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Pampa Animal Control has debuted a new Web site, www.pampaanimalrescue.org, that allows users to see images and other information on all animals currently in the city shelter.

According to Animal Control Supervisor Sandy Burns, the Web site was created to serve as a convenience for the public.

The Web site features three sections that show photos and complete information on every cat, dog and "other" animal in the shelter. The images of the pets can be enlarged for a better look. Next to the picture, the important information about the animal is shown, including the breed, name, sex, and date found.

The site requires a high amount of maintenance because animals frequently enter and leave the

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shelter. Despite that challenge, animal control officers try to update the site daily, Burns said.

"We're trying to keep it as accurate as we can," she explained. Burns said the shelter could not run a Web site with this information before now because of the time required. A recent increase in staff made the project possible.

According to Burns, the easiest way to access the page is through the City of Pampa Web site (www.cityofpampa.org), and

through the Animal Control page, which has a link to adopted animals.

As of Monday afternoon (Jan. 26), over fifteen dogs and ten cats were shown on the page.

The site is important to potential pet parents, or for people that have lost their pets and could eliminate a trip to the shelter. Animals with tags are held at the shelter for six days, while those without tags are held for only 72 hours.

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Two indicted by Wheeler grand jury

by Rachel Stennett rstennett@thepampanews.com A Wheeler grand jury handed up two indictments on Thursday, Jan. 22 in the 31st Judicial District Court. Brian Keith Longbine, 33, of

Wheeler County was indicted for aggravated kidnapping, enhanced. Bond on the first-degree felony was set at \$50,000.

It is alleged that on Oct. 25, 2008, abducted Chasidy Longbine Longbine, using her as a shield, and threatening to use deadly force by holding a knife against her. Longbine was previously convicted of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon on Feb. 22, 1999.



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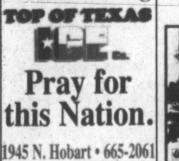






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Pampa animal control personnel responded to an animal cruelty call Tuesday morning (Jan. 27) on Seneca Lane. They found this black dog on a chain with no shelter, food or water. The dog was transported to the animal shelter. Fines in this incident could total over \$500.

Billy Don Menefield, 43, of Wheeler County was indicted for driving while intoxicated, third offense or more. Bond was set for the second degree felony, enhanced, at \$15,000.

It is alleged that on July 13, 2008, Menefield operated a motor vehicle while intoxicated, which prohibited him from having normal mental or physical reasoning due to alcohol in his body. Menefield was previously convicted of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated on Jan. 10, 1989 and July 31, 1991. Additionally, Menefield was convicted of aggravated assault on June 12, 1997.

Monday's legislative session highlights

AUSTIN (AP) - U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison jumped into the eminent domain battle simmering at the state Capitol on Monday, saying landowners whose access to their remaining property is diminished because of eminent domain should be fairly compensated by the state.

Hutchison, who plans to challenge Republican Gov. Rick Perry in 2010, told the Texas Farm Bureau she's been a longtime ally and that addressing reduced land access is a part of protecting private property rights.

"I think diminished access, that diminishes the use of property, is part of what should be compensated," she said.

That stance, in agreement with the farm bureau, appears to put her at odds with Perry.

The issue came up in a fight two years ago in the Legislature when Perry irritated the farm bureau by vetoing an eminent domain bill that addressed it. At the time of his 2007 veto, Perry said one reason for rejecting the bill was because it would have expanded damages a landowner could recover to include diminished access to property when part of a piece of property or nearby property is condemned.

Perry's spokesman, Katherine Cesinger, said Monday in response to Hutchison's remarks that the law already allows for compensation for diminished access. She said Perry believed the 2007 bill would have taken payments to an "unnecessary level."

Texas Farm Bureau president Kenneth

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Dierschke said Perry this year needs to sign "a meaningful bill - one that addresses compensation" to help restore his reputation as a defender of property rights. Dierschke praised the governor's recent comments about eminent domain reform. But he said the farm bureau won't be satisfied with a "half loaf" and said certain property owner protections are needed, such as requirements for good faith negotia-



tions and payment for all factors a buyer and seller would normally consider..

BIKER BONANZA

Standing out among the slick suits and loafers at the Capitol were more than 1,000 motorcycle enthusiasts dressed in their rugged leather jackets and boots.

The roar of their choppers drowned out Austin downtown traffic in the morning and the bikers jammed the galleries for the House floor session. The bikers come to the Capitol every session to support their key legislative issues, which this year include toughening failure to yield citations and blocking a bill calling for sobriety checkpoints.

The bikers came from all over the state, including a group called the Mad Hatters from El Paso.

"We come up here, take the place by storm, and let the legislators know what we're looking for," said Dusty Warden, 27, who works at an immunization clinic in El Paso.

Rep. Norma Chavez, D-El Paso, who introduced the group of bikers in the House, rides a big chopper of her own and wore her leather jacket on the House floor. Chavez rides a Harley-Davidson Sportser 1500.

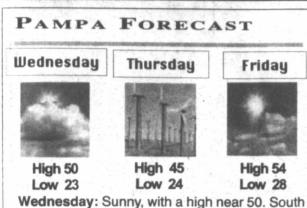
"It's fast," Chavez said.

NEW RULES

The newly harmonious Texas House is trying to ensure the nasty turmoil that gripped the Session - cont. on page 3



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southwest wind between 5 and 10 mph. Wednesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low

around 23. Southeast wind around 5 mph becoming northwest.

Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 45. North northwest wind between 5 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 24. North northwest wind between 5 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Friday: Sunny, with a high near 54. West southwest wind around 10 mph.

Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 28.



Bicycles to go

Pampa, Texas- In 30 days from the date of this publication the Pampa Police Department will dispose of the stockpile of recovered bicycles that is being kept in the bicycle impound. We are asking anyone that has had a bicycle stolen over the past year to contact the police department for instructions on how you may identify your bicycle and have it returned. Proof of ownership is required. For more information contact Detective Tobie Bias at 806-669-5700.

Texas Two Step results

AUSTIN (AP) - Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Monday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 4 - 16 - 28 - 30. Bonus Ball: 15.

Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: 0. Prize: \$450,000

Number matching four of four: 9. Prize: \$1,811.

Number matching three of four, plus Bonus Ball: 38. Prize: \$52.

Number matching three of four: 1,408. Prize: \$19. Number matching two of four, plus Bonus Ball: 783. Prize: \$23

Number matching one of four, plus Bonus Ball: 5,411 Prize: \$7.

Number matching Bonus Ball alone: 9,770. Prize: \$5. Estimated jackpot for Thursday night

For the Record

Obituaries

Services tomorrow. Jo Ann Fenno, 78

Pampa, Texas — Jo Ann Fenno, 78, died January

25, 2009 in Pampa, Texas. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, January 28, 2009, at Fairview Cemetery, with Dr. Wyatt E. Fenno, Church of Christ minister, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Fenno was born March 1, 1930 in Pampa. She married C. E. Fenno on December 17, 1950 in Lefors. She had been a resident of Lefors for 61 years before moving to Pampa in 1991. Jo Ann retired from the Lefors ISD in 1982 and she was a member of the Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband: C. E. Fenno of the home; one son, Dr. Wyatt E. Fenno and wife

Thu Edmond, of Oklahoma; one sister, Paula Lowrie and husband David of Clarendon; one brother, Franklin Wall and wife Nelda of Pampa and three grandchildren.

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Emergency Services

AMBULANCE

Sunday, Jan 26 9:50 p.m. -- A mobile ICU responded to the 1900 block of Hilton and transported a patient to PRMC.

10:47 p.m. -- A mobile ICU responded to the 1500 block of West Kentucky. No patients were transported.

Monday, Jan. 26 2:25 a.m -- A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported a patient to UMC in Lubbock.

6:59 a.m -- A mobile ICU responded Highway 60, five miles west, and transported two patient to PRMC.

SHERIFF

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests.

Tuesday, Jan. 27 Bobby Lee Holmes, 27,

of Amarillo was arrested by the Gray County Sheriff's Office for violating probation with posses-

PAMPA PD Pampa Police Department reported the following calls between 7

Monday, Jan. 26

Accidents were reported in the 400 block of North Ballard, the 100 block of East Randy Matson, the intersection of Brown and Cuyler streets, the 100 block of East Harvester, the intersection of Somerville and Foster streets, the 800 block of North Hobart, the intersection of Kentucky and Sumner streets, the intersection of Lefors and Browning streets, and the 1400 of North Hobart.

Criminal mischief was reported at Lamar Elementary, where the outside wall was tagged; and the 300 block of

North Doyle where a windshield valued at \$1,000 was busted on a 1971 motor home.

Identity theft was reported in the 300 block of North Warren.

Phone harassment was reported in the police department lobby. A domestic disturbance

was reported in the 2400 block of Charles. A civil matter was

> reported in the police department lobby. Tuesday, Jan. 27 A prowler was reported

> in the 2100 block of North Lea.

Accidents were reported in the intersection of Sumner and Kentucky streets, the lobby of the police department, and the intersection of Highway 60 and 171.

A runaway was reported in the 600 block of North Zimmers.

A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 4500 two personel responded to s block of North Duncan, or the 700 block of Brown on

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls between 7 a.m. Monday

FIRE

and 7 a.m. today. Monday, Jan. 26 6:55 a.m -- Three units seven personel and responded to a motor vehicle accident in the 11000

block of West Highway 60. 8: 19 p.m. -- One unit and three personel responded to a medical assist in the 1900 block of Nelson.

8: 46 p.m. -- One unit and three personel responded to a medical assist in the 800 block of West 25th.

10: 03 p.m. -- One unit and three personel responded to a lift assist in the 2100 block of Faulkner.

Tuesday, Jan. 27 12:25 a.m -- One unit

and three personel responded to a lift assist in the 2100 block of Faulkner.

5:35 a.m -- One unit and averaged attender hazmat call, no work of he

a.m. Monday and 7 a.m. today. Officers conducted one traffic stop.

Six calls and or stops were made concerning animals.

\$600,000.

Cash Five Texas results

AUSTIN (AP) - Results of the Cash 5 drawing Monday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 2 - 8 - 9 - 23 - 28. Number matching five of five: 1. Prize: \$24,384 Matching four of five: 103. Prize: \$107 Matching three of five: 3,083. Prize: \$8 Matching two of five: 29,213. Prize: \$2

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sion of a controlled substance, one gram, in a drug free zone.

Stacey Adam Stones, 43, of Amarillo was arrested by the GSCO for violating probation for criminal mischief.

Lee Shawn Weatherford, 37, of Pampa was arrested for burglary of a habitat, resisting arrest/search/transport, possession of a drug paraphernalia, warrants for leaving the scene of an accident, failure to appear, expired motor vehicle insurance, displaying expired registration, fictitious license plates, and open container.

Coffee Memorial Blood Center is hosting a blood drive in Pampa from 3 to 7 p.m.Monday, February 9, at the Pampa Wal-Mart. All blood types are needed.

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Riding instructor surrenders in child death

MARBLE FALLS, Texas (AP) - A Tribune.

riding instructor charged with injury to a child surrendered to authorities Monday a week after a pickup truck she was driving flipped over, leaving one child dead and another injured, according to officials.

Lynda Mescher, who suffered minor injuries and was treated and released from Austin's University Hospital at Brackenridge, surrendered to Lower Colorado River Authority police. She is charged in connection with a late-night trip Jan. 19 in which the pickup she drove to the LCRA's Grelle Recreation Area overturned. Six people were riding in the back of the truck.

Authorities said Briana Plehn, 11, of Briarcliff was killed and Megan Proctor, 11, suffered a collapsed lung. No charges have been filed against Mescher in connection with Plehn's death, though authorities said the investigation is continuing.

"All I can say is what she said, and that's how sorry she is for the family and that the tragedy occurred," said Eddie Shell, Mescher's attorney, in Monday's online edition of the River Cities Daily

Mescher, who owns a horse riding ranch in Spicewood surrendered Monday morning, according to Lt. Judith Bennett of the Burnet County Sheriff's Office. She was released on a \$20,000 bond two hours later.

According to LCRA police Investigator A.L. Chitwood, Mescher and the six children participating in a three-day riding clinic at her Spicewood ranch were headed to Grelle Recreation Area around midnight. State law prohibits those under age 18 from riding in the open bed of a pickup. Witnesses said the driver was speeding through several sharp turns that had the passengers scared for their lives, according to an affidavit.

"The pickup was again turning into the right when the left front tire dug into the loose dirt, preventing the pickup from sliding and causing the pickup to roll over to its left one and a half times," Chitwood's sworn affidavit states.

All six of the children were thrown from the bed of the pickup, police said.

FedEx cargo plane crashes in Lubbock

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) - A FedEx cargo plane crashed during landing Tuesday at Lubbock Preston Smith International Airport.

Airport director James Loomis says both crew members were taken to a hospital, but FedEx spokeswoman Sandra Munoz says both were able to walk from the crash.

The crash happened just after 4:30 a.m. Tuesday as the ATR-42 twin-turboprop aircraft was arriving from Fort Worth Alliance Arport in a freezing mist. Officials say the plane

came down at the end of the runway, veered off and caught fire. Loomis said the fire was quickly extinguished. He said weather wasn't a factor in the crash, but Munoz says the plane had skidded off the runway.

A supervisor University Medical Center in Lubbock said the two crew members were being evaluated.

The plane was operated by Coeur d'Alene, Idahobased Empire Airways contract with under Memphis, Tenn.-based FedEx Corp.

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chamber two years ago doesn't happen again.

The chamber is mulling new operating rules, including a provision to institute guidelines over the parliamentary process for overthrowing the speaker. Then-Speaker Tom Craddick refused in 2007 to recognize a lawmaker to make the motion to "vacate the chair," or overthrow Craddick. Chaos ensued.

But the new rules proposal would allow a majority of House members to appeal a speaker's refusal to recognize such a motion with a written motion.

"The appeal is to be considered as a special order 24 hours after the written motion is submitted," the proposal states. By refusing to acknowledge the motion,

Craddick maintained his power.

His term expired earlier this month and he took his name out of the race when it became clear that he did not have the support to win another term.

The chamber is expected to consider and adopt rules later this week.

FEDERAL HELP A top Texas budget writer isn't counting on much help from Uncle Sam just yet.

Sen. Steve Ogden, R-Bryan, chairman of the powerful Senate Finance Committee, said officials expect to get a piece of the bailout package the U.S. Congress is expected to approve ---including billions for state governments grappling with the economic downturn. Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst had said Texas could get as much as \$15 billion, but Ogden is taking a wait-and-see approach.

"I don't want to count our chickens before they hatch and then you just don't know what kinds of strings are attached to it," Ogden said. "I'd be surprised if they just send us money and allow us to kind of freely substitute it the way we want to."

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Signing a meaningful bill — one that addresses compensation - would restore much of his reputation as a defender of property rights." - Texas Farm Bureau president Kenneth Dierschke, insisting that Gov. Rick Perry sign legislation to compensate land owners if access to their land is diminished because of eminent domain

eb site debuts

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The site also features a page for special events, and currently displays photos from the Christmas parade. There is a page devoted to Fena, a search and rescue dog that was donated to the city. Fena, a Belgian Malinois, is police trained and has responded to more than a dozen calls in the Pampa area since joining the team.

Perry delivers speech

AUSTIN (AP) - Gov. Rick Perry says he wants to keep pumping money into job creation funds and increase exemptions for small companies under the state's business tax

He's proposing freezing tuition for college students for four years of schooling. And he wants to create a disaster contingency fund for catastrophes like Hurricane Ike.

The governor offered the ideas in his State of the State prepared remarks and address delivered to lawmakers Tuesday.

Texas Parks and Wildlife ommissioner Parker dies

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas Parks and Wildlife Commissioner John D. Parker, who pushed for increased state funding of parks and expansion of programs to get youth outdoors, has died, agency officials said.

Parker, 73, died at his home in Lufkin on Monday. A cause of death has not been determined, agency spokeswoman Lydia Saldana said.

Appointed to the commission by Gov. Rick Perry in 2003, Parker was remembered as a passionate advocate for Texas wildlife, woods and waters.

"Throughout his life, he devoted his time and effort to conserving our state's natural beauty, preserving the authentic Texas experience for generations to come," Perry said.

Parker was a former homebuilder and past director of the National Association of



Homebuilders. He also was a past national trustee and past state chairman of Ducks Unlimited.

"It was abundantly clear to anyone who heard him that Commissioner Parker deeply loved wildlife and the outdoors, and he especially wanted young people to enjoy the natural heritage he valued so highly," said Carter Smith, agency executive director.

ctuplets doing 'very well

BELLFLOWER, Calif. (AP) — The octuplets born to a mother in Southern California are doing "very, very well" and breathing on their own, one of their doctors said Tuesday.

Dr. Mandhir Gupta, a neonatologist at Kaiser Permanente Bellflower Medical Center, told ABC's "Good Morning America" the eight babies were in stable condition.

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Two of the newborns the second live octuplets born in U.S. history were initially put on ventilators, but their breathing tubes have been removed.

"Only three babies need some sort of oxygen through the nose right now but they are breathing on their own," Gupta said. "The babies are doing actually very, very well."

The mother, who was not identified, gave birth Monday to the six boys and two girls weighing between 1 pound, 8 ounces, and 3 pounds, 4 ounces. The eighth baby was a surprise to the parents and doctors who had been expecting only seven children.

"It is quite easy to miss a baby when you're anticipating seven," said Dr. Harold Henry, chief of maternal and fetal medicine and one of 46 doctors, nurses and assistants who

delivered the children by Caesarean section. Just five minutes after

the first birth, the unexpected eighth baby came out at 10:48 a.m. "My eyes were wide," said Dr. Karen Maples, chief of the department of obstetrics and gynecology.

Maples said the mother "very comfortable was now. She is currently stable and we're observing her. She's also very excited about the health of her babies and she's extremely happy."

Doctors said they repeatedly conducted practice sessions in anticipation of the deliveries and were well prepared. Maples credited that with the ability to handle the unexpected eighth baby. "It was wonderful just knowing that our teamwork paid off," she said.

The babies — dubbed with the letters A-through-H — will probably remain in the hospital for at least two months and the mother should be released in a week, said Maples. The most encouraging news was that the smallest -Baby E, a boy weighing just 1 pound, 8 ounces no longer needed a ventilator. Gupta described him as "very feisty" Tuesday.

The doctors cautioned that there is still the possi-

Grain prices

The following grain quotations are provided by Atterbury Grain of White Deer. Prices quoted are for the close of the last market day.

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Milo	\$5.10
Corn	\$6.79

bility that one or more of the octuplets may need a breathing tube again, and more dangers await when they begin feeding.

The mother checked into the hospital in her 23rd week of pregnancy and gave birth to the premature babies seven weeks later. Hospital officials would not say whether she had used fertility drugs.

The world's first live octuplets were born in March 1967 in Mexico City, but all died within 14 hours, according to Encyclopedia Britannica.

The United States' first live octuplets were born in Houston in 1998, three months premature. The tiniest died a week after the birth. The surviving siblings turned 10 in December.

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Viewpoints

Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Jan. 27, the 27th day of 2009. There are 338 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 27, 1967, astronauts Virgil I. "Gus" Grissom, Edward H. White and Roger B. Chaffee died in a flash fire during a test aboard their Apollo spacecraft at Cape Kennedy, Fla.

On this date:

In 1756, composer Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart was born in Salzburg, Austria.

In 1880, Thomas Edison received a patent for his electric incandescent lamp.

In 1901, opera composer Giuseppe Verdi died in Milan, Italy, at age 87.

In 1943, some 50 bombers struck Wilhelmshaven in the first all-American air raid against Germany during World War II.

'There's a difference between beauty and charm. A beautiful woman is one I notice. A charming woman is one who notices me.

- John Erskine,

American author

In 1944, the Soviet Union announced the complete end of the deadly German siege of Leningrad, which had lasted for more than two years.

troops liberated the Nazi concentration camps Auschwitz and

In 1951, an era of

dropped a one-kiloton bomb on Frenchman Flat. In 1967, more than 60 nations signed a treaty banning the orbiting of nuclear weapons.

In 1973, the Vietnam peace accords were signed in Paris

In 1981, President Ronald Reagan greeted the 52 former American hostages just released by Iran at the White House

Ten years ago: The Republican-controlled Senate blocked dismissal of the impeachment case against President Bill Clinton and then voted for new testimony from Monica Lewinsky and two other witnesses ,Âî but by margins well short of the twothirds needed to oust the president.

Five years ago: John Kerry won the New Hampshire Democratic presidential primary. A jury in New York heard opening arguments in the trial of Martha Stewart, who was accused of lying about a stock sale. (She was convicted in March 2004 and sentenced to five months in prison.) Former "Tonight Show" host Jack Paar died in Greenwich, Conn., at age 85.

Today's Birthdays: Singer Bobby "Blue" Bland is 79. Actor James Cromwell is 69. Actor John Witherspoon is 67. Rock musician Nick Mason (Pink Floyd) is 64. Rhythm-and-blues singer Nedra Talley (The Ronettes) is 63. Ballet star Mikhail Baryshnikov is 61. Chief U.S. Justice John Roberts is 54. Country singer Cheryl White is 54. Country singer-musician Richard Young (The Kentucky Headhunters) is 54. Actress Mimi Rogers is 53. Rock musician Janick Gers (Iron Maiden) is 52. Sportscaster and political commentator Keith Olbermann is 50. Rock singer Margo Timmins (Cowboy Junkies) is 48. Rock musician Gillian Gilbert is 48. Actress Bridget Fonda is 45. Actor Alan Cumming is 44. Country singer Tracy Lawrence is 41. Rock singer Mike Patton is 41. Actor Josh Randall is 37.

inauguration of Barack Obama

Commentary by Claire E. Boyd "On this day, we gather

because we have chosen hope over fear..." stated President Barack Obama in his inaugural address January 20, 2009.

When in Rome, or Washington DC for that matter, one must take a stroll through history. I took my history stroll on the famed National Mall at night. As my favorite American president. Abraham Lincoln's memorial was of immediate interest to me. However, standing before the Lincoln Memorial on the night preceding the inauguration of Barack Obama, I was amazed by the immense amount of history symbolized in the pure white memorial and beyond its glowing confines. Simply half a century ago the March on Washington played out before the eyes of Honest Abe whilst Martin Luther King, Jr. delivered his "I Have a Dream" speech on the steps of the memorial. Both major influences in our new President's life, Lincoln and MLK surely would approve of this moment in history in which they so integrally helped to create.

A bone chilling twenty degrees outside of the nation's capitol, an estimated four million people crowded the National Mall to witness the swearing-in ceremony of. now President, Barack Obama in Washington DC, heightening security measures. Two hundred forty thousand constituents, my friends and myself included, luckily received tickets from their Congressional leaders for an organized standing assembly closer to the capitol. After arriving before six in the morning to get in the gate, we waited to celebrate the future of the United States. of America with millions of other Americans. This year marks the two hundredth anniversary of former President Abraham Lincoln's birth. Lincoln, whom President Barack Obama has been most heavily influenced of the American presidents, symbolically helped Americans segue into the future, a promise made with our nation's birth through the immortal Thomas words of Jefferson, "... That all men are created equal... Jefferson's, alongside Lincoln's to end slavery, promise was cashed in January 20, 2009 with the inauguration of America's first black president.

History in the making: The

The platform, seated at the West front of the Capitol Building, overlooked, in the distance, the Lincoln Memorial. Behind the podium in which President Obama delivered his inaugural address were five flags, each symbolic throughout the course of American history. The American flag, as we know it to be today, was displayed in the center. To the sides of it was the American flag as was known when Illinois entered the union. On the ends, the Betsy Ross flags were shown.

Both Republicans and Democrats were present at this momentous event in American history, reminding me of one of the fundamental theories of this outstanding nation: As the name constantly reminds us, the United States are one, one nation bound together under the watchful eye of the government.

Regardless of political orientation, we as a nation must stand together, united, under President Barack Obama's leadership in an effort that will help much needed legislation, regarding the economy, the War in Iraq, the environment, foreign poli-

cy, etc, pass successfully. Security was of a huge concern with the inaugural festivities for me as well as others. It is traditional to fire several canon shots directly after a president is sworn into office; however, this tradition certainly caught me off guard Enchanted by the awesome moment in history, I, along with others in the Purple-Ticket area of the crowd, dropped to the ground with the first fire of the canon testifying to the paranoia that hung wearily over the crowd. Blushing, I rose to listen as our newly sworn in president began his inaugural address. Barack Obama's inaugural address will be remembered in the course of history alongside those most famous speeches of Lincoln and Kennedy. President Barack Obama, in his inaugural address, stated, "We will extend a hand if you are willing to unclench your fist." This line certainly stands out in speech, echoing his Obama's desire to find solutions to the problems we face today. Known to be the most significant of presidential inaugural



Marco Cross of Framingham, MA, Claire Boyd of Pampa, TX, and Mei Lum of New York, NY pictured among the crowd in front of the capitol building January 20, 2009 at President Barack Obama's swearing-in ceremony.

speeches, Abraham Lincoln's second inaugural address spoke of unification in a trying time for our country. To follow approximately a century later, President John Fitzgerald Kennedy addressed unification and servitude towards the United States. Barack Obama's inaugural speech, adorned by his articulate nature and eloquent personality, reminisced of both Lincoln's and Kennedy's past speeches. With the conclusion of Obama's speech, the crowd went wild with excitement, cheering in support of the new administration. Truly, this moment could not be captured by a roll of film or by viewing it on television; it was a once in a lifetime opportunity to bear witness to the changing face of American democracy. My friends and I made our way through the crowd, pausing at various vendors in search of the ultimate souvenir, and we saw joy on thousands of faces. Men, women, and children of every background were overpowered: some crying, others ecstatic.

provided Americans watching, whether on the National Mall or from the comfort of their living rooms, with the hope necessary to move our country forward and prepare it for the promised change.

Obama's inaugural ceremonies demonstrated a unique bipartisanship that reinforced the sought after "hope" that his electoral campaign has highlighted over the past two years. President Obama, with his charisma and eloquent phrasing, indeed serves as a symbol of the American dream, in a country where anything is possible. President Obama's campaign, constantly emphasizing the future of America and the change that is to be, spoke to the youth vote and their importance in the Democratic Party's success in the 2008 election cycle. With the watchful and wise eyes of President Abraham Lincoln overlooking one of the most pertinent events in the history of the United States of America, I, for one. cannot help but feel hopeful for the newly inaugurated administration. After all, I am pretty sure I saw Barack Obama wink in the direction of the Lincoln Memorial at the end of his inaugural address.

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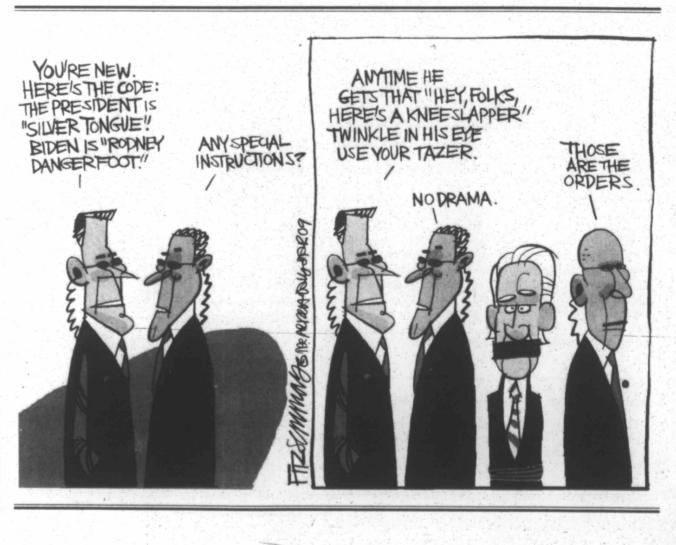
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Though, as many past presidents have made apparent, Obama has large shoes to fill in his administration. His inaugural address, which I believe ranks in importance with those as discussed before,

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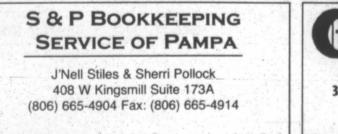
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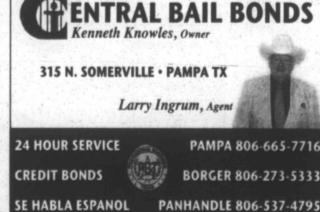


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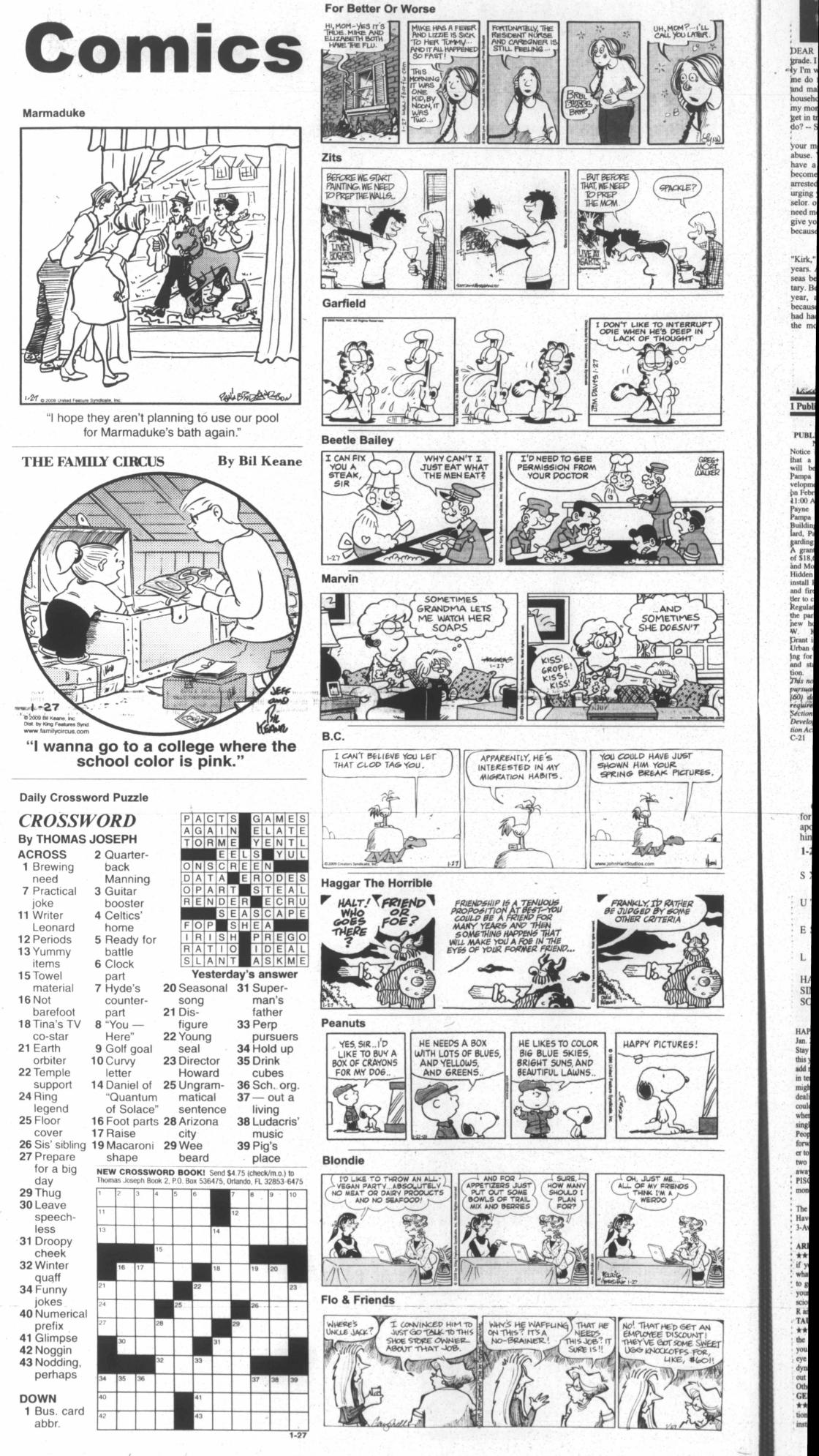
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DEAR ABBY: I am 13 and in eighth grade. I love my mom very much, but latery I'm worried about the things she makes me do for her. She takes me to the mall and makes me steal clothes, jewelry and household items. I don't want to disappoint my mom, but I'm afraid I'll get caught and get in trouble with the law. What should I do? -- SHOPLIFTING FOR MOM

DEAR SHOPLIFTING: What your mother is doing is a form of child abuse. You are a smart girl, and you can have a bright future. It will, however, become much harder for you if you are arrested for shoplifting. That is why I am urging you to talk about this with a counselor or trusted teacher at school. You need more help right now than anyone can give you in a letter. Please don't put it off because I am worried about you.

DEAR ABBY: My husband, "Kirk," and I have been married for 12 years. About a year ago we moved overseas because my husband is in the military. Before the move, Kirk was gone for a year, and I became very independent because I had to do everything myself. We had had some problems before, but since the move they have gotten worse. We

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By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

for very long. Kirk treats me like a roommate and hasn't touched me in more than a year. I have tried to talk to him about this, but all I get is, "I don't know what I want." Abby, he makes it sound like it's all my fault. To say the least, this causes me stress and I end up yelling at our kids, which isn't fair to them. Please help me because I don't know what to do. --UNHAPPY MILITARY WIFE

DEAR UNHAPPY WIFE: Your marriage is in serious trouble, and it won't improve unless you and your husband can find a safe place in which you can communicate frankly and honestly. An excellent place to start would be by talking to the chaplain on the base where your husband is stationed. If your husband won't go with you, then go alone.

DEAR ABBY: When I was 20 and in an abusive marriage, I had an affair with a much older man I'll call "Ben." Ben promised he would take me away from the pain, and we both left our respective partners. Twenty years later, Ben's ex-wife is still bitter about their divorce. Although Ben and I are no longer together, I feel the need to apologize to her for my role in

don't talk or even stay in the same room frending their marriage. I admit I did some nasty things to her when she expressed her vindictiveness over the years. I am now married with children and lead a very different life, and I'm ashamed of my behavior back then. I want to accept accountability for what I did and give her the chance to address me. I don't think she will be receptive, but for her to still carry this anger 20 years later -- and never to have remarried -- validates that I have caused her much pain. Should I write her, call her or just put it behind me once and for all? -- REMORSEFUL IN GEORGIA

DEAR REMORESEFUL: If I understand you correctly, what you want is to lessen your guilt by letting this woman tell you how deeply hurt she was that you helped to destroy her marriage. I can see the benefit for YOU, but how will it benefit her besides dredging up all the pain and anger you caused her? Will it ease either one? I doubt it. Nor will it cause her to remarry or to think better of you. Better to let the scab stay in place rather than pick at it and concentrate on finding another avenue for redeeming. yourself.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)

*** On some level, you might feel as if you are acting out or doing exactly what you don't want to do. In order not to get upset, try to realize that many of your habits are coming from an unconscious level. Tonight: Do get some extra R and R.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

**** A nurturing approach saves the day, no matter what comes up for you. Investigate new possibilities with an eye to handling problems in a more dynamic manner. Success will seek you out if you are spontaneous. Tonight: Others want to be with you. GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

**** How you handle certain situations might have more to do with some instinctive, early episode that you are no **** Defer to others knowing what needs to happen. When someone is ready to step up and express his or her feelings, the timing will work. Continue a nurturing approach with others. You will see a difference in how they handle you, too! Tonight: So many invitations to sort through

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*** Approach a daily issue with new eyes and a willingness to look at where your reactions stem from. As you get on top of your game, you will discover just how vivid your life can be. Express your caring. Tonight: Clear off your desk. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

**** Once more, your libido energies boil up. How you choose to use these ideas or creative energy is your call. Some will add to romance, while others infuse their work. A child is full of fun and, maybe, mischief! Tonight: Say ves to living

be the issue, but its root is more significant than you realize. Study the situation. Tonight: Pay bills, then treat yourself. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

**** Don't take a friendship for granted, no matter how long you have hung out together. People cannot stay the same forever; change'is natural. Be understanding and open. Others will respond to your energy and efforts. Tonight: Whatever makes you smile.

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2008 Chevy half ton regular cab, V8, loaded, black. Will sell for payoff. Call 806-674-9920.

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EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

• Lovett Memorial Library will present a free class, "Parents' Guide to Internet Safety," at 2 p.m. Saturday January 31 and Febraury 28, in the auditorium. Learn about Internet safety, resources for parents and the effects and signs of drug use. For more information call the llibrary, 669-5780.

· Moms in Touch Informational will

be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, January 27, at 2310 Chestnut Drive. Moms in Touch International is a world-wide interdenominational-ministry of mothers praying for their children and schools. For more information call Christy Reeves, 669-6311.

• Gray County Genealogical society will hold their monthly meeting at 7 p.m.



the fourth Monday of each month, except for December. Visitors are welcome.

• Members of Crowley, Texas, High School Class of 1989 are organizing a class reunion. For more information, email chs89reunion@gmail.com or contact Nancy Dodgen Dyess (817) 994-0969 or Misty Shewmaker Hollis at (817) 991-8090.

• "Live On Stage" Community Concerts of Pampa will present the final performance planned for the current season will be "Pianafiddle," a combination of familiar tunes by pianist Lynn Wright and violinist/fiddler Adam DeGraff improvising to get toes tapping and hands clapping. Their performance is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. March 6 in M.K. Brown Auditorium.

• Pampa Book Club will meet at 10 a.m. the second Wednesday of each month in the Texas Room of Lovett Memorial Library. The 2009 reading schedule is as follows: Feb. 11, "Three Cups of Tea" by Greg Mortenson and Davie Relin; March 11, "Home: A Memoir of My Early Years" by Julie Andrews; and April 8, "The Glass Castle" by Jeannette Walls. The May 13 book for review will be announced at a later date. Public welcome.

•Confidential heart health screenings are being offered free of charge from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday, February 20, at United Supermarket, 1420 N. Hobart, by Accolade Home Care as part of Heart Health month, a national initiative of the American Heart Association.

For information, call Accolade Homecare in Pampa at 806-665-9700.

• The South Plains Agriculture Wind and Wildlife Conference will begin with registration at 7:30 a.m. Feb. 13 at the American Wind Power Center and Museum in Lubbock. The conference is being conducted by Texas AgriLife Extension Service, Texas Wildlife Association, and Texas Parks and Wildlife. The purpose of the conference is to explore the pros and cons associated

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Farmers and ranchers throughout the Texas Panhandle will gather Friday, January 30, in the Frank Phillips Auditorium in Borger to discuss the issues of groundwater ownership and use at a Groundwater Rights Seminar hosted by the Sprouse Shrader Smith with the industry in Texas. For more information, call Ken Cearley, Extension wildlife specialist, at (806) 651-5760.

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• USS Maddox Destroyer Association Reunion is slated Sept. 9-13 in Phoenix, Ariz. To find out more, call (337) 616-8450 or e-mail cwgilles45@aol.com.

• Fawn Lake Press is offering free "Proud to be an American" flag decals to anyone sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to Fawn Lake Press, 54 Fawn Lake Rd., Durango, CO 81301. Active servicemen and women need not send a SASE to receive the free 2 x 3-inch color decals. Fawn Lake will pay their postage.

• Manhattanville My Soldier is seeking volunteers to "adopt" a deployed United States Serviceperson. To find out more, visit www.mysoldier.com on-line or write to: Manhattanville College My Soldier Department, 2900 Purchase St., Purchase, NY 10577.

• T.O.P.S. Club, a weight loss group, is seeking new members. The club meets from 5:30-6:30 p.m. each Monday at 513 E. Francis. New members welcome.

Special Olympics scrimmage tonight

The Pampa High School varsity basketball team will host a scrimmage with Special Oylmpic athletes tonight, Tuesday, January 27 at the high school. Admission is free.

> \$10 charge and lunch will be provided. The Seminar begins at 10 a.m. and will conclude after 2 p.m.

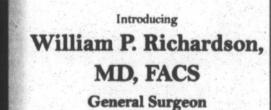


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