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## Car crashes into tire company

by Rachel Stennett  
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A Jeep Wrangler crashed through the Gonzales Wheel Alignment and Tires building yesterday (March 24) evening at just after 5 p.m., causing an estimated \$20,000 in damage.

The vehicle, driven by Barbara McNeil Shaw, of Pampa, sheared off a fire hydrant and then rammed through the store's front windows.

Valerie O'Brien, employee, was standing at the customer service desk when the Jeep came through the building at an estimated 50 miles per hour. The Jeep came through the windows of the store at full speed, breaking glass, hitting tires, and ramming into office furniture, which ultimately stopped the vehicle.

"There was tires and glass exploding everywhere," O'Brien said.

O'Brien and Eunice Jackson, building cleaner, were standing at the back of the store at the time of the accident. Jackson called O'Brien's name, warning her seconds before the Jeep crashed through the building.

There were no injuries to employees or the driver of the vehicle.

O'Brien said that contents of the desk she was standing by flew and hit her in the chest,

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A Jeep Wrangler, driven by Barbara McNeil of Pampa, crashed through the plate glass window at Gonzales Wheel Alignment and Tires, 125 North Somerville. It is estimated the vehicle was traveling at about 50 mph when it sheared off a fire hydrant and rammed into the building. No injuries were reported. Damage is estimated at about \$20,000.

staff photo by Randy Pribble

## PHS Coach Cavalier resigns: "It's time"

by David Bowser  
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Pampa High football Coach Andy Cavalier is leaving.

Cavalier, head football coach for the Harvesters since 2006, resigned today.

"I believe that at this point for Pampa and for myself and my family," Cavalier said as sat in his office this morning meeting with other coaches on his staff, "it is time for me to step aside as the head

coach of Pampa football and let somebody else take over."

Cavalier said he had talked over his decision with his mother, who still teaches in Pampa, and with his wife and found them supportive of his decision.

He said he has no specific future plans at the moment.

"At this time nothing that's finalized," Cavalier said.

He said he had some

opportunities.

"I strongly believe that the world will open up where ever I'm supposed to be," Cavalier said. "I'll know it's right when it happens."

Cavalier first moved to Pampa in 1987, when his father, Dennis Cavalier, was hired as a football coach for Pampa High School.

"I played for my Dad

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## CC president outlines expansion projects

by Rachel Stennett  
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President of Clarendon College

William Auvenshine spoke at the monthly Chamber of Commerce meeting Tuesday (March 24) and announced a three phase building project for the Pampa campus.

The project is scheduled to begin this summer with a ground breaking.

The money being used for the project is coming from a five cent tax law that was passed last year in Gray County to designate funds to expand the Pampa Clarendon College campus. So far, the law has generated \$400,000 for the expansion.

"We are addressing the needs of people to an extent that hasn't been done before," Auvenshine

explained during his presentation.

The first phase of the project will use funds to build two additional buildings located behind the current building, Auvenshine explained. The buildings will be used to teach vocational courses including welding, heating and air conditioning, wind energy, CAD (computer

College— cont. on page 3

## PISD board to discuss drug prevention grant

by David Bowser  
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The Pampa Independent School District board of trustees will consider a resolution supporting the district's request for a \$5,000 grant for drug and violence prevention services for students when they meet this week.

Pampa High School officials will be at the meeting

Thursday night to discuss the proposed use of the Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities Act Fund Grant.

The board will also review a proposed fundraiser for the Pampa High School prom committee, and they will consider fall sports bids.

They will vote for directors for the Region 16

board, and consider a resolution from the Pampa Independent School District Health Advisory Council for recess for elementary school students.

The school board will also consider revised employment contracts and a resolution extending the district's depository con-

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## Senate approves change in top 10 percent rule

AUSTIN, Texas (AP)

— Debating the most sweeping reform of college admissions policies in more than a decade, Texas senators approved legislation Tuesday that would end automatic entry to students who graduate in the top 10 percent of their high school class.

Practically speaking, most students who make the top 10 percent cut would still be able to get into a public Texas college — some college — for years.

But the University of Texas at Austin, where more than 80 percent of the home-state freshman class are admitted under the rule, could start cutting back on such automatic admissions by the fall of 2010 if the changes are approved.

"If you do the math, in the next three years it will be 100 percent. And 100 percent of students coming in under one criterion and one criterion only seems very unfair and seems to tie the hands of the university to not have flexibility to take other types of students," said Sen. Florencio Shapiro, R-Plano, author of the legislation.

Shapiro has said the top 10 percent law has caused a "brain drain" at UT, prompting exceptional students who fall just outside its parameters to go elsewhere.

In a surprise move,

the Senate also tacked on an amendment that would give scholarships, up to the full amount of tuition, to needy students who meet the top 10 percent threshold.

Qualified students not admitted to the public college of their choice could use the scholarship at a Texas university that did let them in.

Shapiro called the scholarship provision "very confusing" and said it would likely face revision as the bill moves through the Legislature.

The reform passed the Senate on a 22-8 vote Tuesday evening after several hours of often tense debate. It faces a final Senate vote, probably this week, and must get over several more legislative hurdles before it could become law.

The bill would still give automatic admission to top high school achievers. But it would cap the number universities have to admit.


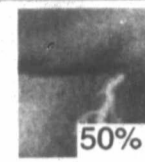

Under the legislation, known as SB 175, universities could start turning away students who graduate in the top 10 percent of their high school class once they made up 60 percent of a university's entering freshman body. For now, the bill would only impact UT, but over time it could affect other schools as the number of students seeking admission

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 Trinity Fellowship Church between the Hobart entrances  
 Calvary Baptist Church in the West Parking Lot

**PAMPA FORECAST**

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		
High 62 Low 29	High 32 Low 23 50%	High 46 Low 36

**Thursday:** Mostly cloudy, with a high near 62. West wind between 5 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

**Thursday Night:** A chance of rain showers before 1am, then rain and snow showers likely between 1am and 2am, then snow likely after 2am. Cloudy, with a low around 29. Wind chill values between 18 and 23. Windy, with a north wind 5 to 10 mph increasing to between 20 and 25 mph. Winds could gust as high as 30 mph. Chance of precipitation is 60%.

**Friday:** A 50 percent chance of snow. Cloudy, with a high near 32. Windy, with a north wind between 20 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

**Friday Night:** A 20 percent chance of snow. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 23. North northwest wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

**Saturday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 46. Northwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

**Saturday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 36. West southwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

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**Grain prices**

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Corn.....	\$6.82

**Cash Five Texas results**

**AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Cash 5 drawing Tuesday night:**  
 Winning numbers drawn: 21-6-13-36-10.  
 Number matching five of five: 1. Prize: \$24,204  
 Winning ticket purchased in: Houston  
 Matching four of five: 75. Prize: \$145  
 Matching three of five: 2,342. Prize: \$11  
 Matching two of five: 24,424. Prize: \$2  
 Next Cash 5 drawing: Wednesday night.

**Emergency Services**

**PAMPA PD**

Pampa Police Department reported the following calls between 7 a.m. Tuesday and 7 a.m. today.

**Tuesday**  
 Officers conducted 11 traffic stops. A stop in the  
 A total of 11 calls and/or stops concerning animals were made.

Found property was reported in the 700 block of Scott Ave, where a driver's license was found.

Theft was reported in the lobby of the PD, where a rented sewer machine was stolen out of a truck.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the intersection of Frederic and Barnes streets.

Sexual assault was reported in the 800 block of East Browning.

Theft was reported in the 1800 block of Holly, where a lawnmower was stolen from a garage; and the 500 block of West Brown, where a cordless

**For the Record**

**Obituaries**

**Annette Brown Craig, 61**

Lubbock, Texas — Annette Brown Craig, 61 died on March 24, 2009 in Lubbock, Texas

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Craig was born May 18, 1947 in Anadarko, Oklahoma. She was a 1965 graduate of Pampa High School. Annette worked for C. J. Johnston Allstate Insurance Agency and later opened her own Allstate Agency in Borger.

Survivors include her husband Riley Craig of the

home; two sons Phillip Brown and wife Kim of Lubbock and Paul Brown and wife Kim of Morrison, Colorado; father: Tom Eddy of Franklin, Louisiana; one sister: Jo Nell Lind of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; one half-sister: Andrea Upshaw of Guymon, Oklahoma; six grandchildren: Madison Brown, Jackson Brown, and Reagan Brown, all of Morrison, Colorado, Colton Brown, Zack Plunkett and Matt Plunkett, all of Lubbock; three aunts: Barbara Laws of Oklahoma City,

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Oklahoma, Jeanette Gibson of Alma, Kansas, and Jeanelle Lucas of Norman, Oklahoma; one uncle: B. D. Vaught, Jr., of Anadarko, Oklahoma. Annette was preceded in death by her mother: LaVerne Eddy in 1969.

**MEMORIALS:** Cowboy Church of the South Plains Youth Group, 406 County Road 7300, Lubbock, Texas 79411.

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Craig

**Charles "Buddy" Cauthorn, 83**

Pampa, Texas — Charles "Buddy" Cauthorn, 83 died on March 23, 2009 in Amarillo, Texas.

Services will be held at Thursday, March 26, 2009, at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel, with Pastor Kyle Ohsfeldt of Grace Baptist Church, officiating.

Entombment will be at Memory Gardens Mausoleum with military honors courtesy of the U. S. Navy. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley

Funeral Directors.

Mr. Cauthorn was born November 29, 1925 in Electra. He married Mary Ferreira on December 14, 1946 in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Buddy was a veteran of the U. S. Navy, serving during World War II and the Korean Conflict. He had been a resident of Pampa since 1953. Buddy worked for Halliburton for 25 years and later was the owner and operator of the Ranch House Motel for 19 years.

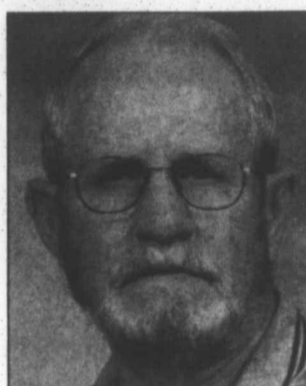
Survivors include his wife: Mary Cauthorn of the home; three sons: Charles Cauthorn, Jr., of Brighton, Colorado, Donald Cauthorn of Grand Prairie, Texas, and Tommy Cauthorn of New York City, New York; five grandchildren, four great-grandchildren.

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Cauthorn

**Emergency Services**

A reciprocating saw was stolen, value \$220.

A burglary was reported in the 400 block of North Dwight, where a toolbox with tools, wood burning stove, light, and books were stolen.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 600 block of North Lowry.

Harassment was reported in the 900 block of North Crest.

Theft was reported in the 800 block of Denver, where an income tax check was stolen.

Civil matters were reported in the lobby of the PD.

A traffic complaint was received from the 300 block of North Davis.

Disorderly conduct was stolen from the 1200 block of West Bond.

Driving while intoxicated was reported in the 400 block of East Frederic.

A missing person was reported in the 1800 block of North Dwight.

Phone harassment was reported in the 1600 block of North Williston.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1100 block of East Darby.

A suspicious person call was received from the 1500 block of North Hobart.

**Wednesday**  
 Officers conducted 10 traffic stops.

A motor vehicle accident was reported in the intersection of Highway 60 and Farm to Market Road 2300.

A suspicious person call was received from the 1100 block of South Prairie.

A suspicious vehicle call was received from the 500 block of South Russell.

**SHERIFF**

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following calls.

**Tuesday**  
 Weldon Woodrow Gibson, 62, was arrested by GCSO for a fugitive warrant in Jackson County, Miss.

Michelle Marie Rackley, 45, of Pampa was arrested by the Pampa Police Department for no driver's license and no insurance.

Theodore Edward Whittley, 34, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO for insufficient bond on possession of a controlled substance, and failure to appear for transporting chemicals with intent to distribute in Garson County.

**Desiray Gabrielle Vance**, 18, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO for bond surrender on possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana, and fugitive warrants in Cotton County, Okla.

**Wednesday**  
 Everett Lee Olivas, 22, of Pampa was arrested by the PPD for warrants for following too closely, and failure to appear.

**FIRE**

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls between 7 a.m. Tuesday and 7 a.m. Wednesday  
**Tuesday**  
 5:07 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 100 block of North Somerville on a

motor vehicle accident.  
**Wednesday**  
 12:08 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded four miles west of Highway 60 on a motor vehicle accident.

**AMBULANCE**

Guardian EMS ambulance service reported the following calls.  
**Tuesday**  
 9:21 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 3000 block of North Perryton Parkway and transported a patient to North West Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

5:08 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 100 block of North Somerville. No patients were transported.

8:08 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1900 block of Helton Road and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

**Wednesday**  
 12:05 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to FM 2300 and Highway 60. No patients were transported.

**Officials seek missing Dallas woman**

DALLAS (AP) — Police are searching for a Dallas woman whose husband allegedly abducted her and ran over one of her friends after forcing them off a Dallas road early Tuesday.

Dallas police Lt. Craig Miller said 25-year-old Misty Scott is missing. Her friend, 38-year-old Tracy Araujo, underwent brain surgery Tuesday afternoon after being found pinned beneath Bobby Scott's minivan.

Police said they believe Bobby Scott assaulted his wife during a fight at a North Dallas hotel and Araujo went to the hotel to get her friend. Araujo was struck after getting out to confront Bobby Scott.

**Mega Millions jackpot now \$34 million**

ATLANTA (AP) — There has been another rollover in the grand prize for the multistate Mega Millions lottery — to \$34 million.

The rollover occurred because no player matched all the winning numbers from Tuesday night's \$24 million drawing.

The next Mega Millions drawing will be Friday. Although there was no grand prize winner from Friday night's drawing, four players won second prizes of \$250,000 apiece. None of those tickets were sold in Illinois. Another 12 players, none of whom purchased their tickets in Illinois, won third prizes of \$10,000 apiece.

The winning numbers from Tuesday night's drawing were: four, 25, 34, 43 and 44. The Mega Ball number was 45.

**Man, grandson missing in North Central Texas lake**

CORSICANA, Texas (AP) — Crews are searching a North Central Texas lake for a missing man and his grandson after their fishing boat was found empty.

The pontoon boat of 72-

year-old Jerry King was found drifting Tuesday night on Richland-Chambers Reservoir, near Corsicana. He and 17-year-old Jerrod Rachel were reported missing Monday evening.

Capt. Gary Dugan of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department says lifejackets were found on board the boat, still wrapped in plastic. He speculates that one person may have fallen into the water and the other may have jumped in after him.

Dugan said Tuesday night that the water temperature was around 55 to 60 degrees.

**Worker killed while cleaning oil tank**

ODESSA, Texas (AP) — A 54-year-old worker at Hollice Clark Truck Fabrication is dead after apparently falling into an empty crude oil tank while cleaning it.

Ector County sheriff Sgt. Gary Duesler told the Odessa American in

Tuesday's online edition that the man's body was found after two of his co-workers noticed that one of the pressure washer hoses used to clean the oil tank had come apart. One of the co-workers found the man's body in the tank after a short search. Firefighters

called to the scene pulled the man's body from the tank.

The man's name was being withheld pending notification of relatives.

Duesler said the cause of the man's death was not immediately known.

**3 Texans accused of transporting cocaine**

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — Federal authorities have arrested three Texas men for allegedly transporting more than 15 pounds of cocaine priced at \$182,000 for a Baton Rouge buyer.

FBI Special Agent Antony A. Jung said the cocaine and cash were seized Friday. The three defendants

were charged Tuesday in a federal complaint with possession of cocaine in amounts for which conviction would carry an automatic prison term of at least 10 years. They are 19-year-old Jonathan Beltran, of Eagle Pass, Texas, and 20-year-old Melesio Noyola and 21-year-old Christopher Robles, both of

Lufkin, Texas. The FBI says Robles was arrested in possession of a loaded .40-caliber pistol.

If Robles is prosecuted and convicted on the firearm charge, authorities say the conviction automatically would add five years to any prison term on the drug charge.

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## Car crashes into building

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but did not cause injury. The tires of the Jeep were still spinning when it came to a stop inside the store, which left permanent indentations of the floor of the building. The driver, Barbara McNeil Shaw, was unconscious when J.R. Gonzales, company owner, approached the vehicle.

He turned off the car, and checked to see if Shaw was safe. O'Brien said that when Shaw woke up, she had no recollection of the event. She was issued with a citation for failing to control speed.

"I heard a boom and I started running around to the front of the building," Gonzales said. A security

video showed Gonzales running to the Jeep, through tires and broken glass, seconds after the impact.

Gonzales estimated a total of \$20,000 in damage was done to the building and tires.

Two glass panes were broken, an exterior brick wall was damaged, and interior walls were damaged, many tires were shredded, and a computer monitor was broken.

Law enforcement officials were at Gonzales, located at 125 North Somerville, until about 8:30 p.m., picking up broken glass and helping with repair.

ARC Construction repaired the broken glass panes in about an hour yesterday, and Douglass Glenn Towing & Recovering removed the Jeep from the store.

City workers repaired the hydrant this morning. The hydrant was not broken because it is created to break away from its foundation upon impact, workers said, but still needed to be put back in place.

This was the second experience of this nature for O'Brien, who was standing in The Pampa News when a car crashed through building August 31, 2007.

## CC expansion

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aided design), law enforcement programs, and nursing courses. The second phase of the project will be as soon as the first phase is completed on the property west of the Pampa campus, which is still being negotiated.

Phase II will include building a student center, a library, and a cafeteria to attract younger students Auvenshine said. Phase III will complete the building project, but Auvenshine estimated it likely won't begin for 15 to 20 years. The third phase will make the Pampa campus a complete college campus and will include dormitories, making the campus larger than the Clarendon campus. In addition to the tax law, Auvenshine said donors could also be an important asset in creating the new buildings.

Part of the three phase campus expansion will include a wind energy expansion program, partially funded through a grant from Florida Power and Light for \$200,000. The money will be used to be simulators for training students in the wind energy program. A new professor from West Texas A&M has also been hired to head the program. Currently, 12 students are enrolled in it, but Auvenshine said he sees the program being significantly expanded in the future.

"We are in a position to do training," he said. Every five towers needs a technician. T. Boone Pickens has said he plans to purchase 266 of these turbines for Gray County. We will need people who can maintain the turbines," Pickens' plan for wind energy has been stalled due to financial struggles that are economy related, but Pickens has announced his plan to

place the turbines in Pampa once transmission lines are set up to transport the power from Pampa to other markets.

"We are looking at this happening a years down the road, but we can provide training needed for workplace in this area," Auvenshine said. "What we plan today will be the menu of opportunity for tomorrow's Texas."

Auvenshine said that the expanding the campus will help the college address the needs of a community in ways that a four-year college would not be able to.

Community colleges offer programs for non-traditional students who are not seeking a four year degree, but still can be equipped with the necessary education for a career.

Community colleges train 50 percent of nurses, 65 percent of healthcare workers, and 80 percent of law enforcement officers and fire fighters.

For students who seek four year degrees, com-

munity colleges can be an excellent starting point for general requirement courses. According to Auvenshine, student who begin at a community college and transfer to four year institutions have higher graduation rates than native students.

Clarendon College was recently evaluated by the Board of Higher Education. Auvenshine shared the results of the evaluation.

Compared to seven other small, rural colleges in the Panhandle, CC has 82.5 percent full time faculty, which leads the way in comparison to the other colleges. They also have a 94.4 percent course completion rates, which is the highest amount the colleges and from 2007 to 2009, they had a 15.8 percent increase in student head count.

"These were all indicators that we're doing extremely well," Auvenshine said. "This growth is happening in Pampa."

## Senate approves change

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based on high-school performance goes up.

Sen. Royce West, D-Dallas, has been critical of moves to modify the top 10 percent law but said he agreed "UT needs some relief." He said he could not support the reform unless the Senate agreed to let the changes expire after six years, allowing the Legislature to revisit the issue.

He voted against the legislation after the Senate

adopted an amendment setting the expiration date within eight years.

UT President William Powers has said the state's flagship university is allowed to use race-based affirmative action and described that as a preferable and more flexible route to diversity. He said the top 10 percent law has provoked an unintended "capacity problem" on campus, and that UT was already planning to elimi-

nate the practice of letting freshmen start in the summer instead of the fall.

The move to modify the top 10 percent law has failed in past sessions and has been met with skepticism by some minority groups, including the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund.

## Cavalier says time to quit

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here," Cavalier said. Andy Cavalier was quarter back for the Harvesters when he was in high school. He graduated from Pampa High in 1992.

"I came back as an assistant coach 1997," Cavalier said.

He coached in Pampa through 2002, before leaving to join the coaching staff at Tascosa High School in Amarillo.

"I came back as head coach," he said, "in 2006."

In talking about his decision to move on, Cavalier's voice occasion-

ally wavered, but then he noted that outside the new synthetic turf that he had helped get for the Pampa High School Stadium was being installed.

"It's going to be great," he said jubilantly.

## PISD board to discuss grant

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tract. They will discuss the Gun Free Zone Act and hear construction update reports on the new junior high school and the renovations and expansion of Pampa High.

The board will also hear

reports on the district's buildings, grounds and facilities; career and technology and college credit opportunities for student; a personnel management reports; a food services report, and a report on wind energy.

The Pampa Independent School District board of trustees will meet at 6 p.m., Thursday, at the Carver Center Administration Office, 321 W. Albert.

## Texas is second to Alaska in forest land

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The first detailed statewide tree count in Texas history is headed toward this conclusion: Texas is No. 2.

The Texas Forest Service said Wednesday initial results of the first inventory outside East Texas indicate that the state has 60 million acres of forest land. That ranks second to Alaska and is about 23 percent of the forestation in the southern U.S.

The state has counted trees in the Piney Woods above the Gulf Coast since the 1930s. But this is the first scientific statewide tally.

"Last one we had was some dude on a horse in like 1904, rode through

there and made notes," said Burl Carraway, a forest service department head.

The 10-year study is at the halfway point. But Tom Boggus, the state forester and interim director of the forest service, said he doesn't expect the number to change. The projection was made from 10,000 plots of land scattered from the heavily wooded areas of East Texas to the desert plains of West Texas.

The forest service called the report a baseline for all change — like the U.S. census, but for trees.

"Before, we didn't know. We would just do a track at a time and hope we're

effective," Boggus said. "But now, we can go back and say, 'Yeah, we have made a real impact on the mesquite control, or juniper control, or water quality.'"

The report says 35 percent of Texas forests are mesquite woodlands, 25 percent are hardwoods and 18 percent are juniper, also known as cedar.

Boggus said the ongoing inventory helped the forest service measure damage from the rash of hurricanes that have hit the Gulf Coast in recent years.

Another 10-year survey will begin after the current one ends in 2014.

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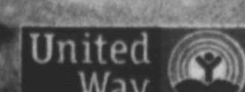
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# Viewpoints

## Today in History

Today is Wednesday, March 25, the 84th day of 2009. There are 281 days left in the year.

Highlights in history on this date:  
1634 - British colonists under Lord Baltimore reach Maryland in North America.

1815 - Austria, Britain, Prussia and Russia form new alliance against Napoleon Bonaparte after he escapes from confinement on Elba.

1911 - A fire at the Triangle Shirtwaist Co. factory in New York City kills 146 immigrant workers; the tragedy galvanizes America's labor movement.

1913 - The home of vaudeville, the Palace Theater, opens in New York City

1965 - Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. leads 25,000 marchers to the state capitol in Montgomery, Alabama, to protest the denial of voting rights to blacks.

1982 - The Canada Act is signed, ratifying the Canadian constitution and making the country wholly independent of Great Britain.

1987 - More than 80 Afghan guerrillas and civilians are killed when Afghan air force jets bomb and rocket several camps close to Pakistani border.

1990 - Arson fire in illegal nightclub kills 87 in Bronx, New York; most of them Honduran and Dominican immigrants.

1996 - The European Union moves to ban British beef, five days after the British government alerts the public to the danger of eating meat from cows with mad cow disease.

1997 - Australian Senate votes to overturn the world's only law allowing terminally ill patients to commit suicide with a doctor's help.

1998 - U.S. President Bill Clinton, on a visit to Rwanda, acknowledges that the United States and the world failed to protect Rwandans from the 1994 campaign of genocide that killed half a million people, mostly Tutsis.

2002 - An earthquake and several aftershocks in northern Afghanistan kill as many as 2,000 people and injures more than 4,000, according to officials in Kabul, the capital.

2005 - The U.S. agrees to sell about two dozen sophisticated F-16 fighter planes to Pakistan, a diplomatically sensitive move that rewards Pakistan for its help in fighting terrorism, but angers India.

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*'We do not do what we want and yet we are responsible for what we are, that is the fact.'*

— Jean-Paul Sartre,  
French philosopher

## Growing pains, friendship gains

by Rachel Stennett

Today is my best friend's birthday, and I am reminded, once again, just how much growing up sucks.

Before I grew up and moved to Texas, I had spent every March 24 for the past four years with my best friend, Amy L. Hammelev.

We were college roommates, and through a process of strange friendship natural selection, she ended up being first friend at college, and the last one there at the end.

Everything I do reminds me of my friend who resides in Colorado, seven hours way too far away from me. Songs I hear on the radio bring my mind to the endless wasted hours spent playing guitar hero instead of doing homework. Movies I see remind me of Saturday afternoons spent watching tv and eating Chinese food. The worst reminders are the inside jokes that I say out loud to no one in particular expecting her to be there to laugh, even though she hasn't been around to do so for seven months.

I miss my best friend, and as another year is added to her life tally, we would both fully heartedly agree that growing up is something no one should have to do.

My friendship with her is unique in many ways. I have known Amy, who I frequently refer to as Spamy, since I was in kindergarten. We went to

the same elementary school, middle school, and high school. She lived on New Castle and I on Acacia, just a few happy tree-named streets away. Our friendship could easily be slated as fate, but it was something we both had to wait for.

Through all our years of education, we never really paid attention to each other. It could be because she is a soccer player and I can barely tell you what color the ball is, but our paths never really crossed.

There was a freak year in seventh grade that we carpooled to school and ultimately became close enough to talk about crushes we had on boys with each other. When seventh grade faded away, so did the friendship.

Senior year of high school came and went and something life-changing happened to me on prom night. No, nothing with my date who was sick, but with Amy. We found out through a mutual friend that we would both be attending Adams State College (a college of 2,500 in Colo. that most people even in the state haven't heard of) the following August.

We exchanged numbers hoping, praying that we might find each other as a friendly face in a sea of scared freshmen.

We found each other, and even lived across the dorm hall from each other. From that point on, we were rarely seen apart.

If you ask anyone we went to college with, they would never guess Amy and I could manage not living in the same state as each other. We did everything together, from sharing a major, running the student newspaper, double dates, and lived together for three years. We are total and complete opposites. She is funny, I am sentimental. She is daring, and I am reserved. She is quirky, and I am boring. But somehow, it always worked.

I grew closer to her in the short span of college than I knew I could be to someone. And now, college is gone, we are 400 miles apart, and the reality of life is setting in. Instead of spending our afternoons Googling hot celebrities on the Internet, she edits material at a publishing company and I report on life in Pampa. We are both trying to swallow the fact that we no longer get spring break, we no longer get to justify skipping class together to watch Dawson's Creek, and the worst, we no longer just hang out and eat cereal together.

As time stretches us farther apart, we discuss on a weekly basis "the real world" and how it terrifies us.

I'm not sure why people aren't warned more about the difficulties of working all the time, being responsible, and throwing a lot of fun out the window with college.



Warning or not though, here we both are, working 40 plus hours a week, going to bed early, and having a lot less fun.

But it all would be so much worse without her by my distant side.

I'm trying to realize that growing up might have different perks, like being afford to eat more than cereal and blue box macaroni. Even more, this year as I sit typing instead of throwing my friend a pirate-themed birthday party, I appreciate friends much more as an adult than I ever did before the real world.

Friendships are the ultimate perk to adult life. So this week, I say Happy Birthday Amy and thank you for years of jam-packed fun.

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## Letters to the editor

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to share my recent experience with the Pampa Animal Shelter. My mother and father's birthdays are both next week. They have a single black Pomeranian named BooBoo and I was on a mission to find him a sibling to give to my parents as a gift. To my pleasant surprise I found a handsome, young, red, male Pomeranian at the PAS (Pampa Animal Shelter). I was able to go and visit him on two separate occasions in which that staff at PAS were very friendly and helpful. They allowed me to have private time to play with him outside and observe his disposition before making any decisions. I was allowed to take photos to show my parents. Well, the story has a happy ending! The handsome Pomeranian, now named Yogi gets to play with his new sidekick BooBoo every day. BooBoo was so desperate

for a friend and I found a sweet little treasure for a present. My parent paid \$250.00 for BooBoo and I only paid \$53.00 for Yogi which included a free matching leash and collar set and a one time full-service grooming donated by Bo & Mona's Grooming. The \$53.00 fee also provides the adopter with a rabies voucher to pay for the vaccine from a local veterinarian's office and a microchip. What a great value and experience! I would like to add a big thank you to Bo & Mona who have hearts of gold and to Sandy for managing such a clean, professional and compassionate environment on such limited resources. Thanks so very much and God Bless You All.

Sincerely,  
Teri Pay  
A very happy customer!

Dear Editor:  
There are a lot of times we, as Pampa citizens, feel we need to go to Amarillo

for good health care. Family Medicine Center of Pampa, and Dr. Robert Julian in particular, have been my clinic and primary care physician for some time now, and I could not be more pleased. Everyone with Family Medicine, office staff and nurses alike, is genuinely concerned about the problems one might be having. At the first part of this month, Dr. Julian suggested I be admitted to Pampa Regional Hospital. I was there for 3 days, and I must tell you, I don't think I could have received better care from any other hospital in this area. Every single nurse and employee of the hospital was exceptional to me as to what the medicine was and what it was for, and any question I had was answered completely.

We are fortunate to have two hospitalists employed here; Dr. James Hall and Dr. Giang (John) Nguyen. Dr. Nguyen was on rotation at the time I was

admitted, and I was incredibly impressed with his professionalism and concern. He too his time to tell me how I was doing and what procedures he was initiating to get me well. He never acted like he was in a hurry to see his next patient, and he was very thorough in answering any question I had.

Staying at our local hospital certainly made it easier on my family, but with the level of care I received, it would have been silly to even consider going anywhere else.

We often hear too many negatives about Pampa, but I must tell you, I don't see any negatives at all with Family Medicine and Pampa Regional Medical Center. We are truly blessed.

Sincerely,  
Janetta Frazier

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# Governor's office defends \$50 million grant

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Gov. Rick Perry's office on Tuesday defended the size and appropriateness of a \$50 million grant from the state's Emerging Technology Fund to the Texas A&M University System.

Republican Rep. Jim Pitts, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, voiced concern about the grant to help construct and create the National Center for Therapeutics Manufacturing, a partnership between the university system and pharmaceutical companies. After asking questions about the state grant last week, Pitts called officials from the governor's office before his committee Tuesday.

Pitts and other lawmakers asked about the work to be done at the center; which private companies will be involved; and why money for the January grant was transferred from the state's general job creation account known as the Texas Enterprise Fund to the Emerging Tech Fund — an account meant to help innovative businesses take root.

Perry's chief financial officer, Rebeca White, said the governor's office has the power by law to shift money among those "trusted" programs.

"We don't use it very often. We use it very judiciously," she said of the money-moving power. She said money had been moved between funds previously for disasters and other expenses. But it hasn't been moved for a grant to a university.

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and then-Speaker Tom Craddick were aware of the movement of the money when they signed on with Perry to award the \$50 million grant on Jan. 2, White said. She said the money was moved in this case because the amount of the Texas A&M grant would have reduced the Emerging Tech Fund to a "pretty low" level, which could have jeopardized other deals in the pipeline.

The Texas A&M University System says the center, to be located at the Texas A&M campus in College Station, will be a prototype for developing new vaccines quickly and inexpensively and will combat diseases like cancer and diabetes and address bio-terror threats. It is expected to gradually become operational in 2011.

Governor's staff members acknowledged it is unusual for emerging technology account money to be used to build a building.

The Texas A&M grant also is much larger than others handed out from the Emerging Tech fund.

"It is the largest so far but is also the most impactful thing we have done to date," Perry spokeswoman Allison Castle said before the appropriations meeting.

Brett Giroir, the system's vice chancellor for research, said the Texas A&M system expects ultimately to work with a number of private-sector companies at the center. Texas A&M has a memorandum of understanding with financially troubled companies Xoma and Introgen to provide expertise for the project, but no money has been transferred to them, he said.

Castle said it is not unusual for legislators to have questions about how state funds were spent while the Legislature was out of session.



# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I'm a freshman at a Catholic university. I was awakened last night at 3 a.m. because my bunk bed -- I'm on top -- was shaking. Then I heard my roommate moaning. She had snuck a boy into our dorm room, and they were doing "it."

I am so upset at her disregard for my personal space that I don't know how to talk to her. I'm big on chastity, but I don't want her to think I'm speaking up because I'm a prude. I found it so upsetting that it was difficult to get back to sleep.

My roommate is nice, and we get along well. How do I tell her this behavior is unacceptable? If I tell our resident assistant, she will get in trouble and hate me for it. If I had been forewarned, I would have slept out in the lounge. Please help me. -- RELUCTANT WITNESS IN PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR RELUCTANT WITNESS: Silence implies approval. It is important that you talk to your roommate NOW because if you don't, it is sure to happen again. All you have to say is that when you were awakened, at first you were frightened. Then, when you realized what was going on, it made you extremely uncomfortable, and in the future you would prefer she make other arrangements for "that kind of thing."

It's the truth, you are within your rights to draw the line and you won't come off looking like a prude. What they did was out of line.

DEAR ABBY: My boyfriend, "Dirk," and I have been dating nearly three years, and we recently moved in together. Before we met, he briefly dated a woman I'll call "Lola," who has bipolar disorder.

Although she was the one to end the relationship, Lola became jealous when she heard Dirk was dating me and started following us around. Dirk is a musician, and Lola would dance provocatively at his shows, hang on him and hug him, and we would sometimes be kept up all night by her calls and texts.

Dirk has told Lola many times that she's crossing the line. Eventually, she began seeing someone else and stopped tormenting us. But now that she has learned we're living together, her crazy behavior has started up again.

I went to pick Dirk up from his show last night and heard that Lola had told half the people in the club that he had "always loved her," that they were "soul mates," and that she would be going home with him! While I don't doubt the stability of my relationship with Dirk, I find Lola's behavior irritating and blatantly disrespectful.

Dirk tells me any confrontation would be counterproductive, and that the woman would be "overjoyed" to find out she's causing me distress. He thinks she's so unstable she might react violently. I'm fed up. What should we do? -- HAD IT IN MANHATTAN

DEAR HAD IT: You have my sympathy. This is the downside of having a relationship with a charismatic performer. Although Lola's behavior is irritating, I'm casting my vote

with your boyfriend. If you show her she is getting to you, her antics will only increase.

It won't take long for the regulars at the club to recognize her for the poor, deluded fan she is. The other club-goers really don't count. However, should Lola's actions escalate to violence, the police should be called and a restraining order taken out.

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 Answer to yesterday's puzzle:  

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## DAILY HOROSCOPE

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Thursday, March 26, 2009:  
 This year, you make a big impression. Wherever you go, others inevitably seem drawn to you. Express your authenticity, and you will succeed way beyond your expectations. This birthday, focus and make a list of resolutions. Most of this list, if not all. If you are single, you will have your choice of sweets. Choose with care. If you are attached, allow your significant other to play a larger role. He or she needs the limelight as well. A fellow ARIES plays devil's advocate.  
 The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-Social; 1-Difficult  
**ARIES** (March 21-April 19)  
 \*\*\*\*\* Allow yourself to be spontaneous. You'll discover the many different paths available. Test before you hop down any trail. Realize that many options lie ahead. You are capable of motivating many or helping them understand the possibilities that you see. Tonight: Fun times await you.  
**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)  
 \*\*\* Know when to back off and get some space. The issue might not be others, as much as you need to center and rethink a decision. Allow yourself to do what you need to do. Schedule a dentist or doctor appointment very soon. Tonight: Get some extra sleep.  
**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)  
 \*\*\*\*\* Zero in on what is going on behind the scenes. Be clear and direct when dealing with a partner, even if he or she is controlling. Listen to news that beams in from out of left field. Friends, meetings and conversations point in the very same direction. Tonight: Where the action is.  
**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)  
 \*\*\*\*\* Take a stand and be willing to follow through. When you open up and brainstorm with a respected associate, you could be delighted by the ideas. Try out different concepts in your imagination. You will know what works. Tonight: Could be late.  
**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)  
 \*\*\*\*\* If you are not comfortable with what you are hearing, seek out different opinions and solutions. Consider that you might be quite selective about what you hear, and might not hear everything that is said. Take off your blinders. Tonight: Think "different." Think "unique" when making plans.  
**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)  
 \*\*\*\*\* A partner wants to take charge. Why not let this person do just that? Often, you need to feel involved. Be willing to pull back and see what happens when you are not. Someone lets you know the depth of his or her caring. Tonight: Opt for privacy during a conversation.  
**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)  
 \*\*\*\*\* Others come on strong, and you know what to do — back off. Relationships, perhaps, are your highest priority in general. With that in mind, back off and let what needs to happen evolve. Someone comes off as quite caring. Tonight: Just don't be alone.  
**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)  
 \*\*\* Get into work or a project. The more you get done the better, as the weekend is coming around the corner. An associate or acquaintance is in an inordinately cheerful mood. Enjoy. Take time for a walk or go to the gym. Tonight:  
 Romp away.  
**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)  
 \*\*\*\*\* Your imagination goes haywire too easily. You could be wondering why you are thinking such weird things. Don't demean your ideas; rather, just note the thoughts that go past your mind. Somewhere there is a gem. Tonight: Start the weekend early.  
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)  
 \*\*\*\*\* Once more, consider a home office, or at least work from home today. You'll feel much more centered and together in this environment. You might be tired as well and need some time to yourself. An idea could be a gem. Tonight: You don't have to go far.  
**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)  
 \*\*\*\*\* You have a lot to say, and it is quite apparent that you will demand an audience. Choose your words with care, also being aware of your intonation, gestures and facial characteristics. Your words could melt another person's resistance. Tonight: Swap news and a joke or two!  
**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)  
 \*\*\*\*\* Your sense of direction makes a big difference. Realize how much you have to offer and where you are going. An innate talent or artistic bent could become financially beneficial. Don't forget to get that birthday card. Tonight: Your treat.  
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## MAGIC OF MUSIC



To celebrate Sing With Your Child Month, employees of Heartsong Music, bring music to children at Dell Children's Hospital in Austin, Texas, Tuesday, March 24, 2009. Abby Jones, left lets Angel Rubio, 6, strum on her guitar. Angel's mom, Yadira Olguin holds him. In the background are Cindee Roberts and her son Cole Roberts, 9. Music Together, which organized the event, is an organization based in Princeton, N.J. that provides music classes for children of all ages in 25 countries. The celebration is intended to help parents and children create a bond through music and to learn the benefits music has on a child's life. (AP Photo/Laura Skelding/Austin American-Statesman)

## State measure would pay for full-day preschool

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Texas Legislature is considering a measure that would make it easier for schools to offer full-day pre-kindergarten programs to economically disadvantaged four-year-olds.

Texas currently pays for half-day preschool, widely thought to boost student performance in later years, for qualifying children. But under a bill winding through the Legislature, the state would pay for schools to offer full-day programs.

Rep. Diane Patrick, R-Arlington, said her proposal would add about \$300 million to the state budget now being crafted.

"But it would save millions of dollars in future costs to the state because these children are more likely to be ready from the start to start learning and less likely to drop out," Patrick said of her bill, which also sets classroom standards for the programs.

Critics say the proposal would cost the state too

much and doesn't do enough to encourage partnerships with private groups.

"This is more than doubling the cost," said Brooke Terry, an education policy expert for the Texas Public Policy Foundation. "This is basically going to be a tax increase on people during a recession."

Terry, who supports another proposal that would pay for eligible children to attend private preschools, said Patrick's bill doesn't do enough to work with private providers.

"Let's make sure students who are eligible for half day get in it versus going from half day to full day," Terry said.

Versions of the bill are pending in both House and Senate education committees.

About 44 percent of four-year-olds in Texas are in public preschool programs, according to the Southern Regional Education Board, which

advocates for states to dedicate enough money to assure every 4-year-old an opportunity to attend pre-kindergarten.

If their school districts offer it, pre-kindergarten is available for free for children who are homeless, in the foster system or are learning English. Children of military families also are eligible. Children who don't qualify can still participate if their parents pay tuition.

School districts with 15 or more qualifying students are required to offer a pre-kindergarten program.

Some advocates of the proposal, which would start in the 2010-2011 school year, say more students would participate if early education programs were expanded to full days because it would alleviate the need for midday transportation for struggling families.

The bills are HB130 and SB21

## Worker killed while cleaning empty oil tank

ODESSA, Texas (AP) — A 54-year-old worker at Hollice Clark Truck Fabrication is dead after apparently falling into an empty crude oil tank while cleaning it.

Ector County sheriff Sgt. Gary Duesler told the Odessa American in

Tuesday's online edition that the man's body was found after two of his co-workers noticed that one of the pressure washer hoses used to clean the oil tank had come apart. One of the co-workers found the man's body in the tank after a short search.

Firefighters called to the scene pulled the man's body from the tank.

The man's name was being withheld pending notification of relatives.

Duesler said the cause of the man's death was not immediately known.

## Final day for Optimist baseball/softball signup

Last call for Optimist baseball and softball. Today from 5:30 to 7 p.m. is the last chance to register for Pampa Optimist Baseball/Softball 2009, according to Optimist Baseball Commissioner Kevin Davis.

Registration will be held at the Optimist building.

The program is for boys and girls five to 15 years of age. Players who did not play in Pampa last year and players moving up to a new league will need to attend the final tryout session today from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

All players must register to be eligible

to play.

"We have had 439 players sign up as of the close of registration Tuesday," said Jody Clendennen, one of the registrars. "T-ball with 133 and boys' pitching machine with 77 lead the sign-ups."

All players will be assigned to a team later this week with practices in most league scheduled for Monday.

Games are scheduled to begin in most leagues in mid-April with the season to end in mid-June.

The Pampa Optimist Youth Club is a Pampa United Way agency.

## Women pilots serving in WWII honored in bill

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — Looking out the windows of her 14th floor apartment at Trinity Towers reminds Maxine Flournoy of her cockpit view from World War II military aircraft.

"I loved flying," Flournoy, 87, said, while fingering a diamond air-liner brooch on her collar, "even that twin engine trainer we called the bamboo bomber' because it was fabric covered."

Flournoy is one of 300 surviving Women Airforce Service Pilots who soon may be recognized for their efforts in World War II. In all, 1,102 women pilots served.

"Their service paved the way for all women who serve valiantly in the military today," said U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, who recently introduced a bill, co-sponsored by all the female members of the Senate, to award the women the Congressional Gold Medal, which is awarded for exceptional acts of service to the United States. The U.S. Mint designs and creates each medal to uniquely represent the individuals

being honored.

"Each of these women are fascinating," said Deanie Bishop Parrish, one of the women pilots and associate director of Wings Across America, an archiv-

ing group that has compiled interviews with about 100 of the women. "They're all different, but each has the can-do, just get out of my way a let me do it' spirit."



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- Work at the Tralee Resale Shop.
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Training begins April 6 at Clarendon College the Pampa Center from 5:30-8:30. For more information, contact Tralee's Volunteer Coordinator at 806-669-1131.

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