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PAMPA FORECAST

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		
High 73 Low 49	High 66 Low 46	High 60 Low 44

Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 52. Northeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Thursday: Sunny, with a high near 73. North northwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 49. East southeast wind around 5 mph.

Friday: Partly sunny, with a high near 66. North northeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 46. East northeast wind around 5 mph becoming west northwest.

Saturday: Partly sunny, with a high near 60. North northeast wind 5 to 10 mph becoming east southeast.

Saturday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 44. South southeast wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

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SC board pardons 2 black men executed 94 years ago

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — Two great-uncles of syndicated radio host Tom Joyner, sent to the electric chair for the 1913 murder of a Confederate Army veteran, were unanimously pardoned Wednesday by South Carolina.

Officials believe the men are the first in the state to be posthumously pardoned in a capital murder case.

Black landowners Thomas and Meeks Griffin were executed 94 years ago after a jury convicted them of killing 73-year-old John Lewis, a wealthy white veteran living in Blackstock, a Chester County town 40 miles north of Columbia. Two other men were also put to death for the crime.

Joyner learned about his uncles' fate during filming of the PBS documentary "African American Lives 2," which traced his lineage.

The talk show host and legal historian Paul Finkelman then began to work to clear the Griffins' names because they thought they were framed by another man who was

linked to the victim's stolen pistol. John "Monk" Stevenson testified against the others in exchange for a life sentence, but later told fellow inmates the four men had nothing to do with the crime and he pointed his finger at them to save himself.

Joyner and his attorney made a presentation to the state parole and probation board on Wednesday, then left the room while the board voted.

Joyner said he waved his hands and hugged family members when he got word of his great uncle's pardons.

"This won't bring them back, but this will bring closure. This is a very good day," he said.

More than 120 people signed a petition asked for a reduced sentence for the men, including Blackstock's mayor, a former sheriff, two trial jurors and the grand jury foreman, but then-Gov. Richard Manning refused clemency or a pardon, sending the men to the death chamber.

Millionaire sentenced in child porn case

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — A Dallas millionaire has been sentenced to 30 months in prison for attempting to possess Internet child pornography.

Sixty-three-year-old Ronald E. Elmquist was sentenced Tuesday in federal court in Kansas City.

Elmquist previously was chief executive officer of QualServ Corp. in North Kansas City. He also was on the boards of directors of the Winn-Dixie and RadioShack corporations.

U.S. District Judge Ortrie Smith also ordered that must serve a year of home confinement after his release, perform at least 120 hours of community service each month for three years and pay a \$150,000 fine.

Obituaries

Tanda Carol Colwell Trussell, 52

Tanda Carol Colwell Trussell, 52, died on October 10, 2009, in Plano, TX, at The Medical Center of Plano. She was born December 24, 1956, in Lubbock, TX, to Quinton T. and Vicki Colwell. She married Danny L. Trussell on July 23, 1978.

She received her B.S. in Elementary Education from Texas Tech University in 1979 and later taught first grade at

West Texas Elementary School for 17 and a half years.

She is survived by her husband, Danny L. Trussell of Plano, TX; three daughters, Lisa M. of Wilmore, KY, Lori A. of Denver, CO, and Jennifer N. of Tulsa, OK; her mother, Vicki Colwell; two brothers, Kim K. Colwell of Lubbock, TX, and Ron K. Colwell of Friona, TX, and her sister, Rene' K.

Colwell, also of Lubbock.

Viewing will be at Charles W. Smith & Sons Funeral Home, 601 S. Tennessee McKinney, TX, on Monday, October 12, from 6-8 p.m. Memorial service will be held at St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 44th & Memphis in Lubbock, TX, on Thursday, October 15, at 2 p.m. A viewing will precede that service at 12 p.m. Graveside service will

follow immediately after the memorial service at Resthaven Cemetery. These services will be under the direction of Abell Funeral Home of Abernathy, Texas.

For florist information or to leave condolences visit www.tandatrussell.com.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

SHERIFF

According to Gray County Sheriff Officials, the following people were booked into Gray County Jail during the period between 7 a.m. Tuesday, October 13 and 7 a.m. Wednesday, October 14.

Ricky Lynn Callaway, 54, of Lefors, TX was booked on Tuesday on a charge of violation of probation, possession of a controlled substance.

Daniel Craig Baker, 29, of Lefors, TX was booked on Tuesday on a charge of capias pro fine times four.

Kevin John Boyd, 32, of Stinnett, TX was sentenced to Texas Department of Criminal Justice facility.

Kathleen Edythe Paul, 35, of Pampa, was booked Wednesday on a charge of theft by check.

Ricardo Rodriguez Perez, 33, of Dallas, was booked Wednesday on a charge of aggravated assault with a

deadly weapon.

Sebastian Rodriguez Perez, 32, of Dallas, was booked Wednesday on a charge of public intoxication.

PAMPA PD

The Pampa Police Department responded to the following calls during the period between 7 a.m. Tuesday, October 13 to 7 a.m. Wednesday, October 14.

Animal Control Officers responded to seven calls or stops.

Pampa Police Officers made nine traffic stops, had five ongoing investigations, and there were no requests for information.

Fraud was reported in the 1200 block of N. Hobart Street. A debit card was used and an estimated \$454.97 was spent.

An alarm was reported in the 1800 block of N. Holly Lane.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 100 block of E. Harvester Avenue. The side of a vehicle was written on and there was damage done to the antenna. Estimated cost of damage was \$1,040.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 500 block of E. Atchison Avenue.

A welfare check was made in the 900 block of E. Albert Street.

Domestic disturbance was reported in the 1400 block of N. Hobart Street.

Burglary was reported in the 700 block of N. Gray Street. Tools worth an estimated \$1,460 were stolen.

Police are following up on an investigation on a wallet with contents estimating \$150 in value.

Assault was reported in the 200 block of W. Kingsmill Avenue.

An alarm was reported in the 100 block of S. Starkweather Street.

Criminal mischief was

reported in the 400 block of S. Graham Street.

A 911 hang up was reported in the 100 block of S. Starkweather Street.

A welfare check was made in the 1200 block of Finley Street.

A suspicious person was reported in the 900 block of E. Campbell Avenue.

A suspicious person was reported in the Varnon and Crawford intersection.

A suspicious person was reported in the 18th and Hobart intersection.

A suspicious person was reported in the 800 block of E. Browning Avenue.

A suspicious person was reported in the 1800 block of N. Coffee Street.

A prowler was reported in the 700 block of E. Kingsmill Avenue.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 17th and Dogwood intersection.

An alarm was reported in the 600 block of N. Hobart Street.

Judge who reformed prisons, schools dies

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — U.S. District Judge William Wayne Justice, who changed the way Texas educated children, treated prisoners and housed its poorest and most vulnerable citizens, has died. He was 89.

Justice's law clerk, Kelly Davis, said the judge died Tuesday in Austin.

His rulings affected schoolchildren, prisoners, minorities, immigrants and the disabled. Justice outlawed inhumane treatment in Texas prisons and ordered that the mentally disabled be provided with community homes instead of large institutions.

He also ordered the integration of public schools and housing in Texas and ordered the state to provide education for illegal immigrants and in Spanish and English.

Justice was born in Athens, Texas, on Feb. 25, 1920. He was 7 when his

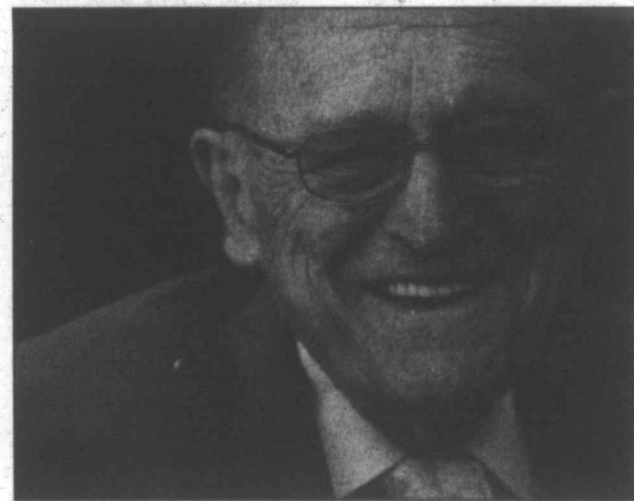
trial attorney father put the child's name on the law firm's shingle.

Justice, in a 1985 interview with AP, said: "I love the law. I've been with the law all of my life. I was born and bred with the law."

In 1942, he graduated from the University of Texas School of Law, which later became home to the William Wayne Justice Center for Public Interest Law. He served in the U.S. Army from 1942 to 1946.

Justice practiced law in Athens until 1961, when he was appointed by President John F. Kennedy to be U.S. attorney for the eastern district of Texas. Seven years later, President Lyndon B. Johnson appointed Justice to the federal bench in Tyler.

Justice served as chief judge of the district for a decade, starting in 1980. He assumed senior status



U.S. District Judge William Wayne Justice

on June 30, 1998.

In the AP interview, he said he would like to be remembered as a "professional," a judge who listened to the facts, divined the truth and then properly applied the law.

U.S. Magistrate Judith Guthrie of Tyler, a long-time friend, told the Tyler Morning Telegraph that

Justice was "a very courageous judge and a great man."

His whole life as a judge was devoted to doing what the law required, according to Guthrie.

A service will be held Monday at St. David's Episcopal Church in Austin.

Charge now murder in brick attack

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A 33-year-old man accused in a San Antonio brick attack that led to the death of a woman he had dated faces a murder charge.

Terrence Fletcher of Fairfield, Calif., remained in jail Wednesday on \$75,000 bail, one day after a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon was upgraded.

Bexar (BAYR) County Detention Center records clerk Michael Vasquez said bail remained \$3,200 on an assault/bodily injury

count. Fletcher, arrested June 13, was held without bail on a federal parole violation charge.

San Antonio police say 53-year-old Rosalinda Vega was struck by a thrown brick on May 31. Vega died in late August.

Her son, Robert Coronado, previously said his children told him they had been abused by Fletcher.

Cornelius Cox, listed as an attorney for Fletcher, did not immediately return a call Wednesday.

Taft city manager fired

TAFT, Texas (AP) — The Taft City Council has voted to fire embattled city manager Florencio Saucedo. The Corpus Christi Caller Times reports the city council's 3-2 vote came Tuesday night.

Saucedo, who had no comment after the vote, drew attention in August when he was formally reprimanded by the council for giving permission for a rap video shoot.

Critics said the video, which included rappers referring to drugs and flashing hand signals, portrayed a negative image of Taft. Saucedo said he thought the video showed cultural diversity.

Saucedo has been on paid administrative leave since, as Texas Rangers investigate the city's operations.

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Prosecutors want trial date in Stanford case

HOUSTON (AP) — Prosecutors were asking a federal judge on Wednesday to set a trial date for Texas financier R. Allen Stanford, who is in jail accused of bilking investors out of \$7 billion.

But Stanford's recently appointed defense attorneys want U.S. District Judge David Hittner in Houston to hold off on a decision. They say the vast number of documents and witnesses they're still sorting through make it nearly impossible for now to know how long they'll need to prepare for trial.

Stanford got two new attorneys last month after his previous lawyer withdrew because he had no assurance of payment.

Meanwhile, Stanford continued his fight in the government's civil case against him, filing a notice in federal court in Dallas that he is appealing the decision to pay the court-appointed receiver \$20 million from his estate. Last month, Judge David Godbey approved payment of \$20 million to Dallas lawyer Ralph Janvey, who heads the team assigned to unravel Stanford's businesses.

In a separate motion filed Tuesday, Stanford also expressed his opposition to Janvey's attempts to sell the Sea Eagle, which the billionaire spent more than \$16 million on to turn it into "one of the finest sports fishing boats in the world," according to the motion.

The two engines Stanford had installed on the Sea Eagle alone are worth more than the initial bidding price of \$2.5 million set by the receiver for the entire boat, according to Stanford's motion. In addition, the receiver is trying to sell the Sea Eagle

"during the least optimal time of the year for boat sales. The best time for boat sales is during the winter," the motion states.

Stanford also opposes the sale of the Sea Eagle because he purchased it in 1998, a year before the Securities and Exchange Commission alleges Stanford began running a Ponzi scheme that duped investors out of more than \$7 billion. In her motion, Stanford's civil attorney Ruth Brewer Schuster said if Stanford is acquitted, his victory will be diminished by the receiver's sale of his property.

In a motion filed last month announcing his intent to sell the Sea Eagle, Janvey said he needed to do so in order "to preserve the assets and minimize expenses" of Stanford's estate. Janvey said Stanford bought the Sea Eagle for \$3.9 million in 1998 and that keeping it in dock costs \$25,000 a month. The company hired to sell it has placed advertisements in two international yacht magazines.

Brewer Schuster did not immediately respond to a message left by The Associated Press.

Texas heavy industries worry about EPA crackdown

DALLAS (AP) — For 15 years, environmentalists have complained that state regulations have allowed the powerful oil and chemical industries to skirt Clean Air Act standards in Texas, the nation's foremost producer of industrial air pollution.

But the Environmental Protection Agency last month scrapped several aspects of the state's air-pollution permitting program, including "flexible" permits that have allowed about 140 plants and refineries to exceed toxic emissions limits in the short term as long as they complied to overall federal averages in the long term.

Federal regulators say the move, set to take effect next year, is designed to cut toxic emissions and bring Texas in line with the Clean Air Act. And environmental groups say it will help improve the state's ecology and the health of Texans and those living nearby.

Industry groups, however, warn that getting rid of the state program in favor of more rigid standards will hurt industries crucial to the Texas economy, and that the costs of compliance may hit consumers.

"If there is a cost associated with it, it is very likely that it could cost the consumer more," said Debbie Hastings, vice president for environmental affairs for the Texas Oil And Gas Association, whose members provide about 25 percent of the nation's gasoline supply and include industry giants including Exxon Mobil Corp. and ConocoPhillips.

It's too early to know precisely how the rules will change or how much it will cost, but there's worry in the heavy industries that billow tons of toxins but employ thousands of people and pay billions in state and local

taxes. Texas has more oil refineries and chemical plants than any other state, and the permit ruling comes as Gov. Rick Perry and industry officials are railing against a climate bill pending in Congress.

Plants could be forced to spend millions of dollars to upgrade pollution control equipment. Industry groups say that in turn could jack up the prices of gas, tires, carpet, upholstery and other products that pass through Texas factories.

"The prices have to keep up with the cost of doing business," said Mike Meroney, a spokesman for Texas Chemical Council, which represents about 80 companies with 200 sites that produce the state's leading export. "Every site's different — it could be very, very costly."

States are required to enforce the Clean Air Act, but they're given some flexibility in how to do it. The EPA approved Texas' major clean-air permitting plan in 1992, and the state has since submitted more than 30 regulatory changes.

The EPA issued its ruling last month as a result of a lawsuit settlement that forced the agency to approve or disapprove aspects of the Texas permitting process, agency spokesman Dave Bary said. The EPA said no other state offered pollutants such flexibility, and cited problems with the permit program's enforcement, monitoring and record keeping, among other reasons.

The EPA held its first meeting last week with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, which issues the permits, to work on getting the program into compliance. The commission's executive director, Mark Vickery, said the state permit rules have helped cut down on pol-

lution and said the agency would work with the EPA to resolve the problems. The agencies are working through a 60-day comment period before the rules become final next year.

Fadel Gheit, an analyst with Oppenheimer & Co. in New York, said the permitting problem is just one more bit of bad news for industries that are already struggling. Several major oil companies are coming off second-quarter profit declines of more than 50 percent, although the oil industry posted record gains in 2008.

"It's bad, but how bad is the question?" Gheit said. "The outlook couldn't be more grim, and yet the government finds a way to kick them when they're down."

Bary, the EPA spokesman, said there's no way to know exactly how much cleaner the air would have been under federally approved permits.

But Neil Carman, an air specialist with the Sierra Club who spent years as an industrial plant inspector with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, said he's certain ending the program will cut emissions. He said it will prove costly to the companies, but not as costly as treating long-term health problems caused by toxic emissions.

Al Armendariz, a chemical engineering professor at Southern Methodist University who is an expert on air pollution and an environmental advocate, said smaller and older facilities could face hefty costs, but major companies won't feel a thing.

"They'll say, 'Look, if we have to spend half a million dollars to re-permit, big deal.' They probably spend more than

that on toiletries for those facilities," he said, noting that even multimillion-dollar expenses would be a "one-time capital blip" for major companies. Armendariz also said he doubts industry claims that consumers could feel any pain.

The oil and gas industry provides about 190,000 Texas jobs and paid about \$10 billion in state and local taxes and royalties last year, according to the oil and gas association, which represents almost every producer and refiner in the state. The chemical industry employs about 74,000 Texans and last year paid \$1 billion in state and local taxes.

The chemical industry is the top air polluter in the state, producing about 16,000 tons of toxic emissions, according to the most recent EPA toxic release inventory in 2007. Oil ranked third, behind power plants, with about 4,500 tons.

Both groups and state regulators say flexible permits have helped, and point to reductions of cancer-causing chemical benzene and ground-level ozone levels in the Houston area that's home to the bulk of the state's oil refineries and chemical plants.

But Carman said it's silly to be content with the progress because Texas is still so polluted.

"That's like somebody going before a judge and saying, 'Your Honor, I know I've had a DWI problem, but I brought it down from 50 DWI's a year ago to 30 now,'" said Carman, who like other environmentalists has long derided the permitting process as a rubber stamp in an industry-friendly state. "That's just not enough, especially when you're talking about things that cause cancer."

One dead in Tyler parking lot shooting

TYLER, Texas (AP) — Tyler police detained a suspect after gunfire in a parking lot left one person dead.

Police say the shooting happened before dawn Wednesday in the parking area of an apartment complex.

A statement from police says officers arrived to find 20-year-old Ricky R. Davis of Hallsville dead,

with a gunshot wound to the head.

Witnesses told police that the suspect earlier had been involved in an alleged assault, went to an apartment, returned with a handgun and started shooting at people in the parking lot.

Davis was the only person to be shot.

County

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erty tax department when they meet Thursday morning.

Also during Thursday morning's meeting, the commissioners will consider establishing a Local Data Advisory Board with a membership designated by the Texas Legislature regarding a data reporting improvement plan.

They will also consider a new elevator maintenance

contract.

The commissioners will hear the county treasurer's report, the county clerk's report and the county's quarterly investment report.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m., Thursday, in the commissioner's courtroom on the second floor of the Gray County Court House at 205 North Russell.

Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips



DEAR ABBY: I am a 15-year-old girl who is losing the will to live. I am bisexual, but my parents are very anti-gay/lesbian, so I can't tell them about my sexual orientation.

Every day I engage in self-injury using a metal chain, and I think about suicide a lot. Please help me. -- HURTING IN ORLANDO, FLA.

DEAR HURTING: As you already know, your sexual orientation isn't something you chose. It is something you were born with, and your parents' disapproval -- as intimidating as it may be -- isn't going to change it. What you are experiencing is not uncommon in young people who have discovered they are "different." But there is help, not only for you but also for your parents.

The first thing you should do is contact The Trevor Helpline. It is a nationwide, 24-hour helpline for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning young people. A counselor there can help you sort out your feelings and figure out some options. You can find out more about it by going to www.thetrevorproject.org. The toll-free number is (866) 488-7386.

Another terrific resource is PFLAG (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays). PFLAG was established in the 1980s and offers specific advice on how to deal with your parents. You will find its Web site at www.pflag.org.

Both of these organizations provide the support you need, so please don't wait to contact them.

DEAR ABBY: My heart is broken. My 18-year-old son, "Joey," has just put his name on someone else's child's birth certificate. He met the girl in high school. She was already pregnant. Joey has been out of school since May. He has no job, no money and no car.

Joey promised her family he will "take care of

her." They were only too happy to hear it because the real father wants nothing to do with her or the baby. Her parents have made my son feel like a hero, and he enjoys it.

I did everything in my power to talk him out of it. Nothing worked. I can't believe that the girl's family is encouraging him. Joey is not a man, even if he is 18. Where are their values? -- HEARTBROKEN MOM IN MESA, ARIZ.

DEAR MOM: Your son may feel like a hero, but apparently he was not thinking rationally when he put his name on that birth certificate, because what he did was fraud. The father of that baby should be listed as the father, and he is the one who should be financially responsible until the child reaches adulthood. If Joey wants to lend emotional support, more power to him. But I'm advising you to consult an attorney to see if this mess can be unraveled before he gets in any deeper.

DEAR ABBY: I am 22 years old and stuck in a long-term relationship. My boyfriend has taken care of me since my mother died last year. She was my only family, so without my boyfriend I'd be alone.

My problem is, I am no longer attracted to him. I don't want to hurt his feelings because of everything he has helped me through, but is a relationship worth staying in if you don't feel the "connection" anymore? -- ALONE IN THE SOUTH

DEAR ALONE: No, it's not, and it's also not fair to your boyfriend. Sooner or later you will have to level with him and tell him that, while you're deeply grateful for his support during this difficult time, you have come to regard him as more of a brother than a lover, and while you'll always care for him, the romance is over.

Judge orders bomb plot suspect's brother held

DALLAS (AP) — The teenage brother of a Jordanian accused trying to bomb a Dallas skyscraper is being held as a material witness in the case.

A federal judge in Dallas has granted a request to stay Husein Smadi's deportation. On Friday, she also ordered the 18-year-old to remain in federal custody until Oct. 27 to be questioned under oath by attorneys for his brother, Hosam Smadi.

Husein Smadi told an San Francisco immigration judge earlier this month that he wanted to join his father in Jordan.

The Smadi brothers entered the United States legally on tourist visas in 2007 but overstayed their visas.

Hosam Smadi moved to a small town near Dallas last year while his brother remained in northern California. Hosam Smadi is accused of planting what

he believed to be a car bomb beneath a Dallas skyscraper last month.

Death

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the location, but no one was inside.

Deputies responded to a second call, and upon further investigation, found Fatheree's body on his property.

No other details were available from the Sheriff's office at press time, the case is under investigation.

Flu

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dren ages 4 through 18 who are at higher risk.

DSHS, in a statement Tuesday, said some 12,000 Texas providers have registered to receive the vaccine.

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Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

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Viewpoints

Today in History

Today is Wednesday, Oct. 14, the 287th day of 2009. There are 78 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 14, 1939, during World War II, a German U-boat torpedoed and sank the HMS Royal Oak, a British battleship anchored at Scapa Flow in Scotland's Orkney Islands; 833 of the more than 1,200 men aboard were killed.

On this date:

In 1066, Normans under William the Conqueror defeated the English at the Battle of Hastings.

In 1890, Dwight D. Eisenhower, 34th president of the United States, was born in Denison, Texas.

'To think is to speak low. To speak is to think aloud.'

— F. Max Mueller, German philologist

In 1912, Theodore Roosevelt, campaigning for the presidency, was shot in the chest in Milwaukee. Despite the wound, he went

ahead with a scheduled speech.

In 1933, Nazi Germany announced it was withdrawing from the League of Nations.

In 1944, German Field Marshal Erwin Rommel committed suicide rather than face execution for allegedly conspiring against Adolf Hitler.

In 1947, Air Force test pilot Charles E. ("Chuck") Yeager broke the sound barrier as he flew the experimental Bell XS-1.

In 1959, actor Errol Flynn died in Vancouver, British Columbia, at age 50.

In 1960, the idea of a Peace Corps was first suggested by Democratic presidential candidate John F. Kennedy to an audience of students at the University of Michigan.

In 1968, the first successful live telecast from a manned U.S. spacecraft was transmitted from Apollo 7.

Today's Birthdays: Former Surgeon General C. Everett Koop is 93. Actor Roger Moore is 82. Classical pianist Gary Graffman is 81. Fashion designer Ralph Lauren is 70. Singer Sir Cliff Richard is 69. Actor Udo Kier is 65. Singer-musician Justin Hayward (The Moody Blues) is 63. Actor Harry Anderson is 57. Country singer Natalie Maines (The Dixie Chicks) is 35. Actress-singer Singer Usher is 31.



"IT'S AMAZING HOW HER FRIES SEEM TO FOLLOW YOU WHEREVER YOU GO!"

Global Day of Climate Action nears: Why 350 ppm matters

By BILL MCKIBBEN

On Saturday the 24th of October, climbers on Mt. Everest will raise a huge "350" banner. The president of the Maldives Islands will don scuba gear and lead 350 of his countrymen in the largest underwater demonstration of all time. In Sydney, Australia, ten thousand people will form themselves into a giant 3; in London, others will shape themselves into a giant 5; and in Copenhagen cyclists will circle in a giant 0.

We'll see hundreds upon hundreds of actions across the United States that day too, in all 50 states—churches will ring their bells 350 times, packs of 350 bikers will head off in every direction, and farmers will mow huge 350s into their fields.

All in all, it looks likely to be one of the most widespread days of political action in the planet's history. All on behalf of a number—350—that nobody even knew was important two years ago.

Here's the story. In summer 2007, Arctic sea ice began to melt at an extraordinary rate, faster than scientists studying global warming had expected—much faster. And all around the planet they saw other escalating impacts: glaciers in rapid retreat. Intensifying droughts, as hotter temperatures evaporated more water in some places. And intensifying

floods, as that water fell in deluges elsewhere. Even the chemistry of seawater was rapidly shifting, as the ocean acidified. Scientists were scared by what they saw.

America's leading climatologist, NASA scientist James Hansen, published a series of papers beginning in January 2008 that stood old assumptions on their ear. Global warming was no longer a future problem, he said—instead, we were already dealing with devastating effects. And his team put a number on the crisis: any value for carbon dioxide in the atmosphere greater than 350 parts per million was "not compatible with the planet on which civilization developed or to which life on earth is adapted." That's scary news when you realize we're already well past that level—the atmosphere currently contains 390 ppm carbon dioxide. Which is why the Arctic is melting. We're already too high.

This new science means that we need a new politics. So far governments have reacted slowly and timidly to climate change, talking about carbon emission reductions by mid-century. But we can't wait. We need dramatic action now. Instead of slowing the growth of carbon in the atmosphere, we need to stand on the brakes and throw the atmospheric system in reverse.

Nobody thinks this will be easy—fossil fuel lies at the heart of our economy, and replacing it with renewable power will be expensive and in some places wrenching.

But it needs to be done. Which is why some of us spent the last two years organizing 350.org, whose only goal is to spread that number and its meaning as widely as possible. It's no easy task—there's never been a campaign built around a scientific data point before. But this is the most important new piece of earth science data ever, arguably the most important number on the planet. We need to also make it the most well-known.

The response has been overwhelming. The world's most important scientists have gotten on board, along with preeminent environmental economists. They understand that this is not a fight between political parties, industries or nations, but a negotiation between human beings on one hand, and the laws of physics and chemistry on the other. They understand that we're playing for the highest stakes, that failure to cut emissions sharply to get us back to that 350 level, will quickly and dangerously alter our world.

They also understand that the climate change bill now in Congress falls woefully short of what is

needed, likely to slow the increase of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere, but certainly not reverse it back to 350.

The fight will play out in final form in December, when the world's nations meet in Copenhagen to negotiate a new climate treaty. But if those negotiators are going to truly tackle the problem, they'll need a big shove from people around the planet.

That's why October 24th is so important. It's not political—it's educational. We're, trying desperately to let our fellow human beings know that we are pushing past the survivable limits for civilization.

How much fun to watch it come together—to see people in virtually every nation on earth join hands to spread the word. We'll be in New York City that day, flashing images from around the world on the huge advertising screens in Times Square. Wherever you are, a quick trip to 350.org will show a rally or event happening near you.

If you've ever despaired about the future, here's the chance to try and shape it instead.

(To search for events on October 24th in your area go to www.350.org)

Bill McKibben is a scholar in residence at Middlebury College, and co-founder of 350.org

Letters to the editor

Someone can't hear or read!

When I received the letter of September 25, 2009 from the city about the petition to move the City Water Park or Family Aquatic Center as they call it, I was mad! Too mad to have written this letter at the time. They used an arbitrary Chapter, Section and Article of the City Charter (Chapter 277 of the Election Code has to do with a Local Option Election held under the Alcoholic Beverage Code and Section 1 of Article IV of the City's Charter. Having to do with INITIATIVE; REFERENDUM; RECALL) to say more or less that the petition with 128 signatures was no good as we did not have their voter registration number, the date they signed it, their date of birth and in what municipality the live in also that I did not certify

the petition. My petition was not a REFERENDUM or a RECALL but a petition of protest! I feel they thought this would make me go away, but they're wrong!

Now it has come to my attention that the City Commission thought I was against the building of the

Aquatic Center all together.

The petition, very plainly said at the top of the page We were against putting the Aquatic Center in Inez Carter Park.

It's seams the Commission can not only not READ! But they can not HEAR! I told them at the Commission meeting we did not want the Aquatic Center in Inez Carter Park. I hereby ask all citizens

that feel as I do, to write the City Commission in protesting the Purchase of more land, that will come off the tax roll and using Inez Carter Park for the Aquatic Center. I feel, as I told the Commission that Recreation Park would be a better location.

Thank you,
Joseph Neil
Pampa

We welcome your letters

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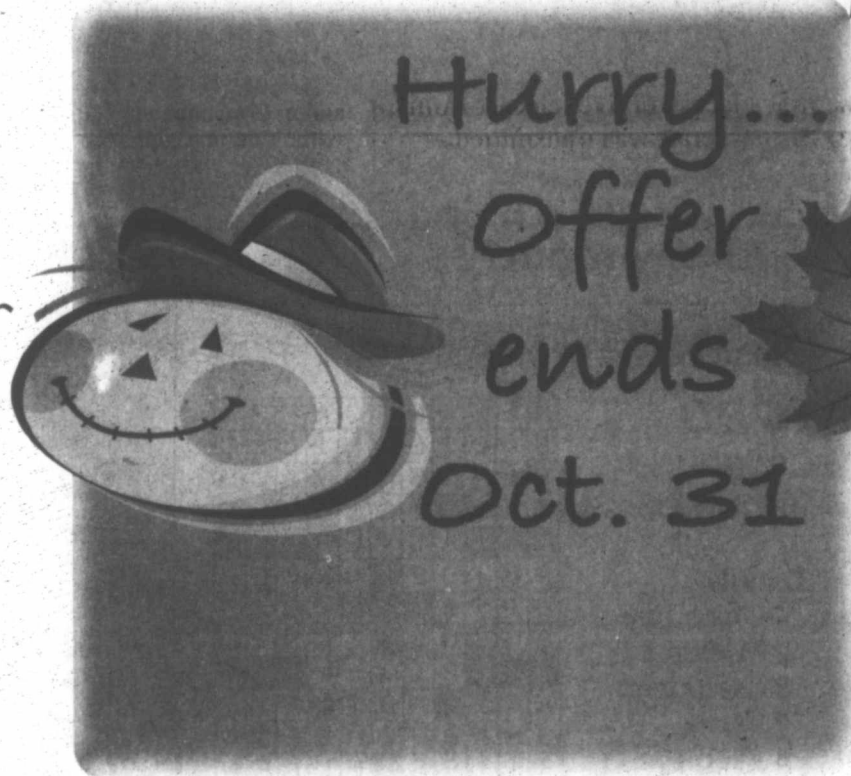
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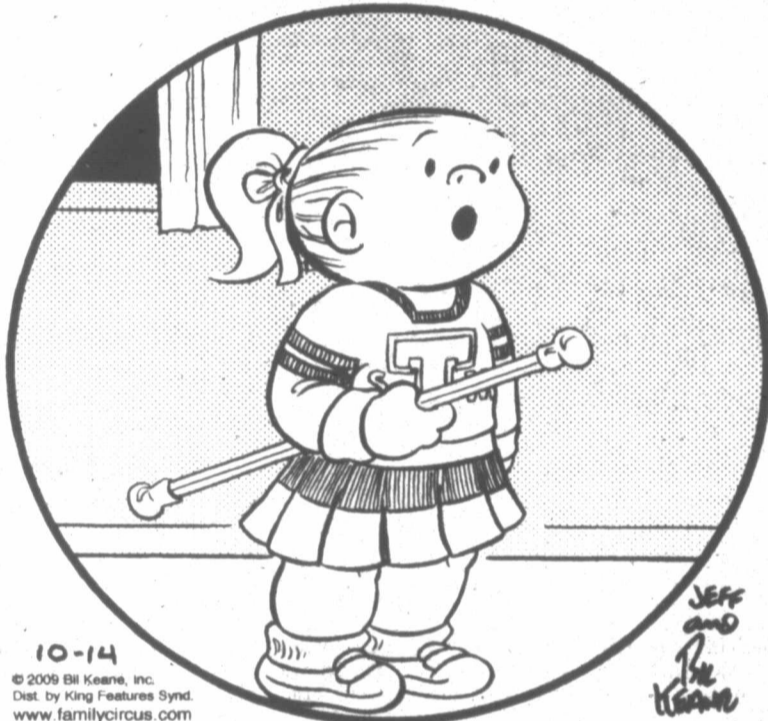
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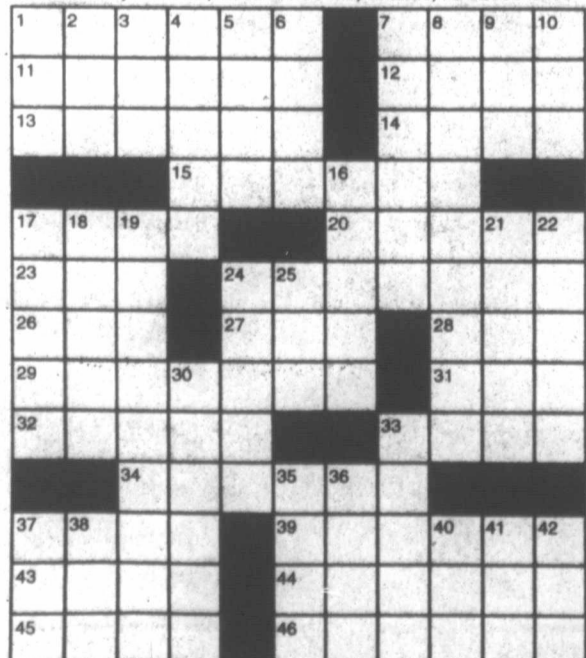
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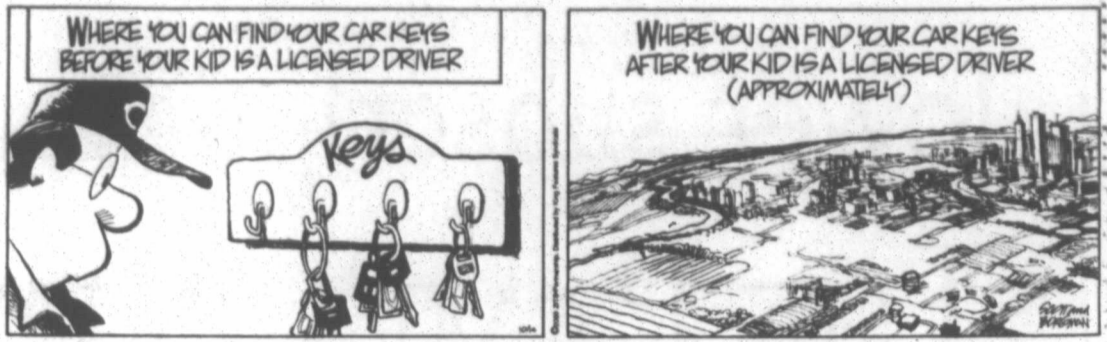


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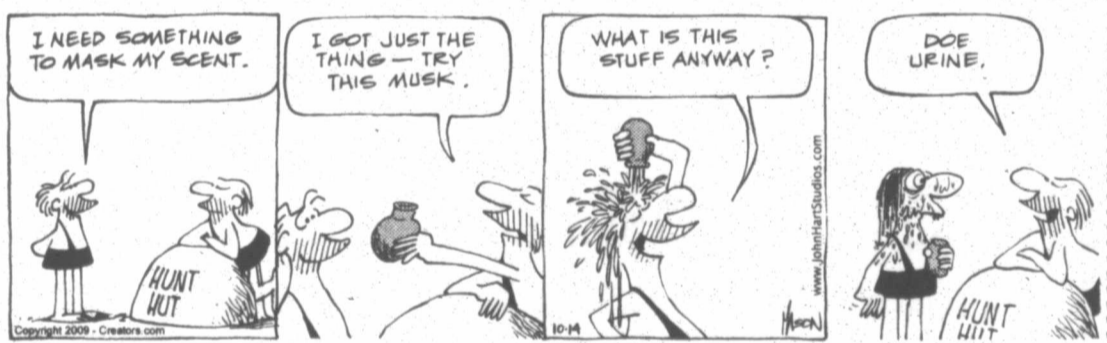
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Oct. 15, 2009:

This year, you move in new ways and make what you want happen. Refuse to get into power plays. Learn to walk away from such manipulations. Some people in your life could be stunned by your firm "no" and independence. If you are attached, and this is part of your relationship, by you saying no, you have taken the first step to a better relationship. With your time and patience, your significant other will learn to relate on new terms. If you are single, remain centered about what you want from a relationship. Be careful, as there is a likelihood you could choose a person who is emotionally unavailable. VIRGO reads you too well — nearly!

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
 ***** Intensity marks your interactions. Someone clearly cares and wants to let you know. How appropriate that might be is another issue. Of course, you don't want interference at work. You might be better off acknowledging this person. Tonight: Don't push yourself too hard.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
 ***** An indulgence on your part could lead to more demands. You wonder for what and why. Investigate options that appear out of the blue. Your understanding and insight help an associate see that there are alternatives. Tonight: Be naughty.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
 ***** Stick to basics. An adjustment within a relationship might be more necessary than you think. Go with the flow

and don't fight the inevitable. Your ability to move past another's contrary attitude allows growth. Tonight: Indulge a child or love one.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
 ***** Return calls and stay on top of your game. Be aware of your present limits, and don't worry as much about what others think. You move in a new, positive direction when listening to the inevitable conversations among co-workers. Go past the mundane. Tonight: Add in more fun.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
 ***** Understanding the implications of an agreement helps you move past a problem. You really don't need to worry about a financial issue if you are on top of your game. Opposition occurs out of the blue, and you cannot calm down a partner. Tonight: Go with surprise.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
 ***** You greet excess positively right now, as you have been holding yourself back too much. You need to let go, which you probably have. To rope yourself in could be close to impossible. Others could be unpredictable. Tonight: Do whatever makes you smile.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
 ***** Take your time and don't feel compelled to do anything in any specific manner. Pressure builds around the home front and what you perceive is going on. Get ready for winter, and schedule a checkup for your heating system. Tonight: Take some much needed personal time.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
 ***** It's a good idea to focus on a meeting in order to make your point. You might think that a meeting or presentation is a piece of cake. Your ability to regroup and think on your feet counts. Tonight: Where the crowds are.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
 ***** If you can relax and not react, you could stay on top of your game. Evaluate and consider what someone seems to be offering. Can you trust this person? Will he or she come through for you and live up to his or her agreement? Tonight: A must appearance.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
 ***** Keep reaching out for someone you care about. You might be shocked by what develops if you relax and just let events flow. Nervous energy surrounds you. Don't add to the increasing stress levels. What appears to be upsetting at first will work out. Tonight: Hang out with favorite people.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
 ***** Deal with a partner directly. You might want to exert pressure on someone or manipulate him or her. Let go of this desire, and simply let this person figure out who holds the cards. He or she wants to work with you anyway. Tonight: Dinner for two.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
 ***** By now, one would think that you cannot influence several people in your life. You see a way to make both of your objectives happen even though it seems impossible to those who use black-and-white thinking. Tonight: Be your own person.

BORN TODAY
 Philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche (1844), Duchess of York Sarah Ferguson (1959), former Chrysler CEO Lee Iacocca (1924)

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Next Meeting: Monday, 10-19 at 7:00 p.m. Ready Room inside the Athletic Building (Val Halla) on Randy Matson Ave. Parents of 7th—12th grade players are encouraged to attend and be a part.

7th and 8th Graders play on Tuesday, 10-13 at 5 p.m. against Dumas (7th grade at home); on Thursday, 10-15 the Freshman will be on their home field against Canyon at 5 p.m. as JV will travel to Canyon (middle school field) at 5 p.m. Varsity will be at home against Canyon on Friday, October 16th with kick off at 7:30 p.m.

Congratulations to last week's Player of the Week recipients: Nathan Taggart, Cager Osborne, Nathan Fuentes, Latigo Collins, Reid Bradley and Alex Clendening! Way to go!

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Nathan Taggart 7th grade Player of the week vs. Canyon.



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Latigo Collins 10th grade Player of the week vs. Randall.



Reid Bradley 11th grade Player of the week vs. Randall.



Alex Clendening senior Player of the week vs. Randall.

PHS tennis match delayed

Pampa High School's tennis match against Canyon was postponed Tuesday because of weather. The match will be rescheduled for 4 p.m. Thursday at the Harvester Tennis Courts.

PHS boys and girls golf win fifth place in tourneys

BY ANDREW GLOVER
aglover@thepampanews.com

The Pampa Harvesters boys golf team finished fifth in the Canyon Triangular meet Saturday at Canyon.

They only played nine holes because of weather. The Harvesters finished seven strokes behind fourth place Dumas and 15 strokes behind third place Canyon. Amarillo High won the meet with a 146 three strokes ahead of second place Randall.

Cole Buck had the best score for Pampa with a 38, Logan Reagan and Collin Killgo scored a 40, Joseph Mechelay scored a 47, James Thompson scored a 50. Pampa's next invitational is at Dumas on Friday and Saturday.

Liz Hoelting of Pampa won fifth place individual-

ly and the Lady Harvesters finished fifth overall in the Amarillo Golf Relays Friday and Saturday.

Hoelting shot a 102 on Friday and a 95 on Saturday leading the Pampa golfers on both days. Samantha Kelly shot a 116 on Friday and a 101 on Saturday. Lindsey Brown shot a 125 and 112, Cori Cook shot a 137 and 109 and Sydney Hoelting shot a 127 and a 125.

The Lady Harvesters shot a 461 on Friday and a 420 on Saturday for a total score of 881. Pampa was 11 strokes behind Caprock who finished fourth. Amarillo High won the relays with a score of 384 and 392 for a total score of 776, 34 strokes ahead of Canyon who finished second.

The Lady Harvesters next invitational is at Borger Saturday.

Coming up

Previews on Pampa's football game against Canyon, and Lefors game against Miami.

A recap of Pampa Junior High's football games vs. Dumas.

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