bush acknowledged authorizing, bypassed a nearly 30-year-old secret court established to oversee highly sensitive investigations involving espionage and terrorism.

Administration officials insisted that Bush has the

power to conduct the warrantless surveillance under the Constitution's war powers provision. They also argued that Congress gave Bush the power to conduct such a secret program when it authorized the use of military force against terrorism in a resolution adopted within days of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks.

The Justice Department's investigation was being initiated after the agency received a request for the probe from the NSA.

Special prosecutor Patrick Fitzgerald has been conducting a separate leak investigation to determine who in the administration leaked CIA operative Valerie Plame's name to the media in 2003.

Several reporters have been called to testify before a grand jury or to give depositions. New York Times reporter Judith Miller spent 85 days in jail, refusing to reveal her source, before testifying in the probe.

The administration's legal interpretation of the president's powers allowed the government to avoid requirements under the 1978 Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act in conducting the warrantless surveillance.

The act established procedures that an 11-member court used in 2004 to oversee nearly 1,800 government

applications for secret surveillance or searches of foreigners and U.S. citizens suspected of terrorism or espionage.

Congressional leaders have said they were not briefed four years ago, when the secret program began, as thoroughly as the administration has since contended.

Former Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle said in an article printed last week on the op-ed page of The Washington Post that Congress explicitly denied a White House request for war-making authority in the United States.

"This last-minute change would have given the president broad authority to exercise expansive powers not just overseas ... but right here in the United States, potentially against American citizens," Daschle wrote.

Daschle was Senate Democratic leader at the time of the 2001 terrorist attacks on New York City and Washington. He is now a fellow at the Center for American Progress, a liberal Washington think tank.

The administration formally defended its domestic spying program in a letter to Congress last week, saying the nation's security outweighs privacy concerns of individuals who are monitored.

# Countdown to Savings

PRICES GOOD DECEMBER 30TH THRU JANUARY 2ND

DELMONTE GOLDEN PINEAPPLES 3 FOR \$2

4LB. BAGGED ORANGES \$1.00

TANGY LEMONS & LIMES 20/\$1.00

XLARGE BULK POTATOES 5LB/\$1.00

MELISSA'S FRESH BLACKEYED PEAS 11 OZ. 99¢ EACH

BULK MIXED NUTS 99¢ LB.

COOK'S BONE-IN HAMS SHANK'S PORTION 79¢ LB. BUTT PORTION 89¢ LB.

HILLSHIRE FARM SPIRAL SLICED HAM \$1.99 LB.

SMOKED, HONEY OR BROWN SUGAR

WHOLE FARMLAND BONELESS HAM 5LB. \$5.99

PREV. FROZEN FRYER LEG QUARTERS \$3.90

FRANK'S THRIFTWAY "Pampa's Homeowned Since 1967"

300 E. BROWN 665-5451 Monday-Saturday 7am-8pm • Sunday 8am-8pm We Delivery Tuesday & Thursday ... Call For Details

**minerals**  
HIGHLIGHTING • COLOR  
FACIAL WAXING • MAKE UP ARTIST • PERMS  
by appointment only  
for the latest styles and techniques visit  
**trends**  
1224 N. HOBART • NBC PLAZA ROOM 1  
806-662-7672  
HAIR & MAKEUP BY AMY

**McCormick**  
**MASONRY & CONCRETE**  
29 YEAR EXPERIENCE  
RESIDENTIAL - COMMERCIAL  
NEW CONSTRUCTION ~ REMODELS ~ REPAIRS  
POINT UPS  
**MASONRY**  
FIREPLACES ~ PATIOS ~ MAILBOXES ~ FIRE PITS  
RETAINING WALLS ~ FENCES ~ SIDEWALKS ~ FLOORS  
**CONCRETE**  
FOUNDATIONS ~ DRIVEWAYS ~ SIDEWALKS  
**WE NOW SELL STONE**  
221 N. GILLESPIE PAMPA, TEXAS  
806-478-0122 877-251-3486

## Weekend

Continued from Page 1

In the new year, look no farther than your own mirror. Driving can be one of the most dangerous activities you engage in during the day, so taking a few moments to think about your driving is a good idea.

Here are some good driving habits to employ, suggested by the DPS:

- Make sure everyone is buckled up.
- Drive sober.
- Use your turn signals.
- Do not tailgate.
- Obey the speed limit.
- Do not speed up, block lanes, slam or tap on brakes.
- Report extreme cases of reckless driving to the appropriate authorities at the time the violation occurs.
- Do not retaliate, gesture or make eye contact.



# Viewpoints

## Exploration, discovery and America's future ...

Among the bills that received final approval from Congress in the hours before it adjourned for the year was legislation to authorize continued funding for NASA. It was the first time in five years Congress has spoken so emphatically in support of the vision for the next generation of space exploration and research, including affirmation of the goal to put a permanent base on the moon.

The authorization bill provides a policy blueprint for NASA. I believe it is significant that an overwhelming number of my colleagues in the House of Representatives and the Senate recognized that the pathways of exploration and discovery outlined in the legislation merited their endorsement.

By supporting the bill, Congress has placed a stamp

of approval on completion of the International Space Station and on moving forward with the transition to a new generation of crew exploration vehicles. In addition, NASA now has Congressional guidance on its activities related to research, science, education and aeronautics.

But perhaps most important, passage of the legislation — and the implicit support for the science and engineering expertise contained within it — may be seen as evidence of Congress' determination to address one of the most important challenges looming in front of our nation.

America's preeminence since World War II has rested upon the bedrock of its economic dominance. Our economy, in turn, has depended upon a continued

flow of technological and scientific advances for its strength.

Increasingly, the edge that we have enjoyed in such a crucial area is being challenged by other nations. If we do not meet this challenge, not only will NASA's leadership be at risk, but so will America's.

Thankfully, leaders from our political, business, scientific and academic communities are beginning to tackle this problem. The National Academy of Sciences, the National Academy of Engineering, and the Institute of Medicine, have created the "Committee on Prospering in the Global

Economy of the 21st Century." The committee is expected to soon release the final version of its study "Rising Above the Gathering Storm."

The committee cites a number of what it terms "worrisome indicators" that point to the decline in educational emphasis on science and mathematics. For example, in 2004, China graduated about 500,000 engineers and India 200,000. Here at home, we had only 70,000 such graduates.

U.S. 12th graders have performed below the international average of 21 countries on a test designed to measure general knowledge in mathematics and science.

In 2007, for the first time, the most advanced high-energy particle accelerator will not be in the United States.

In a prepublication summary, the committee notes that it is "... deeply concerned that the scientific and technical building blocks of our economic leadership are eroding at a time when many other nations are gathering strength."

The committee urges our nation to "... prepare with great urgency to preserve its strategic and economic security."

My colleagues and I are ready to act on a number of the recommendations made by the committee. This issue is not political; it is not partisan. There is already willingness in Congress a willingness to embark on a serious effort to ensure that America

maintains creative leadership in the world.

We will make an effort to recruit annually 10,000 science and math teachers in middle and high school, offering four year college scholarships as an incentive. New training and education programs will be developed to strengthen the skills of current teachers and additional federal resources will be allocated for research activities in the hard sciences.

I will continue to write about this important initiative as the year progresses. Few policy debates will be more important to our country's security and our children's future. As chair of the Space and Science Subcommittee in the Senate, I intend to push for America's leadership and superiority to continue through this century.

**Kay Bailey Hutchison**

U.S. Senator



## Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Dec. 30, the 364th day of 2005. There is one day left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 30, 1903, about 600 people died when fire broke out at the recently opened Iroquois Theater in Chicago.

On this date:

In 1852, future U.S. president Rutherford B. Hayes married Lucy Ware Webb in Cincinnati.

In 1853, the United States bought some 45,000 square miles of land from Mexico in a deal known as the Gadsden Purchase.

In 1911, Sun Yat-sen was elected the first president of the Republic of China.

*'Work is a dull thing; you cannot get away from that. The only agreeable existence is one of idleness, and that is not, unfortunately, always compatible with continuing to exist at all.'*

— Rose Macaulay  
English poet and essayist (1881-1958)

virtually renouncing the throne.

In 1948, the Cole Porter musical "Kiss Me, Kate" opened on Broadway.

In 1972, the United States halted its heavy bombing of North Vietnam.

In 1994, a gunman walked into a pair of suburban Boston abortion clinics and opened fire, killing two employees and wounding five other people (John C. Salvi III was later convicted of murder; he committed suicide in prison).

Ten years ago: A U.S. military policeman, Martin John Begosh, became the first American injured in NATO's fledgling Bosnia peace mission when his Humvee hit an anti-tank mine.

Five years ago: In the Philippines, 22 people were killed in five bombings in the Manila area. Hollywood screenwriter Julius J. Epstein, who co-wrote the script for "Casablanca," died in Los Angeles at age 91.

## Journalists just love conflicts of interest

Since journalists often obsess about conflicts of interests by public officials, I think it is only fair that journalists reveal their own conflicts of interests — financial, political and philosophical. Readers have a right to know where people who presume to make public judgments are coming from.

Being a newspaperman, I've never been bothered by financial conflicts of interest. I've been a wage serf all my life, and except for one jactop in Las Vegas, all my income has been from salary and the sale of my columns. That is still the case, though in lieu of salary, I now get a pension and a Social Security check. Yes, despite the dated picture that might run with this column, I've joined the geezer brigade. As someone once said, getting old is not for sissies. The only advantage I can see is that it gives you a perspective that younger people haven't had the time to acquire.

The only smart thing I ever did in the financial arena was get out of debt and stay out. The Buddhists are right — it's much better to limit your desires than to earn the income to satisfy them. I own two properties and pay a mortgage on a third, which is for sale.

Other than that mortgage, I don't owe a thin dime to a living soul. My individual retirement account that I rolled over is managed by a financial consultant for a fee that exceeds any return it has earned.

I belong to only two organizations — the National Rifle Association and the Sons of Confederate Veterans. I'm registered as a Democrat. John F. Kennedy caused me to switch to the Republican Party (despite the sentimental revisionism, JFK was a lousy president), and the first George Bush caused me to switch back to the Democrats. I disagree with the overwhelming majority of Democrats, but at least they aren't hypocrites like the Republicans, who make conservative speeches but implement liberal policies.

My political philosophy is the same as George Washington's and Jefferson Davis'. I believe the Constitution is not a living document but a contract between the states and their agent, the federal government. I believe it should be

interpreted literally and in the context of the time in which it was written and ratified. Needless to say, neither political party shares that belief. The Constitution is violated every day.

You can bet your life that in 1789, when people were still being burned at the stake, scalped and

mutilated, the cruel-and-inhuman-punishment prohibition did not mean denying a prisoner access to a telephone and a law library. I don't believe in pre-emptive wars, imperialism or meddling in the internal affairs of another country in any way whatsoever. Nor do I believe in government secrecy — which is a characteristic of authoritarian regimes, not of a free republic. It's plain that citizens cannot hold their government accountable if they don't know what it is doing.

George Washington's Farewell Address summarizes my political beliefs. Every American should read it, as well as the Federalist Papers, but, obviously, few do.

As for economics, I no longer believe in pure capi-

talism as I once did. Capitalism is good at production, but lousy at distribution. Capitalism based on ownership — in which most people own their homes, their farms and their businesses — will work. Finance capitalism, which is what we practice, just allows financial pirates to exploit the world for their own gain. It has turned most of our population into irrational consumers and debt slaves.

As for morality, we have lost it. You can be a Christian society, a Muslim society or a Buddhist society, but you can't be a secular society without decadence and corruption. Materialism is not a formula for happiness. Human life is short. We are born with nothing, and we die with nothing. Chasing possessions is a poor way to spend the short time in between.

My purpose as a columnist is to provoke people into thinking about the important things in life. Unless we want to join the zombies who worry about Brad Pitt's latest romance, we'd all better get our minds in gear. Certain morons in Washington are seriously endangering both our liberty and our prosperity. Both are easier to lose than to regain.

**Charley Reese**

Columnist



## Texas Thoughts

By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

■ Dec. 16

The Victoria Advocate on the inefficacy of executive order:

The Bush administration has not been one of the most transparent in recent memory. Nor has it gone out of its way to make information paid for by taxpayer dollars readily accessible to taxpayers.

This was partly why U.S. Sens. John Cornyn, R-Texas, and Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., introduced the OPEN Government Act of 2005 to strengthen the federal Freedom of Information Act of 1966. President Bush may have gotten the message. At least he has taken action to increase public accountability by his administration — although it remains to be seen just how effective the steps he has ordered taken will prove to be.

The president signed an executive order Wednesday that "directed federal agencies to ease access to government records following years of criticism for withholding public information," Cox News Service reported.

The goal of the executive order is to create a "citizen-centered and results-oriented approach" to requests taxpayers file under the Freedom of Information Act.

"What it will actually do is get information in the hands of the public more quickly," said Cornyn, who attended the White House signing of the executive order. "This moves us forward toward strengthening our open government laws."

Each federal agency will have to name a high-ranking official at the level of assistant secretary or above to be its public information officer, who will "preside over FOIA requests and come up with a plan to speed up the release of records and reduce chronic backlogs," according to Cox.

The order goes on to call on each agency "to establish a FOIA Requester Service Center, a place where individuals can check on the status of their request. And the order creates a public liaison officer who has the authority to resolve disputes between the government and requesters to ensure a service-oriented response," Cox reported.

That goes part way — but only part way — toward implementing what Cornyn and Leahy had sought to do legislatively. Their bill would require agencies to improve the system for tracking Freedom of Information Act requests, including using the telephone and Internet. Also, any agency not responding to a request within 20 days would forfeit any claim to be exempt from the law's provisions.

The Cornyn-Leahy bill would create a federal ombudsperson to monitor the new system and comply with the law and would broaden the 1966 act to include information that government contractors handle as part of the taxpayer-funded contracts they hold. That is broader than what the president's executive order would do.

And executive orders can be changed or completely revoked all too easily.

The president's executive orders should not lead Congress to end consideration of updating and upgrading the Freedom of Information Act as it approaches the 40th anniversary of its passage.

But Congress should not stop there. Although we are reluctant to call for amending the U.S. Constitution, we believe that adding language borrowed from the opening portion of the Texas Public Information Act to the nation's basic law would be a very good thing to do: "Under the fundamental philosophy of the American constitutional form of representative government that adheres to the principle that government is the servant and not the master of the people, it is the policy of this state that each person is entitled, unless otherwise expressly provided by law, at all times to complete information about the affairs of government and the official acts of public officials and employees."

"The people, in delegating authority, do not give their public servants the right to decide what is good for the people to know and what is not good for them to know. The people insist on remaining informed so that they may retain control over the instruments they have created."

## THE PAMPA NEWS

403 W. Atchison • Pampa, TX 79065

806-669-2525 • 800-687-3348

Fax: 806-669-2520

email: editor@thepampanews.com

Publisher: Sean Smith

Editor: Dennis Spies

Advertising Director: ReDonn Woods

Composing Supervisor: Brenda Cook

Circulation Manager: Leon Watson

This newspaper (UPS 781-540) is published daily, except Saturdays, Thanksgiving and Christmas Day, by The Pampa News. Periodicals postage paid at Pampa, Texas. Postmaster: Send address changes to The Pampa News, P.O. Drawer 2198, Pampa, TX 79066-2198.


All carriers are independent contractors and The Pampa News is not responsible for advance payments of two or more months made to the carrier. Please pay directly to the Pampa News any payment that exceeds the current collection period. There are no mail subscriptions available within the city limits of Pampa. Mail subscriptions must be paid three months in advance.

© 2005 The Pampa News



## This Devotional Directory Is Made Possible By The Following Businesses Who Encourage All Of Us To Attend Worship Service

- |  |   |   |
|--|---|---|
| <p><b>Adventist</b><br/>                 Faith Advent Christian Fellowship<br/>                 . . . . . 324 Rider<br/>                 Adventist Seventh-day<br/>                 Leonard Cummings, Minister . . . . . 425 N. Ward</p> <p><b>Apostolic</b><br/>                 Pampa Chapel<br/>                 Rev. Ron Noble . . . . . 711 E. Harvester</p> <p><b>Assembly of God</b><br/>                 Calvary Assembly of God<br/>                 Rev. Philip Elsheimer . . . . . Crawford &amp; Love<br/>                 Carpenter's Church Assemblies of God<br/>                 Independent<br/>                 Fred C. Palmer, Minister . . . . . 639 S. Barnes<br/>                 First Assembly of God<br/>                 Leland &amp; Darlene Lewis . . . . . 500 S. Cuyler<br/>                 New Life Assembly of God<br/>                 Harold &amp; Wendy Eggert . . . . . 1435 N. Sumner<br/>                 Skellytown Assembly of God Church<br/>                 Rev. Danny Trussell . . . . . 411 Chamberlain<br/>                 First Assembly of God (McLean)<br/>                 Mahlan Richardson, Pastor . . . . . 420 Main St.</p> <p><b>Baptist</b><br/>                 Alanreed Baptist Church<br/>                 Jim Bible . . . . . 3rd Street<br/>                 Bible Baptist Church<br/>                 Bob Hudson, Pastor . . . . . 500 E. Kingsmill<br/>                 Calvary Baptist Church<br/>                 Rev. Richard Bartel . . . . . 900 E. 23rd St.<br/>                 Central Baptist Church<br/>                 Starkweather &amp; Browning<br/>                 CornerStone Baptist Church<br/>                 J.C. Burt, Asst. Pastor . . . . . 1304 N. Banks<br/>                 Fellowship Baptist Church<br/>                 George Turner . . . . . 217 N. Warren<br/>                 First Baptist Church<br/>                 Rev. Johnny Funderburg . . . . . 203 N. West<br/>                 First Baptist Church ( Mobeetie )<br/>                 Rev. Harvey Patterson . . . . . Mobeetie Tx.<br/>                 First Baptist Church (Lefors)<br/>                 Chris Webb, Pastor . . . . . 315 E. 4th<br/>                 First Baptist Church (Skellytown)<br/>                 Fines Marchman . . . . . 306 Roosevelt<br/>                 First Baptist Church (Groom)<br/>                 David Kelly . . . . . 407 E. 1st.<br/>                 First Baptist Church (Wheeler)<br/>                 Pastor Dennis Williams . . . . . 601 S. Main<br/>                 First Baptist Church (White Deer)<br/>                 Alan Wilson . . . . . 411 Omohundro St.<br/>                 First Baptist Church (McLean)<br/>                 Pastor Kelly Raymond . . . . . 206 E. 1st St.<br/>                 First Free Will Baptist<br/>                 . . . . . 731 Sloan St.<br/>                 Grace Baptist Church<br/>                 Bro. Kyle Ohsfeldt . . . . . 824 S. Barnes<br/>                 Harvest Fellowship Church<br/>                 C.W. Parker, Pastor . . . . . 1435 N. Sumner<br/>                 Highland Baptist Church<br/>                 Paul Nachtigall, Pastor . . . . . 1301 N. Banks<br/>                 Hobart Baptist Church<br/>                 Rev. Jim Powell . . . . . 1100 W. Crawford<br/>                 Iglesia Bautista Emmanuel (Bilingual)<br/>                 Guillermo "Willy" Jaramillo . . . . . 1021 S. Barnes</p> | <p>Macedonia Baptist Church<br/>                 Rev. I.L. Patrick . . . . . 441 Elm St.<br/>                 New Hope Baptist Church<br/>                 Pastor Darren Willis . . . . . 912 S. Gray<br/>                 Primera Idlesia Bautista Mexicana<br/>                 Rev. Heliodoro Silva . . . . . 1541 Hamilton<br/>                 Progressive Baptist Church<br/>                 Rev. Bob Davis . . . . . 836 S. Gray</p> <p><b>Catholic</b><br/>                 Sacred Heart (White Deer)<br/>                 Rev. Mitch Przepiora . . . . . 500 N. Main<br/>                 St. Mary's (Groom)<br/>                 Rev. Jose Palathara, CMI . . . . . 400 Ware<br/>                 St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church<br/>                 Rev. Francisco Perez &amp;<br/>                 Rev. Mitch Przepiora . . . . . 810 W. 23<sup>rd</sup></p> <p><b>Christian</b><br/>                 Church of the Brethren<br/>                 . . . . . 600 N. Frost<br/>                 First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)<br/>                 Senior Pastor Barry Loving . . . . . 1633 N. Nelson<br/>                 Hi-Land Christian Church<br/>                 Mike Sublett, Minister . . . . . 1615 N. Banks</p> <p><b>Church of Christ</b><br/>                 Central Church of Christ<br/>                 Bryan Loughmiller, Minister . . . . . 500 N. Somerville<br/>                 Church of Christ (Lefors)<br/>                 Gene Gee . . . . . 215 E. 3rd.<br/>                 Church of Christ<br/>                 Rodney Tedford, Minister<br/>                 . . . . . Mary Ellen &amp; Harvester<br/>                 Church of Christ (Groom)<br/>                 Delton McGuire . . . . . 101 Newcome<br/>                 Church of Christ (McLean)<br/>                 Jim Reyna . . . . . 4th and Clarendon St.<br/>                 Church of Christ (White Deer)<br/>                 Don Stone . . . . . 501 Doucette<br/>                 Southside Church of Christ of Pampa,<br/>                 Frankie L. Lemons, Minister . . . . . 738 McCullough<br/>                 Wells Street Church of Christ<br/>                 . . . . . 400 N. Wells<br/>                 Westside Church of Christ<br/>                 Dan Miles, Evangelist . . . . . 1612 W. Kentucky</p> <p><b>Church of God</b><br/>                 Priest Park Church of God<br/>                 Eric Horton, Preacher . . . . . 1123 Gwendolen</p> <p><b>Cowboy Church</b><br/>                 Cowboy Church in the Arena of Life at McLean<br/>                 Pastor, Ronnie Ferguson<br/>                 . . . . . 420 Main St, McLean<br/>                 Great Plains Western Church<br/>                 Pastor, Joe Zillman<br/>                 . . . . . 520 US Hwy. 287, Claude</p> <p><b>Episcopal</b><br/>                 St. Matthew's Episcopal Church<br/>                 Rev. Linda Kelly . . . . . 727 W. Browning</p> <p><b>Interdenominational</b><br/>                 Trinity Church (McLean)<br/>                 Pastor: Larry Perkins . . . . . 603 Commerce St.</p> | <p>Crossroads Country Church<br/>                 Ray OQuin, Pastor . . . . . 13801 Hwy 152<br/>                 Lighthouse Covenant Fellowship<br/>                 Ed &amp; Jennie Barker, Pastors . . . . . 1733 N. Banks</p> <p><b>Jehovah's Witness</b><br/>                 . . . . . 1701 Coffee</p> <p><b>Lutheran</b><br/>                 Zion Lutheran Church<br/>                 Rev. Michael Erickson . . . . . 1200 Duncan</p> <p><b>Methodist</b><br/>                 First United Methodist Church<br/>                 Rev. Jeff Taylor . . . . . 201 E. Foster<br/>                 First United Methodist Church (Mobeetie)<br/>                 Dick Irvine . . . . . Wheeler &amp; 3rd<br/>                 First United Methodist Church (McLean)<br/>                 Rev. Thacker Haynes . . . . . 219 N. Gray<br/>                 First United Methodist Church (White Deer)<br/>                 Pam Lehman . . . . . 101 W. 8th<br/>                 Groom United Methodist Church<br/>                 Rev. Tom Moore . . . . . 303 E. 2nd<br/>                 Lefors United Methodist Church<br/>                 Rev. John M. Westman . . . . . 311 E. 5th. Lefors<br/>                 St. Marks Christian Methodist Episcopal Church<br/>                 Rev. Raymond McKeever . . . . . 406 Elm<br/>                 St. Paul United Methodist Church<br/>                 Rev. John Westman . . . . . 511 N. Hobart</p> <p><b>Mormon</b><br/>                 Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints<br/>                 Bishop Steven Smith . . . . . 29th &amp; Aspen</p> <p><b>Nazarene</b><br/>                 Church of The Nazarene<br/>                 Rev. Lowell Schmidt . . . . . 500 N. West</p> <p><b>Non-Denominational</b><br/>                 Bible Church of Pampa<br/>                 Bob Banks . . . . . 300 W. Browning<br/>                 Body of Christ at Pampa<br/>                 . . . . . 210 N. Ward<br/>                 Iglesia Casa Del Alfarero<br/>                 Pastor Agustin Vasquez . . . . . 500 N. Duncan<br/>                 Iglesia Nueva Vida - New Life Church - Bilingual<br/>                 Pastor Pedro Hernandez . . . . . 801 E. Campbell<br/>                 Redeeming Grace Mission<br/>                 Liz Sculthrop, Mission Pastor . . . . . 422 West St.<br/>                 Salvation Army<br/>                 Sgts. Gary &amp; Patricia Steward. S. Cuyler at Thut<br/>                 Trinity Fellowship Church<br/>                 Lonny Robbins, Pastor . . . . . 1200 S. Sumner<br/>                 Briarwood Full Gospel Church<br/>                 Rev. Lynn Hancock . . . . . 1800 W. Harvester</p> <p><b>Pentecostal</b><br/>                 Faith Tabernacle<br/>                 Rev. Ben Corbitt, Pastor . . . . . 610 Naida<br/>                 First Pentecostal Holiness Church<br/>                 Rev. Albert Maggard . . . . . 1700 Alcock<br/>                 Open Door Church of God in Christ<br/>                 Elder H. Kelley . . . . . 402 Oklahoma St.</p> <p><b>Presbyterian</b><br/>                 First Presbyterian Church<br/>                 Dr. Edwin M. Cooley . . . . . 525 N. Gray</p> |
|--|---|---|

 <p><b>Southwest Collision</b>                  2525 W. Hwy. 152 • Pampa                  669-9997</p>	 <p><b>PAMPA NURSING CENTER</b>                  Medicare                  Medicaid                  Special Alzheimers Care                  1321 W. Kentucky 669-2551</p>	 <p><b>Culligan</b>                  314 STARKWEATHER 665-5729</p>	 <p><b>PARSLEY'S</b>                  SHEET METAL &amp; ROOFING                  214 E. Tyng                  669-6461                  Pampa, Texas</p>
 <p><b>RHEAMS DIAMOND SHOP</b>                  "May God Be With You During The Week"                  Ken &amp; Stephanie Rheams</p>	 <p><b>JCC</b>                  669-7171                  Borger Hwy.- Pampa                  Jerry E. Carlson, Pres.</p>	 <p><b>Titan</b>                  11785 Hwy. 152                  Pampa, Texas                  665-3781</p>	<p><b>LARRY BAKER</b>                  PLUMBING HEATING &amp; AIR                  2711 Alcock TACLA003191 665-4392</p>
<p><b>PAMPA OFFICE SUPPLY CO.</b>                  215 N. Cuyler 669-3353</p>	 <p><b>Texas PRINTING</b>                  COMPANY                  PHONE (806) 669-7941                  318 N. BALLARD PAMPA, TEXAS</p>	<p><b>JOHN T. KING &amp; SONS</b>                  918 S. Barnes 669-3711</p>	 <p><b>Century 21 PAMPA REALTY INC.</b>                  312 N. Gray • 669-0007</p>
<p><i>Apartment Living For Seniors</i>  <b>PAM APARTMENTS</b>                  1200 N. Wells • 669-3353</p>	 <p><b>Parnichal Whately</b>                  FUNERAL DIRECTORS</p>	<p><b>CURT B. BECK, P.E.</b>                  CONSULTING ENGINEER - POLLUTION AND ENERGY                  "When You Need To Know The Facts"                  HUGHES BLDG. SUITE 173A PAMPA, TEXAS 665-9281</p>	<p><b>CLIFTON SUPPLY COMPANY</b>                  734 S. Cuyler 665-0089                  "We Now Handle Welding Supplies"</p>
 <p><b>H</b> PAMPA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER                  One Medical Plaza                  Pampa, Texas                  806-665-3721</p>	 <p><b>KEYES PHARMACY</b>                  "Your Key To Better Health"                  928 N. Hobart - Pampa, Texas                  669-1202 - Emergency 669-3559                  Merlin Rose R. Ph. - Owner - Pharmacist</p>	 <p><b>Chickon</b>                  2201 Perryton Pkwy.                  Jay Gist Pampa, Texas Royce Jordan 669-CHIC (2442)</p>	 <p><b>FORD FAMILY CHIROPRACTIC</b>                  Dr. Mark W. Ford, Jr.                  103 E. 28th Ave. Pampa, 806-665-7261</p>
<p><b>SCHNEIDER HOUSE APARTMENTS FOR SENIORS</b>                  120 S. RUSSELL • 665-0415</p>	<p><b>NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE</b>                  an office of First National Bank, Waupaca, WI                  Member FDIC                  1224 N. Hobart Pampa, Tx 806-665-0022                  501 Commerce St. Childress, Tx 940-937-2514                  305 N. Main Shamrock, Tx. 806-256-2181</p>	<p><b>DEAN'S PHARMACY</b>                  2217 Perryton Pkwy. 669-6896                  Jim Pepper Pampa</p>	 <p><b>Gulberson - Stowers, Inc.</b>                  SINCE 1927                  805 N. Hobart • (806) 665-1665                  rstowers@pan-tex.net</p>
<p><b>ENGINE PARTS &amp; SUPPLY</b>                  416 W. Foster 669-3305                  Local Company Serving Local Needs</p>	<p><b>WAYNE'S WESTERN WEAR</b>                  1504 N. Hobart 665-2925</p>	 <p><b>"Rock Bottom Prices"</b>                  1233 N. Hobart 665-0896                  Pampa, Tx.                  Maxwell Carey - Store Director</p>	  <p><b>GMC</b> WE ARE PROFESSIONAL GRADE  <b>PONTIAC</b> "ACTION"</p>
 <p><b>DORMAN TIRE &amp; SERVICE CO., INC.</b>                  Herman Law 1800 N. Hobart Pampa, TX 665-5302</p>	<p><b>Pampa Concrete Co., Inc.</b>                  220 W. Tyng Ave. • 669-3111</p>	<p><b>THE PAMPA NEWS</b>                  "Your Hometown Newspaper"                  403 W. Aitchison • 806.669.2525                  www.thepampanews.com</p>	   <p><b>The Panhandle's PREMIER GM DEALER.</b>                  805 N. Hobart • Pampa, TX                  (806) 665-1665</p>

**JESUS CHRIST, THE SAME  
 YESTERDAY, TODAY, AND FOREVER  
 HEBREWS 13:8**



# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

**DEAR ABBY:** My daughter is a tall, thin, blond-haired, blue-eyed bully. She calls other girls at school fat and ugly to the point of bringing them to tears. The mothers complain to the teacher, who calls me and her father. Today her teacher told me that a schoolmate asked my daughter for a piece of candy, and she replied, "You don't need it. You're fat enough already." The kicker, Abby -- my daughter is only 5!

I don't know where she learns these things. We have always taught our children never to call names or pick on others because they are different. She has certainly never heard things like that at home. Her older brother is a sweet, well-mannered child who has never given us a moment's trouble. Before this, I always thought that bullies were from homes where they were neglected or abused in some way, so they took it out on other kids. But my daughter comes from a happy, loving family, and I can't for the life of me figure out how she can be so mean-spirited at such a young age. I didn't think kids that age were even aware of their appearance, but my daughter will tell you in a heartbeat that she's "beautiful" or "skinny." Her father and I talk and punish, but it does no good. Is she just spoiled, or is this something serious we should be worried about? -- **DISTURBED MOM IN DELAWARE**

**DEAR MOM:** If your daughter were my child, I'd be concerned for a couple of reasons. She seems never to have learned that while "pretty" is an asset, it's more important to be a nice person. Regardless of how attractive people may tell her she is -- or she thinks she is -- she has developed an extremely unattractive personality trait. And her fixation on "skinny" could lead to an eating disorder when she's older. I am

also concerned because your daughter seems unwilling or unable to learn when you correct her. A child psychologist might help you understand what's going on. If I were you, I would have her see one NOW. You need to understand why your child has no empathy for others, and why she doesn't learn from being reasoned with or punished.

**DEAR ABBY:** I met a guy through an online dating service. We talked on the phone and e-mailed each other for a couple of weeks. He said he wanted a picture of me, so I sent him a couple. I didn't hear from him for a few days. Then he sent me an e-mail and a text message. His message said, "U R moving way 2 fast for me." I have tried to e-mail and call him, but he doesn't answer. I stopped calling and sent him a couple more e-mails, but again -- nothing. I'm not sure what to do next. I liked talking to him because we both are looking for the same thing in a relationship. I would still like to meet him and straighten things out and see how we get along. Do you think there is a chance we could get together? -- **LONELY IN MICHIGAN**

**DEAR LONELY:** What you should do next is go back to the online dating service and continue fishing, because this "catch" has lost interest. What he was trying to say in his e-mail, but didn't have the courage to tell you on the phone, is that the chemistry is wrong for him. My advice for you is, the sooner you move on, the better you'll feel, because pursuing this relationship further is a waste of your time.

## For Better Or Worse



## Zits



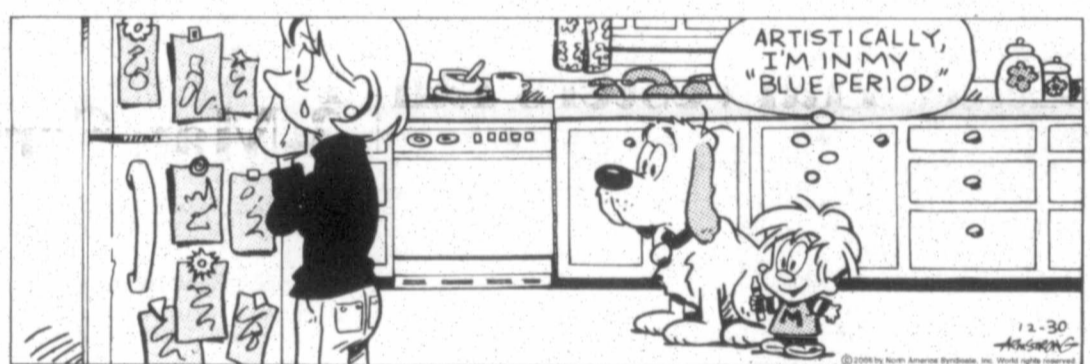
## Garfield



## Beetle Bailey



## Marvin



## Crossword Puzzle

### CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

#### ACROSS

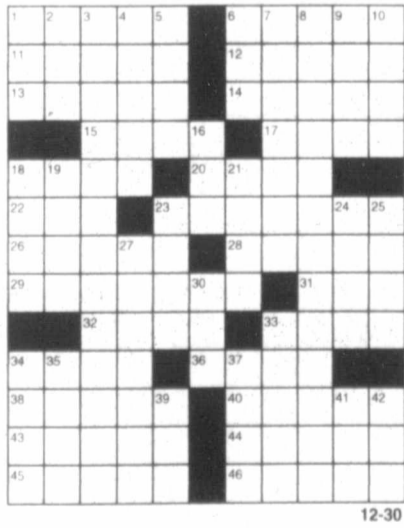
- 1 Elroy's dog
- 6 The Divine Miss M
- 11 Lindsay of "Mean Girls"
- 12 Seating pro
- 13 Nobel for one
- 14 Ranch critter
- 15 Grating sound
- 17 Keeps
- 18 Minute hand's circuit
- 20 DNA carrier
- 22 Writer Beattie
- 23 Glowing
- 26 Catherine's "Chicago" co-star
- 28 Everglades critter
- 29 Seclusion
- 31 Tend the garden
- 32 Zip
- 33 Disavow
- 34 Some squealers
- 36 Duo
- 38 Show in
- 40 Dwight's wife
- 43 Head out



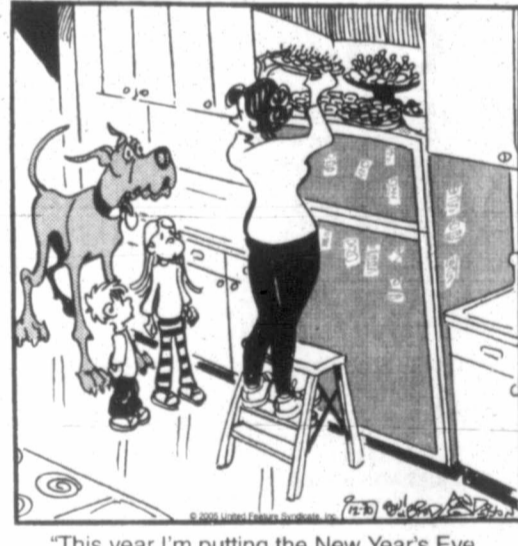
Yesterday's answer

- 10 Bungles
- 16 Links org.
- 18 Angel's
- 19 Rare bird
- 21 Daring
- 23 Enjoy a novel
- 24 Lunch hour
- 25 Low card
- 27 Slippery
- 30 Topper
- 33 Hunting goddess
- 34 Lifeline spot
- 35 Inking
- 37 In the heart of
- 39 Bill's bud
- 41 Squid's defense
- 42 Shoebox letters

NEW CROSSWORD BOOK! Send \$4.75 (check/m.o.) to Thomas Joseph, Book 1, P.O. Box 536473, Orlando, FL 32853-6473



## Marmaduke



## The Family Circus

THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil Keane



## B.C.



## Hagar The Horrible



## Peanuts



## Flo & Friends



## Blondie





# Sports Day

## Pampa tames Cougars 77-55, faces Clovis tonight in Milk Cow Classic championship

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS  
Sports Editor

"We came here for the chance to win the tournament. Hopefully, we can bring home the big trophy." Pampa head coach Dustin Miller shared those thoughts with Sports Day early this morning as he and his Harvesters prepared to eat breakfast.

At 7:30 tonight, they will get the chance to fulfill their goal when Pampa and Clovis square off in the championship game of the 2005 Milk Cow Classic in Clovis.

The Harvesters have been nothing short of impressive in their first two games.

Pampa polished off St. Michael's of Santa Fe 67-55 in the opening round Wednesday. Thursday, they met Abilene Cooper in a championship semifinal game, eliminating the Cougars, 75-58. "It was nice to beat them," said Miller. "It was still a tough game though." Cooper was the first team to hand Pampa a loss this season. A game none of the Harvesters felt

they should have lost.

Pampa was up by little more than five points entering the fourth, then simply wore down the Cougars.

Jarett Kotara and Sharod Young proved to be more than Cooper could handle throughout the game.



Jarett Kotara

Kotara blasted the boards, scoring 30 points by game's end. When the Cougars shifted to double team the 6-foot-9 post, Young picked up the scoring pace, dropping 22 on Cooper, including some long-range 3-pointers. Tyler Hall chipped in 13 points.

"They simply had no answer for Jarett," said Miller. "When they focused on him, Sharod started hitting threes."

In Clovis, Pampa faces a tough task.

Though their games have been a little closer, the Wildcats have earned their way into the championship game as well.

What's more, the home crowd will be big and loud in The Rock tonight. "Clovis really supports its team," said Miller, adding, "They will make it a

tough environment for us tonight."

The Rock (Rock Staubus Gym) is never an easy venue for visitors. It is often hot. Add in the large crowd, and things get even hotter. "It will be a tough environment, for sure. But it will be good for our guys to play one like this as we get closer to districts," noted Miller.

Pampa is 13-3 going into tonight's game.

**Milk Cow Classic  
Rock Staubus Gym  
Clovis, N.M.  
All times MDT**

**Thursday's games  
Consolation semifinals**  
Rio Rancho 60, St. Michael's 54  
Tascosa 63, Aztec 61  
**Championship semifinals**  
Pampa 75, Cooper 58  
Clovis 62, Rio Grande 57

**Today's games**  
**Seventh Place**  
St. Michael's vs. Aztec, 11:10 a.m.  
**Fifth Place**  
Rio Rancho vs. Tascosa, 12:50 p.m.  
**Third Place**  
Cooper vs. Rio Grande, 4:10 p.m.  
**Championship**  
Pampa vs. Clovis, 7:30 p.m.

### CAPROCK TOURNAMENT

## Lady Harvesters fall in opening round

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS  
Sports Editor

The Lady Harvesters put up a great fight but fell to the Fillies of Shallowater in the opening round of the 2005 Caprock Tournament in Lubbock, 54-43.

The loss meant Pampa (7-11) was to meet Dimmitt at 10:30 this morning. Dimmitt lost to Stratford, 63-25 Thursday. The winner of the Pampa-Dimmitt game will advance to a 4:30 match with Muleshoe. Should the Lady Harvesters take both games today, they will play again Saturday morning at 10:30 against a team not yet decided.

Brittini Rice led the Pampa scoring Thursday with 26 points, including a pair of 3-pointers. She also went 6-for-7 from the free throw line. Callie Cobb had seven points. Kelsie Wyatt added four. Jackie Gerber and Haili Kotara each had two points.

### Caprock Holiday Tournament Girls

#### Thursday's games

Houston Clear Creek 69, Seagraves 30  
Stratford 63, Dimmitt 25  
Argyle 58, El Paso Montwood 34  
Trinity Christian 58, Houston Clear Creek 36  
Stephenville 51, Perryton 45  
Trinity Christian 62, El Paso El Dorado 22  
Friona 41, Lubbock High School 22  
**Shallowater 54, Pampa 43**  
Frenship 54, Borger 36  
Merkel 47, Olton 34  
Muleshoe 49, LCHS 35  
Randall 47, Claude 36  
Abilene Wylie 72, Monterey 50  
Olton 55, El Paso Franklin 33

## 3M team takes second place at Hidden Hills 3-Man Scramble

3-Man Senior Scramble  
Hidden Hills  
Golf Course  
Dec. 28, 2005

**1st Place**  
Bill King  
Waldon Haynes  
Richard Abbott  
**2nd Place**  
Eldon Maxwell  
Billie Mac Millican

John McGuire  
**3rd Place**  
Jerry Davis  
Marvin Allison  
Nathan Lancaster  
**4th Place**  
Tom Lindsey  
Norman Willingham  
James Lee  
**Closest to the Pin**  
Oscar Sargent (#9)

## POYC basketball registrations begin Tuesday evening

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS  
Sports Editor

Optimist boys basketball sign-ups will be held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for boys in the third, fourth, fifth and sixth grades. All registrations will be held 5:30 - 7 p.m. at the Pampa Optimist Youth Club. This year's fee is \$35.

Those players who have already signed up must attend two of the three nights for tryouts. Those interested in coaching should attend as well.

For more information, contact Hugh Green, 664-2545, or Ronnie Haynes, 664-2543.

The Pampa Optimist Club is a United Way agency.

## Saints will train in Louisiana

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The New Orleans Saints will go back to their Louisiana practice facility next month and might even be able to play in the hurricane-ravaged Superdome by September.

"Today we are very pleased to advise our entire organization — coaches, players and staff — that we will be returning to Metairie in January," owner Tom Benson said today in a memo circulated to the team. "We are working in Louisiana to play as many games as possible in the Superdome, which may be ready in September."

State officials in Louisiana had estimated the Superdome could be open by November.

NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue previously indicated the team would be encouraged to return to Metairie

and possibly play home games in Baton Rouge until the Superdome is repaired.

Tagliabue was meeting with Saints players and coaches Friday. The agreement to move back to Louisiana was worked out with the NFL late Thursday, team officials said. The move was first reported by the San Antonio Express-News on Thursday night.

The Saints moved their training camp from the New Orleans suburbs to San Antonio after Katrina swamped New Orleans on Aug. 29, just before the start of the season. Then they played one "home" game in New Jersey, three in San Antonio and four in Baton Rouge, La.

The Saints averaged about 40,000 fans at LSU's Tiger Stadium in Baton Rouge and more than 60,000 at the

Alamodome while stumbling to a 3-12 record. They finish the season Sunday at Tampa Bay.

The players have expressed frustration with their displacement and some have been upset that Tagliabue hadn't met with them earlier.

Players have had to use locker rooms in separate buildings adjacent to dugouts at a high school baseball field, and they didn't like splitting their home games. Workout sites and schedules often had to be adjusted because of events already scheduled for the Alamodome.

Benson's memo said the team has already reviewed with the NFL the Saints' preliminary 2006 schedule and that it includes "significantly reduced away-game travel."

Benson said several details still need to be worked out.

Merlin Rose, RPh

## KEYES PHARMACY

928 NORTH HOBART • PAMPA TEXAS

- Most Insurance Plans Accepted
- Night Emergency Number 806.669.3559
- Free City Wide Delivery
- Drive-Up Window
- Fast Friendly Service

LOCAL 806.669.1202  
OUTSIDE PAMPA 800.842.3866

MONDAY-FRIDAY 8:30-6:00 • SATURDAY 8:30-1:00

**1 CONVENIENT**  
Free Computerized Estimates  
Free Pickup & Delivery  
Rent Car Service Available

**2 EXPERIENCED**  
Certified Technicians  
Kansas Jack Frame  
Unibody Alignment  
Paintless Dent Repair

**3 CONFIDENCE**  
Lifetime Warranty On Body  
Repairs & Diamont Paint  
Guaranteed Repair Shop For  
Most Insurance Companies

**Collision Repair Facility At**  
Culberson - Stowers, Inc.

Monday - Friday 8:00am - 6:00pm  
805 N. Hobart • 665-1665 • 1-800-879-1665

## DOS CABALLEROS

1333 N. HOBART

### Pasta Night at Dos

Monday & Tuesday  
& Saturday Night  
5:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Try Our Pick-up Window | Carry Out Call 665-4325

### Engine Parts & Supply

Automotive Parts Distribution  
416 W. Foster • Pampa, Texas  
Local Company Since 1938  
806.669.3305

*we would like to wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year*

Local Company Serving Local Needs



ROSE BOWL

Ramonce Taylor is Texas' Reggie Bush

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — The Texas Longhorns see Ramonce Taylor as their own Reggie Bush: a player who can do anything at any time, minus the Heisman hardware.

So much so, in fact, that coach Mack Brown has used Taylor to mimic the Southern California star in practice before the Rose Bowl.

"Ramonce has steadily become our Reggie Bush. He is a guy who every time he touches it, he has a chance to score," Brown said.

Whether running the ball or catching passes, Taylor is a multidimensional talent the No. 2 Longhorns can plug in wherever they need, usually with smashing success.

The sophomore's numbers — 501 yards rushing, 268 receiving, 412 returning kick-offs — aren't as flashy as those Bush piled up — 2,611 all-purpose yards — in winning the Heisman Trophy for top-ranked USC.

But Taylor stacks up well in some important categories.

He's scored 14 touchdowns to Bush's 18, and his average of 7.0 yards per carry isn't far behind Bush's 8.9.

Factor in every carry, catch and kick return, and Taylor averages 10.64 yards every time he touches the ball, slightly edging Bush's 10.08.

"Ramonce is a special breed," Texas

quarterback Vince Young said. "He can do whatever."

A tailback in high school who also won the state long jump title with a leap of 25 feet, 1/4 inch, Taylor averaged 10.3 yards per carry as a freshman. He had nine kick returns for 210 yards against Michigan in the Rose Bowl.

Taylor, one of the fastest players on the roster, has filled in wherever Texas has needed him this season.

He practiced in the spring and fall as a tailback and figured to split time with Selvin Young as the starter. But the emergence of freshman Jamaal Charles allowed Texas coaches to move Taylor to receiver, where the Longhorns had struggled in 2004. His touchdown catch in the first quarter against Oklahoma was the first by a Texas wide receiver against the Sooners in six years.

Taylor ranks third on the team with 25 catches and would have more if he'd stayed outside, but injuries to Charles and Selvin Young prompted a return to the backfield.

And while Vince Young's 506 yards passing and running garnered all the attention in a 47-28 comeback victory at Oklahoma State, Taylor's two late touchdowns sealed it. He scored twice in the fourth quarter, running 57 yards for the first TD.

Hornets no match for Spurs

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The San Antonio Spurs learned their lesson against New Orleans earlier this month — don't let the Hornets keep it close enough to steal a win.

Michael Finley led five Spurs in double figures with 18 points, and San Antonio shut down New Orleans' offense after the opening minutes in a 111-84 victory over the Hornets on Thursday night.

The Spurs, who lost to the Hornets on Dec. 18 in Oklahoma City after fading in the final period, were 11-for-15 on 3s and their lead grew to as many as 32 points in the fourth quarter before both teams emptied their benches.

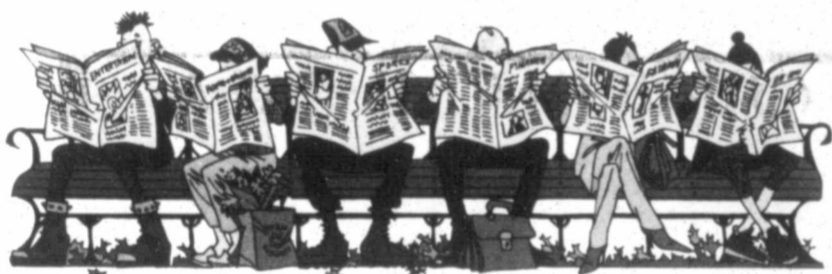
"It was an unspoken motivation for us against them tonight," said Finley, who

scored a team-high 17 in that loss. "They beat us pretty well at their place, and we just wanted to establish ourselves early and often, and I think we did that."

Finley, still in the starting lineup even after Manu Ginobili's return from a foot injury, made all four of his 3-point shots and Beno Udrih made both of his attempts behind the arc.

New Orleans coach Byron Scott said he tried to tell his team to be ready for the Spurs to come out hard and fast.

"I told them, 'They remember the last time they played us and they're going to try to destroy us,'" said Scott. "I don't think they believed me, but now I think they understand exactly what I was trying to say."



THE PAMPA NEWS CLASSIFIED

IT'S EASY ... PLACE YOUR AD BY TELEPHONE

669-2525 OR 800-687-3348

VISA AND MASTERCARD ACCEPTED

POLICIES... We ask that you check your ad after its first insertion for mistakes. THE PAMPA NEWS is not responsible for more than ONE incorrect insertion or omission on any ad ordered for more than one insertion. Requests for corrections should be made within 24 hours of the first publication. The publisher reserves the right to edit, reject or properly classify any copy.

NOTICE... All Real Estate advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation, or discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, or intention to make any such preference, limitation or discrimination." State law also forbids discrimination based on these factors. We will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. All persons are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised are available on an equal opportunity basis.

EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY

FOR RATES AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CALL 669-2525

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Saturday, Dec. 31, 2005.

Be willing to revise your thinking and your perspective. The more you process, the better off you'll be. Think in terms of change and growth. Your magnetism and charisma peak and help you make your dreams realities. You have an unusual ability to attract others. You can have whatever you want, as long as you are focused. If you are single, a relationship evolves through a friend. Socialize to your heart's content. If you are attached, add more time together to your schedule. Though you easily could become a party animal, draw your sweetie into your activities. CAPRICORN understands 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)

\*\*\*\*\* A new person or invitation might have you adjusting your plans, as well as others'. A partner in particular wants your attention. Spend some quality time talking about the past year and the new year. Tonight: Celebrate in grand style.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

\*\*\*\*\* You find that everyone is finally calm and content. Your dearest friend or loved one is ready to discuss a change between you. Others seek you out to wish you a grand New Year. Let events and people flow. Tonight: Make sure you have music around you, not just at midnight.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

\*\*\*\*\* Plan on a cozy day with those you care about. You don't need and

might not like lots of fireworks and people. You might be more into the quality of your interactions and relationships. Enjoy those around you. Tonight: Heat up the night.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

\*\*\*\*\* You are up for celebrations and many people. The bigger the gathering, the happier you are. You might want to throw your own spontaneous party. A child or loved one is unusually adorable. Tonight: Party the New Year in.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

\*\*\*\*\* You might want to play today low-key. Get together with loved ones and family at your home. Make it easy and uncomplicated. Let everyone bring a favorite junk food to share. Have fun. Tonight: Feel good at home with loved ones.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

\*\*\*\*\* Though very rational, the lover of life emerges once more. You find that your company or companion delights in the vivacious and loving you. Help make others comfortable. Your mood is contagious. Tonight: Love the year in.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

\*\*\*\*\* Take a hint from Leo's message. You could be far more tired or dragged down than you realize. Spend a little to make yourself comfortable. You won't be happy if you have to go far from home. Adapt plans. Tonight: Reflect on what you want in 2006.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

\*\*\*\*\* You don't need to be at a big celebration; as you might already know, you are entering a banner year. Make calls and wish those in your life a special New Year. Your thoughtfulness is appreciated. Tonight: With a couple of friends.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

\*\*\*\*\* You might like hiding away by yourself or with one other person. You want to be quiet and reflective right now. Besides, you are enjoying your downtime. Don't worry about feeling like a recluse. This is not a long-term situation. You will be friendly soon enough. Tonight: Make sure you have bubbies.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

\*\*\*\*\* You are in prime shape as you christen the New Year. Stop and visit with friends during the day. In fact, what starts as a quiet get-together could be expanded into a very happy celebration. Smile. You get what you want this year. Tonight: You are the lead player.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

\*\*\*\*\* Read Sagittarius and you might decide to find a Sagittarius to team up with and quietly celebrate the New Year. You might be unusually quiet right now. Don't forget to touch base with a parent or older relative. Tonight: Vanish.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

\*\*\*\*\* Breeze around with friends, making sure you don't forget anyone, especially that shy person. Your thoughtfulness makes a difference. Share good news. A trip might be in the offing. Make a wish a reality this next year. Tonight: Certainly a party animal.

BORN TODAY

Singer Donna Summer (1948), actor Val Kilmer (1959), singer, songwriter John Denver (1943)

\*\*\*\*\*

Jacqueline Bigar is on the Internet at http://www.jacquelinebigar.com.

© 2005 by King Features Syndicate Inc.

Central Hockey League standings

NORTHERN CONFERENCE

Northeast Division						
	W	L	OTL	Pts	GF	GA
Bossier-Shreveport	12	10	3	27	85	75
Youngstown	11	16	1	23	86	98
Memphis	10	13	1	21	70	82
Fort Worth	9	16	3	21	72	100

Northwest Division						
	W	L	OTL	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado	21	6	1	43	104	81
Wichita	16	7	4	36	108	93
Oklahoma City	16	11	0	32	99	84
Tulsa 12	12	2	26	77	88	

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

Southeast Division						
	W	L	OTL	Pts	GF	GA
Laredo	18	8	3	39	107	80
Rio Grande Valley	14	11	1	29	91	83
Corpus Christi	11	14	1	23	73	83
Austin	10	15	2	22	69	97

Southwest Division						
	W	L	OTL	Pts	GF	GA
Odessa	16	8	3	35	85	76
Lubbock	13	13	1	27	76	76
Amarillo	11	12	2	24	81	87

NOTE: Two points are awarded for a win, one point for loss in overtime or shootout. Overtime or shootout losses are only denoted in the OTL column, not the loss column.

Thursday's Games

Oklahoma City 4, Bossier-Shreveport 3, SO

Wichita 5, Youngstown 2

Odessa 5, Amarillo 3

Friday's Games

Wichita at Amarillo

Austin at Odessa

Youngstown at Colorado

Corpus Christi at Lubbock

Rio Grande Valley at Fort Worth

Bossier-Shreveport at Oklahoma City

Memphis at Tulsa

Saturday's Games

Odessa at Corpus Christi

Fort Worth at Rio Grande Valley

Wichita at Oklahoma City

Austin at Laredo

Tulsa at Memphis

Colorado at Amarillo

Bossier-Shreveport at Lubbock

Sunday's Games

No games scheduled

Monday's Games

No games scheduled

Tuesday's Games

Youngstown at Bossier-Shreveport

Memphis at Fort Worth

5 Special Notices

ADVERTISING Material to be placed in the Pampa News, MUST be placed through the Pampa News Office Only.

10 Lost/Found

FOUND set of 15 keys Dec. 26 on Atchison by Schneider House. 669-3701, 665-4407.

14d Carpentry

Carpentry, Roofing, Replacement windows, steel siding & trim Jerry Nicholas 669-9991, 662-8169

HANDYMAN, home maintenance, Small jobs or you just need a hand, call Mike 595-0219.

NEW Const., remodeling, replacement windows. Shawn Deaver Constr. 662-2977, 665-0354.

OVERHEAD DOOR REPAIR Kidwell Construction. Call 669-6347.

14e Carpet Serv.

NU-WAY Cleaning service, carpets, upholstery, walls, ceilings. Quality doesn't cost...it pays! No steam used. Bob Marx owner-operator. 665-3541, or from out of town, 800-536-5341.

14h Gen. Serv.

COX Fence Company. Repair old fence or build new. Free estimates. Call 669-7769.

IS your House or Foundation Settling? Cracks in bricks or walls? Door won't close? Call Children's Brothers, Inc. Stabilizing & Foundation Leveling. 1-800-299-9563 or 806-352-9563 Amarillo.

14s Plumbing/Heat

JACK'S Plumbing & Faucet Shop, 715 W. Foster, 665-7115- faucets, plumbing supplies, new constr., repair, remodeling, sewer / drain cleaning, septic systems installed. Visa/MC

Larry Baker Plumbing Heating/ Air Conditioning Borger Hwy. 665-4392

21 Help Wanted

NOTICE Readers are urged to fully investigate advertisements which require payment in advance for information, services or goods.

Immediate Openings LVN's 2-10 shift CNA's 6-2, 2-10 shift Dietary Aides McLean Care Center Call 806-779-2469 Ask for Administrator Billy Ray Johnston

CRALL PRODUCTS Immediate Openings •Welders •Painter/Sandblaster 40hrs + wk. Salary based on exp. Apply in Person: W. Hwy 152, Pampa

LVN needed for 3-11, Full-time w/benefits differential. St. Ann's Nursing Home, Panhandle, (806)537-3194.

TOP O' Texas Oilfield Service-Class A CDL Drivers. Benefits. Apply 408 S. Price Rd, Pampa.

Loan Representative For financing program in hospital setting. Professional, organized individual with phone, computer & data entry skills required. Must have transportation, valid license / ins. Bilingual (Spanish) is a plus. Fax salary history and resume to 972-606-1312 or email to: jobs@mtr.com

21 Help Wanted

PHYSICIAN Assistant wanted for busy orthopedic practice. Salary is competitive and insurance will be provided. Please send resume to Box 06, c/o Pampa News, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, Tx. 79066-2198.

JANITORIAL Service taking applications, drivers license required, will train. Call 669-9186.

C.N.A. needed. Full-time w/ benefits. St. Ann's Nursing Home in Panhandle. 537-3194.

FULL Time Teller / Scanner. Please apply at Bank of Commerce, 201 N. Main, McLean, Tx.

Innovative Staffing Solutions, LLC Career Opportunities

Road Construction General Laborers & Road Flaggers in Canadian, Texas

CDL Drivers Positions in Canadian & Clarendon

Accounting Clerk In Wheeler For Feed Lot. Degree or Exp. Req. Turn-Key Experience a Plus Competitive Pay

Utility Assistants Based in Pampa Some travel & overnight stays required

Contact Us Today NBC Plaza II, Suite 11 1224 N. Hobart Pampa, TX 79065 806-665-2991 www.issllc.com

No Fees To Applicants EEO EMPLOYER

21 Help Wanted

Fleet Mechanic Diesel Mechanic with Tank Exp. & Tools A-CDL-X plus Competitive Salary Great Benefits, 401K Pampa Terminal Call Johnny or Steve 806-669-9091

CTW Brake Rims Inc. Is now accepting applications for welder/fabricators • competitive pay • 50+ hrs/week • health insurance • paid holidays Apply in person @ 8855 County Rd 12 1/2 Hwy 60 East. 665-0289

SIVALLS Inc. is looking for welder fabricator and lay-out fabricator. Welding and drug tests req. Benefits: health ins., profit sharing, 401K, 8 paid holidays and 10 days vacation per year. 806-665-7111, Pampa.

FULL-TIME Yard/Delivery Worker. Must have good driving record. White House Lumber 101 S. Ballard.

JOB OPPORTUNITY Plant Operator Eagle Rock Energy is an aggressive diversified energy company involved in the processing, purchase, sale and transportation of natural gas.

We are seeking a Plant Operator in the Pampa area. THE POSITION REQUIREMENTS: •Experience and knowledge operating and maintaining processing plant equipment •Experience and knowledge of operating natural gas engines and compressors

•Experience with micro-computer and related software PRIMARY DUTIES WILL BE TO: •Operate and maintain processing plant equipment including cryogenic plants, engines, compressors, pumps and motors

•Assist mechanics and others in performing repairs to all plant equipment We offer competitive wages and an excellent benefit package. To be considered for this position your cover letter and resume must be received by 5:00 p.m., Fri. January 13, 2006.

PLEASE SEND RESUMES TO: Eagle Rock Energy 8442 Co. Rd. 3 Pampa, TX. 79065 FAX: (806)665-7268 EEO/AA Employer

AXYDLBAA XR 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.

12-30 CRYPTOQUOTE

QTKKPXSRR PR T LCKGVNIOY

VB TX SBBVGY YV JTMS

RVJSVXS SARS QTKKC

— ZGSYYT KTAJSG

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: THE TONGUE IS LIKE A SHARP KNIFE; IT KILLS WITHOUT DRAWING BLOOD. — CHINESE PROVERB

21 Help W

JOB OPP

Meas Tec Eagle Rock an aggressive energy company involved in the processing, purchase, sale and transportation of natural gas. We are seeking a Plant Operator in the Pampa area. THE POSITION REQUIREMENTS: •Experience and knowledge operating and maintaining processing plant equipment •Experience and knowledge of operating natural gas engines and compressors

PLEASE SEND RESUMES TO:

Eagle Rock Energy 8442 Co. Rd. 3 Pampa, TX. 79065 FAX: (806)665-7268 EEO/AA Employer



**21 Help Wanted**

**JOB OPPORTUNITY  
Measurement  
Technician**

Eagle Rock Energy is an aggressive diversified energy company involved in the processing, purchase, sale and transportation of natural gas.

We are seeking a MEASUREMENT TECHNICIAN in the Canadian, Lefors and Pampa areas.

**THE POSITION  
REQUIRES:**

- Experience installing, testing, repairing and maintaining measurement and regulation equipment
- Experience and knowledge of maintenance and repair of tools and equipment used to regulate flow of gas
- Experience with micro-computer and related software

**PRIMARY DUTIES  
WILL BE TO:**

- Install, test, repair and maintain orifice, dry-flow meters, regulator settings, electronic flow measurement, and relief valves
- Perform gas measurement, regulation, pipeline/compressor operations, and maintenance activities on gathering and/or pipeline system

We offer competitive wages and an excellent benefit package. To be considered for this position your cover letter and resume must be received by 5:00 p.m., Fri. January 13, 2006.

**PLEASE SEND  
RESUMES TO:**  
Eagle Rock Energy  
8442 Co. Rd. 3  
Pampa, Tx. 79065  
FAX: (806)665-7268  
EEO/AA Employer

**21 Help Wanted**

**DRIVERS Needed!** \$14 per hour. Must be 21 with CDL & Tanker endorsement. Will drive in Okla. & Tx. Dunn's Tanker Service, 580-303-0909.

**JOB OPPORTUNITY  
Mechanic**

Eagle Rock Energy is an aggressive diversified energy company involved in the processing, purchase, sale and transportation of natural gas.

We are seeking a MECHANIC in the Canadian and Stinnett areas.

**THE POSITION  
REQUIRES:**

- Experience installing, testing, repairing and maintaining engines and compressors
- Experience and knowledge of maintenance and repair of tools and equipment used to repair engines and equipment
- Experience with micro-computer and related software

**PRIMARY DUTIES  
WILL BE TO:**

- Install, test, repair and maintain compressors, engines, turbines and related equipment
- Perform maintenance activities on gas gathering and processing plant equipment

We offer competitive wages and an excellent benefit package. To be considered for this position your cover letter and resume must be received by 5:00 p.m., Fri. January 13, 2006.

**PLEASE SEND  
RESUMES TO:**  
Eagle Rock Energy  
8442 Co. Rd. 3  
Pampa, Tx. 79065  
FAX: (806)665-7268  
EEO/AA Employer

**21 Help Wanted**

**AMARILLO  
COMMUNITY  
FEDERAL CREDIT  
UNION**

**Part - Time Teller  
Position Available.** Looking for a smiling face, with a positive attitude to fill this position. Cash handling experience a plus. Hours scheduled to work will be Monday through Friday Noon until 6 P.M. and every other Saturday 9 A.M. until Noon. Pick up application at 900 N. Hobart

**Hiring Company  
Drivers**

Earn \$700-\$1300 per week. Local hauling / 5 day work week, day shift. Great benefits. Paid weekly-direct deposit. Paid vacation. 401K. Dedicated tractors. Class A CDLX required.

Call 806-669-9091

R.N. needed for night shift on Fridays and Saturdays. Alternating weekends can be arranged. St. Ann's Nursing Home, in Panhandle, 537-3194.

NEED Exp. Cook. Apply in person at Granny's Home Cookin', 328 E. Frederic. No Phone Calls

**W&W  
FIBERGLASS  
IMMEDIATE  
OPENINGS FOR  
CDL TRUCK  
DRIVERS**

Field Labor/Swamper Fiberglass Manufacturing General Labor +40 hrs./wk +Salary based on exp. Apply in person: 100 N. Price Rd., Pampa

**21 Help Wanted**

CALDWELL Production needs Oilfield Pulling Unit Operator. Paid holidays, 1 wk paid vacation per yr. Top wages for top operator. Hwy. 60 West, Pampa, 665-8888.

HOSTESSES & Kitchen Help Needed. Apply In Person Only At Dyer's BBQ.

Nurse Aid \$300 Sign-On Bonus

Wheeler Nursing and Rehabilitation is seeking caring, dedicated employees for the position of 6-2 P.M. Nurse Aid (will certify). Please apply in person to Donna Cox RN DON, 1000 S. Kiowa

Wheeler Nursing & Rehab. Dietary Position-Nursing Home. FT Cook & Dietary Aide. Competitive wages, exp. preferred but will train. Apply in person to Megan McKinley 1000 S. Kiowa, Wheeler Tx

**TRUCK DRIVER  
New Pay Increase!  
401k, medical ins. &  
pd. vacation. Must  
have current CDL,  
pass drug test, DOT  
physical, good driving  
record.**

**BOURLAND  
LEVERICH  
SUPPLY  
Hwy. 152 West  
Pampa, Tx.  
Apply in person  
8 am-5 pm., Mon.-Fri.**

WAIT Staff needed. Apply in person before 11 am. or after 2 pm. Dixie Cafe, Pampa.

JOB Opening for Assembly Work. Must Have Integrity, Be Punctual & Reliable. Will Train. Valid Texas Drivers License & Background Check Required. Call Jim @ 665-5010.

**21 Help Wanted**

**FULL TIME  
DEPENDABLE SALES  
PERSON NEEDED**  
Apply in person at Rheams Diamond Shop 111 N. Cuyler, Pampa

CALDWELL Production needs Secretary. Oil & gas related exp. preferred. 1 wk. vacation, 6 pd. holidays. Hwy 60 West, Pampa. 665-8888.

OILFIELD Trucking Co. needs Truck Pusher and Winch Truck Drivers. 806-669-3133, 866-415-4104

**SONIC DRIVE-IN** is now accepting applications for dependable, mature, enthusiastic, friendly crewmembers for all shifts, all positions. Apply in person at 1404 Hobart EOE

CLERICAL position avail. for exp. person with background in Word and Excel, multi-tasking and exc. communication skills. Send resumes to Box 07, c/o Pampa News, Po Box 2198, Pampa, Tx.

CAREGIVER positions & Housekeeper position available. Better pay. Call 806-665-4141.

**I AM LOOKING FOR** one well groomed man or woman with a high level of integrity that I will train to assist me in my Business in Pampa. If you have a sales personality and desire an above average income, we need to talk. For a confidential interview call 806-669-0672.

QUALITY Control Manager for welding code shop. Must be detail oriented, have ASME exp. and good organizational skills. Apply in person, Fluid Compressor Partners, 2538 W. Kentucky.

**21 Help Wanted**

**D.E. CHASE, INC.**  
1445 S. Barnes  
Pampa, Tx.

**TRUCK DRIVERS  
WANTED**

4 days on / 2 days off Medical & Dental Ins. Uniforms Monthly Safety Bonus Retirement Plan

**Requirements:**  
CLASS A CDL  
DOT Physical  
Tanker Endorsement

Must pass DOT Drug Screen

Apply in person NO PHONE CALLS!

RN Position Available: Meredith House Assisted Living Residence. Please bring your resume & pick up an application Monday- Friday, 8am-5pm. 812 W. 25th, Pampa TX. 79065.

**50 Building Suppl.**  
White House Lumber  
101 S. Ballard  
669-3291

**60 Household**  
Furniture and Mattresses!  
On Sale Now  
806-677-0400

ROUND king sz. bed w/ lights / mirrors above. Elvis replica bed. Serious only. \$4000. 665-0008

**69 Misc.**  
ADVERTISING Material to be placed in the Pampa News MUST be placed through the Pampa News Office Only.

SEASONED Oak Firewood, delivered and stacked. 779-3284.

**69 Misc.**

WANTED: Responsible party to take on small monthly Payments on High Definition Big Screen TV. 1-800-398-3970.

PING Pong table (new) \$150. Queen size water-bed Fiberfill \$150. Day bed with Trundle \$100. Call 665-1153.

**77 Livest./Equip.**  
FOR Sale 4 registered colored paints. Call 806-440-6343. Serious inquiries only please.

**80 Pets & Suppl.**  
TO give away Pomeranian, 4 yr. old female. Black & tan. House trained. Call 665-4406.

GREAT DANE puppies, brindle, registered. \$350. Call 806-335-9090 or 806-679-7504.

**95 Furn. Apts.**

MOVE -In Special. 1st 90 days \$250 per mo. Fresh paint, appliances inc. Come check out the New Coffee St. Duplexes \$250 1st mo. ("Going Fast") Call Candy 433-6939 or 665-4274.

NEWLY remodeled. New ownership. Security Officer on duty. 1 bdr.-\$385, 2 bdr.-\$490, all bills pd. Limited openings. Courtyard Apts., 669-9712.

GWENDOLEN Plaza Apts., 1&2 bdr. Gas / water pd. 3, 6 mo.-1yr. lease. 800 N. Nelson, 665-1875.

**95 Furn. Apts.**

1 & 2br. Apts. Furn. & Unfurn. Ref. & Deposit Required. Call 669-9817 or 669-2981.

Beautifully furn. 1 bdr. starting at \$360. We pay gas & water, you pay elec. 6 mo. leases. Pool & laundry on site.

Caprock Apts. 1601 W. Somerville 665-7149 Mon.-Fri. 8:30-5:30 Sat 10-4

**96 Unfurn. Apts.**  
PICK UP rental list from Gray Box on front porch of 125 S. Houston, Pampa. Update each Fri.

(2) 3 bedroom homes for rent, in excellent condition. Call Shed Realtors, 665-3761.

DUPLEX: 3 bdr., 2 ba., fireplace, double gar. \$695 mo., \$350 dep. Call 665-5315 or 665-4726.

2 br., gar., work shop, lrg basement for extra bed-room. \$500 mo. 662-7557

2 br., gar., work shop, lrg basement for extra bed-room. OWC. 662-7557

3 bdr. (sm.), c/h/a, fenced, alley 900 sq. ft. barn gar. 1020 S. Nelson. \$500 mo., \$200 dep. 665-5031 806-681-2232.

2BR., 1ba., ch/a, siding, storm windows. 236 Henry, and only \$400 per month. Call 665-1665.

NICE 2 & 3 bdr. (Some partially furn.) Washer / dryer hookups, storm cellar. 669-2139, 663-6121.

**99 Stor. Bldgs.**  
TUMBLEWEED Acres, self storage units. Various sizes. 665-0079, 665-2450.

**100 Rooms For Rent**  
HOTEL DAVIS  
116 1/2 W. Foster  
440-1066  
Rooms \$80 wk., bills paid

**102 Bus. Rent. Prop.**  
OFFICE Space for rent, ask about 3 months free rent. 669-6841.

LOWEST Rents in City! Downtown locations-stores, warehouses, rec. facilities. Call 665-4274.

**103 Homes For Sale**  
Twila Fisher  
Century 21 Pampa Realty  
665-3560, 440-2314  
669-0007

129 Walnut Drive, "Walnut Creek" Home. 3 br., 3 b., 4 c g; storm cellar, more.

By appt. 868-6971 Lorene Paris, Shred Realty.

3/2 Brick Home w/ fpl. 2 Car Gar., Lrg Lot, Patio 2529 Aspen. By Appt. Call 806-231-1438.

3/2/2 Brick Home. Fireplace. 1501 Zimmers. Call 806-665-0891, 806-282-4448.

BY Owner. 3 bdr., 2 3/4 ba., 2 liv. areas, dbl gar. 1701 Grape. 665-4961, 290-2803, by appt. only.

LARGE, spacious rooms. Harvester St. Condo 2 bdr., 2 ba., gar., fence. Realtor C-21, 665-4180

**Owner Will Finance**  
Low Down  
Low Monthly  
1129 Juniper.  
3br., 1ba., ch/a, fp.,  
Tile & Carpet Floors  
Call Milton  
(806)790-0827

**104 Lots**  
2 Mausoleum Crypts Side by Side \$3995.00 Call 440-2449

**106 Coml. Property**  
FOR Lease Warehouse on N. Hobart. 1500 sq. ft. Call Jannie Lewis Broker, 665-3458.

**115 Trailer Parks**  
TUMBLEWEED Acres, Storm Shelters, fenced, stor. bldg. avail. 665-0079, 665-2450.

**120 Autos**  
2002 Chev. Suburban 271 pkg., 4x4, quad leather seats, cd & cassette, pewter, 60,000 miles. Light hail damage to hood \$19,000. Jason Abraham 323-8260 or 323-2700.

**121 Trucks**  
2004 Avalanche, has conversion pkg and new tires. 1999 Chev. Blazer, high mileage, but good cond. 835-2773 for more info.

1987 white Dodge Ram. Camper shell, V6. Good shape. \$1200 obo. Call 665-5473.

**RED TAG SALES EVENT  
ENDS JANUARY 3, 2006**

**2006 CHEVROLET AVEO LS**



STK# C05199  
MSRP \$13,710.00  
DISC \$607.46

SELL PRICE  
**\$13,102.54**

**2006 CHEVROLET IMPALA  
3LT SEDAN**



STK# C05205  
MSRP \$27,870.00  
DISC \$1,799.69  
REBATE \$1,000.00

SELL PRICE  
**\$25,070.31**

**2006 BUICK LACROSSE  
CXL**



STK# B05007  
MSRP \$29,605.00  
DISC \$2,262.11  
REBATE \$1,500.00

SELL PRICE  
**\$25,842.89**

**2006 CHEVROLET SILVERADO  
1500 2WD CREW CAB**



STK# C05169  
MSRP \$30,880.00  
DISC \$2,960.64  
REBATE \$3,500.00

SELL PRICE  
**\$24,419.36**

**2006 CHEVROLET SILVERADO  
2500HD EXT CAB WT**



STK# C05188  
MSRP \$32,090.00  
DISC \$2,336.07  
REBATE \$2,500.00

SELL PRICE  
**\$27,253.93**

**2006 PONTIAC G6  
SEDAN**



STK# P05014  
MSRP \$17,990.00  
DISC \$540.65  
REBATE \$1,500.00

SELL PRICE  
**\$15,949.55**

**2006 GMC SIERRA  
1500 2WD EXT CAB**



STK# G05056  
MSRP \$30,630.00  
DISC \$3,197.59  
REBATE \$3,500.00

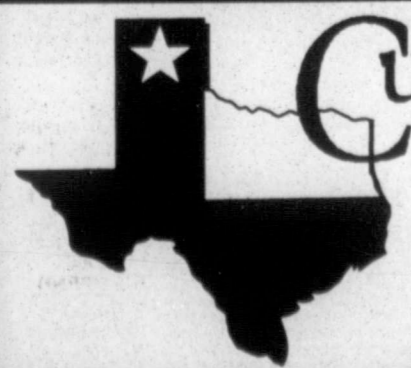
SELL PRICE  
**\$23,932.41**

**2006 GMC SIERRA  
HD2500 CREW CAB DURMAX**



STK# G05067  
MSRP \$46,870.00  
DISC \$5,102.51  
REBATE \$1,000.00

SELL PRICE  
**\$43,767.49**



**Culberson - Stowers, Inc.**

805 N. Hobart • 806-665-1665

rstowers@pan-tex.net

AN AMERICAN  
REVOLUTION

**GMC**  
"We Are Professional Grade"

**BUICK**  
"Beyond Precision"

**PONTIAC**  
"Fuel For The Soul"



# Religion

## MINISTER'S MUSINGS

# A tale of two very different Tanyas

This is a true story from a church in Ontario, Oregon. In about 1987, the church where I preached encountered a situation that I had not ever faced before or since.

Within a six month time, our church had two young teenage girls become pregnant. Both girls were members of the church and part of families who were totally committed, core members.

The Bible is very clear concerning immorality (a.k.a. fornication or in Greek Pornea). Just take a look at 1 Corinthians 6:12-20. Immorality is sin, one that is not to be tolerated within the family of God, the church. Paul even says, "I wrote you in my letter not to associate with immoral people ..."

If a believer is guilty of immorality, repentance is to be expected. If repentance does not take place, then that unrepentant believer is to be disfellowshipped.

Here are several of the scriptures that deal with this subject: Matthew 18:15-18; Romans 16:17-18; I Corinthians 4:19-21; II Corinthians 2:6-11; 13:1-2; I Thessalonians 5:14; II Thessalonians 3:6-15; I Timothy 1:19-20; Titus 1:10-13; 9:10-11; II John 8-11; Acts 5:1-11.

Tanya No.1. She had everything going for her. She was a bright student, came from an upper middle class family, was a great athlete, was very involved at church, knew that she wanted to be a girls volleyball coach and had even been offered a "full ride" by several men at church to Columbia Christian College.

Then she met Johnny.

He was an immoral reprobate in every way. Soon his effect on Tanya became more and more apparent. She regularly came over to our house, and Shari and I both tried to talk to her. Friends try to help friends. She wasn't listening. Then she came up pregnant. I visited with her concerning the need for repentance and a change in her life.

She said that she was not going to change her life. The elders visited with Tanya several times, and she told them the same thing. Many from our congregation tried to visit with her, and her response was the same. During this time (about two months), she attended church fairly regularly.

Then came the day when we had to disfellowship Tanya. She was sitting on the back row, and I was talking to her in my sermon as if it were just the two of us drinking a cup of coffee like we had done so many times before.

I was crying, and so was she — everyone was. But repentance never occurred and to this day (as far as I know) she is still out of fellowship with her church family and with her God. A life flushed in every way.

Tanya No. 2. She had little going for her. She was a below average student, came from a lower class family, was not athletic in any way, was involved at church, but

didn't know what she wanted to do with her life. Then she met Charles.

He certainly wasn't headed in any direction that God would approve of. Then she came up pregnant.

One of our elders found out first and went to her home to visit with her. She was immediately remorseful and penitent.

She asked for that elder to pray with and for her so that everything could be made right with God, and he did.

She then broke down in penitent tears with her parents and apologized for hurting them. She wrote two letters that were both read on Sunday at church.

One was written to her church family expressing not only her sorrow, but asking their forgiveness.

She also said that she was recommitting her life to Jesus and asked for prayers for her faithfulness. There wasn't a dry eye in the church. The other letter was to her parents.

She wanted the church to hear what she had said to them. Over the past 15 years, Tanya had her baby, married Charles, and had another baby, and the best parts of her story I didn't find out until several months ago.

Tanya's oldest child, Josh, is an honor student at Ontario High School. Tanya her-

self is on track to graduate from college next year with a degree in elementary education, and she is still faithful today in spite of a drug-addicted husband that many would use as an excuse for failure.

Two Tanyas, both loved by the same church family and the same Lord Jesus Christ. Tanya No. 1 spurned every attempt to restore her to her relationship with Jesus. Tanya No. 2 received the conviction of the Holy Spirit and surrendered to Jesus and walked faithfully with Him. You really can't judge a book by its cover, can you?

One final thought. In way too many churches today, an immoral church member is never confronted with their sin, and in even fewer are they faced with the loss of the fellowship of which the scriptures so clearly speak. What happens at your church if a girl/woman becomes pregnant and is not married or is living an immoral life?

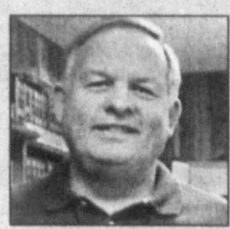
The Bible is clear concerning the process that is to begin to take place. What about a boy/man who lives immorally? Is he confronted? Worse yet, does it make a difference what family this person belongs to? Would something be done if from one family, but nothing done if from another? Think about it.

Just remember that God is not blind. His sight is 20/20 concerning individuals as well as churches. He doesn't miss a trick.

God, give us the strength to practice the hard verses.

God bless.

Mike Sublett  
Hi-Land Christian



## Mormon Church observing 200th year anniversary

By JENNIFER DOBNER  
Associated Press Writer

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Though The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is one of the world's fastest-growing religions — though 120 million copies of the Book of Mormon are in print — believers still endure suggestions by mainstream churches that they are not authentically Christian.

Yes, the Mormons once called themselves "a peculiar people." But as the church celebrates the 200th anniversary of founder Joseph Smith Jr.'s birth, its president says his flock is well within the Christian fold.

"Of course we're Christian. The very name of the church declares that," said Gordon B. Hinckley, in a recent interview with The Associated Press.

"No one believes more strongly in the divinity of the Lord Jesus Christ. No one believes more strongly in the power of his redeeming sacrifice. The Book of Mormon is another witness for the divinity and reality of Jesus Christ," he said. "The more people see us and come to know us, the more I believe they will come to realize that we are trying to exemplify in our lives and in our living the great ideals which he taught."

Smith founded the Mormon church in April 1830, 10 years after he claimed to experience a vision of God and Jesus in a grove of trees near his family home in Palmyra, N.Y. He said an angel, Moroni, later led him to a buried set of gold plates inscribed with the story of a lost tribe of Israel that had settled North America. Smith's translation of the plates became known as The Book of Mormon, the first of the unique scriptures the church follows alongside the Bible.

The church teaches that Smith was a prophet and considers the men who succeeded him as church president to this day as the "prophet, seer and revelator" on earth for Mormons.

## Get Greater Coverage

Cellular One in your area will soon become Alltel Wireless — but you don't have to wait to start taking advantage of what Alltel has to offer.

### Greater Freedom™ from Alltel Wireless

Limited time offer!

**1000 Anytime Minutes**  
**Unlimited Nights & Weekends**  
**Unlimited Mobile-to-Mobile**

**\$39.99**  
mo

Additional charges apply. See below.\*

Largest local calling area ever from Cellular One



Motorola V262  
Only  
**\$9.99**  
After \$40 mail-in rebate with 2-year agreement



Motorola V266  
Camera Phone  
**\$29.99**  
After \$50 mail-in rebate with 2-year agreement

add lines  
**\$9.99**  
mo  
on plans \$59.99 & higher.

1-800-235-5663

cellularone.com

**CELLULARONE**

#### Cellular One Retail Stores

**Borger**  
524 W. 10th St.  
(806) 273-2042

**Hereford**  
515B N. 25th. Hwy.  
(806) 364-1055

**Childress**  
2004 Ave. G N.W.  
(940) 937-8550

**Pampa**  
1329 N. Hobart  
(806) 669-3435

**Dumas**  
1528 Guylane Plaza  
(806) 935-6307

#### Authorized Agents

Equipment & promotional offers at these locations may vary.

**Borger**  
Communication Connection  
1313 W. Wilson  
(806) 274-9444

**Clarendon**  
Clarendon Outpost Company  
P.O. Box 297  
(806) 874-5202

**Commerces**  
Intouch Phones  
1805 Live Oak St.  
(903) 886-2301

**Childress**  
Wireless One  
2211 Ave. F N.W.  
(940) 937-8030

**Dalhert**  
Communication Connection  
515 Denver  
(806) 249-8411

**Dimmitt**  
Modern Wireless  
319 N. Broadway  
(806) 647-3452

**T W Electronics**  
103 E. Bedford  
(806) 647-2197

**Dumas**  
Access Wireless  
624 E. 7th St.  
(806) 381-8811

Wireless Comm.  
803 S. Dumas Ave.  
(806) 935-1733

**Hereford**  
Perryton Cellular  
902 N. Lee St.  
(806) 363-2740

**Pampa**  
Communication Connection  
2145B N. Hobart St.  
(806) 669-1551

**Pampa Office Supply Co.**  
215 N. Caylor Box 1302  
(806) 669-3353

**Perryton**  
Perryton Office Supply  
123 S. Main  
(806) 435-4812

**Shamrock**  
Irish Phones  
202 N. Main  
(806) 256-5357

**Silverton**  
Bursen Cafe  
Rt. 1 Box 1328  
(806) 823-2106

**Spearmen**  
Country Cellular  
720 Hwy. 207 S.  
(806) 659-2541

For Business and Government Accounts call 877-566-3222

\*Federal, state & local taxes apply. In addition, Cellular One charges a monthly \$1.70 regulatory & administrative surcharge. This additional fee is not a tax or a government-required charge & is subject to change. Plan Details: Usage outside of your calling plan/coverage area is subject to additional roaming, minute & long-distance charges. Nights are Mon-Thurs 8:00pm-5:59am. Weekends are Fri 8:00pm-Mon 5:59am. Mobile-to-Mobile Minutes apply to calls between Cellular One wireless customers that begin & end in your plan's calling area. Call forwarding, 411 & voice mail calls excluded. Phone Promotions: Phones available at sale prices to new customers & eligible existing customers. Contact Cellular One to determine if you are eligible. Phones & applicable rebates available for a limited time, while supplies last, with activation of a qualifying rate plan. Limit 1 rebate per qualifying purchase. Phone cannot be returned once mail-in rebate certificate has been submitted. Customer pays applicable taxes. One rebate certificate for details. \$9.99 Add Lines: Secondary lines available for \$9.99/month each. 1 line must be a primary line of service on select rate plans \$59.99 & higher; with no more than 3 secondary lines at \$9.99/month. 2-year service agreement required for each line in conjunction with a phone promotion. Additional Information: Limited-time offer at participating locations. Credit approval & approved CDMA handset & PRL required. \$20 non-refundable activation fee will apply per line. \$200 early termination fee may apply per line. TalkWATCH customers may be required to pay a non-refundable program fee & recurring administration fee. Offers are subject to the Cellular One Service Agreement available at any Cellular One store. All product & service marks referenced are the names, trade names, trademarks & logos of their respective owners.

